

### CONTES EXPECTED ALL BODIES ISSUE

#### Best Arguments in Favor of Road Improvement Fund to Be Published.

### RULES ARE SET FORTH

#### Senator W. D. Wood, Chairman of Committee, Gives Out Regulations, Which Will Govern Those in Competition.

In announcing the definite rules to govern the contest on arguments in favor of the \$5,000,000 road bond issue, Senator W. D. Wood, chairman of the committee handling the contest, asserts that "the more discussion and measures that can be brought forth the better the voters will be prepared to cast an intelligent vote."

"I trust by the arrangement for these small prizes," says Senator Wood, "to stimulate throughout the state a discussion and study of the road program outlined by the last legislature and more particularly the bonding act, H. B. 550, which will according to the provisions thereof be submitted to the voters at a special election called on June 4 next."

"The more discussion of these measures that can be brought forth the better prepared the voters will be to cast an intelligent vote and I trust the arguments submitted will be a further aid to the committee in preparing the argument that is to be submitted in the voter's pamphlet. I am satisfied that from the several hundred arguments, that will be submitted, the committee will have valuable information for the preparation of their argument."

#### Arguments Are Limited.

The plan in limiting the length of the argument is to have short, concise and forceful arguments from the writer's view point, setting forth the benefits as he sees them and possibly the committee will arrange to use certain of these arguments verbatim in the pamphlet argument.

The full text of the bonding act, H. B. 550, has been published in both the Sunday Oregonian February 25, page six, section two, and in the Oregon Sunday Journal, February 25, page six, section two, together with maps showing the three kinds of roads and their location and the full text is also printed in the Oregon Voter February 2.

A careful study of which will be profitable not only to those desiring to enter this contest, but to every voter of the state.

The measure authorizing the special election provides that arguments must be submitted on or before March 25, so the time limit on the contest has been set for March 25. The committee then will have ten days in which to compile from the contestant's argument data for the pamphlet.

#### Rules Are Set Forth.

Following are the rules governing the contest:

Contest A—Subject: The benefit accruing to the county in which the roads described in the \$5,000,000 bonding act. For each best argument, a first prize of \$25, a second prize of \$15, and a third prize of \$10.

Contest B—Subject: The same as contest A. This contest is open only to bona fide students of Oregon high schools. For the best argument, written by a high school student, a first prize of \$10, a second prize of \$5, and a third prize of \$3.

Contest C—Subject: The same as contest B. This contest is open only to bona fide students of Oregon grammar schools. For the best argument, written by a grammar school student, a first prize of \$10, a second prize of \$5, and a third prize of \$3.

Contest D—Subject: The same as contest C. This contest is open only to bona fide students of Oregon grammar schools. For the best argument, written by a grammar school student, a first prize of \$10, a second prize of \$5, and a third prize of \$3.

One person may enter but one contest. In contest A, the author must be a resident of the county whose benefits from the proposed road are to be discussed. Contest B is open to any resident of Oregon who does not participate in either of the other contests.

In contests C and D the argument must discuss the road proposal from the state standpoint. No argument in any contest may exceed 300 words.

Writing must appear on both sides of the paper used. Manuscripts must be written preferably with typewriter or pen and ink. The name and address of the author must appear in the upper right hand corner of the first page.

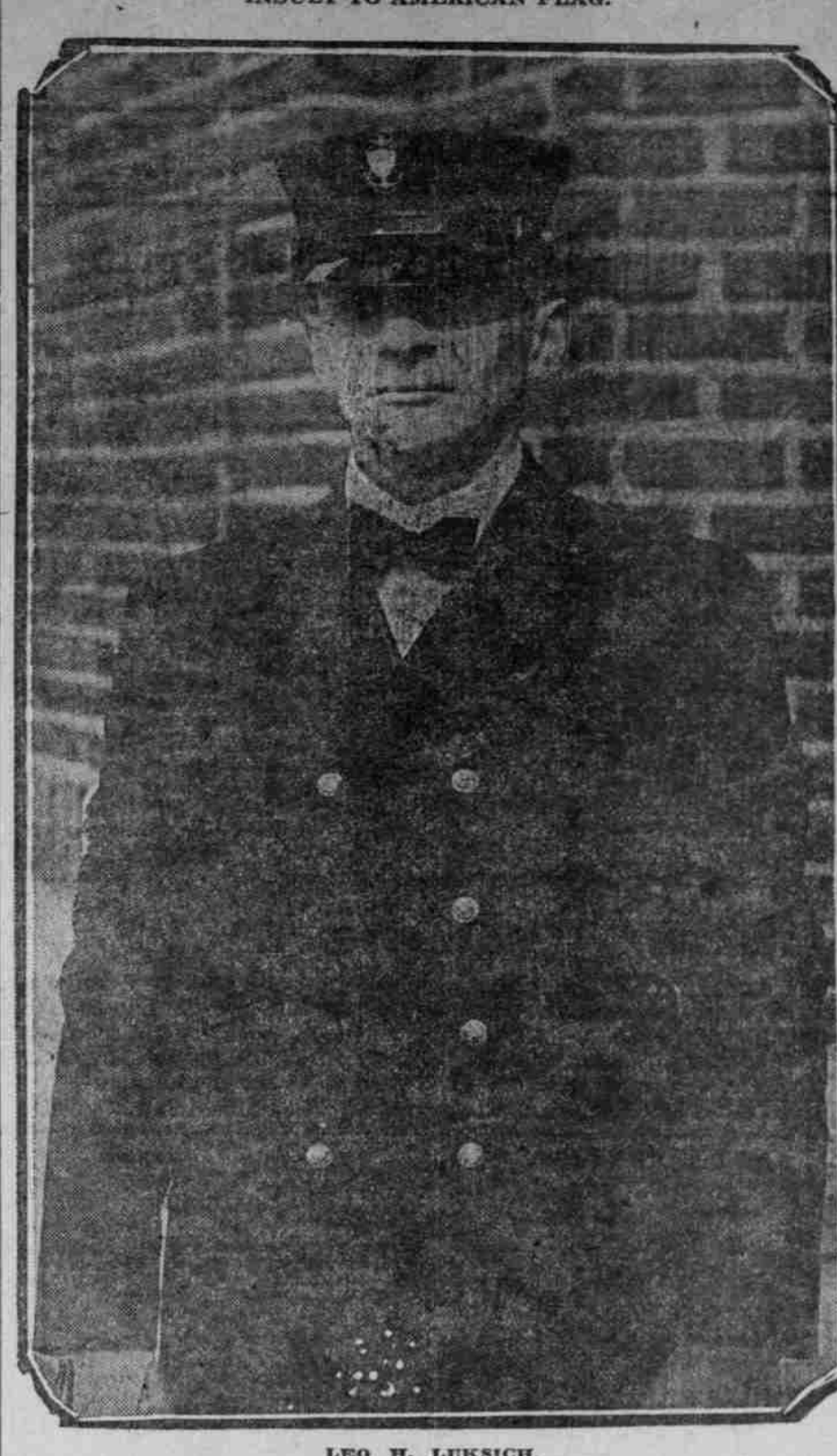
Arguments must be submitted without accompanying letters, explanations or other enclosures. The envelopes enclosing the manuscript must be addressed to Senator W. D. Wood, Hillsboro, Or. The name and address of the author must appear in the upper right hand corner of the first page.

Manuscripts must be received by Senator Wood on or before the 15th of March 1917. Manuscripts that do not comply with the foregoing rules will not be considered. Manuscripts will not be returned to the author.

Neither Senator Wood nor the contest judges can undertake to answer questions or inquiries concerning the contest or awards. Awards will be announced on or before March 25, 1917, by the committee to be named later.

The right to publish any manuscript received by the committee.

### MEMBER OF COAST GUARD SERVICE PROMOTED FOR RESSENTING INSULT TO AMERICAN FLAG.



LEO H. LUKSICH.

### FLAG IS DEFENDED

#### Coast Guard Seaman Promoted for Resenting Insult.

### GOLD MEDAL IS BESTOWED

#### Recipient of Honors Is Austrian by Birth, but Naturalized as American Citizen—Loyalty Is Highly Praised.

### MURDER CHARGE MADE

#### CHARLES LEE YIN, OF HOP SING TONG, IS HELD.

#### Other 12 Arrested in Connection with Shooting of Ham Quong Fong Are Freed Following Inquiry.

### SUFFRAGISTS PLEDGE AID

#### Entire Organization Behind Appointment of War Committee.

### White Woman and Chinese Arrested.

Beulah Nelson, aged 33, reputed movie actress and the daughter of a prison guard at the Salem penitentiary, was arrested by City Detectives Heller and Tackaberry yesterday at a Chinese rooming-house at Front and Salmon streets.

Chiu, alleged member of the Soney Sing tong, was taken into custody. Charges of vagrancy were placed against the two. Their bail was set at \$500 each.

### Mrs. Elizabeth Clossner Dies.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. Elizabeth Clossner, wife of David Clossner, died at the family home at Harmony this morning, after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Clossner was born in Iowa. She was 75 years old. She came with her family to Clackamas county in 1852.

### THREE EMPLOYEES UNDER FORMER REGIME NOTIFIED TO SUBMIT THEIR RESIGNATIONS.

### ONE DISCHARGE PROTESTED

#### Mrs. Elizabeth Cosgriff, Creed Evans and E. L. Freeland Are Members Affected and Successors Have Not Been Announced.

### FISH EXCLUSION ASKED

#### CHAMBERLAIN TO PRESS AMENDMENT TO REVENUE BILL.

### MEASURE AIMED AT PRINCE RUPERT SHIPMENTS TO HAVE HARD SLEDGING, OWING TO LAUSING'S OPPOSITION.

### PROVISION MADE FOR COUNCILMAN FROM EACH OF PROPOSED 11 WARDS AT \$1200 PER ANNUM, WITH ELECTION DAY SAME AS STATE.

### GEORGE S. SHEPHERD IS AUTHOR OF PROPOSED NEW CHARTER.

### COOS ASKS FORTIFICATIONS

### ASTORIA APPROPRIATION NOT POSSIBLE IN HOUSE THIS SESSION.

### THREE DIVORCES GIVEN AT OREGON CITY.

### BEAVER CREEK ROAD CONTRACTED.

### DRY ISSUE IN CONGRESS

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### FOREIGN LINGERS UP FOR FIGHT TODAY TO MAKE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DRY.

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### CHARTER IS DRAFTED

#### Abolition of Commission Government to Be Sought.

### G. S. SHEPHERD IS AUTHOR

#### Provision Made for Councilman From Each of Proposed 11 Wards at \$1200 Per Annum, With Election Day Same as State.

### THE long-promised city charter abolishing commission government and re-establishing councilman government in Portland will break into the political limelight before the end of this week. It will be backed by one general consolidated organization made up of various anti-commission government committees or organization, each of which formerly was figuring on a charter.

George S. Shepherd is author of the proposed new charter. He has been aided by a committee from North Portland, headed by W. M. Killingsworth, E. A. Rubin, C. L. McKenna, W. T. Vaughn, T. H. Burchard, M. T. Carter and E. M. Orth. It is said also that a South Portland organization, of which Elmer Amidon, Mark O'Neill and others were leaders, has agreed to the terms of the North Portland charter.

The measure in final form has been sent to the printers and proofs are being read now by Mr. Shepherd. A form of initiative petition has also been prepared and approved by City Auditor Barber and will be placed in the printer's hands at once. The charter copies will be distributed before the circulation of initiative petitions is started.

The charter, as proposed, provides for a Mayor at \$4000 a year and 11 Councilmen at \$1000 a month each. The city would be divided into 11 wards, four on the West Side and seven on the East Side. Each ward would elect a Councilman while the Mayor, City Auditor, Treasurer and Municipal Judge would be elected by the city at large. The City Engineer and City Attorney would be appointed by the Council. The salaries would be fixed by the Council: Mayor, \$4000; City Engineer, \$2600; City Auditor, \$3600; City Treasurer, \$3000, and Municipal Judge, \$2400. All other salaries would be fixed by the Council. The charter specifically abolishes the positions of private secretaries.

In addition to the Council the charter provides for an Executive Board to comprise the Mayor, City Engineer and City Attorney. This Board would award all contracts authorized by the Council. The charter provides that if it is passed by the voters at the June election date after the first election to the date of the state election and provides for two-year terms for all elective officials commencing with the election in November, 1918.

Mr. Shepherd claims the new proposed charter is unchanged except where necessary to provide for the new form of government and in the provisions regarding bonding for improvements. The charter has been changed so that the bonding process is the same for all types of improvements instead of having different methods for each type of improvement as at present.

### COOS ASKS FORTIFICATIONS

#### Astoria Appropriation Not Possible in House This Session.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 27.—Representative Hawley today received a telegram from the secretary of the Port of Coos Bay urging him to have the War Department investigate the need of fortifying the entrance to Coos Bay. He also received a telegram from Mayor Harley of Astoria, asking what can be done this session in the way of an appropriation for a submarine base at the mouth of the Columbia.

He replied that it is too late to obtain any appropriation in the House for either project as both Army and Navy bills have passed that body and are now before the Senate.

### THREE DIVORCES GIVEN AT OREGON CITY.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Divorces were granted today by Circuit Judge Campbell as follows: John P. Lynch against Mabel Lynch, John J. Feely against Florence E. Feely, Maud M. DeMotta against Elmer R. DeMotta. Mrs. DeMotta gets 40 acres in Douglas County in the settlement.

### BEAVER CREEK ROAD CONTRACTED.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Contract for the materials necessary to the improvement of the Beaver Creek-Highland county road were let by the county yesterday to Griffiths & Coulter. The contractors are to furnish crushed rock at \$1.40 a yard. The work is to commence March 15.

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