

ARGUMENTS FALL
BOOK FOR VOTERS

State Printer Busy With Initiative and Referendum Measures.

SCHEME TO SAVE POSTAGE

Dunlavy Will Trim Pamphlets and Thus Save \$1000 on Mailing Expenses—Copy of Arguments to Be Sent Each Voter.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—With the close of the last of the arguments upon initiative and referendum measures yesterday, it has become possible to compute approximately the size of the pamphlets for the information of voters. S. A. Koser, chief clerk of the Secretary of State's office, today measured the material to be included in the book and concluded that the copies of bills, amendments and arguments will occupy 120 pages, at least. The cost will be about \$50 per page, or \$6000. As persons who file arguments must pay their proportion of the total cost, about \$250 of the total has been paid by private individuals.

Copy for Each Voter.

The pamphlets will be published and ready for distribution about April 1, or two months before the election. They will be called upon to vote upon the measures. Secretary of State Benson is now securing lists of voters who have registered in each of the counties of the state and has clerks at work addressing envelopes to these voters. When the pamphlets have been printed they will be slipped into the envelopes and mailed.

Mailed Soon as Printed.

The work of getting out the pamphlets is being rushed in the meantime. It is useless for voters to make inquiries. The most they can do is to register and then await the coming of a copy of the pamphlet when the printing has been completed.

WILL IMPROVE WATERFRONT

Astoria Capitalists Incorporate for This Purpose.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Articles of incorporation of the Columbia River Dock & Terminal Company, an organization that proposes to do considerable improvement work on waterfront property near this city, were filed in the County Clerk's office today. The incorporators of the company are F. L. Taylor and John Fox, of Astoria, Alma D. Katz, George W. McMillan, H. T. Hendry and Everett Ames, of Portland, and its capital stock is \$750,000, divided into 750 shares of \$100 each. Under its articles, the company is authorized to build docks, wharves and warehouses, to carry on a wharfing business, to lease terminal yards, to construct, improve and operate street railways, to purchase, lease and operate dredgers, steamboats, etc. The principal office of the company is to be in Astoria. This is the corporation that has acquired several thousand acres of tidelands lying east of Tongue Point and which were recently purchased from the state. It is understood steps will be taken in the immediate future to reclaim the property by building bulkheads and filling in by pumping sand from the river channel, so that wharves and manufacturing establishments can be erected there.

KEEPS WIFE UNDER SPELL

Woman Would Break Restraint by Securing Divorce.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Charging that her husband, from whom she is seeking a divorce, exercises a strange influence, and causes her to do things which are against her interest and that of their child, Lottie B. Fankboner today asked the Superior Court to enjoin Jesse B. Fankboner from visiting her. She charges that when she is away from the husband's presence she can think and act independently, but when Fankboner talks, everything changes. This strange influence, says the wife, is known to the husband, who has repeatedly boasted of it. She is satisfied according to the complaint, that if she can keep Fankboner away from the home, and put a stop to his peering into the windows at night, she can retain her desire to proceed with the divorce proceedings.

ASK FOR MORE DRYDOCKS

Seattle Intends to Be Prepared in Case of Hostilities.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—AT least four additional docks for the Bremerton navyyard are demanded in an appeal sent to the War Department and to the Washington Congressional delegation today by the Chamber of Commerce. It is pointed out that in the event of war with any nation such wholly inadequate docking facilities might operate to tie up the whole fleet, for the reason that one badly disabled battleship would occupy the dock for at least six months. For this reason, in time of war, to maintain the efficiency of the Navy it is imperative that the Government have more drydocks than at present.

BROKERS CUT SHINGLE PRICES

Reduction, It Is Declared, Will Close Many Mills Until April 1.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—At a secret meeting of the wholesale shingle brokers this afternoon in the Lumber Exchange building the knife was applied to the shingle market. The brokers, agreeing among themselves to cut the prices paid the manufacturers as follows: For stars, present price \$1.50, new price \$1.40 per thousand; for clears, present price \$2.10, new price \$1.90 per thousand. The brokers control nearly 80 per cent of the output. It is declared the

action of the brokers will compel recalcitrant millowners to close their plants until April 1 or later.

CLOSE SALOONS ON SUNDAY

Adams County Officials Propose to End Reign of Lawlessness.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Adams County will be closed next Sunday, in compliance with a notice prepared at Ritzville, Wash., by Prosecuting Attorney C. W. Rathbun and signed by Sheriff E. D. Mason, which will be printed this week by the county papers.

JOHN D'S OIL CAUSES SUIT

Spokane Man Demands Damages Because Lamp Explodes.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—A suit for \$27,350 against the Standard Oil Company was filed in the Superior Court today by William M. Allison and wife. The suit grew out of a lamp explosion, which is alleged to be due to adulterated kerosene furnished by the Standard Oil Company to the Booth-McClintock Company, and in turn sold by that company to J. Erickson, a grocer, from which firm the Allison bought the fluid, it causing an explosion as alleged, which burned Mrs. Allison's hands and arms. The accident occurred February 1, 1906.

NORTH COAST GETS ROUTE

Permitted to Condemn Right of Way on Northern Pacific Land.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The North Coast Railway was today given the right to condemn a right of way through the Northern Pacific right of way, at Union Gap in Yakima County, by the Supreme Court of the state. The court allows the North Coast a strip of land 45 feet east of the present track of the Northern Pacific along the west bank of the Yakima River. This is the only available pass in that section, and if the court had refused to let the road condemn, the North Coast would have had to go to an enormous expense to get through the hills at that point, as they could have had to cross the river twice and the construction of a \$300,000 road tunnel would have been needed. The North Coast will have to pay the Northern Pacific a reasonable amount of damages for the use of the land.

ALBANY JURORS CAN'T AGREE

Stand Three to Three in Burkhardt Local Option Case.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—For a second time today jurors failed to reach an agreement in the case against Burkhardt & Lee, local druggists, and Richard Landis, charged with violation of the local option law. Landis, who is a clerk in the drugstore of Burkhardt & Lee, was accused of selling liquor to Detectives Pason and Mitchell, last October, and his employers were charged jointly in the complaint. The case was tried several weeks ago and resulted in a disagreement and on the retrial today the jury deliberated six hours with a vote of 3 to 3 from first to last.

Speakers at Chautauqua.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Miss Anna Lewis Clark, of Boonville, Mo., chairman of the civil service reform committee of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, was engaged to deliver at the coming session of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua Assembly in Clatsop Park. Secretary Cross has also closed a contract with Rev. B. L. Whitman, of Seattle, formerly of Philadelphia, and ex-president of Colby University. He will deliver the Bible study class during the session. The programme for Chautauqua is far advanced for this time of the year.

Making Converts at Pendleton.

PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—As a result of the recent revival meetings at the M. E. Church in this city 173 new members were received Sunday, February 23, and 63 on Monday. The work of the church has been established on a broader basis, and Sunday services are largely attended.

FORM HOLDING COMPANY

President Baker, of New York First National, Starts Movement.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—George F. Baker, president of the First National Bank, has sent a circular letter to all the bank's stockholders asking them to assent to the formation of a \$10,000,000 holding company to take over and administer the real estate, securities, stocks and other property of the bank. On receiving the assent of the stockholders the bank proposes to declare an extra dividend of 100 per cent on its \$10,000,000 of stock, which dividend is to be applied to the payment of the capital stock of the holding company.

Creel May Try Gothenburg System.

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., Feb. 25.—Governor Creel says that as more pressing matters are disposed of he may take up the solution of the liquor problem along the lines of the Gothenburg system as passed by him when he was acting Governor two years ago.

Truesdale Re-elected President.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—W. H. Truesdale was re-elected president of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company at a meeting of the board of directors today.

Clatsop Mill Resumes.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The Clatsop Mill Company's plant which has been closed down for several weeks, will resume operations on next Monday morning with a full force of employees.

EATON KEEPS WORD

Ready to Donate \$50,000 to Willamette University.

WHEN PEACE IS RESTORED

Union County Pioneer Only Waits for Restoration of Normal Conditions at Educational Institutions—Site Has Been Selected.

UNION, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—In an interview this morning, A. E. Eaton, of this city, the donor of \$50,000 to erect a building for the Willamette University, emphatically denied that he has withdrawn the donation or has ever contemplated such a move. Mr. Eaton and Dr. Coleman, president of the University, are warm personal friends, as is also Bishop Moore. The only reason that the money has not been placed at the hands of the building committee is the unsettled state of affairs that now prevails among the officials of the institution.

DETAINED IN QUARANTINE

Steamer Montague Held at Victoria Awaiting Instructions.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 25.—Steamer Montague which reached William Head quarantine station this morning, has been detained in quarantine subject to instructions from Dr. Montisamert, head of Dominion quarantine at Ottawa, who has been telegraphed for instructions.

EIGHT YEARS FOR HOMICIDE

Thomas Hale Sentenced at the Dalles for Killing Man.

THE DALLES, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Thomas Hale was today sentenced by Judge Bradshaw to eight years in the penitentiary for the killing of Thomas McConnell in the Columbia Southern Hotel at Shaniko, August 25 last. Hale was under the influence of liquor when the crime was committed and had no recollection of the act nor had he ever seen or heard of McConnell before that time.

RACE OR CREED IS NO BAR

King County Pioneer Leaves Fortune for Orphans' Asylum.

SEATTLE, Feb. 25.—Richard Jeffs, a pioneer who died last week, left a will providing that \$100,000 of his estate should be used for the establishment on his farm at Auburn of an asylum for the orphans of King County, regardless of race or creed. Mr. Jeffs' widow is a full-blooded Indian and at her death it is believed that she will give her estate of \$200,000 to the asylum. Their seven children are dead.

DEAD OF THE NORTHWEST

Eunice Bewler Little.

ST. HELENE, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Eunice Bewler Little died at her home in Houston this morning of natural decline on account of age. She was born at Fern, Mass., April 23, 1827, and had resided at Houston about 12 years. She was a member of Maple Chapter, order of the Eastern Star, and the ceremonies at the grave will be conducted by that order. Mrs. Little had the sincere respect of the community, and was a woman of great strength of character, and bright and intelligent to near the close of life. She formerly resided in Kansas City and Oberlin, Ohio.

U'ren Begins Active Campaign.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Following the announcement of his candidacy for the Republican nomination of United States Senator, W. S. U'ren is arranging to make a tour of the entire state in behalf of Statement No. 1 and his own candidacy. He went to Woodburn, where he spoke tonight, and will talk at Canby tomorrow night.

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