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THE LAST WEEK OF THE CAMPAIGN

Before another issue of the Pilot the election will be over. The candidates and their various committees and those that are assisting in the campaign will be doing their utmost to convince the people that their candidate is the only one that can guide and save the nation. However, it matters not which political party succeeds, America will continue on her course as the greatest world power, whose influence will be felt in directing the course of international affairs. There is, however, a question as to which of the candidates is best fitted for the problems confronting the nation and the welfare of its people.

The campaign so far has been devoted largely to propaganda of name calling and accusations, which, if careful study is given to them, are as the Sunday Portland Journal in its editorial said, "only low-level politics" and any person with a sound mind would not believe them. The men before you, seeking your vote, are not irresponsible individuals, void of character and honesty. They are not traitors, communists or corruptionists. They are true Americans, and have the welfare of their country at heart. However, they represent ideas, and through ideas are the platform of their party and may have a very serious effect upon the prosperous condition of the nation. The question of importance before the electorate is which policies enumerated in their platform, do you as a voter believe will best serve the interest and welfare of our country.

True there has always been competition in government and all live business.

Sometimes the opportunity presents itself to the criminal. As one candidate put it: A criminal is not a Democrat but a traitor and he is not a Republican, but a traitor. He is right.

An authority on corruption in national affairs said that less than one-hundredth of one per cent of our government employees are accused of corruption. Small as this percentage is, it is sufficient to wage a terrific issue in the campaign. Corruption has existed under both Republican and Democratic administrations and will in the future, to a more or less degree.

The great popularity of Gen. Eisenhower is a major factor in the Republican campaign and has given them an apparent edge in the field.

The Democrats have countered with the exceptional ability of Governor Stevenson in handling affairs of business and political matters that have been entrusted to him, as well as his indorsement of the policies of the party under which the present era of prosperity prevails.

It matters not which of these two great Americans are selected by the voters to be the Chief Executive. He will be the President of all the people and every one, irrespective of political difference, will support him. The people's choice becomes the choice of all.

Hurrah for the President-to-be!

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New S. S. Laws Explained

passed by Congress and signed by the President in July means a lot to a great many people. It is very important, for instance, for veterans of the armed forces who have seen active service at any time since September 15, 1940, and who will receive social security wage credits for their time in the armed forces. More immediately, it means greater benefits for the 4½ million people now receiving old-age and survivor's insurance checks.

This includes the retired wage earners, their wives, and the dependent surviving relatives of wage earners who have died. They will all receive surviving automatic increases in their benefits. Most families will get a total increase of about \$5 a month; some will get less; some will get more.

There seems to be a great deal of misunderstanding about when the higher payments become effective. Claude E. Dawson, manager of the Eugene social security office, says he has had many calls from beneficiaries wondering why their last checks did not show the increase. He explained that the higher payments will begin with the September checks, which were issued Oct. 3. Dawson states also that many persons now getting benefits have come to the office to make application for the higher payments. This is not necessary. The increases will be automatic, without any action on the part of the beneficiaries.

Another feature of the new law provides good news for those applying now for old-age and survivor's insurance benefits under the so-called new formula. This formula applies to those workers who have had 1½ years employment in 1951 and 1952. Before the recent action by Congress, the 1952 wages in these cases could not be taken into account until 1952. This meant that the wage earner would have to accept a reduced amount for six months and would then have to apply for a recomputation of his benefits in order to get the full amount to which he might be entitled. The new law makes it possible to include 1952 wages in the original computation.

There is good news also for the self-employed person over 65 who retired during 1952. Under the old



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On the Main Drag

Pea soup fog.

Those excellent portrait studies by Richard Alexander.

Women losing their bearings looking for the yardstick.

Mrs. Olsen protecting Kemp's decorative theater carpeting.

Floyd Young selling real dairy cows.

Mrs. Melvin Sunds attractive vegetable garden at Freeman's.

Confused voters checking lists.

Someone's blue-eyed Siamese cat adopting Ed Dempsey.

Tony Christianson bowling with two balls—result, bruised hand.

General Election Nov. 4
Be Sure to Vote!

law, it would not have been possible to count 1952 self-employment earnings in the benefit calculation in any case where the self-employed retired or died in 1952. The new amendment permits recomputation of the benefit at the end of 1952 to include self-employment earnings for this year.

These amendments sound technical and, in fact, they are. Nevertheless, they are glad tidings for a great many people.

Fred Neuman, father of Dick Neuman, passed away last Thursday in Portland of a brain tumor. Services and burial were held at Coos Bay Tuesday. Mr. Neuman worked here in the forestry department about eight years ago.

Your buyers read the class ads—use them next week!

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