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God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.—Psalm 46: 1.

## BARTER BETWEEN NATIONS

People in La Grande and the Grande Ronde valley have been making considerable use of the ancient but by no means antiquated system of barter in the absence of sufficient quantities of cash in the channels of business. Wood and all kinds of farm produce have predominated as the media of exchange, and have been accepted frequently by business and professional men in payment for their goods and services. But the system of barter is by no means confined to individuals and business firms. In reading the news from day to day we find that even nations are bartering goods; and some economists believe that this form of transaction may become so general as to be an important factor in the economic rehabilitation of the world.

One of the most recent examples of this form of international trade was seen just a short time ago when a Canadian company agreed to ship about \$1,000,000 worth of aluminum wire to Russia in exchange for oil. No cash or other form of exchange entered into the transaction.

The American Grain Stabilization corporation has also made use of this system, and widespread publicity was given its big deal last year when it swapped 25,000,000 bushels of surplus wheat for 1,050,000 bags of coffee from Brazil. A proposal to exchange wheat for Chile's nitrate has been held up by recent political unrest, but there is a possibility that our government may trade some of its wheat for Chinese silver.

Of course, there is always the possibility of objection being raised on the ground that such bartering methods may result in ill effects upon the market for the goods received in the trading countries, but it seems logical that any country can take in trade such goods as are really necessary without injuring its present trade prospects. In fact, by allowing other countries to dispose of their large surpluses which are holding down prices within their own boundaries, and thus curtailing their purchasing power, the barter system may prove to be an effective means of breaking the stagnation of international trade and opening the way for the re-establishment of the original financial system.

The United States has excess supplies of wheat, cotton, copper, oil, and other raw materials, and a vast potential excess of finished products. Brazil has so much coffee that, until the recent rebellion, it was being systematically burned. Cuba has too much sugar; China has an oversupply of silver, and eastern producers are overstocked with rubber. Russia has surplus stocks of coal, oil, manganese, potash, and other raw materials, but is greatly in need of finished goods and machinery. The Soviet government seems to have little money, and is therefore relying principally upon straight barter.

It would be possible to recount many other instances of barter between nations, but these given above are sufficient to show the importance this form of trade may assume in world commerce.

## MISPLACED PITY

It is a common charge that we Americans sentimentalize our crooks.

The toughest gunman, dragged red-handed into court, can almost always be sure that someone will find reason to feel sorry for him. His attorney; as like as not, will build his whole defense on the effort to arouse the jury's sympathy. The court will be implored to feel sorry for a young man who "never had a chance."

All of this is perfectly familiar to everybody; but what we don't often realize is the fact that the trouble lies not in our wave of sentiment, but in the fact that it comes at the wrong time.

If we could project these recurrent impulses of pity, and translate them into action, a little earlier in the game, we might get somewhere.

Police Commissioner Mulrooney of New York city—an officer who has never yet been accused of being soft-hearted—pointed this out not long ago when he appealed to city governments not to let the present economic crisis serve as a reason for cutting down appropriations for playgrounds and other forms of juvenile welfare and recreation work.

"Life in a great city," remarked the commissioner, "is hard on children. Many of them live in tenements piled six deep or more on every block. The homes in them are not all they might be. Neither are the boys' parents; not always...."

"The children may be underfed, weak in body, discontented in spirit, and for relief, where are they to go? No place for them but the street—where they are at the mercy of every bully if they are weak, apt to turn into bullies themselves if they are strong. This is the foundation of the gang spirit."

And it is right there, of course, that the playground, the boys' club, the ball field and the like are simply invaluable. They give youngsters the chance to escape from gang influence; they release their energies into constructive channels.

If we could take the maudlin sympathy we waste on hardened crooks and focus it on these lads who aren't yet lost, we might accomplish something. We might provide them

## OUT OUR WAY



By J. R. Williams

all with a chance for decent recreation, decent fun—and save ourselves the necessity of getting sentimental over them later on.

## Roosevelt Continues To Hold Lead Over Hoover In Presidential Poll

Roosevelt is shown holding his lead of 3 to 2 over Hoover in the seminal returns of The Literary Digest's nationwide presidential poll, according to tomorrow's issue of the magazine, which gives a tabulation of nearly 3,000,000 votes. This is a larger return, it is announced, than the final returns of the 1928 Literary Digest poll.

Of a total of 2,933,000 votes tallied Roosevelt has 56.19 per cent., or 1,648,237 votes, while Hoover has 37.33 per cent., or 1,095,274 ballots, and Thomas has 141,992 votes, or 4.84 per cent. of the total number counted.

Hoover shows a slight gain from 37.19 per cent. of the total vote which he had last week.

Hoover continues to carry the seven states of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Jersey with only scant changes shown in the week's balloting in any of them.

Roosevelt continues to carry all of the other forty-one states. With over 300,000 additional ballots received and counted during the past week, mailed from every section of the country, neither candidate shows a gain or loss in any state of more than 1 per cent.

In a division of the vote for appointment in the electoral college the seminal returns would give Roosevelt 474 electoral votes to Hoover's 87.

The vote in New York continues to be closer than in any other state, although still carried by Roosevelt, making the outcome here still doubtful. Roosevelt is polling 167,054 votes to Hoover's 157,845, a very slight increase for the president over last week's returns.

The race is also very close in Delaware, where Roosevelt's lead has been cut from a plurality of 202 votes last week to 175 votes this week out of a total of 4697 cast in the state.

The returns from "State Unknown" divide 59.47 per cent. for Roosevelt and 39.65 per cent. for Hoover, which percentage is still in excess of the Democratic candidate's ratio for the country as a whole.

In an analysis of "how the same voters voted in 1928" Roosevelt is shown obtaining 37.19 per cent. of his strength from former Republicans, which is an increase over the ratio he received in last week's returns. The same analysis indicates that Hoover is obtaining 80.61 per cent. of his votes from former Republican ranks and 6.09 per cent. from former Democrats, which ratios are practically the same as those reported last week.

It is revealed also that Roosevelt continued to obtain more votes from those who voted for his rival in 1928 than from members of his own party in the twelve states of California, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Roosevelt continues his lead in the Republican stronghold of Pennsylvania where the vote is divided 120,054 Democratic and 88,885 Republican.

Massachusetts still gives Hoover the largest plurality he receives in any state. He leads his Democratic rival here by a vote of 37,707 to 33,023. Governor Roosevelt continues to show a clear majority in thirty-nine states in the polling up-to-date.

Kansas, regarded by many as a doubtful state, now shows a vote of 27,767 for Roosevelt to 22,372 for Hoover.

In California, the home state of the president, the Democratic candidate has a lead of 143,584 votes to 77,675.

## In Washington

By Herbert Plummer  
WASHINGTON—It must cramp the style of Senator George Norris of Nebraska as he goes about campaigning for Governor Roosevelt these days to be compelled to stick closely to a prepared manuscript for radio purposes.

That's not his way of delivering an address usually. In the senate, where he speaks often and at times very long, he is rare for him to prepare a speech before hand. He likes to talk extemporaneously, say the things that come to his mind at the moment.

Among the very few senators, too, who let their remarks

stand just as they delivered them. Norris never asks the senate reporters to hand him a copy of his remarks for revision as so many of the others do.

"I make a better speech for me than I do for myself," he once said.

## DIPLOMACY REQUIRED

Actually these reporters of debates in congress have saved more than one member from feeling chastened when they read the speeches they made on the floor.

The reporters never take for granted that a member is an expert grammarian. His speech might be faulty in other respects—they can't help that—but they do see to it that he gets his pronouns and verbs correct.

They must be diplomatic about it, too. Sometimes it's rather hard to convince members that they are wrong. Once a member of the house said in a speech, "That happened to he and I." When the reporter took it down he changed the statement to read "That happened to him and me."

## CORRECTED ANYWAY

Later the representative asked for a transcript of the speech. Noting that the change had been made, he put it back "He and I." The reporter said nothing, but when the speech was printed in the Record it read: "He and I had that happen to us."

Senator Lewis of Illinois at times catches the reporters to have something akin to a nightmare. He delights in rambling on and on, pausing neither here nor there for punctuation. His sentences are sometimes as long as paragraphs and exceedingly difficult to break up.

## THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO THE EDITOR IF THEY DESIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

October 27, 1932.

To the Editor: I advise all thinking persons to vote 391 "No." The proposed constitutional amendment, if adopted, will be the entering wedge to disfranchise hard-working men and women because they may not be endowed with a certain amount of worldly wealth. The proposed law provides that a property qualification is necessary before the voter can cast his ballot on the question of levying special taxes or issuing public bonds.

Since when has poverty become a crime? Our present election laws provide that no insane or criminal person can vote. Are we going to place impoverished people in the same category? By all means vote "No" and notify all your friends to do likewise. This act, in my way of thinking, is one of the most dangerous ever proposed to the electorate. Kill it!

RALPH C. CLYDE, City Commissioner, Portland

STEWART BLAMES WAR, NOT HOOVER FOR DEPRESSION  
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of the nation's trouble. He pointed out that tariff and reconstruction corporation policies were helping the lumber industry.

Ralph W. Simmons of Salem was elected state chairman at the afternoon session. Stewart Weiss of Portland was elected secretary, Robert Fisher of Eugene, treasurer, and regional chairmen were appointed by Simmons.

PORTLAND CASH  
PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 29.—Cash wheat: Big Bend bluestem 62c. Dard hard winter, 12 per cent 50½c. Dard hard winter, 11 per cent 48½c. Soft white 42½c. Western white 41½c. Northern spring 41½c. Western red 41c. Oats: No. 2 white \$17.50. Today's car receipts: wheat 71; corn 3; corn 2, hay 1.

## RED CROSS ROLL CALL CAMPAIGN TO OPEN NOV. 15

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boys' knickers, children's boys' and men's overalls, men's jumpers, knit underwear for infants, children, boys, men and women, and hosiery for children, women and men.

At the same time he stated that cotton cloth totaling 31,500,000 yards has been issued to 2184 Red Cross chapters and branch units. La Grande has already received its quota of both garments and cloth.

Thousands of volunteers throughout the land, formed into sewing groups, have been working in Red Cross chapter sewing rooms converting the cotton piece goods into clothing for men, women and children. The yardage consisted of cotton prints, cotton flannels, shirting, gingham, muslin, birdseye.

Pacific area chapters are participating eagerly in this program, sewing groups from churches, patriotic and fraternal societies, family welfare and character building agencies, contributing to the volunteer endeavor.

As committees carry on the relief work, other volunteers are perfecting plans for the annual Red Cross roll call for memberships to be held from Armistice day to Thanksgiving, November 11-24.

A. L. Schaefer, manager of the Pacific branch office, San Francisco, says more than 15,000,000 persons have benefited by Red Cross relief work in the United States this year. National food distribution, as of October 1, totaled 4,998,544 barrels, affording aid to 3,959,757 families.

## VELVET BRACELETS NEW FASHION NOVELTY

PARIS (AP)—Velvet bracelets are a new wrinkle to accent fall frocks. They are single or double strands of velvet twisted closely together and fastened in a flat knot at the top of the wrist.

One of these velvet bracelets in a brilliant shade of American beauty red is used as the sole ornament on a black velvet afternoon frock.

POWDER COMPACT GROWS TO SAUCER SIZE  
NEW YORK (AP)—Saucer-sized powder compact is something new. The new designs, which are the size of an after-dinner-coffee-cup saucer, are made of black enamel rimmed with silver, and finished with the silver monogram of the owner. They are as flat as possible in order to hold a thin layer of powder and an ostrich puff.

MISS JAHNCKE WEARS WHITE DIMITY DRESS  
WASHINGTON (AP)—Miss Adele Jahncke is wearing a cotton dress of white dimity with a sprig of blue and rose in it. It is made with elbow sleeves, finished with ruffles.

## 34 Years of Fear—Prison

A search of federal records holds the fate of Kirby Robinson, 65, who walked into Leavenworth federal penitentiary and announced he had escaped 34 years ago, while on his way to the prison. Robinson, shown here, said he had been sentenced to a four-year term for robbing a post-office near Fort Smith, Ark. Thirty-four years of life as a respected citizen in Texas and California had failed to erase his fear of apprehension, Robinson said. Leavenworth's warden refused to admit the fugitive until his story was confirmed.



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## BIG RALLY OPENS HOME-COMING AT NORMAL SCHOOL

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the direction of the freshman class with Ned Jones, president, in charge. The student-alumni banquet will be held tonight at 6:30 at the Banquet Room after which the annual home-coming ball will be enjoyed at the Normal school ballroom.

In honor of the returning alumni, the Beacon school newspaper, has been published with a review of recent activities at the Normal school. Instead of the regular mimeographed copies, the entire paper has been printed. Ralph Eastridge, of Pendleton, is the editor.

## JOHNSON SPEAKS FOR ROOSEVELT

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"The record of the present administration," he said, "is its condemnation." He asserted the administration's record was one of "bewildered vacillation, three years of false prophecies and broken promises." He condemned what he asserted was the "gospel of fear" which he said the Hoover administration was using in its campaign as "hypocritical smugness."

Senator Johnson asserted Republican campaign workers were urging employers in San Francisco and other cities to demand support of their employees for President Hoover.

"It has remained for the great humanitarian in the White House," he continued, "to allow this cruel coercion x x x. We ought to denounce and resent it. I thought that sort of thing had passed many years ago when we whipped the corrupt influence in our state government out of business." The senator declared he "preferred the petty politician who brazenly buys the vicious vote of the willing ward heeler to the so-called captains of commerce who now, throughout the land, bludgeon and browbeat men at their mercy into bartering for the right to hold their jobs."

Continuing his attack on the administration's record, Senator Johnson asserted "the fault lies in an erroneous outlook, without enumeration of harsh or bitter things that might be said."

"This outlook," he added, "may not be the deliberate fault of the individual in command, but the misfortune of his training, of his life spent in another environment x x x afforded no understanding of American psychology or American life."

"This philosophy of government acquired upon a gambling stock exchange in London is not a philosophy of government to fit these times in America."

The two philosophies of government offered by the Republican and Democratic presidential candidates, Senator Johnson said, "are as different as the philosophies of government which clashed in California in 1910. The one represents the divine right of big business, of international bankers and great corporations x x x the other the right of all the people."

## IDAHO BANKS WILL OPEN DOORS SOON

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PENDELTON EXTENDS HOLIDAY FENDELTON, Ore., Oct. 29.—An additional ten-day financial holiday for the First Inland National bank was declared here today in order that bank officials may continue efforts to make reopening possible.

More than 300 depositors have signed to support the bank through a waiver plan on deposits.

## ROOSEVELT WILL SPEAK IN MAINE

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Portland, Monday night he speaks at Boston.

During his stay in Groton, Mr. Roosevelt on Sunday night will make a seven-minute radio appeal over a nationwide broadcast for contributions to the aid of the unemployed through the welfare relief mobilization of 1932 which is headed by Newton D. Baker.

Governor Roosevelt faced into the New England states with the assurance of Alfred E. Smith, with whom he spent a friendly hour last night, that "everything's all right over there now."

Leaving Albany about noon, the governor was on the last long swing of his tour as the Democratic presidential candidate. Monday afternoon, when he is scheduled to be in Portland, he will have campaigned literally from Maine to California.

The meeting with Mr. Smith occurred last night when the 1932 Democratic standard bearer came to Albany on his way from Boston, where he made a speech in behalf of the Roosevelt-Garner ticket Thursday night, to Buffalo where he speaks tonight.

"I explained in great detail to the governor my trip through the New England states," Smith said.

Smith said he had come at the invitation of Governor Roosevelt to report "what I found out in New England."

He said that besides the states he visited, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts, he also believed New Hampshire would go Democratic.

Mr. Roosevelt said from what Smith had told him "everything seems to be in great shape."

He said the discussion also had included New York state, from the standpoint of both the national and state tickets.

"There's no question about New York that I can see," Smith said. "I'm looking for at least a majority of 600,000."

Granite Construction  
The Arlington Memorial bridge is built of granite. The part below the water line is from Stone Mountain, Ga., while that which is visible is from Mount Alys, N. C.

University of Illinois football teams have lost only six games to non-conference teams in 19 seasons.

## Africa's Ugliest

The shoe bill of Africa, resembling somewhat both the stork and the heron families, is considered one of the ugliest birds on that continent.

## FIND IT HERE

Copy for this Column must be in by 9 a. m.

GIRLS HERE'S YOUR CHANCE  
Hallowe'en Leap Year Dance at Zuber Monday night. Ladies 25c, men 25c. 10-28-32 tp.

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In all sizes at Melville's. 10-20-32 t.

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Brotherhood Engineers may pay dues at City Recorder's office, where they can receive a receipt for same. C. M. Humphreys, Sec. 10-24-12 t.

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The greatest values ever offered in Coffee Tables and What-Not Shelves are now on the Extra Special Sale of Fine Lacquer and Oriental Designed Tables and shelves at \$1.49 and 89c. See the window display now at Richardson's Art and Gift Shop. 10-17-3 t.

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Currier's Tablets for stomach trouble at Moon Drug Co. 10-12-1 m.

See us first if it's cleaning and pressing. Prices reduced. ZWEIFEL'S CLEANING—Main 176 10-5-1 m.

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

No. 12459  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION  
THE OREGON-WASHINGTON JOINT STOCK LAND BANK OF PORTLAND, OREGON, a corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
FRANK W. MCCLURE, EDITH A. MCCLURE, C. C. CLEMENT, ARLEY COUSSELL and INTER MOUNTAIN MUSKRAT FARMS, Inc., a corporation, and O. B. MACKAN, Defendants.

By virtue of the writ of execution and order of sale duly issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Union, on the 27th day of October, 1932, pursuant to a decree entered in said Court, October the 27th, 1932, in a suit wherein The Oregon-Washington Joint Stock Land Bank of Portland, Oregon, a corporation, is plaintiff,

and Frank W. McClure, Edith A. McClure, C. C. Clement, Arley Coussell, Inter Mountain Muskrat Farms, Inc., a corporation and O. B. Mackan, are defendants, said writ being directed to me commanding me to make sale of the real property hereinafter described. I will on Monday, the 28th day of November, 1932, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. at the front door of the court house of Union County, State of Oregon, to-wit:

Lots Three (3) and Four (4), in Section Three (3), Township Four (4) South, Range Thirty-eight (38) East of the Willamette Meridian, running thence North on the section line One Hundred six (106) rods; thence West One Hundred Thirty-two (132) rods; thence South Eighteen (18) rods; thence West Twenty-eight (28) rods; thence South Eighty-eight (88) rods to the section line; thence East along the section line to the place of beginning.

Also a tract of land commencing at a point Twenty (20) feet West of the Northeast corner of Section Three (3), Township Four (4) South, Range Thirty-eight (38) East of the Willamette Meridian; thence running West to the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE¼) of Section Three (3); thence South Forty-five (45) rods; thence East to a point Twenty (20) feet West of the East line of said Section Three (3); thence North Forty-five (45) rods to the place of beginning. Containing in all Two Hundred Forty-four (244) acres, more or less.

To satisfy the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-nine and 76/100 Dollars (\$3,599.76), with interest thereon from October 27th, 1932 at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum; and the further sum of Two Hundred Twenty and 42/100 Dollars (\$220.42), with interest thereon from October 27th, 1932 at the rate of eight per cent (8%) per annum, and \$350.00, as attorneys' fees, together with costs of said suit taxed at Seventeen and 80/100 Dollars (\$17.80), and the costs of and upon said writ.

JESSE BRESHEARS, Sheriff of Union County, Oregon.

Oct. 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF LANDS

Notice is by this given that pursuant to and in obedience of an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County, made and entered on the 15th day of September, 1932, the undersigned administrator of the estate of Julius Fisher, deceased, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on the 7th day of November, 1932, at 10 a. m., at the Court House of the County of La Grande, Un-

ion County, Oregon, all the right estate title and interest the said Julius Fisher had at the time of his death, and all the right title and interest his estate now has in the following described real premises, to-wit:  
The E½ of NE¼ of Section 19 and the W½ of Section 20, township 2 South, Range 40 E. W. M., known as the 400-acre Home Place of the deceased, subject to widow's homestead exemption; and the SE¼ of Section 21, and the SW¼ of NW¼, and the W½ of SW¼ of Section 22, Township 2 South, Range 40 E. W. M., all subject to a mortgage of about \$18,000.00 due Pac. Coast Joint Stock Land Bank; also,  
The SW¼ of SE¼, and the E½ of SE¼ of Section 35, Township 1 South, Range 40 E. W. M.; and also,  
The E½ of NE¼ and the N½ of SE¼ of Section 17, and an adjoining tract beginning at the center of said Section 17 the boundary runs thence west 26 rods, thence southerly 80 rods, thence east 20 rods and thence north 80 rods to place of beginning, all in Section 17, Township 5 South, Range 40 E.