Growth of Big State Institution Told By Superintendent At Luncheon

STATISTICS ASTONISH

Accomplishments of Doctor Are Enumerated By Form er State Treasurer

Fully 40 per cent of those committed to the Oregon state hospital are discharged as cured. Including patients and attendants, 2,030 people are living in The state spends about half a

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million dollars a year on the hos-

000,000 pieces of laundry were at \$5 a week.

in feeding patients and attendants at the state hospital.

the kind in the west maintained building. on so low a per capita of expense. These are a few of the statements made by Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the Oregon state hospital, speaking across the street from the hos-Wednesday noon at the Marion pital were built in 1885 at a cost hotel to Rotarians.

Ovation Given Doctor As the doctor arose to deliver knowledged it almost affected

care of the insane in Oregon, Dr. war. a building be erected, but even pital.

Private Care Given In 1864 the legislature recom- for two years." mended that land be purchased for a hospital. In 1874 the state contracted with private persons in

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Between 5,000 and 6,000 bar- building was opened. Dr. Steinrels of flour are used annually er referred to the fact that it was

> Referring to costs of those lavs he remarked that the big insane building cost the state only \$140,000. The two cottages

of \$2,000 each. Most Are Oregonian Originally, insane from Alaska, his address, he was given such a Idaho, and at one time Minne- tnese adopted. 30 senate and vehicle records and these are in-

gon hospital. Now, of the 1,800 Oregon, excepting a few soldiers in tracing the history of the who were injured during the late

ernment passed laws as early as the hospital, he has two chances the legislature recommended that patients have entered the hos-

"Recent legislatures have treatthen the insane were not placed ed the Oregon state hospital with in care of the state if they had the utmost fairness, especially the relatives who could care for them. last legislature," Dr. Steiner declared. "It appropriated \$966 .-990 for maintaining the hospital

> New Law in Use During the last session, the legislature passed the voluntary commitment act, by which, on the advice of the family physician and another friend of the family. any one may be sent to the detention hospital for a period not to exceed 30 days. There is no court record made in such inadvantage of the law, Dr. Stein-

Following Steiner's address, T. B. Kay arose and remarked that the doctor was a little too modest to say what he had accomplished. This is what the doctor as done, according to Mr. Kay:

Mr. Kay said that the doctor had many offers to ro elsewhere registered. The records show that

Secretary of State's Office

which 12 were adopted, and in of which 14 were adopted, and in the house 28 house resolutions of which number 22 were adopted.

Number of Bills Increases At the 1891 session of the legislature the total number of bills introduced was 533 of which numher 226 were enacted into law. The number of senate and house joint resolutions, concurrent resoutions and joint memorials, and senate and house resolutions was in greater proportion than at any revious session of the legislature. At the 1901 session of the legislature a total of 539 bills was introduced of which 214 were enacted into law. At the session of 1909 a total of 627 bills was introduced and 233 of this number passed. The business is still increasing.

In 1883 the present hospital a great day in Salem when the 320 patients were transferred There is not an institution of from Portland to the present

tremendous ovation that he ac- sota, were cared for at the Orein so that he could hardly be- or more patients, all are from

Steiner said the territorial gov- If a person is committed to 1844. In 1855, relatives were in five of being sufficiently cured asked to stand the expense of to be discharged, the speaker said. caring for the insane. By 1862 During the past two years, 1,600

Accomplishments Listed Took hold of an old out-ofdate building 13 years ago, and by putting up arguments for appropriations, secured money from year to year, changing the building into one entirely modern. Old stoves formerly heated the building, which now has a modern steam plant. The farm is now of 1,300 acres, where are grown all the vegetables used, and also all meats, milk, hay and grain. The institution is maintained at an exceptionally low cost per capita, and there is not an asylum in the country where patients are given better treat-

tation to come in a body some time and visit the hospital.

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that these be regulated by law. In another way may the growth forcibly. A comparison of the assessed valuation of the property of statehood shows that in 1860 the population of Oregon was slightly

s. 40 days, is allotted to the ses-

sions of the legislative assembly

At the 1911 session of the legis-

lature there were 725 bills intro-

bills were introduced and 389 or

412 were enacted into law. There

als introduced and 22 of that

olutions introduced and 20 adop-

which number 44 were adopted.

The subject matter of the legis-

egislature covers almost every

conceivable matter. New condi-

New Conditions-New Laws

over 52,000 while the assessed valuation was slightly over . 000,000. Going to the year 1880 was enacted, but the time when it the population was slightly over 413,000 and the assessed valuetion of the state slightly over \$117,000,000. In 1910 our population reached over 672,000 and the assessed valuation slightly over \$844,000,000. In 1920 our census shows over 783,000 population in the state and our assessment to be over \$1,040,000,000.

In 1905, the first law was enected providing for the registration of motor vehicles. This law simply provided for the registration of the vehicle and the assignment to it of a license plate. The registration was perpetual and was not required to be renewed annually. This condition existed up to August 1, 1911, when a law enacted at the f911 session of the legislature went into effect and provided thereafter for an annual registration of all vehicles propelled by other than muscular power, except those running upon rails, such as street cars and railroad trains. During the year 1905 about 218 motor vehicles were higher salary, but he prefer- in 1906, there were 142 cars registered, and 1910, 2,493 cars. tion law had been in effect for more than a year, the total number of vehicles registered for that year was 10,165. This number has grown in seven years; until, for the year ending Becember 31. 1919, 83,332 cars were registered. The total registrations for the year ending December 31, 1920,

> Auto Fees Increased The license fee under the law of 1905, was \$3. In 1907, the total fees paid into the treasury on account of motor vehicle reg-

was 103,790.

istration was \$708. In 1912, under the annual registration requirement, the fees aggregated \$42,994, and for the year 1919, they aggregated over \$602,000 and for 1920, nearly \$2,100,000 The fees, however, have been variously increased from time to

Up until 1913, the moneys de-

rived from motor vehicle licenses were converted into the state treasury for the credit of the general fund and applied in payment of the general governmental ex-At that session of the legislature, the law was changed providing for the return of the noneys to the counties. Later on, the law was again changed so as to provide that all receipts from motor vehicle licenses should be converted into the state highway fund to be expended under the direction of the state highway commission for general road improvement throughout the state. At the 1919 session of the legislature, the fees were increased and the law was so changed that the highway fund should receive three-fourths of the fees and the counties one-fourth thereof. proportion as the registrations were made from the respective counties. This is the condition that prevails at the present time. Of the more than \$1,800,000 which has already been paid in cense fees for the current year. well on to that sum has been turned over to the state highway und and back to the counties in he ratio of three-fourths to onefourth. There is also turned over to the state highway fund the moneys received under the laws of 1919 imposing a tax of 1 cent per gallon on gasoline and onehalf cent per gallon on distillate sold and distributed in this state. This latter law has been in effect since February 26, 1919, and the receipts therefrom to February 28, 1921, paid into the state treasury totaled over \$854,000 and

from the sales of over \$1,000,000 gallons of gasoline and over 7,-500,000 gallons of distillate. Origin of License System While talking about the moneys eceived from the motor vehicle icenses, it might not be out of place to mention the fact that this law was first enacted as a police regulation. It was found that the other than muscular power driven vehicle was becoming somewhat numerous; that it moved about with considerable speed or celerity; that by reason of this, in the event of accident or violation of a traffic regulation, it was almost impossible to apprehend the offender; so that it became necessary to provide a mark of identification, which could be readily observed and Philadelphia thus insure a means of placing responsibility. The license plate Sedgwick and Bruggy. was the result. It therefore becomes necessary that an adequate and orderly record of all the licenses issued be kept in such form as to permit of the obtaining with dispatch all such information read Killefer.

represent the proceeds of the tax

immediate responsibility. involves prodigious work and detail which requires attention and care, so that the information and duced and of this number 275 the records may be reliable at all

passed. At the 1913 session 971 times. The Oregon records are in such these passed. This is the great- shape that the secretary of state est number of bils introduced at can within a space of one minute any session of the leg slature since give all the information available statehood. At the session of the concerning any motor car in the legislature which adjourned Feb- state of Oregon, provided we are ruary, 23, 1921, there were 787 given the make and motor numintroduced of which number ber of the car, or the license number, or the name of the licensed were 36 senate and house joint owner. resolutions introduced and 15 of than 200,000 cards in our motor and 17 of these adoptedshrdiu dexed down so finely as to permit house concurrent resolutions in- of the acquisition of the desired troduced and 19 of these adopted, information with the least ef 26 senate and house joint memor- fort on the part of those who are acquainted with and conversant number adopted, 26 separate res- with the files.

Operators Also Licensed ted, and 46 house resolutions of This same condition applies w.th regard to the operators' li cense, which the law, since July ! 1920, provides shall be possessed by every driver of a motor vehilation before each session of the cle other than a licensed chaur-Since July 1 the depart ment has issued about 152,000 tions are constantly arising and operators' licenses. In order to the state developing to such an exissue these licenses and make an tent that it becomes imperative appropriate and useful record thereof considerable time and labor has been required, and the of the state be brought before you records are able to give the same information regarding the status of any individual driving a motor the state and the population since vehicle in Oregon, as with regard

At the special session of

legislature in January of this

year the operators' license law

we find the population of Oregon should go into effect was deferred purpose of the law was not to deing person of a license in the first trust funds, banks, etc. place, but, to place all on an equality at the beginning of its operation. It is up to the operator then to demonstrate his fithighways of this state. If he at state treasurer semi-annually. misdemeanor, and if apprehended is subject to a penalty of not to exceed \$400 or imprisonment in the county jail for a period of

Public Safety First law of this state since its first enlittle legislation was had upon information in this subject or embodied in the his affairs. first law regulating the use of these vehicles. However, as their devolving upon the office which use has grown to a great extent are hardly worthy of mention, but which it has reached at this time, the foregoing have been recited it is obvious that there must be in order to give you some idea of more strict regulation all the time regarding their operation on the streets and highways of this state, in order to better assure the safety of the public. The fact of the matter is, the regulation of traific is one of the greatest problems with which the traffic officers of the country are confronted. Especially is this so in the larger cities where the streets are narrow and the great volume of

traffic restricted to a limited area. While the duties of the secretary of state as state auditor and those incident to the conduct of elections and the registrations of motor vehicles are the outstanding work of the department, there are many other minor duties which add greatly to the volume of the work of he office. Among these are the keeping of the records of the official acts of the legislative assembly and of the executive department before mentioned, embracing all appointments of the governor, which are countersigned by the secretary of state, the seal of the state affixed and duly recorded and indexed.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Philadelphia 2	7	2
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Douglas and Snyder; Hubbell.

ing the same number of days, that tor vehicle as is necessary to place traditions, remissions of sentence, to the office by law, This and remissions of fine ssued by corded and indexed. All the othincluding any proclamations issued by him are recorded and

Notaries Over 5000

likewise indexed.

public by the governor are properly indexed in the office of the \$40,000 in amount. secretary of state and the bends of such officials required by law off cials and deeds to state property are filed with the secretary of state, as his office is the only constitutional office of record. Many other papers similar in purport are filed with the denart-Under a law enacted in 1917, chattel mortgages upon motor vehicles are reported by the n.ercial enterprise, to show in various count es to the secretary of state in order to afford a clearing house for instruments of this character by reason of the property involved being of a nature

so as to be readily moved about. Farm names, under a law enacted about 10 years ago, are also filed with the secretary of state therein, this office likewise affording a clearing house there- partment that inasmuch as it colstightly over 90,000 and the asses- until July 1, 1920. This law re- for. All books published by the sed valuation about \$48,500,000. onires that in order to be entitled state are deposited with and sold charges which aggregate upward Just a few have taken Stepping further along to 1900, to a license a person must have by the secretary of state, purhad at least five days' experience suant to the law authorizing their n the operation of motor vehicles sale and distribution. Bonds of and that his eyesight and hearing irrigation and drainage districts are not greatly impaired. The are authorized under present laws to be certified by the secretary of prive any competent and deserv- state as investments for various

County Clerk's Report Quarterly reports of transactions of judicial business in various parts of the state are requirby his future conduct in the operation of his motor vehicle. If he continues to drive his car in These reports are for the purpose. a reckless manner, constantly en- of getting a line on transactions dangering the safety of the pub- of this character which takes lic, then upon the recommenda- place in the various counties. Antion of a magistrate or chief of nually the county judges are repolice, his license may be sus- quired to file with the secretary pended for a period of 30 days. of state a list of the changes of Within this time he may be giv- names and adoptions in their en a hearing before the secretary counties. Trade marks are also of state in order to determine required to be filed and recorded whether the suspension should be with the secretary of state. These made permanent. If he cannot records must be kept in such show that suspension should not shape that duplicate registrations be made permanent, then the li- may be avoided. Under the law. cense is permanently revoked, the secretary of state is also reand he cannot thereafter lawfully quired to make an examination drive a car upon the streets and of the books and accounts of the

not to exceed one year, or to both also compiled by the secretary of fine and imprisonment, in the dismight be here added that this book in its present form is used With an intimate knowledge of as a text book in the public the operation of the motor vehicle schools, and there is hardly business or professional man in actment in 1905, much could be the state but who has occasion said respecting the same. Very to at some time refer to it for

There are other lesser duties

During the past two years, 13.- Portland to care for the insane it will be observed, notwithstand- specting the ownership of a mo- Pardons, warrants of arrests, ex- the scope of the work delegated of \$2,000,000 in the rest. Cash transactions or items,

the governor are also counter-ordinary business, usually involve profit to the state of the ar or represent considerable book tary of state, and properly re- work. To give you some idea of the number of items involving er official acts of the executive, the payment of a specific sum. there have been handled in the department in the year 1920 not then 275 000 separate cash transactions or items, involving All appointments of notaries sums from 25 cents up to over

Mail Is Immense Volume

The extent to which the busi ness of the secretary of state's connection with this work is office has grown is reliably resome considerable volume, as flected in the increased volume there are now over 5000 acting of mail reaching that departnotaries public in Oregon. The ment. For the year ending Sepappointments of, and the records tember 30, 1917, a total of 87,relating to commissioners of deeds | 610 pieces of first class mail was of Oregon residing in other states, received. In the ensuing 10 are duly noted and indexed. Mts- months, this mail increased to collaneous bonds, oaths of office 95,154 pieces, and in the followand official bonds of all public ing year to 120,920. For the year ending September, last, this total was almost doubled, 233,142 first class letters having been received by this office in the course of business. It is not possible for a state activity, as with a private com-

> ducting its business at a profit. Very few of the state activities or departments collect money, and even if they do, such moneys as they collect, over and above administrative expenses, are not to be considered as earnings or prof-They are returned to the state for the service rendered. It can not be said of the state delects fees, licenses and other

dollars or cents whether it is con-

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