

## IDAHO LEGISLATORS REVISE STATE LAWS

Form of Government Changed, Direct Primary Modified.

### GOVERNOR GIVEN 'CABINET'

Aim of Solons Has Been to Centralize Power and Make Officials Responsible.

BOISE, Idaho, March 8.—The fifteenth Idaho legislature has completed its labors. After 52 days of lawmaking the general public is given a breathing spell and an opportunity to review what it has accomplished. That a large amount of constructive legislation has been passed, together with much that is immaterial, is generally conceded. The appropriations will be high when the final summary is made, but special or general tax levies, found to be imperative if the state is to keep abreast of the times, will not be burdensome.

Generally speaking, the legislature has accomplished many things it set out to do. On the whole the record is satisfactory, especially to the party that was dominant—the republicans. Many of its pledges have been enacted into laws and other good legislation, that the plank did not call for, was sent to the governor.

**State Government Changed.**  
First and primarily, the form of state government was remodeled and materially changed. This was proposed by Governor Davis and met with the approval of both houses. The governor is given a cabinet of nine members standing at the head of as many departments, grouped under which are present state commissions, boards and departments, co-ordinated and consolidated. Governor Davis will appoint this cabinet—that is, he will name its head. This centers responsibility in administering the affairs of state. The backers of the new form of government claim that it will be found just as successful in Idaho as it has proved to be in the state of Illinois. On March 31 the plan will go into effect. The legislature did not forget its old "friends" and, regardless of the fact that it was called to push through a land settlement plan during the last session, the Idaho solons passed the necessary legislation, to work in co-operation with the government, and passed a bill creating a state commission which the governor will appoint for that purpose.

**Three New Counties Made.**  
The number of counties in the state was increased from 41 to 44 through the creation of three new counties. Jerome, Clark and Caribou. The former has Jerome as the county seat and is organized out of parts of Gooding, Lincoln and Minidoka counties. Clark is created out of the western portion of Fremont county, with Dubois as the county seat, and Caribou is formed out of Bannock county, with Soda Springs as the seat of government. The officers of all three counties have been appointed by the governor.

The annexation for Franklin, Camas, Ada and Bonneville counties failed. The proposed new counties of Lake in the north and the new county of Bibb in the south also met with defeat. The general enabling act to permit counties to settle their own division problems by popular vote instead of the legislature to be troubled with them every session it convened, was also killed.

**Levy for Bonds Passed.**  
Good roads and better highways came in for favorable consideration. Face to face with an exhausted limit in bond issues, the legislature passed which, by direct taxation, will raise \$1,800,000 to be distributed over the main trunk highways of the state. Combined with the help of counties and the federal government, it makes possible the expenditure of approximately \$6,000,000 on Idaho's highways in 1919 and 1920.

There was appropriated \$200,000 for the maintenance of the highways, and the interest rate on the \$300,000 bond issue of the fourteenth session, still unsold, was raised from 4% to 4 1/2% per cent to permit their sale immediately. In addition greater leeway was given to county commissioners and good road districts in all parts of the state to build better roads.

**Aid for Institutions.**  
Liberal allowances were made for the various state institutions, not only for maintenance but for needed additions and new buildings. The normal rate at Lewiston was allowed \$150,000 for a new administration building. Other allowances were for a girls' building for the Idaho industrial training school at St. Anthony to cost \$50,000, a building for the state feeble-minded institute at Nampa to cost \$50,000, and a building for the deaf and blind school at Gooding. The attempt to consolidate the Albion state normal with the Idaho technical institute at Pocatello, approved and indorsed by the state board of education, failed.

The educational laws of the state were codified. Teachers in public and private schools were removed from the jurisdiction of the state industrial accident board and the school laws generally strengthened. In the future all instruction for all subjects in both private and public schools will be exclusively in the English language, for it is made a misdemeanor to instruct in any other language. The Americanization plan for the education of foreigners by giving them special instruction in English and the English language was also approved.

**Capitol Addition Planned.**  
Conditioned upon Boise securing the approach to the state capitol building and parking them, the legislature authorized the issuance of \$500,000 in bonds to raise the necessary funds to complete the state capitol by building on the two wings at a cost of \$450,000 each. There was authorized construction of a Lenora in Boundary county, across the Kootenai river, a bridge; \$20,000 was appropriated for improvements along the Snake river in Madison and Jefferson counties; \$25,000 for the improvement of Lava Hot Springs in Bannock county and \$20,000 for a drainage district in Kootenai county. The land board was given greater power in dealing with and adjudicating water rights in Carey act projects and \$20,000 was appropriated for an investigation of the water resources of the state. The bonded warehouse act was passed, measures to prevent discrimination in handling farm produce, and a bonded real estate dealers bill. A new fish and game law was passed, acts to codify the laws of guardianship, etc., and boxing was legalized. A measure was approved to reimburse stockowners for stock condemned for tuberculosis, creating a state constabulary to enforce the laws; authorizing the governor to reorganize the state militia; \$50,000 provided in indirect taxes for the state fair at Boise and the Lewiston livestock show.

**Primary Law Repealed.**  
One of the most far-reaching acts of the legislature prior to adjournment was passage of the act eliminating the state-wide primary law and substituting in its place another providing that



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**Primary Principle Retained.**  
The new law adopts the primary principle as to the nomination of county and legislative delegates, and deciding representation in the state convention. They are all nominated by direct vote in their respective counties just as has been the case under the primary law in the past. Those applying to office in counties must do one of three things: they must secure the approval of the county chairman, or, failing in that, approval of the county committee. If they can get neither, they may secure the indorsement of five members of their own party who are entitled to vote in the county. They were affiliated with the party for two years previous.

The delegates making up the respective county conventions which will in turn elect delegates to the state convention, will be elected by all of those affiliated with their party at the primary election. There will be one delegate elected from each precinct. As many as want to run for the position of delegate may do so. The one receiving the highest number of votes will be declared elected. The county conventions will elect the delegates to the state convention. These are to be held by all of the political parties the first Tuesday in August. The county central committee will provide its own rule regulating the county conventions. The state committee will lay down the rules governing the state convention.

**Aberdeen Property Owners Lose.**  
ABERDEEN, Wash., March 8.—(Special.)—Large property owners of Aberdeen who paid under protest the extraordinary levy of the city council last year for the redemption of current expense warrants and who carried their protests through the courts and won

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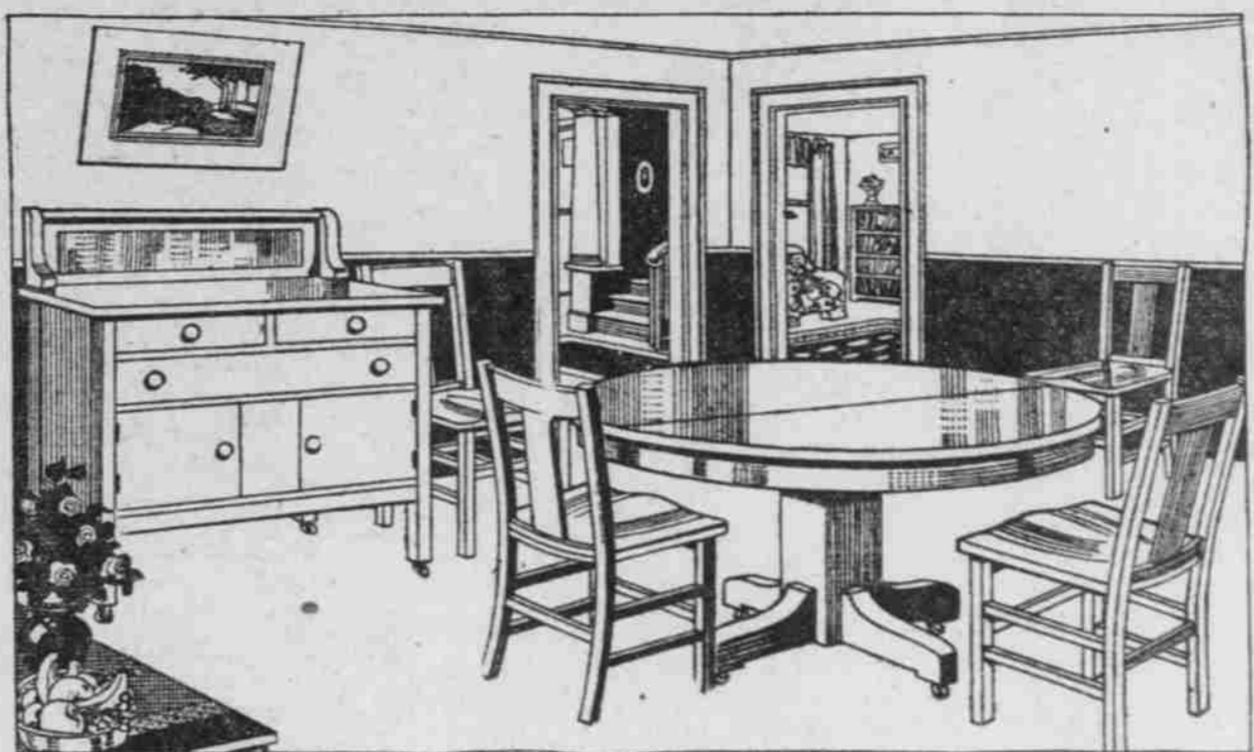
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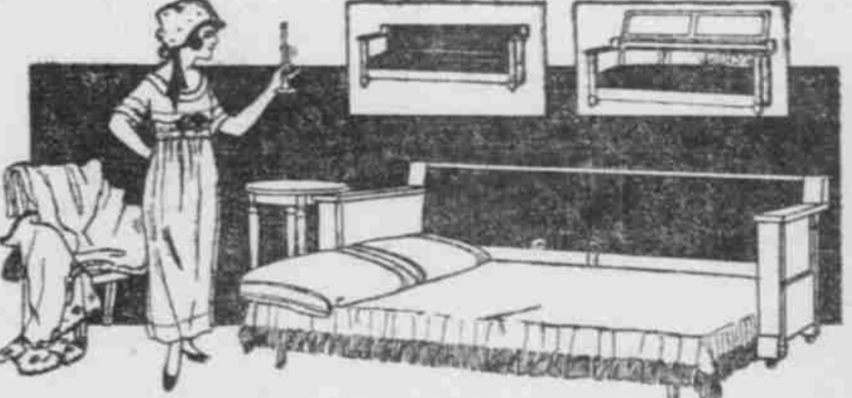
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