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Know All About the 19 Measures to Appear on Ballot in November

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The Official Pamphlet is In Voters' Hands; Read It; Let's Vote—and Vote Intelligently.

Though the coming general election in November will be given added zest by the independent candidacy of Robert N. Stanfield for senators whose announcement was made thru metropolitan newspapers last week, there is much more cause for Mr. and Mrs. Voter to immediately start wrinkling the gray matter. No less than 19 proposed amendments and acts, more or less meritorious, will be referred to the electorate and will present a formidable problem for solution, unless Mr. and Mrs. Voter have fortified themselves extensively before going to the polls.

Copies of its official pamphlet containing the proposed constitutional amendments and measures, with arguments, are now in the hands of all registered voters of the state. Containing 104 pages of much small type this pamphlet presents a job of studying to the voter the like of which has probably never been encountered, even in those good old school days gone by.

Yet, the welfare of our commonwealth is weighed therein, and the swing of the pendulum may bring either prosperity or more lean years like those we have just been passing through. For the individual good, therefore, as well as the general, it behooves Mr. and Mrs. Voter to don the goggles and load the kerosene lamp and, even though the threat of blindness be present, pore through those 104 pages of small type to thoroughly acquaint themselves with the content. Then, if necessary, they should hire a couple of Philadelphia lawyers to help them mark their ballots.

A few of the amendments do not concern us materially here in Morrow county—"Klamath County Bonding Amendment," "Curry County Bonding or Tax Levy Amendment," and "Klamath and Clackamas County Road Bonding Amendment"—only insofar as their acceptance or rejection may set a precedent which our county may later wish to follow. The ultimate, direct consequences lie with the counties immediately concerned.

Some more of the amendments are but cleaning up measures, whose adoption will do away with some of the extinct relics of law-making which now clutter up the statutes and our constitution, or obliterate some of the too abundant, abominable red tape and inconsistencies of elective or administrative procedure. Numbered among these are "Appeal of Free Negro and Mulatto Section of the Constitution," automatically made invalid with the enactment of the 14th amendment to the United States constitution; "The Recall Amendment," aimed to do away with the possibility of an official being recalled and also reelected at the same election; "Amendment Relating to Elections to Fill Vacancies in Public Offices," providing for filling vacant elective offices at the next general election following date of vacancy, in event vacancy shall have occurred 20 days prior to said election, instead of leaving the vacancy to be filled at the regular time of election for such office, with an appointee taking the seat in the meantime.

The "Six Per Cent Limitation Amendment" is proposed for the purpose of giving Multnomah county schools a chance to clean up some back indebtedness, which otherwise would be inconvenient to handle. After that is done the six per cent limitation is okay with them.

"Amendment Prohibiting Inheritance and Income Taxes" is presented as a good means of settling a much debated issue, and at the same time

opening our state to outside investors, its proponents say. This amendment, known also as the Dennis Resolution, would put income tax proposals on the shelf until after 1940. Oregon has once tried the state income tax, repealing it after a year's trial. Now two more income tax measures are presented for approval. This haggling, a sign of governmental instability, would be stopped for the next fourteen years if the Dennis Resolution passes.

We were just wondering what the consequences would be if both the proposed income tax measures were passed. There is the "Income Tax Bill with Property Tax Offset," and just plain "Income Tax Bill." Or, again, if the Dennis Resolution were sanctioned along with both these. The possibility is present if voters are not informed concerning all of them. Oregon voters should be fairly wise on state income tax by this time as it has held the center of the stage in political circles since the election of Governor Pierce four years ago. This election should put an end to this squabble, one way or another, for many years to come.

"The Eastern Oregon Normal School Act" has been before the voters of Oregon on various occasions before, suffering the same misfortune it encounters this fall; that is, being on a ballot overloaded with measures. Experience has taught that when a great number of issues are put up to the electorate for decision, its inclination is to vote against them all. This measure has merit because it is sanctioned by the board of regents of the Mammouth Normal school, who are in better position than any one else to know its merits. We hope it will meet with better success in November.

In contradistinction to the Eastern Oregon bill, the "Seaside Normal School Act" gained position on the ballot through a fluke. It was not recommended by the normal board of regents, and was voted down once by the house of representatives, being later passed largely through courtesy to Representative E. G. Bates who had been instrumental in passing much other legislation and had not himself asked for many favors. This, according to the Oregon Voter, which also states that there is considerable doubt that Seaside people themselves want it and that it is doubtful if the free site, called for in the measure, will be obtainable if the act is passed. The Oregon Voter laments the fact that neither of these measures will really bring the normal schools provided for into being, if passed, but will only empower the state board of control to extend the normal system to this extent at its will.

An Eastern Oregon Tuberculosis hospital might be a good thing. There is considerable need expressed for it. Voters will get a chance to decide this through "The Eastern Oregon Tuberculosis Hospital Act."

"Cigarette and Tobacco Tax Bill" and "Act Appropriating Ten Per Cent of Self-Sustaining Board's Receipts" are two pet measures for swelling the state's general fund. Though the latter may have merit, the former would probably create a bigger expense bill than it would return in revenue and its probable intended effect of lessening nicotine consumption would undoubtedly be nil.

Motor operators would like to set their own schedule of taxes by means of the "Motor Bus and Truck Bill," while the state would be given the privilege by the passage of the "Bus and Truck Operating License Bill." There are several angles to these two proposed measures with which Mr. and Mrs. Voter should acquaint themselves before making a hasty decision.

The "Fish Wheel, Trap, Seine and Gill Net Bill" is a discriminating measure on the face of it and would accomplish nothing good as we see it. We believe after one reading of the bill itself all intelligent, free-thinking, honest voters will turn it down.

As for the "Oregon Water and Power Board Development Measure," it calls for a rank experiment of state operation of large scale industries via the bureaucracy route, one of the vilest enemies of state progress and prosperity as shown by the notorious North Dakota experiment in other lines, and the Ontario experiment of an identical sort, if it is meritorious, Oregon is far from ready for it.

Read all the arguments in the pamphlet and decide for yourself.

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In Dempsey's Cabinet



Jack Dempsey's new "secretary of the interior," Pauline LaBudde, who is now in charge of the kitchen at the champion's training camp. She was formerly cook for President Wilson.

Local 50-Year Masons To Receive Honors

Every member of the local Masonic Lodge who has been a Mason for fifty years or more, will be an honored guest at the impressive ceremonies that will be held in Portland, September 15th, to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. Instructions were received this week by L. W. Briggs, secretary of the local lodge to immediately ascertain how many fifty-year Masons there are among its membership in the city and surrounding district. As soon as the names are received special invitations will be sent them from Grand Lodge headquarters.

Thousands of Masons will gather from all parts of the state to participate in the celebration, and in addition representatives from various lodges of Washington and Idaho that were originally under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Oregon when the Northwest was still a territory will attend. Of the 29,000

Masons in the state it is estimated that between 5,000 and 6,000 will be present when Mr. Edgar H. Sensenich, Most Worshipful Grand Master, calls the meeting to order in the Municipal Auditorium in Portland.

The program will be divided into two sections. The first section will consist of a banquet held in honor of all fifty year Masons now members of the various Oregon Lodges. Attendance will be limited to these fifty year Masons, Grand Masters of the United States and Canada, heads of the various Grand Masonic bodies in Oregon, Past Grand Masters, Grand Lodge officers and District Deputy Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Oregon; Masters and Wardens of the lodges which organized the Grand Lodge of Oregon and of the Washington and Idaho lodges originally under its jurisdiction. The second section will revolve around a huge meeting for all Master Masons at the Public Auditorium.

The Grand Lodge was organized three quarters of a century ago at Oregon City in 1851. The then Oregon Territory embraced everything from the coast to the Rocky Mountains. At the coming Portland meeting the principal addresses will deal with the history of Masonry in Oregon and the part Masonry has played in the state's development.

SMITH-SPENCER.
Miss Bernice Spencer became the bride of Gilbert G. Smith of Hermiston in a beautiful ceremony solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Spencer, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The ceremony was read by Rev. Henry Young in the presence of immediate relatives of the young couple. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Smith. He is local manager for Swift & Co. Mr. and Mrs. Smith plan to reside here.—Hermiston Herald.

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