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## INITIATIVE MEASURES

A concise resume of initiative measures which are to appear on the Oregon ballot, follow:

When the voters go to the polls November 6 they will find on the ballot seven initiative measures and one constitutional amendment. These measures and constitutional amendment already have been certified to the county clerks by the secretary of state.

Probably the most important initiative measure is that sponsored by Senator Dunne which provides for reducing the motor vehicle license fees in Oregon approximately 50 per cent. An effort was made to have this bill eliminated from the ballot, but the courts held that the proceedings were legal, and that it would have to go before the voters. The bill was attacked on the grounds that it would play havoc with the highway construction program.

Another bill of importance to the voters would increase the gasoline tax in Oregon from three to four cents a gallon. This bill also was sponsored by Senator Dunne, and was intended to offset any loss that might be sustained through a reduction of motor vehicle license fees. It was estimated that the additional one cent gasoline tax would raise approximately $1,000,000 annually.

A new income tax law, sponsored by the Oregon state grange, state federation of labor and other organizations, also will appear on the ballot. This bill would exempt married persons or heads of families in the amount of $3000. The exemption for dependents was fixed at $400 each.

The income tax bill will be fought by a number of organizations in the state on the grounds that it would mean double taxation, and would not relieve the unsatisfactory financial condition now existing in the general fund of the state. The bill, as drawn, would come within the scope of the 6 per cent limitation amendment, and would not provide any additional revenue for state purposes. The argument also will be made that Oregon should not enact a state income tax law until similar action is taken by California and Washington.

The lone amendment on the ballot would prevent the legislature from repealing or amending any law passed by the people without an opportunity or referendum by the voters. This bill also will have opposition, for the reason that its approval would prevent the legislature from acting in cases of real emergency.

Other initiative measures on the ballot would prevent the appropriation of waters of the Rogue, Umpqua, McKenzie and Deschutes rivers for commercial development. These bills were sponsored by the Oregon Game Protective association. A number of municipalities now engaged in developing water power for commercial purposes will oppose these bills on the grounds that they are purely in the interest of sportsmen.

A dozen or more proposed initiative measures, for which petitions were filed with the secretary of state, were not completed and will not go on the ballot. The measures ballots are now being printed in a number of counties and will be ready for distribution among the polling places several days prior to the election. This ballot is one of the smallest in years, and the measures are devoid of complicated titles.

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The world is through with Hickman. His miserable presence found its exit at the end of a rope. His awful crime has been expiated so far as it is possible for courts of justice to exact punishment, and his lawful effacement from earth is approved by society. However, criminal degeneracy is more easy to cope with than is that fierce lust for performance of the "perfect crime," such as perpetrated by Loeb and Liebold, or the fiendish, domoniac killers of the Hickman stripe.

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Twenty persons each paid $3000 for passage across the Atlantic aboard the Graf Zeppelin, first commercial dirigible, cruising from Germany to America, and the twenty passengers say the trip was worth the price. All of which should be satisfactory to those concerned, but Zeppelins may come and Zeppelins may go and it will remain a safe wager that steerage accommodations may always be had on ocean-going steamers.

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With that cargo of sheep and cattle maybe Byrd contemplates starting a stockranch at the South pole. Other explorers have been satisfied with [illegible] for their dog teams and pemmican for themselves Nevertheless mutton chops and beefsteak are good enough to take along on the trip.

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A policeman was called to a Portland home to investigate a report of wife beating. Arriving there the husband informed the patrolman that his wife needed a spanking and that he had administered it to her. Whereupon the policeman turned in his report to headquarters, saying: "I cautioned Mr. Gray to use judgment."

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Portland is embracing a three-ring political campaign; presidential, congressional and municipal. The pot is beginning to boil over and things aplenty are going to happen.

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The cold bath is called the fountain of youth. And yet most everybody prefers it to be warmed up a bit.

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Ireland Getting Back on Its Feet.—Headline. Wonder who hit Riley with a brick, this time?

## R. R. BUTLER

By Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton, in Morning Oregonian.

The writer ventures to trespass upon your columns to make a brief but pertinent appeal to the voters of the second congressional district in the matter of the candidacy of Robert R. Butler. The Oregonian is probably read daily by not fewer than 20,000 men and women in the counties east of the Cascade mountains which comprise that district—a territory imperial in its expanse, larger indeed than the entire state of New York.

It has been the habit in recent elections for hosts of electors of the democratic faith to join with their republican friends in the support of Nicholas J. Sinnott, who so long and so ably represented this section of the state in congress. Judge Butler is a close friend of Sinnott and will carry forward the development program of that gentleman. If he is elected he will have the benefit of the advice and guidance of the ex-congressman, who has not lost his interest in Oregon in his recent shift from the legislative to the judicial branch of the government. It may very properly be suggested, then that the friends of Judge Sinnott, regardless of party, will reflect public interest if they cast their ballots for Butler at the November election.

Judge Butler is at an age where he can reasonably expect to continue in the national legislature a quarter of a century, growing in influence and usefulness with the passing years. No man entering the lower house of congress after middle life, can expect to achieve either place or potency in that turbulent group of 435 men. It requires a decade of experience either to master the complex rules of procedure or to attain a station of leadership. No elderly man, unless possessed of long and important contact with federal affairs, such as Burton of Ohio possesses, should ever essay the role. Mr. Sinnott had secured a niche where he was counted as withiin the very limit circle of dominant political figures in Washington, but he could never have compassed that exalted station had he been first elected late in life. These are the hard facts of experience which no voter of any party can safely ignore.

Likewise it is indisputable that in the political portraiture of this state there are few men who even rival "Bob" Butler in grace of personality and ability to make friends. These are essential factors in securing the enactment of legislation in the house of representatives. If elected, in a year he will know personally most of his associates and all will be his friends. His impressive oratorical gifts will make his voice welcome when governmental policies demand debate. His great native ability, his virile grasp of public questions, his mastery of the constitution and history of the republic will give him assured recognition in all committee rooms. He will go far not only in securing wise and comprehensive laws, but in bringing fame to the western coast.

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James Sturgis, E. L. Smith and Colonel Yonka of Pendleton were here Tuesday en route to the Taylor-Gordon sale, where they officiated as clerk and auctioneer.

### *Uncovering Old City*

Encroachments of science must doubtless agitate the spirits of the Hesperides, those beautiful maidens who in Greek mythology guarded the golden apples which Gaes, the Earth, produced as a marriage gift for Hera, wife and sister of Zeus. In Morocco, near the legendary gardens of the Hesperides, archeologists are making fresh excavations of the ruins of ancient Luxus. This city was founded more than 2,000 years ago by the legions of the Caesars on a hillside of Larache. There is profound interest among scientists in what valuable remnants of the old Roman civilization may be brought to light. A group of prominent French and other archeologists just completed an inspection of the parts of Luxus already uncovered.

## CLASSIFIED

Range For Sale—A first-class kitchen range for sale reasonably. W. P. Littlejohn, Athena.

Washing—Will take in washing at my home, north Fourth street, Athena. MRS. ERNEST PRICE.

Dressed Chickens—Dressed Rhode Island Reds and White Wyandotte spring chickens. Phone 26F15, Athena.

For Sale—Fine Piano in storage near Athena. Will sacrifice for quick sale. A snap. Write Tallman Piano Store, Salem, Oregon, for full particulars."

For Sale—Beautiful piano near Hanford must sell immediately. $10 per month. A rare bargain. Write Tallman Piano Store, Salem, Oregon, for particulars.

Reward—Reward for information leading to recovery of one 3 year old buckskin gelding, no brand; one 3 year old sorrel gelding, brand D; one 5 year old bay gelding, brand 8. Phone Athena, 135 or 492 collect.
H. A. BARRETT.

### In Pound

Notice is hereby given that the following described animals were taken up and placed in the Athena City Pound, and unless they are redeemed by the owners on or before 2 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, October 23, 1928, they will be sold to the highest bidder for cash in hand at said hour on the above mentioned date:

One sorrel mare, weight about 1200 pounds, no brand visible.

One bay gelding, weight about 1000 pounds, no brands visible.

Dated at Athena, Oregon this 16th day of October, 1928.
B. D. TAYLOR,
City Marshal.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I have taken up the following described animals, to-wit: One black gelding, about 14 years old, weight about 1300 pounds, brand on right shoulder not readable; one grey gelding, old, weight about 1300 pounds, brand on right shoulder not readable; one brown gelding, weight about 1000 pounds, about 14 years old, saddle horse, no brand visible.

Unless redeemed by the owner prior to the date of sale, I will, at my ranch, known as the George Hansell place, about 3 miles north of Adams, Umatilla County, Oregon, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the after noon, on Monday, November 5th, 1928, sell all of the above described animals, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash.

Dated at Athena, Oregon, this 16th day of October, 1928.
A. W. DOUGLAS.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of George W. Lieuallen, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administratrix of the estate of George W. Lieuallen, deceased, by an order of the above entitled Court.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at Athena, Oregon, or to my attorneys, Watts & Prestbye, at their office in Athena, Oregon, within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice. All claims must be verified as by law required.

Dated at Athena, Oregon, this 12th day of October, A. D. 1928.
OLIVE M. LIEUALLEN,
Administratrix.
Watts & Prestbye, Athena, Oregon, Attorneys for Estate. O12N9