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VOTE FIRST AND SECOND

Just in case Bend voters have forgotten what a preferential ballot looks like we are reproducing here the one which will be used on November 7 in the election of city commissioners and municipal judge. For the five regular terms to be filled on the commission and for both the regular and the short term for judge, the opportunity for preferential voting is provided.

What this means is that the voter, who would ordinarily indicate only his first choice on as many positions as are to be filled, may, on this part of the city ballot, indicate also an equal number of second choices. He may not show both first and second preference for the same candidate.

There is no requirement that second choices be marked but it is important that they should be. No candidate may be elected unless he receives a majority of votes cast. If his winning majority is on first choices his standing is not affected by second choices. But as to any positions on which there are only first choice pluralities, the decision is reached by combining first and second preference counts.

So it is as well to mark the ballot in both columns. Some of the winners may not be the best, in your opinion, but at least you will have had more to say in deciding the final result than would have been possible under standard balloting.

For five commissioners to serve regular terms beginning January 2, 1951, there are the following ballot listings. You may mark five first and five second choices.

	First Choice	Second Choice
104 Mel J. Erickson	()	()
105 H. J. Kribs	()	()
106 Bert White	()	()
107 Francis G. Gates	()	()
108 Dale E. Gibson	()	()
109 Edith Sutton Mims	()	()
110 W. V. Jack Hamby	()	()
111 Richard Brandis	()	()
112 Louis Hillis	()	()
113 W. M. Loy, Sr.	()	()
114 Fred L. Hartmann	()	()
115 W. T. Welcome	()	()
116 Gordon H. Randall	()	()

For municipal judge to succeed Alvin J. Gray for the unexpired term ending January 2, 1951, there are these three:

	First Choice	Second Choice
117 Alvin J. Gray	()	()
118 Wm. J. Baer	()	()
119 Harry A. English	()	()

And again, for the same office, but for the regular term beginning January 3, 1951, there are the same three, with new ballot numbers, as follows:

	First Choice	Second Choice
120 Alvin J. Gray	()	()
121 Wm. J. Baer	()	()
122 Harry A. English	()	()

Comment on the city candidates, including those running on the standard ballot for the unexpired terms as commissioners, will be presented in the near future.

APPROACH TO BANKRUPTCY

Some of the most determined campaigning being done this fall is in behalf of state measures that would call for the spending of money. For the enlightenment of proponents of these bills, it should be emphasized that the state of Oregon is already operating "in the red," and that enactment of the legislation in question will hasten the day when the state has less than nothing in its treasury.

Oregon's general fund balance decreased \$17,893,487—\$67,588,602 to \$49,695,115—in the year ending September 30, 1950. Quite a difference between income and outgo. Even without any new commitments it is likely that this shrinkage will continue.

Various legislative measures have been placed before the people, however, which would force new commitments. One is the basic school support increase which, according to its backers, would call for \$12,000,000 a year. There is the veterans' bonus bill which its promoters admit would take another \$3,000,000 a year. Each of these figures we believe to be most conservative. These are amounts which will have to be paid if the bills in question pass.

Should the needy persons bill fail to pass, it will allow the outrageous demands of its iniquitous predecessor, the Dunne old age pension bill, to become effective. No one knows how vast its requirements would be but we all remember that the threat of its operation in 1948 promptly destroyed all demand for the previously much desired Oregon bond issues. The prohibition bill, if enacted, can be costly as it requires that the state handle only non-advertised brands of liquor, varieties with which moonshine would be in direct competition. How heavy the loss can only be determined by experience which, we think, Oregon can do very well without.

For one of the tax bills we are inclined to make an exception. That is the legislator pay increase, involving a comparatively insignificant outlay to achieve a worthy objective.

As to the others, they represent tax increases which Oregon plainly cannot stand. Oregon must concentrate, rather, on measures which will enable it to live within its income and the income of its people.

Bend's Yesterdays

(From The Bulletin Files)

THIRTY YEARS AGO

(October 31, 1920)

Prominent churchmen of Oregon will be in Bend on November 7 for the dedication of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic church.

A straw vote taken at Bend high school indicates that the American history and civics class favors Warren G. Harding for president.

Judge T. H. Crawford of La Grande championed the league of nations covenant here last night at a democratic rally.

Merle Moore, high school manual training instructor and ath-

GOOD LUCK BACKFIRES

Charlotte, Mich., (UP)—Ben Lake's good luck was bad luck, too.

Lake, 78, won a new auto in a drawing before he learned that owning the car would make him ineligible for old age benefits. Now he must sell the car and live off the proceeds before his pension can be restored.

of the Bend football team, Charles W. Erskine took over the job of coaching the squad.

Soviet troops have captured 10,000 prisoners in the Crimea, a Bolshevik communique claimed today.

Bulletin Classifieds Bring Results

Others Say

LOOK AT THE COST

(Herald and News)

Fall is the season of the year when you look with nostalgic longing at the last remaining traces of summer, hear the geese flying high overhead and smell the smoke of burning leaves. That other odor you smell isn't a fire, it's just the political pot beginning to boil again and give off the usual nauseous odors.

Latest development in the follow-the-leader race for the governorship of Oregon is the flinging into the battle of the veterans. It all started when a group of vets got together and gave a rousing cheer for McKay. He's our man, they said, and went to work gathering in more workers. Now Austin Flegel, the democratic tub-thumper who is seeking the office, comes out with the backing of a so-called rank-and-file veterans' committee to back him in his fight. The committee makes the claim that McKay is "unsympathetic to the rights and needs of the war veterans below the brass hat level."

Hogwash! The high-sounding principles that politicians hurl around so freely mean less than nothing when the cards are down. Flegel and his ex-military henchmen can hollar and yell for a bonus until they're hoarse if they want to. There will still be a sound-thinking group of men, also veterans, who don't want to see a handout start the ball rolling for the dole again. Let 'em fight it out if they want to.

Flegel's committee is composed of Le Roy Davis, Fred Marsh and S. W. Boardman. In Klamath Falls Clement Leseur is the man to see for information if you want to join the ranks.

The committee in their clip-sheet to the press hauls out all the available ammunition. They refer to McKay's silence on the subject of the vets bonus. They refer to his "hand picked" budget director, Harry Dorman, and claim that Harry has painted an unnecessarily pessimistic picture of the financial situation in order to dampen enthusiasm for the bonus. They quote an editorial from the Oregonian which states that if Oregon wants a bonus they can afford it. (That last one tickles me, mainly because the politicians always feel free to belt newspapers wherever and whenever they get a chance, but don't

Rain Damages Ashland Crops

Ashland, Oct. 31 (UP)—Almost five inches of rain in the past five days caused serious damage to crops and property and erosion of top soil, farmers reported today as they removed debris left by autumn's first major storms.

Winds caused most of the destruction early in the storm, tearing roofs from buildings, felling

large trees and breaking power and communication lines. Saturday 1.55 inches of rain were recorded and Sunday 1.36 inches. Detours were still necessary in some areas today.

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hesitate to use them as an authority. Mr. Flegel has been busy denying statements in the press all fall, but now he uses one as a springfield.)

Before you go out and vote in a vets' bonus, people, it won't hurt to sit down and take a look at the state picture. The cost will be immense. The average vet doesn't want a bonus. And why should we pay a man merely because he did his duty? We are in all probability going into another war which will again mean added expenses.

Just make sure of what you are asking for before you hold out your hand.

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BEND — PRINEVILLE

(OPEN SOON)

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CONTRACTS COMPLETED

Portland, Oct. 31 (UP)—Annual contracts have been completed with the five major private utilities in the western group pool to supply Columbia river power for the year ending Sept. 30, 1950, Bonneville power administrator Paul J. Raver announced today.

Raver said the utilities were Portland General Electric, Pacific Power and Light, Mountain States, Washington Water Power and Puget Sound Power and Light.

The contracts place power allocations on a monthly basis, Raver said, with deliveries ranging from 430,000 kilowatts in November to 560,000 kilowatts in January. He added that water conditions would govern the amount of supplementary power available to the utilities.

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