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FOR CONGRESSMAN

From the Oregon Voter.)

An opportunity to rehabilitate itself is offered to the republican party of Multnomah county in the ruling of Attorney General Van Winkle that no direct primary may be called for nominating party candidates for congressman, but that each party may hold a nominating convention with assurance that its nominee will bear the party designation on the election ballot.

We confess to sharing the suspicion that the republican party in Multnomah county is not worth the powder to blow it up, so far as integrity as a party organization is concerned. We also confess that we do not know anything about the personnel of the party committee, and being ignorant, we naturally are bigoted and contemptuous. So's your old man and so's the public.

But unless the party committee is composed of heelers, down-at-the-heel and would-be-heelers, it may be able to organize and hold a convention that is truly representative of the responsible elements of republican citizenship. If it does succeed in so doing, and makes a choice that commands respect, it not only has a chance of electing its nominee but also lays the foundation for holding future conventions.

The public counts and we doubt whether there is decency enough in any of the party organizations to hold a decent convention. The only way to dispel this doubt is by performance.

If no convention is to be held, and the Oregonian continues its beaten attitude of refusing to dictate after the success of its dictation in the U. S. Senatorship, the congressman situation will run wild.

With a multitude of republican candidates in the field and only a few democrats, the probabilities strongly favor the election of a democrat. That is, unless the republican party nominates its one man, or the Oregonian revives sufficiently to show some leadership.

As this is written, only two men of outstanding qualification are in the field—Frank L. Shull, republican, and Elton Watkins, democrat. Shull has an established reputation for extraordinary efficiency in unpaid public service, and his experience has involved close connection with national affairs as they are related to the economic welfare of Portland. Watkins has established reputation for brazen effrontery, aggressiveness in destructive criticism, and a magnetic personality. With the help of a lot of vote-getters to split the republicans, Watkins today has the best chance for election.

A forest service bulletin informs us that two hundred thousand acres of Douglas fir forest are logged off annually in Oregon and Washington. As most of this acreage is unsuited to agriculture, naturally its highest use would be growing trees where now it is left barren of all useful growth, when if a few simple measures had been taken at the time of logging, much of the present land idleness would have been prevented. These simple measures spell the difference between "timber cropping" and "timber mining." Simple measures of forest conservation in logging camps is referred to in the bulletin as meaning prevention of fires during logging operations, by making provision for a natural seed supply, and by "fire-proofing" the cut-overs against uncontrolled fires while the new crop is becoming established.

An Oregon exchange has found that the lumber mills and planing mills within the corporate limits of New York City have an annual production in that line slightly exceeding in value the aggregate value of the products of all the lumber mills, planing mills and door factories of Portland. New York's pay rolls in this line are less than Portland's and less value is added by manufacture, due to the higher cost of the raw materials on the Atlantic Coast, so Portland is entitled to claim the distinction of being the largest lumber manufacturing city of the world.

We will say that Miss Doran, the Michigan school ma'am, had a high time during her airplane trip from Oakland to Hawaii.

Sure the Prince of Wales can pitch hay. And he can pitch off a horse, too!

Prospects for a big spud crop in Oregon hold no terror for Weston Mountain growers.

GERMAN AVIATORS FORCED TO RETURN

Dessau, Germany.—Germany's first attempt to conquer the Atlantic ocean with heavier-than-air machines failed completely at 4:24 o'clock. German time, when the Junkers trans-Atlantic plane Bremen and its crew of three returned to its starting point at the flying field here after attempting for 22 hours to fight its way clear of the wind, rain and fog which held all Europe storm-bound.

The Bremen's sister ship, the Europa, which attempted the flight with the Bremen, was forced to earth at Bremen last night, two hours after the start.

The Bremen flew as far as Ireland before abandoning further attempt to get across the Atlantic.

"We turned back because we struck so much fog and heavy weather that we could see no chance of succeeding in the flight," said Friedrich Loose and Herman Koehl, pilots of the Bremen, after their landing here.

Porpoise's Fish Appetite

The porpoise has a great appetite, is feeding constantly as opportunity offers and lives principally on fish, and scientists were able recently to get a clew to the number of fish a lively porpoise may eat when a giant porpoise was caught and 15,193 otoliths were found in its stomach.

The otolith is the earbone of a fish, is very hard, supposed to be the last remnant of a fish that is reduced by the chemical process in the mammal's stomach, and the large number found may be far less than the number of fish served live and giggling for the satisfaction of the porpoise. At any rate, it bids fair to hold first place as a fish eater.

The Arabian Nights

The author of the original Arabic work, and the period in which it was composed, is unknown. But the Arabian Nights, as it stands at present, is the work of many hands, and numerous references in the stories show that they were added at different times. The work was introduced into Europe from Syria, where it was obtained in the latter part of the Seventeenth century, by Antoine Galland, a French traveler. It was first translated and published by him between 1704 and 1717.

Kansas City Babe Weighs 1 1/2 Pounds.
Kansas City, Mo.—Oliver Dewitt Welcher Jr., weight 1 1/2 pounds, clothed in a dress borrowed from his sister's doll, was doing nicely.

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POTATO COOKERY

Potatoes are the common food and are popular because of the ease of preparation as well as for their wholesomeness and adaptability. Any one is supposed to know how to boil potatoes if she knows how to boil water, but the fact is a good potato is not produced by all cooks. Potatoes should be of uniform size if cooked together, or the small ones will be ruined by the time the larger ones are cooked. This is true of both boiled and baked potatoes.

The sweet potato should not be forgotten for it is a most valuable food. The yams are especially fine flavored and one never tires of them, while the too sweet potato cloy the appetite.

Potato Muffins—Take one cupful of cold mashed potato, soften with three-fourths of a cupful of milk, sift one and one-half cupfuls of flour, one-half teaspoonful of salt, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder, add the potato, then two well-beaten eggs and two tablespoonfuls of melted fat. Bake thirty minutes. If the potato is very dry add a little more milk.

Potato Pudding—Take two and one-fourth cupfuls of grated sweet potato, one cupful of milk, one-half cupful of sugar, two eggs, one teaspoonful of cinnamon and one-fourth teaspoonful of ginger. Mix well and bake in a moderate oven until firm. Serve with milk or cream.

Potato Soup—Boil four medium-sized potatoes in salted water; when soft mash through a ricer. Add a slice of onion to one quart of milk; when scalded remove the onion. Add the milk to the potato. Melt three tablespoonfuls of fat, add two tablespoonfuls of flour, stir into the boiling soup, boil one minute. Sprinkle with parsley and serve hot.

Potato Cakes—Form mashed and seasoned potato into small cakes and roll in seasoned flour. Melt some fat in a frying pan and brown the cakes on both sides, turning them carefully with a spatula.

World's Most Tragic Man
Chance plays a smaller part in life than some people think. The least beginning may lead to the greatest end. Every day, hour and minute men are building or neglecting to build. Events that they attribute to luck are nearly always due to some act, thought or purpose long since forgotten. Frequently worthy beginnings of the least promising kind have led to consequences beyond the wildest hopes or dreams. There is only one really tragic figure in life, and that is the man who never makes a start.

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California Pool of Prune Crop Falls.
San Jose, Cal.—California prune growers, preparing to harvest the largest crop on record, estimated at 400,000,000 pounds, are confronted with low prices and possible financial chaos as a result of the failure of the campaign to enroll 80 per cent of the independent acreage into a co-operative grower-packer merger. That the situation is serious for the prune growers is evidenced by the fact that 60,000,000 pounds of the 1926 crop remains as a holdover. This has been held in a pool of the packers' association, and when released upon the market will compete with the 1927 crop.

Punishment by Ostracism

Ostracism was a method employed by the ancient Athenians of banishing citizens whose influence was considered prejudicial to the state. A day for voting was fixed, when the people wrote on small earthen tablets or shells the names of those whom they wished banished. Six thousand votes were necessary to drive a man into exile. To ostracize today means to ignore, to exclude from a certain social circle.

BIDS WANTED

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the school board of District No. 11, Umatilla county, Oregon, up to and including the 25th day of August, 1927, for transporting pupils by motor vehicle to and from the high school building in District No. 7, at Athena, Umatilla county, Oregon, a distance of eight miles, or 16 miles round trip, during the 1927-1928 school year. Bidder to furnish acceptable motor conveyance and bear expense of operation. All necessary information will be furnished by the school clerk of District No. 11. Bids must be filed with the district clerk on or before the 25th day of August, 1927. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Dated, at Athena, Oregon, August 12, 1927. JAMES S. BELL,
Clerk School District No. 11
Postoffice address, Athena, Ore.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Catherine L. Stover, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern: That Joseph B. Stover, administrator of the Estate of Catherine L. Stover, deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge by order duly made and entered, has appointed Tuesday the 22nd day of August, 1927, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, as the time and the County Court House at Pendleton as the place where all objections and exceptions to said final account and report will be heard and a settlement of the estate made.

Dated this 22nd day of July, 1927. JOSEPH B. STOVER, Administrator. George R. Lewis, Will M. Peterson Attorneys for Administrator. J22A19.

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