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## BILL FOR FREE LIBRARIES

Every County in the State Authorized to Levy Tax.

Milton W. Smith, one of the directors of the Portland Library Association, and who has been for a long time deeply interested in the Public Library, has drawn up a bill which will be introduced in this session of the Legislature, authorizing every county in the state to levy one-fifth of a mill special tax for a free library.

The bill is somewhat of a radical departure from the present library law, inasmuch as the library will be under county, and not city, control, and that one will be located at every county seat in the state. State Senator Alexander Sweet, from Multnomah County, introduced the measure Monday, which is in detail as follows:

A bill for an act to provide for the establishment, maintenance and support of libraries:

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Oregon:

Section 1. The several counties in this state are hereby authorized and empowered, in their discretion, to assess, levy and collect, in the manner provided for the assessment, levy and collection of other taxes for county purposes, a special tax not to exceed one-fifth of one mill on each dollar of the value of all taxable property within such county, for the purpose of establishing, maintaining or assisting in the maintenance of a public library within such county.

The proceeds of any such tax shall be placed in a separate fund, to be known as the library fund, and shall be expended only for the purposes for which the same is levied.

Sec. 2. The County Court for any county in which the special tax provided for in section 1 of this act has been levied and collected may either provide for the location, establishment, management and control of a public library at the county seat of such county, or it may, in its discretion, contract with any association or corporation incorporated for that purpose and maintaining a library at the county seat of such county, for the use of the books of such association or corporation by the inhabitants of such county upon such terms and conditions as such County Court may determine.

Sec. 3. No moneys shall be drawn from any library fund created under the provisions of this act except upon warrant drawn by the order of the County Court for the county in which such taxes are levied.

Sec. 4. Every library maintained, either in whole or in part, from any county library fund shall be free for the use of the inhabitants of the county where located, subject to such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the County Court of such county or the management of the association or corporation maintaining such library.

Sec. 5. Inasmuch as it will be to the advantage of education to have county libraries established immediately, an emergency is hereby declared, and this act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor.

### TO AMEND ARID LAND LAW

#### State Irrigation Association Will Introduce Bills.

Salem, Jan. 17.—Chairman Sam White, of the legislation committee of the State Irrigation Association, and also a member of the executive

committee of the Baker County Irrigation Committee, is in Salem preparing bills which will be presented to the Legislature with the recommendation that they be passed. These measures will contain nothing of a very radical nature, but will seek to remedy such minor defects in existing laws as have been discovered as a result of the very exhaustive discussion which has taken place in the last three months. One measure will propose amendments to the act accepting the provisions of the Carey law, and the other will present changes to be made in the law regarding water rights in general.

Three amendments to the arid land act will be proposed, having for their purpose the restriction of the privileges of reclamation companies, the prevention of "land-grabbing," and the encouragement of the settlement and cultivation of all the lands covered by reclamation contracts. The first amendment will apply to section 3288 of the Bellinger and Cotton code, which gives to reclamation companies the exclusive right to the possession and use of the lands covered by the contracts from the date of the contracts until the liens are paid off. Mr. White thinks that the companies should not have the possession and use of the land all this time, to the exclusion of all other persons, at the same time that they are holding liens which draw 6 per cent interest, and he proposes to have this privilege limited to such occupancy as is necessary for the construction of irrigation ditches and canals. Under the present statute the companies can secure the exclusive right to the use of large tracts of land, though they may not be attempting to irrigate more than a small area.

Section 3292 of the code provides that any settler desiring to purchase any unsold quarter section of desert land on which there is a lien for the cost of reclamation shall pay to the holder thereof such proportion of the amount of the entire lien as the true value of the tract bears to the true value of the whole tract, which amount is determined by the State Land Board. Upon the payment of the lien to the holder thereof, the purchaser is entitled to a deed from the State Land Board. Mr. White thinks this section gives the reclamation companies an opportunity to get title to the best of the lands by getting "dummies" to make the purchases and then transfer the title to them or some person or concern controlled by them. In order to prevent this, Mr. White thinks that on making the purchase a settler should be given a receipt, the same as the Government gives to homesteaders, and then when they have lived on the land for five years and put not less than one-fourth to one-

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## THE TWO MESSAGES

Brief Synopsis of the Two Papers—Both Able Documents.

Governor Tier confines his message largely to telling of the conditions as he leaves them. "Oregon does not owe one dollar," is one of his striking statements. He recommends the enactment of laws for corporations and inheritance taxes; invites a full investigation of the state land department; shows that the state land agent sold state farms that had been sold at sheriff's sale for the benefit of the school fund for \$62,076 more than they cost that fund, including both principle and interest; recommends flat salaries. It is an able and dignified state paper.

Mr. Chamberlain, whose term of office as governor commenced at about 3:20 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, (January 14) makes many recommendations. Among a number of other things, he recommends the following:

- A commission to frame a general assessment law.
- A corporation tax.
- An inheritance tax.
- A fellow servant law.
- Flat salaries.
- Limiting work of state printer.
- Expediting county books.
- Expediting state books.
- That transporting insane be put under the direction of superintendent of asylum.
- That transporting convicts be put under direction of superintendent of the penitentiary.
- That youthful criminals, between the ages of 16 and 21, be handled in some other way than sending them to the jail or the penitentiary.
- That all executions be at the penitentiary.
- That the sailor boarding house nuisance be abated.
- That the state have two normal schools only, instead of four.
- That concerted action be had with Washington on bar pilotage.
- That we have a new and better general health law.
- For state arbitration of labor troubles.
- That near relatives pay expense of keeping their insane and idiotic, and also inmates of reform school, where they are able.
- That convict labor be so employed that it will not come into competition with free labor.
- That the state own and operate its own electric light plant.
- For an open river from Portland to the sea.
- A good word for the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society.
- For further legislation to make the Carey arid land law a better one.

Several suggestions as to land matters. (Experience may change Mr. Chamberlain's views in some particulars; or he will at least learn that these are difficult and intricate matters.)

For employing convicts in building roads. (The above suggestion is applicable to this case. There are difficulties in the proposition.)

For a liberal appropriation for the 1903 fair, and for aid in making an exhibition at the St. Louis fair.

For an appropriation for the Oregon Historical Society.

For reapportionment of the state into senatorial and representative districts.

It may be said for the new governor that he goes at things in a straightforward and open manner, and that he is not afraid to suggest remedies.—The Dalles Chronicle.

## Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

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## Railroads Seek Repeal of Land Laws.

Washington, Jan. 17.—The opinion is growing among members of the public lands committee of both House and Senate that railroad influence is behind the pending bills providing for the repeal of the timber and stone, desert land and commutation homestead laws. After several weeks of discussion at odd times, Representative Lacey, chairman of the House committee, says there is not the slightest possibility of passing any one of these bills this session, as a great majority of the House committee at least are opposed to a change, believing that a proper administration will put an end to the frauds committed under these respective acts.

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