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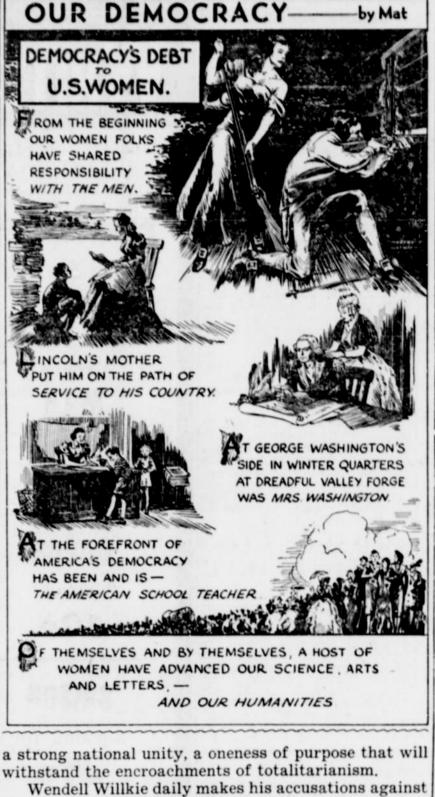
Almost before anybody has noticed it, along comes the county election-just 11 days away. And high time to start making decisions on the candidates who will be selected to administer affairs close to home and who, consequently, will be of greater day-to-day importance than national figures, even if less in the headlines.

In Ashland the decision on county commissioner should be an easy one. An Ashland man, E. B. Poyer, has won the democratic nomination for the post and is the south end of the county's only chance for representation. Poyer is well and favorably known as a successful dairyman and stock breeder and is of unquestionable character. Ashland and all of southern Jackson county needs him on the county court to represent interests and wishes of this section.

For county judge many Ashland voters are looking with growing favor on the candidacy of I. E. Schuler of Medford, who has impressed them with his ability, his general appearance and his experience as a heavy taxpayer for more than 20 years in Jackson county. Schuler's opponent, on the other hand, has with his immediate relatives drawn more than \$100,000 in salaries from county taxpayers and a very large section of voters are of the belief that a change would be wholesome, especially when a man of Schuler's qualifications is available. Schuler's opponent for the county judgeship has been assessor for 24 years, which is quite a spell even for a Coleman.

Although both nominees recommended are democratic, The Miner by no means is supporting them for that reason. In local affairs this newspaper does not adhere to party lines, having supported Ashland's Ralph Billings for the republican nomination as county judge. Had Billings won his party's bid for the job, The Miner today would be supporting him for the same reason it now supports the two democratic nomineeson the basis of personal ability to fill their posts.

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the President-the President of republicans as well as democrats-and boasts that national defense is bogged down, that we are unprepared for world conditions and that millions of American workers are without jobs. Industry is in the doldrums, according to Willkie, and business has been strangled so long it has lost its virility.

Such claims are in no way justified by the facts, however, and it will be a black day for the United States when such lies can fool people into voting For county clerk and county treasurer, of course, against their best interests. Yes, it is a shame that the the incumbent nominees-one republican, the other national election, in which two rival candidates seek the highest office this nation can give, has been dragged into such an abyss of negative slander and rough cient and the most popular men ever to hold their re- talk. The Roosevelt haters have reached that stage of partisan frenzy they'd rather the things Willkie says be true than lose the election. However, The Miner still has enough confidence in duct that office. For state representatives, The Miner the inherent intelligence and gratitude of the American people to feel that such below-the-belt campaigning will be repudiated Nov. 5 by a landslide reaffirmation of faith in President Roosevelt. The nation is in no posiwill keep the legislators on their toes. Whether Carl tion to afford squandering Roosevelt's leadership because a few soreheads bitterly refuse to abide by majority rule.

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Drawings for Low Car Tags Set in November

Approximately 300 applications for 1941 license plates have been received at the office of the secretary of state during the past two weeks, it was announced today by Secretary Earl Snell, who reminded motorists that drawings for low license numbers would be held at Salem on or about Nov. 22.

Oregon drivers who wish to be included in the drawings must have their applications on file not later than the morning of the day the event is scheduled, Snell said. To date a total of 524 applications have been placed on file

Jean Frideger Named **On Homecoming List**

Taking as their slogan-and invitation to all alumni-"Trek the Oregon Trail," more than 40 enthusiastic University of Oregon students started to work this week to make the annual homecoming event Nov. 8, 9 and 10 the ':biggest and best" in the history of the institution, it was declared by Joe Gurley, Oregon City, chairman.

Committee appointments were completed and active preparations begun for the big pre-game rally Friday, the homecoming dance and various other events. Feature of the week-end will be the grid game Saturday, when Tex Oliver's men will meet UCLA on Hayward field.

A vigorous promotion and publicity campaign will get word repeatedly to all graduates and for-mer students. Jean Frideger, Ash-land, has been appointed to the publicity committee.

SCHUYLER NILES

Funeral services for Schuyler Niles, 71, of Vancouver, who died here Oct. 20, were held in Washougal, Wash. Litwiller Funeral home was in charge of arrange ments.

ELIZABETH FRITZE

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Fritze, 66, who died at her home here Oct. 23, were held at 9:30 a. m. Oct. 25 at the Lady of Mountain Catholic church with Father William J. Meagher officiating. Litwiller Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

· Bobby Colvig returned recently from Redding where she visited with relatives. Subscribe for The Miner today.

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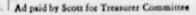
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democratic-are unopposed, as they should be. George Carter and Ralph Sweeney are, perhaps, the most effispective positions. For district attorney, of course, Republican Nominee George Neilson gets The Miner's nod and we believe he will capably and honestly conyields to the dominant popularity of Earl Newbry and Bill McAllister as the republican nominees, but believes that a strong democratic vote for Bill Carl of Applegate wins or not, he will be performing a service to the county through his candidacy, for it is not good for legislators to take for granted their "indispensability."

Although The Miner and many of its readers disagree with vehemence on national issues, we believe all I'm just an average citizen of us can unite on local issues, in which partisan lines are of little or no consequence. In our own county we voters are in a good position to know the candidates and to accurately weigh values, and this is written in an honest effort to encourage Ashland and southern Jackson county voters to mark local ballots in their own interest.

JUST TWO MORE WEEKS AND THEN THE **ELECTION WILL BE OVER-THANK HEAVEN!**

The final two weeks of the presidential campaign promise to be wearying and disheartening for those voters who still are calm enough to weigh arguments in light of national welfare. The discouraging part is the contortions through which a democracy must go to accomplish a national election.

On the one hand we have the outs clamoring for office solely on the basis of persistent and ugly complaint. Constructive criticism has been conspicuous by its absence during the last seven years and out of the present mental chaos the nation is supposed to fuse



