

NEEDED CHANGE IN LAWS TOLD

Improvements in State Government Outlined by Norblad to Chamber

LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO BE RECOMMENDED BY GOV. NORBLAD

Charge by state for care of wards who have property, \$2,000,000 bond issue at special election, proceeds to go to a state institution building program.

Reform in penitentiary practice and separate parole board.

Grading law for Oregon products.

Compulsory auto insurance or statement of financial responsibility.

Designation of Roosevelt highway as Oregon Coast highway.

Decrying the tendency to burden statute books with too many laws, yet advocating what he termed "needed improvements" in state government, Governor A. W. Norblad outlined salient points from his forthcoming address to the state legislature which will convene here in January.

Charges on the part of the state to families of wards or to the wards themselves who have property, were advocated by the governor, who estimated that \$200,000 annually could be received by the state from such a source. The governor said at least four persons alleged to be millionaires are now inmates of the state asylum and these and hundreds similar to them should be made to pay for the cost of their support from the state.

An extensive building program, to make adequate now overburdened buildings of the state institutions for the criminal, the insane, and the sick, which could be financed through a \$2,000,000 bond issue, received the governor's support. He feels that such an issue could well be brought forward at a special election next spring. The present is a good time for such a construction work, Norblad said, pointing to low rates on money and materials, and the need of men for employment.

Senator for Every County
 "The present system of apportionment to the houses of the legislature, especially to the senate, is damnable," said the speaker. Each county in his opinion should have at least a senator, while the representation in the house should be decided upon population in the various districts.

"Every thinking Oregonian must realize that Multnomah county has held back Oregon's development," said Norblad. "It is unfair in my opinion that this county have virtually seven out of the 30 senators, for while the county only has five senators, it is jointly represented by two others who usually are chosen from Multnomah county."

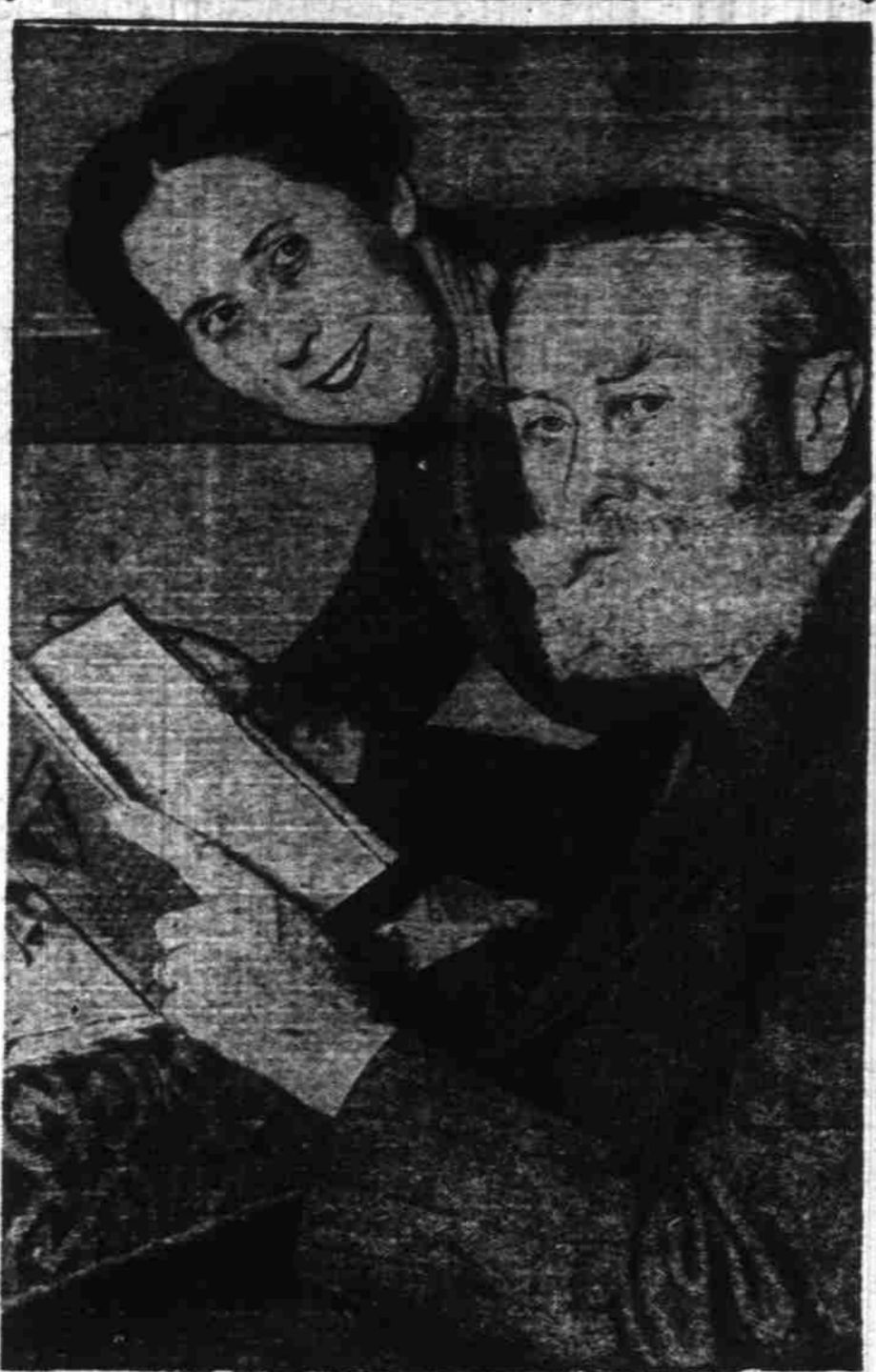
Governor Norblad was loud in his praise of a non-partisan judiciary, saying that a judge had no necessity for special party affiliation while he was on the bench. The governor had received considerable commendation for his recent appointment of a democrat to the circuit bench in Multnomah county.

Parole Board Urged
 The problem of pardons is irksome and difficult for a governor and no matter what attitude he takes toward the release of prisoners, he is in for criticism, said the speaker. He advocated the creation by legislative enactment of a pardon board upon whose decisions the governor could act, but a board separate from the executive department and free from any insinuations that there was collusion between it and the governor.

The governor said present administration of the penitentiary could be improved by a further division of first-terms from hardened criminals. "Many people seem to have lost sight of any reformatory measures in the prison; they think of it solely as a place for reform," said the governor.

Other legislation advocated by the governor in his talk included a uniform grading law for Oregon horticultural products, change of the Roosevelt highway to the Ore-

FINDS HE'S WRITTEN BOOK



When Professor Bailey Willis returned to his home in Palo Alto, Cal., recently after a year's sojourn in Africa as the guest of the British government, his wife greeted him with a question: "Why don't you write a book about Africa?" Mrs. Willis demanded.

"Impossible," replied Professor Willis, who is a research associate of the Carnegie Institution and professor emeritus of geology at Stanford university. "You've written one just the same," the scientist's wife informed him triumphantly. "A publisher accepted it. I illustrated it and the name of it is 'Living Africa.'"

Mrs. Willis was unable to accompany her husband, but while she remained at home, her scientist-husband wrote her voluminous letters about his travels, and these letters she carefully collected and later submitted to a publisher.

DALLAS SCHOOLS CLOSE TUESDAY

DALLAS, Dec. 22.—The Dallas schools will close Tuesday, December 23, for the Christmas vacation and will resume work on January 5, 1931. The vacation will be several days longer than last year, as school started about three weeks earlier this year.

The senior class is changing the custom of having a school Christmas tree where the students give each other presents and is helping the Knights of Pythias in their charity work. Due to the poor conditions this year, buying presents for school would work a hardship upon many of the children. Instead of this all those who are able are asked to bring food or toys to school. These gifts will be taken charge of by a committee from the senior class and will be turned over to the Knights of Pythias. These will be distributed to needy families on Christmas morning.

FOREST LOVE

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shyly, because he had repeated it over and over in his mind until it sounded queer. "He said he'd like the opportunity of really talking to you some day. We—we might have him to dinner."

"If you like," Louise said absently. She was wondering if Mat would call up to ask if she was tired after the opera. She wished she would. He had seemed a bit cold towards the last—perhaps it was because he was tired... he slaved so in the lab... maybe she could call him—other girls did those things.

Mama's voice, shrill and high, bored into her thoughts. "I'm not very strong, as you know, and I think it is very unreasonable for you to want to bring me to dinner just at this time when I'm so busy—"

"Busy?" Papa questioned, a little un sympathetically for him. "Yes, and worried—with one thing and another." She pointed a shaking finger at a jar of Irish Elegants that stood on the piano. There was another on the mantle, and a bowl on the table.

"Mr. Beamer sent them to Nancy. Three dozen of them. And another box day before yesterday."

"Why, Kitty, you don't think—come now—there's no significance in an older man sending flowers to a young girl? You don't think—"

"I don't know what to think." "But, Kitty dear, when you were a young girl—didn't old Mr.—what was his name—the social leader—Dunlop—didn't he often send you flowers? A graceful tribute to a debutante, and a mighty pretty one," he finished gallantly.

"Well—" Mama felt better. She patted her hair thoughtfully. "As I was saying, it might be a good thing to invite Lachman—Oliver Lachman, you know, to dinner. It would help me in business, and he practically asked for the invitation."

Visiting chicken and a sink full of dirty dishes, mama's headache came back. "Not now!"

Steege's Safe at Least for Time



Photo shows premier-designate Theodore Steege of France who has completed a cabinet to succeed Andre Tardieu. Steege is safe until after the holidays as the house of deputies is adjourned for three weeks.

she wailed. "You're always wanting to bring someone home. First it's your mother, and now it's Mr. Lachman, and Louise having that study club of hers for lunch Thursday—I'm not equal to it—I tell you!"

"Well, Hollenbeck, what's the good news?" Mr. Lachman asked the next morning, rubbing his hands.

And of course, there wasn't any good news. Days went by, and the president seemed to have forgotten the cashier was alive. He even stopped saying good morning.

One Sunday, just after a long striped box had arrived from the florist, Nancy picked up the morning paper in the hope of getting it off her mind. She was beginning to worry. This was a regular bombardment of Jack's. He was laying siege. This was no haphazard generosity, as she tried to make mama believe. He was holding on to her, refusing to give her up. Yes, and suppose he found out about Roger—she'd have to tell him eventually—and suppose Roger, patient, loving Roger, who believed in her so fully, found out about him? What would he think, what would he do?

She flipped the pages about nervously. The fannies. The latest murder. The sport page. The society section. At least she could get that out of the way before mama saw it. Mama would have a fit when she read all about Vera Preston's tea for

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ond grade will give a short program for their parents, and their finished product, "The Building and Furnishing of a Home" will be open for inspection.

Numbers on the program to be given by the entire school include:

Christmas carol, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"; living pictures about Christmas by 25 first grade pupils; reading, "Santa's Helpers," by Mark Tweed of the third grade; Christmas play, "A Quarter to Christmas," by 23 third grade pupils; cantata, "A Penny for Christmas," by the fifth grade, directed by Mrs. Fawk and with Maxine Case of the sixth grade at the piano; anthem, "Shine O Wonderful Star," by sixth grade, with carol, "Holy Night."

gon Coast highway, provision for the placing of statues of Jason Lee and Dr. McLaughlin in the hall of fame at Washington, and some form of auto liability legislation providing for statement of owner's responsibility or procuring of a policy at the time his car is licensed.

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LARGE AUDIENCE IS OUT FOR PROGRAM

ROBERTS, Dec. 22.—Christmas program given by the Sunday school and community club Saturday night at the church was by a large audience.

The church was beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and a large Christmas tree at one end of the platform. The program follows:

Song, "Joy to the World" by the audience; reading, "A Brief Speech," Eddie Goodrich; exercise, "Dewarful Bettincourt," Jack and Mary Jane Osborn; song, "The Christmas story," Irene Selmer and Dora Hansen; exercise, "Living Decorations," second grade girls; reading, "The Christmas song," J. P. Ivans; song, "Cradled in a Manger," primary grades; exercise, is nearing completion.

Christmas Porters," second grade boys; song, "Sleep Little Son," Alfred Foster, James Ingram; reading, "The Christmas Journey," Leroy Edwards; exercise, "Wishes," third grade; songs, "Away in a Manger" and "To Santa Claus," intermediates; reading, "Little Candles" Jessie Ivans.

Exercise, "Hiking to Christmas Town," six boys; reading, "The Christmas Anthem," Frances Lott; song, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," Japanese girls; Christmas pageant, "Hope," by seventh and eighth grade pupils; quartet, Mrs. W. C. Pettyjohn, Mrs. George Higgins, S. C. Davenport and George Veall; pageant, "Pictures We Love Best" by Sunday school pupils.

The school will have a Christmas party on Wednesday for all the pupils.

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