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INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM IS WORKING

Voters of Oregon Will have Many Measures to Consider at Coming November Election—State and County Politics Quiet.

The initiative and referendum is still working great in Oregon and the voters of this great commonwealth will have an opportunity to pass their approval or disapproval upon ten constitutional measures and amendments at the coming election, Tuesday, November 2, 1920.

We have recently received from Secretary of State, Sam A. Koser, a complete list of ballot titles and numbers in a neat little pamphlet which all voters of the state have received.

The Compulsory Voting and Registration Amendment, referred to the people by legislative assembly, heads the list. This amendment to section 2 of article II of the state constitution of Oregon provides for compulsory voting, to require registration in the respective precincts by all persons who are entitled to vote, to permit such persons to cast their ballots by mail or otherwise, when necessary by reason of illness, or in case of absence from the voting precinct during the entire day of election, or service in the army, navy or marines of the United States.

Other measures and amendments are: The Constitutional Amendment Regulating Legislative Sessions and the Payment of Legislators; referendum petition of the people, "Oleomargarine Bill"; initiative petition, "Single Tax Constitutional Amendment"; amendment "Fixing Term of Certain County Officers"; "Port of Portland Dock Commission Bill"; "Anti-Compulsory Vaccination Amendment"; amendment "Fixing Term of Certain County Officers"; "Roosevelt Bird Refuge Measure"; "Divided Legislative Session Amendment"; and "State Market Commission Act."

Announcement.

That on Saturday, September 4th, 1920 and thereafter, our stock of trimmed hats and millinery merchandise will be ready for your inspection. MRS. F. LUPER.

Horses in Demand.

The demand for mules to work in the Texas oil fields has nearly denuded Kansas of mules which are selling at phenomenally high prices. Montana and Nebraska have been drawn upon heavily and now Kern county is shipping horses to compete with the mules in the new oil fields.

With the rapidly mounting costs of fuel, oil, rubber and machinery the economic factor of the horse cannot be ignored and the more trucks and tractors are put in use the greater demand there will be for the horse. Each have their uses, and each is supplemental to the other. With every section of new land brought under cultivation, with every new oil field opened up, with every new enterprise established by trucks and tractors, there is an increased demand for the horse that can do the work.

The lines are sharply drawn between drafters and inefficients, the weaklings being inexorably scrapped, the demand being for bigger and weightier horses with more quality, spread and bottom.



That's Service

We're mighty glad to hear these two words anytime.

The oftener we hear them the surer we are that our service is getting better and better all the time.

If you need a new battery remember about the Still Better Willard with Thru-Rubber Insulation—the kind selected by 136 manufacturers of passenger cars and trucks.



BATTERY-ELECTRIC SERVICE STATION J. W. Fritsch Heppner Phone Main 83

Morrow County Visited By Heavy Rains Last Week

One of the best rains of recent years visited Morrow county last week and Frank Gilliam, local weather man, reports that more than an inch of rain fell during a continuous downpour of more than ten hours. While many harvest crews were laid off for several days, farmers as well as stockmen are feeling fine over the offering of Jupiter Pluvius and a large number of farmers are planning to commence seeding by the middle of September.

Local Poet Writes Campaign Song and Receives Compliment

Harry Cummings, local nurseryman, is also somewhat of a poet and the campaign song which recently came from his pen and sent to Senator Harding at Marion, Ohio, has brought forth a complimentary letter from the senator's secretary. Senator Harding has forwarded a copy of the song to the Republican National headquarters at Chicago.

Mr. Cummings is an ardent booster for Harding for President and a strong advocate for a Republican administration. Mr. Cummings admits that he voted three times for Cleveland before he got really "hep" to himself. He is considering taking the stump for Mr. Harding, and if he does, Morrow county voters will get the facts straight from the shoulder.

The campaign song, submitted by Mr. Cummings will appear in an early issue of The Gazette-Times.

Carsner to Judge Events.

The Walla Walla Agricultural and Stock Fair who put on the great Frontier Days show in that city September 16, 17 and 18, announce that they have secured the services of R. J. (Bob) Carsner, well known Wheel county stockman, to serve as one of the judges. It is also announced that Bob will entertain the frontier day audiences with an exhibition of fancy roping.

The DeMoss Concert.

The DeMoss Concert company of DeMoss Springs, Oregon, will give a concert at the Christian church on Friday evening of this week. This family has been in the concert work for forty-seven years, and have entertained in every state in the Union and in many parts of Europe. The evening will be one of music, song and story, and the community is promised a treat by these talented people. The music they render is of a very high type, and the nature of their entertainment is such as to please every class of people. The door receipts are for the benefit of the Christian church.

C. W. B. M. Will Meet at Mrs. Cyper's.

The C. W. B. M. will meet next Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Cyper at the corner of Church and Gale streets. An interesting program is being prepared. All members and their friends are urged to attend.

Doric Lodge No. 20 Resumes Meetings.

Regular meetings of Doric Lodge No. 20 will begin Tuesday, September 7th. We will have work in the first rank and other important business to act upon. Every member be present at this meeting and help start it off with the old time vim. W. W. SMEAD, K. of R. & S.

George Spant and C. W. Powell, of Irrigon, spent Wednesday in Heppner. They were interested in getting the county court to vacate a certain portion of the county road in Irrigon that has now gone out of use, that the same may be added to the new school house site. Mr. Rand is one of the original settlers on the Irrigon project and is a leading citizen in that community.

"SALVATION"

Dedicated to Maud Ballington Booth, Head of the Salvation Army, By Thomas Murray Spencer.

It was a motley crowd I viewed within A stately edifice of Thine, oh Lord, The rich and poor alike, with sin, Came pleading humbly at Thy board.

High up, above a sumptuous altar, hung A gilded cross, and on it, crucified, A Man, they called Thine only son. He said for all humanity he died. A crown of thorns, and each one drew A drop of blood, a gory tribute paid, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do," The grandest words that mortal ever said.

Before you, stands this very night, A modest, worthy votary of Thine, She's borne her cross, been crucified, An army workshops at her shrine. No matter what the Pharisee did say, Pursued her tortuous way undriven. No bar of state could stay her way, A life for others lived, is Heaven.

DOWN WITH A CRASH



SULPHUR ADDS TON TO ALFALFA PRODUCTION

Agricultural Expert Tells of Methods Being Used in Many Oregon Counties to Increase Production.

(By F. L. Ballard.)

A return of one additional ton of alfalfa on every acre treated with 100 pounds of sulphur may be expected from 10,000 acres of alfalfa in Eastern Oregon, according to results obtained this year in many counties in that district. In addition, the initial application will produce equally as favorable results for three or four years making a high return from the slight expenditure required. In most counties 100 pounds of sulphur will cost the farmers approximately \$3.00 applied.

Interest in sulphur as alfalfa fertilizer has increased during the past three or four years because of the results obtained in Deschutes and Jackson counties. In Deschutes county last year seventeen carloads were applied to two-thirds of alfalfa acreage of the county, while in Jackson approximately ten carloads were applied. This year farm bureaus in additional counties in Eastern Oregon have carried on sulfur tests with equally as favorable results.

One hundred farmers in Klamath county used sulphur this year and ninety-five of them reported substantial increases in yield. The increases varied from slight ones to some with treated acres. The most marked increases were found in alfalfa fields where the production has been decreasing recently.

U. E. Reeder of Klamath Falls secured as much hay from the first cutting this year as both cuttings last year.

Captain J. W. Siemens, banker, and Harry Telford, found that alfalfa clover responded to sulphur equally as well as alfalfa. The Klamath county Farm Bureau is assembling orders for a shipment that will total between three hundred and four hundred tons or ten to twelve carloads to be shipped in this fall.

In Lake county equally as favorable results were secured. Yields of alfalfa were increased as high as one hundred per cent in Union county and in Malheur, Umatilla, Walla Walla, Morrow and Wasco counties greatly increased returns were secured.

Additional tonnage secured from sulphur applications is the most profitable hay grown on the farms, inasmuch as from two-thirds to three-fourths of the cost of alfalfa production is a fixed charge experienced whether the crop is one or six tons per acre, therefore, the cost of producing the extra tonnage in view of a dollar per year expenditure for sulphur is very small.

The value of sulphur as an alfalfa fertilizer was discovered at the Southern Oregon Branch Experiment Station in Jackson county and knowledge of its advantages has been spread by means of field demonstrations conducted by county agents in many counties. Other states are interested in the results obtained and are planning to determine the value of sulphur under their conditions next year.

STUDENTS URGED TO BE PRESENT FIRST DAY

Superintendent James Arrives in Heppner and Takes Matters in Hand or Opening of School on Monday, September 13.

School opens on Monday, September 13. Parents and pupils alike have been urged to keep the date firmly in mind. In keeping before the pupils the importance of being on hand for the opening, Professor Howard M. James, who arrived in Heppner on Sunday with his family from Enterprise, says the following:

"All children of school age in all grades should be at school the first day.

"Children must be six years of age or before the Christmas vacation to be allowed to enter school.

"All college entrance courses will be offered in the high school, including sciences, mathematics, English, history. Home economics will be offered again this year.

"A teacher training course will be offered those seniors wishing to teach.

"High school students, don't miss the first day.

"Foot ball practice will begin the first day of school.

"John W. Heard of the U. of Nevada will coach athletics.

"The superintendent will be in his office at the school house each afternoon until school opens."

Moving to Idaho.

J. B. Coxen, formerly a business man of Lexington and Heppner, has sold his farming interests on Butter creek to his partner, Frank Ayers, and expects to leave in the near future for Gifford, Idaho, where he will become permanently located with his family. Mr. and Mrs. Coxen were in Heppner on Tuesday closing up some business matters.

Mayor Vaughan Sells Residence.

Mayor R. J. Vaughan this week sold his residence property on Court street to John Widenan, of Eight Mile, at a consideration of \$4500, possession to be given some time this coming fall. Dr. Vaughan will build a bungalow on his stock ranch adjoining town, where he will build a semi-rural home. The deal was made through the real estate agency of E. M. Shutt.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Sunday, September 5, 1920.

The morning services will begin with the Bible school at ten o'clock under competent leadership and instructors. There is a place here for everyone as the school is graded. Good singing and fine fellowship. Preaching and communion service follows at eleven o'clock. The music will be led by the newly organized choir of twenty voices, and alone will be worth your attendance. Subject of the morning sermon will be, "The Christian's Business."

The Christian Endeavor service will be held at seven o'clock, and song and preaching service at eight o'clock, with the new choir leading. The subject of the evening sermon will be, "Life's Three Great Choices." You will receive a cordial welcome at all these services.

W. O. LIVINGSTONE, Minister.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mrs. F. Luper returned last week from a two week's visit of business and pleasure in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Fell of Pendleton were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Spencer of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gibson of Cleora, Kansas, are guests at the home of their son, Oness Gibson, on Sand Hollow.

W. P. Mahoney, cashier of the First National Bank, returned on Tuesday evening from a brief business trip to Portland.

Mrs. Gay M. Anderson and children returned last Thursday evening from a visit to relatives at Portland and Vancouver.

Lila, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hill, is under quarantine at the Hill home on Willow street, with a light attack of scarlet fever.

Harry Duvall, north Lexington farmer, is enjoying a visit from his cousin, Joe Norton, who arrived at the Duvall farm last Thursday, direct from Larned, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Vinton were Tuesday visitors in Heppner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCullough. Mr. Vinton is state highway engineer with offices in Ione.

Frank Noble was over from Mt. Vernon Springs, his Grant county home, for a day or two this week. He returned today. Mr. Noble states that it has been some hot summer over his way.

Mrs. E. F. Duvall, who has been visiting for the past two months at the home of her sons Harry and Crockett, of the Artesian Well ranch north of Lexington, departed last of the week for her home at St. Joseph, Missouri.

Judge W. T. Campbell has purchased from John Vaughn and Roy V. White the old Elkhorn restaurant building and is moving the same onto his property at the east end of Willow street. J. H. Cox, local contractor, has charge of the work of moving the building.

Tom Boylen, sheepraiser of the Pendleton country, was in Heppner Tuesday. We understand that he was looking for some black-faced lambs, and incidentally there seems to be some awakening in the sheep market, though our flock masters are not at all anxious to let go at the prices being offered to present.

S. I. Stratton, of Lyle, Wash., was in Heppner for a few hours yesterday. Mr. Stratton formerly lived at Ione and was school superintendent of Morrow county for a term in years ago. He has been engaged in business at Lyle for a number of years and notes numerous changes in Heppner since here last, which was some seven years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Evans, accompanied by their two daughters, Miss Lena and Miss Hannah Evans, and Mr. Francis Kane, are visiting this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson in this city. Mrs. Evans is a sister of Mrs. Wilson, and the party came over from their Seattle home by auto, expecting to return by the first of the week.

Dr. C. C. Chick announces recent arrivals, adding to the growing population of the county, the following: On Monday, the 23rd inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Farrens, of Hardman, a son; to the 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Harlan D. McCurdy, of Gooseberry, a daughter and on Thursday, August 26th to Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Burchell of Lexington, a son.

Lotus Robison, extensive stockman of the Hardman section, arrived at Heppner from Portland Tuesday evening, having been to the metropolis with a car of beef cattle. Mr. Robison found the market still off but is making no serious complaint on account of the price received for his stock. Like many others of our stock men, however, Mr. Robison would be glad to see the market get back to a point where the general conditions justify.

R. B. Lewis, of Echo, was doing business in Heppner yesterday, being interested in a road proposition before the county court. He was in company with Charley Bartholomew and Percy Jarman, and these latter creek farmers have hopes that before a great while they may be able to get their crops to the railroad easier and cheaper than possible at present. This time of the year their road becomes almost impassable because of deep chucks and dust, and it would appear that nothing short of the expense of macadamizing that thoroughfare will solve the question.

T. G. Denise informs us that he has the contract to put down a new cement walk around the Palace Hotel corner, and that the debris, left as a result of the fire, will also be cleared away. Rumors are also current that a building, covering the entire ground space of the corner is in contemplation by the present owners but that nothing in this line will transpire before another summer, perhaps. To get the corner cleaned up and the new walks down will be a splendid improvement just at this time, and our people can well afford to await the pleasure of the owners of the property as to further improvements.

Two Severely Injured When Car Turns Over

Ollie Hagwood and Geneva Miller, both of Ione, received severe injuries last Saturday afternoon when the car in which they were riding, turned completely over on the Willow creek highway near the Frank Moore ranch just above Lexington. Mr. Hagwood received a double fracture of one leg and Miss Miller's collar bone was broken. In the car at the time were Carl Yount, owner of the car, who was driving, Frank Bargoyn of Lexington, and Seymour Wilson, Mr. Hagwood and Miss Miller, all of Ione. Mr. Wilson was bruised about the body from the weight of the car. The accident resulted when the steering gear of the car became defective. Mr. Hagwood is under the care of a doctor in this city and Miss Miller is now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Miller in Ione. Mr. Yount is the Morrow county representative of the Pacific Grain Company of Portland.

Earl W. Gordon and Charlotte Hall Were Married on Sunday

Earl W. Gordon, prominent young man of this city and Miss Charlotte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Hall, were united in marriage at the home of the Rev. W. O. Livingstone, pastor of the First Christian church, on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Gordon is in the employ of Patterson & Son's drug store as pharmacist, and the bride is a popular young woman of the high school set. They have taken apartments in the Yeager house on the northeast corner of Main street.

RAILROAD COMPANY WARNS THE MOTORISTS

(Released August 25, 1920 by J. F. Grodzki General Safety Agent Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company, Portland.)

In a very recent grade crossing accident, consisting of an auto truck running into the side of an engine pulling a train, three boys aged seven to eleven, two of whom were brothers, were instantly killed and several others were injured. The truck, which was occupied by men and boys, was proceeding toward the crossing and all its occupants were watching an airplane soaring over head, entirely forgetting for the moment that they were approaching a railroad crossing toward which a train was likewise moving at a moderate rate of speed, with whistle blowing and engine bell ringing. The truck ran into the side of the moving engine and turned so that three boys on one side of the truck were hurled under the grinding wheels and three innocent young lives were wiped out.

Thirty-five per cent of the accidents to automobiles at railroad crossings of the O. W. R. & N. Lines for the seven months ending July 31, 1920, were due to automobiles running into side of trains, engines, or cars, and running into ditches, fences, and posts in order to avoid running into train that was going over the crossing. Twenty per cent of the accidents were caused by auto drivers running through crossing gates or disregarding the signal of crossing watchman. Eight per cent of the collisions were due to auto being stalled on the track. The remainder were mostly deliberate attempts to beat the train over the crossing. Following are the principal causes of collisions between automobiles and trains:

Defective brakes; driver trying to beat the train over crossing; failure of driver to stop, look and listen; automobile stalled on track; miscalculating speed of train; driver occupied in conversation, daydreams, or looking at object remote from what is immediately before him.

Records indicate that 23 persons are daily killed or severely injured on account of collisions between autos and trains in the United States. The careless automobile driver is a menace to himself and to the occupants of his car, and the death toll at grade crossings will continue to increase unless drivers exercise more care. Too much care cannot be used in making a crossing, as the least inattention or heedlessness may cause death and destruction, and the other side of the crossing may never be reached.

A careful driver will slow up before coming to a crossing, put his car in second or low speed, keeping ample power in the engine. He will then come to a full stop with engine going, and look sufficiently to satisfy himself that he will go over in safety. When he so satisfies himself he will get over quickly. Should a train be within the distance which may mean danger he will put the car out of gear and wait till the train passes.

Christian Science Services.

Sundays, 11:00 a. m., I. O. O. F. Halls. Testimonial meetings, Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock, at Gene Slodum residence. Everyone welcome.

MORROW WILL HAVE EXHIBIT AT STATE FAIR

Record to Past Years May Again Be Sustained—Smead Urges All Farmers and Fruit Growers to Prepare Exhibits.

Morrow county has hung up some good records in recent past years at the Salem State Fair and has many blue ribbons which attest to the superior quality of her products.

The county fair held here each year has been a strong incentive toward producing such excellent results at the state fair, but this year there will be no county fair. This was definitely decided several weeks ago. Nevertheless, Morrow county should have a good exhibit at the state fair this year as in the past. To that end, County Agent L. A. Hunt and W. W. Smead, former secretary of the Morrow County Fair Association, have collected some fine exhibits of fruit, vegetables, grains and grasses, but they want more. They are urging a livelier interest upon the part of the farmer and fruit grower and have asked them to save out some good specimens of their products and bring them in before September 29 in order that they may be prepared for shipment to Salem.

Work on Hydro-Electric Plant Begins on Upper Willow Creek

Preliminary work on the new hydro-electric plant of the Heppner Light & Water company has been started under the supervision of A. L. Ayers, a stockholder of the company. In a statement to a Gazette-Times reporter this week, W. E. Pruyn, local superintendent said that probably no real construction work would be attempted before next spring, only the preliminary details, such as getting sand and other material on the ground being done at this time. There will be six miles of conduit pipe under the new plant, which will be situated on the right fork of Willow creek.

With the ever increasing cost of fuel, made still higher with the recent additional freight increase, Mr. Pruyn points out that cheaper power is imperative and that such a plant as under contemplation will be the only solution to the problem.

New Theater Being Equipped With High Class Furniture

There is class to the new theater in the Elks building. Manager B. G. Sigbee is busy this week putting in the new chairs and other equipment and it is all high class stuff. A feature of the new theater is the player piano which Mr. Sigbee is installing. From present indications, Manager Sigbee should be able to announce the opening date of his new show house before another week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thornton went to Portland yesterday.

E. N. Gonty is spending a few days in Portland attending to business and visiting with relatives.

Attorney F. H. Robinson and Real-estate Walt Smith were Ione business men in Heppner Wednesday.

Mrs. C. L. Keithley departed Tuesday for Walla Walla, where she will visit with a sister who is in business in the Garden City.

Erik Bergstrom and Richard Peterson, leading farmers of the Gooseberry section were in Heppner yesterday, having business before the county court.

Professor Howard M. James and family arrived on Sunday evening and are staying at the Case rooms prior to getting located permanently. Professor James is the new principal of the Heppner schools and Mrs. James will have charge of the eighth grade. There are three children, all girls. We understand Mr. James has purchased the Henry Johnson property on Main street, next to the hospital corner.

Guy Huston, one of the successful farmers of Eight Mile, is busy finishing his threshing, and would have been all through by now had the big rain held off for a few days. He uses a one-man harvester, propelled by eight horses and is getting highly satisfactory results. His grain is yielding well. Guy is also a sheep man on a small scale, believing that it pays big to keep a bunch of woolies on the farm. He has 1400 pounds of wool, this season's crop, stored away to be placed on the market when the price gets somewhere around the right point and when there is really a demand for the staple again. He expects that he may have two clips on hand when the market really opens again. Guy recently added to his holdings by the purchase of another quarter section of land adjoining the home place, which quarter he has rented to one of his neighbors. Mr. Huston being an advocate of the doctrine that no one man should undertake the farming of too much land.