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THE AWFUL "32."

(Continued from last week.)

There are at least five initiative and referendum measures that most people will agree should be given an emphatic No. Nothing much need be said about them, but we will give each a separate mention.

No. 305, No. page 12 of the Voter's pamphlet. An act for a constitutional convention. Not needed. Wholly unnecessary. Simply a scheme of those opposed to the people rule measures. The plan of the schemers is to frame a new constitution leaving out the initiative, referendum and direct primary.

No. 329, No. page 73. The so-called "Home Rule" amendment. Changes the unit for local option from county to municipalities. An unwise change. If prohibition cannot be enforced with county option, it can't with city.

No. 349, No. page 136. Bill to prohibit fishing in Rogue river except by angling. Preponderance of evidence against this bill. Would destroy the means of livelihood of hundreds of people, and probably benefit no one.

Chance to Argue

Nos. 306-307, page 16. To provide a separate district for election of each state senator and each state representative. It is an improvement over the present district system, in that the legislator in large counties or in districts now composed of two or more counties, is more closely related to his district. For instance, instead of Wallowa and all of Union being joined in one district, Wallowa and only enough of Union to make the requisite population would comprise the district. Until a practical and just proportional representation system is proposed, this separate district plan is best.

No. 360-361, page 186. To provide for proportional representation. Coupled with it are provisions lengthening the terms of legislators to six years, increasing their pay to \$350, and a dozen more or less other things. The representation plan is cumbersome and unjust. Under it at the last election, Wallowa would have had no representation at all.

There are three so-called tax amendments. First is Nos. 308-309, page 22. It opens the way for the others by doing away with the "taxation shall be equal and uniform" provision of the constitution. Vote yes only if you are in favor of the other two.

The second one is No. 312-313, page 33, and the third Nos. 326-327, page 71. These amendments would abolish poll tax, take away and restore to the people, the say of what property shall be taxed and what exempted, and above all, give a county home rule provision in regard to taxation. They will give the state a chance to raise all necessary state revenues from public service corporations, especially such as express, telegraph, telephone and sleeping car companies that now pay but a pittance of tax for the special privileges and big business they do.

Those three measures are far and away the most important on the ballot. Study them carefully in the Voter's pamphlet.

Nos. 310-311, page 26, is for amendment authorizing creation of railroad districts, and the purchase and construction of railroads or other highways by the state, counties, municipalities and railroad districts. We can see no harm in it. If it had been a law for the last 20 years Wallowa county wouldn't have

had to wait that long for a railroad, and Central Oregon would not be today an uninhabited wilderness.

Nos. 342-343, page 114. Constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor. This is a measure on which sentiment will play an important part. The argument part is largely reduced to the one point: Is state prohibition practical and efficient. However a very large number of voters will prefer the present county option law because they believe in each county settling the matter for itself.

Nos. 352-353, page 149. To provide for creation of new towns, counties, etc. Weak bill because in creation of new counties the voter is left solely to the majority vote of the people embraced within the proposed new county. It would mean as many counties as there are towns ambitious to be county seats.

Nos. 354-355, page 156. Permits counties to increase bonded indebtedness beyond \$5000 to build permanent roads within the county. It is a good measure in that it will stop the automobile howl for state built roads. Wallowa county doesn't want to help pay for automobile roads in the Willamette valley, and if the people decide to build permanent roads WITHIN the county they will have the power to do so and let part of the burden fall on future taxpayers, where it belongs.

Nos. 356-357, page 161. Extending provisions of direct primary law to presidential nominations. Why not? Still there is much opposition to it for two reasons: First, it is a pet measure of Senator Bourne, and second it is a big change from the present way.

Nos. 358-359, page 180. To create a board of people's inspectors of government and provide for publication of an official state magazine. Read it through and the arguments pro and con. There are good things in it, but like most of the Power League's proposals, embraces too many and diverse things. On the whole, in its present form, we believe it should be voted down.

"AND GEORGE DID."

It seems that George T. Cochran was not the "head and front" of the assembly business in Union county. It was his brother and law partner, Charles Cochran. A local assemblyman says George did not attend the assembly as a delegate, but it is not denied "George did" receive the assembly nomination for superintendent of water division number two, and his name is on the ballot because he had no opposition in the primary.

F. M. Saxton, the present superintendent, is a candidate for re-election. His name is right under George's. He is a first-class man, a splendid officer, who is giving his whole time and attention to the work. He deserves re-election.

THE ONLY SOLUTION.

East Oregonian, July 9.)
Voters of Oregon will be compelled to pass upon 32 legislative measures when they vote this fall. The number is entirely too large and many of the measures are of such a nature that voters simply cannot hope to judge intelligently as to their merits.

Conspicuous in this class are the eight county division bills that have been filed. Each of these measures pertains to an issue that is strictly legal in character. The people of the state at large are not interested in county division disputes. The average voter cannot hope to judge of the merits of these division bills. From one side he will be showered with literature favorable to division; from another quarter he will be implored to vote against division. Often people residing in the proposed new counties do not want division to carry.

Now what is the poor voter to do? In the view of the East Oregonian there is but one logical way to settle county division problems. All those problems should be held in abeyance until a law has been enacted leaving the settlement of such disputes to the people who are directly interested in them. It is pretty certain that such a law will be passed by the next legislature. Such a law was passed by the last legislature, but for some unknown reason was vetoed by Governor Chamberlain following the close of the session.

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SELFISH MOTIVES BEHIND IT.

Office Seekers Promoting County Division Schemes.

Avowed office seekers seem to be among those who are promoting the cause of county butchering in Oregon, according to the Grants Pass Observer in its issue of July 29. Furthermore, the people generally have no conception of local situations as affecting counties where the cry for division is heard. Only about one in ten voters would know what they were voting for. Therefore, the best way is to vote "No" to all of the measures, urges the Observer:

"Two years ago the people voted to form the new county of Hood River out of a section of Wasco county. It is safe to say that 90 voters out of a hundred had no acquaintance with the conditions or geography of the county they divided. The voters will be asked next November to do a good deal more of this kind of county butchering. People who are not at all acquainted with the various territories, will be asked to slice Crook county and make a new county to be called Deschutes. It is proposed to carve up Lane and Douglas counties, and constitute the three new counties, Umpqua, Williams and Nesmith. Umatilla is prey for two proposed new counties, Orchard and Hudson. A piece of Grant county is to be asked to make Clara county, while Harney and Malheur may be clipped off a little to make room for Otis. It is really scandalous and only possible under the initiative. The trouble is that the performance is just commencing and it is not easy to see where it will end. The best way, the only right way, is to vote "No" to all these local measures, of which the people as a whole have no information. The Observer has no idea of the rights in any of these cases, but believes they are just selfish schemes to make little towns county capitals and supply several good county offices for the promoters."

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Wallowa County.
James Downing, Plaintiff,
vs.
Adah L. Downing, Defendant.

To Adah L. Downing, the above named Defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within ten days from the date of the service of this summons upon you if served within this county, or if served within any other county of the State, then within twenty days from the date of the service of this summons upon you, or if served by publication thereof, then on or before six weeks from the date of the first date of publication of this summons, which first date of publication is Thursday, October 13th, 1910, and the last date of publication of this summons and the last day for your appearance is Thursday, November 24th, 1910, and if you fail so to answer for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in his complaint, to-wit:—that the marriage contract now and heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved and from henceforth held for naught.

The defendant will take notice that this summons is published by order of the County Judge, J. B. Olmsted, of Wallowa County, Oregon, in the Wallowa Chieftain, a newspaper published weekly at Enterprise, in said county and State, and that said order required this summons to be published in said newspaper for a period of six weeks and seven issues thereof.

Dated this, the 11th day of October, A. D. 1910.

DANIEL BOYD,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

United States Land Notices

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
United States Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, Oct. 11th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that William H. Dale, of Enterprise, Oregon, who on June 15th, 1905, made Homestead Entry No. 14469, Serial No. 04527, for E½ NE¼, and N¼ SE¼, Section 14, Township 1 North, Range 46 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. M. Lockwood, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Enterprise, Oregon, on the 15th day of December, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Fred Zumwalt, Joe Gill, and Ed Lord, all of Zumwalt, Oregon, and Elmer Jewell, of Enterprise, Oregon. 9c5
F. C. Bramwell, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at La Grande,
Oregon, Sept. 26th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Jared

H. Manley, of Enterprise, Oregon, who, on June 10th, 1905, made Homestead Entry No. 14456, Serial No. 04523, for W½ NE¼, and E½ NW¼ Section 34, Township 1 North, Range 45 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. M. Lockwood, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Enterprise, Oregon, on the 17th day of November, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas Monroe, Theodore E. Wood, of Enterprise, Oregon, and Lewis Martin and John Baker, of Joseph, Oregon. 7c5

F. C. Bramwell, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, July 29th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Mary E. Yeager, whose postoffice address is Elgin, Oregon, did, on the 27th day of October, 1909, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 07293, to purchase the NE¼, NE¼ Sec. 7 and NW¼ NW¼, Section 8, Township 1 North, Range 45 East, Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisement, and that, pursuant to such appraisement, the land and timber thereon have been appraised, at \$241.25 the timber estimated 290,000 board feet at 75 cents per M, and the land \$23.75; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of her application and sworn statement on the 27th day of October, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office, at La Grande, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest his purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry. 50c11

F. C. Bramwell, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, July 29th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Elmer J. Jewell, whose post-office address is Enterprise, Wallowa County, Oregon, did, on the 10th day of November, 1909, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 07257, to purchase the S½ SW¼, Section 22, Township 1 North, Range 47 East, Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisement, and that, pursuant to such appraisement, the land and timber thereon have been appraised, at \$200.00 the timber estimated 210,000 board feet at 50 cts. per M, and the land \$95.00; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 27th day of October, 1910, before C. M. Lockwood, United States Commissioner, at Enterprise, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest his purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry. 50c11

F. C. Bramwell, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior,
United States Land Office,
LaGrande, Oregon, September 19th, 1910.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Ruben McEvers, contestant, against Homestead Entry No. 06955, made August 24th, 1909, for E½ NE¼ & E½ SE¼, Section 3, Township 3 North, Range 50 East, Willamette Meridian, by Howard Whittier, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Howard Whittier has never established a residence upon said tract, but has abandoned the same, that he has been absent therefrom for more than six months since making said entry, that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on November 10th, 1910, before C. M. Lockwood, United States Commissioner, at his office in Enterprise, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on November 15th, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in La Grande, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed September 19, 1910, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given due and proper publication.

Record address of entryman—
Whitebird, Idaho. 7c5
F. C. Bramwell, Register.
Colon R. Elshard, Receiver.