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at Cottage Grove.



Initiative Measures

THERE IS ONE MEASURE on the ballot this year that is worthy of an affirmative vote. This is the one to lengthen to four years the terms of county officers that are now for two years. There is no good reason why the terms of some county officers should be only half as long as those of other officers. In the interest of efficiency it is better to give a man a four-year-term. Besides, it is seldom that an officer is cut off with a two-year-term, so that nothing is gained by a short term. The measure would save some money to counties in decreased election expenses and the office holder would be saved considerable in the way of campaign expenses. The newspapers would lose some printing and advertising by the enactment of the measure, but they should be patriotic enough to overlook that.

THE MEASURE TO CONSOLIDATE the state departments of corporation and insurance by transferring the work of the former to the latter, is ostensibly a move towards economy. The departments could, without doubt, be consolidated without loss in the efficiency of either, but the measure carries what may later bob up as a joker in the provision that the insurance commissioner shall also be state fire warden. What expense might be saddled upon the state through these added duties is only problematical. The negative argument, which, so far as we know, has not been contradicted, states that this measure was initiated out of spite because of the refusal of the corporation commissioner to allow an insurance company to do a little frenzied financing. The initiative and referendum have too often been perverted to such use by unscrupulous persons.

NO PLACE FOR THEM.

OVERINDULGENCE IN LIQUOR is getting to be considerably less stylish than it used to be, and the sentiment against strong drink is not being developed entirely from a moral viewpoint. If statistics were available it is probable that they would show that the increasing demand of employers for efficiency from employes has been one of the greatest factors in bringing intemperance into disrepute.

With an increasing wage scale and a reduction in the number of hours of labor, employers have been compelled to demand from employes the maximum of physical fitness. A brain befuddled by drink or the hand unsteady by a spree can not work at the high tension required to show the boss a profit to him on the day's work.

Railroads no longer trust their trains to men with blurred eyes and unsteady nerves. It is too dangerous a risk.

Storekeepers will not keep in their employ men who would wait upon a customer with a breath smelling of liquor.

Athletic managers waste no time on the young men who sap their strength with booze and cigarettes.

Base ball managers no longer allow their players to spend their idle moments in the bar room.

The demand of this hustling and bustling age is for men who can be depended upon in any moment of emergency—men who are at all times physically and mentally fit. This leaves no room for the boozier and bar room loafer. The demands of business are for extremely temperate men. The blossoming bugle, blurred eye and flushed face are passe.

The Portland Spectator intimates that the newspaper which takes a part of a sentence from a newspaper and haggles it up to show that the paper from which it was taken said just the opposite of what the publication of the entire sentence would have shown it to have said, is no gentleman, is a literary butcher, a journalistic highwayman, an inverter of the truth, a bibulous blatherskite, a robber, a slugger, a rinecompoo, a conscienceless sinner, and a few other things. Someone must have got under The Spectator's hide, judging from the yelp it emits, but it certainly has diagnosed its own case to an exact nicety.

Governor West has got a whole lot of free space in the papers of the country because of his recent feat in riding a horse through the corridors of the state capitol and Oregon has got some more advertising that will do it no good. The governor is a persistent advertiser, but hardly a judicious one.

If the war tax is necessary because we have been compelled to buy only goods that are made in the United States, we fail to see where we have much of a holler coming. We suspicion, however, that a part of the proceeds will be used to cover a deficit created before a war in Europe was even contemplated.

Senator Chamberlain is a subtle politician, but that dodge of his to get the wet vote without offending the dry vote was not up to his usual class. He has almost forced himself to do what he evidently did not want to do, declare himself either on one side or the other.

No sane reason can be advanced why Republicans should not this year vote for the entire Republican ticket. Several reasons could be advanced why, everything else being equal, it is to their interest so to do.

While you're talking, don't forget to mention that the grange fair was some humdinger.

The Lane County News, published at Springfield, is prospering to such an extent under the management of W. A. Dill that it has become a semi-weekly.

The dispatches tell us that the Russian army fought for six days on nothing but an apple diet. No other than the Oregon apple has such sustaining powers.

Things We Think

Things others think, and what we think of the things others think.

Samuel E. Webb, efficiency expert, says genius comes from perspiration and not from inspiration as has been generally supposed. We know a lot of people who have never shown the symptoms.

Hearing may not be entirely in the ears. The application of the slipper and approximately amide ships will often cure apparent deafness in children.

If beauty were much more than skin deep we fear some people would suffer with shooting pains most of the time.

Some folks out of a job feel sorry for the person who has one.

Some folks succeed in convincing themselves that their faults are virtues.

It seems ridiculous but some folks really act as if it were the postmaster's fault when they fail to get a letter that someone has forgotten to write.

An Oregon pioneer farmer, who has been a school teacher and handled 25 or 30 backwoods pupils, has entered the university at 60 years of age to study English and train himself for journalism. That's what we call pluck, and we predict that this farmer-school teacher will make a successful newspaperman. He has had the right kind of experience—and has a neat competence laid away.

A Minnesota paper suggests that in the present exigencies a man be taxed \$5 for kissing his wife. This newspaper demonstrates again that an editor is usually a poor business man. This editor does not seem to be able to realize that the purpose of the war tax is to raise money.

DANGEROUS LEGISLATION.

(Editorial in Eugene Register.)

The Springfield Grange is fully justified in condemning the eight-hour law and the \$1500 exemption bill. Both of these proposed measures strike at the prosperity of the farmer, and if they are enacted into law the business of farming in Oregon will receive a blow from which it can never recover as long as they remain on the statute books.

The first of these measures would practically put the farmer out of business. It would compel him to hire twice as much labor in the busy season as he has been accustomed to in the past. It would compel him to hire two shifts to milk his cows and do the chores. It would prevent even his children from working more than eight hours a day.

The second measure is simply single tax that has been sweetened to make the dose more pleasant to the taste. It would exempt \$1500 worth of personal property from taxation, and where husband and wife appeared jointly on the tax roll it would exempt \$3000. No land is exempted. It is apparent to anyone that if a large amount of personal property is exempted the burden of taxation must fall with increasing weight upon the land. That is exactly what the single taxers want, and explains why they are backing the bill.

These two measures are extremely dangerous to the prosperity of Oregon and must be defeated if the state is to continue to develop. But there are others on the ballot that are almost equally dangerous, and the Springfield Grange and other granges throughout the state would do well to become familiar with the list. At least, there should be firm determination on the part of every voter to vote no on every measure that he does not fully understand.

U. of O. Offers 68 Mail Courses.

Sixty-eight correspondence courses, free except for the nominal fee that covers postage but intended mainly for residents of Oregon, are offered by the state university this year to the people who cannot leave their regular work to attend a higher educational institution.

These 68 courses are in the following subjects: Architecture, bird study, botany, debating, economics, education, electricity, English, geology, German, history, home biology, journalism, literature, mathematics, philosophy, physics, psychology, sociology.

Among the new courses are several of special interest to Oregon teachers: History of modern elementary education; secondary education; problems in education; advanced courses in teachers' English composition. Dr. H. D. Sheldon of the department of education, and Dr. George Rebec, professor of philosophy, will this year aid in giving correspondence instruction.

Legal blanks—The Sentinel.

PRINCE RUPPRECHT



Prince Rupprecht, Crown Prince of Bavaria, commander of one of the German armies invading France.

AMERICAN NOTE IS DELAYED

Protest Against Abrogation of Treaties to Be Separate From Powers

Washington.—Ambassador Morgenthau informed the state department of the character of the protests made at Constantinople by the various powers against the abrogation of Turkey of extra-territorial rights and other privileges which she considered restrictions on her sovereignty. As he was without instructions, the ambassador did not participate in the protest.

It is practically certain that, while the United States will enter objections to Turkey's course, the negotiations will be entirely independent of any notes on the subject addressed by the powers of Europe.

The United States is in a peculiar position toward the protests made by the powers. In view of the desire to keep absolutely clear of the present tangle of European diplomacy, the American government will conduct its representations separately.

LEMBERG VICTORY VITAL

British Believe Russian Wedge Divided Austrians.

London.—The British war information bureau's version of the Austrian defeat in South Poland follows:

"The Austrian invasion of South Poland, which penetrated as far as Opole and Kraonostav and Zamosc, was protected on its right by an army operating east of Lemberg. This latter army was completely defeated by the Russians on September 1 near Lemberg. From that moment it became evident that if the Austrian right flank could not continue a stubborn resistance the retreat of the main Austrian army from South Poland would be imperiled. By the capture of Tomaszow on September 10 it is probable that the Russians drove a wedge through the Austrian line.

"A brilliant Russian victory is reported in which 30,000 prisoners and several hundred guns were taken. This is probably the immediate result of the Tomaszow action."

New York Raises Big Loan.

New York.—Within a few hours after the board of estimate and apportionment had adopted a plan for the city to borrow \$100,000,000 with which to pay off in gold a foreign indebtedness of approximately \$80,000,000 and other maturing debts, J. P. Morgan & Co. and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., syndicate managers of the loan, turned over to the city chamberlain a check for \$100,166,617.

Solomon Isles Taken.

London.—The Admiralty announced that the British fleet has occupied Herberthshoehe, on Blanche Bay, the seat of government of the German Blamareck Archipelago and the Solomon Islands.

Many Austrian Prisoners.

Rome.—News received here from Petrograd is to the effect that the Austrian prisoners now in the hands of the Russians aggregate about 200,000.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat—Club, 95c; bluestem, \$1.05; red Russian, 92c.
Hay—Timothy, \$13; alfalfa, \$12.
Butter—Creamery, 35c.
Eggs—Ranch, 30c.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.07; club, 95c; red Russian, 92c.
Hay—Timothy, \$14 per ton; alfalfa, \$12 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, \$16 per ton; alfalfa, \$13 per ton.
Butter—Creamery, 36c.
Eggs—31c.

Advertisement No. 1

Taking Our Own Medicine!

It's a poor doctor, they say, who hasn't confidence enough in his own skill to take his own medicine.

By the same method of reasoning, it's a poor newspaper that hasn't confidence enough in its own advertising columns to use them itself.

The Sentinel has always been a good patron of its own columns, and has used some ads. that have gotten good results. It thinks most of its ads. have been interesting and profitable reading, but it has prepared a series of ads., one of which will be used each week until the series is completed, which it thinks are better than any heretofore used, should be read by every subscriber (and, for that matter, by the hundreds of others who read The Sentinel every week.)

This is the first of the series.

Read it and then watch for the others that will appear in this space.

When any big enterprise has business of great importance it employs a SPECIAL ATTORNEY to look after its interest.

When some great reform is afoot it has a LEADER to manage its campaign, steer it through difficulties and PILOT IT TO VICTORY.

When a movement is started for bringing about some improvement in civic affairs it needs a CHAMPION.

What is everybody's business is nobody's business.

Please pause a moment and think how often this paper has been your special attorney, your leader, your champion.

Think how many times you or your friends have called upon the publishers and urged them to fight the good fight for this improvement or against that danger in our civic life.

Think how willingly and valiantly this paper has taken up the public tasks set for it. Think how much space it has devoted in each issue in pleading or leading or fighting for your direct and specific interest.

When you remember all these things, doesn't it appeal to your SENSE OF FAIRNESS that you should CORDIALLY SUPPORT this paper?

You believe in a SQUARE DEAL. YOU want to be treated right, and you want to treat OTHERS RIGHT.

Therefore encourage The Live Wire Newspaper, the newspaper that has been YOUR FRIEND in home life and in business life for so many years.

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School Days

Let Us Fit Out the Boy and Girl
We Can Do It Stylishly and Lastingly

School Books and Supplies

School Suits

School Overcoats

School Raincoats

School Caps

School Underwear

School Sweaters

School Hats

School Shoes

LURCH'S

Everything you can mention is in The Sentinel.

Are You 65 or Over?

If you are, THE SENTINEL wants your picture for its gallery of pioneers and elderly residents of the Cottage Grove country.

This invitation does not apply to those whose pictures are already in our gallery, but to those who have not thus favored us, we make the following proposition. Go to Armstrong's Studio and have your picture taken at our expense. We will give you one picture free for your trouble. This offer will only be open for a short time.

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