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parties have secured votes in the electoral college. The Populists got 22 electoral votes in 1892 and the Progressives 88, or four times as many, as a result of the Roosevelt bolt in 1912.

The great silent, unorganized, unexplained third party vote of 1920 will be unusually heavy. The stage is set for it. There are issues to stimulate it. Where it will be thrown depends very largely upon action at San Francisco. A very large detachable vote is waiting to see what will be done there.

Some one with little to do has devised for those with more money than occupation, visiting cards and cigarette cases for dogs. The little wiggly dogs are to have delicate, feminine cards. The big, rough dogs are to have masculine cards, but not many of the latter will be printed as there is a prejudice against the former on the part of persons who want canine calling cards. It is not stated whether the cigarette cases are to contain smokes or dog biscuit.

BACK TO THE JUNGLE DULUTH, Minnesota, reverted to the barbarian Tuesday. Law, the barrier between civilization and the jungle, was abandoned when a mob 5000 strong surged about the Duluth jail, battered in the doors and lynched three negroes for a crime of which they may have been entirely innocent.

A white girl had been attacked by negroes. Trucks filled with citizens wheeled about the streets, the occupants calling for volunteers "to avenge the attack on the girl." Three negroes were held in the city bastille as suspects. Officers were searching for others.

The mob gathered until 5000 men headed for the jail. Windows were smashed, doors demolished and several persons injured before the prisoners were reached. They were given a mock trial and condemned to hanging. One swung three times, maintaining his innocence, until his neck was broken.

American institutions were violated and the majesty of the law overthrown. A pack of wolves, leaderless, unruly, and without organization or authority, set themselves up as the ruling legion of the land. They acted in a spirit of anarchy and destruction. They were bent on death, whether the victims were innocent or guilty.

Without law a country or city is given back to barbarism. The licentious and lustful take command. They rule with the gun and dagger and rope. Mobbers want revenge and take it, regardless of guilt. The trial by jury for which Englanders so long fought is abandoned to be replaced by the inquisition, and people are sent to death without a shadow of evidence against them.

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These high cost times have doubled the price of bread. The price of sugar is multiplied by three. Potatoes and prunes have been transported from classification as common vials to luxuries.

ings rather than build suitable school rooms. We have boasted of Portland's growth and have ignored the needs that growth in the school population impose upon school facilities.

As a consequence Portland is \$3,000,000 behind in its school building program. And as an S. O. S. to the taxpayers and the parents of Portland a special 3-mill tax, enough to realize about \$1,000,000, is asked at the school election Saturday.

Of course, taxes are high. But everything else is high. Surely we should pay for schools when needed so badly as uncomplainingly as we pay the increased cost of bread and cigarette cases for dogs.

On Saturday S. O. S. means "Support Our Schools." This talk that a proposed cabinet for Candidate Harding will be put to the front in August or September can hardly be other than rumor. As a political strategy, it would be an almost fatal mistake.

AN AUTOMOBILE was bound west on Stark street at a conservative speed Wednesday. It entered the intersection at Fourth. A delivery truck was traveling south on Fourth at much higher speed. The first machine was in the intersection 15 feet before the second car entered.

Another delivery driver made the same assumption a week before at Fourteenth and Taylor. He was to the right, and therefore, assumed right of way. The other driver in that accident claims he was in the intersection first. Neither topped. They smashed, and now both are threatened with manslaughter charges.

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Letters From the People [Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on one side of the paper, in full, and must be signed by the writer, whose full address in full must accompany the communication.]

MRS. SHERMAN'S QUALIFICATIONS Portland, June 17.—To the Editor of The Journal—To say that Mrs. Francis A. Sherman should be elected as school director because she is a woman would be the only reason for her election.

By all means, law violators, whether they be black or white, should answer for their crimes, answer in full. But they should answer through the channels of civilization, not through the processes of the jungle.

standard of required knowledge. She is a mother, and knows a mother's problems. She is a leader, and the game from that side also. She has managed her own affairs well, and is therefore worthy of trust.

AN AMERICAN ASSAIT Portland, June 17.—To the Editor of The Journal—The fact that the manager of the Johnson campaign in Oregon during the primaries, made the following statement to a representative of the Oregonian: "The Johnson organization is going to go down for the Republican ticket. This is official."

HIRAM JOHNSON'S VICTORY It Carried the League Question Out Into the Open. The League's Friends Wanted It. From the New York World (June 11).

THE LEAGUE—YES OR NO Vancouver, Wash., June 14.—To the Editor of The Journal—Annet the League of Nations, I consider a consistent critic. I look on the maudlin mouthings of kept politicians regarding it as but political puff.

URGES MRS. SHERMAN'S ELECTION Portland, June 16.—To the Editor of The Journal—The fact that a woman on the school board? If there is a place where the services of a woman would be beneficial to the school board, it is in the capacity of director of the school board.

Letters From the People [Continued] Mrs. Sherman speaks seven different languages and has been a comfort to the foreign people of their district.

PROCTER AS WOOD 'ANGEL' Colonel William Cooper Procter, the financial manager of General Wood's campaign, is being called an "angel" in more respects than one.

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The Oregon Country Northwest Happenings in Brief Form for the Day Reader. The Dallas Canning company will begin operations next Monday, having a large quantity of strawberries under contract.

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