

PEOPLE WILL VOTE

Several Measures to be Submitted at June Election.

INITIATIVE PETITIONS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Proposed Changes Generally Meet With Favor of the People—Anti-Pass Law Opposed.

Attorney W. S. U'Ren, of this city, representing the People's Power League of Oregon, went to Salem Friday night where on the following day he filed with Secretary of State Dunbar petitions bearing approximately 8400 registered electors of the state asking that the question of the adoption of four proposed Constitutional amendments and an anti-pass bill be submitted to a popular vote at the general election in June.

The last day under the law in which initiative petitions might be filed fell on Sunday, the 3d inst., and in order to make sure of filing the petitions within the required time, the officers of the League concluded to make the filing Saturday.

As to the probability of the adoption of all four amendments the result is favorably predicted by those who circulated the petitions in the different counties. Public sentiment was found to be almost unanimously in favor of the four proposed Constitutional amendments although the feeling is strong among pass-holders against the anti-pass bill.

Wm. Grissenthwaite, of Beaver Creek, went to Salem last Friday with several petitions bearing many signatures to the gross receipt taxation bills proposed by the State Grange.

Mr. Grissenthwaite was of the opinion that he did not have the required number of signers to the petitions to secure the submitting of the two bills to the people in June. He hoped while in Salem to receive a sufficient number of additional petitions to make up for the shortage of names.

Mr. Grissenthwaite was appointed by the Grange a few weeks ago to superintend the circulating of the petitions but he did not meet with the expected success in the work which was not started in time.

The two bills fostered by the Grange proposed the levying of a tax upon the gross earnings of telegraph, telephone, and express companies and upon the gross receipts of sleeping cars, refrigerator cars and oil companies.

The local-option bill proposed by the Liquordealers' Association as an amendment to the present local-option law.

The bill filed by the owners of the Barlow road, requiring the state to buy the road for the sum of \$24,000.

The proposed constitutional amendment filed by the Equal Suffrage League, extending the elective franchise to women.

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PAY YOUR TAXES

Sheriff Shaver Began Collecting Monday Morning.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF COUNTY IS MUCH IMPROVED.

Within Sixty Days Will Have Collected Enough Taxes to Discharge All Indebtedness.

Monday morning, Sheriff Shaver and deputies began collecting taxes on the 1905 roll. Taxpayers should make it a point to read carefully the law governing the collecting of taxes, which is printed below, and settle their obligations with the county in season to get the advantage of the 3 per cent rebate that is allowed.

C. F. Vonderahe, of Carus, received receipt No. 1 this year. The amount of Mr. Vonderahe's taxes, less the rebate, was \$101.10.

The law on the collecting of taxes is as follows:

Section 14. Taxes legally levied and charged in any year may be paid on or before the first Monday of April following, and if not paid they shall become delinquent; provided, however that if one-half of the taxes against any particular parcel of real property, or the taxes on personal property charged against any individual, be paid on or before the said first Monday of April, then the time for the payment of the remainder of such tax may be extended to and including the first Monday of October next following, but if the remaining one-half of such tax be not paid on or before the first Monday of October, then such remaining half shall be delinquent, and besides the penalty, interest thereon shall be charged and collected at the rate of twelve per centum per annum from the first Monday of April preceding;

and upon all delinquent taxes there shall be collected from the taxpayer of such taxes, for the benefit of the county, ten per centum as a penalty, and for the benefit of the county or other public corporation which shall have an interest in any portion of such taxes, interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum on such taxes, from the day on which they became delinquent until their payment; provided, further, that there shall be an allowance of three per cent rebate upon any tax paid on any separate parcel of real property or upon the personal property charged to any individual as aforesaid on or before the fifteenth day of March, next prior to the date when such tax would become delinquent if not paid.

Section 15. On or immediately after the first Monday of May in each year the Sheriff shall proceed to collect all taxes levied in his county upon personal property of which one-half was not paid as hereinbefore provided on or before the first Monday of April, together with the penalty and interest. See that this statement contains all the property you wish to pay taxes on; that your property is correctly described on statement and always give full description of all property on which you wish to pay taxes.

Postage stamps and checks of non-residents not received in payment of taxes.

The finances of Clackamas county are in better condition today than they have been in years. Judge Ryan says that within the next sixty days the county will have collected sufficient taxes to meet all of its outstanding indebtedness and place it in a position to do business on a cash basis.

As will be seen from an article in the editorial column of this week's issue of the Enterprise, the current expenses of the county have been gradually reduced each year for the last five years. The tabulated statement from which the Clackamas county figures were taken showed this county to be one of six in the state in which the expenses for the year 1905 were less than for preceding years and the saving accomplished in this county was greater than the aggregate saving of the other five counties. With the exception of six counties, the expenses of all of the other counties in the state show an increase.

One of the meanest features of Perry Belmont's National Publicity Bill is that no honest politician has the least excuse for opposing it.

G. A. STEEL FOR STATE TREASURER

If Nominated and Elected, Candidate Pledges a Faithful and Efficient Administration of the Affairs of Office.

A representative of the Enterprise called upon Mr. Geo. A. Steele for the purpose of getting from him an authoritative statement as to his candidacy for the office of State Treasurer, and obtained from him substantially the statement following:

Asked as to his platform, or what particular measure he was advocating, Mr. Steel replied: "While it is eminently proper for those seeking nominations for Governor, Congress or the Legislature, to announce their preference for this or that measure, there can be no such necessity for one seeking the office of State Treasurer, a purely ministerial office. He is simply custodian of the State's funds, and can have nothing to do with making the laws, but must comply with and carry out all provisions of law so far as they relate to his office and its administration."

"If elected to the office to which I aspire, I should regard it as a public trust, and should devote my best energies to the faithful and efficient performance of the duties pertaining thereto."

Mr. Steel has been a resident of Clackamas County for the past ten years, living upon his farm and devoting his energies largely to agricultural pursuits, but has at all times kept in touch with the political situation, and his devotion to the principles of the Republican Party is so well known by the people of the State that nothing need be said upon that score. He has been a resident of Oregon for forty years; has assisted largely in its development, and thinks that the State of his adoption is just upon the eve of an era of development and prosperity such as it has not before known.

Mr. Steel declares himself in favor of a strict compliance with the requirements of the new "Primary Elections" law, and of its enforcement to the letter. He regards it as a measure adopted by the people of the State and believes that its provisions should be fairly and fully complied with.



GEO. A. STEEL, OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY. Candidate for Republican Nomination for State Treasurer.

EDUCATE VOTERS

Direct Primary Being Explained at Public Meetings.

J. E. HEDGES ASKS DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION FOR SENATOR.

Numerous Other Candidates for Nomination File Declaration of Principles—Estacada Interested.

In order that voters may become acquainted with the details of the Direct Primary Law, a number of meetings are being arranged to be held throughout the county. The initiative in this important work is being taken by Deputy District Attorney C. Schuebel, who is preparing a schedule for these meetings, and he will be assisted by prominent Republicans of the county. The following dates have been arranged:

Mr. Schuebel at Sandy, Saturday evening, February 10; Highland, Monday evening, February 12; Boring, Friday evening, February 16.

Franklin T. Griffith will speak at Oswego this (Friday) evening.

Mr. Schuebel addressed an audience at Beaver Creek last Saturday night. Voters should make an especial effort to attend at least one of these meetings and register as there will be presented a public supply of pamphlets explaining the law, and a registration must be made prior to April 10 in order to be eligible for the Primary Election.

At a meeting at Macksburg, B. Dimick and C. E. Ramsby, Republican candidates for nomination County Judge and Recorder, respectively, were at Macksburg last Saturday night where Mr. Dimick addressed a large meeting of voters in explanation of the Direct Primary Nominating Law. The attendance was good and a splendid interest manifested. During the evening many voters took advantage of the presence of a notary public and registered.

Hedges Wants to Be Senator. Joseph E. Hedges, of this city, has filed notice of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for State Senator from Clackamas county. Mr. Hedges, in event of a nomination and election, does not agree to vote for the people's choice for United States Senator. He promises the people a faithful performance of every duty as a servant of the people.

For County Commissioner. John H. Lewellen, of this city, on Monday filed with County Clerk Greenman his petition and announcement of his candidacy for the Republican nomination for County Commissioner. If nominated and elected, Mr. Lewellen pledges "a square deal for every man without regard to location or politics."

Mr. Lewellen is an ex-County Commissioner having served the people of the county as a member of the court previous to the time the office of judge was created.

The Mumps Can't Stop Him. Chas. R. Noblett, ex-member of the Oregon City police force and now a

full-fledged agriculturist of the Needy district, was in the city last Friday. Mr. Noblett reports that his neighborhood is being visited by a sort of an epidemic of the mumps but he declares it will take more than a slight inconvenience of that nature to keep him from landing the Democratic nomination for Sheriff. Noblett likes nothing better than a scrap and he has already shed his coat, is determined and confident.

Enters Race for Sheriff. R. L. Greaves, of this city on Saturday filed his petition announcing that he will be a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff on the Republican ticket to be voted at the primary election in April. Mr. Greaves has for years been superintendent of a department in the Willamette Pulp & Paper Mills in this city.

Estacada Endorses Candidate for Commissioner. At a sort of a convention, consisting of delegates from different localities in the eastern part of the county, held at Estacada Saturday, Mr. Harkerider, of Garfield, was endorsed as the Republican candidate for County Commissioner. The people of Estacada and the country tributary thereto think they are entitled to representation in the County Court to the extent of having one Commissioner from that section of the county. They will make an effort to secure the nomination of Mr. Harkerider as the Republican candidate for that office. Other candidates among the Republicans for this nomination are John Lewellen, of this city, and W. H. Mattoon, of Viola.

New Candidate for Justice of Peace. A. M. Sinnott, former attorney general of the state of Idaho, but now resident of this city, last Thursday filed notice of his candidacy for nomination of Justice of the Peace for the Oregon City district. He of his nomination and election, Sinnott pledges "a business-like, economical administration, a strict enforcement of the laws and a saving of the taxpayers of unnecessary expense against the county."

It is understood that Justice Livy Stipp and Constable H. W. Tremblay will both be candidates for nomination to those offices. There has not appeared as yet any other aspirant for the nomination of constable.

Other nominating petitions filed recently were: E. P. Dedman, of Clackamas, Republican, County Recorder; O. A. Cheney, of this city, Republican, Treasurer.

A HEALING GOSPEL. The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of Sharon Baptist Church, Bolair, Ga., says of Electric Bitters: "It's a God-send to mankind. It cured me of lame back, stiff joints, and complete physical collapse. I was so weak it took me half an hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of Electric Bitters have made me so strong I have just walked three miles in 5 minutes and I feel like walking three more. It's made a new man of me. Greatest remedy for weakness and all Stomach, Liver and Kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at Howell & Jones' drug store. Price 50 cents."

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION. February 11—Canby, 11 a. m.; Molalla, 3 p. m.; Carus, 7:30.

February 18—Oregon City, 10:45; Highland, 3 p. m.; Shubel, 7:30 p. m.

REV. W. H. WETTLAUFER, Pastor.

Chairman Shonts wants the Panama Canal construction thoroughly investigated. The whole complaint so far has been that nobody could find any construction to investigate.

Royal Baking Powder Absolutely Pure Made from Pure Grape Cream of Tartar In baking powder Royal is the standard, the powder of highest reputation; found by the United States Government tests of greatest strength and purity. It renders the food more healthful and palatable and is most economical in practical use. Housekeepers are sometimes impudently bought alum powders because they are "cheap." Yet some of the cheapest made powders are sold to consumers at the highest price. Housekeepers should stop and think. Is it not better to buy the Royal and take no chances—the powder whose goodness and honesty are never questioned? Is it economy to spoil your digestion by an alum-phosphate or other adulterated powder to save a few pennies? ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK