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LANE COUNTY MEASURES.

Lane county will have three measures of its own. Two of these are so-called prohibition measures and the third is the county unit plan for schools of the county outside of Eugene.

One of the prohibition measures would prohibit the sale in the county of all alcoholic liquors. The second is believed to have been initiated to confuse the issue, but it is easy to believe that prohibitionists would rather have the second one passed than to have both fail. The liquor issue has never been more of an issue than it now is. The prediction of The Sentinel that return of legalized liquor would not solve the problem has proved true. Conditions are at least no better than they were. Whether they are worse is a matter of opinion for each voter to decide. If he believes they are worse, it is up to him to decide whether he believes prohibition of liquor sales in Lane county would improve conditions. There would be no restrictions on purchase of liquor elsewhere to be brought into the county. Those favoring prohibition do not claim that it would come anywhere near keeping liquor out of the county, but they do believe that it would remove some temptation from children and those who might not drink so much if liquor were more difficult to obtain.

Little has been said about the county unit system for the schools. There is ample authority for a statement that it tends to economy and greater efficiency. The issue is important enough to have had much more discussion. So far as The Sentinel knows no one has issued an argument for or against. Under the county unit system all schools would be conducted by a county board, with five district boards and assistance from committees in each school district who would have veto power over selection of teachers. The Sentinel is inclined to believe that the present system is somewhat more expensive but also more satisfactory. However, it is not set in that view.

THE GOVERNORSHIP.

The gubernatorial race becomes more satisfactory as it nears its close, and the position of two of the candidates seems to have been reversed. A month ago it looked as though General Martin was out of the race and that Pete Zimmerman was crowding Dunne for first place. There now seems to have been a deflection from Zimmerman to the regular party nominee. Martin seems to have profited sufficiently by this deflection to put him in second place, while the pole position of Dunne has been made more secure.

If one of the three may be classed as a statesman, it is Martin. Zimmerman might be called the sincere dreamer. Genial Joe probably would not be classed as either. He knows too much about the state's affairs and her difficulties to be a dreamer. His platform is a straightforward statement of things which are possible of accomplishment, but he realizes the difficulty of their accomplishment. He has been in too many fights not to know. He does not try to ride into state office favoring things that can only be performed by the federal government.

In the opinion of The Sentinel no one need be worried by the fact that Genial Joe is in first place and gaining ground. If elected he will give a sound administration of public affairs and his ear will ever be ready for any having business with the governor's office.

COUNTY OFFICES.

The real contest in the county seems to be that for county commissioner. O. E. Crowe, incumbent, finds little time outside his hours of duty to make any kind of a campaign. He is a south Lane man and should be supported fully by this section. He is fully deserving of that support, for he has been a hard working official, fair and square in all his dealings, that much being admitted by his two democratic associates on the county board.

Mrs. Grace Schiska has made a modest campaign to retain her position as treasurer. If efficiency and honesty in conduct of office is to be rewarded, she is entitled to reelection. She is by all odds the outstanding candidate for this position and there seems little doubt of her election.

OTHER STATE OFFICERS.

Earl W. Snell continues to remain way out in the lead for secretary of state. His opponent is a worthy one, but he lacks Snell's experience in state affairs and, what is more, he lacks Snell's acquaintance over the state, a severe handicap in a campaign for state office.

James W. Mott is conceded, even by democrats, reelection to congress from this district. His appointment is making no headway. It is needless to say that Chas. A. Howard will be returned as state superintendent and C. H. Gram as labor commissioner.

ADVICE ON MEASURES.

The Sentinel trusts that every voter has given careful study to the measures upon which he is expected to vote in November. If he has not done so, he should, for it is impossible for him to get the full arguments for and against without a full reading of the voters' pamphlet. There are but three state measures this year, so there is really no excuse for not giving them study. The Sentinel will review them briefly.

No. 300-301—Grange power bill. Appears on ballot by referendum. The measure occupies five and a half pages in the pamphlet. The purpose is state development, distribution and sale at cost of water power and hydroelectric energy. State bonds to be issued therefor upon vote of the people. This bill was enacted by the legislature to put into effect an amendment previously adopted by the people. It is unnecessary to argue the benefits and dangers of public ownership. Most voters already

know whether they favor or oppose government in business. It is rather odd, however, that most of those who believe all public officials to be crooks and grafters are loudest in proposing more opportunities for political manipulations. The Sentinel believes most public officials are honest, but it believes in going slow in giving them more business to handle for the reason that our political system makes it almost impossible for public business to be handled in the same manner as private business.

The state already has the power to keep electric rates at a reasonable figure and we should take care to see that such developments as that at Bonneville are not given away with little benefit to the people who own the natural resources, but it is not necessary to pass the power bill in order to protect those rights. Go slow is good advice in times like these, and the power bill gives altogether too much authority to a political commission of three men.

While the power bill does not carry a bond issue, it provides the machinery that may result in bonds to the extent of \$80,000,000 being issued and it does permit issuance in large quantities of certificates of indebtedness. The Sentinel is for the present opposed to anything that looks like a bond issue or that has the slightest threat of an increase in public expenditures. We must reduce our public debt and cut all our budgets.

The power bill permits taking away a million dollars in taxes now being paid. We can not reduce our debts by such a decrease in our receipts.

Joe Dunne, republican candidate for governor, has outlined a plan for taking advantage of Bonneville power development without the state incurring further indebtedness.

The Sentinel believes it safe to vote against the power bill and it can see no harm in delaying this kind of power legislation, should it prove desirable, until we are in condition to float more bonds and assume more debts.

301-303—Twenty-mill tax limitation amendment. Proposed by initiative petition.

The Sentinel is in sympathy with any proposal that promises a reduction in property taxes, provided means remain for carrying forward our schools and conducting the public business. No other method of providing tax funds is provided in the measure, for the reason that there seems to be no other method except a sales tax, and the authors knew that to include that in the measure would defeat it.

Some see in this measure a method to force sales tax on the people. While The Sentinel would favor a sales tax that would relieve property, it does not believe in forcing anything on the people. The only fault The Sentinel has to find in this tax limitation amendment are the one mentioned and the further one that without a substitute tax the cut to 20 mills at one fell swoop is too drastic. One of the authors of the bills, who spoke here recently, seemed to be of the same opinion. At least, he wished the limit had not been placed so low.

Figures compiled from accurate sources show that under the amendment the city of Cottage Grove and the school district would get only a little over half as much money as they now do. About the only expenses the city could cut would be salaries. There wouldn't be a cent for police protection, for an engineer or a recorder. The schools would have to cut the term in half or cut in half the training of pupils.

When one of the authors of the bill was asked whether the amendment would leave any money for the institutions of higher learning, he said he wasn't sure. He was unable to show that they would. We certainly do not wish to do away with our university, our state college, our normal schools.

We who pay property taxes, and certainly want relief, are not willing to kill off our schools and disrupt city and county government to get that reduction.

304-305—Healing arts constitutional amendment. Proposed by initiative petition.

This is another measure in the contest between so-called regular physicians and chiropractic and naturopath physicians. The so-called regular physicians feel that anyone treating for bodily ills should have certain knowledge and pass certain examinations required of the so-called regulars, while the chiropractors and naturopaths feel that they should set up their own examinations free from those who undoubtedly sincerely oppose such a procedure, also that those with bodily ailments should be their own judges as to what qualifications they wish in those they call to treat them.

Tasmanian Fane

Streets of London are paved with wood blocks from the Tasmanian forests of Australia and piles in wharves along the Thames originally were cut out of Tasmanian eucalyptus trees.

France's Educational Work

In the year 1933 France passed a law which for the first time founded in that country a system of national elementary education.



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Crystal White 5-lb. pkg. 27c

Soap Chips

Toilet Soap 6 bars 27c

White King pkg. 19c

Matches Highway 6-box carton 23c

Nucoa Quality Spread lb. 14c

Candy 3 bars 10c

General Foods Bar Assorted

Peanut Butter ... 2-lb. jar 29c



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