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ADOPT PLAN OF CITY ELECTIONS

Charter Commissioners Vote Against Proportional Repre- sentation in City Politics.

TAKE UP CIVIL SERVICE

Decide to Eliminate Right of Ap- peal, but Reconsider and Leave System Much as Under Present Regulations.

The Charter Commission, at its session last night, voted against proportional representation, and in favor of the same plan of election as provided by the Oregon code. Two hours time was consumed in the discussion of civil service, and at one time the members voted by a small majority to eliminate the right of appeal except for religious or political reasons in cases of removal by the head of a department, thus giving the department head absolute power to discharge incompetent, "busy bodies" or any man not in accord with the administration.

Will Meet Again Friday.

The Commission voted to meet again Friday night. There is much work yet to be done, and frequent sessions must be held. If the new charter is to be reported to the Council in February.

The first business considered was the report of the committee on wards, boundaries and elections. W. H. Montague moved that proportional representation be not adopted, as recommended by a committee, and that the elections be held in the same manner as now provided by law. The question was discussed at length. F. V. Holman expressed the belief that a voter should be allowed to vote for but one of six Councilmen, but Senator Gearin declared that under such a plan, it would be possible for an election to miscarry, as a large number might vote for one candidate and fail to elect a member of the Council.

Takes Up Civil Service.

The commission next took up and considered the report of the committee on civil service. The committee has a duty of the Circuit Judges of Multnomah or the Governor to fill vacancies in the Civil Service Commission, and it is being weak and unsatisfactory. H. M. Ryerson suggested that the Mayor and Council fill the vacancies, refusal so to elect a member of the Council.

How Former System Worked.

Mr. Montague made a strong plea for a good, independent civil service commission. Mr. Ryerson, who was removed in 1904 for the stated reason that there was lack of funds, but without any appropriation, is now once again in the office, and the political faith of the officials who removed the 12. He also explained that the present civil service rules permit of the discharge of any employee for incompetency, the person who provided in the report. He said that politics will figure largely in the new conditions of affairs and that a strong civil service is, therefore, urgently needed.

Appeal Subject of Debate.

The debate ranged about the question of giving discharged employees the right of appeal. Dr. Chapman, leading the fight for a system that will eliminate the long and tedious hearings in all cases of removal. Dr. Chapman declared in favor of doing away with the present plan, which forces the department head to fight all removals before the Executive Board and Civil Service Commission. He said it should be left open, so that the head of a department will not have to defend his act in any removal. Mr. Montague and Dr. W. G. Elliot, Jr., argued for appeals in cases of removal for political or religious reasons or bad faith.

Takes Away Every Safeguard.

"This takes away every safeguard of the employee," said Mr. Ryerson. "It's going too far," declared J. B.

CHORUS HOLDS REHEARSAL

Under Direction of W. H. Boyer Drills for Festival.

Rehearsals were resumed for the season last night at the Heilig Theater by the chorus which will sing at the music festival in conjunction with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

NO INCREASE IN SALARIES

President Makes Request of Mem- bers of His Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Every member of the Cabinet was present at today's meeting. After the meeting it became public that the Cabinet has been asked by the President to make no recommendations in their annual estimates to be submitted to Congress for the increase of salaries in their respective departments. This will apply to Government employees throughout the country as well as at Washington. The suggestion was made to the Cabinet sometime before the election, but it is explained at the White House, has no connection with the attack made upon the Democratic platform of the Federal Government.

BIG TAFT RALLY AT SALEM

Meeting Turns Into Discussion of Statement No. 1.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—The Taft ratification banquet this evening very rapidly merged from a Taft meeting into a discussion of statement No. 1, but the best of feeling prevailed, notwithstanding some very radical declarations. So far as the number of speakers is concerned, the meeting was equally represented, but the applause showed preponderance of sentiment strongly against statement No. 1.

GUESTS OF THE PRESIDENT

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BAR ASSOCIATION HOLDS MEETING

Listens to Papers, Has Dis- cussions and Proposes Resolutions.

WANTS NEW CONSTITUTION

Judge Will R. King Sets Forth Need of Better Legislation Covering Water Resources of State.

Tribute to Heney.

The 15th annual meeting of the Oregon Bar Association, which began its two days' session in the Federal Court room yesterday, will close tonight with a banquet at the Commercial Club. Most of the morning session was taken up with the reading of reports of various committees and listening to the annual address of President Richard W. Montague and the offering of several resolutions which will be acted upon during today's session.

Regarding Water Resources.

That our state has not fully appreciated its water resources and resultant benefits, manifested by its inaction with reference to law as looking towards the protection and use of these resources, was the theme of Judge Will R. King's paper presented at the meeting. Judge King's paper was considered by the members of the bar of considerable importance because of the present irrigation laws of the state are badly muddled and his recommendation for the calling of a Constitutional Convention met with hearty accord of all present. Judge King's paper in part follows:

Idaho Law is Better.

In Idaho, the fact that large areas were irrigated and the work is progressing. This is but a few miles across the line, where the work is progressing. Much unjust criticism has been made against the Declaration Service because it is not undertaken in our state. In this connection we hear it said that the sale of public lands that other states have. And this is true, but this is not the case in Idaho. Although our state has through the sale of public lands sold within its borders, furnished more money to the reclamation fund than any other state. It is not to be supposed, however, that our state has not returned until we can get a more favorable law on irrigation, or until we can at least be placed on an equal basis with our neighboring states of Utah and Nevada.

Location Inmaterial to Government.

Under the abandoned project in Malheur County alone the permanency of 10,000 homes in that section have been assured. But let it be remembered that a like number of homes in any other state or section of our country is of like benefit to the Nation at large, although a loss to our state locally. It may share in the general benefit, but it is in material, therefore, to the Government, that its projects must go elsewhere. Nor is it justly open to criticism for seeking fields of operation where the laws are most conducive to the best operation and maintenance of the works intended by the reclamation act. The Government constructs its works, and until paid for by the water consumers, controls its management in general, and to some extent, special management.

Other States Lead Oregon.

What applies to the encouragement of Government projects will, with equal force, apply to the encouragement of private and corporate enterprises. The states of Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada, as well as the states of Utah and Colorado are 25 years ahead of Oregon in this respect.

Recommendations Are Made.

In conclusion I make the following recommendations: First—Complete state control of diversions from streams should be provided. No water rights in the future should be made except by appropriation under the laws, rules and regulations prescribed by the state and the diversion of water without right from a public stream, including all knowledge of wrongful interference with rights of others, to the injury of another, should be made a misdemeanor. Second—A system should be provided whereby the priority and limitations of every existing right to the use of water should be ascertained. Third—Provision should be made for a reliable record in some central office of all rights to the use of water as determined, and of new rights as initiated. Fourth—That actual measurements of ditches and streams be made for the adjudication of existing rights and

For the Initiation of New Rights to the Sur- face Waters.

Fifth—To provide a definite procedure whereby rights to surface water can be acquired. Sixth—That beneficial use should be the basis of all rights to the use of water, and that water for irrigation purposes should be made a public use. Seventh—All rights to the use of water for power development should be limited under certain restrictions. Eighth—An adequate system of fees, payable to the state by those benefited, should be provided for, so that eventually this system should become self-supporting.

Attorney Babbs' Paper was Read by A. King Wilson, Mr. Babbs being unable to attend the meeting. A spirited dis- cussion took place after the reading of the two papers, in which Attorney Ros- coe R. Johnson, of Herrington, took ac- tive part. Mr. Johnson is an authority on irrigation matters in Oregon, having done considerable work for the Gov- ernment. Other lawyers present who discussed the papers were President Montague, Wirt Minor, George S. Shep- herd, A. King Wilson and several others. Mr. Minor was strongly in favor of the Legislature calling a constitutional convention.

Today's session will also be devoted to the reading of papers, and there are discussed the most important ones to be heard. One especially is the one pro- posed by the committee on laws. This committee has proposed a full measure on the subject of forcible entry and detainer. The present law is consid- ered unsatisfactory.

Cases Left Over.

A number of cases, however, were left over from the former committee. The report showed that two cases filed against H. C. King had been considered, three against J. A. Finch, one against John P. Watts and two against J. H. Hitchings. The committee was ordered

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FOOTBALL TICKETS.

Reserved seats for the annual game between Multnomah and University of Oregon, on Thanksgiving day, can be secured at Powers & Estes druggists, Sixth and Alder sts. Sale commences Thursday at 10 A. M.