Initiative Measures Will Be Analyzed for Voters by Solon's Plan.

EXPERTS TO BE JUDGES

Representative Eggleston Proposes That Committee's Impartial Findings Shall Be Given to State at Large Through Pamphlet.

SALEM. Or., Jan. 15 .- (Special.) -- In or der that voters may be reliably informed as to the legal and constitutional meaning and effect of the initiative measures osed for enactment, Representative Eggleston of Jackson has evolved a plan which he will embody in a bill to be in-troduced in the House some time this

week when it reconvenes today.

The bill will provide that all such measures be studied and passed upon by a committee of five members, consisting of the Governor and the Attorney-General, these officers to select three Circuit Judges of the state as the other members of the semmittee.

of the committee.

The committee is to assemble at Salem is days prior to the time for printing the pumphiets containing initiative and referendum measures. It will be its duty to determine the true effect of each measure and prepare a statement covering the ure and prepare a statement covering the subject. These statements shall be printed in the pamphlet in connection with each measure and at the expense of the

each measure and at state.

This measure was suggested to me from my own experience in the last two elections," Mr. Eggleston said today. "It does not amend in the alightest particular any provision of the initiative and referendum, but is supplemental thereto. "It is only right that the voters should provided with an impartial explana-on of each of these measures from a

duly authorized committee of citizens, that they may vote intelligently. "Under the present system provision is made by which the friends and opponents may have arguments for and against all initiative bills printed in the official pamphlet. These arguments do not suf-

pamphiet. These arguments do not suffice to inform the voter. Both are partison and as a rule when the voter has read them he does not really understand the true meaning and effect of the proposed law.

"My bill does not deprive supporters and opponents of these different initiative hills from submitting arguments pro and can. It simply provides a way by which the voter can be made acquainted with these proposed measures of legislawith these proposed measures of legisla-tion free from all partisan argument for or against them."

or against them."

The bill provides that the three Circuit Judges serving on the committee shall receive a per diem of \$5 and mileage while engaged in their work.

BILL EXEMPTS MORTGAGES

Senator McCulloch's Tax Measure to Be Henrd by Legislature.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 15. - (Special.) - To exempt from taxation morigages, interests in real or personal property, notes, debts or credits given or created by mortgage or in connec-tion with or incident to any transaction wherein a mortgage is executed or created, is the object of a bill which will be introduced by Senator McCulof Baker, today

with the full approbation of the State
Tax Commission and backed up by a
great amount of agitation against the
system known as "double taxation."
"Under the constitution as it stood
last year, the Tax Commission and the
Legislature were powerless to enact
legislation providing for such exemption as the constitution expressely provided that all taxation should be equal
and uniform," said Senator McCulloch
today.

Under the new so-called county tax amendment passed by the people at the last general election through the powers of the initiative, this bill will be constitutional and I believe highly ac-

"Under the provisions of the new amendment it will be necessary to re-fer it to a vote of the people as the amendment expressly provides that the powers of exemption and taxation are expressly placed in the hands of the

The bill as proposed by Senator Mc-Culloch will be for an amendment to Section 3554 of Lord's Oregon Laws At present, there are eight paragraphs un-der this section providing for exemp-tions, this amendment to be the ninth. Last year, the State Tax Commission

issued a letter to assessors of the state calling their attention to the subject of taxing mortgages and urging upon them to bring all of the counties' per-centages of cash valuation up to the standard by including all of the mortgage notes possible in making up the assessments. This was followed by considerable dissension on the part of various business organizations and associations, but the Tax Commission re-mained firm in its stand contending that the Commission was acting under the law and that, while its members personally were not in favor of such taxation, it was written into the law and it was the duty of the Commission to call the attention of the assessors to the provisions of the law. At the same time, they stated their letter to the assessors was merely in the way of

a suggestion, rather than mandatory. Senator McCulioch is of the opinion that his bill, before it is finally settled in the Legislature, will be wider in its scope t. an is shown in the rough draft which he has now prepared. An effort will be made to have it cover unsecured debts, and certain classes of bonds and debts in relation to municipalities.

Those who are opposed to taxation of mortgages and mortgage notes say that such taxation works an injustice, inasnuch as it imposes a double tax. They declare that the owner of mortgaged property first pays taxes upon that property and then, by means of an in-creased rate of interest, is compelled to pay the fax on the mortgage as well. while the money lender escapes scot free, his money being in the hands of the land owner and the land owner being compelled to pay for the mortgage tax. For instance, it is stated, the property owner who has land valued at ing compelled to pay for the mortgage tax. For instance, it is stated, the property owner who has land valued at \$10,000, which is mortgaged for \$7000, take to be disposed of in quantities not execeeding 180 acres to any one person at \$2.50 an acre. The Oregon Legislature in turn, on October 22, 1870, granted the lands to the Coos Bay Company under the same conditions as the Government had imposed on the state in the original control of assessed valuation. just proportion of assessed valuation grant

NEW STATE OFFICER URGED

Legislature to Consider Creating Lieutenant-Governorship.

STATE CAPITOL. Salem, Or., Jan. is—
(Special.)—To create the office of Lieutenni-Governor and to delegate to the
star clerk in the Secretary's office the Southern Oregon Company.

power to act as a member of the board and have full sway in conducting the af-fairs of that office during the absence of the Secretary, are plans which will be incorporated into measures to be pre-sented to the Legislature during the pre-

it is said by supporters of these plans that developments during the nast two years have awakened the public to the necessity of making some different pro-visions than exist in the constitution now.

visions than exist in the constitution now, to protect the executive and administrative departments.

When Frank Benson by virtue of his office as Secretary of State became Governor and also remained as Secretary of State, holding two positions on the State Board, and was then compelled to leave for California, because of ill health, he turned the reins of office over to Jay Bowerman, who was then President of the Senate. Some complications then arose, it left the Secretary's office in the hands of the Chief Clerk and there was considerable controversey as to the the hands of the Chief Clerk and there was considerable controversey as to the legality of the Secretary delegating his authority to his Chief Clerk as far as signing documents of state. These documents were signed, however, and have steed as valid for many months. Because they have been generally accepted, it is probable no dispute could arise concerning them which would be upheld by the courts but the present Legislature will be called upon to pass a curative act to make these documents stand as valid beyond all question.

During Howerman's time as Chief Executive he was called away from the state once or twice in connection with his duties as Commander-in-Chief of the

state once or twice in connection with his duties as Commander-in-Chief of the State Militia and at those times the state was in fact without a Governor. Benson still being in California. Then the ques-tion arose frequently as to what would happen in event some accident should occur to Bowerman which would compel him to give up his position as Acting Gov. him to give up his position as Acting Gov-ernor and Benson should be incapacitated

ermanently. Many have made the elatement that the Many have made the statement that the conditions existing during the past year have abown plainly the necessity of making some provision as to the line of succession, which will extend further than outlined in the present constitution.

In addition, they say, it has shown the necessity of delegating to someone the power to act as Secretary of State and member of the Board of Control in case the Secretary is called away from his duties.

Considerable interest attaches to what moves the Legislature may make in this direction as it may have some vital effect during the coming administration.

SINGLE-BID SYSTEM FAVORED

Act to Buy State Supplies at One Time

to Be Introduced. STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 15. (Special.)—Acts covering the system of purchasing state supplies that are promised for this session of the Legis-lature, promise to differ in their nature

lature, promise to differ in their nature and may result in some arguments. The bill providing that the state board purchase supplies for all the state institutions under one bid, that each institution might profit by the reduction in price resulting from the single purchase was fathered by Jay Bowerman when he was making his campaign for Governor. This was incorporated in his retiring message to the Legislature, and was also incorporated as a portion of the message of the incoming Governor, Oswald West, Backed as the plan is, it promises to have the support of many members of

backed as the plan is, it promises to have the support of many members of the Legislature, and will be pushed through the Senate and the House, no doubt, by a hard fight. But another plan has developed, which has some supporters, and that is to establish a system of buying supplies through a purchasing agent.

system of buying supplies through a purchasing agent.

Advocates of this plan say that a buyer, who has had wide experience in this line of work, would be able to save the state large sums of money. They would make it the duty of the state board to have supervision of this buyer and his actions. They point out that in the merchandising business the buyer is the most important factor that in the merchands of suspensions the huyer is the most important factor when the final question of profits comes up, and they see no reason why such should not be the case where pur-chase of state supplies is involved.

This bill will go into the Legislature with the full approbation of the State

Senator Miller Expected to Introduce Bill Today.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 15. -(Special.) - It will probably fall to Senator Miller to introduce the bill calling for a flat salary for the State Printer, and it is expected that it will be introduced tomorrow afternoon

The bill has been amended in several ways since originally commented upon in The Oregonian, the most material of these alterations being an increase of the salary of \$2400 annually to \$4000 annually. The amount of the salary is placed in the bill only tentatively, however, it being expected by the framers that the Legislature will make some

SCHOOL LAND PATENTS COME

Clear Lists Carrying 7600 Acres Re ceived by Governor.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Jan. 15 .-(Special.) — Governor West today re-ceived receipts of clear lists of patents from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, carrying about 7600 scres of school indemnity lands selected by

mentioned by West in his message. This leaves about 58,000 acres still unpatented and the Governor has taken the matter up with the Oregon delegation in Congress, hoping to hurry up the patents.

OREGON WILL CLAIM LANDS Ternis Have Been Complied With by Construction of Wagon Road.

Contending that if the Government is successful in the suit it has brought against the Southern Oregon Company for the recovery of the lands included in the Coos Bay Millitary Wagon Road grant, the lands so recovered should revert to the state, Representative Cole is preparing a bill to protect the interest. preparing a bill to protect the interests of the state in this important suit now pending in the United States Court for the District of Oregon. This bill will be introduced by Mr. Cole during the present session of the Legislature.

The lands involved in the litigat'on consist of approximately 104,000 acres, including some of the best timbered land.

cluding some of the best timbered land in the state. It is conservatively esti-mated that the lands are worth between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

These lands, extending from Cook Bay to Roseburg, originally were granted to the State of Oregon by Act of Con-gress of March 3, 1889, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a mili-tary wagon road between the two points. The grant stipulated that the lands were to be disposed of in quantities not

But the terms of this contract were not fulfilled by the Coos Bay Company. About May, 1885, the company is alleged to have sold \$7,000 acres to John Miller, who a few days later, transferred the property to a group of capitallats con-sisting of Stanford, Crocker, Huntington and Hopkins, whose agent Miller is sus-pected of having been. These specula-ters afterwards disposed of the lands to BEST

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FARMERS TO MEET

Agricultural College Will Hold Great Institute.

GOOD ROADS LEADING TOPIC

Experts on Every Feature of Farm and Housework Will Lecture During Six Days' Session--400 to 600 Farmers Expected.

> OREGON AGRICULTURAL LEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 15.—(Special.)— Special features, which will be introduced in connection with the farmers week, the great farmers' institute which is held at the Oregon Agricultursi College annually, are expected to make that event one of the greatest of this kind ever held in the North-

> In connection with the regular insti-In connection with the regular insti-tute and instructional work which has been given in previous years, one ses-sion will be devoted to a discussion of good roads of the state and another session will deal with the question of irrigation in the Willamette Valley, which subject has again been brought to the attention of the people of this section by the plans proposed by Presi-dent Kerr and sanctioned by the Fed-eral authorities for work along these

Farmers Expected by Hundreds.

An attempt will be made to secure the men in this state and in the North-west generally who are most familiar with the good roads movement. President Kerr is now in communication with President Webster, of the Good Roads Association of the state, and other prominent organizers. The data on road material and its location, which was collected by Professor Parks, of the college, and his assistants during the Summer, will be presented and dis-

Farmers' week has been set for February 13 to 18. Indications are that there will be, by far, the largest at-tendance which has ever been recorded for this course. Last year the at-tendance was over 400 and the increase in the number of inquiries and general interest throughout the state in this work is, according to Dean Cordly, chairman of the committee, evidence that the attendance will reach 600 or

Experts to Lecture on All Topics. Special lecturers who are experts on he various subjects of fruitgrowing. orchard work, marketing, soils, drain- district.

ing, farm management, all phases of stockraising, problems of home man-agement, insect and disease pests, and butter and cheese-making, have been secured to assist the college experts in this work. The time will be full from early morning until late at night, so that a very extensive curriculum will be covered. The work will be of such a nature as to appeal not only to the farmers and housewives of the state but to war warmer. state, but to men and women of all professions who are interested in the vital problems of this commonwealth. The last day of the farmers week will

be given over very largely to a poul-try show. The department of poul-try husbandry is now gathering some of the finest pure bred fowls from all over the Northwest to be used at this

WATER TO BE USED ON PAY-ETTE-BOISE PROJECT.

Million to Be Spent on Monster Dam Which Will Irrigate Tract of 270,000 Acres.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 15 .- (Special.)-The Reclamation Service headquarters in this city has been notified by Secretary Ballinger that \$1,000,000 of the reclamation bond issue appropriated by Congress at the last session will be used immediately to commence con-struction work on what the service as-serts will be the largest irrigation dam in the world. This dam will be on the Boise River, 35 miles northeast of this The water will be used on the

Payette-Boise irrigation project, com-prising 270,000 acres. Preparations have already been start-Preparations have already been started to carry on the work. An electric line will be constructed from Boise to the site of the Government dam installed two years ago across the Boise River, seven miles from here, and where the reclamation camps are located. From this point northeast up the river canyon a steam line will be installed for the hauling of building materials to the damsite. to the damsite.

The dam will be 318 feet high, raising

The dam will be are leet nigh, raising the water in the reservoir to 312 feet. It will cost \$5,159,000, and create a reservoir of 150,000 acre feet capacity. Arrow Rock, the site of the dam, was selected by Arthur P. Davis, chief engineer of the Reclamation Service, following a visit to Boise and the canyon to the north by the board of Army engineers. to the north by the board of Army en-

It is estimated that it will take about four years to complete the dam. More Quakes Are Felt.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 15.—Dispatches received here from Taskent, Russian-Turkestan, say further earth shocks have been felt at Vyerny, capital of Semirystohensk. These, however, have been slight. The intense cold continues and there is great suffering in the

Mob Storms Jail and Jailor Admits Frenzied Men.

2 BODIES ARE RECOVERED

Third Victim of Kentuckians' Rage Cannot Be Found-Two Accused of Insulting White Women in Shelby County.

SHELBYVILLE, Ky., Jan. 15 .- Fifty masked men stormed the Shelby County jail here early today, seized and lynched three negroes, two of whom were charged with insulting white women, and the

third under sentence to hang for the murder of a negro woman. Bodies of two of the negroes, Gene Mar-shall and Wade Patterson, have been found, but that of the third, Jim West, is still unaccounted for, although he was seen in the hands of the mob with a rope about his neck.

According to Ernest Hornbeck, deputy jailer, the mob appeared at the jail at 2:10 o'clock this' morning and it was 3:35 when they took the three negroes away.

The two bodies recovered were found about a quarter of a mile apart. That about a quarter of a mile apart. That water works. The system which now sup-of Marshall was found hanging to the bridge over the Emmance pless near the owned by a private company. The sup-

jail, while that of Patterson was found in Clear Creek. Patterson, it is said, attempted to escape from the mob, was shot and his body thrown into the creek. According to Hornback, Jailer Thompson hid the jail keys when the mob appeared and later, when it became more insistent, Hornback admitted the men to the jail office. the fall office.

Patterson, it is charged, insulted two white women and knocked both of them down. West's alleged crime was more recent, and it is said he had often been seen throwing kisses at white women. He was a chauffeur.

Portland Men Buy Timber Land. COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 15. (Special.) - Omer Hoskins and C. C. Shay, of Portland, and E. C. S. and C. E. Brainard, of Payette, Idaho, have bought 3000 acres of land, containing timber estimated at 100,000,000 feet, near this place, and have taken op-tions on 25,000,000 feet of standing timthe vicinity. These ties say they will install a 100,000-feetper-day-capacity sawmill upon the land at an early date. It is declared the lands and options involve an expendi-ture of \$100.000.

Anvil to Start on Run.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 15.-(Special.) The gasoline schooner Anvil, The gasoline schooler Anvi, which is to go on the run from Portland to Ya-quina, Coos Bay and Bandon, will make the first run about January 10. The boat will be welcomed in Cops County, as it will give the Coquille River noints a direct freight and passenger service with Portland, which that part of the county does not now have

Municipal Water Works Proposed.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 15 .- (Special.) -The City Council of Marshfield has dis-cussed the matter of having a municipal

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