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MAY OR SEPTEMBER

A comprehensive study of the proposed change in primary
election date from May to September as written for the
Oregon Journal by Ralph Watson last Sunday. In it
he set forth the fact that the most active opponents to the
present bill voted for a similar bill a few years ago. Also
the very apparent statement is made that those who seek
office begin early in the year anyway and will have the
privilege of continuing the practice under the new law.

The bill, if passed, will tend to shorten the length of
time the voters must keep up interest in politics. We have
always failed to see how it will affect any candidate ad-
versely. Some men claim that because they make a per-
sonal appeal to voters the time will be too short for their
kind of campaign. Conversely, it will give the voters less
time to get tired of them.

The present law occasionally causes a political party to
nominate a man who is not favorably received after he
becomes better known to the people. The change to Septem-
ber should result in better nominees of both parties for the
period of campaigning for the nomination will be longer
and the campaign for the general election would be shorter.

GOOD BYE, LINDBERG, GOOD LUCK

There can be nothing but sadness and shame for the
United States in the removal of the Lindbergs to England.

In recent times no one has become to such an extent a
national hero as the man who flew first across the Atlantic
alone. With his wife he has since done much for aviation
in exploration work. Her books and articles make her
well known of her own right.

Yet, although both are native Americans, both are from
families whose heads have served the country in congress
and other offices, both have sufficient money, both are re-
spected and loved here, they feel they must leave this coun-
try to obtain the protection of family they must have to
enjoy life.

Most any of us would do the same under the circum-
stances. If we feared that the safety of our children was
endangered and that the law was helpless to protect us we
would gladly move to another country even if this one held
our friends.

Here is challenge enough for all the United States.
Here is the problem that must be settled whether our bud-
get is balanced, gold retains its value, or the national in-
come is equally divided. Our constitution was adopted to
"establish justice, insure domestic tranquility" and
we are failing miserably in it, it seems.

What's going to happen in 1936, that's the question
that perplexes just now. If we can judge from past years
it may be assumed that the consumers will protest about
the high cost of living and the producers will complain of
low prices; the city people will envy their country cousins
for their fresh air and independence and the country folks
will wish they lived nearer the excitement; no one will
make quite as much money as they hoped to and will spend
more than they wished; the Democrats and the Republicans
will disagree about everything; school children will think
their lessons too long and the teachers will consider them
too short; the men will joke about women's clothes whether
long or short, plentiful or scanty; there will not be quite
rain enough; there will be two or three scares about a possi-
ble war, in the end it will be just another year.

This is the time of year usually given over to checking
up on our conduct. We are given to considering methods
of becoming more moral citizens when the calendar gets
down to one page and a new year is in the offing. Perhaps
we are fortunate that our conscience does not bother us
oftener, yet if we spent too much time thinking about our-
selves we would have less for that most intriguing of past-
times—worrying about the conduct of our neighbors.

The local inventor is working on a car that runs on ice
skates instead of tires, today.

Santa is given credit for bringing eight babies to Port-
land people. Maybe the old boy does that just to keep up
the demand for his services.

The expression "and | or" might have been used in the
list of ways to attain old age. "De not drink black coffee
and alcoholic beverages." The way it is one might imbibe
them separately.

Many a family is doomed to eat cold turkey for several
days because of the slippery roads which caused guests to
miss Christmas dinner.

And may you have a prosperous and happy New Year

People's Column

To the Editor:
There came to us from Dayton, Wash., a little card bearing the words.

"With the very best wishes
A card ever carried,
To a couple who know how
To be happy, though married,
and the names of three friends,
apparently only three, remembered
that today is our 50th wedding
anniversary, and at Salem, Oregon
in 1865 there was only three to
see us start on the long journey to
1935. Today we are not looking
back on that long road that was
sometimes rough and steep, for we
are at the summit and facing the
short road down the valley towards
the setting sun.

Alexander Nish -
Harriett Nish

To the Editor of the Journal:
It is desired to commend your
editorial of the 20th instant, head-
ed, "It Must Be Paid For." It was
by far the best comment upon the
proposed Gross Income Tax that
has appeared in the press lately.
What was stated was quite com-
plete, yet there is one other thing
it is desired to express, viz: it is
said that this tax is an unfair one,
that it taxes where there may not
be ability to pay. In this connec-
tion, it is submitted that it is a far
more just tax than is the now
operative property tax, because
with the latter there is no consid-
eration of ability to pay. A great
deal of property is now being lev-
ied upon to an extent far beyond
its earning capacity. Some of the
poorest people within our State
are those who are in legal posses-
sion of homes and/or farms. No
matter how poor crops may be or
how low income may run, these
are called upon to bear the expense
of maintaining the roads, bridges,
schools and all public service.
There are many within our good
State who earn far more than the
average property owner but who,
under our present taxation system,
pay hardly any taxes at all. The
responsibility of pensions is a pub-
lic one—not one for property own-
ers only. A great many non-tax-
payers now are spending large
aggregate sums for movie shows,
autos and gas, beer and whatnot
while contributing but very little
indirectly toward maintaining our
roads, bridges, schools and other
public institutions, all of which
they enjoy as much as do those
who pay for these. If we are to
have old age pensions, there must
be some other means of supplying
the funds required than the prop-
erty tax.

J. B. Adams, Moro, Oregon
December 24, 1935.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

Continued from page one.

jects would be asked to compete
for the honor of designing the
new state house.

"There are plenty of brains right
here in Oregon to design and super-
vise the new capitol without going
to some other state to find an archi-
tect," the governor declared.

"Oregon also has plenty of build-
ing material such as marble, build-
ing stone, woods of all kinds—the
finest the world affords. There is
no justification whatever for going
outside the state to buy anything
we can produce ourselves.

"It's high time we Oregonians
were waking up to the fact that
we live in a state rich in natural
resources of all kinds and I feel
that now is the time to make a
start toward a program of educa-
tion that will not only sell Oregon
to its own citizens but to the rest
of the world.

"Oregon has been a dumping
ground for the surrounding states
long enough—much too long, in
fact. As for myself I propose to
use what influence I have in de-
veloping the wonderful resources
God has given to us and I'm going
to start in by doing what I can to
give state business to Oregon mer-
chants and manufacturers whose
payrolls support Oregon families
and whose taxes support the state
and its numerous subdivisions."

Patrons of the 1936 State Fair
will pay "four bits" to get into
the grounds instead of "two bits"
as has been the case in the past
few years. The state board of agri-
culture decided at its meeting here
Saturday. Increase in the admis-
sion price was justified on the
ground that the lower admission
did not provide sufficient revenue
to support the kind of a fair the
people expect and are entitled to.
Since the next fair will mark the
Diamond Jubilee of the state's big
agricultural and industrial exhibi-
tion it is proposed to make it the
best in the history of the institu-
tion with a large number of high
class vaudeville acts afternoon and
night free to those who pay their
way through the turnstiles. The
board decided to open the fair on
Labor day, Monday, September 7,
and to close the show on the fol-
lowing Sunday.

With a steady reduction in state
levies against property Governor
Martin predicts that within a few
years property will pay no tax at

all for state purposes within the
six percent constitutional limit.
This year's property levy for state
purposes other than to meet special
millages, he points out, are less
than \$900,000 whereas only a few
years ago they totalled \$5,500,000.

Governor Martin is expected to
announce the appointment of a
new game commissioner this week
to fill the vacancy caused by the
resignation of Lew Wallace who
wanted to regain his seat in the
house and lost by only one vote.

The new bakery control board
which met in Salem this week
this week will make no attempt to
dictate minimum prices but will
confine its efforts to other regula-
tions such as size of the loaf, sani-
tation, etc.

Earl Hill, Lane county legisla-
tor, while in Salem this week an-
nounced that he would use his in-
fluence to exempt farm trucks of
the pick-up body type and light
delivery cars used exclusively in
city streets from the additional \$5
license tax tacked on by the spec-
ial session. Hill says this move
was a mistake and owners of the
cars who are paying the extra tax
are not inclined to argue with him
over it.

Prospects of a contest over the
right of the state to regulate
trucks and busses engaged in in-
terstate service looms with two big
truck lines resisting the state's
authority. Arrests will be made
soon, according to Frank C. Mc-
Culloch, state utilities commissioner,
and the matter taken into the
courts for decision.

Success of referendum a-
gainst senate bill 43—the old age
pension bill of the special session
—will tie up the \$1,000,000 state
appropriation without providing
any means for taking advantage of
federal match money for pensions
in the opinion of attorneys here.
Only 10,232 signatures of bona
fide voters are needed to put the
bill on the regular election ballot
and sponsors of the referendum
are confident they can complete
their petitions easily before the
last day, February 7.

In Other Days

From the Observer Dec. 29, 1916.
Basketball is scheduled for this
Friday evening in the Moro opera
house between Moro high school
and the high school alumni teams.
The probable lineup for the school
is C. Ross, and C. Moore forwards;
L. Stewart, center; C. Andersen
and S. Searcy guards; J. Searcy
substitute. For the Alumni—B.
Tomlin and R. Kunsmaul forwards;
C. Sayers, center; H. Pinkerton and
G. Meloy, guards.

Mrs. M. V. Hennagin son Homer
and daughter Maggie were vis-
itors this week from McMinnville
at the home of her son Frank.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E.
Lewellen was brightened Wednes-
day afternoon, December 27th, by
the birth of a son.

A. J. Lindahl, of this city, and
Miss Bernice Dimick of Hubbard,
were married at the home of the
bride's parents during the holiday
season. They will make their home
in the Smith cottage on Hood
street.

The marriage of Leo N. Huls,
contractor, to Miss Eliza Grace
Morrison, only daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Wm. Morrison was sol-
emnized in The Dalles Christmas
afternoon.

A very pretty wedding took
place Christmas afternoon at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hen-
nigan when Lotus Lola Hennagin
was united in marriage to James
D. Kenny. Rev. W. L. Dillinger
of Monkland officiating.

December wedding bells rang for
the following: B. F. Ireland of
Kent and Miss Lucy Woodruff of
Benton county were united in mar-
riage on the 6th.

Will N. Froebe and Mrs. Mollie
Queen were also married on the
6th.

Miss Bessie Van Pelt and Mr.
E. A. Kessler of Portland, were
married in this city Christmas
afternoon.

Kureks Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M.
Moro, Oregon
Meets the 1st and 3rd
Thursday evenings of
each month. Visiting
members cordially in-
vited to meet with us.
C. Sparling, W. M.
C. Y. Belknap, Secy.

Moro Lodge No. 113, I. O. O. F.
Moro, Oregon
Meets 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays in the
I. O. O. F. hall. Tran-
sient and visiting
brothers are cordi-
ally invited to meet
with us.
L. O. Rice, N. G.
Joe Truit, Secretary.

Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 116
Moro, Oregon
Meets 2d and 4th Tu-
esdays of each month.
Visiting members wel-
come.

Florence Martin, N. G.
Lila Bull, Secretary.

eve.
A rumor seems to be well found-
ed that Mr. Charles L. Powell and
Miss Emma Esta May will be join-
ing in matrimony January 1st.

Dr. Angell, son in law of City
Marshal Sells is here for the holi-
days. Mrs. Angell and their pret-
ty little one have been here for
some time.

Miss Kate Reynolds of Wasco,
sister of Mrs. Osborn, and Mrs.
Oliver, and their niece, Miss Louise
Whitings, were guests at the fam-
ily Christmas dinner in the city.

Friends of Geo. H. Herbert will
be pleased to learn that he has
struck it rich in Cornucopia, 60
miles east of Baker City.

N omi—Does your husband ever
take any hard exercise?
Dorothy—Well, last week he was
out seven nights running.

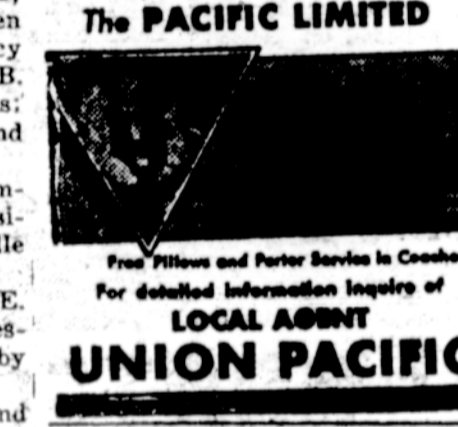
Dirigibles Now Using Diesels

The new dirigible which will
make her maiden voyage this win-
ter between Germany and South
America will introduce the Diesel
engine into a new field, according
to Pat O'Meara, local machinery
man, who has sold many Diesel
tractors and engines to the power
users of this community. "All
four of the 1,100 horsepower en-
gines which drive the 318-foot
lighter-than-aircraft are Diesels,"
Mr. O'Meara says, "and the two
sister ships, soon to be built for
the same service, will be similarly
powered."



Holiday Excursion Fares

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Kent Students Return Home For Holidays

Wilson Leave For Moscow For Holidays

Miss Velma Matthes of North
Bend is here to spend the holidays
with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
J. L. Matthes.

Students from the various col-
leges spending the holiday season
here with their parents, respec-
tively are: Donald McInnes, Eve-
lyn Davis, Charles Wilson, Alta
Norton and Virginia Helyer.

Kent Grange will hold its next
regular meeting all day Saturday,
December 28th.

The Kent grange will sponsor a
dance at the grange hall Friday
evening December 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson left
Saturday evening for Moscow, Ida-
ho, where they will spend the
holidays with their son Dr. J. G.
Wilson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKay and
children of Coquille are here to
spend Christmas with the former's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mc-
Kay.

Word has been received here of
a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs.
Chet Marrs of Granger, Wash., De-
cember 19th. Mrs. Marrs will be
remembered here as Marjorie Mc-
Innes.

Robert Barry of Haydraw, South
Dakota, arrived at Biggs early
Friday morning and was met by
J. H. Wilson. Mr. Barry and Mr.
Wilson were old neighbors in
Tenn., and are now enjoying tell-
ing their boyhood stories.

Lillian Schassen of Washington,
D. C. arrived at Kent Thursday to
spend some time with Mr. and Mrs.
L. E. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and
daughter Anita left Friday morn-
ing for Yamhill to spend Christ-
mas with relatives.

Rufus Girl Dies After Long Illness

Phyllis, the 13 year old daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Guilford,
died last Friday in a hospital in
The Dalles after a long illness. The
funeral was held Tuesday from
Zells with Rev. R. A. Hutchinson
officiating.

Besides her parents she is sur-
vived by a brother, Linden and a
sister Velda, and her four grand
parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Guilford
and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Spreckles
of Los Angeles.



Look to your Banking

The new year will bring its new possibilities for accomplishment. May
we assist you in realizing them? The facilities of this bank and the
service of our organization are at your command in an endeavor
to make 1936 a prosperous year in deed.

Make this your convenient and helpful "banking headquarters."

C. R. Harding Manager
L. A. Littleton Ass't Manager

The Dalles Branch
of the
United States National Bank
of Portland
Head Office: Portland, Oregon

January Brings in a NEW YEAR

Calendar for January 1936 showing days of the week and dates from 1 to 31.

May it be better in Happiness,
in Prosperity, fuller, richer in Hopes
and more complete in
Realization of Aims

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