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Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come; and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.—Rev. 14:7.

### PRIMARY ELECTION DATE

A bill has recently been introduced in the Oregon state senate by Senator J. E. Bennett, which has for its object the changing of the date for holding primary nominating elections from the month of May to some time in September.

In a recent article appearing in the Portland Journal, Alfred E. Smith, former governor of New York and a candidate for the presidency in the recent election, said:

"There is no reason in the world why a man should be nominated for the presidency in the month of May... The proper thing to do is to nominate a candidate in the middle part of September. With our modern means of transportation and communication all the campaigning that is necessary can be done in six weeks."

There are many who will agree with this reasoning, and if it is true of a presidential campaign there is all the more reason why the same arrangement will be even more desirable in the case of state primaries.

In favor of his bill Senator Bennett gives four outstanding reasons why the change will prove of benefit, and summed up they are as follows:

1. A shorter campaign, saving the energies of the people and the candidate.
2. Less expensive for the candidate.
3. Less time would be given by state appointees in campaigning for those who would be their officers; thus permitting them to give their full time to the duties of their positions.
4. An issue of the voters' pamphlet (now costing the taxpayers about \$14,000) could be dispensed with. One issue of the pamphlet before the primary election would be sufficient.

At the present time twenty-eight states hold their primary elections in either August or September, and there seems to be no valid reason why the state of Oregon should not make the suggested change.

### A CANADIAN REPORT

The Canadian Bank of Commerce, in its recent monthly bulletin, reports that for the second successive month the business condition of Canada is better than that of the world in general. The report points out the fact that while business activity is still a little slow, the economic conditions have become stabilized, and that no serious disturbances are visible.

Consumer demand in Canada has been better than in the United States. For example, last year consumption of goods fell only 10 per cent below 1929 and only 5 per cent below 1928. The number of construction contracts last year were 20 per cent below the 1929 figures, but the outlay involved exceeded that of 1928. The report shows that Canada, so far as industrial operations are concerned, made a good record.

The most serious difficulty they are experiencing is that occasioned by the oversupply of wheat and consequent reduction in value of farm crops. The government is endeavoring to assist in remedying this condition by urging curtailment of wheat acreage, and providing a fund to be loaned to the farmers to assist them in diversifying their crops.

An investigator reports that plants make a noise when growing. Very few of us, however, have yet heard the pop of the poppy, the snap of the snapdragon, the moo of the cowslip, the bark of the dogwood, the roar of the dandelion, the croak of the crocus, the meow of the catnip, or any of a dozen similar noises.

The airplane can now do most anything that a bird can do except possibly build a nest in a treetop or balance itself on a telephone wire.

### In Washington

**By Herbert Plummer**

WASHINGTON—Perhaps you thought your Uncle Sam was a bit extravagant for these depressed times when you read the other day that he had spent \$1,800,000 for an American embassy in Berlin.

That was the price paid for the Bluecher palace located at the head of Unter den Linden in the center of the city, and over which Ambassador Sackett is to preside.

Lots of money to pay for an ambassador's residence, you may have thought.

As a matter of fact, only a small part of the Bluecher palace will be allotted to the American ambas-

ador for living quarters. An embassy—certainly this one in Berlin—is more than a place where brilliant social functions are given. Probably it more closely resembles a small office building.

For in the American embassy office space must be provided for a personnel of 135.

**REALLY A BARGAIN**

There are offices for the entire American diplomatic staff, numbering 31; the entire consular staff, numbering 53; the members of the American military attaché's staff, 12; naval attaché's staff, 7; commercial attaché's staff, 28; two treasury department representatives, a public health surgeon, and a labor department adviser.

Ambassador Sackett now rents a residence in Berlin for which he personally pays \$12,000, and to-

ward this he is given a rent allowance of \$3000.

The state department estimates that the government is now paying a total of \$32,400 in rent annually for embassy offices in Berlin.

A conservative value of the building alone on the Bluecher property is placed at \$700,000. The net cost of the land works out at \$1640 a square foot. A square foot of similar property in Washington, a city of considerably smaller size than Berlin, would cost \$50, it is estimated.

### HUB OF BERLIN

For the location of the new embassy is regarded as the center of Berlin. It has two frontages: one looks out on the Central park, the other faces Pariser Platz, across which is located the French embassy. The British embassy and the German foreign office are located around the corner on Wilhelm Strasse. The rear joins the government gardens behind the president's palace.

The site is comparable to that of the Plaza Hotel in New York City.

The American government regards with favor such purchases in the larger capitals of western Europe. In Paris, a site has been acquired for an office building in the Place de la Concorde.

These large capitals were selected because they are centers through which most American travel passes, and because of our vast business commitments there.

It has been variously estimated that investments in Germany of American capital now total as high as 12 billions of dollars. The convenience to an American traveler in finding all his officials centralized in one building instead of being scattered in various parts of the city is the government's expressed goal.

### HOSS SAYS BILL IS INDICTMENT

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A strong protest against any move which would eliminate them from the program of law enforcement in the state. A more loyal and efficient group of men is not to be found, and I present them, sir, as an organization outranked by none in the whole United States. I can not sit com-

### BENNETT VISITS WASHINGTON



Prime Minister R. B. Bennett (left) of Canada was welcomed to Washington by Henry L. Stimson, secretary of state, when he arrived the capital for an unofficial visit.

### TENNIS STAR AND BRIDE



John Hope Daeg of Santa Monica, Cal., national tennis singles champion, and his bride leaving Trinity cathedral, Newark, N. J., after their wedding ceremony. Mrs. Daeg is the former Dorothea Scudder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Scudder of Newark.

### MICHELE SCHIRRU ADMITS PLOTTING

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In the rooms which he occupied at two hotels police said they found two fictitious a serious wound in his head, bombs so constructed as to be used either as time bombs or persuasion bombs.

The man was born in Sardinia but had traveled extensively. Police said he used an American passport and was a naturalized citizen of the United States.

An Anarchist For Years

In his alleged confession, Schirru was reported to have said he had been an anarchist for years but began thinking of plans to assassinate Mussolini last summer while he was in Paris. He went to Belgium and got the materials with which he made the bombs.

Then, the police say, he came to Rome resolved to kill the premier and began plotting the best way to do it before he fell foul to the authorities.

He is recovering from his self-inflicted wound and will be tried by a special tribunal under the defense of the state act which provides a death penalty for the crimes of which he is accused.

### JAPANESE DIET SCENE OF FIGHT

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the house when the fight started. He left the building immediately under heavy guard.

For two days the opposition's tactics had blocked budget discussions. Opponents of the administration had charged Shidehara with an "indifference" attitude during interpellations regarding Japan's security as the outcome of the London naval treaty.

Shidehara had replied to the interpellations by saying the treaty had been ratified by the emperor and that this was proof it did not endanger national security.

Brings Forth Storm

The foreign minister's answer brought forth a storm from the opposition party, which noisily protested against his reference to the emperor and asserted Shidehara was endeavoring to put the onus on the titular head of the empire.

Shidehara explained that mention of the emperor had been merely a slip of the tongue and that the government had been entirely responsible. That started the storm to brewing, however, and held the budget committee in a two-day deadlock.

Earlier today Shidehara had been denounced and an attempt by the opposition to rush him had been blocked by the police.

Tactics interpreted as designed to unsettle the Minsetto (majority party), ministry of Hamaouchi and Shidehara immediately preceded today's disturbance.

Feeling against the government began to crystallize last June when Admiral Kanji Kato, chief of staff of the navy, resigned as a protest against acceptance of the London treaty. Admiral Kato had represented a group of navalists and others who had believed the London agreement too much of a concession for Japan to undertake.

Earlier today six jiu jitsu experts were added to Shidehara's police bodyguard after he had been heckled and threatened by members of the Seiyukai, or opposition party.

### "SCARY" GAMES AND STORIES

By Alice Judson Peale

When the story of Black Sambo was told to a four-year-old kindergarten group, one little boy burst into tears and rushed over to the teacher, crying, "Please, please stop. I don't want to hear any more!"

It was the too-graphic telling of poor little Black Sambo's plight, when he thought that all four tigers had come back to eat him up, that caused the outbreak.

To most children the story of little Black Sambo is entirely delightful. The roaring tigers, the fear element and the wholly satisfactory outcome offer just the right combination of excitement and pleasure.

But children are not all alike, and there are many who react with violent emotion to stories that have long been considered nursery classics. It is well to study your child carefully on this point and to select your stories accordingly.

Frequently stories that are otherwise suitable inspire imaginations because the grown-up, in an effort to give the greatest possible delight to his small listener, dramatizes too vividly the cruel, gruesome or fearful elements of the story.

The tension caused by a too-exciting story often results in restless sleep, bad dreams and even night terrors.

Another source of such difficulties is found in games which dramatize hunting, shooting, fights with wild animals, or battles with dragons and giants.

Even the most stable child should not be allowed to indulge in such games just before going to bed.

Children of like age seldom overstimulate one another even at this sort of play. It is usually when a child plays with older children or with adults that the make-believe becomes so real as to frighten him.

### How to Be Immortal

It is curious how rarely, even by chance, men do endow their words, their inventions or their actions with their names. It seems that such an immortality is more easily earned in the world of fiction. It is better to hark back to lynch him or to guillotine him to provide him with a brougham and a hansom and a macadam road to ride on if you would have your name become a dictionary word.—London Nation.

### Extreme Souties a Point

The most southern point of land in continental United States is in the vicinity of East cape, Florida. It is approximately 25 degrees and 4 minutes. However, Key West, at approximate latitude 24 degrees and 32 minutes, is so connected with the mainland by bridges and viaducts. The most southern point of Texas is in the vicinity of Brownsville and is at latitude 25 degrees and 50 minutes.

### Evil of Discontent

Discontent not only produces an unpleasant facial expression, but it causes tissues to lose tone. It has a bad effect upon the digestion and the body does not make repairs properly. All cloudy emotions take elasticity from the skin, throw the physical machine out of kilter and wreck the house of beauty. Cheerfulness has much to do with health and good looks.

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**Poles on Mars**  
At the poles of rotation on the planet Mars are usually seen brilliant white patches, termed polar caps. They wax and wane with the change of seasons and are so similar in action to our own polar snow fields that it is believed that they are snow and ice.

**Economize Ideas**  
Cartel is the term applied in Europe to various industrial combinations, production cartels having as their main object the prevention of overproduction, while in the selling cartel, a single selling agency handles the output of the various plants of the organization.

**At the Grace Hardware and Harness store for a complete line of 22 caliber rifles. We feature the Remington line of ammunition and cutlery.**  
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**Handy Radio Log, free for asking. Come and get yours. Carr Furniture Company, Inc.**  
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**KINDERGARTEN**  
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2-4-4 t.

**See the Grace Hardware and Harness store for a complete line of 22 caliber rifles. We feature the Remington line of ammunition and cutlery.**  
2-5-1 t.

**CARD PARTY**  
At Sacajawea banquet hall, Tues. evening, Feb. 10 at 8 p. m. Auspices of St. Mary's Altar society. Admission 35c.  
2-5-3 t.

**Get the Best protection and save 25% on your premium with the Oregon Mutual Fire Insurance Co. Ph. Main 88.**  
1-19-1 m.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
Before leaving La Grande, I desire to publicly express my appreciation and that of my brother, Lynton for the many acts of kindness afforded my father during his recent illness and for the many floral tributes after his death. I wish time would permit me to thank you all personally.  
Forrest Ivanhoe, Lieutenant United States Navy.  
2-5-1 t.

**BALL ROOM DANCING**  
All types of dancing taught. Sacajawea Inn. Helen Mary Clark.  
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Valentines of every description, clever and unusual, suitable for all of your friends and loved ones, comical and serious. Prices from 5c to \$3.00. Also a special box assortment for the children at 25c, from which the kiddies may make many Valentines. All of these nice things you will find at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop now.  
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**THEY LIKE TO BE REMEMBERED**  
On Valentine's Day the same as they always did. A clever greeting, a nice note, a pretty picture, an attractive piece of costume jewelry and many other appropriate gifts make the Valentine never to be forgotten. Dozens of suggestions will be found at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop.  
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**Regular meeting Friday evening 7:30. P. O. degree. O. W. WARNOCK, Sec.**  
2-5-2 t.

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—Adv.

Feb. 10 last day to pay your water rent without a penalty.  
2-6-3 t.

**NOTICE**  
After Feb. 4 I will not be responsible for any bills contracted by any one other than myself. Ben Betts.  
2-4-3 t.