

### What the Editors Say.

The Democrats seem so desirous of seeing Col. Roosevelt nominated for the presidency, that one wonders why they don't select him as their own candidate.—The Spectator.

If that \$60-a-quart champagne is poured in the sewer up at Seattle, there will doubtless be several cases of heart failure among the spectators.—Register, Eugene.

It is 20 days since the prohibition law went into effect and not one single permit for booze has yet been issued in Wahkiakum county. Must be on the water wagon.—Columbia River Sun.

The grape juice regime established by Bryan at the White House at the beginning of the Wilson administration is at an end. President Wilson has decided to serve light wines at all diplomatic functions. Step by step is the president becoming autocrat of the White House.—Telephone Register.

As an instance of how people generally will do the right thing if somebody starts the habit, a feed store in Albany has given away 1,000 pounds of seed for feeding the birds while the snow is on. It is only recently that people have taken a general interest in this good work. It has come through agitation and example.—Telephone Register.

The Post Office Department shows that honest advertising campaigns of newspapers and magazines are killing the get-rich-quick enterprises including bond investment schemes, home purchasing plans, endless chain enterprises which are defrauding the credulous millions, but that the lotteries—the worst frauds of all—are still flourishing.—Willamina Times.

According to available statistics, there were registered in the United States at the end of the year, 2,190,257 automobiles, with five states making no reports. Counting these at an average value of one thousand dollars, which is considered low, one can gain some idea of the enormous amount of money used for this method of business and pleasure.—Umpqua Valley News.

Rev. E. E. Gittins, of Tillamook City, Oregon was in Amity Wednesday, Mr. Gittins informs us that he expects soon to quit the active ministry and when he does he expects to live in Amity the rest of his days. Certainly nothing could be more pleasing to the Amity people than to have Mr. Gittins here as a permanent citizen, for he is universally loved by our people.—Amity Standard.

Astoria is to have a municipally owned steamer line plying the Columbia between that seaport and the upper Columbia. This is done in an effort to force the railroads to give Astoria what she considers her rights as to rail rates. Those who object to cities owning anything except their sewers will see in this move a step toward inevitable destruction.—Capitol Journal, Salem.

High taxes constitute a problem that will not be settled satisfactorily so long as the people, through the initiative and referendum ask for still more taxation. With these weapons, they can have any size taxes and any kind of government they want—and to date they seem to want costly government and high taxes. The "reformation" seems to be working in the wrong direction.—Oregon Voter.

Old John Barleycorn is going to have another solar plexus. At this congress bills are to be introduced prohibiting the use of the mails for the ordering of liquors. These bills, will if passed, close down enough distilleries to make old John writhe in mortal agony, for there are over two thousand whisky mail order houses doing a rattling good business with the aid of Uncle Sam. Old Sam has several things to do yet before the mail service reaches the stage of can't be improved upon.—News Times

Portland has some self-satisfying judges on the bench that would do credit to the supreme court bench if their legal knowledge is as profound as they think it is. One of them has overruled the federal court on the Sunday closing law and another refused for more than a year to commit a man to prison after being declared guilty of embezzlement by a jury. It has reasonably been supposed that law is law but evidently there is some mistake about this in the minds of the two eminent jurists of the river city.—Sheridan Sun.

Why so much fuss, pow wow, and comment because Oregon is... It is as foolish as it is sickening would make it appear that... man in Oregon was a

beer-guzzler, a toper. Far from it, temperate drinkers, hard-headed business men saw the evils of the saloon business and decided to stop it, giving those engaged in the business a good long time to close up their shops and depose of their intoxicants. The majority for state prohibition is sufficient to put the "croakers" to sleep. Oregon's citizenship is eager to give Prohibition a fair, impartial trial before condemning it.—News Reporter.

Our Democratic brethren are inclined to settle the question of whether or not Judge Hughes, of New York will be the Republican standard bearer for 1916, for them. They do not want him to make the race, which is the very best lynch to the Republicans that he is the best man available. While Cummins, Roosevelt, LaFollette, Root, Sherman and all the others have their followers, it strikes us that Judge Hughes is the one man who will unite the party and make a successful run. Therefore the Democrats want someone else to make the race. If the question was up to the people of Oregon we are sure Judge Hughes would win the nomination hands down.—News Times.

Preaching "American First" and practicing "Foreigners First" is a policy that will embarrass the democrats when they come to defend their record next fall. In the ten months of democratic tariff rates preceding the outbreak of the war, our imports of meats and dairy products increased to \$40,545,000 as compared with \$12,460,000 in the corresponding 10 months under the republican tariff. Imports under Democratic policies were more than three times as great as under republican policies. We gave the foreigners greater access to our markets, and yet the cost of living did not decrease. The American farmer is forgetful of some things but he will remember these figures when he makes up his mind how to vote next November. The figures are from official reports.—Astorian.

Another commission has been created and is at work in California, to ascertain who pays the taxes and how they can be shifted. Some are so foolish as to think that there is some way to make the rich people and the corporations pay all of the taxes. Orators make some people who pay no direct tax, believe that they do not have to become interested in the subject. But it has been proven by census statistics that the man who pays \$12 a month rent pays \$3 of that for taxes. The grocer who sells people the necessities of life is forced to add 10 per cent to make up for taxes. So if taxes are unnecessarily high, more and more is shifted onto those least able to pay the high cost of living. It is exactly this poor, propertyless class, that the politicians get to vote for schemes that he may have a fat job. He promises the people all kinds of relief at the hands of commissions and minimum wage scales, that only enrich the grafter.—Seaside Signal.

Recall of county judges is becoming a habit down in Columbia county. It was only a year ago that a capable official was dumped into the discard as an aftermath of the unsavory Columbia highway mess, it being well understood that he was the target for resentment against state officials who could not be gashed, and now it is proposed to attempt to recall his successor because he stood pat on his budget estimates. Has it ever struck the recall advocates that carried to its logical conclusion it means public officials with spines like jelly and with no higher ambition than to hold on to their jobs. A self-respecting man of ability will have nothing to do with a system that reduces him to the level of a mere clerk, with a constant threat of dismissal should he attempt to carry out policies he knows are sound, if they happen not to suit a majority which acts regardless of wisdom but according to their own private interests.—Hillsboro Independent.

Good Roads Oregon's Greatest Issue

"Good roads is the most important issue before the people of Oregon. There is no other question which demands such earnest consideration. It means so much to the development of our state—so much to the tillers of the soil—that it must be met squarely. The automobile and the motor truck are reaching out and changing conditions in the rural districts. The change has been so complete in places that we have before us such concrete examples of the vital need of better roads. The state, through its Highway Department and the Highway Advisory Board, is outlining a definite campaign for providing a system for state roads. But before we start this campaign we must work out this plan to its logical end. Investigations are now being conducted by the members of the advisory committee—Mr. Benson, Mr. Butler and Mr. Albert—and it will

not be long until there will be announced the completed plan for getting this system of state highways which, I am sure, will meet with your approval."—From the address of Gov. Withycombe.

#### Notice of Hearing on Petition To Form Drainage District.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Tillamook. Notice is hereby given that hearing on the following petition will be held at the Court House in the City of Tillamook, County of Tillamook, State of Oregon on the 22nd day of March, 1916, for the purpose of determining whether the prayer of said petition shall be granted.

To the Honorable County Court of Tillamook County, Oregon: The undersigned, being the owners of more than fifty per cent of the land in Tillamook County, Oregon, hereinafter described, do hereby petition your Honorable Body and pray that you cause to be organized and formed a drainage district for the purpose of having said lands reclaimed and protected in the manner herein set forth from the effects of water, for sanitary and agricultural purposes, and for the benefit and welfare of the public, and for the public utility and benefit.

For the purpose of this petition we state the following facts, as required by Chapter 340 of the General Laws of Oregon for the year 1915.

1. The name proposed for the district which is herein prayed for is Little Nestucca Drainage District.  
2. The boundary lines of the proposed district are as follows: Beginning at a point 773 feet South of the Sixteenth Section corner at the Southeast corner of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 9, Township 5 South, Range 10 West of Willamette Meridian, in Oregon, running thence in a Northwesterly direction along the high water line as follows:

Thence North 76 degrees West 440 feet; thence North 38 degrees East 822 feet; thence West 465 feet to the sixteenth section corner; thence North 332 feet; thence North 65 degrees West 1450 feet; thence West 510 feet; thence North 29 degrees West 1670 feet; thence North 42 1/2 degrees West 970 feet; thence South 81 degrees West 665 feet; thence South 86 1/2 degrees West 660 feet; thence South 73 degrees West 182 feet; thence South 33 degrees West 101 feet; thence South 30 degrees West 269 feet; thence North 72 degrees West 190 feet; thence North 67 degrees West 127 feet; thence North 34 degrees West 340 feet; thence South 85 degrees West 250 feet; thence South 66 degrees West 299 feet; thence South 50 degrees West 294 feet; thence South 38 degrees West 563 feet; thence South 63 degrees West 190 feet; thence North 54 degrees West 24 feet; thence South 38 degrees West 336 feet; thence South 33 1/2 degrees West 214 feet; thence North 65 degrees East 120 feet; thence North 18 degrees East 100 feet; thence North 31 degrees East 167 feet; thence North 23 degrees East 286 feet; thence North 23 degrees East 220 feet; thence North 21 1/2 degrees East 446 feet; thence North 25 degrees East 1538 feet; thence North 26 degrees East 360 feet; thence North 48 degrees East 320 feet; thence North 3 degrees East 216 feet; thence North 41 degrees West 536 feet; thence North 53 1/2 degrees East 766 feet; thence North 48 degrees East 450 feet; thence North 6 degrees East 590 feet to the left, or South bank of Little Nestucca River; thence in a Southeasterly direction along the left bank of said river to a point North of the place of beginning; thence South 1160 feet to the place of beginning.

The lands described and contained within said boundaries constitute a contiguous body of swamp, wet and overflow lands.

3. The total acreage included in said proposed district is 345,614 acres.

4. The names of the owners of land in said district as shown by the records of Tillamook County, Oregon and acreage owned by each of said owners is as follows:  
John Fox and Charles Fox 67.1 acres  
T. H. Penter, S. A. Penter 59.3 acres  
William Henry Craven, Jesse A. Craven, Mary L. Craven, Birdie L. Craven 28 acres  
John L. Craven, Orby Craven and Clair G. Craven, as devisees of J. K. Craven deceased 11.24 acres  
K. Craven, deceased 11.24 acres  
Lester Ray 30.70 acres  
W. J. Lyons 112 acres  
D. H. Fletcher 8.45 acres  
M. W. Harrison 53.25 acres  
Charles Ray 1.00 acres  
L. J. Redberg 9.00 acres  
T. B. Redberg 25.03 acres  
Christoffer Christensen 56.60 acres  
F. J. Carver 1.79 acres  
Grace Etzweiler 0.63 acres  
T. A. Porter and Condessa L. Porter 0.31 acres  
J. P. Gage 1.86 acres

5. The proposed reclamation and protection of said lands is for sanitary and agricultural purposes, and such proposed reclamation and protection will be conducive to the public health and welfare, and of public utility and benefit.

6. All of the said lands included in said proposed district are properly included therein, and will be beneficially affected by the operation of the proposed district.

7. The benefits of such proposed reclamation and protection will exceed the damage to be done, and the best interests of the land included, and of the owners thereof as a whole and of the public at large will be promoted by the formation and proposed operation of such district.

8. The formation of a drainage district under the provisions of Chapter 340 of the General Laws of Oregon for 1915, under the provisions of which this petition is presented, is a proper and advantageous method of accomplishing the reclamation and protection of the lands included in said proposed district.

shall be constructed along the South bank of the Little Nestucca river where the same borders upon the proposed district. Said district borders upon said river, and as said lands are now situated the same are now subject to overflow at times of high tides and freshets, and the construction of a dyke along the bank of said river will protect said lands from inundation, and the land will thereby be rendered more fit for cultivation, and much more productive.

10. The signers of this petition agree that they will pay any and all expenses incurred, and any tax or taxes that may be levied against their respective lands for the purpose of paying the expenses of organizing, or attempting to organize the proposed district, such expense to be taxed against the signers in proportion to the number of acres owned by them and affected by the proposed drainage district.

11. Wherefore, your petitioners pray that the lands described herein, or such thereof as may be found by the court to be properly included in the proposed district, either permanently or until further investigation and surveys may permit elimination, shall be declared organized into a drainage district under the provisions of Chapter 340 hereinbefore referred to.

Dated this December 14, 1915.  
1. Lester Ray.  
2. T. H. Fletcher  
3. T. H. Penter  
4. John Fox  
5. Chas. Fox  
6. L. J. Redberg  
7. Ole B. Redberg  
8. T. A. Porter  
9. G. A. Etzweiler  
10. Chas. Ray  
11. M. W. Harrison.

State of Oregon, County of Tillamook, ss.  
I, D. H. Fletcher, being first duly sworn, say: That I have read the foregoing petition; that I believe the allegations thereof to be true; that the signatures appearing to said petition are the true and proper signatures of the persons whose names appear as signed thereto, and that each and all of said signers are owners of land within the proposed district as set forth in said petition.

D. H. Fletcher.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of December, 1915.

H. T. Botts,  
Notary Public for Oregon.  
My Commission expires Dec. 26, 1915.

All persons owning or claiming an interest in lands described in said petition are hereby notified to appear at said place on said date and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer in said petition should not be granted.

J. C. Holden,  
Clerk of the County Court.

#### Notice of Final Account.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, has filed in the County Court of Tillamook County, Oregon, in the matter of the estate of Margery Leasia, deceased, their final account, as administrator and administratrix of said estate. And that said Court has fixed Friday, February 11th, 1916, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the Court House in Tillamook City, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said account.

Wm. J. Bogart, Goldie Clark, administrator and administratrix of the estate of Margery Leasia, deceased.

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#### For County Treasurer.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Tillamook County, subject to the will of the Republican voters at the 1916 primary election.

Respectfully,  
J. H. Dunstan.

#### To the Voters of Tillamook County.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination for the office of County Sheriff, on the Republican ticket. If nominated and elected I shall endeavor to enforce the law with efficiency, and economy.

Respectfully,  
W. L. Campbell.

#### To The Voters of Tillamook County.

I hereby announce myself as a Democratic candidate for the office of County School Superintendent subject to the primary election to be held in May, 1916.

H. M. Cross.

#### To the Voters of Tillamook County.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner (North end) Tillamook County at the primary election to be held in May 1916.

D. F. Thompson.

#### To The Voters of Tillamook County.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Sheriff on the Republican ticket at the primary election to be held in May.

Respectfully,  
Fred H. Minich.

#### To the Voters of Tillamook County.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the nomination for the office of County School Superintendent at the primary election to be held in May.

Geo. B. Lamb.

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