

# LAW FOR STATE AID PROPOSED

## IRRIGATION RECEIVES ATTENTION

Committee Appointed at Salem Conference Finally Makes Report—Attorney General Approves—Mills Believes Measures Good

(Oregon Journal.)

Proposed constitutional amendments to provide for use of the state's credit in aid of irrigation and drainage districts was reported to A. L. Mills, chairman of the state credits conference, by the committee consisting of J. B. Kerr, C. C. Chapman and Asa B. Thompson, appointed at the time of the conference, March 9 and 10, to draft the measures.

The measures had been approved as to form by the attorney general.

"I believe they are good measures," said Mr. Mills this morning.

The committee makes no recommendations as to the steps which would be taken to have the amendments placed on the ballot and Mr. Mills is not ready yet to state whether the conference should be reconvened or to discuss the probabilities of the Oregon Irrigation Congress sponsoring and initiating the measures. He will report the proposed legislation to J. W. Brewer, president of the irrigation congress. While the measures prepared by the committee provide for the use of the state's credit small element of risk is involved.

### May Issue Bonds.

A regularly organized irrigation or drainage district may issue bonds by vote of the people in the district.

The country in which the district is located may vote to guarantee the interest on the bonds. If the county votes favorably, then the state may issue its bonds and with the proceeds buy the bonds of the irrigation or drainage district, the bonds, as was stated, to be guaranteed as to interest by the county.

The state's bonds will be four per cent, the irrigation or drainage district bonds, six per cent, the two per cent difference will provide sufficient funds for administration and to retire the bonds in about 30 years.

The county guarantee amendment as drafted by the committee is brief. It reads:

"No county shall create any debts or liabilities which shall singly or in the aggregate exceed the sum of \$5,000, except to suppress insurrection or repel invasion, or to build and maintain permanent roads within the county, or to provide irrigation for arid or semi-arid lands or drainage for wet or overflowed lands; and debts for permanent roads shall be incurred only on approval of a majority of those voting on the question, and shall not either singly or in the aggregate with previous debts and liabilities incurred for that purpose, exceed two per cent of the assessed valuation of all the property in the county.

### Must be Guaranteed.

"No debt for irrigation or drainage shall be created except by guaranteeing the payment by an irrigation or drainage district vested with the

power of taxation of interest for a term not exceeding 30 years at a rate not exceeding six per cent per annum upon bonds or other evidences of debt of such irrigation or drainage district, the interest whereof shall be a first lien on lands included within the limits of such irrigation or drainage district situated in whole or in part within such county, in which district at least 80 per cent of the lands so included shall be held in fee in private ownership, and debts incurred on account of such guarantee shall be incurred only on approval of a majority of those voting on the question.

### Restriction is Imposed.

"No county shall guarantee the interest on bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued to provide for irrigation or drainage whereby the annual liability on account of such interest so guaranteed shall exceed two per cent of the assessed valuation of all the property in the county."

The state amendment provides for the issue of bonds, the proceeds to be used in buying irrigation or drainage district bonds. It is expected, of course, that the state engineer and the county engineer shall pass upon the projects.

### See Edwards for paper hanging.—Adv.

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The work that food does is measured by the heat it makes in your body. Eat foods which "fill up," but which do not make too much heat. Some of these filling or bulky foods are lettuce, cucumbers, celery, spinach, asparagus, cabbage, cauliflower, beets, onions, carrots, parsnips, squash, pumpkins and tomatoes. Starchy foods, like potatoes, should be well cooked.

Some raw foods, such as fruits and salads have things in them that are good for you. These things are in some cases lost in cooking. For this reason, you should eat some raw foods each day.

Some foods, such as potatoes and fish should not be eaten raw.

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### MAY—RILL WELLS.

The sum of \$200,000 will be expended on experimental well boring in Central and Eastern Oregon if an amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill proposed by Senator Chamberlain becomes law. The amendment was presented on May 15 and referred to the committee on agriculture and forestry.

## POSTAL SAVINGS ACT AMENDED.

Larger postal savings deposits will now be accepted at the post office. This is made possible by an amendment to the Postal Savings Act just approved by President Wilson. A postal savings depositor may now have an account amounting to \$1,000 upon which interest will be paid. Formerly \$500 was the maximum amount he could have to his credit. Another feature of the amendment that will avoid further embarrassment to the public and to postal officials is the doing away with the limit on the amount that could be accepted from a depositor monthly. Under the old law only \$100 could be deposited in a calendar month. The amendment abolishes this restriction. While the Postal Savings System has already proved a signal success as is shown by the fact that more than half a million depositors have over eighty million dollars standing to their credit, still it has fallen short of meeting the full demands of the public because of the restrictions which have now been eliminated.

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