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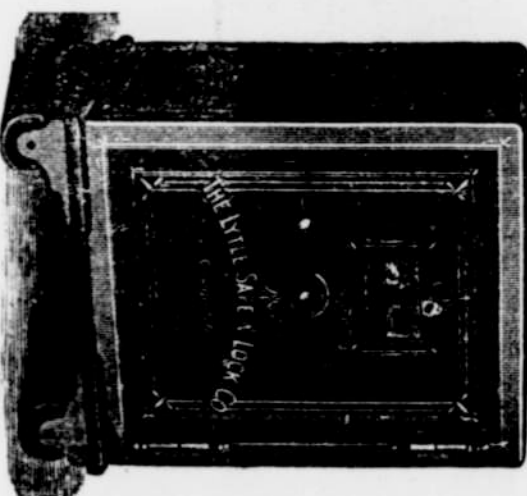
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California is a larger state than Oregon, with many times our population, yet they voted successfully on nine laws and there was no complaint of lost time to voters, nor of too much territory nor of ignorant voting, and yet there had been no education by the state on these measures.

The Colorado legislature applied the Referendum at the last election on the question of woman suffrage and it carried by 7000 majority, while a constitutional amendment providing for one form of the Referendum when demanded, was defeated by the state senate.

Under this system measures, not men, are the subject of discussion and a voter is not compelled to agree wholly with his party, but can select the laws on their merits.

It is the same system under which the famous New England town meetings do all their business, voting sometimes by ballot and at others by show of hands. The American Federation of Labor Knights of Labor, and the International Cigar Makers, Iron Moulders, Bakers, Brewers, Carpenters and Joiners, Carriage and Wagon Makers, Garment Workers, Granite Cutters, Tailors and Typographical Unions, with a combined membership of over half a million, extending over the whole country and with 10,000 members in the state of Oregon; make all the laws for the government of their respective bodies by the Initiative and Referendum, and have done so for years past.

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The Referendum would soon convince the originators of all vicious and unjust laws that they were wasting their time preparing bills that were not to the benefit of the people.

The fact that the people would be at liberty to at all times resort to the Initiative and thus do away with the necessity of legislative action on a proposed law would stop filibustering, talking against time and running away to prevent the transaction of business, as is the case in our congress today.

Of the \$2,705,496.17, appropriated by the last legislature of Oregon at least one-third could have been saved to the taxpayers without detriment to the state, and would have been by the Referendum. This saving would amount to about \$10 per voter.

With the Initiative and Referendum, United States senators would be elected by a direct vote of the people. It is only necessary to provide in our constitution that "The qualified electors of the state shall constitute the legislature of Oregon," which in truth will be the fact. Laws once approved by the

people, could not be declared unconstitutional by any court in the land, as the voice of the people is the highest lawmaking power. Each county, city, or district would have full control of its own affairs and could try experiments in laws and systems of government that a state would hardly dare to attempt. We would soon have a practical demonstration of the different systems of taxation and could then choose the one that was best adapted to our conditions. Any reasonable proposition would soon find some county or precinct willing to give it a trial.

The Initiative and Referendum would enable us to carry on great public improvements such as the portage railway at The Dalles, or the purchase of the locks at Oregon City. Our towns and cities could assume control of their local railroads, street car lines, electric light and water plants, or take such other steps as the majority at any time saw fit.

It being the duty of the state to furnish a printed statement of the effect, together with an impartial review of reasons for and against the enactment of each law the voters could make an intelligent decision without reference to a subsidized or interested press.

The cost of making and delivering to every voter a pamphlet copy of fifty laws and reasons would be less than \$17,000. All laws could be voted on at the regular June election once in two years.

By this system, one man power would be destroyed as no legislature could table a proposition, no governor veto it, or any court declare it unconstitutional after the people had given it their approval at the ballot box.

By reducing the salary of the office holder as wages and prices fall and times grow harder to the amount, the same work and talent would command in other lines of labor, the professional office holder will soon disappear. When the people make the laws, there will be no money in politics and it will cease to be a trade.

All citizens' platforms of Massachusetts last year demanded the system for the state cities, and counties. The republican governor was elected on that pledge and is working hard to keep his promise. Present indications are that the subject will be submitted to the people of that state this year to be voted on.

All citizens, regardless of party, are earnestly requested to study the system and help make it a part of the constitution of Oregon this year. It can be done by refusing to vote for any candidate who does not pledge himself in writing, that he will do all in his power to accomplish the reform at the earliest possible date.

See that your party platform contains a plank demanding the Initiative and Referendum.

LITERARY AUNT:—"Are you fond of Crabbe's Tales, Edna?" EDNA:—"Don't know, aunty, I've never eaten them, but I love the meat in lobster's legs.—Demorest Family Magazine.

HE:—"Could you marry a man who is your inferior?" SHE:—"I suppose I shall have to."—Demorest Family Magazine.