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ROAD DISTRICT ELECTION

The time for the city special election, to create a separate road district out of the territory within the City of Monmouth, will soon be here, and Monmouth citizens should get ready to vote upon this important proposition.

Twice has this matter been before the voters of this city and each time the measure failed.

The first time it was defeated by a clear majority, but on the second occasion it was killed by a tie vote. Since then the state legislature has passed a law prohibiting the use of county road funds within the corporate limits of cities and towns, but that such funds must be applied to the highways outside such corporate district.

Monmouth has two miles of county roads within her bounds besides other streets and alleys and to keep these roads in repair for the use of the public, and at the same time pay her proportion of road tax into the county treasury to be used outside her territory is certainly not equitable nor right, and in self-defense she is forced to resolve her territory into a separate district so that the road tax moneys collected from her people can be used upon her streets to keep them in condition to accommodate the public, both within and without the city. This being the case it becomes necessary that we should exercise the privilege the state, through its legislative body, has granted us, and save our road money to apply to the roads and streets within our city. If we do not do so, then the funds collected from properties inside Monmouth, will be expended outside the city, and we shall have to relax ourselves to keep up the roads within our borders. So, fall in line; get ready to cast your ballot and let us make the result our unanimous choice.

Under conditions as they now exist there can be no good reason why we should vote against this proposition.

The latter part of the ballot will be as follows:

300	Yes.
301	No.

In casting your ballot mark your with an x as appears below and the interests of our city will be taken care of:

300	x Yes.
301	No.

Register now, as all voters, male or female, must register 15 days prior to the day set apart for the special election which is called for November 28, 1913. Registration will close fifteen days prior to that date, or on November 13, 1913.

Don't delay registering, but call in and attend to it now. The city recorder does not wish to be rushed at the close of the registration period.

STAND BY The UNIVERSITY

The special election called for the purpose of referring to the people the appropriations to the State University, will be upon us in ten days more and we shall be called upon to exercise our right of franchise, and to do so intelligently will require some care, on our part, to study the different measures so as to decide justly as to their merits or demerits.

First to claim our attention are the measures for appropriations to maintain the state institution, the University of Oregon.

We are proud of Oregon, because of her climate, her fertile soil and natural products, her big hearted people and her forward and advanced stand in education, and we have just cause for such pride. Were you desirous of finding another state, in which to make your home, where can you find one that offers you greater remuneration for your labor, or better all-round advantages than can be had in the State of Oregon.

As before remarked, our climate is good, our soil fertile and our schools well to the front, and our young people are offered the best of educational privileges, but our population is increasing also, and to maintain our advanced position and be progressive we must support the institutions that give us prestige in the race for intellectual advancement. But notwithstanding all this, there are persons in Oregon who have axes to grind or else, for some sordid purpose or other, place themselves in the front and instead of rolling the progressive car forward they throw their weight backward and make the advancing hosts push them into line, and we are inclined to think that they are blind to their own interests, for instance:

The Legislature made provision for the maintenance of the University. The opposition has invoked the referendum; this brings on a special election and there is good prospect that the legislative enactment will be sustained and hence these school opposers have added the cost of the election to the sum of the appropriations, and even if they carry their opposition, and kill the appropriation, the loss of time to the voting public, plus the cost to the state for election expenses will probably be greater than the sum that they withhold from the State University.

The Referendum is one of the best laws devised to safeguard the people's interests, but it should not be used to retard the progress of our state and its institutions, and we think that it has been called upon to work overtime in Oregon.

So far as the HERALD management can discern, these measures for the support of the University ought to be sustained and we hope that Monmouth and Polk County will yield a heavy vote in their favor and rebuke those who are determined to retard our advancement in educational privileges.

Our state is in the front rank; let us keep it there.

It Counts as a Bullseye

One of the oldest hotel men in Los Angeles, which more than many others is a city of hotels,

says upon his return from a trip through Europe that the hotel system in this country is superior to that abroad; and that one of the results of this is the greater patronage of the American hotel by people who are entitled to maintain homes. The Los Angeles hotel keeper says this is evil, and he tells why, as follows:

"Our women have so little to do when they live in hotels. They are too intimate, too closely associated with other women. Envy, jealousy, idleness and wastefulness follow. I believe that every family should have a home, no matter how small. They should be a community in themselves. This was borne upon me most strongly during my recent trip."

As a bit of sociological wisdom, every word of which is the absolute truth, this utterance hits the bullseye. It is sure enough a center shot and the more notable as a warning because of the high authority from which it comes. What other man so well qualified to speak on this subject as he who has been in the hotel business for the better part of the last thirty years as this particular hotel man has been? What he says has been prompted by actual observation, intimate observation at that. He talks as a man from the inside who knows absolutely whereof he speaks.

But how to get that large middle class, who live more or less by their wits, and live very rapidly at that, to quit the hotel habit and cultivate the home is a puzzling consideration. We can hardly hope for class conviction on that subject; and again these hotel dwellers for the main part never put themselves in a position where they can consider this question from the angle presented by the Los Angeles hotel man. Here is one of the hard nuts for sociology to crack.—Telegram.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Anna O. Mulkey-Boatman, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Monday the 10th day of November, 1913, at 10 A. M. thereof, at the county court room in the county court house at Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof.

IRA C. POWELL,
Administrator of the estate of Anna O. Mulkey-Boatman, deceased.
B. F. SWOPE, Attorney.
Dated and first published October 10th, 1913. 5t

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County.

Violet E. Stone, Plaintiff

vs.

Lester E. Stone, Defendant

To Lester E. Stone 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 on or before the third day of November, 1913, and in default thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the complaint, to-wit:—for a dissolution of the marriage contract existing between you and the plaintiff and for the costs and disbursements of this suit and that the plaintiff be allowed to assume her maiden name of Violet E. Conkey.

This summons is ordered to be published in the Monmouth HERALD, a weekly newspaper published in Polk County, State of Oregon, for six full weeks, by order of Hon. J. B. Teal, County Judge of Polk County, Oregon, made the 8th day of September, 1913, and said order fixes on or before November 3, 1913, as the time in which you must appear and answer.

G. O. HOLMAN,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

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WALTER G. BROWN

Notary Public

Blank Deeds, Mortgages, Etc.

Polk's Assessed Valuation for 1913 Shows Big Decrease

Showing a decrease in the assessed valuation of Polk county for the year 1913 of more than \$600,000, the annual roll of Polk county has just been issued by County Assessor Meyers.

The decrease in the assessment this year is largely due to the fact that all household goods are held exempt from taxation and that there has been a considerable deterioration in improvements.

The principal items of increase are on the assessment of farm implements, which shows an increase of over \$35,000; other increases are shown in the improvement of deeded lands, logged-off lands, hotel and office furniture and horses and mules. Goats, sheep and swine show a material falling off during the year 1913.

Summary of Assessment Roll of Polk County, Oregon, for the Year 1913.

Number of acres of tillable land, 134,281.70	Value	\$ 4,841,525
Number of acres of non-tillable land, 322,144.21		4,386,725
Improvements on deeded or patented lands		617,139
Town and city lots		613,050
Improvements on town and city lots		771,419
Improvements on lands not deeded or patented		36,175
Railroads and logging roads		60,750
Steamboats, sailboats, stationary engines, mfg mach'y		151,250
Merchandise and stock in trade		284,270
Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc		123,965
Lighting and power plants		22,000
Water plants		16,000
21 miles of electric lines		10,500
Moneys, notes and accounts		68,355
Shares of stock, 1600		99,180
Hotel and office furniture, etc		2,830
Horses and mules, 5482		251,740
Cattle, 6634		129,995
Sheep and Goats, 19,350		31,700
Swine, 2964		16,230
Dogs, 621		6,500

Total assessment \$12,532,370
(Railroads, rolling stock, express companies, telegraph and telephone lines not included in above list.)

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