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NEXT TUESDAY'S ELECTION

At the special election, next Tuesday, five measures are to be voted upon. Two of these measures, are for the appropriation of money for the University of Oregon at Eugene.

The editor of the Tribune has always opposed the state college, believing that all state money expended for educational purposes, should be through the agency of the public schools. But, as the majority of the people have pronounced for the retention of the university, we shall offer no advice upon these measures; for we believe that a majority of the people should rule and we bow to this majority.

The Tribune favors the county attorney measure. We now have a deputy prosecuting attorney in every county. The expense would be but little if any greater, if each county had its own prosecuting attorney. He would be in closer touch with all matters demanding the attention of the public prosecutor and, we believe, would give the people, a better and more equitable service, than under the present system.

In the matter of the Workman's Compensation act, the Tribune without hesitation, says the measure should become a law. Shyster lawyers, who reap large profits by prosecuting damage suits against corporations and employers of labor, are responsible for the reference of this measure. The workman, under the proposed law, would get more benefit and much prompter action, than if he had to carry his cause before the courts. The Tribune believes that the "Sterilization" measure should become law. We believe that the mere fact that this penalty would be visited upon the criminal for certain acts, would prevent the commission of the crime in many instances. It would, also, prevent the propagation of confirmed or professional criminals of whom there is but little or any hope of reform.

The Tribune will not attempt to offer advice in the matter of our local wet or dry proposition. We are too new here to advise. As a rule, people have fixed opinions in this matter which argument would not change. But so long as the Federal government permits and taxes the manufacture of liquor, a local fight against its sale and use, will be uphill work.

In this matter as in all others, a majority of the people must rule. If our town goes wet and a saloon is established, every citizen should endeavor to have the law enforced to the letter. If the town goes dry, then every law-abiding citizen should give his aid and influence towards preventing illicit dealing.

THE BETTER ROADS PLAN

There is merit in the plan to secure better roads, proposed by Geo. B. Whitcomb, for it makes it possible for the roads of all sections to be improved in a sort of equitable

manner. That is to say, shall one road or part of it be placed in a highly improved condition, while another road or part is neglected in whole or in part. There is little need of making a boulevard of a road in, say a back neighborhood, if the road or part of it to the trade center or shipping point, remains unimproved for, as Mr. Whitcomb rightly argues, the quality of a road is estimated on the basis of its poorest part. To illustrate: Portions of the road from Sweet Home to Lebanon or from Sweet Home to Brownsville, are in fine condition, almost as good as if paved. Other portions are rutty, rough and stony. An average team could draw three or four tons on the better parts, but one-third of the weight is a load on the rough stony or hilly places. Hence, the load for the entire distance must be gauged by what the team can draw over the bad or neglected places.

Mr. Whitcomb's plan of placing one-half the road tax collected in the general road and bridge fund, is good; for it will enable the county court to apply funds where most needed.

Under the present plan of road districting the county, some districts have large bodies of valuable timberland in their boundaries and, in comparison to other districts, but a small road mileage. The tax on timberlands raises a large fund to be placed to the credit of these outlying districts. Other districts with a large road mileage, because of location, have no timberlands. Mr. Whitcomb does not undertake to give his plan in detail, but only in a general way. It should be the business of the county court to work out the detail. The central ideas are the placing of one-half the road taxes in the general road and bridge fund, having supervisors who are personally interested in the improvement of a particular road, or roads, etc; etc.

Mr. Whitcomb's suggestions are worthy of serious consideration and may be the starter for a better road system than we now have.

One feature of the new tariff in the Eastern states, is the reduction in the price of fresh beef. Beef animals are being brought in from Canada and from South America both alive and in a refrigerated form. But no material reduction in the price of home grown and fatted cattle is noticeable. So far, the consumer seems to be the only beneficiary.

Secretary Bryan is and has been the target for considerable adverse criticism. His friends will be disappointed if he does not yet prove to the country that he is a master of the position he occupies. At all events, he seems to yet command the confidence of President Wilson.

Commissioner Russell has informed this office that both a rock crusher and an engine will be available for use by Sweet Home, next week. Now if our citizens will donate work liberally, there is no reason why our Main street can not be given a good coating of crushed rock. Now is the time to manifest public spirit.

Market Quotations

By W. B. Thompson

Beef, live, per lb.....5 to 5½c
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