

JOIN TWO STATE BOARDS IS PLAN

Health Body Believes Dairy and Food Commissioner Is Superfluous.

INITIATIVE BILL PROPOSED

Friction. Members Think, Can Thus Be Done Away With—Water Supplies and Typhoid Epidemic Discussed at Meeting.

Abolition of the State Board of Health and the office of State Dairy and Food Commissioner and a consolidation of the functions of the two organizations will be proposed in an initiative measure which the members of the State Board of Health will submit to the voters of the state at the next general election in November, 1910.

Hood River's Water Questioned. Among other subjects called to the attention of the board was the decision of the residents of Hood River to install a water plant.

Brief reference also was made to the situation existing in Salem, where there prevails an epidemic of typhoid fever, resulting primarily from an impure water supply.

Dr. White Succeeds Yenny.

The resignation of Dr. R. C. Yenny, of this city, who has served as secretary of the board since June, 1905, was accepted and Dr. C. S. White, also of this city, was selected as his successor.

Dr. W. B. Morse, of Salem, was elected president, and Dr. Andrew C. Smith, of this city, was made vice-president. The other members of the board are Dr. E. B. Pickett, of Medford; Dr. Alfred Pickett, of Astoria; and Dr. C. J. Smith, of Pendleton.

Typoid Epidemic Puzzles.

Dr. J. W. Norris, health officer for Clackamas County, has called the attention of the State Board of Health to an unusual condition existing at Willamette, a small town on the Willamette River about three miles south of Oregon City.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. B. Jobe, of Canby, is registered at the Imperial. M. Hunter, of prominence at Silverton, is at the Raritan. E. McLennan and family, of fruit-laden Dallas, are at the Lenox. B. P. Fisk, registered from Dallas, arrived at the Perkins yesterday. W. H. Wilcox, an attorney at the Dalles, is staying at the Imperial. J. P. Donovan, one of Albany's merchants, is registered at the Lenox. Lewis Fernald, a Baker City capitalist, came to the Hotel Portland yesterday. J. C. Moreland, clerk of the Oregon Supreme Court at Salem, is at the Nortonia. H. L. Price, proprietor of a clothing emporium of The Dalles, is at the Cornelius. W. M. McQueen, interested in the fruit belt around Dallas, is to be found at the Perkins. C. L. Ransom, lumber dealer of Mill City, is at the Portland, accompanied by R. S. Shaw. A. L. Padlock, a Hood River orchardist, can be found at the Lenox for the next few days. E. P. Weir, engaged in general merchandising at Salem, will spend Sunday at the Perkins. L. M. Hess and wife, of Beaverton, came to the Perkins yesterday and will remain over Sunday. Professor E. D. Kessler of the Oregon Agricultural College, at Corvallis, is registered at the Imperial. E. D. Briggs, an attorney of Ashland, who is well known to the Oregon bar, arrived at the Imperial yesterday. Dr. Puy, well-known physician of Hot Lake, arrived at the Oregon yesterday and will remain for a number of days. Mrs. S. A. Boone and Mrs. M. Matney came down from Lafayette yesterday and will remain at the Perkins over Sunday. Mrs. J. C. Gooden of Fort Stevens, is an Idaho visitor to the Perkins. Mrs. J. P. Dodge, a merchant among Newberg merchants, arrived at the Lenox yesterday and is accompanied by Mrs. Dodge. E. J. Frasier, armed with samples and

assay returns from the soil of Eugene, was urging the importance of the Willamette Valley on visitors at the Imperial yesterday.

J. E. Burke, of Cathlamet, member of the Washington Legislature, is registered at the Cornelius, in company with Mrs. Burke.

Richard Saxe Jones, one of the attorneys of the State of Washington, was in the city yesterday and stayed at the Oregon.

A. C. Dixon, Eugene capitalist, is making the Imperial his headquarters while looking through the shops of the retail district.

F. A. Seufert, head of the salmon packers at The Dalles, is at the Imperial for Sunday. He is accompanied by Mrs. Seufert.

Mrs. J. P. Chadima, of Houlton, arrived at the Imperial yesterday and was later joined by Mrs. H. G. Kellough of Walla Walla.

Mrs. C. T. Early, wife of the general passenger agent of the Mount Hood Railroad at Hood River, is registered at the new Imperial.

J. H. Collins, well-known resident of the Clatskanie country, is staying at the Imperial over Sunday, and is accompanied by Mrs. Collins.

Mrs. E. A. Nelson, of Albany, chaperone of the Albany girls' basketball team, was at the Oregon yesterday, accompanied by her daughter, Christine.

R. H. Whitehead, the well-known Medford banker, paid his first visit to the new Imperial yesterday and will remain during a portion of next week.

W. B. Linn, of Martinsville, Illinois, arrived at the Nortonia yesterday and will make a thorough investigation of the Portland market for horses.

C. H. Clear, of Sacramento, arrived at the Nortonia yesterday and will remain for the winter, in order to give personal attention to his Oregon interests.

Mrs. H. C. Bailey and Mrs. M. J. Sullivan headed a party of Prescott shoppers around the holiday displays yesterday, and were quartered at the Perkins.

John W. Wortman, president of the First National Bank of McMinnville, was mingling with the financiers of Portland yesterday, and is registered at the Lenox.

John Adair, capitalist of Astoria, is making a stay at the Imperial while he looks over an opportunity to dispose of wealth among the holiday displays of Portland.

Mrs. J. W. Shumate and Mrs. Sidney B. Smith, matrons of the social set of Eugene, are at the Seward while waiting for a Christmas frage among the attractive shops of the retail district.

Mrs. H. P. McCormick, of Detroit, Michigan, joined her husband at the Hotel Lenox yesterday. Mr. McCormick has been in Portland for one month and has decided to engage in business here.

Mrs. C. K. Alden, accompanied by her son, Ward, left last night for British Columbia, where she will spend the Christmas holidays. Little Ward has been suffering from an injured ankle.

G. F. Homans, for many years chief of the timber sales division of the Forest Service, but now stationed at San Francisco, is expected to be in Portland and will remain until after the holidays.

E. B. Aldrich, whose political influence has been felt in Pendleton and throughout the county, is in Oregon yesterday. He is not only buying Christmas remembrances, but getting his ear in tune with political assembly rumors.

Captain O'Hare, State President of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, E. H. Deery, Secretary of the general arrangements committee having in charge the annual convention of that order, which convenes at Portland in July, 1910, and Father Donnelly, an Irish orator of ability, composed a party which went to Seattle last night.

AUTO QUARTERS NEAR DONE

White Motor Car Company Will Be Installed by January 15.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new quarters for the White Motor Car Company on the northeast corner of Sixth and Madison streets. This four-story reinforced concrete building, 100,000 feet, is now up to the third floor and will be finished and ready for occupancy by January 15. It will be heated by steam and will have places for storing cars in winter to avoid freezing.

A feature of the building is the oilroom, which, it is said, will be the most up to date on the entire Coast. A Hoover oil outfit is being installed at a cost of \$300 to treat gasoline and lubricating oils. Long-distance pumps for gasoline are being put in to obviate danger.

In addition to the regular garage and salesroom, the company will have a supply department and will carry a \$50,000 stock of supplies.

The basement is leased to the Portland Taxicab Company. The building is owned by E. M. Runyon, but the White Motor Car Company, while installed as lessee, is to have quarters practically as long as it desires. It is understood that Mr. Runyon is being put in to obviate danger.

EXTRADITION IS FOUGHT

Attorneys Argue in Federal Court for Habeas Corpus Writ.

Fighting to the last ditch in an endeavor to escape extradition to Canada, attorneys for James Conley yesterday presented arguments to United States Judge Bean and asked for a writ of habeas corpus, requiring Marshal Reed to release the prisoner.

Conley wanted in Vancouver on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. In company with men named Stanton and Overton he is charged with operating a "fake" poolroom, where bets were made upon the horse races. The trio accepted bets from two Swedish and leased racing track, but are said to have pocketed the money.

Overton was arrested and confessed. He charged Conley with being a party to the conspiracy to fleec the unfortunates and he was taken into custody at Portland. He was ordered extradited, but attorneys Logan and Smith are contending that it has not been proven in the hearings that the racing ticket was in the handwriting of Conley. The technical objection of the prisoner will be decided next week.

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Mrs. Wisdom in Hospital.

Mrs. M. D. Wisdom, widow of M. D. Wisdom, late secretary of the Portland Country Club and Livestock Association, is a patient at the Good Samaritan Hospital. Mrs. Wisdom operated on recently for an internal complaint, and considerable anxiety has been expressed regarding her condition. While her physicians are hopeful, it is not disguised that Mrs. Wisdom's condition is serious.



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BUDGET BOTHERS FRANCE

DUTIES ON ALCOHOL MADE TO HELP RAISE DEFICIT.

Powerful Liquor Interests Strongly Oppose This Plan and Warm Times Are Forecasted.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—(Special)—France has her budget question very much to the fore at this moment. The publicans are up in arms because of the new duties on alcohol. There was a monster meeting of protest a few days ago, attended by 10,000 people. A procession of several thousands went to the Chamber and a deputation was subsequently received by the Premier and by the Minister of Finance, M. Coehery.

There is a deficit of \$40,000,000 in the government budget and many millions are to be laid out on new warships. For the first time in years the keeper of the national purse has taken the nation into his confidence and said: "You owe this money; you must pay. Furthermore, you've borrowed quite enough; you must pay now, on the nail."

This is astonishing frankness on the eve of the general elections. Forty million dollars to be taken out of the pockets of the taxpayers! A good deal of it is coming out of drink, if M. Coehery has his way; but the "debt" is a powerful enemy. There are no halls for public meetings in the remote French provinces, and the caucus sits to decide the political destinies of the district on the premises of Boniface. When the elections draw near the publican can perform immense services for his side by enlarging the margin of his hospitality.

Today he is incensed, and assembled in congress he has practically decided to oppose the tax. If the government presses the taxes he will refuse to take out a license. He complains of various things—the intolerant attitude of the publican, and of the privileges afforded to private distillers. This privilege of distillation is given, under certain conditions, to farmers, just as in the old days home-brewed ale was one of the activities of English housewives.

Like the purveyors of food and liquor, the hotelkeepers are up in arms against M. Coehery's budget and are determined to oppose it tooth and nail. They held a big meeting, at which they adopted a resolution setting forth that they consider the proposed new taxes to be utterly unjustified, and that they are convinced that, if there is a deficit, it is due to that economy which every candidate

DEFENSE TO BE STUDIED.

"CAT" STILL MAINTAINED

Abolishment of Cruel Whip in Orange Is Defeated.

CAPETOWN, Dec. 18.—(Special)—From a recent discussion in the House of Representatives it appears that the use of the cat-o-nine-tails is still permissible in Orange for the enforcement of prison discipline.

In the course of a debate on the Prison Bill, Sir John Fraser moved that in prison discipline "lashes" should mean "cuts or strokes with rod or cane. He contended that the use of the cat-o-nine-tails as a relic of barbarism, which should be abolished. A. G. Barlow also pointed out that the "cat-o-nine-tails" was not used in the Transvaal, where punishment was by the rod, and proved effective without leaving permanent injury. The Attorney-General said he would not be justified in accepting the amendment, and it was rejected.

London, Dec. 18.—(Special)—A beginning will be made this year in providing a portion of the territorial army with some training in home defense against landing parties. This system of

training has been repeatedly urged during the last five years. The repulse of a seaborne raid is the actual war work of the territorial force, or such part of it as does not volunteer to join regular units for service abroad, but no attempt has ever been made to give effect

to suitable training based on the war task of the home army. A meeting has been held at the War Office this week, to discuss proposals for the army maneuvers of 1910. There will be cavalry maneuvers in close and open country during August and September; a

seamanship training around Churn on the Berkshire Downs, in July and August; territorial maneuvers on Salisbury Plains in August, and combined maneuvers for the regular forces in September. A stitch in time saves a lost button.

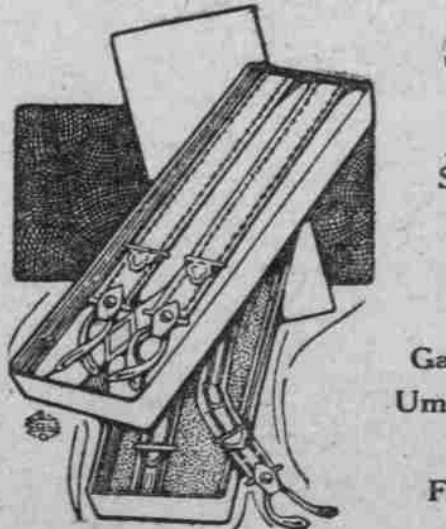
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