

250 WOMEN TO BE INCLUDED IN LOCAL JURY CALL

Women will be called as jurors at the February term of the circuit court, under the state law, approved by the voters at May, 25, 1921, primary, and County Clerk Chauncey Flory will draw the list the first week in January, which will contain the names of 250 women and 250 men. The list is for the year. The law as amended only requires that a juror be a voter, and not alone a taxpayer as heretofore.

The second story of the new county vault will be used as women's quarters, though the deliberations of a jury will not be separate. School teachers are alone exempt from service, but all other women may be excused upon request, as follows, as provided by the law:

"Any woman desiring to be excused from jury service may claim exemption by signing a written or printed notice thereof and returning the same to the sheriff before the date for appearance, and if exemption is so claimed by reason of sex no appearance need be made in answer to said summons; provided, that it shall be the duty of the person serving any summons for jury duty to inform every female person so served of this provision and to furnish her with a written or printed blank on which to make such claim for exemption."

The requirement for a juror of both sexes is: a citizen of the United States, over 21 years of age; a legal voter of the country in which he or she resides, and in possession of his natural faculties, and a sound mind. The new jury law, effective January 1st, also provides, that in all criminal actions, where the complaining witness or the defendant is under 18 years of age, one-half of the jury shall be women.

The law also excuses members of the legislature when the august body is in session.

Oregon is the last of the Pacific coast states to have women jurors. Women served on the Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle trial in California, one being credited with hanging the jury in Washington, a notable case in which women acted as jurors, was the murder trial of James E. Mahoney, charged with the murder of his aged wife.

Among the cases to be tried at the February term of court, with women as jurors, will be the remainder of the Bank of Jacksonville failure cases, and the probable retrial of John Goodwin and James (Shine) Edwards, taxi drivers charged with bootlegging.

INCREASE OF 20 PER CENT IN CHRISTMAS MAIL

The Christmas business of the Medford postoffice was greater by 20 per cent this Christmas than on any previous year in the history of the office, according to Postmaster William J. Warner who has been connected with the office for 20 years past. Not only that but there were far less damaged packages received this year than usual.

The increase is attributed to the steadily growing increase in the city's population, especially during the past year, and the fact that in the main the local people are prosperous. This increase was both in outgoing and incoming Christmas matter. The better condition of the arriving packages is due to the fact that the people of the United States generally this year heeded the campaign to mail early, and thus the Christmas packages came streaming in steadily to the Medford office over a week's period, instead of all coming practically at once during the few days before Christmas. It is the congestion of packages that causes their damage.

One thing that the local postoffice staff is very proud of is that all the Christmas packages received here were delivered each day, which required hard hustling and long hours on the part of every member of the staff. Some of the staff worked 17 hours a day.

The especially heavy parcel and letter mail of Saturday was all cleaned up and delivered by 9:30 p. m. that night, including all the Christmas letter mail which arrived on the 9:05 a. m. train, and which was five times more than the normal distribution of letters. The big parcel mail arrived on the special package and express train at 1 p. m.

But comparatively little Christmas mail arrived on Sunday afternoon, but each package and letter was delivered by noon Monday. That cleared the Christmas decks completely and the parcel and letter mail had dropped to normal by this morning, although there were many packages and letters for the stores and offices which could not be delivered Monday because of such places being closed that day.

One factor which helped out in the prompt handling of the Christmas delivery is that the five extra men employed at the local postoffice were all experienced men, and the fact that the big business houses throughout the country held back their advertising matter this year until after Christmas.

trip. On their return they will reside in Ashland.

Miss Clark is a popular Medford girl, a graduate of the Medford high school with the class of 1918, who was formerly employed as a private stenographer by O. C. Boggs and who recently resigned her position to be married.

Mr. Erickson is a well known Ashland boy, a graduate of Ashland high school, and also a graduate of Oakland, Calif., polytechnic school, who went with the O. A. C. boys to France and took an active part in the World War, and also is at present employed by the Standard Oil Co. of Ashland.

THINKS FAIR PLAN BEATEN

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is at last getting the earnest consideration of the average man, as it has for some time had the attention of the thinking men of the state.

"In other words, the level-headed members of the legislature forced the whole membership to face, squarely and fairly, the proposition as to whether we, as legislators, were justified in recommending to the people that pass a measure taxing themselves \$3,000,000 to permit the holding of a \$5,000,000 exposition at Portland as against the original plan of a much smaller fair, supported by individual subscriptions. With this proposition fairly before them, and the testimony as to conditions from the several sections of the state beginning to pour in, the advocates of the fair tax proposition found themselves up against a hard job.

"This feeling began to grow as the members gathered at Portland a few days before the session. By the time we were at Salem, it was in full swing. The boys who were the loudest in their opposition were those from eastern Oregon, men who had always been known for their liberal and "progressive" attitude. On the first day of the session, we started a round robin in the house, pledging ourselves to fight any exposition measure which involved more taxes upon the general property of the state, now bearing a tax burden almost to the breaking point. Both Mr. Carter and I, Jackson county's two representatives, signed this and helped in the fight against the general \$3,000,000 tax measure. By Monday night we had 35 signatures, five more than enough to defeat it.

Opposition Firm

"At first the Portland boys tried to break down this 'bloc.' But by Tuesday noon they came to the conclusion that we had a stone wall and at the suggestion of some of their leaders turned to a gasoline tax proposal. This turning to another plan was natural for the Portland men were told right and left, by practically all of us that were opposing the \$3,000,000 tax plan, that we were for the fair if any proposition could be evolved which we would feel justified in recommending to the people. The legislators were

face to face with a real responsibility in this matter and felt it was shown them that in Portland about 80 per cent of the voters paid not a cent of taxes. The proportion out over the state is not so high but it runs up pretty near to half the voters. With these figures before us, and the fact, which is a fact, that nearly all the increase in taxes brought about during recent years has been due to the votes of the people, in fact, the votes of these irresponsible voters who pay no taxes, we showed many of the members that it was their duty to refuse to submit the measure unless they could conscientiously recommend it.

Carter, Sheldon Vote "No"

"The real fight came on a compromise measure which increased the present tax of 2c per gallon on gasoline to 3c and then took 60 per cent of all the gasoline tax for four years to finance the fair, a total of \$3,000,000. The house voted on the proposition first and the measure was adopted by a vote of 45 yes, 14 no, 1 absent. Mr. Carter and myself were among those who voted "no."

By the time the proposal came up for consideration in the senate, the situation was beginning to be a little better understood, and the desire that we all had for an exposition, which desire was reflected in the house vote, was tempered by a face to face consideration of the plan of dipping into the fund which was created solely for putting a sound financial foundation beneath our highway bonds, already amounting to nearly \$40,000,000, which bonds with interest would have to be paid by further taxes upon general property if our auto license and gasoline tax foundation proved inadequate; the matter assumed a little different hue. While we all wanted the fair, the question of whether lifting the original scheme from a \$1,500,000 subscription plan to a \$6,000,000 taxation plan was worth incurring the dangers involved in dipping into our \$40,000,000 highway bond reserve fund, assumed real serious proportions. It should also be remembered that many of us had been pounding away during the past two sessions for putting more and more of the burden of this highway reserve fund on gasoline instead of on direct auto license tax, and we could see where the diverting of this fund to fair purposes at Portland, knocked out

our chances of accomplishing that.

Thomas Also Votes "No"

"The fight in the senate was a battle royal lasting two and a half days, resulting in the failure of the proposal by one vote. Senator Thomas took the same stand as did Mr. Carter and I and voted "no."

"The real value of the fight at Salem, in my judgment, is not so much the result as to the 1925 fair, in fact I would do a great deal to help bring that fair about, for my experience of six months at the San Francisco fair taught me the very great value they have; but it lies in the fact that the necessity of a change of front on the larger question of the state's financial condition and the general problem of high taxes, has been forced into the limelight and it will never lose that place until something really tangible toward better and more sane economic conditions in the state has been accomplished. The best men of the state have been thinking on the matter for some time. A special commission appointed by the governor is at

work on the problem. Some, perhaps, a much good, will come from this movement.

"One result which I hope to see, and some of us were discussing it at Salem last week, is that the next session of the legislature should break the custom of appropriation up to the full limit set by the "6 per cent limitation" in the constitution, and deliberately refuse to allow appropriations in excess of those made by the 1921 session. The value in this would be, not so much the money saved by that one

piece of work, as the upsetting of a habit, a sort of unwritten rule, which in the end, if continued, will lead to the piling up of a big annual tax roll. The legislators have been saying that the people by their votes set a certain limit as proper and they were doing all that was their duty in observing that mandate. But I miss my guess if you don't see the legislature, and I hope at its very next session, set a new mandate for itself much more economical than that set by the people."

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With the welcome break in the character of the weather and the waning of the first interest in Christmas toys, indications are bright for a crowd of youngsters to take the trip tomorrow. The hills beyond Jacksonville are the objective point. Even with another foggy day, this will get above it. The boys will assemble at the city park promptly at 8:30. There will then be ample time to see that all arrangements are complete, and final instructions will be given, after which the Jacksonville car will be boarded at 9 o'clock. The hike will return on the 5 p. m. car. Every boy must have 19c car fare and 5c for the wiener feed at noon. He must also carry lunch for himself.

LAST FORUM 1921 AN INFORMAL ONE

As the forum of the Medford Chamber of Commerce tomorrow will be the last one held in 1921, it will be in the nature of a social session, rather than one devoted entirely to business.

A little fun now and then is relished by the best of men and as the members of the chamber have attended strictly to business during the past year, the last forum will be one at which entertainment will be the primary object.

Students from the higher educational institutions at home on their vacation who desire to attend this forum, have this privilege extended to them.

The forum will be held at the Medford Hotel tomorrow noon.

WEDDING BELLS

Helen Clark and Arthur E. Erickson were married Christmas eve by Judge Calkins at his residence on Minnesota avenue. Only the mothers of the young couple were present. After the wedding the young couple enjoyed a wedding supper and left for a wedding

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