

NEW LAWS REDUCE COST OF ELECTION

State Will Save More Than \$30,000 in Taking Vote Due to Simpler System.

CHANGES ARE IMPORTANT

Permanent Registration Act Is One of Note Passed by Legislature. Another Bill Designed to Facilitate Voting.

SALEM, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—Important changes in the election laws simplifying the registration and election machinery and making material reductions in the expense were enacted at the recent session of the Legislature. The new law providing for the election of delegates to party National conventions and Presidential Electors will save the state about \$10,000 a year, for, under it, each person so honored must pay his own expenses. House bill 257, introduced by Representative Childs, of Linn County, which provides for two judges of election instead of three, it is estimated, will save the state \$20,000 each election year.

Just what saving the permanent registration law will effect is difficult to estimate, but it should be a material one. This law, while not considered a perfect one, is regarded as a "step in the right direction" to use the pet phrase of State Senator Kellaker, of Portland. It provides that in registering the electors the County Clerks shall use the card index system. The County Clerks shall register any qualified elector who may request to be registered at any time after the first Monday in January, 1915, with 30 days preceding any general or primary election.

As a result electors desiring to vote in the primary May, 1915, will have only about three and one-half months to register. With more than 300,000 voters in the state the County Clerks will have their hands full registering all who apply in that time.

An elector living in a county having less than 100,000 inhabitants may register election day by obtaining the affidavits of two freeholders who are personally acquainted with him as to his qualifications. In counties having more than 100,000 inhabitants electors may register election day by obtaining the affidavits of six freeholders as to their qualifications. In the former case the registrations shall be transmitted to the County Clerk and, if found to be in accordance with law, they shall be filed in the register of elections. Such registrations in counties having more than 100,000 inhabitants will not be regarded as permanent. Electors living in the county seat shall register in person with the County Clerk. Those who do not shall register without charge before an official registrar in the county or with the County Clerk.

Electors absent from their county may register before any notary public or County Clerk in the county where they may be. In such cases the notary public or County Clerk shall mail the affidavit of the elector to the County Clerk of the elector's county and may collect a fee not to exceed 25 cents from the elector.

Section 10 Criticized. Section 10 of the act has been criticized by election experts as to some extent making a misnomer of the term "permanent registration." It provides that as long as the elector lives in the precinct in which he registers, and at least votes at one election held throughout the county in the biennial period ending November 11 after the regular biennial general election, he shall not be required to register again. If he fails to vote as stipulated he shall re-register. If the elector moves to another precinct or to another county in the state, or if the boundaries of the precinct in which he is registered have been changed, or if he desires to change from one political party to another, he may register again at his request.

It is declared that in cities and other growing communities precinct boundaries are changing constantly and as a result thousands of electors to vote will have to re-register at least every two years. It also is pointed out that many voters may be disfranchised as a result of this provision through the changing of precinct boundaries. Election experts say the law should have been provided for the county clerks to make the changes necessary for recording the electors in the proper precincts when boundaries are changed without the necessity for re-registrations.

Blank Fellow Elector. When an elector moves from one county to another the county clerk is authorized to send his registration blank to the clerk of the county where the elector lives.

House bill 228, introduced by Representative Childs, is designed to facilitate voting. It dispenses with the poll book and substitutes a precinct register. It will not be necessary for the clerk to write the names of the electors as they vote, but instead he will check the names off on the register.

One of the most important laws passed by the Legislature is that providing for the election of delegates to party conventions and Presidential Electors. Under the law which it repeals, which was prepared by W. S. Utren, the voters could vote for only one delegate and one elector. Under the new law, with the present apportionment, each party will be entitled to two delegates from each Congressional district and four from the state at large. Under it every elector of a political party will have the right to vote for two delegates from his Congressional district and four from the state at large. Nomination of Presidential electors is from the state at large, and each voter will be entitled to cast his ballot for the number of electors allotted his party. The provision under the present law which authorizes the state to pay the expenses of the delegates is repealed and henceforth they will have to pay their own expenses, as they do in other states.

TRADE BODY IS POWERFUL New Federal Commission to Go Into Effect Today.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The second great governmental agency created by Congress since the administration of President Wilson will come into being at noon tomorrow when Joseph E. Davies, of Wisconsin; Edward N. Hurley, of Illinois; William J. Harris, of Georgia; William H. Parry, of Washington; and George Rublee, of New Hampshire, are sworn in as members of the Federal Trade Commission, with far-reaching powers of supervision over American business enterprises.

The declared purpose of the commission set forth in its creative act

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chaff suffered by reason of the cold, dry weather during the winter. In some places much of the latter varieties had to be reseeded, while in other places the condition of the grain seemed to be up to normal. About the only discouraging feature of the present conditions is the two-inch deficiency in the soil.

Fruit prospects are very bright. The cold nights which are retarding the growth of the grain is keeping the fruit buds back and lessening the danger from frosts later.

WHITMAN PROSPECTS ARE FINE Winter Acreage Normal, but Spring Planting Larger.

COLFAX, Wash., March 15.—The condition of wheat in Whitman County was never better at this time of year. The county is a little short of average moisture, but the spring rains have put spring plowing in fine condition. The winter wheat acreage is normal, while the spring wheat acreage will be much larger than any former year.

The fruit crop passed through the winter with no freeze to injure it and prospects are all that could be expected.

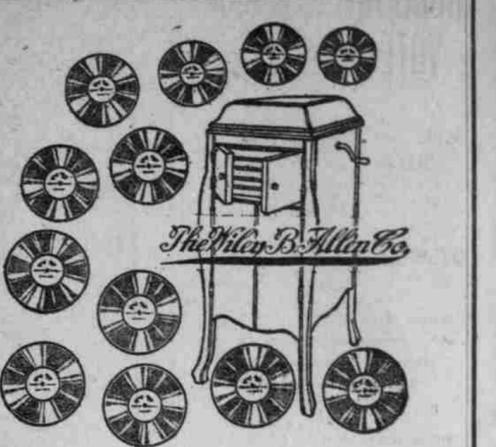
WILL HAVE 2,000,000 BUSHELS Grand Ronde Valley Will Produce Increased Crop.

LA GRANDE, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—The Grand Ronde Valley wheat crop will reach the 2,000,000-bushel mark this year. This is the opinion of wheat buyers who keep close tap on the acreage. They say that everything that can be made to grow wheat has been given over to that purpose.

Forty Fold, which is the chief wheat sowed for winter purposes, came through remarkably well, and not a single acre is reported needing reseeded. A few of the other brands of wheat did not fare so well, but reseed-

Prospects Fine at Riverville. RITZVILLE, Wash., March 15.—(Special.)—The condition of winter wheat in this vicinity is unusually favorable. About 75 per cent of the county acreage is in winter wheat. There is little reseeded being done in the county and fields are beginning to turn green. The acreage is unusually large, owing to the high prices paid for wheat during the past winter.

Late William Cole is Honored. DULUTH, Minn., March 15.—Mining and railroad men of Northern Minnesota paid their last tribute to William H. Cole, prominent mining expert at the



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If you must have your meat every day, eat it but flush your kidneys with salts occasionally, says a noted authority who tells us that meat forms uric acid which almost paralyzes the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaker, then you suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach aches, tongue coated and the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get clogged for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with sulfuric acid, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize the acids in urine, so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness. Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure, and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink.—Adv.

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