

FOR
Public Service Commissioner
WESTERN DISTRICT



FRED G. BUCHEL
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

WHAT THE PRESS SAYS

"Fred G. Buchtel originated the Oregon Weights and Measures Law * * *. He is now a candidate for railroad commissioner, and we hope he realizes on the expectations for he is square on four sides, and that is the kind of a boy we need in that important office.—Oregon Merchants' Magazine, Portland, Pd. Adv.

CLERK RUSSELL MAKES
REPLY TO ELBERT BEDE

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lately demanded of me, as County Clerk, a full copy of the proceedings of the Commissioners' Court as entered of record. Acting on the advice of the District Attorney, and in an effort to co-operate with the County Court in this saving, I refused to comply with this demand. Mr. Bede then brought mandamus proceedings against me to compel me to furnish this copy, and the decision in the case has not, at this date, been made. Mr. Bede, not being satisfied to wait the decision of the Court in this matter, then made his attack on the conduct of this office and myself, under the disguise of being solicitous of the expenditure of the public funds.

How very consistent is his argument when you consider that he is trying, under a law passed twenty-five years ago, to compel the County Court to pay to his own and the other official paper, hundreds of dollars per year for a more than useless expenditure.

Regarding the letting of the contract for the printing of the election ballots, I will say that I accepted the recommendation of the taxpayers' committee, and allowed the County Court to let the contract for this job, but being responsible for the accuracy of the ballot, I informed the Court that if they let the contract to others than those I knew could handle the work in the short time allowed by law, I would request that they require a bond from these firms, so that if they fell down on the job, and it would be necessary to have other shops help finish the work, the County would be protected financially, and also that they pay the expense of a representative of this office to check the accuracy of the work. The Court evidently did not think it feasible to allow the work to go elsewhere, and let the contract on bids, submitted to them several days later, and of which I knew nothing until so informed.

Regarding the price to be paid, I do not know, but doubt Mr. Bede's statement that he would have done the work at a less price when I learn that he charged the County Assessor \$15.34 for a small job that was done by the Springfield News for \$11.00,—one job being a duplicate of the other, and the bill rendered three days later.

Possibly this partially explains Mr. Bede's claim of 370 per cent increase of expenses during the past eight years.

April 27, 1916. Yours Respectfully
STACY M. RUSSELL,
County Clerk.

Classified Ads

For Sale, Rent, Wanted, Etc.

FOR SALE—Sewing machine good as new, Jewel range, refrigerator, sectional book case hall set. 336 E. 9th St. Eugene, Phone 376.

FOR RENT ON SHARES—Lot at Second and C. Garden land. Mrs. Jennie Smith.

FOR SALE—The northwest corner of 2nd and Main St., lots 9 and 10, this property is well situated for a hotel, High school, City hall, Masonic Temple or any public edifice. Easy terms, see M. M. Peery or write Paul Bettelheim, Visalia, California.

Hundreds of Dollars in Prizes

TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN A

Grand Piano Contest

By The News and Springfield Merchants

THE CAPITAL PRIZE

Which will be given by

THE NEWS

will be an elegant

\$400.00

Obermeyer & Sons

PIANO



Several of the Merchants
of Springfield have
contributed

VALUABLE PRIZES

and will give

Local Vote Coupons

With each \$1.00

Cash Purchase

Rules and Regulations Governing Contest are as Follows:

ANNOUNCEMENT—This Piano and Popularity Voting Contest will be conducted fairly and honestly on business principles, strictly with justice and fairness to all concerned. With the above principles, it will be an assured success.

PRIZES—The capital prize will be an Obermeyer & Sons' piano. Also other valuable prizes to the amount of many dollars, which are announced herewith.

CANDIDATES—Young ladies in this and adjoining towns are eligible to enter this contest, and the party receiving the largest number of votes will receive the beautiful \$400 Obermeyer & Sons' Piano, and other premiums will be distributed in accordance with the contestants' standing at the final count.

TIE IN VOTE—Should any of the contestants tie in votes for any of the prizes, a similar prize will be awarded.

VOTES CLASSIFIED—Votes will be issued in the following denominations:
New Subscribers, 600 votes.....\$1.50

Renewals, 500 votes.....\$1.50

Renewals, more than one year, 600 votes.....\$1.50

Back Subscriptions, 400 votes.....\$1.50

5 years New or Renewal Subscriptions, 5000 votes.....\$7.50

10 years New or Renewal Subscriptions, 12,500 votes.....\$15

20 years New or Renewal Subscriptions, 25,000 votes.....\$30

INSTRUCTIONS—Results as to standing of votes will be issued after 30 days. No votes accepted as less than regular price of paper concerned in this contest. No one connected with this paper, or belonging to the immediate families of the merchants co-operating, will be allowed to become a candidate in this contest or work for contestants.

Votes, after being counted, cannot be transferred to another. Be sure to know for whom you are going to vote before coming to the ballot box, as the editor or anyone else will not give you any information on the subject. The key in the ballot box will be a possession of the awarding committee during the contest.

For the first thirty days the paper will run a 25-vote

coupon, which can be voted free for any lady contestant.

Contest to run about 90 days. CONTEST WILL END MONDAY, MAY 15, 1916. The right to postpone date of closing is reserved if sufficient cause should occur.

Ten days prior to closing contest, the judges will carefully lock or seal ballot box and take same to the bank, where the same will be in a place where voting can be done during business hours and locked in a vault at night until close of contest, when the judges will take charge and count same and announce the young ladies winning in their turn.

The last ten days all voting must be done in a sealed box at the bank. If you do not wish anyone to know for whom you are voting, place your cash for subscription, together with your coupon in a sealed envelope, which will be furnished you, and put same in ballot box. This will give everyone a square deal.

THIS CONTEST WILL CLOSE MAY 15, 1916.

Nominate Your Favorite Lady and Help Her Win the Grand Prize

2nd PRIZE PRINCESS DRESSER VALUE \$18.00
Donated by
HAYDEN & METCALF
Household Outfitters
We give a 25-vote Coupon free with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

3rd PRIZE, HIGH SPEED MOTOR WASHER VALUE \$13.50
Donated by
M. C. BRESSLER & SON
Hardware, Stoves and Ranges
We give a 25-vote Coupon free with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

4th PRIZE, KODAK VALUE \$12.00
Donated by
KETELS DRUG STORE
Druggists
We give a 12½-vote Coupon free with each 50c Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

5th PRIZE, STEAMER TRUNK VALUE \$10.00
Donated by
C. E. SALES' TOGGERY
Clothing, Gents Furnishings, Shoes
We give a 25-vote Coupon free with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

6th PRIZE, DUE BILL IN TRADE VALUE \$5.00
Donated by
I. D. LARIMER
Staple and Fancy Groceries
We give a 25-vote Coupon free with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

7th PRIZE, PLUSH ROBE VALUE \$5.00
Donated by
WOLF & MILLER
Harness, Shoes and Repairing
We give a 25-vote Coupon free with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

8th PRIZE, TWO HAMS VALUE \$5.00
Donated by
SWARTS & WASHBURNE
Meats
We give a 25-vote Coupon free with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

9th PRIZE, PANAMA HAT VALUE \$5.00
Donated by
MRS. D. CROUCH
MILLINERY
We give a 25-vote Coupon free with each \$1.00 Cash Purchase. Ask for Coupon.

Call for and Save your
Tickets---Beginning To-
day---It May Help Some
Lady Win a Prize.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS TO CONTEST MANAGER

THE NEWS, Springfield, Ore.