

Annual Meeting Is Set for December 4, When Secretary Will Be Elected.

A. H. LEA'S SALARY HANGS

No Check Has Been Made on Expense of Last Year, Committee Having

Salem, Or., Nov. 22. - The annual meeting of the state fair board has been set for December 4, at which time, besides, the scheduled reelection of A. H. Les as secretaly, much im-portant business and some probable

termined. Mr. Lea, while he takes the position

tinue in office in order that Fred Currie of La Grande, who would like to have the place, shall not be elected. Mr. Les is also of the opinion that he ought to stay in office until after the legislature has made provision for the state fair by adequate appropriations, because of his influence with the members of the Multnomah senate and ouse delegation. It is also current political gossip that he has his eye on the place held by Harvey Beckwith, member of the Industrial Accident Commission, whose term has expired and who will probably he asked to walk the plank by the governor wheneven opportunity seems to be ripe.

Another interesting question that will come up for consideration and actilement at the annual meeting is the salary to be allowed Mr. Lea for his services during the last years as secretary. Frank Meredith, who held the secretaryship for many years, drew a salary of \$2000 per year, as did W Al. Jones, who was given Meredith's place when the latter was deposed at the request of the governor's office. When Mr. Lea took the place it was, presumably, at the same rate of compensation and ho board action has been taken otherwise, though Mr. Lea contends that he has been working on probation and that his salary is to be fixed at a figure much in excess of \$2000 if, in the ominion of the board, his services would warrant such acance to the question is not known.

nolds and Weatherred, have not been the year's business by Secretary

since the close of the state fair, so that all of the mass of business incllature.

of the board has been run very largely



Cold Storage to Control Prices.

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sional investigation of the food situenable federal district attorneys to

the demurrage would encourage the una great deal to assist in relieving the car shortage, declared C. C. McCor-mick, vice-president of the Southern doing everything possible to bring re-

deavoring to relieve the situation, Mr. McCormick stated that a few days ago not a single car of merchandise was shipped out of San Francisco on a certain day. Every car was held over until the next day and double loaded.

merchandise in each car,

A. hotel November 1, two days after Richard Hatfield was killed in a saoon holdup.

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