# WAY TO ECONOMIZE TOLD BY OFFICIALS

Legislators Hear Suggestions on Expense Reduction and Tax Reform.

## FEWER OFFICES FAVORED

Compensation Law Discussed and Amendments May Be Offered. Saving on Interest and Duplications Are Mentioned.

Pool Would Save Interest.

The state can save from \$30,000 to \$40,000 a year in interest by pooling its moneys, he said. He told that frequently he is required to put money into the banks at 2 per cent and that the bankers use this same money to buy warrants drawing 6 per cent.

Senator Moser asked whether the funds of the Industrial Accident Commission should be pooled with the

He declared its operations on certain classes of employers unjust because all occupations are divided into only two classes. One class pays 3 per cent of its payroll into the fund and the other class pays 1½ per cent. In the five months that it has been in operation. Mr. Kay explained, he has paid \$525 into the fund. His employes have He declared its operations on certain son, Mr. Kay explained, he has paid \$525 into the fund. His employes have received only \$25 in benefits. He said that before the law went into effect he was able to provide sick and accident insurance for all his employes for 1 per cent of the payroll. The employes paid nothing.

Mr. Cobb Objects to Law. S. B. Cobb, Representative-elect from Multnomah County, likewise expressed his dissatisfaction with the law. He operates the Standard Box & Lumber

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"But while you are discussing it," broke in Lloyd J. Wentworth, another Representative-elect, "I want to say that I am operating under the new law and find it satisfactory in every way."

Mr. Wentworth Is manager of the Portland Lumber Company.

It was the universal sentiment of the members present that the law should not be repealed. It was apparent that some amendments will be proposed, however, particularly with reference to classification of labor. The less hazardous occupations probably will have their assessments reduced.

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He enumerated further: The Industrial Accident Commission in the next two years will cost the state \$120,000, besides \$900,000 that will be contributed directly by the various industries: the bureau of labor statistics will cost \$5000, the Industrial Welfare Commission \$7000 and the Child Labor Commission \$5000. Some money could be saved if all this work would be done under one department, he said. He suggested that a commission of three members, with the State Labor Commissioner as chairman, might handle it all.

He suggested that the State Land Board be abolished and that a single board consisting of the State Engineer and the two water commissioners handle this work in addition to their

handle this work in addition to their present duties.

The following departments with their respective appropriations, he said, should be combined: State Board of Health, \$30,000; Oregon Hygiene Society, \$20,000; Commisson to Eradicate Bubonic Plague, \$10,000; purchase of vaccine, \$2000.

"I understand that the Hygiene Society will ask for \$40,000 next year," continued the Treasurer. "What?" thundered Senator I. N. Day, jumping to his feet.

Special Sums Not Liked.

Not a single voice rose in defense of the proposed appropriation. The following special appropriations in the Oregon Agricultural College, said the Treasurer, should be covered by the regular millage tax for that school: Promotion of industrial works and schools, \$12,000; extension work, \$50,-600; various experiment stations, \$51,-600; investigation of crop pests, \$30,-600; farm and industrial demonstration work, \$15,000 and investigation of crips ork, \$15,000, and investigation of soils,

deny that institution of any funds nec-essary for its successful operation, but he expressed the belief that the work could be done to better advantage if could be done to better advantage if handled in connection with the regular work of the school. He suggested also that the \$40,000 now being spent by the bureau of mines and geology could be saved if the work were given over to the Agricultural College.

The State Treasurer also branded the appropriation for the State Immigration Commission as a waste of money. He pointed out that \$50,000 has been spent by that department in the last

spent by that department in the last two years and declared that the state did not get \$1 worth of good from every \$16 spent.

Legislative Expenses Told. Secretary Olcott began by saying that the Legislature itself could save a lot of money by reducing its own expenses. The expense of clerical work and printing at the last session was \$34,000. He suggested a system of civil service for clerks and stenographers employed by the Legislature. Mr. Olcott described the numerous duties of his office and warned the legislators that any consolidations that will add to the work now being done

will add to the work now being done in the Secretary of State's department will result in a loss of efficiency.

Representative-elect Huston asked whether the work of the corporation department could not be handled by the Secretary of State's office.

How the state can economize in the operation of the various departments of its government, how the tax laws can be remedied so that they will relieve the unjust burdens now imposed upon the taxpayers and how some branches of state service can be made more efficient were told members of the Multnomah County delegation in the next Legislature last night by various state officials.

It is apparent, from the testimony submitted by State Treasurer Kay, by Secretary of State Officials.

department could not be handled by the Secretary of State's officie. Mr. Olcott answered negatively

The state printing office, under the present arrangement, is most efficient, explained the official He added, further, that it will be difficult, if the Legislature seeks to limit expenditures of any radical degree, to secure competent men to do the work. He pointed out that the law gives the Board of Control, consisting of the Governor, the State Treasurer and the Secretary of State, charge of all the state institutions. It is impossible, he added, for these officials to keep in close personal to the control of the control

might be eliminated.

J. D. Mickle. State Food and Dairy Commissioner, said that his department has important work to do and that it will be impossible to operate successfully if the funds are limited.

S. G. Irvin, Representative-elect from Lincoln County, attended the meeting and addressed it briefly, advocating quarterly payment of taxes.

A letter from E. L. Amidon, secretary

mission should be pooled with the others. Mr. Kay suswered affirm atively.

This gave the State Treasurer an opening to enter into a general discussion of the work of the Accident Commission, which has as its duties the administration of the workmen's compensation law. He talked from the standpoint of an employer—he is manager of the Salem Woolen Mills in private life—rather than as a state of ficial.

J. Fred Larson, of the Oregon Naval

mas trees in Southern California, but it remained for W. H. Bair, a Canby He has sent two carloads of Christmas trees to the mid-Pacific city, besides several other shipments to California and other states.

Snow is reported in Michigan, Ohio, North and South Dakota, New York, Pennsylvania and generally over Can-

The cold wave cannot be traced to any particular locality. It appears to have enveloped all the country in every direction and indications are that it has arrived for an indefinite stay.

Nebraska Reports 21 Below. Twenty-one degrees below was reported tonight from Norfolk, Neb. Temperatures of 16 to 18 degrees below reported in Montana, Minnesota and North and

in Monthina, Minnesota and North and South Dakota during the early day had risen several degrees by night.

The cold struck this city with darkness Sunday night and by midnight the thermometer was near zero. It became but little warmer during the day, the official thermometer, which registered two below at 6 o'clock, recording only two above at noon. City and county relief associations and private charities contributed to the relief of hundreds during the day. The police gave first aid to a score

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CALIFORNIA IS UNDER FROST

Citrus Belt and State Generally Feel Freezing Temperature.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14 .- Freezing san Francisco, Dec. 14.—Freezing temperatures and heavy frosts throughout the citrus belt and from all California were reported to the weather bureau here today, but warnings had been sent out in time to permit the growers to protect themselves.

Another warning for frost tomorrow was sent out today.

Mr. Brisbane's Condition Better.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 14 .- The condition of Arthur Brisbane, the editor, was reported by his physician early today to be slightly improved, although there was little material change from yesterday.

Mr. Kay made the explanation that "That Good Coal" delivered promptly, he is the friend of the Agricultural carloads or truckloads, \$6 to \$10. Edlef-College and that he did not want to

"Beaux and Belles of Dixie Land" at Heilig Is Most Artistic Production.

## STAGING IS MAGNIFICENT

Pretty iGrls, Dainty Dancers, Lilting Melodies, Beautiful Costumes and Surprises Galore Make Multnomah Club's Event Notable.

BY LEONE CASS BAER. If there is one word that sends a cold shiver sneaking down my best little spine, it's the word amateurcan be remedied so that they will relieve the unjust burdens now imposed
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There was a bit of an almost-plot, too, which served as a peg on which to hang the entertainment.

When the curtain went up on the first scene it was just as if we were peeping through a window into we brilliant ballroom. The belies in gorgeous dancing frocks and the beaux in evening dress combined to make a most attractive picture. Then, just maturally, they drifted about the room and into silence while Pinkerton Day with pretty Miss Hazel Koontz as his inspiration in tableau, and the beaux and belles chiming in like a big organ in a chorus.

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Dr. Emerson Sings. Then Dr. R. M. Emerson sang "In the Candle Light" in splendid voice, punctuating his lines with gestures

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Davidson and C. E. Patterson, are all known locally for their art and their blending of good voices in two high-class selection, was most positively a delight. Closing this first act came saucy and petite Miss Moneita Hickman, in a reggedy song, "At the Ball," with a regular Anna Held chorus of ragtime coryphees in an animated background.

Act two had two scenes. commission merchant, to develop a was a bit reminiscent of the Ham Tree, market for the trees in Honolulu.

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Scene Most Effective.

Scene two is at the Tropico Club— and the tropical scenery and far-dis-tant shimmering stream made a most effective framing of the gorgeous-hued costumes, the powdered hair and gleamcostumes, the powdered hair and gleaming shoe buckles of the belles and beaux
who sat in merry groups about festive
little tables. J. E. Werlein, in a rich,
real Down-South voice, which can never
be a "correct imitation," was the
interlocutor, all done up in white satin,
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With chorus accompaniment, J. H. Berry, J. King Byron, O. W. Davidson and Billy Broad each gave vocal numbers. Miss Hazel Koontz was heard in a particularly fetching solo, with the pony ballet in fencing frocks doing a Gaby gilde for accompaniment and two sets of quartets flashing vocal nat two sets of quartets flashing vocal responses from the boxes.

One of the really beautiful and sensational events of a big, full programme of good things was the maxixe and the castle walk, danced by Miss Margaret Raeder and H. A. Barnard, both finished and graceful artists.

Back to the olden days we hearkened, too, in the quaint, pretty, old-fashioned waitz and minuet, danced by Miss Pauline Heintz and J. S. Gordon.

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A dainty little sprite, Marie Winn, pirouetted on her twinkly toes for a brief moment and then the splendid big chorus sang and the gay little ponies drilled and danced into the closing number with Dr. Emerson, singing a new version of "Red, White and Blue."

Down from the flies quivered a flash of brilliant light, hung for a moment suspended over the heads of the tableau vivant, and cheers shook the rafters as we recognized a blazing winged M. Truly it was a great night and a most delightful entertainment.

Besides the principals the cast included as club members and guests. Mrs. A. Glebisch, Mrs. Pauline Miller Chapman, Mrs. Goldie Peterson, Mrs. Charles Henney, Mrs. Delphine Marx, Miss Hazel Koontz, Miss June Shea, Miss Melba Westengard, Miss Elone Lawffer, Miss Hazel M. Steadman, Miss Marie Roberts, Miss Margaret Rieder,



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BEND, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—
With the injunction against the formation of Jefferson County dissolved and the members of the County Court appointed by the Governor, the residents of Oregon's newest county are taking a new interest in the county sent question and in the appointment of their other county officers.

Madras, Metolius and Cuiver are all eager to be designated the temporary county seat of Jefferson County. The one that will get the plum depends on the action of the new court, and as it is made up of presumed adherents of each town, only conjectures are possible to the contractors and the selection of the new court, and as it is made up of presumed adherents of each town, only conjectures are possible to the contractors and as plant was selected by the committee. The Oregon Engineering & Constructing Company is backing the local commant of the Millsmette. The Oregon Engineering & Constructing Company is backing the local contractors. The Water Committee and W. A. Long, made these announces ments tonight.

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In addition to a county seat the new court has the selection of all the officers of the county except the District Attorney and road supervisors, and candidates for the different positions are springing up on all sides. The campaign for county division was carried on from Madras and residents of that town who were most active in the that town who were most active in the fight feel that their wishes should be consulted in the appointments. These include Howard W. Turner, Lewis H. Irving and O. A. Pearce. O. C. Young, of Culver, was also prominent in the

fight.
Lewis H. Irving, the father of Jefferson County, undoubtedly will receive the appointment as District At-



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OREGON CITY PIPELINE TO BE BUILT OF OREGON PRODUCTS.

Committee on "Prosperity Day" Decider

weld pipeline, and left the committee with a choice of three propositions, the Pacific Bridge Company, wood pipe, \$210,000; Oregon Engineering & Construction Company, riveted steel with a National coating, \$315,000, and Boya-john-Arnoid Company, lapweld, \$350,000, Although bids were received for the construction of a reservoir, the committee decided that one would not be necessary.

recessary.

The election to vote on the bonds may

ton, B. S. Brown, E. M. Barley, E. W. Willett, J. S. Gordon, Hartley Hutchings, D. H. Beck and G. A. Anderson, The great show will be repeated to might.

\*\*COUNTY SEAT FIGHT IS ON Jefferson Has Three Towns in Race for Local Capital.\*\*

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Owners of Several Cigar Stands Are

Accused of Violating Law.

Punch-board games of chance, in hotels and cigar stores in Portland, were confiscated yesterday as alleged gambling devices and owners of the stands were cited to appear before Municipal Judge Stevenson.

Arrests were made by Particular Salem Pioneer at Death's Door.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. E. M. Vandervort, a pioneer, is dying from hemorrhage of the brain at her home in this city. She is 78 years old, She has four daughters and one son as follows: Mrs. Lula Woods and Mrs. Lydia Lehman and H. H. Vandervort, of Salem, and Mrs. A. Winslow, of Polk County.



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