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LARGE GRAFTS MUST BE DEALT WITH

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of the rigid conditions of the old constitution. They can only be remedied by heroic business-like treatment.

Equalize the Normal Schools.

The proposition to save \$20,000 a year by equalizing the four normal schools is a very moderate estimate. At the last session of the legislature the following appropriations were made for Normal Schools:

Drain	\$12,000
Ashland	22,000
Weston	24,600
Monmouth	27,000

Total \$85,600

All but the Drain Normal School have been equipped with buildings at the expense of the state. No more appropriations for buildings should be made, unless it is at Drain. The four schools should be put under a joint board of regents composed of disinterested citizens of the state. Their course of studies should be confined to professional work. **THEIR APPROPRIATIONS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO A SUM FIXED EACH YEAR ON THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ATTENDING.** A plan of this kind would save not \$20,000 a year, but \$40,000 a year.

The Primary Election Law.

The Journal, of December 1st, mentioned, among items that could be saved, \$60,000 each time a general election is held in this state. It is estimated that the primary election, under the law, will cost the same amount. **A PRIMARY ELECTION CAN BE HELD AND SHOULD BE HELD AT THE EXPENSE OF THE ASPIRANTS FOR NOMINATION.** That has been done the past two years in the city of Salem, and works no hardship on anyone. It is clearly improper and unconstitutional, in our opinion, to load the expense of holding political party primaries upon the general taxpayer, when the law practically excludes all but one political party from participation in such primary.

The primary law should be amended to relieve the taxpayers of this unjust burden, even if the voters did hastily adopt it as it was drawn up by a committee of political experts.

Opportunities for Other Savings.

The general law appropriating \$51 per capita for all orphan and foundlings under the age of 14, kept in charitable institutions, should be extended to other charitable institutions, and the appropriation for the Boys' and Girls' Home, Florence Crittendon Home and Patton Home, could, under such a system, be abolished. Of the \$12,000 appropriated for orphans, only \$4000 has been used this year. That appropriation could be reduced without injury to anyone. The militia at \$45,000 a year, could be reduced to \$30,000, as there is no evidence that this state needs to expend that amount of money for military protection. The health officer maintained by this state at sea ports perform almost a useless service, and could be cut off with a saving of \$5,400.

More Deficits to Be Looked For.

It is not unreasonable to expect that many deficiencies not now appearing will have to be provided for by the legislature. The report of the secretary of state will show deficits at the insane asylum, the state prison and the state printing office. It is no secret that \$50,000 more will be needed to pay the Indian War Veterans. The lobbyists for the Indian fighters have already decided that they will ask pay for the horses lost in the campaigns and a per diem of \$2.00 per day for the use of each horse. No one can doubt that there will be a deficiency for the portage railway, and for the Lewis and Clark fair. While these demands may not have to be met out of next year's taxes, the legislature will be asked to recognize them. With the closest kind of work on the part of a business legislature, it is doubtful if the appropriations can be kept much below those of the last session. It is doubtful whether the state tax levy will not be up to the present high standard. **LEGISLATORS ARE ASKED TO LOOK THE FACTS IN THE FACE,** and consider that they have a very interesting state campaign ahead of them, with a Democratic governor who will probably be up for re-election, and every Republican in the state may well ask himself if the incoming general assembly be careless, reckless and extravagant, **WHAT SHALL THE POLITICAL HARVEST BE?**

What the Governor Will Do.

That Governor Chamberlain **WILL SUBMIT A REFORM MESSAGE TO THE INCOMING LEGISLATURE** no one can doubt. That he will be prepared to back it up with veto messages no one can doubt. Governor Chamberlain is an astute politician, who keeps his ear close to the ground, and he knows that the work of the last session cannot be duplicated with safety, and he will not hesitate to throw his influence with the people in protest against too many appropriations. While he will be blamed for the large appropriations of two years ago, he will show that they were in the nature of investments by this state, for the development of projects reaching into the future. **BUT WITH A POSSIBLE SECOND CAMPAIGN AHEAD OF HIM HE WILL MAKE A VETO RECORD,** and the Republican legislature will have to heed his suggestions.

What One Business Member Says.

The following letter has been received by The Journal, from one of the business members of the legislature:

"Ed. Journal: I noticed in The Journal of December 1st, your Republican State Program. **THERE IS MORE TRUTH THAN POETRY IN THAT.** I certainly agree with you that as the Republicans have a working majority in both houses of the legislature, there is no reason that they should shoulder the errors on the other side of the house. I personally do not approve of much new legislation, knowing the conditions, but I do believe that we have some old laws that need amendments.

THE TIME IS AT HAND WHEN WE MUST RETRENCH, for when times are prosperous and everybody is satisfied, we must legislate in the interest of the masses, for if we wait with retrenchment until everybody is dissatisfied, then it is too late. For the crisis will be upon us. **IT WILL BE HARD FOR US TO GO BEFORE THE PEOPLE AND SQUARE OURSELVES.**"

The people would be glad to hear from other members of the legislature on what they think of deliberately formulating a business program for the coming session of the legislature, from a Republican standpoint of protecting the taxpayers.

MONTANA
RANCHER
AMBUSHED

Despondent Californian Threw
Himself Under Moving
Engine

Butte, Mont., Dec. 7.—While returning home at an early hour this morning John Bedrick was shot from ambush and instantly killed by an unknown person. The murder is believed to be the result of a feud as there was no attempt at robbery.

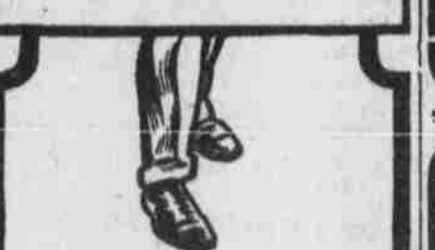
Santa Rosa Cal., Dec. 7.—A. B. Higgins, a retired rancher, suicided this morning by throwing himself under an engine at the California & Northwestern depot. Financial troubles caused his tragic end.

Defendants Found Guilty.

The jury in the case of McKinley, Puter, Mrs. Watson, Dan Tarpley and others, charged with conspiring to defraud the government of land, brought in a verdict of guilty, after deliberating 40 minutes yesterday afternoon. Miss Ware was acquitted of the charge. The defendants, with the exception of Tarpley, were placed under a new bond of \$8000 to await sentence. An appeal will probably be taken from the decision.



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