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A CIVIC DUTY

It is the duty of every citizen of the Illinois Valley to do whatever he or she can to further the development of the Valley as a whole and the community they live in.

There is a mass meeting called for Friday, April 9 at 8 o'clock, in the American Legion hall, Cave Junction, for the purpose of organizing an association for the Illinois Valley Irrigation Project.

The reason an association must be formed is this: The association will have to elect duly authorized delegates who will represent the people of the Valley at meetings which will be called to further the Rogue River Basin Irrigation project. It is impossible for everyone to attend these meetings, so you must elect delegates to do what you want done.

It will not take much of your time to attend this meeting and help with your voice. This is a civic duty you owe to yourself and to everyone else living in the Valley.

If you really want to help develop this great section of beautiful Southern Oregon and your own Valley and all the communities in it—Come to this meeting and do your part towards getting the association formed and elect your delegates. Every section of the Valley should have large delegations attending. Selma is vitally interested, for one of the proposed dams will be on Deer Creek. O'Brien should pack the house for the big dam will be located on Woods Creek, near O'Brien. Holland and Takilma should have large attendance—The farmers are vitally interested in the proposed irrigation project.

There will be authorized speakers at this meeting advising us what to do and how to do it, so make this a date—Come out Friday at 8 o'clock and help the Valley develop.

POLITICS SHOULD WARM UP

As far as we can see or hear, the residents of the Valley are not getting "het up" about politics, and the May primaries are just around the corner. Time you should be asking questions and learn what your candidates stand for and who they are.

We have a very large slate of candidates running for county offices. All the county officers except the county judge and one commissioner are to be nominated. This means a full ticket for the county, and the state is just as bad. We have a governor, secretary of state and a number of judges to be nominated. All in all, this is a great political year. The people will elect a president this fall, and nominate the candidates of your choice in May.

Residents of the Valley should begin to pry into political situation and try to elect the best men and women for the different offices they aspire to.

AND—Have you registered? Time is very short. better do it now. April 20th is the last day.

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SOCIAL SECURITY FOLKS WON'T TELL SECRETS TO ANYONE

The Social Security Administration won't tell. This Federal agency keeps its mouth shut, and some of the 88,000,000 Americans who hold social security cards would be mighty unhappy if it didn't.

Concentrated in the Accounting Operations Division of its Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance in the Chandler Building in Baltimore are more personnel facts and figures about more Americans than in any other place in the country.

Just how old is your mother-in-law? The Social Security Administration might know, but it won't tell. How much did your ex-wife earn last year? The record is there, but only she can get that information—and she already knows.

When the Social Security Administration asks for and gets from a worker the information necessary to set up and identify his account, it pledges to regard such information as confidential and to withhold it from all but authorized persons.

The worker whose boss thinks he is ten years younger than he is need have no fear that his secret will come to light. It is guarded from prying eyes at all times by guards who keep the records safe.

The Social Security Administration's local office receives requests each week for aid in locating mis-

ing husbands, absconding treasure hunters, or persons who find it easier to move than pay bills, Manager Carl D. Monroe reports, and it is a dull week at the Eugene office which does not produce several telephone calls from people who cash checks on the basis of social security card identification.

"In every case," Monroe stated, "we must tell the caller that our records are for social security purposes only and that we are not permitted to release any information. Without such protection to individuals, we would no longer get the accurate information necessary, and we would soon be spending more time furnishing information that we now put on the bookkeeping the law requires."

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