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Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart.—Psalm 73: 1.

WILL YOU BE ABLE TO VOTE?

More than 36,000,000 men and women voted in the 1928 presidential election, and it is likely that this year's vote will reach a total of 40,000,000 or more. There is greater popular interest in national affairs now than at any time in the past decade, so it is natural to expect a record vote on November 8 this year.

But citizens of Oregon cannot vote unless they are registered on the books of the county clerk in the county in which they reside. Many citizens overlook this fact each year. In the line at almost any polling place there will be a certain proportion of would-be voters who are disqualified because their names are not on the registration list.

If you voted in the state primary election last May, or in the primary or general elections of 1930, you can be sure your name is still on the registration list. But if you have moved into another precinct since the last time you voted, you must re-register in order to vote in your new precinct. If you have moved but are not sure whether or not you are still in the same precinct, phone the county clerk or call at the court house and find out.

You may have registered several years ago, but if you have not voted during the past two years you must register all over again.

In the case of a woman who has been married since she registered last time, it is necessary to re-register under her husband's name in order to qualify for voting.

Another qualification for voting is that you must be at least 21 years of age, and you must have resided in the state of Oregon for at least six months prior to November 8, the day of the election.

Registration books will be closed and no one will be able to register after the county clerk's office closes next Saturday afternoon, October 8. But if your twenty-first birthday comes between October 8 and November 8, or if your six months of residence in Oregon will be completed between those dates, you may register now.

Foreign born persons must present their naturalization papers at the time of registration.

For the convenience of persons who wish to register, but are employed at the hours during the county clerk's office is open, the county clerk will be at the city recorder's office in the city hall on Elm street next Friday evening, October 7, from 7:00 o'clock on. This will be the last opportunity to register down town. If you are not able to register by that time, you must go to the county clerk's office in the county court house sometime before 5:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon. That will be the last chance.

If there remains any doubt in your mind as to registration requirements and voting qualifications, play safe and phone or call at the office of the county clerk. Taking precautions now may save you from the loss of your vote. Voting is the most sacred privilege and duty of every American citizen.

AN INDUSTRY REVIVED

Manufacturing has ever been a highly precarious enterprise and investment. The rewards of success are high, but the risks are equally large.

Thousands of wagon, whip, harness and horse-shoe factories which once enjoyed a thriving business were made bankrupt by the encroachments of the automobile. The piano manufacturers lost business with the advent of the phonograph, and both were very nearly put out of business by radio. Electricity and gas have ruined the oil lamp industry. Cigarettes are dangerous competitors of the cigar and pipe, both of which are older than the cigarettes. Popularization of silk hue hurt the cotton and wool industries. The street car business is not what it was before the automobile came and motor buses have robbed the railroads of passengers, which mean fewer orders for trolleys and passenger coaches.

The suspender industry went down for the count against the growing popularity of the belt, but unlike some of the other deserted industries it is staging a comeback.

There are a number of reasons for this return to vogue. For one thing the new creations are ornate miniatures compared with the "police suspenders" of fading memory. And there was the absolute failure of the belt to keep the cuffs of balloon trousers off the pavements. Moreover, the dieting lad may have had something to do with it, as well as the multiplication of trousers in the average wardrobe by reason of two-pants suits and plus-fours.

Many men now wear both suspenders and belt, perhaps because of that comforting feeling of being prepared for any emergency.

Other Papers Say:

WAIVING OF JURY TRIAL PERMITTED

Our emphatic recommendation is for approval of the November ballot measure which would permit accused persons to waive right of trial by jury and have their case tried by the judge of the court alone. This is the first and measure on the ballot, and one whose passage is so desirable that there is little room for reasonable argument. Both appear in the voters pamphlet.

This measure if adopted will greatly clarify court procedure. When there is great need of simplification. It will speed up the wheels of justice, price

wheels of justice. It will reduce the costs of criminal prosecution when there is great need of reducing the costs of criminal procedure.

It should be understood definitely that this measure does not propose to jeopardize the right of trial by jury. It specifically provides that the jury trial can be eliminated only by the consent of the accused and of the trial judge. After its passage, any person desiring a jury trial can demand it and obtain it. A jury trial would still be mandatory in cases involving capital crime. There is no possibility of oppression.

But if the defendant wishes and the trial judge is willing, under the new law the criminal case can be taken directly before the judge for trial. This procedure is permitted under the laws of a number of other states, and it is widely used. It is similar to a reform recently adopted in Oregon, which permitted criminal case defendants to enter guilty pleas without waiting for indictment by the grand jury. This latter provision has been widely used, saving the state much time and expense.

It is a common expression that "you never can tell about a jury." Every one knows that there are often miscarriages of justice when a jury hears a trial. This law permits the setting aside of a jury trial in a specific case, although it does not remove the jury as an institution nor deprive American citizens of their traditional right to a jury trial.

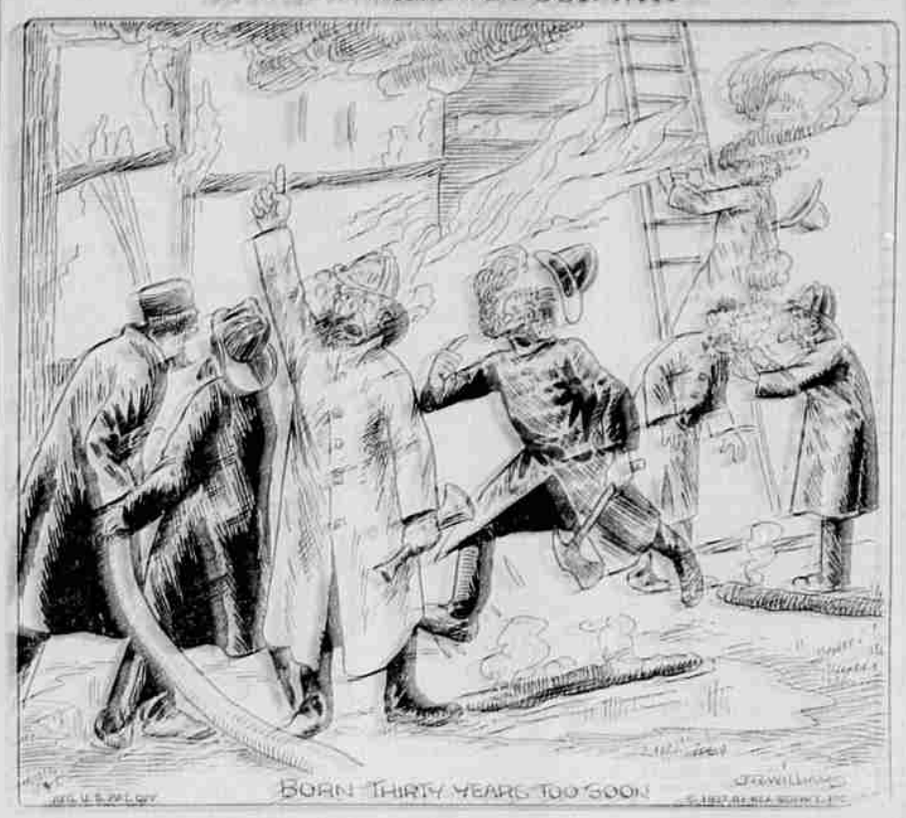
This measure particularly would be a protection for the falsely accused. An able and eloquent prosecutor, seeking a conviction on unfounded charges, would greatly prefer to try the case before a jury than the judge. The judgment of a judge is not likely to be swayed by prejudice or sympathy. He is more likely to weigh cold facts and to see through false charges than the jury. The falsely accused would have the greatest chance for just acquittal before a judge alone.

The voters of Oregon should approve the amendment overwhelmingly. Our recommendation is for a "yes" vote without qualification.—Klamath Falls Herald.

THE TARIFF AND WASCO COUNTY

Residents of Wasco county should be concerned over Candidate Roosevelt's pronouncements against the Smoot-Hawley tariff act, for three of our major commodities are afforded protection under this law. These are wheat, cherries and steel. Lumber also is protected and we have a large supply of timber within our borders, while that will be developed as soon as the lumber market is restored to a profitable level, which may be soon, at the present rate of progress.

The tariff on wheat admittedly is not as effective as it might be, but this is due to the fact that we produce a large surplus of this commodity which must be exported. At that the American farmer is receiving more for his wheat than the farmers of Canada, Argentina or elsewhere. The tariff prevents importation of foreign grown wheat to compete in the American market. The



especially type of certain types of wheat required by millers for making high grade flour. It has resulted in a premium for American wheat of this grade.

As for the cherry tariff, it is generally recognized that Wasco county's industry would have gone on the rocks this year if it had not had protection from cheap Italian importations. As it was thousands of barrels of Wasco county fruit were processed for the maraschino market. It provided an outlet for our crop that otherwise would not have been available.

The wool man thoroughly understands the value of the protection he is receiving under the Smoot-Hawley act. He has seen the price of wool climb from below the cost of production until now it returns a good profit, with indications of still further advance.

This is because wool from other nations cannot enter the American market and compete with home producers.

Persons prone to criticize the Republican administration because of the depression often do not realize how much worse off they would be if it were not for the protection of Republican-made laws. Certainly Roosevelt is entitled to no Wasco county votes if he means what he says in his attacks on the Smoot-Hawley tariff act.—The Dalles Chronicle.

BUTLER PAYS VISIT TUESDAY TO ENTERPRISE

By W. L. Flower
(Observer Correspondent)

ENTERPRISE (Special)—Congressman Butler, of The Dalles was the principal speaker at a chamber of commerce dinner at the Enterprise hotel in Enterprise Tuesday evening. There was a large crowd present and an excellent program given. The final details of the approaching fair were discussed and plans completed to make it a success in so far as the business men of the town could help to do so.

The Joseph football team decisively beat the Wallowa eleven last Saturday at Joseph by a score of 40 to 0.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tippett Sept. 29. The young lady has been named Eunice May.

Charles F. Logan, of The Dalles, and two men are auditing the books of the county clerk and county treasurer this week in Enterprise.

Clare Wallgren left Tuesday for Twin Falls, Idaho, called by a telegram that stated his brother, Clyde, was ill there.

The Wallowa County Marketing association shipped one car of cattle and five of hogs on Saturday's stock train. The hog market has been picking up a bit and the shipping is a result. The stock mostly went to the Portland market.

WIND SWITCH HOLDS FIRES FROM GAINING

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fires had not reached government timber except a comparatively small tract east of Eugene where the Wendling fire was burning. They, too, were overjoyed at the change in weather conditions.

The fire loss already has reached more than $2,000,000 within the week, those close to the situation estimate. By far the greater part of this loss was at Cochran, the C. B. Wheeler Logging company town, where the company and the Southern Pacific railroad lost heavily.

Traffic Halted

Traffic on the railroad between Portland and Tillamook will be impossible for about three weeks because of this fire, it was revealed today when the ashes had cooled sufficiently for an investigation. Five costly railroad tunnels collapsed after burning out and a rail incline was destroyed. All mill equipment was burned.

The only building remaining in the town is the Southern Pacific depot. The fire in the Cochran West Timber and Timber sections continued to burn fiercely today but it was not spreading appreciably. Dense smoke billowed in clouds over the entire country.

Against the fervent hope for the rain fire officials said they believed would be the most effective check against the flames that paralled in broken formation from the Columbia river to the California border was placed the weather bureau's forecast for continued dry weather.

Though hundreds of lives have been imperiled by the fires, only one has been lost.

The entire mill town of Cochran was leveled to ashes yesterday, shortly after its 200 residents had fled.

Wyeth Decimated

A post office, a store, a service station and several homes were destroyed by another blaze at Wyeth, west of Rose River.

Wendling, a Lane county mill town, still stood this morning as 200 men fought back the blaze that threatened it.

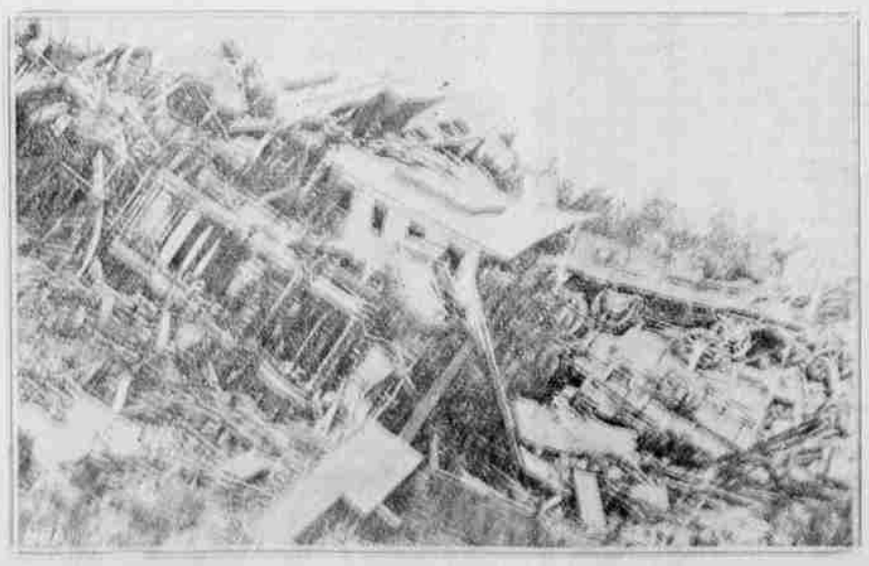
Some 15 houses in the Gales creek country in Washington county were destroyed indiscriminately by a fire that has swept 35,000 acres.

Fires in the northwest part of the state, whipped by a stiff wind hurled burning brands across the wide Columbia and several fires resulted in Southwestern Washington.

Four hundred men, battling all night, had won so far today their struggle against flames that threatened the Clark and Wilson Lumber company's plant north of Vernonia.

Every available man was guarding the hamlet of Birkenfeld, 25 miles down the Nehalem river from Vernonia against the onslaught of another blaze.

Foreign Legion Troop Train Wreck, Where Brave of Many Nations Died



This spectacular, tangled mass of wreckage spelled finis to the careers of about three-score members of the French Foreign Legion. Men of many nationalities, enlisted in the famous unit in search of glamorous adventure and thrilling action in battle, were fated to lose their lives in the brief, tragic crash of this train wreck. Approximately 300 others were injured when their Foreign Legion troop train, enroute from Sidi-bel-Abbes to Tlemcen, Algeria, was derailed and toppled into a ravine. The wooden cars were crushed like fragile toys under their steel chassis.

Wallowa Lambs Sent To Idaho By Association

By G. C. Mack
(Observer Correspondent)

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—A. W. Johnson, of Lower valley, returned home the latter part of the week from Caldwell, Idaho, where he went with three or four decks of lambs sent out earlier in the week by the Wallowa County Stock Marketing association. The price received for this shipment proved considerably better than many had hoped for. The bulk of the lambs were sold for feeders and brought from $3.00 to $3.50 a hundred, some weights less one and one half per cent shrinkage, association shares and other small expense. These returns are slightly better than prices received for some of the early pool shipments. Mr. Johnson plans to load out another car of lambs from Evans about the middle of this week and also reports that he has a chance to furnish up to 3000 feeder lambs during the next few weeks for the same people to whom the last shipment was sold. A double-deck car of fat hogs was sent from the Lostine community by the shipping association the last of the week.

Some of the deer hunters who have been in the woods during the last several days have returned home, many without having any luck in getting deer. Reports from some of those who have been out recently state that with such a large number of hunters in the field and everything being so dry that deer are difficult to see. Several nice bucks have been brought in by men from this community. Others state that they expect to wait until later in the season before trying their luck.

Miss Blanche Walker, of Middle valley, who has been quite sick for the past several weeks, is reported to be considerably improved. Roy Gaskin was busy the latter part of the week moving his threshing outfit from the Bear creek community to his ranch a few miles east of town.

Clifton Gillaspie has been buying calves and other beef stuff and butchering and shipping the meat to Portland supply houses. A fairly large amount of stock has been handled in this way he reports.

I. W. Minor and Irvin Gaskin left the latter part of the week for Pocatello with 185 head of ewes which Mr. Minor was driving back to his band which is being ranged in that section. Reports from there the last of the week stated that some 200 head of sheep had been lost from the band and it required several days time to find them.

Mrs. Eva Parker, who has been staying at the Meek brothers farm during the past several weeks returned to her home at La Grande the last of the week.

J. D. Slaughter and son, Paul, of Parsnip creek have been hauling wheat to the J. F. Haun farm near Evans.

T. J. Dryden, of Freewater, was a visitor in this section during the past week bringing over a load of melons and fruit. Mr. Dryden was formerly a wheat rancher in the Lostine section disposing of his farm there and moving to Freewater about 20 years ago.

Ed Bell finished seeding fall wheat at the C. A. Hunter farm on Whiskey creek the latter part of the week. Several of the other farmers in the community are just completing their seeding operations. A number of farmers in the hill areas are seeding some of their land to fall rye this year in hopes of being able to produce a larger supply of hay next season. Others expect to seed a considerable acreage next spring for pasture purposes during the summer season.

Mr. Bertha Taylor, who has been cooking for James Crossley and the Bowman-Hicks logging crews during the past four and a half months, returned to her home at La Grande the last of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McCrae have moved to the camp where they will board the crew for a time.

John Scott, of Cricket Flat, was a visitor in town the last of the week. He was returning home from Enterprise where he spent several days with his son, Elmer Scott, who received a serious injury to his left arm recently from being shot with a gun he was taking out of a car. Mr. Scott reports the injury healing nicely and has hopes that the arm will be saved. Mrs. Scott, who accompanied her husband to Enterprise, remained there for a few days longer.

Three Carloads Of Prunes Sent From Cove Area

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin
(Observer Correspondent)

COVE (Special) — Three carloads of prunes were shipped from the Cove co-operative last week and the work is going forward this week. Karl J. Stackland began packing last week with a small force but has increased the number this week and the packing is going on with full force. Mr. Stackland believes the market for prunes will a better next week than it is today, so he has delayed the packing. His reason for thinking the price will increase is because the eastern markets will be clear of prunes will be better next week than Oregon's nearest competitor in the prune market.

"Tony", a one-act play to be presented by the High school coached by Miss Jean Williams, promises to be one of the best and funniest plays of the year. It is a scream from start to finish. It is augmented by music and reading, directed by Mrs. Le-Violette and Thelma Anderson.

Mrs. M. Whisler was hostess at a small luncheon at her home last Friday. The house was artistically decorated with fall flowers from her attractive garden. Covers were laid for eight, including the hostess and her sister, Miss Hellar, Mrs. Fred Riddle, of Island City, Mrs. A. A. Antles, Mrs. C. F. Berlich, Mrs. Morris Spaeth and Mrs. Helene Lincoln. The favors were dainty, hand-made original scrap books. After the luncheon two tables of cards were in play.

Royal Borkgren, who went to Wenatchee a few weeks ago to get work in the fruit harvest, has found something better. It is a job in the electric shops of the Great Northern where he will be apprentice mechanic for four years.

Real estate in Cove is moving in spite of hard times. A sale of the Andrew Arjerson place has been made to Jack MacIntire, of Colorado, for the consideration of $1750. There are 40 acres of land with a small cherry orchard but it is mostly in hay and pasturage. The place was sold to Mrs. Feisman a few years ago, but when the hard times came she had to relinquish it. Mr. MacIntire is a friend of the Fletchers and visited them a few weeks ago when he was making a trip from Portland to his home in Colorado. He returned here last week with a view to buying the place.

Imogen White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. White Jr. injured her right arm last week in a fall on the playground at school.

Mr. and Mr. Thomas C. Hetty, Charles and Donald who had as their guest Mr. A. G. Conklin, made a trip to the "Switzerland of America" Sunday afternoon. They left Cove before 12 o'clock, lunched in the Wallowa canyon and reached the lake before 2 o'clock. While there they made a trip to the falls.

DR. PENROSE SPEAKER AT ENTERPRISE

ENTERPRISE, Ore. (Special) — Dr. Steven B. L. Penrose, of Whitman college, spoke Sunday evening in the High school auditorium, the purpose being a temperance meeting. Mrs. Penrose accompanied her husband.

Bud Tippetts received a broken arm Sunday while trying out some buckin horses for the fair. He is doing nicely, but of course will not be able to take part in the contests.

Miss Jessie Drake, nurse at the Enterprise hospital returned Friday from her vacation which was not very pleasant as she was ill of pneumonia all the time she was gone. Miss Drake is still unable to go back to work, but is recuperating as fast as can be expected.

Misses Ione Jordan and Lena Miller were weekend guests in La Grande. They returned Sunday afternoon.

Violin History

The earliest violin of which there is a record appeared in Brescia, in 1550. Shortly afterward, around 1575, violins were being made in Cremona by Andrea Amati, and from that time until the beginning of the Nineteenth century Cremona was the most important violin center in the world.

Without Parental Love

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CRICKET FLAT PERSONALS

By Miss Lois Witherspoon
(Observer Correspondent)

CRICKET FLAT (Special) — Mrs. Quintella Morris, Mrs. Allo Pratt and son, Bobby, Mrs. Roy Morris, all of Imbler, Mr. Earl Morris and daughters, of Kirkland, Wash., and Mrs. Mary Abbit, of Elgin, spent Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Witherspoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Roulet were transacting business and shopping in La Grande Monday.

Mrs. Levi Parks of Elgin, visited at the T. E. Parks home Friday and Saturday.

Thomas Keffer of La Grande spent the latter part of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brugger.

Norma Jean and Frederick Roulet visited Saturday at the Ivan Hug home.

Miss Genevieve Drum visited the latter part of the week with her friend, Miss Doris Miller.

Mrs. Chloe Parsons, who is a student at the E. O. N., spent the weekend at her home.

Delbert Witherspoon was absent from school two days of last week because of illness.

Miss Louise Waelty, of Clarkston, Wash., came Wednesday to visit her cousin, Mrs. Mary Waelty, and also Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Waelty.

Mrs. Leo Roulet and children and Mrs. Thomas Parks visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Roulet at Rhinehart.

Mrs. Archie Keown and daughter visited at Roy Fisher's last week.

Frederick Roulet was absent from school two and a half days last week because of illness.

Mrs. Clarence Witty, daughter, Wanda and son, Duane, visited Monday at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miller.

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