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Every state, county and city  
official or board that handles  
public money should publish at  
regular intervals an accounting  
of it showing where and how  
each dollar is spent. This is a  
fundamental principle of democ-  
ratic government.

THE Oregon Coast highway as-  
sociation issues a little publica-  
tion called the "Oregon Coast  
Chronicle." Its editor presents his  
editorial under the quotation "I Do  
But Sing Because I Must" strikes a  
right pleasing note in the follow-  
ing dissertation on the subject of  
polishing up the home place.

"We have been going through  
the joyful ardor of the annual  
spring cleaning around our place  
lately; cutting away weeds, dead  
ferns and brush, burning old tra-  
bish, refurnishing window boxes,  
spading the musty soil, setting out  
bulbs, plants and shrubs. It's  
mighty warming to see our own  
place donning a colored, friendly  
dress.

"Clive pride" some call it. We  
have another name for the urge  
that sends us outside each evening  
to stir the dirt and fight the pesky  
aphid—vanity. Van we are, in-  
deed? We like it if people say  
ours is the best looking spot on  
our street.

"Lately we've been seeing lots  
of our friends along the highway  
wielding shovels, rakes, weed burn-  
ers, paint brushes and other 'face  
lifting' tools. There's always some-  
thing to do 'round a place to make  
it more appealing to passers by.  
But, it pays to look our best when  
company's coming.

"No matter how warm the house,  
how clean the counter, pane the  
tourist who comes our way may  
never know unless our doorstep is  
sweet and 'roses bloom round the  
door'.

"Honestly fellows, it still pays to  
spruce up a bit. Remember what  
a big impression it made on the  
girls to shine your shoes and  
grease your hair (back when you  
had hair). Well, tourists are like  
that. You have to catch the eye  
to get them coming your way.

"Let's trim-up, clean-up, paint-  
up, shine-up, and show them all  
how swell we really are."

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way, still cost about 25 per cent  
of the total vote.

The republican party isn't entire-  
ly dead, even in California.

VERLON SPENCER, a South  
Pasadena teacher, aged 38,  
blowing his top when his contract  
falls of renewal, cuts loose around  
the school with a pistol much as  
a raiding German airplane opens  
up with its machine guns.

When the smoke clears away,  
four are dead and three badly  
wounded. He then turns the gun  
on himself, but as these words are  
written is still alive.

The whole affair is startlingly  
like that of the Greek waiter back  
in Ohio, who went berserk when  
his boss turned down his request  
for a loan.

IMPERFECT brains, in both  
cases, were responsible. What  
are we going to do about imperfect  
brains?

If you can answer that question,  
definitely, logically and convinc-  
ingly, you're too good for private  
life and your government seriously  
needs your services.

THE Balkans are the world hot  
spot (Wednesday)—aside, that  
is, from London, where the Brits  
are in the midst of a war leader-  
ship crisis.

The thing to remember about

the Balkans is that a diplomatic  
battle is on there to unite them  
in a front against Germany. If it  
succeeds, there will be an allied of-  
fensive in that quarter. If it fails,  
the allies will be unlikely to take  
the offensive.

## Jim Finlay Sets 2 More Records

Roseburg High School's Star  
Hurdler Posts Top Marks  
in Track Meet at Eugene.

If Roseburg high school athletes  
continue setting new records, it  
will not be long until the entire  
list of district track and field  
events will carry the names of  
Douglas county record breaker,  
Jim Finlay, Roseburg hurdler, yes-  
terday added two more depart-  
ments to the list. Out of 14 events  
in the track and field events, eight  
now are held by athletes from  
Roseburg high school, and one by  
Oakland high school.

Finlay yesterday added the high  
and low hurdles by making the  
lows in 24.5 seconds, and the highs  
in 16.6 seconds, breaking the pre-  
vious district marks of 25.7 sec-  
onds and 17.4 seconds, set by Dor-  
rath of Eugene high school in 1938.

Finlay's achievement was the  
high point of the annual Dist. No.  
4 track meet held yesterday in Eu-  
gene. Ten schools competed. Eu-  
gene and Springfield tied for first  
place, each holding 39 points. Rose-  
burg finished in sixth place with  
20 points.

In addition to Finlay's two re-  
cord-shattering first places, Rose-  
burg points included second place  
by Carson in the shotput; Byrd,  
fifth place in the 100-yard dash;  
Goodrich, fourth for fifth place in the  
high jump, and the relay team com-  
ing with the time 1:38.3.

How Records Stand

By virtue of the two new marks  
yesterday, district records in track  
and field events now stand as fol-  
lows:  
100-yard dash—Ed Short, Rose-  
burg, 16.3 seconds (1931); 220-yard  
dash—Ed Short, Roseburg, 23.1 sec-  
onds (1931); 400-yard dash, Bill  
Nelson, University high, 53.2 sec-  
onds (1931); 880-yard run, Sam  
McLaughlin, Roseburg, 2:05 (1931);  
mile, Everett Hansen, Springfield,  
4:36.7; 1200-yard high hurdles, Fin-  
lay, Roseburg, 16.6 seconds (1939);  
200-yard low hurdles, Finlay, Rose-  
burg, 24.5 seconds (1939); shot put,  
Elliott, Eugene, 49' 7" (1928); dis-  
cus, Bob Booth, University high,  
114' 5" (1931); javelin, Ed Du-  
Frene, Roseburg, 164' 10" (1931);  
high jump, Ed DuFrene, Roseburg,  
6' 4" (1931); pole vault, Olson, Eu-  
gene, 10' 7" (1931); broad jump,  
Ken Miller, Oakland, 21' 3" (1931);  
relay, Roseburg, Bob Palm,  
Short, Clay Palm, DuFrene, 1:35  
(1931).

## Brooklyn's Lead Cut to Half Game

By BILL WHITE  
Associated Press Sports Writer  
The New York Giants yesterday  
blasted a Brooklyn homecoming  
7-2 behind the fire-hot hitting of  
Harry Gumbert. That was the  
first time in four tries that the  
Giants had downed the Dodgers  
and it left the Dodgers only a half  
game ahead of the idle Cincinnati  
Reds in the National league pen-  
nant chase.