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SCHOOL LAW SHOWS WHO ARE VOTERS

The approaching school elections, to be held on June 21, have caused several questions to be propounded as to what are the distinguishing features between districts of the first, second and third class; also as to the qualifications of voters.

The questions are answered by reprinting the following extracts from the session laws of 1913:

Section 195 of the 1913 school laws says in regard to the classifications of districts: "All school districts now existing, and all that shall hereafter be erected under the provisions of this act, shall be classified and known as first class, second class, and third class. The classification shall be made according to the number of children of school age, as shown by the last census. All districts with one thousand or more children of school age shall be known as districts of the first class. All districts with more than two hundred and less than one thousand children of school age shall be known as districts of the second class. All districts with less than two hundred children of school age shall be known as districts of the third class."

The qualification of voters is given in section 192 of the same law and says substantially that those citizens who are of voting age and are legal voters, male or female, and have assessable property in the district as shown by the last assessment roll, not assessed by the sheriff, may vote at all elections. The ownership of stock certificates in companies which pay a tax, is a legal qualification. These qualifications apply in districts of the first and second class. In districts of the third class any head of a family who is otherwise a qualified elector and has children of school age may vote at school elections without property qualifications.

The proper qualifications of a school district voter must be shown by the last assessment roll made by the assessor.

If property is held in the name of both the husband and the wife and only the husband's name appears on the assessment roll, he alone can vote at the school elections.

It is not necessary for voters to register to be able to vote at school elections.

Another question which affects only Portland District No. 1, is answered by the following:

Section 258 of the Oregon school law of 1913 says: "All districts formed under the provisions of an act entitled 'An act to organize school districts in incorporated towns of ten thousand inhabitants, and to provide for the maintenance and government of public schools therein,' are hereby continued as districts of the first class, and shall be considered as already organized as such."

LOCAL FLORIST TO INCREASE STOCK

That the growing of greenhouse plants in this locality is a good business proposition, has been proven by Theo. Wedell, proprietor of the Crystal Springs greenhouses. Mr. Wedell holds a lease on the greenhouses with three acres of land, on the Winch ranch near Hogan station south of Gresham. The houses contain 12,000 square feet of glass and accommodate 7200 square feet of beds.

For the past two years Mr. Wedell has specialized on carnations and chrysanthemums, although other varieties of flowers and greens have been grown extensively, as well as vegetable plants. Nine thousand chrysanthemums and 6,000 carnations were handled this year. The same number of chrysanthemums, 5,000 carnations, 2,000 lily bulbs and 5,000 fuchsias are among the plants to be provided for next year's sales.

A large number of vegetable plants have been disposed of during the past season, one buyer alone, Mr. Myasaki, taking 25,000 celery and 1500 lettuce plants for his garden near the O. W. P. depot and 1000 tomato plants for another garden.

Mr. Wedell is planning to enlarge the possibilities of his business by planting an acre to bulbs, hardy flowers and nursery stock. He will be well supplied another year with bedding plants of the most popular varieties.

KENNY WINS FIRST ROUND BEFORE JURY

The question of ownership of the Pulfer stock of goods and fixtures on which G. W. Kenney held a mortgage of \$3500 was decided by a sheriff's jury at Portland last Tuesday, Chief Deputy Pratt presiding at the trial.

The jury's verdict was unanimous for the Pulfer ownership. Mr. Pulfer is said to have disclaimed ownership on the witness stand, testifying that he had transferred the property to the Pulfer Mercantile company, the name of an alleged corporation under which he was carrying on the business.

A. Meyers, who drew the first mortgage in February and the renewal in August, 1914, for a total of \$3500, testified that the signing and acknowledgment of the instruments in both instances was by H. J. Pulfer because he was the owner of the property.

It seems that the corporation existed only in name and the property was never legally transferred. The articles of incorporation were filed in May.

G. W. Kenney testified that he never had any dealings with such corporation and that the organization thereof was an attempt, he believed, to get him to take stock as security for his loan of \$3500.

George Arthur Brown, attorney for the Pulfer Mercantile company, and Sidney Teiser, attorney for the attaching creditors, represented Mr. Pulfer. George W. Kenney was represented by Milo C. King, assisted by E. B. Seabrook, who was called in at the trial and endorsed the procedure as legal and tactical.

According to law the defeated side has three days to file an indemnity bond and appeal to the circuit court. The time will be up tomorrow morning, as today is a legal holiday. In case Mr. Kenney wins he will open up for business again as soon as possible.

COOPERAGE PLANT TO COVER FIVE ACRES

When the plant of the Western Cooperage Company at St. Johns is finished it will cover five acres. At present this place is the finest on the East Side. J. R. Kerr & Son have the contracts for several of the larger structures, and they have a large force of men at work. Two of the main buildings are about completed and the others are well along toward completion. All the foundations have been finished. It is expected that the entire plant, including the sawmill, warehouses, dry kilns and other structures will be finished and in operation early this fall. With the ground the investment will represent an expenditure of between \$300,000 and \$400,000. The company, which owns and operates plants elsewhere will concentrate its efforts in this Portland plant.

OPAL SEAM TRACED AND PROSPECTED

Dr. Alfred Thompson returned a few days ago from a trip through some of the best portions of eastern Oregon, having spent about ten days at The Dalles, where he visited with his son, Dr. Fred Thompson and family, and made a tour through some of the other important localities of the Inland Empire.

Dr. Thompson left here on Friday, May 28, and on the following Sunday in company with his son, the latter's wife and Miss Sobering he motored to Dulur, Tygh Valley, Grass Valley, Morrow and Wasco, returning the same day.

On Tuesday of last week he and his son Ernest started out in a six-cylinder Studebaker on a four-days' trip throughout another section. They drove to Condon then on to Fossil, 50 miles beyond, where the famous fossil deposits are to be found and from which the place derives its name. Near there they found an opal seam in the rock formation and brought several specimens away with them. This opal, while lot of the gem variety, can be used for commercial purposes in the manufacture of various articles, and is of a superior quality as well as extensive in quantity and of sufficient sizes to justify exportation. The vein was traced for a hundred feet and is 16 inches in width.

That night they spent at Condon, after returning from Fossil. Then they went to Arlington and Wasco, returning to The Dalles after being away four days.

Dr. Thompson reports the crops of eastern Oregon as being something very fine. The farmers expect bumper crops and they are all feeling extra good over their prospects. He brought home with him a number of fossil specimens and will go back in July for a further investigation of the opal mine and the fossil discoveries. At that time he expects to be gone about three weeks.

AT GLADSTONE ON JULY SIXTH

Announcement of the Gladstone chautauqua is out with date of July 6th as the commencement. Some remarkable entertainments have been listed for the 12 days of the gathering including the Royal Hungarian orchestra and Grau's original Swiss yodelers. Other entertainers will include Senator Burkett of Nebraska, the famous Schumann quintet, the Saxony opera singers in English opera, the Royal Italian band and a dozen individuals of national reputation.

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HAY MAKING IS PROBLEM IN THE RAIN

Some of the farmers have been making hay already this season. Over toward Troutdale there was hay in the shock on Monday and the chances are good that it got rather moist when it rained on Wednesday.

Other farmers have cut their first crop of clover and put it away in silos for cow feed. Nearly every silo in working order is being filled for use when the early pasture gives out and there will be new crops of clover coming along out of which next winter's hay will be made.

Those who have been trying to harvest an early hay crop by the ordinary methods must have been thinking of the old saying, "Make hay while the sun shines." The sun was shining brightly last week and it was a tempting idea to follow the suggestion given by Professor J. E. Larsen, extension soils and crop specialist at the Oregon Agricultural college. He says that "It is easy to overdo the sunshine business and the best green hay product is often ruined by too much sunshine in the curing. The quality of the hay depends very much upon the making, the best quality undergoing a certain degree of fermentation. Extreme light and sunshine prevent this and also destroy the natural green color, which should be kept in the cured hay as largely as possible. Good color and good quality are closely associated. Hay, especially grain and vetch, allowed to lie in small bunches until completely burned out, is low in value. It looks about like excelsior and is worth about as much for feed."

Professor Larsen was probably thinking of conditions elsewhere than in the Willamette valley, where it is almost impossible to make a good quality of hay according to his formula. Here it requires sunshine and the bright, green color he speaks about is the exception. Perhaps those farmers who get their hay spoiled this year will build silos in order to save the first crop. The summer rains here explain why alfalfa is not a success in this part of the state. The first crop cannot be saved by ordinary methods.

MRS. E. A. STAFFORD PASSES AWAY

Mrs. E. A. Stafford, aged 69, died last night at her home near Gresham of heart failure. She is survived by eleven children. They are S. M. Stafford and Mrs. H. J. Wallace, Portland, Mrs. Henry Richardson, Kenton, Al and Jessie Stafford, Bridal Veil, Mrs. A. H. Dowsett, Gresham, Chester and Everett Stafford, Troutdale, John Stafford, Ocean Park, California, Mrs. William Kane, Atascadero, California, and Mrs. I. T. Buxton, Troutdale.

Funeral announcements cannot be made at this time.

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AID SOCIETY HAS PICNIC AND LUNCH

Weather conditions favored the 75 or more persons who gathered on Tuesday afternoon for the annual picnic of the Ladies' Aid society. Although somewhat cloudy, there was no rain to mar the enjoyment of the day. Elaborate preparations had been made at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Parsons, where the gathering was held. A large booth was constructed on the lawn, which was covered with fir boughs. At one end of the pavilion was a flower covered throne, on which Mrs. Wire, wife of the pastor, Rev. Melville T. Wire, was seated and crowned queen of the day.

A brief program was given, when Mrs. L. S. Osborne, president of the society, spoke of the work of the year and announced that the carpet, purchased about three months ago at a cost of \$300, was practically paid for. Much gratitude is felt by the ladies toward all who have assisted in this work. Mr. Parsons, on behalf of the trustees of the church, accepted the carpet with appropriate words of thanks.

Mrs. Wire was presented by the ladies with the beautiful blue and white album quilt which has been made during the past few weeks. More than 500 names are worked on the blocks and each name has added 10c to the carpet fund.

A delicious repast of punch and cake, strawberry shortcake and cream, was served at the close of the afternoon. Mrs. Parsons was praised as a most efficient shortcake artist. She was assisted in the decoration of the grounds by Mrs. Ellen A. Pomeroy and Miss Henrietta Wiles.

GOOD ADVERTISEMENT FOR A. W. LAFFERTY

Several of the railroad land squatters received letters last week from A. W. Lafferty of Portland, a former member of congress, stating that his efforts for the squatters before the supreme court at Washington had exhausted all of his funds and that he was now absolutely hungry and wants them to send him any amount as he was in need. Lafferty is in bad with the big money bugs and they are bound to run him out of town. If he had been obedient when in congress he might now be rolling in wealth.—Sandy News.

The Small-Grain Distilling company of Louisville, Kentucky, advertises its whisky as "a bully little builder of brain and brawn." These words are badly tangled. Evidently this was meant: "A brawny little builder of bulles and bums."



WILLIAM BENECKE

William Benecke, a fourth grade pupil in the Fairview school, made a perfect record in four spelling contests conducted during the past school year, according to Janet M. Grant, his teacher, and in addition his average in daily work was 99.65 per cent.

Among his classmates who made excellent records are: Edward Heslin, 98.92 per cent; Gertrude Fitzgerald, 98.86 per cent; Alfred Ledburn, 98.85 per cent; Margaret Jonas, 98.8 per cent. All of the remaining members of this class receive an average of better than 96 per cent.

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JITNEY LAW MAY AFFECT SUBURBANS

Portland's jitney ordinance, regulating automobiles used for hire, was adopted by a majority of over 7000 votes on Monday last.

While there is no difference of opinion as to its power to regulate the jitney traffic within the city limits of Portland there is the question of how far the autos running into the city from outside points will be affected.

The ordinance will go into effect as soon as it is officially declared a law and the suburban jitney lines are wondering.

The Ford Quick Service, which is maintaining six cars with a 20-minute schedule, is somewhat worried as they have no information as to their standing in the matter. The same may be said of the Leland auto service and the Pleasant Home car as well as all others which operate between the center of the city and outside points.

The original ordinance, unless it has been changed, contains the following provisions:

A license fee of \$2 per month for all machines carrying seven or less passengers and 25 cents per seat per month for larger machines.

Machines must follow routes designated in the license.

Service must be maintained from 6 a. m. to 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. to 11 p. m. On Sunday, service may start at 7:30. The fare is fixed at 5c. Machines carrying fourteen passengers or more are to stop at all railroad crossings. The number of passengers is limited to the seating capacity. Drivers 18 years, examination required, machines inspected monthly, route changed only by permission of commission.

FIRE DEPARTMENT TO CELEBRATE FOURTH

The Gresham Volunteer fire department met in an adjourned session at the fire hall Wednesday night. The adjournment of the council meeting Tuesday night, June 1, made necessary the adjournment of the fire meeting. Thus it was decided that hereafter the regular fire meeting will be on the first Monday in the month. The next regular meeting will probably be on July 5. The Tuesday night council meeting sometimes adjourns to the next night and the noise in the fire hall interferes with a council session.

Ettel Jones and Edw. Aylsworth were appointed to work with two others appointed from the racing association to formulate plans for a celebration here on July 5. Fred Hoss, Harold Kern and Ernest Sims were appointed to make some changes in the constitution of the department in regard to members absent from meetings.

The benefit organization is well under way and over \$75 is on hand to pay any claims which may be made for accident or sickness. The drawing of benefits is not confined to disability caused by fire, but can be drawn for any sickness or accident no matter what the cause. The schedule of benefits is \$5 per week, for 26 weeks while the doctor makes regular visits and \$2.50 for 26 weeks for any disability where a doctor is not called in. The cost is 25c per month.

There was quite a resentful sentiment against the Gresham Supreme Court for the removal of several benches from the fire hall. The benches were taken to seat the crowds that thronged the court room Monday and were not returned. It caused a good deal of inconvenience as some of the firemen had no place to sit during the meeting.

Summer School Begins June 28

The 11th annual session of the State University summer school will open June 28, and will end Aug. 6. A conference of Oregon educators and a conference of Oregon ministers without regard to denomination, will be features added to the regular lectures. The summer school faculty include educators from Princeton, Stanford, Clark, Wisconsin and elsewhere, and about 25 University of Oregon faculty members.

Former President Taft was a speaker at the dinner of the National Association of Manufacturers in New York the other day. This dinner was York for the first time in the history of the organization.



Left to right—Herr Antone Lang, the Christus; John, Peter, Mathew, James, Philip, Thomas, Andrew, Simon, James Bartholomew, Thaddeus. Insert—C. N. Wonacott, who saw the play in 1910.

C. N. Wonacott will show the stereopticon views of the Passion Play at the Fairview city hall next Friday night, June 18, under the auspices of the U. S. class of the Presbyterian Sunday school.

In his announcement he says that the Passion Play is the last of the Medieval dramas portraying the Passion of the Lord. It is played only every tenth year by the inhabitants of Oberammergau, Germany, who are devout Catholics and who do so purely from a religious motive and a sacred vow.

Mr. Wonacott saw the play in 1910 and by stereopticon slides, made and colored by these peasants themselves, he explains the play. It is a rare privilege to hear the story of the play and players given so vividly by one who saw it. The war has drafted part of the players and the future of the play is uncertain.

An admission of 25 and 15 cents will be charged.