



Eva Anderson

Quick Facts

Birth: May 20, 1889
Surprise, Nebraska

Death: December 15, 1972
Wenatchee, Washington

Occupation: Educator; Writer

Party Affiliation: Republican

Years served: 1949-61

Office: Representative;
Douglas County Superintendent of
Schools

District: 12 (Chelan County)

Personal:

- Born Eva Robbins Greenslit
- Moved to Wenatchee in 1912 to start her teaching career
- Married L.O. Anderson in 1915, widowed in 1959
- Author of over thirty books, see resources for list of published books
- Her book *Chief Seattle* was rated one of the 10 best on Indians by the U.S. Department of the Interior
- After a year of travel in Europe, 1957-1958, she wrote *Touring Ten European Countries* and *Inside-Outside the Iron Curtain*
- Wrote a column periodically about what was happening in the legislature for the *Wenatchee Daily World*; and in 1961 she became a feature writer for the paper.

Education:

- Nebraska Wesleyan University, B.A.
- University of Washington, M.A. and Ph.D.

Community Service:

- Allied Arts Council of North Central Washington, Heritage Committee
- Grange
- Heritage Society

Affiliations:

- Alpha Iota
- American Association of Pen Women
- American Association of University Women
- Chelan United Methodist Church
- Delta Kamma Gamma, society for teachers

- Eastern Star
- Pi Delta Nu
- Soroptimist Club
- Washington State Press Women

Awards:

- Outstanding State Women of Achievement Award, 1949
- Pioneer Writers' Plaque, 1965
- Author's Plaque Award from Governor Evans, 1966
- State Press Women's Awards, 1966, 1967, 1968
- Pioneer Honor Citizen, 1968
- Allied Arts Annual Award, 1970
- YMCA Pioneer Award, 1971
- American Association of State and Local History Award
- Outstanding Alumna, Nebraska Wesleyan University
- A social science building is named after her at Wenatchee Valley College
- "Eva Anderson Scholarship," Wenatchee Valley College, multiple awards available to applicants who have graduated from Chelan or Manson high schools

Legislative & State Service:

- Washington State Bicentennial Committee

Committees: (1949) Agriculture and Livestock; Colleges and Universities; Education and Libraries; Roads and Bridges
(1951) Memorials, chair; Colleges and Universities; Education and Libraries; Horticulture; Roads and Bridges **(1953)**
 Colleges and Universities, chair; Education and Libraries; Horticulture; Memorials; Roads and Bridges **(1955)**
 Memorials, chair; Education; Highways; Social Security; Public Assistance **(1957)** Education; Highways; Memorials;
 Public Utilities **(1959)** Memorials, vice-chair; Higher Education and Libraries; Highways; Parks, Capitol Grounds and
 Public Buildings; Public Utilities

House Bills sponsored:

(1949 session)

67-Relating to student teacher training
 Signed by Governor Langlie
 113-Relating to storage of historic materials
 Signed by Governor Langlie
 322-Relating to joint acquisition of properties by public utility districts
 Went to third reading
 340-Conveying certain land in Grant County to school district
 Signed by Governor Langlie
 465-Relating to child school age
 Went to first reading
 530-Relating to highway between Bridgeport and Leahy
 Went to first reading
 561-Relating to school indebtedness within utility districts
 Signed by Governor Langlie
 571-Relating to cooperative marketing associations
 Went to third reading
 (Extraordinary session)
 25-Exterminating rodents
 Signed by Governor Langlie

(1951 session)

429-Providing for selection of county boards of education and appointment of county school superintendents
 Went to first reading

(1953 session)

408-Authorizing county consolidation of school activities
 Went to third reading
 537-Relating to grading apples
 Went to third reading

566-Exempting certain vehicle from abandoned car procedures
Went to third reading

(1955 session)

26-Requiring national and state flags be displayed in certain public places
Substituted and signed by Governor Langlie

295-Amending laws relating to county school superintendents and permitting consolidation
Substituted and signed by Governor Langlie

467-Exempting blind proprietors of business located in public buildings from the provisions of the sales tax
Went to third reading

572-Deeding certain shore lands to Wenatchee for park purposes
Signed by Governor Langlie

(1957 session)

5-Relating to recovery of damages by minors
Went to first reading

48-Expanding parental liability, acts of delinquent children
Went to third reading

49-Requiring effective motor vehicle license plates
Went to third reading

220-Relating to disposition of public record
Signed by Governor Rosellini

225-Repelaing state requirement to pay unpaid taxes upon acquiring property
Went to first reading

265-Providing for inspection of peaches
Signed by Governor Rosellini

311-Relating to PUD taxes
Went to first reading

467-Providing for collection of taxes when acquired by public bodies
Signed by Governor Rosellini

542-Pertaining to corporations supplying electrical power to the public
Went to first reading

543-Pertaining to unfair practices by corporations to obstruct formation of PUDs
Went to first reading

546-Amending code relating to PUD general obligation and revenue bonds
Went to third reading

660-Apportionment of funds to school districts by PUDs
Went to first reading

(1959 session)

26-Making parents responsible for willful property destruction by their children
Went to first reading

92-Enjoining sale or distribution of obscene materials
Signed by Governor Rosellini

102-Providing for humane slaughter of animals
Substituted and signed by Governor Rosellini

106-Amending obscene literature statute to exclude certain publications
Signed by Governor Rosellini

135-Providing cumulative leave of absence to certified employees of school districts
Substituted and signed by Governor Rosellini

142-Clarifying absentee voting in reclamation district elections
Went to first reading

231-Providing for educational programs in common schools for students of superior capacity
Went to first reading

286-Relating to public utility privilege taxes
Signed by Governor Rosellini

372-Conveyance of certain lands from highway commission to state parks and recreation
Signed by Governor Rosellini

396-Eliminating "C grade" from apple classification list
Went to first reading

457-Relating to natural resource roads
Went to first reading

462-Authorizing absentee voting in irrigation district elections
Went to third reading

482-Relating to obscene literature

Went to first reading

494-Relating to purchase of Chelan County property

Went to first reading

509-Imposing ten percent retail sales tax on beer

Went to first reading

676-Authorizing director of public assistance to formulate work programs for recipients

Went to first reading

677-Authorizing discontinuance of aid to dependent children recipients under certain circumstances

Went to first reading

House Memorials sponsored:

(1955 session)

2-Naming the back waters of McNary Dam, Lake Wallula

Passed

14-Maintenance of protective tariffs on certain imported agricultural products

Passed

16-State retention of certain school lands in the Columbia Basin

Went to first reading

17-Requesting the designation of the rose as the national flower

Went to third reading

(1957 session)

9-Petitioning congress to display certain oil painting at Chief Joseph Dam

Went to third reading

12- Petitioning congress to establish Highway 2 as part of federal highway system

Went to first reading

House Joint Memorials sponsored:

(1959 session)

13-Requesting appropriations for the greater Wenatchee irrigation project

Went to third reading

28-Protesting federal interference with water-rights

Went to first reading

House Joint Resolution sponsored:

(1951 session)

3-Proposed amendment to constitution relating to school tax levy

Went to third reading

(Extraordinary session)

1-Constitution amendment relating to tax levy limits upon school districts

Went to third reading

(1953 session)

1-Amendment to constitution authorizing levies in excess of 40 mil limit

Went to first reading

2-Amendment to constitution relating to school tax levy

Went to first reading

(1955 session)

7-Lowering requirements for taxing districts when authorizing levies in excess of 40 mills

Went to first reading

8-Permitting authorization of five-year school district excess levies by a three-fifths vote of the electorate

Went to first reading

(1957 session)

7-Providing for annual sessions of the legislature

Went to first reading

House Concurrent Resolutions sponsored:

(1955 session)

8-Relating to joint memorial services for deceased members

Passed

Leadership, Positions & Appointments:

- Douglas County Superintendent of Schools, n.d.
- Regent at the University of Washington, circa 1942
- President of the Washington Education Association, circa 1959
- Board of Curators for the Washington Historical Society, n.d.
- Board member of the Japanese International University of Tokyo, n.d.
- Regional Director of Adult Education, Northwest Division of the National Education Association, n.d.

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- "Eva Anderson Honored," *Wenatchee Daily World*, November 22, 1968
- "Dr. Eva Anderson, 83, Dies in Wenatchee," *Waterville Empire-Press*, December 28, 1972, pg. 1
- "Mrs. Andy, A Life of Dedicated Service," editorial, December 28, 1972, pg. 4

Books:

- Schuddakopf, Jean Wheeler. *Women of Washington, Women's Involvement in Community Concern—A Washington State History*. American Association of University Women, Washington State Division, Gig Harbor, 1977
- *Ray Moore: An Oral History*, interviewed by Sharon Boswell, Washington State Oral History Program, Office of the Secretary of State, 1999
- *Wilbur Hallauer: An Oral History*, interviewed by Thomas Kerr, Washington State Oral History Program, Office of the Secretary of State, 2001
- *Don Eldridge: An Oral History*, interviewed by Anne Kilgannon, Washington State Oral History Program, Office of the Secretary of State, 2005

Web:

- Books authored by Eva Anderson located at the Washington State Library:
<http://cals.evergreen.edu/search/aanderson%2C+eva/aanderson+eva/1%2C2%2C18%2CB/exact&FF=aanderson+eva+greenslit+b+1889&1%2C17%2C>