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Useless.

The compulsory registration and voting amendment on the November ballot is peculiar for its uselessness. The amendment does not in itself establish compulsory registration or compulsory voting, but authorizes the legislature to enact such laws, thus clearing away present constitutional inhibitions.

But there is something besides the constitution that inhibits compulsory voting in the United States. It is the ingrained American love of personal liberty. Compulsory voting calls for a police system of universal espionage. But even with that obnoxious European system in use compulsory voting would doubtless fail here as it has failed in other countries. Elsewhere violations are so numerous that the authorities are powerless to inflict the penalties. But were it possible to drag everybody to the polls, no way is possible to prevent the deposit of blank ballots by those who do not wish to vote.

The amendment is useless from any angle from which it is viewed. It would be foolish to burden the constitution with it.—Oregonian.

Cox deliberately charged in one of his New York speeches, that the Republicans were buying bayonets to overawe strikers. Can it be possible that he considers this an opportune time for uttering gross falsehoods of an incendiary character? Even Debs, as a Presidential candidate, is more discreet than Cox.

Senator Harding, observation leads us to believe, has created a strong impression of earnestness, sincerity, and a high sense of duty. His utterances are marked by a studied moderation; he exhibits no arrogance of opinion, and has made no extravagant promises of a millennium to be created by proclamation; he seeks rather to express the national spirit than to impose a doctrine of political infallibility. And there is an unmistakably a growing view that Governor Cox is a shifty opportunist, superficial in thought, reckless in appeal and irresponsible in statements.—Philadelphia North American.

Morrow county taxpayers voted their good money for road bonds with the strict assurance that the state highway commission would see to it that the new roads would receive a hard surface from the state upon their completion. Now the highway commission, due to a number of problems that have come up, are stalling us off with the hard surface, or a protective surface of rock or gravel and the result will be that much of our road money now expended, will be wasted. The Heppner-Willow creek road in its present newly-graded condition will not last long against wind and other erosive elements of nature unless it is given a surface that will hold it. The commission should be urged in every way possible to go ahead at once with the graveling of this important highway.

Slats' Diary.

Friday—ma has got a old friend wich is named agnes something & she cum 2 visit us last week intending 2 stay a couple weeks. She is a very pretty lady & etc. Yesterday morning I called her a angel, ma sed to me Why do you call miss Agnes a Angel & I replied & sed to her Thats what I herd pa call her last night in the front room. Ma sed well if sutch is the Case then she better fly. She has went back home. Ma sent me down town when pa cum home.

Saturday — They was a party 2 Blims house on account he had a birthday. All us kids was there & Jane was 2. When the ice Cream was being et we all set around in the corners. I got threw early & was taking my dish back & mobby get sum more. I past Jane who was setting with Blimsters. Maid me sick. She had her skull on his chest & he was feeding her.

Sunday—A awful thing happened today. A girl which was only 12 yrs old hung herself with a rope. I think she was very young 2 start that kind of work.

Monday—pa went away 2 see a cozen Ben which sent word he had a Pandayta & lumbago & hart trubbel & the doctor sed he expected some other accomplishments. He is real sick I guess.

Tuesday—This evening pa & ma including me went 2 a Millicary opening which was showing off new hats & pa & me got into a quite corner. We saw ma looking at I & she sed it leaves me speechless. pa fairly jumped over 2 where her & the Salls lady stood. He

and how much is it I'll take it. Wednesday—I twisted sum pepper & sprinkled it in pa's hankkerchief today & he set down 2 the supper tabel & tuk out his hankkerchief & sneezed all the supe out of his platt. I snickered. He sed 2 me I will see you a Loan for a minute. He tuk me 2 the wood Shed &

give me a lawking 2. Behind my back Thursday—I think we will soon have a ottomobel for ma & pa has agreed on it & thats going sum. I guess that will induce Jane 2 set up & regard me as a Probibity.

The M. E. C. of Dorian Temple No. 16 requests all members of the Pythian

Sisters to be present at the I. O. O. F. hall on Thursday night, October 11.

MRS. ANNA BOYD.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.
Heppner Oregon. Hall of San Souel Rebekah Lodge No. 33, I. O. O. F.
Whereas the hand of death has removed from our midst our beloved brother

Freeman N. Frye, and.

Whereas this Lodge has thereby sustained a loss that will long be felt and the entire order has lost a good and faithful worker.

Therefore be it resolved, that this Lodge extend to his loved one the sincere sympathy of our hearts and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the

members of his family, that a copy by signed upon the minutes of this Lodge and that a copy be published in the local paper.

Respectfully submitted,
T. E. CHIDSEY,
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