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SOLONS CAN TAKE CHOICE

If Proposed Irrigation Code Is Not Enacted Intact It Will Be Submitted to the People

Once more the legislature has had the initiative bugaboo held up warningly before its eyes; this time in connection with proposed irrigation legislation and by the Portland board of trade, in anticipation of an attempt to block remedial legislation on the part of private and corporate interests which are strongly opposed to the proposed irrigation code, as drafted by the board of trade committee and presented to the house by Representative Perkins, of Jackson, and to the senate by Senator Wheelton, of Wasco. The board has sent out a circular letter to all of the members of the legislature, calling attention to this opposition and stating that if the legislature failed to enact the bill intact and without amendment or mutilation, it will be submitted to the people on the initiative at the next general election.

Friends of the proposed irrigation code recognize and concede that the general line-up of the two-legislative committees on irrigation in the house and senate is against the passage of the board of trade bill and feel that they will have to fight it out on the floor and it is expected that there will be some pretty lively debates before the committee which has not set a date for the first meeting. The principal interests which are opposed to the enactment of the water code are the private irrigation companies which are engaged in reclamation work in eastern Oregon and they are expected to send strong lobbies to fight the bills during the session.

After explaining the most important features of the code and the effect of the laws of other states after which it was drafted, alluding to its provisions as a "law for the people and actually user of water; a law which denies the right of any corporation or any person to tie up the waters of this state for the purpose of speculation and individual gain," the circular letter sent out by the board of trade says:

"We would appeal to you representing the interests which originate the bill, which interests are wholly unselfish except for the good of the state as a whole, to accept this bill in its entirety. If this bill is to be chopped up and mutilated, and its many good features destroyed for political, personal or other reasons, we would prefer that no action be

taken and we will submit it to the people on the initiative, in which case we feel sure, from the sentiment existing throughout the state, that the bill will become a law, word for word, in its present shape as it has been turned out by the able committee which drew it up."

The bill which has been presented to the senate, by Senator Bingham, chairman of the senate irrigation committee, and in opposition to the board of trade committee code, has many of its principal features except that it leaves the adjudication of water rights to the courts through litigation, curtails the authority of the state engineer and does not provide for water wardens, and cuts the amount of the appropriation down to the minimum.

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A Great Drama.

"The Midnight Flyer," which comes to the Grand opera house, Salem, this Monday evening is a grand dramatic story seasoned with bright comedy. It is said to be one of the most powerful melodramas of the day. A number of the most beautiful and startling scenic effects are carried for this big production. Seats on sale now at box office.

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OFFICERS ELECTED.

Marion County Horticulturists Will Hold the Cherry Festival.

At the meeting of the Marion County Horticultural society Saturday afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, L. M. Gilbert; vice president, A. M. LaFollette; second vice president, Andrew Vercler; third vice president, Lloyd T. Reynolds; secretary-treasurer, E. C. Armstrong.

The committee to arrange the details of the cherry fair is as follows: M. McDonald, C. F. Lansing, G. F. Rogers, H. B. Thielson, L. M. Gilbert.

Mrs. Claud Gatch, L. T. Reynolds, H. S. Gile and G. W. Weeks.

A committee was appointed to gather all available data for the purpose of considering the advisability of organizing a fruit growers union. The personnel of the committee is W. W. Hall, Alex LaFollette, S. H. Hatch, G. W. Weeks, L. T. Reynolds, A. M. Aspinwall and E. C. Armstrong.

WHAT OF NORMAL SCHOOLS?

Legislature Again Called Upon to Adjust Burning Issue

What will be the result of the final adjudication of the normal school question is the burning issue which has been passed up to the present session of the legislature to solve. Numerous bills of diverse character have already been presented for the consideration of the solons, each having a distinct and separate proposed solution, and it would seem to be up to the committee on education to determine what is the better course to pursue in the premises.

Two bills introduced provide for cutting down the number of schools to two, one in eastern Oregon and the other in western Oregon; another would reduce the number to one; another to abolish the system altogether, while another is in course of drafting which contemplates reducing the number of schools to two and having one board of regents for the two institutions to be composed of the governor, superintendent and attorney general and two appointive offices. One of these bills will be presented to both branches of the legislature today.

If the number of schools is reduced to two and two of the schools abolished it is pretty certain that the Weston normal, being the only located in eastern Oregon will be retained and then it will remain for the friends of the Monmouth, Ashland and Drain schools to fight it out before the legislature for supremacy. If Senator Coke, of Coos county, had his way, however, there would be but one normal school in the state and that would be located at Portland. His argument in favor of this change is chiefly that the embryo teachers would have the advantage of both the practical and theoretical training and would be much better fitted to achieve success in their chosen profession.

SOCIAL EVENTS

New Play Tonight.

Eckhardt's Ideal Stock company present "The Great Northwest at the Klinger-Grand tonight. This attraction is a company of exception merit, and comes highly recommended from all the big cities of the northwest. If the papers of Portland, Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma, Utah and Colorado are a criterion, the engagement will be a big success. The company is composed of twelve people with special scenery and plays never before produced in Salem. Specialties will be introduced, moving pictures of the San Francisco disaster, and all the latest illustrated songs, to say nothing of the principal fun maker, Oliver J. Eckhardt (manager) ably assisted by Georgia Nichols, who possesses a remarkably sweet voice and in addition is an accomplished actress. To quote Mr. Belmont's words, who at one time was a member of the "Ideals" "is the best repertoire show on the road today."

School Board Met.

The school board held a meeting Saturday evening and transacted a large amount of routine business that had accumulated for several weeks. The appointment of teachers that had been made by Superintendent Powers were confirmed. Miss Bradford was assigned to the East school to fill the place vacated by Miss Schindler and Miss Mickey will take the place of Miss Stevens in the North school. A. J. Lowry was appointed janitor of the Lincoln school in the place of G. A. Nye, resigned. The election of a director to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Smith was postponed until the regular meeting in February.

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