

## OREGON MAY GET 4TH CONGRESSMAN BY REDISTRIBUTION

Legislative statements, particularly those who have a congressional bee buzzing about in their political bonnets, are beginning to wonder whether Oregon will be given a fourth congressman by the readjustment of congressional apportionment which is due now that the 1920 census has been completed.

It has been taken for granted, generally, that Oregon will have an additional congressman given by the new apportionment when it is made, but the accretion may not be so certain by the time congress gets through juggling state delegations around at Washington. It is probable, however, pending the legislature, when it meets in January, will attempt to enact such provisional legislation as will give the state the benefit of an additional membership that may be granted to it by congressional reapportionment.

### MAY LOSE OUT AFTER ALL

Such an enactment, effective in the event that congress adds to the Oregon representation, would enable the governor to appoint a congressman pending the next general election, thus giving the state full representation from the beginning.

How this may be done presents a difficult question, however, though some members of the legislature contend that the simplest solution of the problem would be for the legislature to make provision for a congressman pending election for the whole state. This, it is argued, would leave the present districts as they now are and would not disturb the present balance, even though no additional member might be granted by the apportionment.

It is not so certain though that Oregon will win another member of congress through reapportionment. The house of representatives at Washington has grown so large as to be unwieldy and a strong sentiment has sprung up to limit, possibly to restrict, the membership rather than to increase it.

### RATIO MAY INCREASE

While it is doubtful that the house of representatives would vote any of its membership out of office, it would not be surprising to see the ratio of apportionment increased to such a point that the present number of congressmen would be retained and the present state delegations be not disturbed.

Oregon, even under the new census and the present ratio of apportionment, possesses only a fractional part of the ratio needed to bolster its claim for an additional congressman. By the existing ratio a state is entitled to one congressman for every 211,877 of population. This ratio entitles the state to three members of the house, leaving a fractional remainder of 145,684 to spare, from which it can well be seen that a material increase in the ratio by congress would force the present representation of three members pretty close to the danger line. The total population of the state, upon which the apportionment is based, is 785,285.

### DIVISIONS INACCURATE

The present division of the state into congressional districts is out of proportion so far as population is concerned. The first district has a population of 248,885, this being 137,008 in excess of the congressional ratio now in effect. The second district has a total population of 160,692, which is 51,275 less than the standard of apportionment set by congress, thus putting Congressman Sinnott's district in the position of being 61,875 people shy of being entitled to a representative at Washington.

The third district, Multnomah county, has a total population of 275,898, or an excess over the ratio of 64,021. It can be seen from these figures that it would be a difficult matter to redistrict the state, even if congress had already fixed the apportionment ratio for the coming 10 years, which it has not done and will not do until the 1921 session of the Oregon legislature has met, run its course and adjourned.

This difficulty has bred the plan for a congressman-at-large, to be appointed and afterwards elected, contingent upon any increased representation provided for at Washington; for the representative-at-large could absorb the overplus from the first and third districts, if any such existed under the new ratio, and at the same time disturb present district boundaries which have been drawn largely because of state geography. While any material increase in the apportionment ratio would doze Oregon's chances for increased congressional membership, it is believed that there are too many potential congressmen in the legislature, not to consider the galaxy outside, for any possibility to be overlooked. It is a pretty safe bet, therefore, that the next legislature will make provision for an additional congressman, whether that blessing is given the state or withheld from it.

### FIGHT AGAINST INCREASING HOUSE MEMBERSHIP GROWS

Washington, Nov. 25.—The decennial fight in congress over the reapportionment of seats in the house of representatives on the basis of the census just taken, always a source of much argument, this year finds both prominent Republicans and Democrats lined up against any increase in the present number of members, which is 435. In fact, such leaders as Speaker Gillette, on the Republican side and former Speaker Champ Clark on the Democratic, are in favor of cutting the house membership down below the present number to about 300. They are not hopeful, however, that this can be done, since members, being human, are loath to vote themselves out of their seats and doubly loath to cut down their state's representation in congress. The best they can hope for, they say, is to keep the house at its present strength, by the process of enlarging the "electoral quotient" or number of inhabitants to each representative.

At that they are not too sanguine of carrying out their policy of what might be called congressional birth control, because they recalled that only once following a census year has congress failed to pass a reapportionment act. That was way back in 1890.

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## WESTON IS GIVEN LIFE IN PRISON

Bead, Nov. 25.—A. J. Weston, found guilty of the murder of Robert Krug of Sisters, March 24, 1919, appeared before Circuit Judge Duffy Wednesday and was sentenced to imprisonment for life as the penalty for second degree murder.

When the prisoner came into court under guard, he was fighting hard to repress nervousness, and his eyes were red from sleepless nights spent since his conviction. Before sentence was passed by Judge Duffy, the prisoner was extended the privilege of being allowed to speak in his own behalf. He rose and addressed the judge in a half sobbing voice: "I can say this, truthfully and sincerely, that you are passing judgment on an innocent man. It is only revenge; it's too bad you can't hang me. If you will give me my commitment I will deliver it in person. Help yourself. That is all I can say." The prisoner dried his eyes and stood with folded arms as Judge Duffy informed him that his plea could not be

considered as a reason for a stay of judgment. Sheriff S. E. Roberts stated that Deschutes county's first convicted murderer will spend his Thanksgiving in the local county jail. When Weston is taken to Salem the prisoner will be equipped with an "Oregon boot" and will be accompanied by Sheriff Roberts and another guard. Allan R. Joy of Portland, one of Weston's attorneys, stated that they had abandoned plans for a motion for a new trial and will appeal direct to the supreme court. S. R. Weaver, aged 64, a well-to-do farmer, was found dead in his hog lot near Elberton by his son, Fred C. Weaver.

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Silk Tricolettes **\$2.95**

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# THE WONDER MILLINERY MONTH END SALE

Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday

STARTS FRIDAY MORNING AT 9:15

One continuous round of veritable sensations is lowered prices that take no account of original cost on millinery, furs and umbrellas.

Women are expecting low prices but we doubt if any woman will expect to find such stylish, up-to-the-minute millinery, furs or umbrellas so radically reduced.

It's in times like these that this store proves its true worth—and the hundreds of women who are watching the merchandising situation are quick to see the efforts Wonder Millinery is making to keep faith with its customers—quick, too, to see how eminently fair Wonder Millinery prices have been during all the "upward trend." Make it a point to know all about the reductions that they have been taken at Wonder Millinery—and profit by them.

## Two Big Trimmed Hat Items

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**\$3.95**



\$3.95

These hats were formerly priced to \$7.50 and you will find just the color and style hat you have been looking for.

200 Hats

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These beautiful trimmed hats were formerly priced to \$17.50. Many are hand-made pattern hats and included at this price are some fur hats that have been selling at \$12.50.

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Formerly Priced to \$12.50

## Two Big Misses' and Children's Items

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\$1.95

These are felt in large and small brims, roll and droop, all ribbon trimmed.

50 Trimmed Hats

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In velvet, trimmed with fur, hand-made flowers and ribbons. Formerly priced at \$9.00.

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50 Silk Umbrellas

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These have tip and fancy rings with eight-rib paragon frame. All colors.

100 Silk Umbrellas

**\$12.50**

Formerly Priced to \$17.50  
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Truth Telling From the Facts to the Fur



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Values That Will Take the Town by Storm

All Our Larger Beautiful Foxes and Lynx

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25 large Wolf and animal scarfs in black, brown, taupe **\$49.50**

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These were formerly \$70 to \$85.

50 odd Neckpieces **\$5.00**

The greatest reductions we have ever made on Coats, Costes, Capes and Stoles are made in this month-end sale. Special prices on Children's Furs. Deposit will hold furs till wanted.



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