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## VOTERS WARNED AS TO REGISTRATION

APRIL 17 LAST DAY TO GET NAMES ON BOOKS

No Swearing In Of Votes Election Day Possible Under New Section Of Law

April 17 is the last day to register for the May primary election, and those who should register and fail to do so will not be able to be sworn in on election day.

Voters not registered in Hermiston precincts may register with J. S. West, official registrar for this district, or they may register at the office of the county clerk in Pendleton. The above and other facts more in detail about registration requirements are presented in the following statement by R. T. Brown, county clerk:

"Every citizen of the United States of the age of 21 years or over, who shall have resided in the state six months, shall be entitled to register, provided such citizen is able to read and write the English language.

"All qualified electors shall vote in the election precinct in which they reside, those who have moved or changed precincts or wish to change their politics to democrat or republican—as just these two parties can vote in the primaries, but at the general election in November any political affiliation may vote—or if the name of the elector has been changed by marriage, must re-register.

"Section 4058, Oregon Laws, wherein an elector may register at the polls on election day has been repealed, and no elector will be permitted to swear in, or change politics, on election day.

"Electors who reside in the municipality wherein is situated the county seat shall register in person with the county clerk. Electors who do not reside in as above stated may register, without charge, before any official registrar in the precinct in which the elector lives, or at the office of the county clerk at the court house.

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## GRANDMA WALLER DIES IN SALEM TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Laura Waller, known affectionately as Grandma Waller to scores of local people, died Wednesday afternoon in Salem following an illness of several weeks with cancer, according to a long distance telephone message received by O. O. Felthouse.

Mrs. Waller left Hermiston shortly after Christmas and returned home to Salem with Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Phipps. Her condition had been considered serious only a short time. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Waller left Tuesday morning for Salem in response to a call that Mrs. Waller, his mother, was in a critical condition.

Mrs. Waller's kindly disposition, her interest in others and her cheerfulness endeared her to many, and news of her death was received with sadness. Funeral services are to be held Saturday afternoon.

Children who survive include J. L. Waller of Hermiston, Mrs. Freeman P. Phipps of Salem, and Frank Waller of St. Louis.

Politics out here in Oregon could be a little warmer, but we don't anticipate, or desire, such warmth as exists in Chicago.

## MAJ. R. Y. STUART



Maj. R. Y. Stuart, formerly head of the information service of the forestry service of the Department of Agriculture, who has been appointed chief forester.

## SINCLAIR REFUSES TO PRODUCE RECORDS

Washington, D. C.—Harry F. Sinclair has given orders that the records of his private security holdings are not to be revealed to the senate Teapot Dome committee.

The committee was so informed by Harold Kenwell, cashier of the Sinclair Consolidated Oil company, who explained that was why he had not brought the record with him in response to a subpoena.

"I asked Mr. Sinclair for that permission and it was refused," Kenwell said. "You know the record is Sinclair's personal property, and I cannot remove it without his consent."

The committee wanted to examine the records to see if he now held any Continental Trading company Liberty bonds.

Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, will tell his story of the Teapot Dome lease at his home in El Paso, Tex.

Justice Jennings Bailey of the District supreme court granted a motion of Harry F. Sinclair for the taking of a deposition from Fall, who is too ill to attend the trial here of Sinclair on April 4.

## HARDING INQUIRY ENDED

Records Show No Sinclair Bonds Held by Late President.

Marion, Ohio—Charles D. Schaffner, executor of the estate of the late President Warren G. Harding, has announced that an examination of his records by a special investigator of the senate public lands committee has definitely established that the late president possessed none of the \$3,080,000 worth of Continental Trading company bonds involved in the Teapot Dome oil scandal.

Mr. Schaffner said that William F. Allen, acting special investigator for the senate committee, investigated the late president's records.

Hickman Gets Stay of Life.

San Quentin, Cal.—William Edward Hickman, sentenced to death for the kidnaping and slaying of 12-year-old Marian Parker in Los Angeles, will not hang on April 27, the date set for his execution. San Quentin prison authorities were informed by the supreme court that hearing on his appeal could not be reached by that time.

J. W. Clark is driving a new Ford that was delivered to him the first of the week by the Kellogg Motor Co.

## LOCALS WILL HAVE INDEPENDENT TEAM

PLAYERS DECIDE TO FORM A BASEBALL NINE

Material Promises to be on Hand for Good Team to Meet Independent Outfits.

Hermiston got out of baseball this season once or twice, and now is back again and will put an independent team in the field without any league affiliations, according to local men.

A meeting was held early this week to take stock of players who are available. Coach Walenta of the high school has been secured to manage and coach the locals, and he may don a uniform and do his share on the field.

Roy Hutchinson who used to pitch when he was in the uniform of Uncle Sam's army has been working out lately to see if his arm will do its stuff again. Phelps probably will be available for relief work, along with Woodward, Hurly, Moll, Baker, Mitledorf, Shesely, Logan and James Todd and a number of other old time and younger players have evinced an interest in the game and promised to practice.

In framing a schedule it is planned to have games at home when Umatilla is away from home so the two neighboring towns will not have conflicting games on the same dates.

## HIGH SCHOOL BALL TEAM MEETS BOARDMAN FRIDAY

Walenta's Nine To Face Snappy Team For First Game Of 1928 Season

The high school baseball team will play the first game of the season here Friday afternoon with the Boardman high school team furnishing the opposition.

Boardman has practically the same team as last year, and their pitcher is reported to be dark horse. He puts them over with his left arm, and, according to advance dope, has so much smoke that it is hard to see his offerings.

The locals are looking like a real ball team this year. With from 15 to 20 men out each evening, Coach Walenta feels that he has a chance to develop a team that will have a good chance to win the championship of this district. Although several of last year's veterans will be missed this year, their places will be filled by men equally as good.

Those who have been practicing and those who probably will get a chance to do their stuff include Donald and Edward Klagas, Dick Upham, Everett Hammond, Emmett Rogers, Harry Dyer, William Rodda, Leonard Nation, Walter Pierson, Rodney and Jud Davis, John Newell, Jewell Smith, Albert Kennings, Clifford Jenkins, Merlin Earnheart, Victor Adleman and Walter Andrews.

Newell, Davis and Smith will do the pitching this year, and Jenkins will be behind the plate.

The game will be called at 3.

Fred Patrick of Amity, Oregon, and Walter Patrick of Elma, Washington, uncles of Mrs. J. S. Harvey, were here for a short time Monday afternoon en route to Twin Falls, Idaho, where they were called by the serious condition of their father. They encountered some snow on the summit of the Cascades on their way up from Portland.

## HEAVY MELON ACREAGE IS IN PROSPECT AT IRRIGON

A bigger acreage of melons is in prospect this year than in previous seasons, according to reports from growers that have been received in Hermiston. Preliminary estimates are that approximately 40 acres will be devoted to the watermelons and cantaloupes that have added fame to the Irrigon district as a producing section.

Melon growing last year is reported to have proved very satisfactory with practically all of the growers realizing a worthwhile profit on their operations.

Prospects for a normal apricot crop are promising, Irrigon men have reported. The trees are heavily in blossom now. The danger of frost still exists, but so far the crop has come through in very good shape.

## Ritner Announces His Candidacy for Legislative Race

Pendleton Man Seeks Nomination For Joint Representative From Republicans

Responding to the request of 50 Umatilla county business and professional men and farmers who are representative of both the republican and democratic parties, Roy W. Ritner, for 45 years a resident of this county and a tax payer for 25 years, at a meeting in Pendleton Monday night consented to become a candidate for the republican nomination at the May primaries for the office of joint representative, Umatilla and Morrow counties.

Mr. Ritner is a former member of the house of representatives, having been elected in 1914 and re-elected in 1916. In 1918 he was elected to the state senate and was re-elected in 1922. In 1921 he was president of the senate.

While in the legislature he was active in road legislation, being a member of the roads and highways committee which at the 1917 session drafted the present highway program. With Senator Barrett he was responsible for routing the Oregon-Washington highway from the state line near Walla Walla through Freewater, Milton, Weston, Athena, Adams, Pendleton, Pilot Rock, Heppner, Lexington and Ione, joining the Old Oregon trail on the Columbia river. The road was not on the original map submitted by the state engineer.

While president of the senate Mr. Ritner killed the "1925 Fair Bill" which would have taxed the entire state \$3,000,000 for the benefit of Portland. Mr. Ritner as a legislator introduced the following bills and secured their passage: Placing of eastern Oregon in a separate public service district; re-districting the state in legislative districts and giving eastern Oregon two additional representatives; appropriation of \$10,000 for the investigation of the Umatilla Rapids project; establishment of a rotation crop experiment station in Umatilla county; removal of the state grain grading department from the jurisdiction of the public service commission to the jurisdiction of the state market agent; establishment of an additional wing at the Eastern Oregon State hospital at Pendleton; establishment of an additional normal school in Eastern Oregon; appropriation of fund to aid farmers of the frozen-out district to buy seed wheat.

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## SERG. DONALDSON



If bills before congress are passed Sergeant Michael Donaldson, an outstanding hero of the World War, will receive \$10,000 bonus and a life income of \$200 a month in recognition of his services.

## FLOOD AREA TO BE REHABILITATED

Los Angeles, Cal.—Final preparations to move a well-equipped, organized and financed army of workmen from four strategic points on a 10-mile front down into the flood-devastated area of the Santa Clara river valley was made Monday.

Financed by a \$1,000,000 fund appropriated by the Los Angeles city council, more than 1000 workers, under the leadership of C. E. Bessler, will man and operate approximately a million and a half dollars' worth of tractors, steam shovels, scrapers and other equipment in the move to wipe out all vestige of the disaster that took a toll of more than 450 persons lost and caused losses variously estimated in the several millions of dollars on March 13.

The first sector was marked off by four of the hardest hit citrus growing communities, Santa Paula, Piru, Bardsdals and Fillmore. After this section is cleared up the "army" will move on until every acre touched by the scouring water from the broken St. Francis dam has been gone over.

## BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

Official return of Spain to the league of nations has been announced. William C. Sproul, former governor of Pennsylvania died at his home near Chester, Pa.

Frank Clark of Florida was nominated a member of the United States tariff commission to succeed Edward P. Costigan of Colorado, who resigned recently.

Reports on employment from all parts of the country indicate a general improvement in the present situation may be expected soon, according to the regular monthly employment bulletin of the United States employment service.

President Coolidge in a special message to congress proposed that the United States temporarily set aside its monetary claims against Austria in order to enable that country to borrow additional capital for economic reconstruction.

Mrs. Heistand Moore was hostess at two bridge parties at her home on Butter creek this week. The first party was given Tuesday afternoon, and Mrs. Moore entertained again this afternoon.

## POULTRY RAISING PHASES DISCUSSED

BREEDING AND HANDLING ARE TREATED BY SHROCK

Crowd Fills Columbia School For Regular Session of Project Farm Bureau.

Columbia school house was filled to capacity for the regular meeting of the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau last Friday evening which proved to be one of the most interesting of the year. M. S. Shrock, first county agent of this county, H. K. Dean, superintendent of the experiment station, W. A. Holt, present county agent, S. H. Barnard and H. J. Ott were the chief speakers.

Special entertainment and musical numbers were also presented. Nell Reeves pleased with a couple of readings. Nine Camp Fire girls under the direction of Miss Elinor Briggs sang a couple of songs, Faith Wilson played a piano solo, Tommy Stewart gave a humorous reading and Mrs. Oscar Payne sang.

C. Z. Randall, Pendleton attorney and candidate for the republican nomination for district attorney, expressed interest in the diversification of production apparent on many ranches on the project and admitted that his trips over the project have opened his eyes to resources that he had not realized existed here in such measure.

Mr. Shrock discussed several phases of poultry and dairy production in his talk. Hatcheries in the Northwest and in California are not selling chicks in anything like the numbers of a year ago, he stated. Orders at a recent survey indicated that about half as many chicks are being purchased this spring as were ordered last spring.

Indications as to egg prices are favorable, according to the opinion he expressed. Storage eggs made money for the persons who held them last year, he said, for the first time in several years, and this experience is expected to stimulate buying for storage again this year.

The business has shown a tremendous growth in this state during the past 14 years, the speaker stated. As experience has been accumulated it has become plain that standardization in the handling and housing of birds is desirable, and volume production is recognized as a cardinal necessity.

This district has an advantage over valley and coast points in the poultry business, on the score of soil and also from the point of view of number of days of sunshine, he said.

He also called attention to the advantage that accrues to local dairymen by reason of the alfalfa hay that can be produced here in profusion.

"We are now selling alfalfa hay to our dairy men at Milwaukee for \$22 per ton," he stated. "If each cow consumes three tons of hay during the course of the year, and you can save \$10 or \$12 per ton, one of your advantages is perfectly obvious."

Some problems of breeding were discussed by Mr. Shrock. He related some of the discoveries and developments in Mendel's law of breeding as related to coloring of animals as a result of cross breeding and called attention to the desirability of having the scientific facts relative to results on production of offspring as a result of directed cross breeding.

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## THE FEATHERHEADS

