

CHECKING NAMES ON PETITIONS IS DUTY OF CLERKS

Secretary of State Olcott Has
Requested Opinion From Attorney
General as to Method.

AIM TO STANDARDIZE WORK

Additional Duties Devolving Upon
County Clerks Under 1917 Law
Involves Great Deal of Labor.

Salem, Or., May 8.—A law passed by the 1917 legislature requires that all names attached to initiative petitions must be checked by the county clerk with the voters registration lists. The county clerk is required to certify to those names which are registered and he believes from a comparison of the signatures to be genuine, and also to list those names which do not appear on the registration records, while as to the remaining signatures, if any, he certifies to his belief that they are not genuine.

To make it possible to have this form of verification and certificate of signatures on initiative petitions uniform throughout the counties, Secretary of State Olcott has prepared a form which he is submitting to Attorney General Brown for his approval. When the attorney general approves it, Mr. Olcott says he will send copies to every county clerk in the state for their convenience when the initiative petitions begin to come in.

"These will be sent out for the information and guidance of the county clerks of the various counties, should they desire it," said Secretary of State Olcott, "with the view of standardizing the procedure under the law and in order that there may be no conflict of opinion or action between this office and that of any of the county clerks during the closing rush always incident to the filing of initiative measures."

In transmitting the matter to the attorney general, Mr. Olcott also asks for an interpretation of section one of chapter 176, general laws of 1917, relating to initiative petitions and which has been puzzling some of the officials.

"In the same connection," he says, "I would be pleased to have your advice and opinion regarding the construction that should be given by the county clerks of the state to that portion of said section 1 of chapter 176, which provides that:

"In addition to said affidavit the county clerk of each county in which any such petition shall be signed shall compare the signatures of the electors signing the same with the signatures of the registration cards, books and blanks on file in his office, and shall examine said petition and shall attach to the sheets of said petition containing such signatures, his certificate to the secretary of state, substantially as follows: etc."

"Some doubt seems to exist, in view of the varied and different physical conditions under which the signatures upon said petition and those upon the registration cards are written, as to the extent and scope of the comparison which the law requires the county clerks to make."

What methods should a county clerk adopt in arriving at the genuineness of signatures to an initiative petition? And frequently, in signing their names many persons write their initials only while their registrations are in their full names. Would this be grounds for the county clerks rejecting signatures so written?

"I would appreciate your opinion in this regard as a possible aid to the county clerks of the state in the fulfillment of the new and additional duties devolving upon them under the terms of said law."

Portland Girls Win Clara Waldo Prizes

Three of Four Honor Awards at Oregon
Agricultural College Go to Local Students; White Salmon Girl Wins Fourth

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 8.—Ruth Morton, senior of White Salmon, Wash.; Zelta Feike, junior of Portland; Helen Gardner, sophomore of Portland and Bernice Haines, freshman of Portland, have been elected as the recipients of the Clara H. Waldo prizes, ranging from \$40 to \$10, awarded annually to the girl in each of the four classes who leads her class in qualities of womanhood and success in student activities.

Honorable mention was awarded to the second and third highest girls in each class, the various co-eds consisting of Elizabeth Barker of Oakland, Cal., and Josephine Hammond of Silverton, seniors; Christine Abbott of Roseburg, and Kathryn Strom of Junction City, juniors; Hazel Strief of Portland and Florence Holmes, Portland, sophomores, and Francis Castner of Hood River and Marjorie Rood of Portland, freshmen.

Lane County Quota Is Over-Subscribed

Eugene, Or., May 8.—The third Liberty loan has been more than 50 percent over-subscribed in Lane county according to reports received at county headquarters and tabulated up to Tuesday night. The total of the county was \$477,000 and the subscriptions officially reported up to Saturday night were \$648,300.

Springfield was the only district in the county which fell below the allotment, subscribing \$27,650, on an allotment of \$32,000. Coburg, Creswell, Florence and Cottage Grove were over 200 percent efficient. Eugene over-subscribed her quota \$107,500.

U-Boats Gradually Being Diminished

London, May 8.—(L. N. S.)—"The sinking of German submarines steadily increases," said Thomas MacNamara, parliamentary secretary of the admiralty, in a special report at Bristol. He added that the destruction of merchant ships has fallen steadily month by month. The output of tonnage is now well ahead of that in 1917. The demand for immediate ship production in England is now large, however. Mr. MacNamara declared that the big program made for England and America would take time to mature.

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Kaiser and Kultur Still Hold People

Chicago Woman, for 17 Years Musical
Student in Berlin, Who Left Berlin
in February, Says Germans Confident.

Chicago, May 8.—(L. N. S.)—Miss Sarah McKee, of Chicago, for 17 years a musical student in Berlin and the last American to leave Germany, has arrived in Chicago. She left Berlin in February 27, after living there continuously since August, 1914.

She says Germany "loves kultur as played by the militarists and despises democracy as championed by the United States. The people while in their sacrifices and exist on less food than we give our babies in America. But they are absolutely confident that 'Me und Gott' are making good for them."

"Fed on kultur, part of which has been backed up by victories, the people are confident they are going to win this war."

Germany's Food Situation Critical Washington, May 8.—(L. N. S.)—The food situation in Germany is more critical than it has been at any time.

If Germany seizes the grain supplies of the Ukraine, the bread situation will continue as it presents otherwise conditions will go from the present, which is bad, to decidedly worse.

The seizure of the grain supply, the nutritional committee of the reichstag admits, will not result in the increasing of rations.

These were the outstanding features of a dispatch received Tuesday by the state department from an authoritative source which was not revealed. The dispatch said that the question of another reduction of the meat rations in Germany is being considered. At present the allowance is 200 grams a week and the contemplated reduction would be to 150 grams, or less than a quarter of a pound.

Western Fuel Men
Going to Confer

Fuel Administrator Holmes Will Attend
Conference Called to Meet at Salt
Lake City Today.

Fuel Administrator Holmes of Oregon left Monday night for Salt Lake City to attend the conference of western fuel administrators which will convene today.

Holmes plans to make a determined fight against any further curtailment of coal in so far as it affects shippers into Oregon. In this connection it is reported that Washington coal interests have planned to capture the Oregon market by securing an embargo on Utah and Wyoming coal, now largely used in Oregon, particularly in the eastern part, for household and industrial uses.

He has already registered a protest with the national fuel administration. He takes the stand that Washington coal would prove more expensive to Oregonians east of the mountains on account of higher freight charges, and that curtailment of supplies would make for a shortage when every effort is being made to have people get in their next winter supplies now.

Proposes Shutdown On Sockeye Fishing

Extinction of Famous Salmon in Fraser
River Feared by Canadian Commission
of Fisheries.

Vancouver, B. C., May 8.—(L. N. S.)—Absolute prohibition of sockeye salmon fishing on Fraser river, famous for its production of this fish, was recommended to the American-Canadian fish-commission here Tuesday by the Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines and provincial commission of fisheries.

In no other way, he declared in a formal statement, can extinction of the sockeye be avoided.

Sloan stated that the question was such a grave one from the food standpoint that the loss of wages by the fishermen because of the prohibition of such fishing should not be taken into consideration. He urged that the United States and Canada should jointly acquire and control all rights in the Fraser fishery.

Lebanon, May 8.—In a recent issue of The Journal, mention was made of William Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Howell of this city. Young Howell is a truck driver in the Four Hundred Twenty-ninth construction squadron, stationed at Vancouver, Wash., and his business, as a United States soldier, serving his country, is to run a truck for the purpose of hauling supplies timber to be shipped out of Portland for the building of airplanes. In a short time after this article was published, Oliver Howell received a letter from a young girl of Portland, making inquiries and stating that her mother's maiden name was Howell and that her Grandfather, Stephen Howell, also of Portland, wished very much to establish his suspicion as fact, that the Oliver Howell mentioned would prove to be a younger brother of whose whereabouts he had lost all track for 15 years.

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Sellwood Car to
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GOLD ROBBERS ARE BELIEVED KNOWN TO THEIR TWO VICTIMS

One of Suspects Has Finger
Missing From Right Hand;
Authorities Busy.

Grants Pass, Or., May 8.—Crews have been found of the robbers who held up R. Boswell and his son at their mine near Holland Thursday and escaped with over \$6000 worth of bullion. The suspects are known, although their names have not been given out.

About a month ago two men took up residence in a little shack a mile from the Boswells claim. They represented to be looking for chrome. It is evident that they watched every move of the Boswells, for they chose the proper time to strike when they were working at their retort in the yard.

The Boswells were returning the yellow metal and had poured out some of it into moulds when the two bandits appeared with bandannas tied over their mouths. Willie Robert Boswell Jr. was being covered by one of the men he observed that the robber had one finger missing on his right hand, a fact which he had noticed about the men in the cabin. After he had been tied to a tree he asked the robber how chrome mining was. The robber replied that "this beats the h—l out of chrome," as he poured the rest of the metal into bars.

Two Seek Divorces
Grants Pass, May 8.—After being married to his 15-year-old bride but little more than a week, Harry M. Sanford, aged 24, is suing for a divorce. Sanford alleges that the child wife was unduly influenced and forced into marrying him by her mother, Mrs. Edith Friel. The marriage took place in Klamath Falls April 25. Shortly after the wedding, Sanford states, he discovered that he and his wife were incompatible. He also asks that the girl be allowed to resume her maiden name Della Chapman.

Because her husband is a convict serving a life term in North Dakota, Mrs. Ethel M. Nash of this city has filed suit for divorce from Clelan Nash. They were married in Billings, Mont., on October 23, 1916. On December 10 following Nash murdered a man. The plaintiff also asks that her maiden name, Ethel May Battye, be returned.

Benton Struble Arrested
Grants Pass, May 8.—Benton Struble, wanted in Curry county on a charge of assault and battery, was arrested here Monday afternoon by Sheriff George W. Lewis and was taken back to Gold Beach Tuesday by Sheriff W. Talmay of that place.

One Out of Eight Are Bond Buyers
Grants Pass, May 8.—Final figures on the Liberty loan campaign in Josephine county show that it went over the top by 125 per cent, according to Frank C. Bramwell, county chairman. The total number of subscribers was 1018, or about one out of every eight persons in the county, with an average subscription of \$15 per capita.

California Boys
Show Appreciation

Albany, May 8.—Linn county Red Cross chapter today received a gift of \$25 from California draft men who were entertained at the Albany Army last week.

The men were given dinner and a good time and expressed their appreciation by sending a money order today.

Unknown Slacker at Albany
Albany, May 8.—A mysterious slacker caught by the sheriff in Criminal gulch, has refused for three days to give his name, and apparently has confidence in former friends at Mill City, many of whom know him, he states, but will not tell his name to authorities. Pictures were taken today and will be sent to state prisons and finger prints are to be taken to aid in identification.

Crabtree District
Subscribes \$7100

Crabtree, May 8.—M. A. Freeman, captain of the third Liberty loan campaign, has announced that the people in the immediate Crabtree district subscribed \$7100 in bonds, more than one half of the quota for the entire district. The amount subscribed for the entire district was \$40,700.

News Item Locates
Long Lost Relative

Journal Brings Joy to Howell Brothers

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—A special sale of fine imported linen handkerchiefs, made with quarter-inch hemstitched hems. A wonderfully special handkerchief for twenty-five cents. Main Floor, just inside Washington Street Entrance.

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—Hundreds of the newest and daintiest blouses in this great one-day sale! The prettiest new models and the most excellent materials—all are worth much, much more—but when they came in yesterday we decided to place them in this great one-day sale for five dollars—just to make Thursday an interesting day in this great Anniversary Sale!

BEAUTIFUL WHITE, FLESH, MAIZE, PEACH, TEA ROSE AND BEIGE—SOME IN THE NEW ROUND NECK STYLE, OTHERS WITH SQUARE NECKS AND MANY IN PLAIN TAILORED MODELS. SOME WITH BEAUTIFUL TOUCHES OF EMBROIDERY—MANY BEAUTIFUL MODELS ON SALE THURSDAY AT FIVE DOLLARS!

—THIRD FLOOR, LIPMAN, WOLFE & CO.

Anniversary Sale Mill Ends of PURE WOOL Suitings, Yd.

—Pure wool materials in stripes and checks—a splendid assortment of colors for suits, skirts and children's wear. All wool and 54 and 56 inches wide!

\$1.65

—A manufacturer's mill ends which we were able to obtain at a great concession in price. Regularly we should not be able to buy pure woolen suitings wholesale for \$1.65 a yard. Better plan to have a new Summer or motor coat now!

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Anniversary Sale of Women's and Children's STOCKINGS

Women's Fine Fibre Silk Hose Special 39c
—Splendid silk fibre stockings in white, grey, champagne, sand and other shades—all with cotton tops, double soles, heels and toes. Seconds of a very fine quality.

WOMEN'S PURE SILK STOCKINGS AT 79c
—Seconds of a very good grade hose. These are in solid black or white or with fancy embroidered clocking or designs. NO PHONE OR MAIL ORDERS FILLED.

BURSON'S SILK FIBRE HOSE AT 49c
—Women's silk fibre stockings with fashioned foot. All have lisle thread top with high spliced heels, double soles, heels and toes. Seconds of an excellent quality. Black or white.

CHILDREN'S FANCY SOCKS SPECIAL AT 25c
—A large assortment of striped socks for children. Made of good mercerized lisle—white with colored rolled tops. Some have imperfections in the way of oil spots or pin holes. Sizes 4 to 9½.

CHILDREN'S WHITE COTTON STOCKINGS 25c
—Attractive white cotton ribbed stockings made with linen heels and toes. They are very elastic. Sizes 5 to 10.

—Main Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

Economy Basement Store 100 New Novelty SILK SKIRTS Special at \$4.45

—A bewildering array of novelty striped silk skirts—in every desirable color and combination. These skirts have fancy band girdles, gathered tops and novelty pockets. —They are wonderful skirts—on special sale for this Anniversary Thursday at \$4.45! The supply is limited—so early shopping is advised.

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