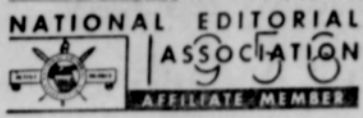


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ELECTION LAW

The new law regarding several election practices is coming in for a good deal of criticism, nearly all of which is partisan and of little interest to the average citizen.

One phase of it is of some importance to this county. All voters must be actual residents of the precinct in which they vote. This will prevent retired Sherman countians who have moved away from voting in the county where they own property, which they have done for several years without serious objection.

Objection is also being made to the provision that makes it mandatory for voters to sign the poll book and attest to their residence. Reason for that is that there was well founded suspicion that some may have been voting twice and some may have been voting in precincts where their vote would do the most good, not where they lived.

Many states have voters sign their names when voting and it does not take much time. Certainly every citizen is interested in having rather strict voting regulations, for government by the people cannot work without restrictions that keep all voting on the up and up.

We would hate to be among those who object to a stricter law designed to prevent irregularities in voting.

ALL NEW

Within the past 50 years the world has seen the greatest change in the entire history of the human race. That statement is so common and so easily proven that it seldom creates an argument. Not so many things have been invented but everything has been developed to a higher degree.

Those who have lived in that period have also had an opportunity to observe as many revolutions among the peoples of the earth as have occurred in any other similar time. In 1916 Russians were living in apparent peace, under the Czar and might have been doing so yet had not some one come along and told them how badly they were being treated. Maybe it will turn out for the best that people can jump from the frying pan into fire by upsetting their rulers.

Germany is rid of its saber rattling Kaisers and unless there is recent change of attitude it didn't change the nation's psychology.

England was mighty 50 years ago and since then something has happened to the class that kept the empire together. Killed in World War I, beaten down by wider extension of democracy or just run out of quality, the nation is on the road downhill.

Not so fast as France where the native independence of the citizen has made effective government impossible. Neither war nor peace is possible for a nation like France which may have to have another Napoleon before it will be strong again. And it couldn't be strong long with a Napoleon.

Look what's happened to ineffective, disorganized China. The Chinese were once individualists like the French and have been pulled together by a strong man and terrorism. It may last, it may not. Japan's ambition was too big for its size. South Africa is succumbing to internal hate where peace and prosperity once reigned and all over the world changes have come rapidly.

Efforts of the "people" to get more political power have sometimes resulted in a mere change of oppressors. Their efforts to get a bigger share of the world's money sometimes are successful and sometimes result in money having less value. Maybe it has all been worth while.

SALES TAX

Ever since some groups find that their taxes have gone up there is renewed agitation for a sales tax in Oregon. Right now it is going on again due, no doubt, to the excessive boost in income taxes made by the legislature at the last session.

The members who voted for the boost are being accused of putting all of the supposedly needed money on income taxpayers to soften them up for a sales tax. This we doubt. The legislators did fall for invalid arguments about the need for bigger appropriations and for other invalid estimates as to the need for 45% surtax.

Whether this is a "do-nothing" agitation is remarkable when the action of the voters is considered. They vote it down by huge majorities every time. We do not think that high income taxes or high property taxes will lead them to change their attitude.

Often those who would have to pay the larger part of a sales tax are the ones who advocate it. True, they usually pay a good share of other taxes as well. A sales tax is sometimes proposed as a sort of equalizer or even of punishment. Those who pay large property and/or income taxes advocate it to make the working man pay more taxes so he will be against so much government spending.

Distribution of the income under some of the sales tax bills has been such that many could not vote for it. Often it would too drastically redistribute the tax money most unfairly. Under a sales tax this county would pay a great deal of money to the state because sales of farm machinery are usually high and living standards above the average. Unless we are assured of adequate representation and assured of distribution of money to schools on an equitable basis we cannot wisely vote for a sales tax. Of course, we never have. Neither does this newspaper think we will very quickly.

Grass Valley

Mrs. Maude Garrett of Shanks spent Easter with her daughter, Mrs. H. N. Riggs and family.

Mr. and Mrs. George von Borstel are the parents of a daughter born March 28 at The Dalles. The baby weighed 6 lbs. and 12 1/4 oz. and was named Judith Mary. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel of Grass Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson of Portage, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hattrup of Seattle left Friday for Portland after spending a week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel, to visit his parents, before returning to Seattle.

George Wilde of Portland came Friday and spent the Easter week end visiting his daughter, Mrs. Willard Rolfe and family.

Mrs. Eben Kee, Mrs. Dell Olds, Mrs. Earl Olds and son Robin went to Portland Wednesday to shop returning home Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Reynolds had as guests Easter weekend her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kellogg and Miss Jeannette Sasser of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Draga of Portland spent the Easter week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ziegler. Miss Barbara Alley came with them to spend the time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perrigo and family of Astoria arrived Friday and spent the Easter week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Bayer. Other Easter day guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Bayer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Bayer and family. Mrs. Bayer and granddaughter, Julie Bayer went home with them Sunday to visit until

Tuesday when they returned to Portland and came home with members of the family on business there that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Balzer and children, Carol, Annette and Jaren, and her mother, Mrs. Lotus Kenny arrived Friday from Portland and spent Easter weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer. Other dinner guests Easter were Mr. and Mrs. Clair Balzer of Moro and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hartmann of Wasco.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rust and Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dugger drove to Portland Saturday and spent Easter with former's son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Richards. Mr. and Mrs. Oran Raven and son of Longview, Wn., were guests there also.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Helyer and son attended the Easter services at the St. Paul's Episcopal church in The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock had as Easter guests Mr. and Mrs. Dean Pinkerton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pinkerton and Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel and children.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bibby Easter were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Briedwell and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Woolwine of The Dalles. Mrs. Bibby went home with the Woolwines to spend several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. August Wassenniller and family of Tygh Valley were called in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox left Saturday for Corvallis to spend Easter and a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Al Roberts and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Alberty and Nancy spent Sunday in Hood River.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and Mrs. Harry Hooper and son, Floyd were in The Dalles Monday to visit Mrs. Jack Cushman and infant daughter at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stark of Bend, Mr. and Mrs. Hadley Stark of Terrebonne and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Brittain and family of Parkdale spent the weekend visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clodfelter and son, Wendell went to Hood River Sunday and spent the day with their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Donald March. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Eccles and son of Hood River spent the day there, also. Mrs. C. P. Adams of The Dalles accompanied them to Hood River and spent the day visiting her son, Clair Adams and family.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh
Happy Ending With A "Familiar Ring"
Buck Howell says he and his Missus had quite a time at the Stockman's Convention in Chicago. But for a while they had a "breakdown in communications."
The phone bell in their hotel room was pitched so low they often didn't answer their calls. "Never knew if it was for us or not," Buck said, "always sounded far off—like it was ringing in someone else's room."
Finally, Buck hit on the obvious solution. He just made a deal with the hotel switchboard operator that whenever she called them she'd use two long rings and a short—their party-line signal back home.
From where I sit, our own familiar routines tend to make other ways of doing things seem strange. That's natural. For instance, if you've always had ice water with your meals, you might think it's odd that lots of us prefer a bottle of beer at dinner-time. I say you've a right to your own customs... but don't call mine wrong.
Joe Marsh

Kent Items

By Nancy and Karen Wilson

Dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Laetitia Wilson Easter were Mr. and Mrs. Luther Davis and children, John and Jerri Lee and Betty and Charles Bothwell. Mrs. George Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wilson and children, Sandy, Annie and Richard and Charles Purchase of Arlington, Gary Rodica and David Conley of Moro, Wilbur Haggerty, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson and children, Karen, Nancy, Erin and James.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cooley, Mr. and Mrs. Art Cratty and Mrs. Emma McKay left Friday, March 30, to attend the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Art Cratty's son, Floyd at Napa, California.

Kay Schadewitz, Edna Koepke and Marquita Koepke of Goldendale attended the wedding of Jackie Reynolds at Redmond Saturday, March 31. They all returned to the home of Edna Koepke in Goldendale afterwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin were guests Easter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Carlson.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kaser and sons and John Kaser of Ashwood were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tatum Easter Sunday.

Durward Helyer entered the Mid-Columbia hospital Thursday, March 29. Mrs. Helyer and family went to see him Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson and family of Wishram Wn. were guests Sunday, April 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howell.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dale Barnes were Easter guests of Mrs. Barnes' parents, Mr and Mrs. E. C. Allen in The Dalles.

George Wilson Jr. returned to Stanford University Saturday, March 31. He had been visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned executors of the estate of Leon V. Moore, deceased, have filed in the County Court of Sherman County, State of Oregon, their final account as such executors, and that the 16th day of April, 1956 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock a. m. has been fixed by said Court as the time for hearing of objections to said report and the settlement thereof.

Glays Morrison
Cecile Morse
Leo V. Moore
Executors

Attorney for Estate
The Dalles, Oregon 19-22c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of James W. Jones, deceased, are hereby notified to present them in proper form to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Last Will and Testament of James W. Jones, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice, to-wit: April 6, 1956.

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