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The way to build up Dallas is to put votes Dallas people.



WILL MAKE VOTER DIZZY

THIRTY PROPOSED LAWS WILL BE ON BALLOT NEXT FALL

Measures Submitted for Approval or Rejection by Electorate Cover Wide Range.

Just how long the ballot will be at the next general election in Oregon and just how many measures will be submitted to the people for decision by ballot is still largely a matter of conjecture, but enough actual proposals have been received at the capitol to show that they will go far ahead of two years ago.

Constitution tinkering will come in for a good share of consideration on November 8, and just how many law-making measures no one is yet able to even guess upon.

Railroads and Taxation.

To begin with, there are the six measures submitted by the last legislature. Two of these are proposed constitutional amendments relative to taxation and another provides for state-aided railroads. They were passed by the legislature largely because of pressure brought to bear by the lobbying committee of the State Grange. They are aimed at the present system of taxation, their prime object being to impose an additional tax upon franchises and other intangible properties. The proposed railroad amendment was passed by the legislature and submitted to the people through the influence of the commercial bodies of Portland, the State Grange and high potentates of the People's Progressive Government League.

Single District Plan.

Another Constitutional amendment proposed by the legislature contains the single district plan for representation in the senate and house.

Under this plan, Multnomah, Marion, Umatilla, Lane, Linn, and other thickly populated counties having more than one senator or representative will be divided into senatorial and representative districts. This proposed plan will do away with proportional representation and it is therefore considered certain that it will be bitterly opposed by Mr. U'Ren and his followers.

Legislature Submits Two Bills.

In addition to these proposed constitutional amendments, the legislature submitted two bills—the McKinley bill, providing for the location of a branch insane asylum in Baker, Umatilla or Union counties, and the Buchanan bill authorizing a constitutional convention for the purpose of making a general revision of the constitution of the state. Referendum petitions were filed against the Jager bill, increasing the number of circuit judges in Multnomah county, and the Hart bill, increasing the salary of the circuit judge in Baker county to \$4000 a year. The former measure will not be voted upon, for the reason that the secretary of state refused to accept and file the referendum petition upon the ground that the legislature had declared an emergency. Those who circulated the petitions calling for a referendum vote on this measure threatened at one time to bring mandamus proceedings against the secretary of state in the hope of compelling him to accept the petitions, but no such action has yet been taken. It is asserted by those who opposed the measure that the emergency clause is defective, although Judge W. L. Bradshaw, of The Dalles, held to the contrary when the bill was attacked in the circuit court of Multnomah county about a year ago.

The total number of constitutional amendments and bills submitted by the legislature and measures referred by referendum petition is seven.

Numerous County Schemes.

The initiative, however, will furnish a still larger crop of proposed amendments and laws. Petitions are already on file calling for a vote on woman suffrage and for the creation of the county of NeSmith out of Southern Lane and northern Douglas counties. Petitions are in circulation calling for the creation of Umpqua county out of the western ends of the same counties and the residents of Drain and the surrounding country have started a movement to create the county of Williams, whose proposed area overlaps the territory embraced in the proposed limits of both NeSmith and Umpqua.

It is said that the Williams county proposal is being advanced to confuse the voters and thereby cause an adverse vote upon the other proposed counties. Residents of the northeastern corner of Umatilla county have started a campaign for the creation of Orchard county, with Milton as the county seat. Petitions calling for a vote upon this question are already in circulation in eastern Oregon. Residents of the eastern portion of Harney and the western part of Malheur counties have undertaken a movement for the creation of Otis county, with Drewsey as the county seat.

One or two other communities in eastern Oregon have dreams of county-seat advantages and it is possible that the voters of the state will be called upon to create as few as seven additional counties at the November election.

Organized Labor Gets Busy.

The forces of organized labor are busy with their petitions for the employers' liability bill which was killed in the senate at the last session of the legislature. Organized labor will also present a constitutional amendment abolishing poll taxes and otherwise

changing the system of taxation now in vogue.

Many Temperance Measures

Foes of the liquor traffic will soon file a petition for a constitutional amendment prohibiting the sale of all forms of malt, spirituous and vinous liquors within the state, and it is safe to predict that the question whether or not liquor shall be sold in the different counties and precincts, under the provisions of the local option law, will also be up for consideration in various parts of the state. Thus it is safe to predict that several phases of the liquor question will be presented to the voters at the coming election.

Three Normal School Bills.

The normal school question, which has been a determining factor in most important legislation the past 15 years in the Oregon legislature, will be the center of attraction again this year, but the voters themselves and not their representative lawmakers, will be called upon to settle the question. The claims of the Monmouth, Ashland, and Weston schools will be presented to the voters in separate bills.

From U'Ren's "Law Factory."

The People's Progressive Government League of which W. S. U'Ren is the moving spirit, will present no less than two bills and four constitutional amendments under the initiative. The first of these two bills amends the direct primary law to the end that delegates to national conventions and presidential electors shall be chosen under the provisions of this law. It is also provided that the expenses of these delegates shall be paid out of the treasury of the state. The date of holding the primary election is changed from September to April for presidential election years, but for other years remains as at present. The second bill proposed by U'Ren and his associates provides for a board of People's inspectors of government.

The four constitutional amendments which in all probability will be proposed by the People's Progressive Government League, would change the whole scheme of the present state government by abolishing all of the various boards and commissions, substituting therefor the cabinet system. These amendments propose to give the governor and his cabinet seats in both branches of the legislature, whose regular members are to be chosen for terms of six years and whose sessions are to occur annually. County business is to be managed by a county business manager and sheriffs and district attorneys are to be appointed by the governor.

Would Adopt British Methods.

Proportional representation has a place in the proposed scheme and the entire legislature may be dissolved according to the method of dissolving the British parliament. One of the proposed amendments provides that three-fourths of a jury may submit a verdict in a civil action and that only such opinions of the supreme court shall be printed as decide new points of law.

Thirty Measures in All.

In the general election two years ago there were 19 measures submitted under the initiative and referendum. This year there will be at least 26 and probably 30 or more. Those who have advised that the great power now lodged in the people be used sparingly have pleaded in vain.

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