

AMICABLE SUIT WILL DETERMINE LEGALITY OF REGISTRATION LISTS

City to Take Measures to Insure Validity of Possible Issues at Coming Election.

With the refusal yesterday of County Clerk J. E. Coffey to transfer to the city authorities the county registration lists used at the election last Tuesday...

Dependent upon the action of the circuit court the question will be taken before the supreme court of the state for final adjudication.

The city authorities desire to remove every shadow of doubt from the proposed bond issue.

The vital questions in the matter, said District Attorney W. H. Evans yesterday, "are, first, if the 1913 registration lists are legal."

According to an opinion handed down in the case of Eugene D. White against the commissioners of Multnomah county in 1886...

"In all elections not otherwise provided for by this constitution, every citizen of the age of 21 years and upwards, who shall have resided in the state during the six months immediately preceding such election...

The question here arises whether the state has the right to impose registration restrictions on the electorate...

The opinion was further voiced in the case of White against commissioners that "the right to vote is a vested right in process to be exercised in the future on a fixed day, and laws requiring registration in order to exercise the right on the day do not merely prescribe the mode of procedure...

If a court decision should sustain this holding of former years no registration would be necessary for the city election scheduled for December 8.

In some ways the situation is analogous to that brought up previously to the election just held authorizing the issuance of interstate bridge bonds.

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STANFORD TRIUMPHS OVER CALIFORNIA IN ANNUAL RUGBY GAME

For First Time Since 1908 the Cardinal Defeats Berkeley Players; Better Team Wins.

San Francisco, Nov. 8.—By defeating the University of California team 23 to 8 in today's Rugby football contest on Stanford field, Stanford University gets back into the winning column for the first time since 1908.

There is no question that the better team won. Stanford's backs played the best game they have shown this season.

Whatever shade there was in the scrum work belonged to Stanford. The Cardinal pack not only hooked the ball better and often than California's forwards, but they dribbled better and followed up closer.

The extremely fast pace set in the early part of the second half told more on the Stanford men than on California.

By a compromise between attorneys for Holton Parker, who is past 80 years of age and Receiver Hill of the Walla Walla Fire Insurance company at Walla Walla, Thursday, the suit against Parker's big farming estate is dismissed and Whitman college immediately receives an endowment of \$50,000 to be used for a school of economics.

Holton Parker, one of the best-known pioneers of Eastern Washington, has resided for the past eight years in Portland, at 123 Seventeenth street. He is almost bedfast.

In his room he is surrounded by an excellent library and a collection of the daily files of local papers, and with these he passes his time.

He came to Portland eight years ago to visit the Lewis and Clark exposition, and his health became so bad that he was unable to return to his home of nearly 50 years.

The Walla Walla estate, consisting of nearly 2000 acres of farm land in one tract, several smaller sections and considerable real property, is valued at nearly \$400,000, and he is said to have much other property in different places in the northwest.

When the proceedings were first started against him by Receiver Hill, it was thought that he would lose all, but by the intervention of justice the legendary medieval superstition that Jews drew the blood of Christian children with which to knead the dough of the passover cakes at Easter time, occurred in 1882.

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OPPRESSION OF JEWS MAY FOLLOW THE BEILIS TRIAL



Mendel Beilis, at right, being escorted to court.

By Carl H. von Wiegand. (By the International News Service.) Berlin, Nov. 8.—Perhaps no trial since the Dreyfus case in Paris has created such general interest in Germany as that of the Jew, Mendel Beilis, in Kiev on the ridiculous charge of ritual murder.

The very fact that it takes the mind back to the days of the middle ages, has caused thousands of people of other faiths, and no faith at all, in Germany to evince the keenest interest in the trial.

When the anti-Semitic wave in high tide in Germany in 1881 and again in 1900, a boy at Xanten and one at Konitz were murdered. Jews were charged with "ritual murder."

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BUT MINOR CHANGES IN OFFICIAL COUNT

Complete Figures Show Proportionate Vote on Tuesday's Measures.

Pendleton, Or., Nov. 8.—The sterilization bill was defeated in Umatilla county, the ordinary precincts returning a big majority against it.

Grant County. Canyon City, Or., Nov. 8.—Official returns in Grant county give: Repair fund, yes, 327; no, 428; building fund, yes, 385; no, 484; sterilization, yes, 276; no, 514; county attorney, yes, 479; no, 394; compensation, yes, 452; no, 310.

Lake County. Lakeview, Or., Nov. 8.—The official count in Lake county gives university repair fund, yes, 263; no, 125; university building appropriation, yes, 218; no, 138; sterilization act, yes, 180; no, 193; university of Oregon, yes, 180; no, 82; workmen's compensation, yes, 251; no, 137. Three precincts failed to hold an election.

Jackson County. Medford, Or., Nov. 8.—The official vote of Jackson county complete is as follows: University of Oregon fund, yes, 204; no, 811; University of Oregon appropriation, yes, 1951; no, 920; sterilization, yes, 1864; no, 1441; county attorney act, yes, 1740; no, 985; compensation, yes, 2029; no, 772.

Lincoln County. Toledo, Or., Nov. 8.—The complete official count for Lincoln county gives university repair fund, yes, 477; no, 584; university building appropriation, yes, 446; no, 598; sterilization, yes, 373; no, 638; county attorney, yes, 521; no, 497; workmen's compensation, yes, 768, no, 312.

NORTHWESTERN BEATEN BY CHICAGO TEAM. Chicago, Nov. 8.—Chicago added another victory to the string this afternoon, defeating Northwestern 14 to 9 in Evanson.

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SOMERS UNIT SYSTEM OF VALUATION URGED BY ADVISORY BOARD

Matter Is Put Up to County Commissioners for Decision on Plan.

A recommendation that the county commissioners set aside \$25,000 in the budget for 1914 to pay for the installation of the Somers' Unit System of realty valuation in the county assessor's office was passed by the advisory board on recommendation of Assessor Reed, J. N. Teal and Carl E. Kelly, of the board.

This action on the part of the advisory board will put the matter up to the county commissioners for a decision and as Commissioner Holman expressed the intention to consider carefully the recommendations of the board, it is considered probable that he will back the movement.

The Somers system is based on the selection of a unit strip of land one foot wide and 100 feet deep in the center of each face of a city block.

An expert is to come to Portland within a short time to explain the system and show its practical working and value.

The system was first tried in St. Paul and has since spread rapidly. Among the cities now using the method are Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio, Des Moines, Iowa; Denver, Colo; Galveston and Houston, Texas; St. Paul, Minn. and Philadelphia in part.

MICHIGAN TRIUMPHS EASILY OVER CORNELL. Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 8.—Michigan triumphed over Cornell this afternoon by the score of 17 to 0 and the Wolverines won a well earned victory.

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