

STATE MOVING WITH CITY RULE FEARED

Precedent in Insurance Case Is Held Dangerous.

AMENDMENT NOW FAVORED

Legislative Restraint Urged by Municipal Attorneys as Means for Curbing Interference.

Apprehensions over the possibility of legislative interference with municipal affairs of cities and towns in Oregon, following the decision of the state supreme court in the case of George A. Lovejoy against the city of Portland, is said to be general throughout the state.

Yesterday City Attorney LaRoche received a letter from B. W. Macey, city attorney of Salem, in which grave fears are expressed over the possibility of the legislature usurping the powers of city officials through the passage of general state laws with limitations which will place them in the same category as are special laws concerning purely local municipal affairs.

General Powers Granted. Through the decision of the state supreme court, the legislature was held to be within its power when passing any law affecting municipal affairs as long as such law affects the entire state.

Home Rule Thought in Danger. So serious do I consider the situation that it is my opinion that some step should soon be taken to prepare a proper amendment to the home-rule provision of the state constitution, an amendment which literally would order the state legislature to "keep hands off" in all municipal affairs.

Reasons Given Deemed Conclusive by Dealer in Rolls. Most people thought the H. C. of L. would have to look for considerable business before finding something brand new to raise the price on, but it seems a very ordinary little commodity was overlooked.

Crude Oil Company Formed. PITTSBURG, March 18.—In an effort to stabilize the crude oil market, important independent producers and refining interests in western Pennsylvania have organized a corporation with a capital of \$1,000,000.

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Motion Picture News



Scene from Nazimova's greatest motion-picture production, "Revelation," which will open tomorrow at the Star theater.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Liberty—Douglas MacLean and Doris May, "Mary's Ankle." Columbia—Constance Talmadge, "Two Weeks."

NAZIMOVA, the great Russian star of "Revelation," which will be presented at the Star theater tomorrow and Sunday, shows her ability as an artistic interpreter of classic dancing in this photodrama.

One of the most interesting casts obtained this season surrounds Clara Kimball Young in her big production, "Eyes of Youth," which will show at the Star theater on Tuesday and Wednesday.

"The Flame of the Yukon," with Dorothy Dalton, will be shown for the last time today at the Sunset theater. Beginning tomorrow the Sunset will offer Charles Ray in "The Egg Crate Wallp."

Albert Roscoe, playing in the picture, "The Branding Iron," under the direction of Reginald Barker, has a wife, aside from being "handy with the gloves."

RAP GIVEN "11-MAN" COMMISSION OF BOARD

Gus Moser Scores Present Office Succession Plan.

TWO-JOB IDEA OPPOSED

Proposal to Have Governorship Go to Legislature Heads in Case of Emergency Is Lauded.

"No man should hold two of the three positions on the state board of control, as is now the case, which makes him the whole board, for it makes him the majority. The proposed amendment to the constitution altering the method of accession to the governorship is not, however, in any way an attack on Ben Olcott. Nothing can disturb him as governor until 1922, for the supreme court has so held," announced Gus C. Moser at the luncheon of the Portland Press club at the Benson yesterday.

Under the suggested amendment, instead of the secretary succeeding to the governorship, the president of the state senate will become the governor, and in the event of disability of the president of the senate, the speaker of the house is the successor.

Mr. Moser said that the supreme court, by a vote of four to three, decided that the secretary of state is governor for the unexpired term of the late Governor Withycombe. This makes Mr. Olcott governor for two years beyond the date when his term as secretary of state expires.

Proposal Not Partisan. There is nothing partisan, political nor personal in the proposal, Mr. Moser assured his audience. He declared that he is not interested in it personally other than as an advocate of good government.

Screen Gossip. New spring costumes for the ushers of the Liberty theater are now in the hands of the Meier & Frank designing department. A smart tailored three-piece suit with the new Eton jacket effect and a plaid skirt, has been accepted as the style in which the Liberty ushers will appear within the next few weeks.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TALKED. CITY COUNCIL WISHES OPINIONS OF PORTLAND CITIZENS. Views in Favor or in Opposition Desired From Industrial Interests and Civic Organizations.

Business and industrial interests of Portland, as well as all civic organizations will be requested to study the practicality of inaugurating a daylight saving plan in Portland, and send to the city council arguments of support or opposition.

Scratch My Back. "Scratch My Back," appeared in his own musical comedy company in Naples, Italy, before coming to this country, while Marion Colvin, playing in the all-star picture, "The Branding Iron," being made as a Reginald Barker production, first appeared on the stage in 1914 in "Camille" under Eugene Biall in New York city.



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COURSE IN DRAMA URGED. University Extension Work Desired at Coos Bay.

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