

NEW ELECTION LAW CAUSES CONFUSION

Voting on City, School and Port Matters Set for May.

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Initiative Measures, Bond Proposals, Charter Amendments, All to Be Submitted Same Day.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle.

Wash., Jan. 3.—Seattle and King county are entering into confusing political confusion this spring through the operations of the new state law which requires municipal, school and port district elections to be held on the same day. Under the law the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May is fixed as the day. It will fall this year on May 2.

The law was enacted by the last legislature chiefly at the instance of Seattle and King county officers and taxpayers' organizations. Its purpose is to consolidate in one election day the efforts that have heretofore been spread over separate elections at various times of the year, with promise of considerable savings in election costs. The law also provides that initiative measures, bond proposals, city charter amendments and all such matters as require submission to popular vote, shall be set down for the same election day.

Old System Expensive.

Hitherto the annual election has been held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March, the city primaries having been held two weeks earlier. Election of school directors and election of port commissioners have been held on separate dates early in December each year.

In the even-numbered years the congressional, legislative and county elections have come at the usual time in early November, with the big national and state events superimposed every fourth year.

Fairly frequent special elections on bond issues and other matters have helped to keep the county and municipality in the city, keyed up to almost continuous performance of what the campaign orators call the highest duties of citizenship. In every year it has been expensive, in every second year it has been exasperating, and in the big fourth years it has been exhausting.

Tenure of Office Affected.

Present amending legislative confusion arises from the fact that the general public, and few if any public officials, realized until recently how the new law would affect the tenure of men in office at the time of its passage. Under the old law school directors and port commissioners went out December 31, 1922, and their successors having been elected early in December, 1921, the men in these offices would hold office until June 1, 1922, when they will be superseded by those elected in May.

But at the same May election successors must also be chosen for the school directors and port commissioners whose present terms do not expire until December 31, 1922, and while the law makes no change as to the three-year term for which school and port officers are elected, the legal advisers of the school and port districts say that the men elected next May will serve only until June 1, 1925, or two years and five months.

By that time the law will have become automatically adjusted to the three-year term provision. In this spring's election four school directors must be named, instead of two, and two port commissioners, instead of one.

City officials whose terms, under the old law, would have expired two weeks after the March election, will this year and hereafter hold until two weeks after the May election. The Seattle elects three of its nine councilmen each year, its mayor every second year, while its corporation treasurer are elected for four-year terms.

It happens this year that all of these offices, save the corporation counsel, are to be refilled. This, with the doubling up of candidates for school director and port commissioner, with one initiative measure already filed and other proposals set to follow, points to a spring full of politics for city and county.

JUDGE THOUGHT NOT NEEDED

Senator Poindexter Not Much Impressed With Congestion in Courts.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Jan. 3.—Senator Poindexter will return to the national capital not very much impressed with the need of another federal judge for the western district of Washington. This is the opinion of men close to the senator, while those who brought the matter to his attention admit that they received no encouragement to believe he would attempt to procure an amendment by the senate to the house bill creating an additional 22 new judges, in which bill this district is not mentioned.

Members of the western Washington bar called Senator Poindexter's attention to the evidences of congestion in the district courts presided over by Judge Netter and Judge Cushman. They were heard at length, but it is said that the senator's only response was to point out the difficulty of procuring an amendment by the senate when no showing of the need of a new judge for this district had been made before the distribution had been decided upon and the bill passed by the house.

Bearing in a way to the same point, however, others who had opportunity to talk with Senator Poindexter may have succeeded in convincing him of the troubles and delays in the federal courts of this district are due to the scarcity of help in the office of the United States attorney. District Attorney Revelle has four deputies, three in the Seattle office and one stationed in Tacoma. Though new laws and new efforts to increase the volume of work, there has been no enlargement of the attorney's staff. It is smaller than the office force of the local adviser of many northwestern counties and cities.

law, Mrs. Mary Bushnell, last Saturday, and afterwards shot himself, is recovering from his self-inflicted wounds at the city hospital and will face a charge of first degree murder, according to announcement by the prosecuting attorney's office today.

Watson, who is 52 years old, is well known to Deputy Prosecutor Meacham, the county divorce proctor, having visited the office several times in an effort to prevent his 20-year-old son, the daughter of Mrs. Bushnell, from getting a divorce. Watson blamed Mrs. Bushnell for his marital troubles and was advised by Meacham several times to keep away from the Bushnell home.

MISSING GIRL FOUND DAZED

Sailor From Warship Is Arrested as Assailant of Victim.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Wash., Jan. 3.—A 15-year-old girl, missing since New Year's eve, was found by the police early this morning lying in a dazed condition in a vacant lot within two blocks of her home, in the southern part of the city, a victim of an assault. She is now in the city hospital in a critical condition.

VETERAN AID WORK PLANNED

Government Experts to Pass on Claims of Northwest Men.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Wash., Jan. 3.—Field representatives of the United States Veterans' bureau will resume their work in Oregon, Washington and Idaho tomorrow. The three state squads, consisting of medical, compensation and vocational training experts, will establish temporary headquarters in the various county seats where they will hear and register claims for government aid of disabled service men.

DECEMBER WET MONTH

Astoria Records Show 7.3 Inches of Rain in 31 Days.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Notwithstanding the cold snap that prevailed during a portion of the month, December was an exceedingly damp one. The records at local Weather Observer Rosenberg's office show that the rainfall in the 31 days ended last Saturday amounted to 7.3 inches and that the greatest precipitation during any 24 hours was 2.53 inches, on December 11.

8 COMPANIES CHARTERED

Vancouver, Wash., Rubber Concern Has \$1,000,000 Capital.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 3.—Articles of incorporation filed with Secretary of State Hinkle include the following: E. S. Sani corporation, Seattle, \$150,000; E. S. Sani & Co., Seattle, \$100,000; Sequim Light & Power company, Sequim, \$250,000; increasing capital stock from \$250,000 to \$500,000; Thompson Fishall Propellers company, Seattle, \$100,000; G. L. Thompson, Currie, C. H. Hagen, Loren King, E. W. Housh, J. W. Housh, J. W. Housh, Commercial Building company, Tacoma, \$100,000; W. H. Miller, D. I. Cornell, Island Security company, Spokane, \$200,000; R. L. Braden, J. W. Cowan, Luis B. Thaddeus, Pacific States Rubber company, Vancouver, \$1,000,000; A. M. Elliott, N. W. Merrill, Shellor Motor company, Sunnyside, \$250,000; Roscoe Sheller and A. C. Fleming, Enterprise security company, Yakima, \$150,000; A. R. Hunter, Gertrude E. Hunter, J. J. Barthelet, Guy O. Shumate.

Policeman Refuses Wage Cut.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Owing to the fact that the city commission recently cut the monthly wage of the day policeman to \$110 from \$112, L. E. Hawkins has tendered his resignation. The cut was made in line with others that the city commission has announced in various departments of the city administration.

Early Filing Required.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 3.—Applications to purchase lands or timber at the state public land sale on the first Tuesday in April must be in by January 15, State Land Commissioner Clark Savidge announced today, in return to give time for inspection work.

Orpheum matinee today, 15-25-50-Ad.

SHERIFF IS INDICTED ON LARCENY CHARGE

Theft of Tools by Clackamas Official Alleged.

INVESTIGATION LONG ONE

Accused Official Declares That Allegations Are Result of "Frame-up" by Enemies.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—William J. Wilson, sheriff of Clackamas county, was indicted today by the circuit court grand jury on charges of larceny by bailment. Wilson was charged with taking tools belonging to C. E. Moulton and valued at \$37.50. The indictment was the result of investigation made by District Attorney Stipp and officials of the Northwest Law and Order league. The offense was alleged to have been committed March 4, 1921. Sheriff Williams, characterized the indictment as the result of a political frame-up, and said that those who instituted the investigation have been trying to "get" him for months.

Probe Made Since November.

Investigation of the sheriff's office has been conducted here since the middle of November. Officers of the Northwest Law and Order league appeared before the grand jury at the opening of the November term and although no public bills were returned, it was generally understood that testimony regarding the activities of Wilson and his deputies was taken.

H. E. Meads, ex-deputy sheriff and candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff in opposition to Wilson, and C. E. Moulton, Portland plumber, were the chief witnesses before the grand jury. A bill for investigation into the Wilson case from F. W. Snyder, head of the Law and Order league, has been presented to the county court. It totals \$263.28. Of this amount, \$106.20 has been approved by District Attorney Stipp. Wilson and the law and order men have never worked together. Wilson refused to approve bills submitted by Snyder for prosecution of liquor cases in Clackamas county. Some were paid by the county court and the remainder still pending. At the recent meeting of sheriffs of the state in Portland, Wilson openly denounced the private operatives. Four of Snyder's men face liquor charges in the federal courts, and Snyder's state authority has been revoked by the governor. Meads for some time served under Wilson, but ill feeling arose and he resigned.

BANK RULING IS SOUGHT

Decision on Rights of Guaranteed Depositors Demanded.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 3.—A writ of mandamus was issued by the supreme court here today against John P. Duke, state supervisor of banks, to force him to issue a ruling on the rights of the depositors of the defunct Scandinavian-American bank of Seattle should not be given a preferred lien in the assets of the bank over unsecured depositors and general creditors of the institution. The case was set for hearing January 13.

Girl Fugitive Captured.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—A negro girl by the name of Britton, 18 years of age, escaped from the state industrial school at Grand Mound Saturday night by making a rope of sheets and lowering herself to the ground from a second-story window. Attired in overalls, the fugitive walked to Olympia, where she was apprehended and returned to the institution yesterday.

Two Street Cars Held Up.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 3.—A lone highwayman early this morning held up a one-man street car in the west end of the city and then sped to the north and in his automobile and duplicated his crime. He obtained about \$25.

Woman Fatally Burned.

BREMERTON, Wash., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Hattie Zuber, 23, wife of Jerry Zuber, a rancher of Chicago, eight miles from Bremerton, died here today as the result of burns suffered last night when a pair of gasoline cans was carried into her home, became ignited from a lighted match.

The Dalles Man Picked.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Following a meeting held last night by the new board of directors of the chamber of commerce, at which applications for the position of chamber secretary were considered, a telegram was sent this morning to E. F. Van Schoek of The Dalles, Or., offering him the position. It is expected that he will accept and that

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COLUMBIA

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WASHINGTON ISSUES QUARANTINE ORDER.

Tabers From California Kept Out Because of Eelworm and Moth in South.

POLL TAX REPEAL SOUGHT

Mayor of Spokane Will Initiate Vital State Legislation.

Boy Drowned While Skating.

BREMERTON, Wash., Jan. 3.—Louis Eckler, 8 years old, was drowned while skating on a small pond in front of his home at Phinney Bay, a suburb, today.

How does this simple, homespun boy, who wants to be a man, tear free from the agony that racks his soul? . . . Must he break his mother's heart? . . . or his own? . . . See Richard Barthelmess in the role of David in "To'able David" at the Liberty beginning Friday. Barthelmess, star of "Way Down East," never had a warmer, more lovable, more human role! The story is from the Saturday Evening Post. The author is Joseph Hergesheimer.

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NEW SHOW FRIDAY!

MURDER CHARGE TO BE FILED

Would-Be Suicide Who Killed His Mother-in-Law Recovering.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, Wash., Jan. 3.—Robert H. Watson, who shot and killed his mother-in-

THE mother is pleading * * * "You're all we got, Davy" * * * his older brother is crippled, his father is dead, victims of the mountain feud * * * to his mother he is still the "baby" * * * he must be her breadwinner now * * * yet every instinct fights for revenge * * * he can't have 'em thinking he's afraid. * * * "Don't you see how men are about those things?" he demands. * * * His face is clouded * * * his hands clenched * * * "I got to go," * * * a sob heaves in his chest * * * rebellious tears stream over his cheeks * * * he is crying like a baby * * * he throws an arm across his eyes * * * he stumbles from the room.

NATURE PUT IRON FOR YOUR BLOOD

In the husks of grains and the seeds and skins of fruits and vegetables but modern methods of cooking throw all these things away—hence the alarming increase in anemia—iron starvation of the blood, with its never ending trend of symptoms of nervous irritability, general weakness, fatigue, disturbed digestion, headaches, pains across the back, etc.

SALTS IS FINE FOR KIDNEYS, QUIT MEAT

Flush the Kidneys at once when Back Hurts or Bladder bothers.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

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