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MAINE ELECTION GOES REPUBLICAN

Party Plurality Is More Than 55,000 Greater Than Ever Previously Cast.

Portland, Me.—Maine gave an overwhelming plurality to the Republican ticket in the state election Monday. With a total vote larger by 55,000 than the highest ever previously cast in the state, Frederic H. Parkhurst, of Bangor, was elected governor by a margin of 65,000 over his Democratic opponent, Bertrand G. McIntire, of Norway. The plurality was 17,000 more than the largest obtained by any other gubernatorial candidate in the history of the state.

Four Republican congressmen were elected by large pluralities. Congressman Wallace H. White Jr., John A. Peters and Ira G. Hersey retained their seats, and in the first district, where Congressman Louis B. Goodall, Republican, did not seek re-election, Carroll L. Beedy, of Portland, Republican, was chosen.

Every member of the state senate will be a Republican, while of a membership of 151 in the state house of representatives, the Democrats succeeded in electing fifteen. In the last legislature there were two Democratic senators and forty-one Democratic representatives.

GOVERNOR PARDONS PENDER AND BRANSON

Salem, Or.—Governor Olcott granted unconditional pardons to John Arthur Pender and William Branson, each of whom had been sentenced to and had partially served a life term in the Oregon state penitentiary.

Branson was received at the prison from Yamhill county March 3, 1917, on a charge of having killed William Booth, a Yamhill county rancher, near Willamina, Or., October 8, 1915, while Pender was received from Columbia county November 19, 1914, on charge of slaying Mrs. Daisy Wehrman and her child in their cabin home near Seapoose, in September, 1911.

Pender at one time was sentenced to be executed, but his punishment later was commuted to life imprisonment by Governor West.

Before leaving the prison both men expressed appreciation for the kind treatment accorded them by the penitentiary officials and said they would go out into the world with the one aim of making good.

LIVESTOCK MEN ASK AID

Appeal Made to Government to Preserve Industry.

Chicago.—More than 100 bankers, packers and grain men, meeting to discuss the livestock situation throughout the country, appealed to the government for aid to preserve the livestock industry.

Resolutions were passed appealing to the interstate commerce commission to order grain placed on the preferred traffic list at once, appealing to financial institutions to encourage stock raising industries and urging the treasury department to deposit funds in the reserve banks in livestock areas to be given out in loans to producers.

Jury Interference Charged; Trial Off.

Seattle, Wash.—Because a type-written letter discussing radicalism and attacking labor leaders was circulated in the last few days among superior court jurors trying William Cunningham, charged with criminal syndicalism, Judge Jurey, on motion of the state, declared the case a mistrial and discharged the jury. The Cunningham case was about to go to the jury after a week's trial. The letter that ended the trial was type-written, mimeographed and signed with typed signature, "Sherman Rogers, chairman of committee." Hearing of the matter, Sherman Rogers, industrial editor of the Outlook, who is in Seattle gathering material for his magazine, called on Prosecuting Attorney Brown. Mr. Rogers indignantly denied that he was the author of the letter, and offered a reward of \$1000 for the conviction of the person who wrote it.

HO FOR THE ROUND UP!

Seventy bucking horses, more than ever before, will be available for the best cowboy and cowgirl bucking riders in the country at the Pendleton Round-Up which opens on Thursday, Sept. 23, for its eleventh annual presentation. These earthquakes on legs have been brought in from mountain, pasture and ranges of Wyoming and are in prime shape for wild riding.

Just as there are more bucking horses, more performers and more Indians than ever before lined up for the performing end of the Round-Up, so do indications point to an attendance that will surpass previous records. Advance sales of reserve seats never were as brisk as this year and a keen demand is expected on each morning for the east and west sections of grandstand seats which are withheld from the advance sale in order that those who come late may have a chance to obtain reserved seats.

Pendleton will be quite a convention city during Round-Up week. The State Federation of Labor will meet there, with between 300 and 400 delegates, opening on Sunday and ending Wednesday night. The rest of the week is to be used by most of the delegates in seeing the Round-Up and Happy Canyon. The Sheriffs and the county clerks of Oregon, each with its own association, will also convene at Pendleton, using the mornings of the three days for sessions.

Death Calls Aged Mountaineer

Joseph Henderson passed away September 12 at his home on Weston mountain, where he had lived for more than 20 years. Mr. Henderson was born in Indiana February 23, 1831, and had reached the ripe old age of 89 years. He was the father of a large family and is survived by three daughters and five sons. His wife preceded him to the grave in March, 1919. The remains of Mr. Henderson were brought to Weston for interment, and services were conducted at the grave by Rev. A. J. Starmer.

An Appreciation.

In retiring from business I wish to express my appreciation of the generous patronage accorded me by the business men and citizens of Weston, and of their uniform kindness and courtesy. I shall always hold for the town a feeling of regard. I would bespeak for my successor as drayman, Mr. Geo. A. Linderken, a continuance of the good will and patronage of Weston people.

G. G. ELLIS.

Change of Venue Denied.

The motion of attorneys for Elvie D. Kerby, John L. Rathie, Irvin L. Stoop and Floyd Henderson, for a change of venue, was denied by Circuit Judge Phelps, says the East Oregonian. He set the trial of the last two named for Monday September 27. Arguments by attorneys for the defense were heard Monday morning, and the opinion followed consideration of the evidence.

Grain Market Down.

On the Chicago market Tuesday, wheat broke nine and a half cents a bushel and closed in a semi-demoralized condition. The smash in prices carried corn down five and three quarter cents and oats five and five eighths. Weakness of the foreign exchange and a drop of 11 cents in wheat on the Buenos Aires market started the decline.

First Woman Named Commissioner.

Washington.—President Wilson appointed Mabel T. Boardman, for many years a member of the executive committee of the American Red Cross, to be a commissioner of the District of Columbia. The appointment makes Miss Boardman the first woman to be a member of the commission which directs the entire government of the district.

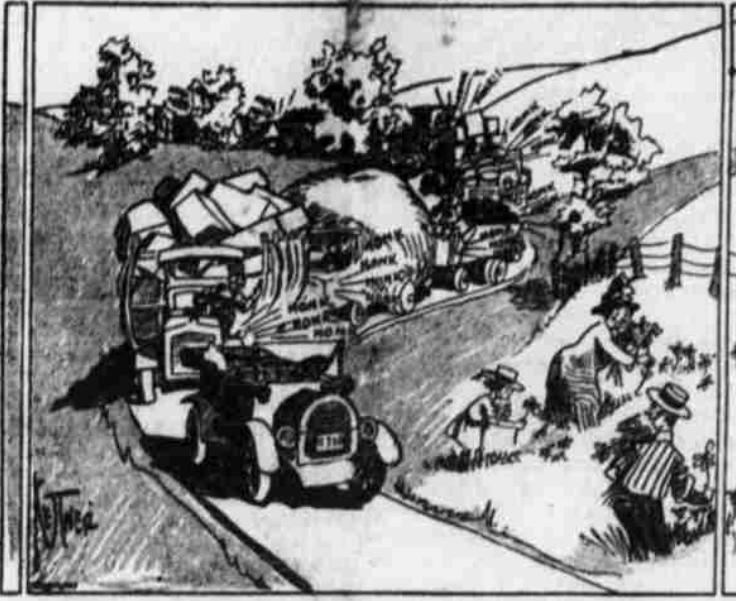
300 Known Dead in Italian Earthquake.

Fivizzano, Italy. — Three hundred dead already have been counted in the Italian towns and villages devastated by the earth shocks of the past few days, but many more missing undoubtedly will be added to the tolls as the checking up process proceeds.

Navy Becomes Bone Dry.

Washington.—Spiritous liquors received their final and complete divorce from the United States navy in an order made public by the bureau of medicine and surgery prohibiting their issue to naval vessels for medicinal purposes.

The Obstructionist



"OVER THE HILL"

Scott Fisher finds his services as a fire-place builder much in demand at the present time. He is now putting in a classy fire-place at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Watts, on lower Third street.

William Post, old timer, has decided to again link up his fortunes with Athena and will take up his permanent residence here. He will operate the delivery service for local merchants and business men.

Benny Gross, a former popular Athena boy, with his wife will be guests of friends here next week during the Round-Up. Mr. Gross has a responsible position with a railroad company at Washington, D. C.

Miss Ethel Hodgen has returned from Monmouth, where she attended the summer session of the normal school. Miss Hodgen will take one of the schools of the county when placed by the county school superintendent.

Everett Zerba, who was married recently to Miss Clark of Milton, has purchased one of the cottages of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dell on High street and will occupy it so soon as it can be vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Hansell will have as guests next week, Ray Hansell and wife of Lewiston, Idaho, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Stafford of Ralston, Wash., and J. H. Henderson of South Bend, who will attend the Round-Up as well as enjoy the hospitality of the Hansell home.

Tripping at a place where the side walk had been removed for the construction of a cement walk at the Pinkerton home, Mrs. N. A. Miller fell Saturday night, spraining her ankle and otherwise shaking her up, so that a physician was called.

Robert Coppock and daughters, Miss Mattie Coppock and Mrs. W. O. Read, have returned from a pleasant visit with relatives at Pullman, Wn. They also attended the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church at Moscow, Idaho, and visited in Lewiston.

Miss Cassil of the Burnett School of Music, Walla Walla, resumed instruction in music in Athena Wednesday, lessons being given at the school house. The more advanced pupils will be given credits in their school work in music. Miss Cassil instructed a class in Athena last season.

Miss Maude Sherman has begun teaching a private school at the G. B. Woodward home, west of town, at which the children of the Woodward family and the Charles Gerking family are accommodated with the very best of school facilities. Miss Sherman will accompany the families to Long Beach, California, to act as private tutor during the winter. Mrs. L. Sherman will also be of the party, who leave about October 15.

Miss Martha Hutt left Sunday for Salem, where she will be a Freshman in Willamette University.

Postmaster Henry will install new boxes in a portion of the mail delivery section of his office in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Stone of Colville, Wash., are here on a visit to relatives. They will remain until after the Round-Up.

The First National Bank of Athena has passed into the ranks of the million dollar banking institutions of the country, a record of which the officials may justly feel proud. At the close of business on September 8th the statement shows loans and discounts to be \$820,367.07, and \$1,023,

OREGON NEWS NOTES

The dates for the annual Redmond potato show have been announced as October 14, 15 and 16.

A sale of Holstein cattle held in Marshfield brought excellent prices. Nineteen head sold for \$15,000.

The Alsea farm bureau is planning to have a complete community fair during the week of September 20.

Cato Sells, commissioner of Indian affairs, with headquarters at Washington, inspected the Indian school at Chemawa.

Petitions are being circulated to have placed on the ballot in November the question of Sunday picture shows for Corvallis.

So serious has the housing problem become in Albany that the chamber of commerce will call a meeting to consider the situation.

Henry W. Kramer was electrocuted when he came in contact with an electric wire at the corner of Fifth and Blaine streets in Newberg.

More than 100 delegates from all over Oregon assembled at the Baptist church in Corvallis to attend the Oregon Baptist state convention.

The Oregon annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church opens in McMinnville on September 29. Bishop W. O. Shepard presiding.

The fall fishing season on the Columbia river opened at noon Friday and the indications are that only a small amount of fish will be packed.

Robbers staged a hold-up in the Oregon Electric Railway station at the foot of Jefferson street, in Portland, obtaining \$91.27 from W. J. Walton, agent.

R. B. Goodin, secretary of the state board of control, left Thursday for New York City where he will pass several days making an investigation of the flax markets.

An appropriation aggregating at least \$50,000 will be sought by the state fair board at the next session of the legislature with which to erect a new building on the fair grounds.

Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen of district No. 2 held their annual convention in Salem Tuesday. This district extends from Portland to Eugene and along the Tillamook coast.

Two new postoffices have been established in Oregon, one known as Bourne, Baker county, with Margaret S. Tabon as postmistress, and the other, Kirkford, Klamath county, Charles W. Simonson, postmaster.

The annual tournament of the National Fly and Salt Casters for 1921 has been awarded to the Multnomah Anglers' club of Portland. This is said to be the first meeting given a city west of Chicago by this organization.

Since the opening of the aerial forest patrol at Medford July 1 patrols in airplanes have been in the air 110 hours, and in that time have patrolled 345,180 square miles, according to a report received by the war department.

Members of the Salem Automobile Dealers' association have under consideration institution of a friendly suit in the courts to test out the motor vehicle law and determine for what purposes a dealer's license plate may be used.

The 45-acre loganberry tract of Bruce Cunningham in the Liberty district near Salem returned to its grower gross earnings of \$45,113 for the 1920 season. Net returns from the tract aggregated above 13 cents a pound for his product.

In the absence of any buyers, Salem prune growers estimate that they will receive a minimum of 10 cents a pound. Based on the anticipated crop of 16,000,000 pounds in Marion county, this figure would bring the growers \$1,600,000.

Appropriation of 4000 second feet of water from the Klamath river for the development of 150,000 horsepower and irrigation of 250,000 acres of land in the Sacramento valley at an estimated cost of \$15,000,000 is sought in an application filed with Percy Cupper, state engineer, by Victor Demarais and Charles E. Watson. The main canal will divert water from the Klamath river in Oregon and carry it 60 miles into the Sacramento valley.

The Ashland city council has called two special elections for this month for the purpose of voting on proposed improvements in the city water supply. One proposal is to bond the city for \$100,000 to buy Buck lake, 35 miles east of Ashland. This will be passed upon September 23. The council then ordered another election September 13 for the purpose of voting on bonding the city for \$100,000 for erection of a dam near Mount Ashland, which, it is claimed, would conserve enough water for all purposes.

FINAL ALLOTMENT OF ROAD FUNDS IS MADE

Money to Be Available to States During Next Two Years.

Washington.—Final allotment of the federal road fund was announced for use in the various states during the coming two years. Of the allotment Oregon's portion will be \$1,576,152. Washington \$1,444,628 and Idaho \$1,226,650.

These allotments are all subject to each state matching the sums applied to them to be spent on the same projects as are the federal funds.

The apportionment is under the road acts of 1918 and 1919, and is all that the states will receive unless the congress makes further provision.

Allotments just announced are larger than any previously made out of the federal treasury, as the law contemplated, and the states in consequence are called upon to appropriate more liberally for roads than ever before in order to receive benefits under this allotment, but the department reports that to date no state has failed to meet, if not surpass, the federal allotment, and in consequence no state allotment of past years has ever been forfeited.

5,600,000 IN U. S. PAYING INCOME TAX

Washington.—More than 5,600,000 firms and individuals are paying income taxes this year, according to figures made public by the bureau of internal revenue. These figures also reveal that practically 3,000,000 taxpayers already have paid their income taxes in full.

The bureau's statement shows that 4,900,000 persons are paying income taxes on incomes of \$5000 or less and that fewer than 600,000 of this number have not paid their taxes in full, choosing the method of payment by installments. Individual returns for incomes in excess of \$5000, including those of individuals and firms, numbered 700,000.

Nearly 350,000 corporations have filed income tax returns, but only 65,000 have paid in full.

MEXICO IS U. S. OIL HOPE

12 Per Cent of Potential Capacity Now Being Produced.

Washington.—Mexico promises to become the oil reservoir of the western hemisphere, the department of commerce declared in a review of the petroleum industry. With increased consumption in the United States likely to exhaust producing fields here within 20 or 25 years, Mexico, the statement said, "offers the most encouragement to the American oil industry, both for present production and geographical situation."

Exhaustion of 40 per cent of the producing fields of the United States, the department's review stated, has caused Mexico to take second place in oil production, although only about 12 per cent of the potential capacity of Mexican wells is being produced.

Coast to Coast Mail Started.

Chicago.—An extensive daily coast to coast mail service was begun when planes left five cities. One plane will leave each morning from New York with mail to San Francisco, one from San Francisco for New York, one from Cheyenne, Wyo., to San Francisco, one from Salt Lake City to San Francisco, one from Chicago to San Francisco every day except Sunday and one from Chicago to New York every day except Monday.

The 1920 apple and pear harvest at Hood River has been launched. Packing of Bartlett pears and Gravenstein and King apples is under way. The first carload of Gravensteins was shipped Tuesday by the Hood River Fruit company to New York.

The dehydrating plant and the cannery at The Dalles are both appealing to the women of Oregon for assistance in putting up the pear and prune crops of this season. Both plants are short more than 200 women employees, and it is feared by the managers that the crops may rot before they can be taken care of.