

LEGISLATORS GIVEN UNJUST CRITICISM

Personnell and Work of State Body Cited by Informed Writer.

EDITOR'S NOTE—Mr. Bede, editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel, was reading clerk of the House of Representatives for many years, and hence is a qualified informant. He is a special writer for the Oregon State Editorial Association.

(By ELBERT BEDE.)
About 75 per cent of hte people, if asked their opinion of members of the legislature would say that they are a bunch of feeble-minded crooks, or would speak of them in similar terms of opprobrium. Newspapers, through their funny columns, have led the way in creating this opinion of legislators. What newspapers mean as a joke the ordinary person at home, who has never attended a session, takes seriously, or at least as partially true. This may show a confidence in newspapers that newspapers should endeavor to deserve, but it is bad for the regard of the people for their legislative oodles. It is bad because of the disrespect created for governing bodies. This may be a large part of the reason for the contempt which may be laid for restrictive and restraining laws, for the feeling that it is no disgrace to overstep the law just so one isn't caught at it.

But the legislator is not the kind of person that this 75 per cent of the people are likely to say that he is. The legislature is made up of average men from average communities of the state. Those from other districts are about the same in character and ability as those from your own district. If the person at home would not call the members from his own district crooks and grafters, he should not speak in similar terms of those from other districts, for there is but little difference in them, regardless of the part of the state from which they come.

In a legislative session they act much the same as the average person does at a community meeting or civic club meeting at home. It is no unusual thing for a chamber of commerce to adopt some resolution without due consideration, or upon the word of some member interested in the resolution, and for the civic body to wish a day or so later to rescind its action. The average men from the average communities of the state act much the same when they become legislators as they did before. What the legislators here is about the same as would be done by those at home who are so free with criticism. It is the unjust and unfair criticism of men who come here and give their services for less than the cost to them that makes it difficult to get the best men to become candidates for the assembly. Despite this fact, I have observed during 15 years that the quality of legislators is steadily improving, and I would venture the guess that the men here are more than the average of the state, and that their actions are above what could be reasonably expected from the many thousands who speak of them in terms of derision.

Much derogatory has been said about the batch of new laws enacted by every legislative session, for which reason a study of legislation introduced at this session should be interesting.

Firstly, no legislation has been enacted designating any new crime, while several obnoxious laws have been enacted. Very few new laws would regulate anyone or anything, and those that would have been requested by those to be regulated.

New conditions under which we live are responsible for many new laws. For instance, the automobile is a provocation for many new laws at every session, and no one has found any fault with any regulatory law except the speed limit law, and this limit is practically certain to be boosted to 35 miles. This is one of the peculiarities about some crimes. Traveling on the highways at 35 miles an hour will be a crime on the day before the new law becomes effective, making 35 miles legal.

Several of the new laws are aimed to carry into effect the will of the people as expressed when they created a new tuberculosis hospital and new normal school. Many of the new laws are designed to bring about a more equitable assessment of property of the state. Surely no one will deny that this is desirable.

Despite all the need for new laws, only 212 have been introduced in the two houses this session, while there are 326 bills to amend present laws and 114 to repeal present laws. There are 116 appropriation bills, but these can not come under the head of new laws. A dozen laws make change in laws affecting fish, and more than a dozen have been designed to evolve new revenue producers for the state.

Most of the new laws are comparatively unimportant, having such title as "A bill for an act to organize and provide for dissolution of cemetery associations," "A bill for an act to provide for the appropriation for beneficial use of the underground waters of the state," etc.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County, dated February 18th, 1927, to me directed, in that certain action pending in said Court, wherein Mary S. Barlow, as plaintiff, obtained judgment against J. F. Barlow and E. L. Young, as defendants, for the sum of \$125.00, with interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum from December 12, 1921; the further sum of \$50.00 attorney's fees and her costs and disbursements taxed and allowed at Thirteen and no-100 Dollars, I will on Saturday, March 26th, 1927, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., at the front door of the Court House in Heppner, Oregon, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all

of the following described real property in Morrow County, State of Oregon, to wit: All of the interest of J. F. Barlow in and to The Northwest quarter of Section 4 and the Northeast quarter of Section 5, in Township 3 South, Range 24 E. W. M., or so much of said real property as may be necessary to satisfy plaintiff's judgment and costs of sale.
GEORGE McDUFFEE,
Sheriff of Morrow County, Oregon.
Date of first publication February 24th, 1927.

NOTICE OF SALE.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR MORROW COUNTY.

In the Matter of the Estate of N. S. Whetstone, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That pursuant to an order, duly made and entered in the above entitled cause on the 13th day of January, 1927, by E. L. Bengt, judge of the above entitled court, a license duly issued out of said court, under the hand of the clerk and the seal thereof, licensing autizing and empowering the undersigned, as administratrix, to sell, at private sale, in one, two, or three parcels, for the best price obtainable, either for cash or part cash, the real property hereinafter described; now, therefore, I will, as such administratrix, from and after the 25th day of March, 1927, sell, at private sale, in one, two or three parcels, for the best price obtainable, either for cash or part cash, all the right, title, interest and estate of said deceased in and to the following described real property, to-wit:

Portion or Lot 1.
The East Half of Section 23, Twp. 2 S. R. 27 E. W. M.

Portion or Lot 2.
The West Half of Section 26, Twp. 2 S. R. 27 E. W. M.

Portion or Lot 3.
North Half of Northeast Quarter of Section 26, Twp. 2 S. R. 27 E. W. M.

Portion or Lot 4.
The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 26, Township 2 S. R. 27 E. W. M.

Portion or Lot 5.
The Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 26, Twp. 2 S. R. 27 E. W. M.

Portion or Lot 6.
The South Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Twp. 2 S. R. 27 E. W. M.

Portion or Lot 7.
The Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Twp. 2 S. R. 27 E. W. M.

Portion or Lot 8.
An undivided one half interest in and to the East Half of the Northeast Quarter, the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 27 E. W. M.

EMMA WHETSTONE,
Administratrix of the Estate of N. S. Whetstone, deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County, administrator of the estate of Maggie B. Cox, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same with the proper vouchers to said administrator at the law office of Jos. J. Nya, Heppner, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.
Dated this 24th day of February, 1927.
JAMES H. COX,
Administrator.

ORDINANCE NO. 231.

AN ORDINANCE granting to Sherman Electric Co., a corporation, its successors and assigns, a franchise to construct, maintain and operate in the present and future streets, alleys and public places of the City of Heppner and its successors, electric light and power lines and appurtenances thereto, for the purpose of supplying electricity and electric service to the City of Heppner, the inhabitants thereof and others; providing for the repeal of Ordinance No. 49 of the Town (now City) of Heppner, approved June 30, 1892, as amended by Ordinance No. 136 of the City of Heppner, approved May 10, 1913; and providing for the repeal of Ordinance No. 221 of the City of Heppner, approved June 4, 1923.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF HEPPNER DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby granted to Sherman Electric Co., a corporation, and its successors and assigns (hereinafter called the Grantee) the right, privilege and franchise for the period of fifty (50) years, to construct, maintain and operate in the present and future streets, alleys and public places in the City of Heppner, and its successors, electric light and power lines, with all the necessary and desirable appurtenances (including underground conduits, poles, wires and telephone and telegraph wires for its own use), for the purpose of supplying electricity and electric service to said City of Heppner, the inhabitants thereof and persons and corporations within and beyond the limits thereof for light, power, heat and other purposes.

Section 2. The height and location of poles and fixtures and the location of underground conduits shall be subject to the reasonable regulation and control of the Committee on Streets and Public Property or of such committee or official of the City as the City Council may designate, or as may be designated by law; and all such poles and fixtures shall be so erected as to interfere as little as possible with traffic or other public uses. All of said electric lines and appurtenances shall be installed and at all times maintained by the grantee in safe order and condition and in accordance with good engineering practice; and where necessary for the protection of its service to the public, the Grantee shall remove any branches of trees which would impair the safe operation and maintenance of said lines.

Section 3. The service furnished hereunder to said City and its inhabitants shall be twenty-four hour service, and shall be subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as the Grantee may make from time to time. The Grantee may require reasonable security for the payment of its bills.

Section 4. When necessary in order to permit any duly authorized person to move any building or other structure across or along any street

or alley of the City of Heppner, the grantee shall raise or temporarily remove its wires maintained hereunder upon the request of the City Recorder, and upon the cost to the Grantee of so doing being paid by the owner or mover of such building.

Section 5. The City of Heppner may, without charge therefor, attach its fire alarm and police signal wires to the poles of the Grantee in said City, but at its own risk and only in accordance with good electrical practice. Said wires shall be subject to interference by the Grantee only when necessary in the maintenance, operation and repair of its lines.

Section 6. The service to be furnished hereunder by the Grantee, its successors and assigns, and all rates and charges therefor, shall be subject at all times to any rules, regulations and orders that may be lawfully prescribed by the Public Service Commission of Oregon, or by any other authority or body having lawful jurisdiction over such matters.

Section 7. The Grantee, and its successors and assigns, shall hold the City of Heppner harmless from all expense or liability arising from any negligent act or omission of the Grantee in the conduct of its operations hereunder, and shall comply with all reasonable by-laws and regulations of the City of Heppner relating to the maintenance and improvement of the streets and public places therein.

Section 8. This ordinance, if and when accepted as herein provided, shall repeal Ordinance No. 49 of the Town (now the City) of Heppner, approved June 30, 1892, said Ordinance No. 49 being entitled:

"An ordinance providing for the supplying of the town of Heppner and its inhabitants with electric lights and power for public and private purposes, and granting H. V. Gates of Hillsboro, Oregon, his successors and assigns, an exclusive franchise and license to construct and operate a system of electric lighting and power works in the town of Heppner, contracting with the said H. V. Gates for the rental of electric lights for supplying the town of Heppner with lights, and giving

the town of Heppner an option to purchase the same."

as amended by Ordinance No. 136 of said City of Heppner, approved May 10, 1913, said Ordinance No. 136 being entitled:

"An Ordinance to amend Section Eight of Ordinance No. 49 of the City of Heppner, entitled "An Ordinance providing for and supplying of the Town of Heppner and its inhabitants with electric lights and power for public and private purposes and granting H. V. Gates, of Hillsboro, Oregon, his successors and assigns, an exclusive franchise and license to construct and operate a system of electric lighting and power works in the Town of Heppner, contracting with the said H. V. Gates for the rental of electric lights for supplying the Town of Heppner with lights, and giving the Town of Heppner an option to purchase the same."

and shall also repeal Ordinance No. 221 of the City of Heppner, approved June 4, 1923, said Ordinance No. 221 being entitled:

"An Ordinance to provide for the extension of the franchise granted to H. V. Gates, by Ordinance Number 49, of the Town (now the City), of Heppner, Oregon."

Section 9. This ordinance shall be published one time in The Gazette Times, and shall become null and void unless unconditional written acceptance hereof be filed by the Grantee herein with the City Recorder within sixty (60) days from and after the publication hereof.

Introduced before the Council on Feb. 7, 1927.

Passed by the Council on Feb. 21, 1927.

Approved this 21st day of February, 1927.

C. L. SWEET,
Chairman of the Council of the City of Heppner, and Acting Mayor.

Approved as to form:
JOS. J. NYS, City Attorney.

ATTEST: E. R. HUSTON,
City Recorder of the City of Heppner.

(SEAL)

1927—BABY CHIX—1927.

Tancred White Leghorn chix at \$15 per 100; \$135 per 1000. Also U. A. C. Banded Plymouth Rocks at \$17 per 100; \$155 per 1000. Hatching dates March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29; April 5, 12, 19, 26; May 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31. A 500 or larger order takes 10% rate; all shipments express prepaid. May chix as 20% reduction; 20% deposit book order. Custom hatching at one cent per egg per week, original count. Come and see us at our new location, 32-33a. WHITE POULTRY FARM, GERALD A. WHITE, Hermiston, Ore.

ESTRAY TAKEN UP.

I have taken up at my place on Rhea creek, one red cow, 5 years old; calf by side; white spot in forehead; branded 7T (connected) on right hip; under half crop in right ear; small fork and two splits in left ear. Owner may have same by paying feed bill and other costs. JAY HIATT.

Wanted—To get 215 acres plowed—17 miles south of Ione. Also have 2 extra quarter sections of land to rent on shares. Chas. M. Wagner, Gen. Del., Denver, Colorado. 47-49.



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NEXT WEEK:
red Thompson in THE TWO GUN MAN, with Sully King. James Oliver Curwood's THE WOLF HUNTERS. Varol Dempster in D. W. Griffith's That Royle Girl. LIBRARY BENEFIT VAUDEVILLE. Virginia Valli in UP THE LADDER.