

A Question and Answer Page for Foreign-Born

Questions on Americanization, Naturalization, Citizenship, Civil Rights and all matters of importance in regard to the necessary adjustments for foreign-born who have come here for the purpose of remaining permanently, will be answered promptly and as fully as possible, By Judge J. A. Buchanan, President Astoria Americanization Council in Astoria, and by H. J. Langoe, Editor The United American. Anyone asking a question may request that it be published under such pseudonym as he desires but the questioner must in all instances sign his correct name and address to the letter that accompanies the question. Anonymous questions will not be published or answered in this forum. People who are living in Astoria and vicinity may address their questions directly to Judge Buchanan.

Q.—Can a United States Senator (a) hold the office for more than one term, (b) how long is one term?

A.—(a) Yes. There are no statutes prohibiting the re-election of a United States Senator. He may hold his office continually as long as his constituency desires his services, (b) a full term is six years. —H.J.L.

Q.—Are there any laws in Oregon or elsewhere in America compelling an adult alien to go to school to learn how to become a citizen? —Richard. P.

A.—No, there are no such laws in Oregon or in any other state in the Union. Attending school is, as yet, a matter of choice, but every alien who desires to become an intelligent citizen of America should attend school or should arrange for private instruction in order to become qualified for citizenship. —H. J. L.

Q.—I am a native American. Twelve years ago I married a man who was not an American citizen. I divorced him in

1921, but I am told that I lost my birthright by marrying an alien and am likewise told that though I divorced him I am technically an alien. As I am now contemplating marriage again to a man who is a native American like myself, will my marriage to him restore my former rights of citizenship? —Wilma T.

A.—No. Your contemplated marriage will in no way affect your former status. Your marriage to an alien before September 1922 rendered you an alien in your own country and as long as he remained an alien your status was likewise that of an alien and your divorce could under the law give you no relief. Your only recourse is to apply for naturalization and regain your birthright by the only remedy available. —H.J.L.

Q.—I am fifty years of age. I cannot write English though I speak it and read it well enough to get along. I have made up my mind that I want to become a citizen and would go to school but my friends laugh at me when I talk about it. What should I do? Do you think I could learn to write now that I am so well along in years? —Fred J.

A.—Don't pay any attention to your unkind friends, they evidently don't appreciate your position. Surely you can learn to write, if you are determined to try. Go to school and you'll be surprised to find people there for the same purpose who are much older than you are. It's an honor to be a student and a disgrace to be too proud to learn. —H.J.L.

Q.—I am going to send a ticket to a nephew of mine in the old country, will he be able to fish in Oregon when he comes. —Ed. F.

A.—No. According to the revised alien state fishing law he must live in Oregon one year before he can obtain a boat-puller's license. This provision in the law is in favor of the resident alien who is thereby protected against outsiders coming in during the fishing season to compete for employment in the fishing industry. —H.J.L.

Q.—Will a man who was naturalized many years ago, under the old naturalization system, and cannot read nor write English, lose his right to register and vote under the new literacy test state law unless he learns how? —Fritz K.

A.—Yes, if the law is enforced in the county in which he lives. The contention is that the state has a right under the federal constitution to specify the qualifications and conditions under which its citizens may register and be entitled to vote. The Oregon Literacy Test Law is now in effect and it will undoubtedly prevent many foreign-born people from

casting their ballot at the next general election unless they meanwhile go to school or by other means learn how to read and write to the extent provided for in the law. A copy of the law may be obtained from the Secretary of State.

—H.J.L.

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