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EXTRAVAGANCE IN ASYLUM MANAGEMENT

Special Committee Report Uncovers Much Waste of Funds

State Capitol, Salem, Or., Jan. 21.—Recommending wholesale paring of the appropriations asked by Superintendent Steiner, of the asylum, declared that the aims, uses and purposes of the state school for feeble-minded have been perverted and entering into further recommendations as to the conduct of state institutions in and around Salem, the legislative committee appointed by the last legislature to make investigations as to conditions and estimates, filed its report in both houses this afternoon.

Dr. Steiner's recommendation that \$12,375 be appropriated for the use of the asylum during the biennial period was put under the pruning knife and the committee recommends appropriations amounting to \$592,157.94. Of this \$560,000 is recommended for maintenance and the balance for improvements and new buildings.

The request made by Dr. Steiner that \$141,750 be furnished for completion of the new wing of the receiving ward is ignored entirely both in the report and the appropriations bills as prepared by the committee.

Appropriations are recommended for the asylum farm are sliced from \$88,177 to \$24,234.50.

The report states that there are deficiencies of \$28,000 at the feeble-minded school. After declaring that the uses, aims and purposes of this institution have been perverted the report goes on to state that more of the patients now in the school for feeble-minded should be in the asylum and that only such patients should have been admitted to the school as are of suitable age and capable of receiving instruction. It is recited that 122 patients were transferred from the asylum during the biennial period.

Allegations of extravagance also are made relative to working of the farming land in connection with the institution. Members of the committee declare that there are too many farm employees used for a well-managed farm and that for the two years the cost of the farm help, including board, should not exceed \$5000. This is especially apparent, states the report, when it is considered that many of the inmates do farm and garden work.

Deficiencies are shown of \$250 at the blind school, \$17,733.70 at the penitentiary, and \$35,000 at the asylum, this deficiency having increased \$5000 since the report was prepared. Very creditable mention is made of the conduct of affairs at the mute school and blind school.

Cost Per Patient Shown. Among other interesting data furnished is a statement showing the cost per patient at each of the institutions, this cost being as follows: Asylum, \$13.65; deaf school, \$24.35; blind school, \$28.75; reform school, \$25.50; penitentiary, \$14; feeble-minded school, \$24.75.

WELCH ROADS

READY TO BUILD

Reliable Information Points Toward Early Extensions

That the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railroad company, better known as the Welch line, will within the next two or three months have several crews of surveyors in the field to complete the preliminary survey for a route for the road from here to Eugene and from here to Portland is the information which comes from the railroad circles and having as its source one of the men interested in the line and also in the Washington-Oregon corporation it seems to bear all the stamps of reliability, says the Salem Journal.

The same source came also the further information that it is hoped to have the surveys completed in time so that the construction work of the line may be commenced in the summer.

The Washington-Oregon corporation filed articles with a capitalization of \$5,000,000 with the secretary of state several weeks ago. Named with capitalists from Philadelphia, Tacoma and Portland as A. Welch, the promoter of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern line, and it is this corporation which will finance its construction according to the information given out. The articles of the Washington-Oregon corporation gives as its purpose the operation of power plants and railroads and the directors and stockholders named with Welch have railroad interests both in Washington and Nevada. One of its objects is to take over the Welch line and build was admitted by the party giving the information and he further stated that the construction of the line would commence just as soon as the corporation could get its affairs in shape.

Several routes surveyed. Preliminary surveys have been made for several routes for the road from here to Eugene and also to Portland and the mission of the coming crew of surveyors will be to select the most feasible route. Enough crews will be placed in the field so that the work can be rushed as it is the desire of the directors of the corporation to commence the construction of the line during the summer. The early dream of Welch with relation to this line was to extend it into eastern Oregon but the present company has so far, it seems, decided to confine its operations to the Willamette valley and will connect up by a line the various cities contained in it which it has now in operation street railway systems. They are Albany, Eugene and this city.

DEFENSE OPENS IN SCHENCK TRIAL

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 21.—Predictions that the defense in the trial of Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenck, accused of poisoning her millionaire husband, John O. Schenck, has "an ace up its sleeve," were freely made at the resumption of the trial here today when Attorney J. P. O'Brien of Mrs. Schenck's counsel, announced that the defendant would not take the stand.

O'Brien said Mrs. Schenck would not plead insanity, and that Albert Schenck, brother of the accused woman's husband, would not be called in an effort to prove that Mrs. Schenck is the victim of a conspiracy among the relatives of her husband. No hint was given as to the evidence expected to be produced on which the defense hopes for a verdict.

All of last night's session of the

court was devoted to attempting to impeach the credibility of Dr. Myers, that he had sold Mrs. Schenck a quantity of acetate of lead, with which poison, as well as arsenic, Schenck is alleged to have been fed.

When the first witness was called today, it developed that the reason Albert Schenck would not be put on the stand was that, called by the defense, it would not be possible for Mrs. Schenck's lawyers to attack the credibility of their own witness.

That the plea of a conspiracy against the accused woman will be relied on, her defense, at least in part, was evident when Mrs. Jane Hedges was called. She testified that Albert Schenck had always shown animosity against his brother's wife and time and again declared he would leave no stone unturned to get her out of the family.

Mrs. Hedges continues: "Albert Schenck came to my farm between April and June and said that his brother John was going abroad and that he had bought Laura (the defendant) a \$6,000 automobile. Albert said: 'I wish every time she rides in the machine she may break her neck.'"

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There was a special meeting held yesterday afternoon at the Commercial club to take definite action in the matter of strongly petitioning the Oregon Electric company to build its projected extension to Eugene up the west bank of the Willamette, so that Corvallis will be directly on the main line, says the Corvallis Gazette-Times.

President Gaskins has appointed W. S. McFadden, M. S. Woodcock, A. J. Johnson, W. F. Groves, A. P. Johnson, W. J. Morgan, B. W. Johnson, John P. Allen and Victor P. Moses on this committee and it is expected that something will be doing right away to show the Hill people that they can shorten the distance between Portland and Eugene nearly 30 miles by building up the west side, to say nothing of the saving in cost of construction by cutting out the tunnels and bridges which an east side line would involve, or the advantage of being on high ground all along the route where freshets could not interfere with the road bed.

Every business argument that can be advanced will be incorporated in this petition and good results are confidently hoped for from its consideration by the powers that be.

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AMUSEMENTS

"The Man of the Hour"

It may seem strange to speak of "The Man of the Hour" as a play of laughter in view of the seriousness with which it has been treated by the leading managers of this country and Great Britain, and in view of the intense interest taken in it by the man at the head of great affairs, holders of important public office, artists, authors, clergymen, college presidents, etc.

But wonder in the matter will cease when it is recalled that its author, George Broadhurst wrote the two great successes of American farce, "What Happened to Jones" and "Why Smith Left Home."

This new play of his is funnier than either yet, and it is regarded by critics as the best play of real American life yet written.

"The Man of the Hour" will be seen at the Eugene theatre, Friday, January 27. Among the players presenting the play are: Mr. Harry English, Warren Conlan, Edward Keane, John Moore, John Morris, Clyde P. McCabe, Frank Kendricks, Frank Watson, Alfred Barnes, and Miss Eleanor Haber, Virginia Irwin, Florence Mack.

Madam Pauline Miller-Chapman creates a good impression by her unusually good vocal material. She has a mezzo range with a contralto timbre. Her voice is rich and warm colored and full of that untranslatable "schmelz" of the German-French Continental Times, London England.

ELECTION OF SENATORS BY DIRECT VOTE ASSAILED

Washington, Jan. 22.—In the senate today a speech was made by Carter of Montana, assailing the resolution calling for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. Cummins spoke in opposition to the so-called mail subsidy bill. The house devoted the day to a continued consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill.

In the senate today a passage sought to get unanimous consent to a vote on the former case January 27 but failed when Burrows objected. Then he proposed February 1, but to this Burrows objected on the ground that too many senators would vote on the question to permit of a vote at so early a date.

MANY TYPHOID CASES AT FALLS CITY

Falls City, Or., Jan. 23.—There have been 27 cases of typhoid fever reported to City Health Officer Hellmuth during the last month. Thus far there has been, but one fatality. These alarming facts are causing the citizens to plan quick action in the direction of a city waterworks system.

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