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Futile Presidential Primaries

THE futility of the Oregon preferential primary for presidential nominees is abundantly illustrated in the forthcoming election. For republicans the choice is Borah or a penciled candidate; the same "alternative" of Roosevelt or a written nominee is before the democrats. Obviously there is no preference when the choice is someone against no one. The only purpose of the presidential primary will be to instruct the Oregon delegation for its first ballot at Cleveland or Philadelphia; thereafter the delegates are entirely free to nominate whom they wish as Oregon's presidential choice.

The primary would be of some value if all the outstanding candidates for the party's favor were necessarily on the ballot. If Landon, Knox, Vandenberg, Hoover and Borah were standing for republican favor Friday, the state's delegation at Cleveland would have an intelligent, official checkup on the state's reaction to the candidates. Under the existing system the delegates, not the voters of the state, are all-pow-

When the September primary was proposed last year political conventions were provided for in the state to choose delegates to the national conventions. At these conventions each of the leading candidates for national office would have had supporters; when the delegates were chosen they would tions of which we have felt a have been instructed on the first, second and third choices of great part went to salaries and their party in the state. The party organization of Oregon, right place. responsible to the county organizations, would have reflected the preference of the people.

As long as Oregon continues the preferential primary the selection of presidential nominees by the people will remain a joke. A non-entity or a hopelessly defeated aspirant for the nomination will frequently be the people's choice. Oregon's delegation to the conventions will go through the motions of supporting him and then duck to the candidate whom it chooses to support.

Flight of the Hindenburg

TERMANY, which easily surpasses the world in the development of the Zeppelin, scores again in the majestic flight of the Hindenburg to our shores. This historic trip is a harbinger of a day when the North Atlantic will be spanned in flights as regular and as safe as the constant schedule maintained by Germany between Africa and South America.

This nation's tragic experiences with the Macon and Akron have chilled American enthusiasm for lighter-thanair craft. Not so with the Germans. Lead by Dr. Hugo Eckener (at outs with Hitler and no longer the commander of the Hindenburg) that country's technicians have gone steadily er, Mrs. W. A. Roth, entertained ahead in pioneering this type of flying. The Hindenburg is the most seaworthy, the most highly powered, the finest equipped for passenger and freight service of any dirigible the world has produced. In its trip to the United States the Raines. Mothers present were Hindenburg was successively maneuvered out of the storm | Mrs. F. E. Way, Mrs. Alma Zurcenters with the result that passengers found the trip smooth- cher, Mrs. J. S. Kaufman, Mrs. er and more pleasant than one made by an ocean going ship.

The Hindenburg's flight is a political gesture as well as Kuenzi, Mrs. A. A. Nafziger, Mrs.

a technical triumph for the nazis want to impress the world W. A. Nafziger, Mrs. Clyde Dewith their achievements. There can be no doubt, however, that the day is not far off when sustained and regular flights over the North Atlantic will be matter of course events at the same time that the United States sends its fast airplanes west on steady schedule to Honolulu and the Philippines.

Racketeers Take the Rap

MAY has been an unhappy time for America's arch gang-IVI sters and racketeers. In swift sequence, the federal bureau of investigation has swooped down on the No. 1 men of the underworld; kidnapers and train robbers Karpis and Campbell; the missing William Mahan who helped steal the Weyerhaeuser boy and the long-sought Robinson who kidnaped Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll at Louisville, Kentucky.

J. Edgar Hoover, who has come in for criticism of late, regains prestige from these brilliant arrests. In each instance the fugitive was captured without a battle. The outlook is for speedy trials and prompt convictions. The evidence against Mahan was so convincing he refused legal assistance and has already begun his 60-year imprisonment.

The federal G-men have been overpublicized with the featuring both Mother's day and movies leading in the over-emphasis on their feats. Nevertheless they have obtained results; the gangsters' roll is shortened; recruiting of men for the No. 1 public enemy list- and Mrs. K. P. Mobley:
ings is more difficult with the federals never giving up a Group singing, led by Mrs. search until they bag their man. Certain capture and certain punishment; these are the twin deterrents to large-scale of Music," Mrs. K. P. Mobley; picrime in the United States and the success of the last ten days and number, "Polish National will put new fear into the mind of the would-be kidnaper. Crime can be halted in the United States once the nation determines there shall be no relenting in a war on its had men.

McNary Demonstrates His Ability

CENATOR CHARLES L. McNARY has demonstrated therhood," by Mrs. Ada Muckleagain that he is a master of Washington strategy and can produce results for his own state. Out of a conference with the president, attended by Senators Bone and Schwell- group singing. enbach, McNary has secured approval of his proposal that the Bonneville dam be operated separately from any other federal project with army engineers supervising the generation of power and the federal power commission setting Bouffleur at the tea and coffee the rates. The dangerous and unsound proposal that Bonnevills be tied in with the incompleted Grand Coulee project is Edwin Brock, Anna Pattison, avoided. With the sanction of the white house on the Mc- W. D. Phillips, Lela Kuhn, Stella Nary program, the senator will get his bill passed this session.

No Oregon member of the congress could have handled these difficult negotiation as adroitly and successful as did the senator. His tact, his persistence and his prestige with the administration, are illustrated in the sustaining of the McNary position on Bonneville's use. Oregon is going to keep McNary on the job. This state dares not lose its best man at the capital.

Water Commission THERE are three to elect for members of the water commission. I. M. Doughton, the only one running for reelection, should again be chosen. He is capable, sincerely interested in the work, cautious in authorizing expenditures, independent in his judgments. Ernest A. Miller has endorsed the program now being undertaken. He is a good business Carrie Clester, with a lovely waman, with sound judgment and will make a good commissioner. Eugene Grabenhorst has not endorsed the Stayton island source specifically, but favors a gravity line. We recommend Huer, Tessa Friar, Barbara Lyda, him for the third position.

Principles of Rotary Talked by Kleinsorge At Silverton Meeting

SILVERTON, May 12. - Dr. R. E. Kleinsorge was luncheon

tion at Vancouver, B. C. from May

Silverton club, is attending the

three-day district Rotary conven-

Miller Man Killed

THE DALLES, Ore., May 12day noon at Toney's. Dr. Klein-Ore., died of injuries incurred plant their beans. The rain last A delegate to the state conven-Rotary.

Board a truck. He slipped be-ishape for planting than two years.

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cation of a dam site.

The Safety Valve

Letters from Statesman Readers

To the editor:

There has been quite some disussion about our present Judge McMahan not taking a cut in salary. I have been active in the past year with men, women and children who have through no fault of their own been cast upon the highways without food, shelter or clothing.

Time and again I have gone to those who have the control of funds for such people and have received little if any results.

I have had families come late at night with hungry children, babies if you please, without food. Whenever the time of need, your Judge McMahan has handed me a signed check on his personal account with no amount placed upon the check so that I might have sufficient funds with which to handle the case.

Friends! I ask you with al fairness to the men now running against the judge, would they have signed checks on their personal accounts and handed it to a man for existing conditions, without reservations?

Personally I am sure that we have given money to organizaoffice rent before it got to the

You can not blame a man for wanting his money to go where Dr. Orlen Richard Kring.

420 State street. **Open House Will**

Be Held May 19

School at Central Howell Will End Studies on That Day

CENTRAL HOWELL, May 13. The date for open house at the school has been changed from May 15 to Tuesday, May 19, which is the last day of school. The last day picnic will be Saturday, May 16.

The 4-H Cooking club and leadwith a mothers' tea and program Saturday afternoon at the Roth home. Special guests were Mrs. Grace Sehon and Mrs. Jessie

Guests for Dinner Mr. and Mrs. James Sehon, Billy Sehon and Lucille Roth were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Simmons and family Sunday night preceding the baccalaureate services held for the eighth grade class at the Pratum a nonite church.

Special music at the services was a vocal duet by Leona and

Joint Program Is Held by Auxiliary

KINGWOOD, May 12 .- Memers of the American Legion auxlliary, were hostesses Friday from 2 until 6 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Elmer Cook for a program Music week. The following program was presented under the direction of Mrs. R. B. McClendon

Mamie Dickson with Mrs. Gertrude Tripp at the piano; "History Song," Mrs. Tripp; Mother's day bill in 'congress; A Woman's Worth, Proverbs 31:10-31, Mrs. R. B. McClendon; reading, Mrs. Lois Neiger; piano numbers, Mrs. Tripp: "A Mother Speaks," Mrs. Elmer Cook; extracts from "Mostone, Mrs. Lillian Williams; remarks, Mrs. Hazel Boenig; piano numbers, Mrs. Gertrude Tripp;

Novel and dainty motifs formed spring like setting for the serving of ices and cakes with Mrs. Hazel Boenig and Mrs. Teresa urns. / Invited guests were Mes-Henry, Anna Jensen, Kathryn Schwartz, A. W. Vernon.

Detroit Loggers **Load First Train**

DETROIT, May 12. - Hadley and Harris have begun logging operations, loading their first train load last week.

The 4-H club girls were entertained with a party Saturday by their teacher, Mrs. Hostettler. Games were played and a delicious luncheon was served. The girls presented their club leader, Mrs. ter glass set. Those present were Dorthy Young, Lillie and Rhoda Babcock, Elsie Clester, Bonnie Ruth Hostettler and Phern Mit

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Johnson entertained about 60 friends with a dance Saturday night. Government men are drilling test holes in and along the Santiam river above Niagara for lo-

Planting Beans Now

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

greater part of the dissenters officers of the provisional govern-

with the provisional government

was held at Champoeg. The two meetings were held in the open.

son's Bay company to store grain

The men going to Champoeg to

attend the July 5, 1843, meeting

went mostly by boat and on horse-

back the day before, in order to celebrate the 4th of July, the ora-

tion being by Rev. Gustavus Hines

In conformity with the consti-

tution and laws just adopted in

ment thereby provided for the first executive committee - three

As provided by the constitution

and laws adopted in open meet-

(1844), and a new executive com-

nine being provided for but Yam-hill district not electing hers-

and an almost new set of officers.

That legislative committee (leg-

islature) of eight, unicameral, one

house body held its sessions at

It passed a number of laws.

Some of them, and of later Oregon

came some of the first laws of the

state of California when it was

4 4 4

Yamhill county, was elected to the

legislature of 13 members in 1845

the 1844 legislative committee

The executive committee had

ikewise in the same manner been

But Jesse Applegate led a ma

changed to a governor.

Jesse Applegate, representing

their blankets on the ground.

5-13-36 ballot, in the open air.

No other meeting connected The truth will finally prevail; why follow the fibbers? What happened at Champoeg; all that happened;

(Continuing from yesterday:) No building was there excepting The record of Secretary LeBreton the small warehouse of the Hudreads: "The committee made their report, which was read, and to be shipped to Fort Vancouver a motion was made that it be aca motion was made that it be accepted, which was lost. "Considerable confusion existed

"It was moved by Mr. LeBre ton, and seconded by Mr. Gray (W. H. Gray), that the meeting divide, preparatory to being counted; those in favor of the objects of the Lee mission. They slept in of this meeting taking the right, and those of a contrary mind taking the left, which being carried by acclamation, AND A GREAT MAJORITY BEING FOUND IN the open air, the July 5 meeting at FAVOR OF ORGANIZATION, the Champoeg named among the new

"A great majority" is not a men standing for a governor. majority of two. There was no 50- That meeting continued Geo. 52 vote. It was a myth, created W. LeBreton in the office of pub-20 or more years later, "out of lic recorder. whole cloth."

What were "the objects of this It transpires that they were to ing that day, an election at the continue the provisional govern- polls was had the next year continue the provisional government already in operation, for two years and nearly three months, years and nearly three months, mittee chosen, also a "legislative with some changes, and to frame committee" of eight members—

and adopt for it a constitution and

The report of Secretary LeBre- But Geo, W. LeBreton was reelec ton reads: "Moved and carried ted public recorder, That election that the legislative committee was held the second Tuesday o make their report on the 5th day May, 1844; May 14. of July next, at Champooick. (Now spelled Champoeg.)

"It was moved and carried, THAT THE OLD OFFICERS RE-MAIN IN OFFICE TILL THE Oregon City and observed all the LAWS ARE MADE AND AC- forms of a legislative body in the CEPTED, or until the next public biggest states. meeting."

What "old officers" were meant? Those of the provisional provisional government laws, begovernment, of course.

The legislative committee of nine, to frame the laws and constitution, met at the Lee mission May 16-19 and June 27-8, six days, every session of which G. W. LeBreton, public recorder and secretary, attended as such, act-ing officially. The sessions were lature, and of district to county. in the mission granary and hospi-

They reported, according to adournment, at Champoeg July 5. 1843, and the "constitution and jority of the 1845 legislature in laws" framed at the mission were claiming everything theretofore adopted, one by one and as a done had been illegal and not acwhole, and the officers required cording to American ideals. under them were elected, by hand

Pictures Shown

home to see them.

and Mrs. George Vail.

Mrs. G. Garrett

OAKDALE, May 12. - Word

of Mrs. Garland Garrett, Wednes-

day afternoon at a Los Angeles

hospital. Mrs. Garrett is the

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reece

Robbins of this community. The

parents and brother Paul went to

California at the word of her

days before she passed beyond.

The immediate family left are her husband and two daughters,

Betty and Mildred Elaine, the

brother, Paul, of here.

Rickey Will Graduate

Class of 10 Tonight;

RICKEY, May 12 - A class of

0, the largest since the two-room school house was built, will grad-

uate here from the eighth grade

Graduates are Mae Etta Gesner, Lena Grobli, Carroll Courtnier,

Edward Burton, John Burton,

Carlos Kenny, Dale Fulerton,

Francis Waser, Henry Lauinger,

Will Address Townsend

Club Thursday Evening

JEFFERSON, May 12. - The

regular meeting of Jefferson

Townsend club will be held Thurs-

day night at 8 o'clock at the Ma-

Rev. Young, Hillsboro,

Wednesday night.

Lloyd Crabb.

May 29.

youngest being born April 11. Her

JEFFERSON, May 12.-Fred

(Concluded tomorrow.) Bride's Shower By Fred DeVries Given at Airlie

AIRLIE, May 11. - Mrs. Glen de Vries, of Pratum, president of Hadley and Mrs. Jesse McKibben Marion county Sunday schools was entertained Friday afternoon here Sunday afternoon and showwith a bride's shower for Mrs. ed motion pictures taken at var-Paul Wilson at the McKibben ious district Sunday school conhome, Guests were: Mrs. Paul ventions held recently. These pic-Wilson, the honor guest; Mrs. tures proved interesting to a Vernon McKibben, Mrs. Harry group of Sunday school workers McKibben, Mrs. Glen Hadley, who were at Miss Anna Klampe's Mrs. Anna Hadley, Mrs. W. M. Herron, Mrs. John Wienert, Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schulz and M. E. Branch, Mrs. Geo. Ploub daughter of Portland were Moth- Mrs. Loren Cooper, Mrs. Frank ers day guests at the home of Mr. Cooper, Mrs. Sam Hastings, Mrs. John Parsons of Albany, Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Nick Welter and John Whitten, Mrs. Emery Whitdaughter Marlene of Warm aker, Mrs. C. S. Whitaker, Mrs. Springs and Merlin Whedbee of Rex Womer, Mrs. J. J. Ploub, Portland are guests at the home Mrs. H. P. Whitaker, Mrs. Earl of their mother, Mrs. Emma Hoover, Mrs. Robert Harris, Mrs. S. A. Tarter, Mrs. Erle Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Smith jr. Mrs. Earnest Schuld, Mrs. G. B. are the parents of a 7-pound 6- Williamson, Mrs. Fred Ray, Mrs. ounce daughter born May 9, at an W. H. Williams, Mrs. Mary Gross, Albany hospital. This is their first Mrs. Alvin Sams and the Misses child and she has been named Jane | Ione Imbler, LaVerne Tarter, Catherine Schuld, Ruth Wilson, Irene Cooper, Margaret Nendel, Beatrice Nendel, Alyce Ploub, Florence McKibben and Evelyn McKibben and Mrs. Jesse McKib-Is Called Beyond

The annual high school play, 'Two Days to Marry," was played Thursday night to a full house. The cast was Jacob Ploub, was received here of the death Beatrice Nendel, Evelyn McKib ben, Margaret Nendel, Melvin Mc-Kibben, Harry Bose and Orval Whitaker. Between acts Dorothy Bose and Helen Whitaker gave readings; Peggy Wienert present ed a tap dance; Melvin McKibben played on the harmonica, and sickness and were with her a few Professor Feathers and Jacol Ploub put on a short skit.

Series of Card Parties Held at Sublimity Ends;

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robbins, a sister, Mrs. Arthur Bicker, and a SUBLIMITY, May 12. - The last of a series of card parties was held at the C.O.F. hall with The two pupils of the school who had grades for the honor "500" and bunco in play. Lunch roll were Frank Kemmis and was served by Mrs. Mamie Glen Mehl, School will close on Loucks, Mrs. P. T. Etzel and Miss Aurelia Wourms. High score in Mr. and Mrs. Smith and fam-"500" went to Matilda Etzel and ily of near Dallas have moved P. J. Etzel; high score in bunco onto the Peters place near the to Inez Starr and Vincent Starr. A grand prize for the end of the series went to Mrs. Fred Hartman in "500" and to Mrs. Ida Steffes for bunco.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Zuber and baby to Portland visited rela-Names of Pupils Given tives here over the weekend.

Twenty Years Ago

May 13, 1916 Plans to conduct a contest for ueen of the Cherry fair have been launched

Miss Frances W. Gittins will e crowned Queen of the May at Willamette today.

An earthquake jarred Boise and central Idaho last night.

Ten Years Ago

May 18, 1926 The nine-day general strike in England has come to an end. A revolutionary movement is in

Charlie Chaplin in "A Dog's

"Over my dead body!"



"There's Murder in the Air"

by Roy Chanslor

A. Carrier

the truth—with lies.
"I told him that Carlotta had de-liberately double-crossed them. Betrayed them, so that she could continue to live in wealth and luxury. That had the effect I'd hoped for He was ready to forget his under world code then-anything to strike at her, knowing that with his brother dead and himself doomed, there was no one else to avenge

Spain.

"There she took the name of Montez to bolister the fiction of her Spanish descent. And there she did find James Moridon. . . . But more important—to her, she found freedom at last from Gaudio's ruthless dominance. She cultivated Moridon, and when she saw that he was falling in love with her, she decided on a bold standard of course to Gandio to him the circumstances, he gave her an extension.

"She then decided to betray Hélème into his hands. She staged the shopping-party, making it apportant—to her, she found freedom was really Doris who was azxious to go. She got Doris to obtain Hélème's whereabouts, as I have told you. Then she 'disapping with her, she decided on a peared,' going of course to Gandio to betray were suddenly aware, as one, of the music, They raised their faces to, ward the window, toward the soft and languorous song, a love-song—the same, they both realized instantly, that Ruth had played in the darkness above them on that night which now seemed so long ago, the

She was in her smart, expensive car, with her chauffeur. He recognized there was no one else to avenge them.

"Well, Nicky talked. And this, in essence, is what he told me: At the time that David Moridon was kidnaped, he, Nicky, was living with his mother, who was separated from his father, in New York. They made their home with a sister of his father, a widow with a young daughter. This daughter was Car.

with her chauffeur. He recognized her immediately. He had her followed, communicated with her. She was terrified, I imagine, but didn't dare disobey his summons. He dragged the whole story from her. And he had found Moridon at last.

"Grimly he told her that there was only one way she could escape a frightful death. She must carry out his original command; she must my own daughter as hait knowing.

in another, who was separated made their home with a stater of his father, a widow with a stater of his father, a widow with a young dangelter. This daughter was Carbital death. She must carry from the continue the reign to hot for him after the bomb outners which resulted in the death of zero date of the continue the reign of terror spaints the Mortdona.

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in love with her, she decided on a bold stroke.

"She double-crossed Gaudio, married Moridon, got him to change his name, and returned with him, as he had no intention of letting her the local Company of the letting her the local Company of the letting her the letting h

Tyler paused briefly, then resumed:

"Commissioner Kilrane gave me permission to talk to Nicky Gabriel, Gaudio's younger brother, alone. I told him the truth. That, as Kilrane phrased it, he was due for the 'big rap,' murder. That he didn't have a chance of beating it. And then I told him that Carlotta had killed his brother.

"I had to prove it to him. I've never seen such an expression of murderous hatred as that which crossed his face then. I think he would have torn her to pieces with his own hands if he could have got them on her. Then.—" Tyler paused and smiled. "Then I used an old trick I learned in the office of the prosecutor. I judiciously flavored the truth.—with lies.

Mrs. Paul Gordon, certain in her own mind that the new identity and then dentity and then deceit almost as much as he hated Moridon. Then he conceived his diabolical plan of using Carlotta. And she lies and the district to him. I've never seen such an expression of the loving wife and the commandation of the loving wife and the comradely section. When she did seen to tell space a care of the river alive. He hated her for own mind that the new identity and there deceit almost as much as he hated Moridon. Then he conceived his diabolical plan of using Carlotta and Hélène as hostages to make his canemy deliver himself to him.—"For years she acted her rôle of the loving wife and the comradely section would willingly secrifice himself for those he loved. "For Gaudio, that was the cream of the irony. He had always wanted—luxury, ease and comfort. Sawned—luxury, ease and comfort. Section would have torn her to pieces with his own hands if he could have got them on her. Then.—"Tyler paused and smiled. "Then I used an old trick I learned in the office of the was a clever woman, and she forced her into the room with the had become a shrewd and powerful racketeer, always keeping his own skirts clean, delegating all his law.

"Meanwhile Gaudio, as Gabriel, had carried on his fruitless search forced her into the room with the others."

"When she d

much as even arrested on a minor charge, it would almost surely mean his identification through finger-prints, as Gaudio, and a return to Chicago to face charges of jail-breaking—and the murder of Mrs. Moridon.

"Then one day he saw Carlotta. She was in her smart, expensive car. thought she was safe at last.
"She must have had a terrible