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RAY D. FISHER, Editor and Publisher

Election Brieflets . . .

Not much upsetting of the dope bucket in this election—other than Sam Brown way up and Lonergan way down.

Conservative citizens can breathe more easily now. There's no danger of Mahoney's becoming governor.

One thing's as certain as death and taxes; the Oregon public wants no sales tax for any purpose.

Martin and Dunne were both nominated by the moderate elements of their parties. What will the radicals do?

A constitutional amendment which received deserved approval was the one which allows ten jurors out of 12 to bring a verdict in a criminal cases other than first degree murder. No one will have cause to regret the new law except the species of attorney who aims to hang a jury by winning over to his side one or two contrary-minded individuals, and the criminals who escape their just penalties through the frequent inability of 12 men and women to think alike.

Although J. B. Wilkerson did not receive the appointment of county judge, the fine support which he received from

all parts of the county is a tribute to his integrity, fair-mindedness and ability recognized by all who are acquainted with him.

The NRA may have its faults, plenty of them, but it does not deserve the panning it is getting for political purposes.

Recalls are all too likely to leave a bade taste in the mouth. Let's forget them.

What Other Editors Say

REFORM IN CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

The voters of Oregon registered an emphatic approval of the measure to work some reform in our methods of criminal procedure. As soon as the law goes into effect, the defendant in a criminal case may elect whether or not he wants a jury trial or trial before a judge. It will also be possible, except in capital cases, for a verdict to be reached by ten of the twelve jurors.

Much expense and delay attendant upon criminal prosecution work will thus be avoided. Trial without jury will save the counties a considerable sum of money in jury fees without taking from the defendant the right to trial by jury if he so elects.

A big source of expense and of miscarriage of justice has resulted from the provision requiring all twelve jurors to agree on a verdict. Under that provision it has been possible for one stubborn juror or one interested juror or one corrupt juror to prevent the reach of a verdict. A retrial is thus necessary and often these retrials are not held, the case being dismissed.

The system has worked as much against an innocent defendant as for the guilty. The reform was one long overdue.

Astorian-Budget

The Open Forum - -

Editor, Vernonia Eagle:

Through the columns of your newspaper, I express my sincere thanks to the voters that joined against the Recall.

I realize that in these troublous times, it is easy for public sentiment to be influenced by statements that are not based on facts. During my time in office, I have enjoyed giving my best services to the people of the county and I am recompensed by the kindly feelings exhibited to me by a large number of our voters.

Very truly yours,
 J. H. Wellington.

Editor, Vernonia Eagle:

Last Sunday, May 20, I just stepped out of our door, when a rock missed my face by a few inches. It came from a sling in a boy's hands. He was with three others, none over 12. Six weeks ago a boy of 12 shot at the window of our living room. I caught him in time to scold him, and know him. Last year some boys killed 27 fryers with their slings. It's well known how the windows all over town get broken. These sling shots are mischievous and dangerous. I have borne a lot, but now the same old menace begins again soon as school is out. I wrote a letter Sunday to a lawyer in St. Helens about these sling shots. I got his answer today requesting me to send him the names of these boys. Now I don't want to hurt their mothers, for they may not know what the boys are doing, so I wish to first ask all mothers who

have boys with sling shots to inquire of their boys about this annoyance and warn and teach them the dangers of shooting into peoples doors and windows. Last Summer they almost hit Mr. Staples (old "Kid"). He is very old and would not take much to seriously hurt him. Also it's too bad that though we live away from neighbors yet have to have our safety endangered this way. I will write to St. Helens that I will wait to see if mothers can and will control their children themselves, before going further with this. I would rather do the boys a kindness, than to take them before the law, but also we have rights to our own door yard and home.

Mrs. A. E. Jennings

Initiative Petitions

Little more than a month remains for the sponsors of the 17 initiative proposals, for which ballot titles have been prepared, to complete their work and file completed petitions with the office of the secretary of state, P. J. Stadelman. The deadline for petitions covering measures to appear on the ballot at the general election in November is July 5, and as yet no final filings have been made.

Of the 17 ballot titles already prepared, eight provide for the repeal or modification of the Knox liquor law and another request for ballot title for a similar measure is pending.

Three petitions propose measures to limit taxation on homes and one would restrict interest rates on personal loans to not more than 12 per cent per year. Companion measures are covered by petitions to put on the ballot a constitutional amendment to authorize the establishment of a

state bank and a measure to provide the machinery for the operation of such bank.

One proposal is termed a "healing arts" measure and modifies to a certain extent the fundamental or basic science bill of the 1933 session. Unemployment and social insurance and old-age pensions are combined in a suggested measure, providing for allowances to be paid to those not employed or too old to work. Abolishment of all interest payments of any nature is provided for in another petition, submitted for ballot title.

It is anticipated by David O'Hara, chief of the elections division of the secretary of state's office, that only six or seven of the petitions will be completed with the required 26,666 signatures by July 5. The grange power bill, held up by litigation at the time of the special election last summer when it was proposed to be submitted to the voters, will appear on the ballot at the general election, according to the understanding of the department.

LEGAL NOTICES

PAYMENT OF DIVIDEND

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia.

In the Matter of the Liquidation of the Bank of Vernonia, Vernonia, Oregon.

No. 3715 Equity Notice of Payment of Dividend.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That an order has been entered by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Columbia, authorizing, empowering and directing the Superintendent of Banks to distribute a third dividend of 10% on all ordinary deposit claims filed and approved

Confidence



ALFALFA PLANTINGS NOW BEING MADE IN COLUMBIA COUNTY

"Alfalfa plantings are being made at the present time on a number of Columbia county farms," states Geo. A. Nelson, county agent, "as past experience in this county has shown that satisfactory results are obtained from May and early June plantings.

"Alfalfa should be planted on well prepared ground that is in a good state of fertility and has been thoroughly worked to kill the grass and weeds and at planting time the ground should be well packed with the roller or cultipacker or drag. The rate of seeding is about 12 to 16 pounds to the acre. The Grimm alfalfa has proven a most satisfactory variety," states Mr. Nelson.

The seed should be inoculated with nitrifying bacteria to insure proper inoculation of the seed.

Alfalfa has proven to be one of the most satisfactory forage crops grown for dairy cattle and for poultry. It produces the heaviest yield of any hay crop and in addition furnishes green feed during the dry summer months when it is most needed. It has proven especially economical during these times because when once established there is no additional expense for reseed-

ing. The total acreage planted to alfalfa has been rapidly increasing in recent years.

against the Savings Department of the Bank of Vernonia, Vernonia, Oregon, up to and including April 25, 1934, said dividend to be paid on and after June 1, 1934.

That said order also directed the payment of a first and second dividend on all approved claims filed against the Commercial and Savings Departments from October 11, 1933 to and including April 25, 1934, which claims were filed subsequent to the payment of said dividends.

That said order directed that this notice be given publication thereof in one issue of a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in Columbia County, Oregon.

That the date of Publication thereof is May 25, 1934.

A. A. Schramm, Superintendent of Banks, in charge of the liquidation of the Bank of Vernonia, Vernonia, Oregon.

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SAFeway STORES WILL CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

All stores of the Safeway system in the Pacific northwest will jointly celebrate the 19th anniversary of the founding of the stores with a four-day sale, starting Friday, May 25.

This is the first "Birthday Sale" the Safeway stores have ever held, and will commemorate the service and growth of an idea conceived by M. B. Skaggs, who put it into effect at American Falls, Idaho, 19 years ago this month.

Mr. Skaggs was at that time 27 years of age and a new arrival from the east. His foremost thought was to do something to help the community he had adopted to lower living costs, which, he discovered, were far higher than in the east.

With a few hundred dollars he borrowed, he built without assistance his initial store on the edge of the desert town, surrounded by sagebrush and sand. He was his own architect and carpenter, floor layer and painter. His next move was to purchase a stock of supplies, the best brands obtainable, which were marketed at a narrow margin of profit, thereby rendering a service to his community. Throughout his initial work, his main thought was to help his neighbor to help himself. He had no idea that his business venture would have more than ordinary success.

Two years later, however, he opened his second store at Burley, Idaho, and 14 months thereafter his third store was opened at Blackfoot, Idaho. Today Mr. Skaggs is chairman of the board of directors of an organization operating in 21 western states.

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