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WEST AND SOUTH TO GAIN POLITICALLY

Census Figures Indicate Substantial Gain in Representation in Congress.

Washington.—Examination of the final census figures of the country, which place the total population of the continental United States at 15,685,108, indicates that the west and south proportionately will gain more in a political way than the east or middle west through increased membership in the house of representatives, more votes in the electoral college and in larger delegations to the national political conventions.

As a result of the increase of 13,710,843 in population during the past ten years, 50 new seats could be added to the house. Should the present membership of 435 be left unchanged by increasing the basis of apportionment there will have to be a transfer of 13 seats, now held by 12 states, to nine other states.

For the last half century the precedent has been to increase the size of the house so as to prevent loss of existing representation by any state.

If this precedent is followed this year, five additional representative seats must be given to California, four each to New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Michigan; three to Illinois and Texas; two to Massachusetts, New Jersey and North Carolina, and one each to Alabama, Arizona, Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Virginia, Arkansas and Minnesota.

Congressional leaders are strongly opposed to any larger increase in the house, as they regard the present membership of 435 as too unwieldy. The present apportionment basis is 111,877 inhabitants, or its major fraction, to the congressional district.

By holding the house membership to 435, gains would be distributed with three to California, two to Michigan and Ohio, and one each to Connecticut, New Jersey, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas and Washington. To offset these gains, Missouri would be forced to lose two representatives, while Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Nebraska, Rhode Island, Vermont and Virginia would lose one each. All other states would retain their present numerical delegation in congress.

APPARENT ERROR IN RATE RAISE CHARGED

Topeka, Kan.—An assertion that the interstate commerce commission made an apparent error of \$192,853,696 in the calculation upon which it fixed the freight rate increase on western roads to give the roads a 6 per cent return was made in an opinion granting a modified 30 per cent increase in Kansas intrastate rates by the Kansas court of industrial relations, handed down here.

"The error is of such magnitude as to challenge attention," the opinion stated, "and brings up for consideration whether the basis used in the analysis is correct. It may be said here that the identical analysis applied to other groups show a result within a fraction of 1 per cent of the rate increase ordered by the interstate commerce commission."

WOOL MEN GET \$460,000

Excess Profits Available for Distribution to Producers.

Washington.—Through closing up the government's wartime operations in the wool market the department of agriculture reported \$460,000 has become available for distribution to some 100,000 producers who grew the 1918 clip.

The amount has been returned by dealers who bought the wool under government supervision and were required by regulations to return excess profits made in the process to the growers.

Campaign Fund: Pay Income Tax.

Washington.—Contributions to political campaign funds are taxable, Commissioner of Internal Revenue Williams declared in a statement he advised members of all parties that they will not be allowed to deduct amounts given to campaign funds from their income tax returns.

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED AT THE WESTON LIBRARY

Adult Fiction

Ashford, Young Visitors; Barres, Colette Baudouin; Bennett, Roll Call; Bindloss, Girl From Kellers; Craik, John Halifax; Dairymple, Lovable Meddler; Findlater, Crossriggs; Fletcher, Drifting; Glass, Potash and Purlmutter; Harris, Circuit Rider's Widow; Isham, Three Live Ghosts; Lardner, Treat 'Em Rough; Locke, Joyous Adventures of Aristide Pujol; Loti, Disenchanted; Love of an Unknown Soldier; Marshall, Old Order Changeth; Miller, Charm School; Oppenheim, Curious Quest; Orzy, Man in Grey; Parker, Northern Lights; Pertwee, Our Wonderful Selves; Raine, Mavericks; Rice, Mr. Opp; Sherwood, Worn Doorstep; Sidgwick, Le Gentleman; Streeter, "That's Me All Over, Mable"; Swinerton, Nocturne; Van Loan, Score By Innings; Wells, Bealby; Wiggin, Rose of the River; Woolley, Addison Broadhurst.

Adult Non-Fiction

Anderson, Study of Modern Painting; Bishop, Road to Seventy Years Young; Douglass, Little Town; Dresser, Spirit of the New Thought; Durand, Book of Roses; Erskine, Moral Obligations to be Intelligent; Grinnell, Indians of Today; Grosvenor, Scenes from Every Land; Haecel, Riddle of the Universe; Irving, Sketch Book; Lumis, Tramp Across the Continent; Martin, Psychic Tendencies of Today; Mason, From Grief to Brahm; Plumb, Beginnings in Animal Husbandry; Rauchenbush, Christianity and the Social Crisis; Rehann, Small Place; Shaw, Spain From Within; Simons, American Literature; Thayer, Life of John Hay; Vassili, Confessions of the Czarina; Twain, Huckleberry Finn.

Juvenile Fiction

Alcott, Eight Cousins, Old Fashioned Girl, Rose in Bloom; Bishop, Bob Thorpe, Sky Fisher; Brown, Rainbow Island; DuBois, Comrade Rosalie; Hale, Peterkin Papers; Meigs, Pool of Stars; Perkins, Dutch Twins; Putnam, Watty and Co.; Seaman, Sapphire Signet.

Juvenile Non-Fiction

Bishop, Panama, Past and Present; Brooks, First Across the Continent; Carpenter, How the World is Housed; Chisholm, Nursery Rhymes; Collins, Amateur Mechanic; Davies, Little Freckled Person; Dyer, Merrill Readers, Primer; Fabre, Insect Adventures; Fisher, Resources and Industries of United States; Hardy Sea Stories for Wonder Eyes; Ingersoll, Book of the Ocean; Lorenzini, Adventures of a Marionette; Meyer, Orchard and Meadow; Montiehl, Some Useful Animals and What They Do for Us; Moses, Louisa May Alcott; O'Shea, Old World Wonder Stories; Perkins, French Twins; Perkins, Scotch Twins; Rowell, Leaders of the Great War; St. Nicholas, Elephant Stories; Thayer, When Mother Lets Us Draw; Tolman, Around the World Book; Wade, Twin Travelers in the Holy Land; Carroll, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.

Application covering the storage of 1,600,000 acre feet of water in the upper Klamath lake for the irrigation of lands and development of power in California has been filed with Percy A. Copper, state engineer, by Roy E. Swigart, president of the Shasta valley irrigation project of Montague, Cal.

The largest one-day sale and the highest average price ever received for Rogue River valley pears was made in New York, when 13 cars were sold for \$37,868, or an average of nearly \$3000 a car. One car of Anjous from Bear Creek orchard sold for \$3869, or an average of \$4 a half box.

A heavy wind storm which struck Sheburn wrecked a prune dryer, twisted the Catholic church there partially off its foundation, damaged two other buildings, blew down a silo, uprooted about 100 fruit trees and snapped or blew down a number of fir and oak trees. The total damage is estimated at nearly \$4000.

Seven hundred and three names appear on Oregon's official slacker list, which has been obtained by George A. White, adjutant-general of the state, from the federal government. The list is being checked with all available state records to remove any possibility of injustice when the names are released for information of the public.

No Relief in Sight



"OVER THE HILL"

Miss Adah DeFreece expects to leave tomorrow for Walla Walla, to reside at the home of her parents.

Mrs. Minnie DePeatt left Monday evening for Walla Walla, where she will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Adams.

Mrs. John Shick has been in Athena this week from Prescott, Wash., visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al. Booher.

Mrs. Ella Walker of Tacoma, is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. A. Barrett, and is also visiting her mother, Mrs. Martha Mays.

F. B. Radtke and John Benson are delegates from Pythian Lodge No. 29, K. of P. at the grand lodge sessions being held this week at Marshfield.

Robert Proudft is contemplating the purchase of a lot in Athena, and if negotiations are carried through, he will move his house from Weston to the Athena site.

The cable carrying the wires for the new street lighting system is being laid this week on Main street, and in a short time the street will afford the new stand lights.

Mrs. Sabina Morton arrived from Seattle Tuesday, and is attending to her farming interests in this vicinity, as well as visiting friends. Tuesday night in company with Mr. and Mrs. Le Grow, she went over to Walla Walla, returning Wednesday. Mrs. Morton has purchased a home in Seattle near University Park, and will reside there permanently.

Chance Rogers and Marion Hansell are spending the week on Mr. Rogers' duck ranch, near Odessa, Wash. It is unnecessary to state that a couple of fowling pieces and plenty of shells were taken along. The trip is being made by automobile.

Rex Hopper, manager of the Standard Oil service station, is ill at his home here and is recovering from a surgical operation performed last Sunday by Dr. C. H. Smith. The operation was of minor degree. The patient is attended by his sister, Miss Hopper, who is a professional nurse.

Athena people who remember hearing Rev. E. J. Bulgin, evangelist, here several years ago, will be interested to learn that he had a son accidentally shot and killed last Saturday by another man, near Sunnyside, Wash. Rev. Bulgin publicly exonerated the man, Ralph Lyons, from blame.

Miss Rea Allen this week conveyed her mother from the Pendleton hospital to The Dalles, where she has relatives, and returned Wednesday. Edna Pinkerton and Mildred Winship substituted in the primary room during Miss Allen's absence.

At the Morton farm, where the Beckner Bros. are farming, one gallon of the late evergreen raspberries were gathered one day this week. The flavor was as delicious as any gathered in the early season.

A pie social held by the school last Friday night, netted the neat sum of \$104 for the general fund. A splendid program was given and a social time enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McArthur and Mrs. George Banister went up to Waitsburg the first of the week, for a visit with the E. H. Leonard family.

Uncle John Callender is again a sufferer, this time being afflicted with a series of malignant boils, which appear about his face.

The Star Club was most pleasantly entertained Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. M. W. Hansell hostess, at her home north of town. Mrs. Hansell was assisted in serving delicious ices and cakes by Mrs. O. O. Stephens and Mrs. C. H. Smith. The afternoon was passed all to quickly with needlework

and social chat. Mrs. Hansell had as her guests, besides club members, Mrs. A. L. Swaggart and Mrs. F. D. Watts, the company numbering fourteen. The next meeting of the club will be at the home of Mrs. William Rice.

Will Read returned last week from a trip to Lake Chelan, where he was accompanied by Charley Bryan, formerly of Athena, but now in the real estate business in Walla Walla. They went by automobile, driving about 40 miles up the lakeside, where many birds were found, but no large game. Mr. Read was much impressed with the large acreage of apples, one orchard containing 800 acres.

The Athena Commercial Club held its first meeting in the new club rooms Tuesday night of this week. Tuesday evening of each week has been selected as the regular meeting night of the Club and at these regular meetings, any business matters that may come before the membership will be attended to.

Dr. Sharp yesterday took Laurence Redford, eleven year son of Billy Redford, to Pendleton where he was operated on for removal of the appendix. It was found to be in very serious condition, having burst the night previous, but the boy withstood the operation bravely and it is thought will recover.

Athena Boy Takes High Honors

In competition with the boys and girls stock judging clubs of the county in which was included Dorothy Briggs and her team which won second at the state fair, Wayne Swaggart of Athena and Donald Kirk of Umapine, took high honors in the Poland China young sow class at the Hermiston Dairy and Hog show last week.

The Umatilla Dairy Herd club won the right to represent Umatilla county at the Pacific International Livestock Exhibition at Portland. This team won first in the stock judging contest with a high score of 615 out of a possible 900.

Second to this winning team, was the Umapine Pig Club, composed of Donald Kirk, W. Swaggart and Everett Carpenter, with a score of only five points less, or 610.

For first honors, Herbert Thompson of Umatilla and Wayne Swaggart of Athena tied with a score of 220 out of a possible 300.

F. E. Endicott, organizer for the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen in the Coos county district, announces a special crusade against the I. W. W.

In lieu of the Linn county fair, which was called off because of unfavorable weather conditions, a three-day racing meet was held in Albany beginning Thursday.

The Baker County Chamber of Commerce directors have decided to put forth strenuous efforts to obtain the passage and enforcement of better fire protection ordinances.

Bird Farrier, who is credited with having been the discoverer of the Bohemia mining district in Lane county, has been found dead in his cabin near Dorena. He was over 80 years of age.

Seven rural school districts including and surrounding the town of Mapleton in the western part of Lane county have started a movement for a union high school to be located at Mapleton.

J. P. Keyes, pioneer central Oregon lumberman, vice-president of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company and general manager of the company's local plant, died at Bend of heart disease.

ALL BOYS TOGETHER--BUT SOME OLDER THAN OTHERS

Fathers' and Sons' Day at Memorial Hall Monday evening proved to be both a delightful and instructive occasion, and if carried to its logical aftermath is destined to result in pronounced benefit to Weston's Young America. Incidentally the masculine grownups so fortunate as to have a boy or to have been adopted by one, derived both pleasure and profit from this unusual and memorable event.

Perhaps 150 men and boys were present and took part in activities involving both wisdom and instruction, fun and frolic. Speechmaking was followed by a delectable feed of sandwiches, coffee and doughnuts, and the feed by a bewildering variety of new and novel floor sports under the personal direction of Cash Wood, county secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Cash is there in a hundred ways; and he has a good name.

Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton was the principal speaker of the evening. Always a favorite whenever he appears on a Weston platform, this gifted orator has seldom and perhaps never been heard here to better advantage. He was obviously "en rapport" with the occasion and the occasion with him. Both men and boys who absorbed the words of Judge Lowell are bound to be better men and better boys. Other speakers were W. W. Green, county school superintendent; R. W. Hatch, county chairman of the Y. M. C. A.; G. W. Winn, E. M. Smith, Claude Snider, Harold Phinney and Nard Jones.

Local phases of the affair were directed by a committee consisting of J. H. Williams, F. C. Fitzpatrick and M. A. Phinney. Mr. Williams presided very capably as master of ceremonies. The refreshments were under the fully competent direction of Mrs. J. H. Williams, Mrs. H. Goodwin, Mrs. F. C. Fitzpatrick and Mrs. A. J. McIntyre.

TAYLOR SLAYERS SENTENCED

Owens and Rathie to Hang December 3rd—Stoop and Henderson Are In for Their Natural Lifetime.

Elvie D. Kerby alias Jim Owens, and John Laffeeban alias Jack Rathie, were placed in death cells at the penitentiary Sunday, where they will remain under close guard. Unless saved by an appeal to the supreme court, they will be executed December 3 for the part they played in the murder of Sheriff Til Taylor.

Irvin Stoop and Floyd Henderson, who also participated in the slaying, were taken to Salem with Owens and Rathie, and under sentence to pass the remainder of their lives in the prison.

Stoop is said to be a barber, and after becoming acquainted with the penitentiary discipline probably will be assigned to work in the tonsorial department of the institution. Henderson it is said will likely be given employment in the flax plant, which is operated within the prison enclosure.

The four murderers, together with Alvin Lindgren, who is under sentence of four years for forgery, arrived at Salem shortly before noon in charge of Sheriff W. R. Taylor, brother of the slain officer; Wm. Lyday, traffic policeman at Pendleton and Glen Bushee, deputy sheriff under Mr. Taylor.

The men were hurried from the depot to the prison in an automobile, where a curious crowd had assembled outside the enclosure to view the prisoners. They were then taken into the receiving office of the warden, where they were "dressed in." Stoop and Henderson apparently were unaffected by this ordeal, and smiled at the officers.

Notice of City Election

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 23 day of November, 1920, in the city of Weston, Oregon, for the purpose of electing a mayor; two councilmen to serve two years; three councilmen to serve four years, a city treasurer and a city recorder, and that said election will be held between the hours of 9 a. m. and 6 p. m. of said day, and that the polling place for said election will be at the council room in said city.

Dated this 15th day of October, 1920.
C. W. AVERY,
City Recorder.

ENORMOUS CORN CROP IS FORECAST

Record Production of 3,216,000,000 Bushels Expected This Year.

Washington.—A corn crop of 3,216,000,000 bushels or 79,000,000 bushels greater than the record crop of 1912 was forecast by the department of agriculture from a condition of 89.1 on October 1. There was a further falling off, however, in the total wheat crop forecast, production being placed at 750,648,000 bushels, as compared with a forecast of 770,000,000 bushels a month ago. The spring wheat crop was forecast at 218,007,000 bushels as compared with 237,000,000 bushels last month. The condition of the spring wheat and all wheat crops was not given in the department's announcement.

Production of oats was placed at 1,444,562,000 bushels, an increase of 2,523,000 bushels during the month. White potato production was forecast at 414,986,000 bushels, an increase of 2,053,000 bushels since September 1.

Production figures on agricultural crops of the world outside of the United States, assembled by the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome and given out by the United States department of agriculture, show greatly increased yields for 1920 in almost every division. The 1920 wheat crop in countries of the northern hemisphere, including Bulgaria, Spain, British India, Finland, Sweden, Switzerland, Canada, Guatemala, Algeria, Egypt, and Tunis, the institute reports, is 1,946,670,000 bushels or 101.6 per cent of a five-year average production for the same countries and 119.4 per cent of 1919 production.

Will Not Reconsider Dry Decision.

Washington.—The supreme court refused to reconsider its decision of June 7 last sustaining the validity of the prohibition amendment and provisions of the enforcement act.

North Dakota Dry Agent Held.

Fargo, N. D.—R. B. Leady, recently appointed prohibition enforcement group chief for North Dakota, was arrested on a charge of violating the prohibition laws.

STOPPAGE OF WHEAT SALES IS PLANNED

Wichita, Kan.—The Wheatgrowers' association of the United States, with a membership of 70,000 in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Nebraska and South Dakota, has issued from its office here a proclamation to all its members urging them to refrain from selling any wheat after 5 p. m., October 25, until such time as the price of good wheat is raised to \$3 a bushel at growers' terminal market.

Agricultural colleges, farm bureaus, state boards of agriculture and similar organizations are urged to co-operate with the association in its effort to raise the price of wheat.

The proclamation is signed by W. F. McMichael, national president, and W. H. McGreevy, national secretary.

FARM PROFIT \$500 A YEAR

Producers' Returns Preceding 1919 Small Despite High Prices.

Washington.—Results of investigations covering seven years in two farming communities and five years in a third as made by the department of agriculture show that comparatively few farmers made large profits in the years preceding 1919 despite higher prices for farm products.

The average return of farm investments, the department found, increased from about four per cent to seven per cent and yet most of the farmers made less than \$500 cash a year over and above the things the farm furnished toward the family living.

The three groups of farms studied were located in Washington county, Ohio; Clinton county, Indiana and Dane county, Wisconsin.

Census Director's Daughter Suicide.

Philadelphia.—Miss Esther Rogers, a daughter of Samuel L. Rogers, director of the United States census bureau at Washington, died in the Garretts hospital here under circumstances that indicated she had ended her life with poison, according to the police.