

AMENDMENTS HUNTER KILLS TO BE VOTED HAINES MAN ON THIS FALL FOR A DEER

Seven Amendments to the City Charter Will Be on Ballot November 7.

SHORTEN TERM OF COMMISSIONERS

One Amendment Proposed Makes Bonds for Improvements Easier to Float; Other Matters Taken Up.

If the voters of La Grande will so, the city charter will undergo several important amendments after the November election. Seven amendments to the charter are entered on the ballot and are as follows:

1. An amendment concerning the registration of voters and the conduct of the city election.
2. An amendment changing the term of the city election, making the state and city elections on the same day.
3. An amendment changing the time for filing and certificates of nomination of candidates.
4. An amendment concerning the making of local improvements.
5. An amendment relating to liquor, narcotics, and drugs and search warrants.
6. An amendment providing for leave of absence for city officers.
7. An amendment concerning the term of office of city commissioners, making the term two years instead of three years.

Explanations.
When originally adopted, the city charter of La Grande was adapted to conditions as they were but since that time it has been necessary to change the charter from time to time in order to keep pace with the changing of conditions. The city commission and the city attorneys of La Grande have submitted the above amendments to the will of the people feeling that the amendments will go further to adapt the charter to present conditions.

Arguments.
Arguments by the city commission, in a condensed form, affirming the necessity that the amendments be adopted are as follows:

The object of the amendment concerning the registration of voters and the conducting of city elections is simply to make the provisions of the city charter conform to the constitution and laws of the state.

The amendment relative to changing the time of holding elections is also in order to make the charter conform with the state laws and constitution.

The amendment changing the time for the filing certificates of nomination of candidates is of the same nature as the first two proposed amendments.

Local Improvements.
The amendment concerning the making of local improvements has to do with the simplifying of making assessments, to enable property holders in districts benefited to make application to pay for the improvement in installments with the entire amount due in ten years, provisions for the payment of interest on over due interest, and to make arrangements for the sale of improvement bonds. One of the main objects of this amendment is to make improvement bonds easier to float.

The present charter prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors, but does not provide for or make regulation concerning the sale of narcotics and drugs hampering the attempts of the city officers to enforce the narcotic laws and also by not authorizing any municipal officer to issue search warrants. The object of the amendment relative to liquor, narcotic, drugs, and search warrants is to make provisions to do way with the above

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Tom Johnson Looks to Pacific International

Tom Johnson, one of the Grande stock raisers, is the most progressive stock breeder and who incidentally holds quite a reputation as being an auctioneer of high quality, will again be represented at the Pacific International Live Stock Show that will begin November 4 at Portland.

A carload of Poland China hogs will be exhibited that are about seven months old and average about 250 pounds each and also a carload of Grand Hampshire lambs and a carload of Hereford yearling feeder steers. Several other displays will find Tom Johnson's name on the owner's card and needless to say, he is looking to bring back from the Eastern Oregon a fair share of

BAKER, Oct. 17.—Shooting Ed Weizner, 37-year-old farm laborer of Haines and his companion, Henry Leaning, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leaning, prominent farm residents of the Muddy creek district, for a deer, Lee Fee, an old trapper and hunter of Haines, yesterday noon shot and killed Weizner instantly, the same bullet lodging in the youth's right lung. The tragedy occurred near the head of the John Day river, three miles from Grande Ronde lakes and 25 miles west of Haines. Leaning's wound had been dressed by physicians and he was brought on a litter to the road to Haines and thence to the hospital here early this morning. He was conscious and in good spirits despite the serious injury.

Difficult Trip Accomplished.
As the shooting occurred many miles from aid, it was some hours before a litter could be made to bring the wounded youth eight miles to a road and to summon medical aid. Doctors from Baker, Haines and North Powder responded to a call and were taken to the foot of the trail, from which they made their way afoot until the party carrying the wounded man was reached. With the wounds dressed, the slow trip to Haines was begun.

The two men fired at were following a trail one directly behind the other when Lee saw the four feet moving and thinking they were those of a deer, fired twice, according to the story Lee said to have told. The first bullet was wild, but the second killed Weizner outright passing through his body and striking Leaning.

Slayer's Remorse Extreme.
Fee, who is about 55 years old, has the reputation about Haines as an expert shot and was said to have pressed the fear of being shot while hunting by inexperienced hunters. His remorse at his mistake was said to have been extreme. All Haines was excited last night over the tragedy and while many motored far into the mountains to meet the first-aid party, others waited for it to reach Haines.

Although they understood that the shooting was accidental, shortly after the shooting from Baker went to Haines last night to investigate the circumstances surrounding the fatality.

Undertaker Earl West went to Haines, but Weizner's body will not be recovered until today, when it will be brought to the morgue here.

SIBERIAN ARMY BEATEN BY REDS

PEKING, Oct. 17.—Troops of the "red" army representing the far eastern republic of Siberia are supposed to have crushed the "white" or so-called Kappelst Siberian army on the edge of the northern Manchurian border, according to official information from Harbin today.

The reports say that China troops defeated the Anti-Soviet army of General Dietrichs in battle immediately west of Nikolai and the roads occupied Nikolai, advanced westward and entered Godekova.

TO SPEAK IN CAMPAIGN

National Figures to Aid Parties in Utah at Coming Election.

SALT LAKE, Oct. 17. (Special) Many prominent men are scheduled to make addresses in Utah in behalf of Democratic and Republican nominees for office in the November election. William G. McAdoo will speak for Democratic candidates here and in Oregon, October 25, and Secretary of Labor James J. Davis, Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall and Commissioner of the Land Office William Spry will speak for the Republicans.

United States Senator Walsh of Massachusetts has already delivered campaign speeches in Utah in behalf of the Democrats.

Jail Break at Los Angeles Frees Several Criminals of The Very Worst Type

BAKER JAIL UNITES SON AND MOTHER

BAKER, Oct. 17.—Because Tom Calder, 23, just discharged from the army, was placed in jail for moon shining, a mother and her son who had been separated for 14 years and both of whom thought the other dead, were reunited today at the Baker county jail. Tom's mother, now Mrs. S. H. Myers of Portland, clasped him in her arms and both weepingly rejoiced in the reunion, regardless of the setting. She had read the account of his imprisonment in a newspaper.

Fourteen years ago George Calder and his wife separated. Mrs. Calder went to California and was later divorced. The father took Tom to the hills west of Baker to rear. In later years he was told that his mother was no longer living. The mother said today the father had notified her shortly after the separation that the boy had died shortly after the separation.

Later she married S. H. Myers and after a long stay in California moved to Portland recently.

Tom, an unusually thin appearing youth, left the hills and mines when the world war broke out and enlisted in the army.

Soldier Tom was discharged this summer. He told the justice of the peace when arraigned with a chum for moonshining that he "had just got off on the wrong path."

That was September 6. Three months was his sentence. A short newspaper account of the case came to the notice of a friend of Mrs. Myers. The mother was shown the story. Today she investigated and found her boy.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, Oct. 17.—Tonight and Wednesday fair in Eastern Oregon; unsettled and occasionally threatening in Western Oregon.

Slayer or Alvin Price Sent to Insane Asylum

According to dispatch from St. Helens, Oregon, the man who killed Alvin Price, a La Grande boy, who was innocently riding in a bus on the Columbia highway several weeks ago, was adjudged insane and sent to the asylum at Salem.

The dispatch says: "After examination by a sanity commission, George Roberto, charged with the killing of Alvin R. Price and the wounding of R. Whiting of Vancouver, B. C., in a Portland-Astoria bus August 21, was pronounced insane. The grand jury recommended that he be taken to Salem and confined with the criminal insane. Roberto was previously indicted for first degree murder by the grand jury."

Testimony at the trial showed that the insane man started firing from the back seat of the bus without any provocation whatsoever.

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 17.—Herbert Wilson, known as the "master criminal," convicted of the murder of his pal, Herbert Cox, escaped from the county jail here today with another convicted murderer, Adam Ward and Guis Salcedo, held on a robbery charge, and Wilson, a clergyman and singing evangelist at one time pastor at Brownville, Oregon, escaped also.

After getting out of jail they held up a postoffice employee. They took an automobile from him and escaped.

The jailbreak was carefully timed for just before 7 o'clock when guards had been taken from guards just before changing shifts.

The jailbreakers beat up the night turnkey, Henry Purrier, after having held up two inside guards.

One boy on the street was wounded by a stray bullet.

Wilson, the ex-preacher, was arrested early this year in connection with a mail truck robbery and the authorities connected him with other mail robberies and department store burglaries throughout the country.

ELKS TO HOLD ANOTHER SMOKER

Getting back to days when the social side of life was strongly featured, the Elks lodge will stage a smoker of merit next Thursday night in the Elks temple at the corner of Washington and Depot streets.

A wrestling card has been arranged that, according to the wrestling fans, will make the blood tingle and all Elks are asked to set aside Thursday night to enjoy themselves at the club rooms.

STEADY LIVESTOCK MARKET

PORTLAND, Oct. 17.—Livestock, eggs and butter remained steady here today.

BROTHER AND SISTER CHARGED

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 17.—Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall and her eccentric brother, Willie Stevens, were taken to the court house today for further examination in connection with the murder of Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Rhineheart Mills.

LEGION Praised FOR ITS WORK

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 17.—San Francisco was awarded the 1922 convention of the American Legion today by acclamation.

The American Legion today heard its aspirations and achievements praised by a dozen speakers including distinguished visitors from European nations.

Samuel Gompers reiterated the American Federation's attitude "in peace or in war" to "stand unswervingly by the standards of liberty and safety and preservation of institutions and ideals of our republic."

Baseball Commissioner Langis sat on the platform.

OLCOTT WILL BE HERE TOMORROW

Governor, Accompanied by Tom Kay, to Speak on the Present Campaign Issues.

Ben W. Olcott, governor of Oregon, and Thomas Kay, ex-state treasurer, will arrive in La Grande tomorrow and in the evening at 8 o'clock will deliver political addresses in the Star theatre of this city.

They spoke last night at Ontario and according to press reports the governor threw aside the attitude which he has over maintained and made a violent attack upon the democratic party. It is expected that his speech in La Grande will have to do with a continuation of defense of his administration.

Thomas Kay, who has been in Oregon politics for years, will speak on the economic side of state affairs.

DIRIGIBLE IS GROWERS GOT BURNED WHEN GOOD PRICES READY TO FLY FOR PRUNES

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 17.—Army dirigible C-2 which recently completed a transcontinental flight and reached San Antonio on its way back, burned today while being taken from the hangar at Brookfield, preparatory to a flight over the city.

The dirigible caught on the hangar framework and as the bag split the gas ignited. Several passengers in addition to the crew were aboard. Six were injured and five were unhurt.

Cooked Food Booth to Specialize on Famous L. D. S. Chicken Pie

School students and others who may desire to have a light luncheon during the noon hour next Thursday and Friday will be able to secure same at the L. D. S. Ladies Bazaar at the Amusement hall. Thursday they will serve chili and Friday delicious clam chowder. The bazaar management have decided to include a cooked food booth specializing on chicken pie. Thursday night a free program will be rendered beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

FILIPINO STILL ALIVE--SPEAKS

Further developments in the shooting affair that occurred Sunday evening are coming thick and fast. The police department, headed by Clint Haynes, spent yesterday afternoon striving to forget the matter completely and are now convinced that there are two sides to the shooting.

The Filipino, who was shot by O'Leary Pearson in a thrilling gun fight, has a chance to recover and was able to talk to an interpreter yesterday. The story of the events leading up to the shooting and the shooting itself are as follows:

Several fellows, among them being Ramon Cabanella, as he gave his name and as it appeared on the payroll of the construction company, went into a restaurant on Depot street and a pack of men stood outside, calling them names and threatening violence. After completing their meal the party left the restaurant and all but Cabanella went to the show. According to the Filipino, Carl Workman, at the close of some taunting remarks of the men in the gang, slugged Cabanella's face and started to strike him again, when Cabanella pulled the gun and started shooting.

Cabanella also states that he was unaware of Pearson's identity, thinking he was one of the gang that was following him. He states that he would never have resisted if he had known Pearson was an officer of the law.

Accounts Confict.
According to those who were in the line, the Filipino took the part of an assailant, shooting at Workman without any apparent provocation on Workman's part.

As the matter stands today, both sides in the shooting attack have a dirt on the other, each one claiming the other was the assailant.

The chief of police motored to Hilliard yesterday afternoon and questioned the members of the steel gang in regard to Cabanella. They stated that he was a hard worker, was well liked and respected by the others, and that he didn't despise Cabanella, in fact he didn't strike him, according to the police.

Grange Will Make This Year Best of History

Plans are being made by C. E. Spence and the State Executive Committee to make this year the most active in the history of a Grange to celebrate the fifth anniversary as a state organization in Oregon.

Not only do they hope to secure several thousand new members but also to stimulate greater activity in other lines of work the Grange is carrying out as well as to create greater interest. They hope to bring about a better understanding between the rural population and the city people, to interest farm boys and girls as they will stay on the farm, to produce a larger variety and better quality of crops; to secure better roads and schools for the rural districts; to secure better marketing systems, reduce taxes, and dozens of other things of interest to every farmer.

Special information in regard to the working of successful Grange exchanges, creameries, and canning and evaporating plants will also be distributed among the members and in the carrying out of the work for the anniversary year. The state has been divided in districts under

By Organization the Walla Walla Valley Shows Returns This Year.

PRESIDENT SIMMONS TELLS OF METHODS

All Fruit Producing Sections Urged to Organize for Self Protection in the General Commercial Battle.

That producers of fruit and grain may benefit by organization is certain to President A. W. Simmons of the Walla Walla Valley Prune Growers association, who has issued the following statement of the results obtained by the growers in that section this year:

The Walla Walla Valley Prune Growers Co-operative Association is nearing the end of its first year of existence, and while it has taken a big step in the right direction and while it has accomplished much, to say that it has accomplished all that is desired or all that is possible for it to accomplish would be to greatly overstate the case.

At the beginning of the marketing season our sales manager and sales committee were confronted with many adverse conditions. There was a coal and railroad strike that threatened to tie up the transportation lines of the country. There were a million men out of employment; there was a general business depression throughout the nation, the entire country was overladen with the largest fruit crop of all kinds that has been grown in many years and all selling at very low prices. No buyers were here to buy for cash. Idaho, with a large prune crop and freight differential in her favor of ten cents per suitcase, was quoting her prunes at 47 1/2 cents per 18 pound suitcase and afterwards lowering this price to 40 cents per suitcase. As a differential of ten cents per suitcase amounts to \$12.50 per ton the Walla Walla Valley prunes must sell on the open market at \$12.50 per ton more than the Idaho prunes for our growers to receive a net price equal to the Idaho growers.

Under these conditions it was only by the most skillful handling and wide distribution that our sales manager was able to quote a price of 50 cents per 16 pound suitcase and maintain this price through the season. Under the adverse conditions it must be apparent to everyone that had our association, with its efficient sales manager and stabilizing influence not been in existence the prune prices in the Walla Walla valley would have become demoralized and our growers would probably have received less than one-half the sum they received.

In order that we may better understand the depressed market conditions of the country let us compare some of the Walla Walla valley products prices this year with those of last year:

Onions last year \$1.75 cwt., this year 75c cwt.; potatoes last year \$2 cwt., this year \$1 cwt.; tomatoes last year \$1 cwt., this year 25c cwt.; strawberries, last year \$2.50 cwt., this year \$1.50 cwt.; peaches last year \$1 box, this year 45c box. Apples \$1 a box less this year than last year.

Last year many of our growers

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RUNNING THE OLD BOY RAGGED

