

What the Editors Say.

When a playful dog upsets a lamp and the house burns, that is misfortune. To dispose of the animal before the disaster would be a calamity, because folks—that is certain folks—must keep dogs.—Williamina Times.

The Oregon initiative and referendum system of direct legislation can and will work wonders for the good of the whole people, when operated by intelligent and humane people. But operated by crafty, soulless politicians with the sole object for more dollars for them, it is justly entitled to the name of "Faké legislation."—Drewsey Pioneer-Sun.

A Colorado postmaster, who was detected in the act of hugging a lady in the postoffice, was reported to the department at Washington and his dismissal requested. A reply was received to the effect that there was no rule of the department which prohibited a postmaster from hugging a woman who wanted to be hugged, so long as she did not interfere with the discharge of his duties as postmaster.—Itemizer.

Its time to quit fighting. Even the washer woman is seeing the effects of the war. Washing sodas used to be \$1.20 the hundred weight, but now they are \$1.50. Blueing has gone up from \$2.50 to \$12, not for a hundred pounds, but for one pound. Even starch has gone up from six to ten cents a pound and potash from six cents to seventy-five. The first thing we know we will be seeing things double in our laundry slip.—News-Times.

What is a kilowatt? We have always been at sea on this point. Now we read that the average man, electrically speaking, each day dissipates about two and a half kilowatt hours of energy, mental exertion and heat radiation. We will give a half column to some college professor or student to elucidate this problem, and at the same time would ask that he show the average dissipation in kilowatt hours of a basketball player.—Telephone Register.

The women teachers in the state will undoubtedly note with pleasure the recent supreme court decision that getting married is no longer a bar to further activities in that profession. Mrs. Maud L. Richards, a teacher in the Portland schools, was dismissed a year ago for getting married. The case was carried to the courts and in a decision handed down a few days ago by the state supreme court she is to be reinstated and to receive her salary for the year she was idle.—Banks Herald.

There is a probability says the Dallas Observer, of Mrs. Ella G. Metzger, president of the Dallas woman's club, becoming a candidate for state representative on the republican ticket. And why shouldn't she? If women once get the economical idea of government firmly fixed in their minds it's hairpins to stories that they will knock the everlasting buttons off the legislative jackets of the male parasites who before now have been elevated to the legislative halls.—Sheridan Sun.

The gasoline situation is puzzling, says an exchange. It would take many lawyers, to figure it out. In Chicago the independents claim that the Standard Oil is holding prices down to 16 cents in that city, prices that are breaking their backs. In other districts prices range upward to 18 and even 20 cents, the latter being in Oklahoma where they have the raw oils. It may be confessed that the situation is badly mixed up the country over and one cannot make head nor tail out of it. Congress seems to be agitated and to be ready to take a hand, but congress probably knows no more than the rest of us.—News-Times.

"In our statement of small nations" says Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, "this country acts like a bully, while in our dealings with powerful countries we act like cowards." To what did the utterance of our senior Senator have reference? We recall very distinctly a firm and efficacious note addressed by President Grover Cleveland to Great Britain in the Venezuelan affair; and history holds up for the inspection and instruction of the present government an ultimatum addressed to the Emperor of Germany by President Theodore Roosevelt. It is possible that Senator Chamberlain is comparing President Wilson's swift and sudden action against Haiti with his sweetly scented notes to Germany and his watchful waiting policy toward Mexico? While the Senator has exposed himself to a charge of lese majesté, it cannot be said that the comparison is inapposite.—The Spectator.

Only once in the year and a half of European war has this country been in real danger of becoming involved in the conflict. The real crisis occurred when the president almost succeeded in forcing through the democratic congress his ship purchase bill. So long as the nations at war sank private merchant ships carrying war supplies to other warring nations, the controversies that arose were questions which could be settled by negotiation. But if we had undertaken to carry American goods in government-owned ships, as was proposed by this administration—and, moreover, in ships formerly owned by the nations at war—these ships would certainly have been captured and destroyed. No one will dispute the assertion that such action would have involved us in the war immediately. The American statesmen who averted the only real and serious crisis—the men who actually kept us out of the war—were the republican senators, aided by several patriotic democrats, who prevented the passage of the ship purchase bill. Will they do it again?—Astorian.

Travelers who are accustomed to being held up at every corner and

who have found it necessary when en route to either carry a lunch or patronize the necessarily high-priced diners, have been agreeably surprised with the lunch service advoated by the Southern Pacific some time ago. The male brunette who formerly announced that dinner was ready in the diner, and who did it in a tone to indicate that you could either follow him or starve, now announces the meals as usual but also leaves a slip announcing that for the accommodation of passengers lunch boxes will be delivered by the waiter upon request at the modest price of 30 cents. The slip gives the contents of each box, the list including items sufficient for a good sized lunch. With the lunch boxes a family may be fed at the price it formerly cost one. There was no particular reason why the Southern Pacific should adopt this lunch box service, other than the accommodation of its patrons. Such interest in the welfare and comfort of travelers is such a contrast to the public-beldanned spirit of the roads of a few years ago as to be worthy of special notice.—Sentinel, Cottage Grove.

An Associated Press dispatch of recent date tells of the big plan of the International Harvest Company, to sell stock on the monthly payment plan to any of its 350,000 employees who may wish to take advantage of the offer. The plan is a most liberal one in that the payments made draw interest at the rate of 5 per cent, pending the issue of stock on the certificates, provision is made for suspension of payments in case of illness or unfavorable layoffs, the stock is to be sold to the employees at less than the market price, the certificates are redeemable any time in cash, and hence the employee who starts on the plan is simply being urged to save his money, exactly as he would do with a savings deposit or a life insurance policy. The plan is another move by a big corporation to bring it closer to the people. The Pennsylvania road, we believe, originated this plan. It has been followed by the American Telegraph and Telephone Company, by the Northern States Power Company and by a number of public service and other corporations. And now comes the news that the United States Steel Corporation has announced an increase in the wages of its employees of 10 per cent, meaning about \$10,000,000 a year increase in pay.—Pendleton Tribune.

A Sporting Proposition.

The Republican convention will nominate Colonel Roosevelt. The Republicans will not risk a three corner fight. The lure of the pie corner is too strong. Better halt a loaf with Teddy than no loaf at all with Wilson. Teddy will rule or ruin. That is the ultimatum, and the stand-patters will balk and curse, but take their medicine. Teddy will rule.

The foregoing interesting prediction is from the Medford Mail-Tribune, which in recent years deserved and gained state-wide fame as a prophet by always presaging the election of a Democrat to whatever important office was vacant in Oregon. Last November however, the eye that peered into the future and performed the extraordinary feats of second sight became slightly discolored when the returns showed that Dr. Withycombe had won the governorship.

The Spectator thinks that the Mail Tribune has unconsciously mused the tea leaves in the cup in which it pretends to see the nomination of the colonel by the Republicans. So certain is the Spectator of this, that it is willing to wager a case of Weinhard's Golden Nectar, a beverage that greatly cheers but does not inebriate—against a box of the world-famous Rogue River Newtons that Teddy will not be nominated by the Republican convention this year.

And The Spectator attributes to Colonel Roosevelt more ability than the Mail Tribune is willing to concede him. The Medford paper says he will rule or ruin. Judging by what has happened to the Bull Moose party, he does both.—The Spectator.

He Knew.

Ben Blewett recently visited a school and was much interested in listening to a primary class recite physiology which happened to be on the subject of the stomach. After the recitation Blewett gave a short talk on the subject and among other things said:

"And remember, children, that the stomach is one of the busy organs of the body that has no bones in it." At this statement he noticed a troubled look on the face of a bright little red-haired boy and said kindly:

"Well, Francis, what's the trouble, Did you think there was bones in the stomach?"

"Some people have, Mr. Blewett. Our baby's got a bone in his stomach, all right. He swallowed the dollar dad gave me for Christmas last night."

Different.

Dr. E. C. Hibshman, at a recent banquet, told of a man who had the reputation of being rather "near" and who had succeeded in storing up quite a large quantity of the coin of the realm. It came to pass that a noted revivalist came to St. Louis and the wife of the wealthy merchant persuaded him to attend services—with her on the opening night.

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 12 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 852 feet thence West 465 feet to the sixteenth section corner; thence North 332 feet; thence North 65 degrees West 1460 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 80 1/2 degrees West 660 feet; thence South 73 degrees West 182 feet; thence South 33 degrees West 361 feet; thence North 30 degrees West 369 feet; thence North 71 degrees West 90 feet; thence North 67 degrees West 217 feet; thence North 34 degrees West 340 feet; thence South 85 degrees West 250 feet; thence South 66 degrees West 296 feet; thence South 59 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 North 58 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 28 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 336 feet; thence North 53 1/2 degrees East 766 feet; thence North 48 degrees East 450 feet; thence South 6 degrees East 590 feet; thence South 81 degrees East 55 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; H. Penter, S. A. Penter 59.3 acres; William Henry Craven, Jesse A. Craven, Mary L. Craven, Birdie L. Craven, 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 39.70 acres; W. J. Lyons 11.2 acres; D. H. Fletcher 8.45 acres; M. W. Harrison 53.25 acres; Charles Ray 1.00 acre; C. J. Redberg 9.00 acres; Christoffer Christensen 25.03 acres; F. J. Carver 56.60 acres; Grace Etzweiler 1.79 acres; T. A. Porter and Condessa L. Porter 631 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. 9. The proposed plan for the reclamation and protection of property in the proposed district is, that a dyke 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.

To. 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.

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 heretofore referred to.

Dated this December 14, 1915. 1. Lester Ray. 2. D. 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.

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, 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. First publication Jan. 13, 1916. Last publication Feb. 11, 1916. 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. Administrato'r's Notice. Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that the undersigned, was by an order of the County Court, of Tillamook County, Oregon, made on the 25th day of January, 1916, appointed administrator of the estate of Sophia Severance, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned with the proper vouchers thereto properly verified within six months of the date of this notice at the Tillamook County Bank, Tillamook City, Oregon.

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