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OUR MAKERS OF LAWS.

Voters throughout the state got a good view last Monday of some of the beauties of the initiative and referendum, and the confession was forced from many of them that it didn't look as pretty at close range as it did when held up to their view at a distance. They had a chance to help make and unmake laws, and judging by the comment made they did not find much pleasure in the job. One voter expressed the feelings of his hearers when he said, "By another election every voter will have to have a lawyer and take him to the voting booth with him," and if he had said a "a Philadelphia lawyer," he wouldn't have been stating it too strongly.

It was easy to observe that a large majority of the voters did not understand the nature of many of the questions submitted to them; that they did not know the merits or demerits of the various measures; and that in many cases they voted yes or no, according as they happened to be in an affirmative or negative frame of mind. Fully a third of the voters in this precinct did not vote upon the amendments at all, and we believe the average was larger than that throughout the state. It was not the fault of their intelligence, but the fault of a system which expects a man to reason out and digest in the brief space of time allotted for voting, a mass of laws each one of which would keep an assembly of trained legislators wrangling for a period of 30 days. And that is what it amounts to, for not one in 10 of the voters of the state has either the time or the inclination to read and study the pamphlet issued by the state, giving the full text of the measures upon which they are to vote. With this kind of a system it will not be surprising if our statute books are filled with "freak laws," while many a wise and useful measure finds its way to the legislative graveyard.

State Election Returns

Complete returns from all counties in the state give Governor Chamberlain a majority of about 1100 over Cake for U. S. Senator. Multnomah county gave Chamberlain 858 of this majority, while the other 31 counties in the state gave him 250 majority. Congressman Hawley in the First District and Congressman Ellis in the Second are each elected by large majorites, and all Republican nominess for state offices were elected.

In the vote on the various initiative and referendum measures, the returns show that with the exception of the bills increasing pay of legislators, the one increasing the number of supreme judges, the one for compulsory railroad passes, the open town bill, and the woman's suffrage amendment and single tax amendment, all the measures submitted passed. Woman's suffrage lost by a large majority, probably 15,000. Prohibition made large gains throughout the state.

ELECTION NOTES.

"Billy" King, candidate for re-election for county treasurer, got the full party vote in this precinct, his vote being 135 to 27 for his democratic opponent. His majority of 108 in Kutcher was gratifying to his friends in the precinct.

Hon. H. M. Cake, republican nominee for U. S. Senator, carried this precinct by a vote of 85 to 76 over Governor Chamberlain. In the county, however, Governor Chamberlain has a majority of about 225. And this a republican county.

The equal suffrage amendment was lost in this precinct by two votes, the vote resulting in 76 for the amendment and 78 against. Every married man in the precinct will probably tell his wife that he was one of the stalwart 76—if his wife happens to be a suffragist.

Warren Brown, democratic candidate for re-election for county clerk, received the largest vote in the county, his total vote being 1575. He had no opponent for re-election except the socialist candidate, who carried the socialist strength in the county, and Warren's majority was over 1400.

Riley Cook, democratic candidate for county school superintendent, made a good race in this precinct, receiving 114 votes to 68 for his opponent, R. A. Ford of Sisters, but in the county he was defeated by Professor Ford by a majority in the neighborhood of 150. Riley's big vote from his neighbors in this precinct was a compliment which will take away the sting of his defeat in the county.

G. Springer, democratic candidate for State Senator, carried Kutcher precinct by a large majority, the vote being 146, to 37 for Dr. Merryman. The majority of 109 was the largest given any candidate in this precinct over an opponent on either the republican or democratic ticket, and the result was a nice compliment to Mr. Springer from his home people. Mr. Springer's majority in the county was about 300.

Frank Elkins' big vote in this precinct was an agreeable surprise to even his most enthusiastic supporters. Out of 200 votes cast he received 143, Congleton receiving 41 votes and the socialist 9 votes, giving Elkins a plurality of 102 votes in the precinct. At Warmsprings he got all the votes cast, 24 in number, and at Lyle Gap he got 52, to 4 votes for his opponent. A hard fight was made against Sheriff Elkins in this precinct, but his home people have unmistakably placed their stamp of approval upon his administration in the past two years.

G. Springer Defeated

G. Springer, democratic Statement No. 1 candidate for the State Senate, was defeated in the election in the 17th senatorial district, the majority for Dr. Merryman, the republican candidate being 243 in the three counties composing the district. In Crook county Mr. Springer received a large majority, carrying the county by about 300, although the registration showed the republican majority to be 550 in this county. In Lake county Mr. Springer also made a big gain on the republican majority, losing that county by only 82 votes. Klamath county, however, gave a large majority to the republican candidate, Dr. Merryman, who is a resident of Klamath Falls, the majority in that county being 446. The vote by counties was as follows:

	Crook	Lake	Klamath	Total
Springer	928	212	516	1656
Merryman	643	294	962	1899
Merryman's majority				243

W. C. Congleton, defeated candidate for sheriff, took occasion to vent his displeasure after the election, last Monday evening, by making the statement that the opposition of the Madras Pioneer was a help to him. He received 41 votes out of 200 in this precinct, and if there is any truth in his ill-natured slur at the Pioneer, it will be interesting to speculate where he would have gotten off if he had not had this alleged help. The results do not show that Mr. Congleton had very much help from any source.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT of the State of Oregon, for the County of Crook.

In the matter of the estate of JOHN A. ISHAM, deceased. } CITATION

To Viola M. Gray, Stella Wilson, Ira Isham, Mary Thompson, Rena Cyrus, Laura Waymire, Theodosia Claypool, Jessie Isham, Archie Isham and all devisees and heirs unknown, GREETING:

In the name of the State of Oregon.

You are hereby cited and required to appear in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Crook, at the Court room thereof, at Prineville, in the County of Crook, on Monday the 6th day of July, 1908, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon of that day, then and there to show cause, if any there be, why an order of sale should not be granted to the administrator of the estate of said John A. Isham, deceased, to sell all the following described real estate of said deceased, towit: Lots eight, nine and ten in block thirty-one and lots four and eleven in block thirty-two in the town of Pulmain, Crook County, Oregon, according to the plat thereof as the same appears of record in the office of the County Clerk of Crook County, Oregon.

Witness, the Hon W. A. Bell, judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Crook, with the seal of said court affixed, this 28th day of May, A. D. 1908.

Attest: WARREN BROWN, Clerk.
[SEAL]

STATE SELECTION,— Notice for Publication U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, May 25, 1908. Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of the act of Congress of August 14, 1848, and the acts supplementary and amendatory thereto, the State of Oregon has this day filed in this office its application No. 748, to select the w½sw¼, ne¼sw¼ and sw¼nw¼ of sec 14, tp 12 s, r 13 e, w m.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands, or desiring for any reason to object to the final allowance of the selection, should file their claims or objections in this office on or before the 14th day of July, 1908.

C. W. MOORE, Register
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HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, April 30, 1908. Notice is hereby given that

JOHN E. CAMPBELL,

of Madras, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz:

Homestead Entry No. 9782 made Sept. 28, 1901, for the se¼ne¼, e½se¼ of sec 7 and ne¼ne¼ of sec 18, tp 10 s, r 13 e, w m,

And that said proof will be made before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on June 10, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:

U S Cowles, T B Tucker, C C Fox, Louis Volrath, all of Madras, Oregon.

m7 j4 C. W. MOORE, Register

HOMESTEAD. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, April 29, 1908. Notice is hereby given that

ISAAC D. BROWN,

of Madras, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 14897 made January 11, 1906, for the sw¼nw¼ w½sw¼ of sec 14 and se¼se¼ of sec 15, tp 11 s, r 13 e, w m,

And that said proof will be made before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on June 12, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:

Rocky C Robison, Ed P Robison, Fred Davis, William J Cowherd, all of Madras, Oregon.

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MORDICA M. MENDENHALL,

of Culver, Oregon has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 10087 made November 29, 1901, for the s½ne¼ and e½sw¼ of sec 8, tp 13 s, r 13 e, w m.

And that said proof will be made before Frank Osborn, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on June 8, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz:

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