

### TWO SCHOOL ACTS MEET SALUTARY

#### Huntington Act for Rural Classes, Hawley Bill Raises Teachers' Standard.

### COUNTY BOARD PROVIDED

#### State Superintendent Believes Effi- ciency Will Be Increased 100 Per Cent When Measures Are in Force.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—What are considered by State Superintendent Alderman as two highly important and meritorious pieces of school legislation were passed by the Legislature just closed.

These are the Huntington and Hawley acts, the Huntington bill improving rural schools and the Hawley bill raising to raise the standard of the teaching profession throughout the state. Under the Huntington act every county in the state having more than 60 school districts shall create a County Educational Board without compensation to consist of four members to be appointed by the County Superintendent and the Superintendent is to act as an ex-officio member as well.

All the school districts in the county are to be divided into supervisory districts by this board, which is to meet the first Monday in June. Under the act no supervisory district is to contain less than 20 nor more than 50 school districts.

#### Women May Serve.

For every one of the supervisory districts the board is to name a supervisor, who is to work under the direction of the County School Superintendent. Both men and women may serve on the board and it is the intent of the act to have such men and women appointed who are representative of the county and who are thoroughly interested in the welfare of the schools.

It is believed by the State Superintendent that the efficiency of the schools will be increased by at least 100 per cent under the workings of this act during the next two years.

### New System Explained.

Concerning the Hawley act, providing for certification of teachers and standardization of schools, Superintendent Alderman said:

The certificate law places a premium upon thorough preparation and special training. It demands no less than a year's preparation for a certificate. The graduate of a standard normal school will receive from the department a certificate, without examination, to teach in any of the high schools of this state. A plan is also provided whereby a teacher may receive a certificate who has completed the course of study in the examination method.

County certificates are abolished and all examinations will be conducted by the State Department. An examination equivalent to the present second-grade county certificate will be given for a one-year state certificate. This paper is renewed once. Examinations for a five-year certificate will be the same as the present life paper with the addition of three subjects—geology, American history and civics. This will raise the life paper to the standard of any other paper in the United States in the Union.

It is expected that this plan will do more than any other one thing that could be done to raise the standard of the teaching profession. One other salient feature of the law is that it gives to any four-year high school in the state the privilege of adding a teachers' training course, and graduates from this teachers' training course will be entitled to a one-year state certificate. For a school to take advantage of this law, it must provide one teacher who shall devote not less than four hours each day to the training course, and such teacher shall be a graduate of a standard normal school or its equivalent. For the work done in this teachers' training course, three credits are given on the basis of 10 credits required for graduation in a high school.

### VARSITY STUDENTS CONCERNED

#### Seniors Desiring to Teach Must Now Change Their Courses.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The passage of the Hawley educational bill in the recent session of the Legislature has caused some difficulty for the senior students of the university who are intending to teach. They have found that they will be obliged to make sweeping changes in their courses if they would be eligible under the new enactment.

Under the new law graduates from the university who desire to teach in the high schools of the state must have made 15 credits in the educational department. To secure the necessary number of credits before graduation many of the seniors have been obliged to change their courses for the second semester and take nearly all of their work in the educational department. Several others will not be able to fulfill the requirements in one semester and will be obliged to take supplementary work in the summer school.

The difficulty will not extend past the present senior class, however, as the students in the lower classes will have ample time to readjust their courses and bring their credits up to the new requirements before graduation.

### FARMERS ATTACK MEASURE

#### Batchelder Course Examined as to Facts by Stone.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Farmers registered protests against the Canadian Reciprocity agreement in a hearing today before the Senate committee on finance.

Ex-Governor N. J. Batchelder of New Hampshire, Master of the National Grange, made the opening argument and was followed by Masters of State Granges.

In the opening statement, Mr. Batchelder asserted that six million farmers were united in opposition to the agreement, and he said he voiced their protests against free trade in farm products while protection was continued

on manufactured articles, which the farmers are compelled to buy. He declared Canada was the only country which the farmers had to fear, and that free trade with that country meant that the farmers would derive no benefit whatever from the tariff law. He denied that cheap food would result from the consummation of the agreement.

According to Mr. Batchelder, Canada has cheaper land, lower taxes, virgin soil, which does not need fertilizing, and cheaper labor than can be found in the United States. He said wheat already had been forced down six or seven cents a bushel on the prospect of free trade with Canada. McCumber interjected that in the North-western markets the decline had been at least 12 cents.

"If this is an honest bill, let it include free trade with Great Britain," said Mr. Batchelder.

By question Stone developed that Mr. Batchelder was not really in favor of free trade with Great Britain and that he had no personal knowledge of the difference in the value of lands, the price of labor or the amount of taxes paid in Canada and the United States.

During this interchange Mr. Batchelder suggested that the only fair way for free trade to be established would be to let the Stars and Stripes float over Canada.

That is a species of jingoism talked about recently," said Stone. "I don't believe it is within the range of possibility."

Laylin, master of the Ohio State Grange, declared the only protection left to the farmer is that on wool; and "it won't be long before that is removed."

In prompt chorus Senators Smoot and McCumber asserted that it had gone already.

"Under this agreement," said McCumber, "you can drive live sheep from Canada, shear them in this country, sell the wool and drive the sheep back again."

President Taft had been informed by the secretary of the American Manufacturers' Association that about \$1 per acre of the members of the organization in a letter ballot have voted in favor of Canadian reciprocity.

### RECIPROCITY IS OPPOSED

#### LUMBERMEN DECLARE AGAINST TAFT'S TARIFF POLICY.

#### Convention Advocates Mixed Carloads and Standard Sizes of Lumber for All America.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—Declaring by resolution against Canadian reciprocity and for the adoption of mixed cars in handling coast lumber products, the standardization of sizes throughout the entire country and deprecating the tendency on the part of Congress to effect legislation which is inclined to hamper the retail lumber business, the members of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association closed their two days' convention at the Palace Hotel today with the annual election of officers and decided upon Seattle as the next convention place.

Most members of cutting and shipping lumber were advocated by F. Dean Prescott, of Fresno, Cal., in a paper on "Clear Merchantable Slabs." Bon I. Yarnham, of Des Moines, discussed "The Art of Making a Sale." Other papers were given by F. Merrill, of Salt Lake, vice-president of the American Lumber Trades Congress, who spoke on the "Code of Ethics," and W. G. Hollis, of Minneapolis, whose subject was "Our Mutual Plan."

A resolution congratulating San Francisco on its enterprise in securing the Panama-Pacific International Exposition was adopted.

The following officers were elected: President, J. G. Martin, of Fresno; vice-president, J. E. Lane, of Lewiston, Idaho; secretary, A. L. Porter, of Payson, J. L. Wentworth, A. L. Porter and J. G. Martin were the speakers.

### CHAPMAN MAY GET PLUM.

C. C. Chapman, publicity manager of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, most likely will be designated by Governor Baker as registrar and auditor provided for in Representative Abbott's bill. This piece of legislation provides for the appointment of a registrar and auditor to direct the official publicity work in the interest of the state. It provides no salary for such an official, but provides an appropriation of \$200 for the expenses of the registrar in exploiting the state and its resources.

While the bill has not yet received Governor West's approval, he is expected to veto the measure creating the State Highway Board and providing for the appointment of a Highway Commissioner. The Highway Board is to consist of three members, two of whom will be paid only their actual expenses while engaged in the work for which they were chosen by the three probable commissioners will be J. H. Albert, of Salem; C. S. Jackson, and ex-Judge Lionel R. Webster, of Portland.

### Nurses to Be Named.

Through other legislation Governor West is authorized in Senator Locke's bill to appoint a commission of three members to examine and register graduate nurses. These appointees by the Governor are to consist of three nurses selected from a list of five names submitted by the Oregon State Association of Graduate Nurses. This commission is directed to employ a secretary, at a salary of not to exceed \$500 per annum. The members of the commission will be paid \$4 a day for the time they are actually employed.

Senator Dimick's bill, appropriating \$150 for preserving the Dimick home at Oregon City, also authorizes the Governor to appoint a board of trustees of three members to direct the expenditure of the appropriation. The trustees to be named by the Governor probably will be E. G. Caulfield, Father A. Hildebrand and J. E. Hedger, or G. A. Harding, all of Oregon City. These gentlemen took an active hand in assisting the passage of the Dimick bill through both houses of the Legislature.

Most of the appointments are to be made by the Governor within 30 days after the final adjournment of the Legislature. In a few instances the Governor is allowed 60 days in which to make his selections.

### INVESTIGATING BODY ABOUT State Treasurer is Asked for Documents by Legislators.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Already Representative Clemens has requested information from State Treasurer Kay leading up to the investigation to be made of accounts in the office of State Treasurer, Secretary of State and of the various state institutions as provided in a House resolution adopted. Members of the investigating committee are Representatives Jones, Collins, Clemens, Buckley and Beals.

Mr. Clemens failed to inform State Treasurer Kay whether the committee intended to make a personal inspection or merely go over the reports. That the latter course will be taken is judged from the fact that Clemens asked for the submission of certain documents from the Treasurer's office.

State Treasurer Kay says he hopes that the committee will see fit to make a personal investigation, as he is desirous

### BESTIVAL OF 34 PLUMS WITH WEST

#### Republican Legislature Puts Many Positions in Demo- crat's Hands.

### ONE PLACE PAYS \$3000

#### New Post of Portland Commission, Purchasing Secretary, Forestry, Game, Judicial and Nurses' Boards to Be Named.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Before adjourning Oregon's late Republican Legislature created not less than 24 appointive positions to be filled by a Democratic Governor. This number, however, while not including members of the boards of directors for numerous County Fair Associations, established through legislative enactment, includes not more than one really desirable job to which remunerative salaries attach.

That position is secretary to the State Purchasing Board, composed of the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer. This position pays \$3000 annually. It is not known who is slated for the secretaryship of the State Purchasing Board. Candidates for this position thus far have not come out in the open, while Governor West declines to divulge who the men are who really want the place.

### Port Commission Provided.

Seven of the appointive positions to be filled by the Governor are members of the Port of Portland Commission, as it was recognized by the Legislature. Six of the seven members, however, are to be named by the Governor, three each on the recommendation of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the committee of fifty. The seventh member is to be of the Governor's choosing. Under Buchanan's bill a State Board of Forestry of seven members is provided. Of this board the Governor and the acting head of the School of Forestry in the Oregon Agricultural College are to be members. The other five members are to be appointed by the Governor on the recommendation of the following organizations: The Oregon State Foresters' Association, the Oregon States Foresters' Association, the Oregon States Woolgrowers' Association, the Oregon State Game and Game Commissioners, provides for a board of five members, one of whom shall be the president of the Oregon Agricultural College, and not more than two of the other four to be named from the same political parties. George W. Putnam, of Medford, probably will be one of the members.

Through the enactment of Representative Cole's bill, the Governor is empowered to appoint a commission of seven to investigate and report on the judicial system of the state. One member of this commission, whose expenditures are limited to \$1000, undoubtedly will be Senator McCulloch of Baker. It is provided in the act as it passed the Legislature that a majority of the members of this board shall be lawyers.

### 14-HOUR BILL IS LACKING

#### Railroad Measure Omits Cause Con- cerning Dispatchers.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—It has been discovered in the Governor's office that McCulloch's 14-hour bill has been weakened materially compared with the Federal statute, of which it is supposed to be a copy, by the omission of a certain clause which exempts dispatchers and towermen from the 14-hour restriction.

It was the intention of the act to make the same provisions that now apply to interstate railroads to apply to interstate lines, and to a certain extent the act as it stands does so, but the omission of the one clause, not more than 30 words long, eliminates those for whom the act was principally intended.

### SENATE CLERKS PACIFIED

#### Two Revise Journal, but Colonel Mercer Takes No Part.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—To a certain extent Chief Clerk Flagg and Assistant Chief Clerk Hunt have settled their differences and today were working side by side on the revision of the Senate Journal, but Colonel Mercer has dropped out and refuses to act longer.

Hunt says he was authorized by the Senate resolution to do the work and he intends to abide by the resolution. Inasmuch as the injunction obtained by Flagg was merely for the purpose of preventing Mercer and Hunt from revising the journal exclusively and cutting Flagg out of the work, Hunt believes he is in duty bound under the terms of the resolution to remain the ten days and do his share of the work.

### SEATTLE'S VOTE IS SMALL

#### Primary Election Counting Slow; Details Issued Today.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 21.—The vote cast in the elimination primary election to discard 30 of the 64 candidates for Council seats was unexpectedly small. Owing to the length of the ballot and the fact that the candidates' names were printed so as to give each a chance to head the list, the count of the ballots is slow, and the names of the successful 18 will not be known until tomorrow.

Each elector today voted for nine candidates. On March 7 nine of the 18 successful today will be chosen to govern the city in co-operation with the Mayor and other city officials now in office.

### PROMPT REFUND SOUGHT

#### City Attorney is Asked if Water Board May Take Mains Now.

City Auditor Barbur yesterday asked City Attorney Grant for an opinion as to whether the Water Board is empowered now to take over mains laid under the old law of taxing the cost to abutting property, if the mains are paying at least 50 per cent on the cost of installation.

"I believe," said Mr. Barbur, "that much trouble and expense can be saved

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### Mid-Week Bargain News of

## Waists

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That Were  
\$5.95, \$4.75, \$4.50, \$3.95,  
\$3.75, \$3.50.



Opportunity for many women in these Waists of soft India linen, mull, batiste and dimity. One model has small cluster tucks over shoulders and front panel of eyelet embroidery and fine lace. Plain dimity Waists with fine plaited ruffle, which is detachable. Also beautiful hand-embroidered mull waists with fine tucked box plaits down front. Waists of extra fine quality mull, combined with fine tucks and Val. lace insertions. Sizes range from 38 to 44.

## A Few Notes of Things New in the Neckwear Section

Pretty Jabots in clever black and white effects. Velvet novelties in black and also in colors, and the new "Madame Sherry" Maline Bows, in colors, they're charming accessories to the new dress models that will be worn this season. 35c, 50c and 75c. New Imported Novelties in Elastic Belts at \$1.50 to \$2.50.

In the Final Clearance of Women's and Misses' Wool Tailored Suits Are Worth-While Savings for Season-End Buyers. Three Special Groups. \$25, \$29.50, \$32.50 and \$35 Suits Now \$12.50. \$40, \$45, \$47.50 and \$49.50 Suits Now \$15. \$50, \$60, \$65, \$75 and \$85 Suits Now \$20. Good Assortment of Styles and Materials. Good Range of Sizes.

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## These Bargains in Office Desks

Of Interest to Those Who Will Soon Occupy New Offices or Who Contemplate Changes in Their Present Furnishings.

- \$33 Roll-Top Desk for \$24.50—In golden oak, with sanitary base. Has 12 pigeonholes.
- \$48 Roll-Top Desk for \$29.75—In golden oak and 54 inches long. Has six pigeonhole boxes and letter file.
- \$63 Standing Desk for \$31.50—Of all quarter-sawn golden oak and eight feet long. Has four drawers.
- \$80 Typewriter Desk for \$59.75—Roll-top Typewriter Desk in best stock of golden oak, 60 inches long. Moon construction.
- \$99 Bookkeeper's Desk for \$59.75—In golden oak, finest selected stock, eight feet long. Made by Derby.
- \$50 Typewriter Desk for \$39.75—Roll-top style, in golden oak, 45 inches long. Moon construction.
- \$80 Roll-Top Desk for \$52.50—Of mahogany, with paneled sides and back. 60 inches long.
- \$90 Roll-Top Desk for \$57.50—In golden oak, of all quarter-sawn stock, and full paneled ends and back; 66 inches wide.

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