BODY IS AGAINST TOO-LONG TICKET

Short Ballot League of Oregon Is Formed to Fight Election Evil.

BEN SELLING, PRESIDENT

Organization to Wage Campaign for Aim—Longer Initiative Petitions Urged—Vote "No" if Puzzled, Advised.

Convinced that a short ballot is necessary to correct evils and that improvements in connection with the initiative and referendum should be adopted to make the Oregon system work perfectly, the Short Ballot League of Oregon was formed yesterday at the Commercial Club.

Ben Selling was chosen president and J. M. Ambrose, secretary. Mr. Selling is president of the State Senate and Mr. Ambrose is a member of the Lower House of the Legislature from Multnomah County.

The object of the league is to announce propaganda for a revision of the Oregon ballot laws, which members of the league say should be changed and shortened. Another meeting will be held June 14 to begin a campaign to obtain a change in the ballot laws either through an initiative measure or by enactment by the Legislature. The society is formed on lines outlined by Colonel Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson, Governor of New Jersey.

Wilson Heads Similar Body.

Governor Wilson is president of the Short Ballot Organization, a National society, which has been in existence for more than a year. It has for its object the weeding out of needless election of officials when appointment of them would serve better. It is also suggested by members of the society that the percentage of signatures required for petitions filed to submit an initiative measure should be made more than 10 per cent of the total vote as at present, a measure to place on the ballot would have to be not only popular, but one that has already secured intelligent consideration by the people.

"I am heartily in favor of a shorter ballot," said Senator Selling. "It is what we need. I have with me the sample ballot for my vote at the coming city election. It contains many names and 14 Legislative measures. Not only are the names of some of the men unfamiliar to me but I am sure that many of the measures, which it is desired to have become law, are not fully understood by me. I am going to spend a good portion of a day to post myself thoroughly. Then I doubt if I shall be fully informed to act with intelligence. What I am in favor of is this—a shorter ballot and a larger percentage of names for submitting an initiative measure to the people. Unless some action similar to this is taken it will bring the Oregon system into disrepute."

Vote "No" Is Urged.

League members declared that they believed attention should be called to the faults of the present system and that voters should be warned to vote "no" on all measures not fully understood by them as an intelligent vote was necessary and an unintelligent vote might work great harm.

The principles of the league as announced are in part:

"Each member believes in the initiative and referendum, the recall, statement No. 1, the direct election of United States Senators, the direct primary, the corrupt practice act and the commission form of government.

"The ballot should not be incumbered with great numbers of measures. Only questions of general public importance should be presented under the initiative. Every proposed measure should be read most carefully and considered by every voter. No voter should become a party to making a measure a law unless he has actually made himself familiar with each and all of its provisions. In case of doubt it is always safe to vote 'no.' If a proposed measure has merit it will stand the test of time and be presented again.

"We believe the alarm sounded by Colonel Roosevelt and Governor Woodrow Wilson is timely. We feel that the only real danger now for the initiative and referendum lies in the over use of both."

MOTORCYCLE RACE FATAL

Quartet of Riders at Chicago Collide; One Dead, Two Hurt.

CHICAGO, May 28.—Speeding at 60 miles an hour, four motorcycle riders collided in front of the grandstand at the Hawthorne race track this afternoon. One rider was killed and three other were injured, one perhaps fatally. The dead:

Harry Nixon, Dayton, Ohio.

The injured:

Paul J. Bailey, Indianapolis.
C. S. Hinkley, Aurora, Ills.
Frank Hert, Springfield, Mass.

The accident occurred on the second lap of a 10-mile race, the opening event of a three-day meeting. Hert was trailing the leader, W. J. Turner, when his machine skidded and crashed into the fence. Nixon, Bailey and Hinkley were following in that order, but were going at such speed they were unable to slow down.

Nixon's machine ran into the fence and his body was hurled 20 feet in the air. He died from internal injuries while being taken to the hospital. Bailey suffered a fractured skull, and internal injuries and probably will die. Hinkley's collar bone was broken and Hert was bruised.

HOOD RIVER SALES MANY

Transfers of Orchard Land Worth $75,000 Made in Week.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—Many homeseekers have come to Hood River recently. The majority of them are retiring from city business life and are seeking orchard locations.

Activity in real estate continues. W. S. Farris purchased, through the agency of W. S. Nichol, the 40-acre ranch of W. E. Harbison, south of Odell, for $22,400. Thirty acres of the ranch are set to commercial orchard.

Antoine Haingsman bought from John Radliffe, of the Franklin district, 18 acres for $6450.

Henri de Reding has disposed of his tract of 20 acres in the Oak Grove district to A. C. Hallam for $5500.

One of the largest deals made recently in city realty was the sale last week of the business block on Oak street by J. R. Johnson to C. D. Clapp. The purchase price was $22,000, $12,000 of which was covered by the eight-acre ranch owned by Mr. Clapp in the Belmont district, on which Mr. Johnson will make his home.

These and a number of other deals involving smaller tracts will bring the total of the week's business to almost $75,000.

BANKER'S YACHT ASHORE

E. C. Benedict, of New York, and Guests, Are Reported Safe.

NEW ORLEANS, May 28.—A wireless message received here today says the yacht Virginia, belonging to a New York banker, E. C. Benedict, went ashore at 7:30 this morning, five miles north of Jutias Key light, which is about 120 miles west of Havana. All were reported safe. It is expected the boat will get off at high tide.

It is said that Mr. Benedict's son and a party of friends on the yacht. They have been cruising in Caribbean water.

NEW YORK, May 28.—Commodore E. C. Benedict, who is a New York broker, sailed from here in the steam yacht Virginia, April 5, for a two months' cruise up the Amazon River. His guests are:

Colgate Hoyt, James McCutcheon, Harry Rowe Shelley, Dr. F. Montgomery Smith, Harry E. Robinson, Lamont D. Pominick and Edward Beers.

The Virginia is a steel yacht 200 feet over all, 165 feet water line, 26 feet beam and 16 feet draught, and is equipped with a wireless outfit.

Commodore Benedict chartered the boat from the estate of Isaac Stearn because it suited him better than his own yacht, the Oneida, in which he has cruised many thousands of miles.

WIFE OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH PASTOR DIES IN HOSPITAL.

Mrs. Margaret Pearl Swander

Mrs. Margaret Pearl Swander, wife of the Rev. C. F. Swander, of 774 East Yamhill street, who died Thursday at the Good Samaritan Hospital, was a member of the pioneer Stewart family, who came to Oregon in 1884, settling at Carlton. Mrs. Swander was born in Carlton, July 23, 1880, and was educated there. She became the wife of Rev. C. F. Swander July 23, 1908, in Forest Grove, the couple coming shortly afterward to Portland, where they have since lived. Mrs. Swander died following an operation for goitre.

Ministers and members of the Christian Church within a radius of 50 miles attended the impressive funeral held at the Central Christian Church Saturday. The Rev. J. F. Ghormley preached the funeral sermon. Flowers were a conspicuous tribute to the respect and affection of the friends of Mrs. Swander. Interment was in Riverview Cemetery.

CHEHALIS GIVES CONTRACT

Bitulithic Award Made to Extent of $57,740.

CHEHALIS, Wash., May 28.—(Special.)—The Chehalis City Council awarded paving contracts aggregating $57,740 to the Warren Construction Company. The streets to be improved are a portion of Chehalis avenue, North street, Prindle street and Center street with bitulithic. A mile and a quarter of East Market street is to be paved with Warrenite 18 feet in width. A resolution by Councilman Fechtner was passed providing that a clause be inserted in all public contracts in effect that in hiring working men home laborers be given preference.

Harrison & Pepin were granted a permit to erect a corrugated iron structure near the depot on Market street, 34x50 feet in size. This action of the Council may cause further dissension, as the lot is within the fire limit.

A new street grader is here on exhibition, and the Council is considering the purchase of a machine for flushing the paved streets. Other important matters disposed of related to opening Washington avenue, and the laying of a new spur that will reach a number of warehouses on the west of the N. P. main line.

MAN HANGS ON LANDMARK

San Francisco Foreigner Selects Prominent Place for Suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28.—When the great fire crept up Telegraph Hill, it left a dead tree standing on the highest bit of ground in San Francisco. Skippers coming into the bay sight the tree with their glasses. The fire left a charred limb standing out straight from the tree.

Francisco Luigi Capi del Caboss, pining for his native land, hanged himself to the limb this morning. He hanged himself with a red sash, which he had brought from Tuscany.

A little produce boat from Half Moon bay came wheezing up through the fog in the early morning. As the boat neared Fort Point the fog lifted. It was then that the skipper sighted the tree through his glasses and saw Francisco hanging to the limb. The harbor police were notified.

Andrea Giovanni, a countryman of Francisco's, said the man was despondent because he could not go home.

Forest Grove Has File Plant.

FOREST GROVE, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—For the first time in its history, Forest Grove is to have a tile factory. E. Gurney and Otis Risor have purchased the old Catching brickyard northwest of town, and have incorporated under the name of the Forest Grove Brick & Tile Company. The new owners are recent arrivals here, and declare the clay beds available are the finest in this section of Western Oregon.

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An ordinance to be voted upon on June 5th proposes the additional burden of a 3 per cent tax on the gross light and power revenues of this company.

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ROSES ARE PLENTY

Blooms Will Be at Best in Festival Week.

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With bright and balmy weather, the kind that always is expected in May and June in Portland, myriads of roses are now bursting out into bloom, and before the end of the week will be looking their finest for the city's greatest annual event, the Rose Festival, which opens next Monday. All apprehension as to the quantity of roses has been dispelled since the rains ceased three days ago, followed by warm days and nights. It is conceded that there will not only be a bounteous supply of roses, but that the most perfect specimens ever grown in Portland will be on display next week.

It is announced by the management of the festival that plans for the week's programme have been completed in detail. There is a glowing promise that the forthcoming festival will be attended by more interesting and dazzling features than hitherto given in Portland or in any other city in the land. The triumphal entry into the city of Rex Oregonus, King of the Festival, will mark the opening of the week's demonstration. Departing from the established custom of swooping down upon the city from the mysterious clouds, the King this year will emerge from the depths of the Pacific, board the royal yacht at Astoria and glide up the river and take possession of the municipality from his position in the harbor. His arrival will be attended by pomp and parade surpassing in splendor the regal demonstrations of Old Venice.

Aside from the formal programme, Monday will be designated as "Homecoming day." All native-born Portland folk are expected to return and remain all week. The important feature of the festival will be the opening of the twenty-second annual rose show on Tuesday under the auspices of the Portland Rose Society at the Armory. Then will come the floral pageants, which will surpass anything of the kind ever given in the United States, and will consist of illuminated parades, picturesque motor car and horse vehicle parades, fraternal demonstrations, a school children's parade and aquatic events.

That Portland will attract the largest number of visitors this year is the belief of railroad and hotel men. The railroads are placing extra equipment in readiness to take care of the crowds which will flock to Portland from every direction in the three northwest states. Reservations in all the leading hotels have been made and some of the hotels are already seeking other places to accommodate their patrons.

EAST SIDE COMPLETING WORK

General Committee to Put on Finishing Touches Tomorrow.

There will be a meeting of all East Side Rose Festival committees tomorrow night in the rooms of the East Side Business Men's Club, Grand avenue and Alder street, for the final reports on detailed arrangements for the children's and military and fraternal parades. General W. E. Finzer, grand marshal of the military and fraternal parade, and Major Dunbar, who will be in charge of the children's parade when in motion, together with Robert Krohn, who is training the children, will be present. The points to be decided will be lines of march, situation of the grand and reviewing stands, location of special electric lights on Grand avenue, extent of decorations for streets, prizes to be given for both events, judges for awarding of prizes, bands and their places, names of the leaders of divisions and all other details which go to make up the completed programme.

H. E. Walter, chairman, is arranging with the Portland Railway, Light and Power Company for the transportation of children who take part in the parade before and after the parade so they will be taken care of. A change from the plans of former years in the children's parade is that the divisions will form on Holladay avenue between Grand avenue and East Twelfth street and march south. Special cars will be provided for children living south of Hawthorne avenue.

"We will make the rose shower, which appears on the Rose Festival programme for Friday morning, June 9, a success, and we shall make a rose carpet for the streets of Portland," said M. H. Carter, of the Peninsula Rose Association, yesterday, as he explained that the details of the feature had been worked out. The Peninsula features are in the hands of a new set of men, the former ones having retired from the active participation in the festivities this year.

"The details of the rose shower and depot rose booths have all been completed," continued Mr. Carter, "and if we have the roses the plans will be carried out. Children from the Peninsula schools have agreed to collect roses every morning, and these will be collected by a special electric car which will run over the St. Johns railway. We shall need all the roses the Peninsula can supply for the rose shower and the two depots and ask that the Peninsula people be as liberal as possible."

The financial part is coming along fairly well, although the committee reports a shortage of money to meet expenses. The queen contest and additional subscriptions are expected to make up what is required.

There will be a general meeting of the association Tuesday night in Firemen's hall, North Albina, and all members are requested to be present.

Six Graduate at South Bend.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., May 28.—(Special.)—Commencement exercises of the South Bend High School were held tonight in the Presbyterian Church and six graduates were awarded diplomas. The class consisted of the Misses Ruth Bale, Ethel Clare, Chloe Neff, Gussie Weigardt and Charles Stuart. Instead of the graduates reading their essays as has been the rule, an address was delivered by Dr. E. O. Sisson, head of the department of education of the University of Washington. The annual alumni banquet was served in the church basement after the exercises.

The grapevine was introduced into the Canaries in the fifteenth century from Crete, and wine making is one of the oldest industries in the island. Canary wines are known the world over and are highly esteemed. Competition with Madeira has lessened the export trade, but the industry may again become the most important of the islands.

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You have no appetite for meals, can't work, can't rest, and are annoyed with too frequent urination, and a burning, scalding pain in making passages.

At night the sufferer retires, hoping for sleep that either does not come, or is troubled and fitful. Several times during the night you awake with a desire to urinate.

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