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### The Voice of the Voter

In two weeks Oregon will hold a state primary election. Usually such an event is heralded by the visits of candidates and wide newspaper and radio publicity at this stage, but unless interest is suddenly aroused the day will pass with a very light vote. Judging from the voice of the populace, there is complacency with the present order, and indifference to change. There is more interest in sugar rationing than who will be chosen as political nominees for the fall election. If the average voter were asked today what he will do May 15th, he would say, "I don't know," or "I'll be working on my job," or perhaps, "Who's running anyway?"

And yet that day is vastly important. We will select nominees for the United States senate, congress, for Governor and other state, district and county offices. These men will be factors in the conduct of our government for the next two years. We are in the greatest war of all history to maintain our democratic form of government. The exercise of the right to cast our ballot is the fundamental strength of that government.

In contrast, we hear announced in Europe the power of life and death and control of all privileges vested in a tyrannical dictator. The freedom of the individual is dethroned. The absolutism of a Caesar, or of Charles V, or of the Czars, or of the monarchies the rise of democracies destroyed, is again restored on one continent and is seeking to control the entire world.

Lest we forget that these were once one with Ninveh and Tyre and that freedom is still at stake, we should warm up to our constitutional privilege to protect our liberties with that simple process of casting our ballots in the selection of capable men to govern us and protect our rights.

This may sound like too much grandeur of history for a state primary, but is the cold facts. What we must do to protect our American way of life is to enlist at the polls as well as in the battlefield. No voice will be heard so well in the conduct of things to come as that of the citizen-voter and we hope that on May 15th, in our own area, he will give a good account of himself.

Mr. Gahn has been in Portland for the past two weeks where he was transferred with the Asbury Transportation Co.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Martin left Wednesday of this week for California where they will make their future home. Mrs. Martin will visit her parents on the coast until suitable living arrangements are made. The Martins have made their home here for the past three years while he was employed as dispatcher for the Asbury Transportation Co. Bill Grill of Portland arrived the first of the week to take Martin's place. There are only two trucks stationed here now.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper and son Ronald left Tuesday for Kellogg, Idaho, and some Montana cities where they will visit Mr. Cooper's sister and family. He is on his vacation as operator at the depot.

### PINE CITY NEWS

By Mrs. Bernice Wattenburger  
Miss Betty Finch and Miss Helen and Rosetta Healy spent the week end with their parents. The girls are high school students in Heppner.  
Mrs. Marian Finch attended Eastern Star lodge in Heppner Friday evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Abercrombia spent Monday in Pasco and Cornell, Wn., on business.  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vogler spent Tuesday in Cornell, Wn. Charley Morehead of Ellensburg, Wn., has rented the Roy Neill place. They expect to move as soon as school is out in May.  
School will be closed Friday for all students to attend May day festival in Heppner. A track meet is held in the morning and a music festival in the afternoon in the Heppner auditorium.  
A number of men from Pine City from 45 to 65 years of age went in to different towns to register Monday.  
Miss Shirley and Jannett Myers are ill with colds this week.  
Marian Finch helped brand cattle Saturday and Sunday at the Ebb Hughes ranch at Lena.  
A very pretty wedding was performed Saturday evening at the Ladgson home in Athena when their

daughter, Miss Donna Ladgson was married to Guy Moore of Butter Creek. Mr. Moore is a son of Mrs. Roy Neill. The wedding took place at 8 o'clock, with a candlelight service and the ring ceremony being used. Refreshments were served to 60 relatives and close friends. They left on a wedding trip to Portland and Seattle.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Scott and

daughters of Wasco were overnight guests at the Roy Neill home Saturday and Sunday. They attended the wedding of Guy Moore. Mrs. Scott is a sister of Guy Moore.  
INDEPENDENT BAPTIST MISSION  
Sunday at 3:00 p. m. Open air services will be held again next Sun-

day afternoon, May 3, in the Cox addition. We want to make the services helpful to both young and old, and will appreciate prayers and cooperation in making these services truly worthwhile. Plan to be with us on Sunday afternoon and come to take part in the services. This announcement is your invitation.

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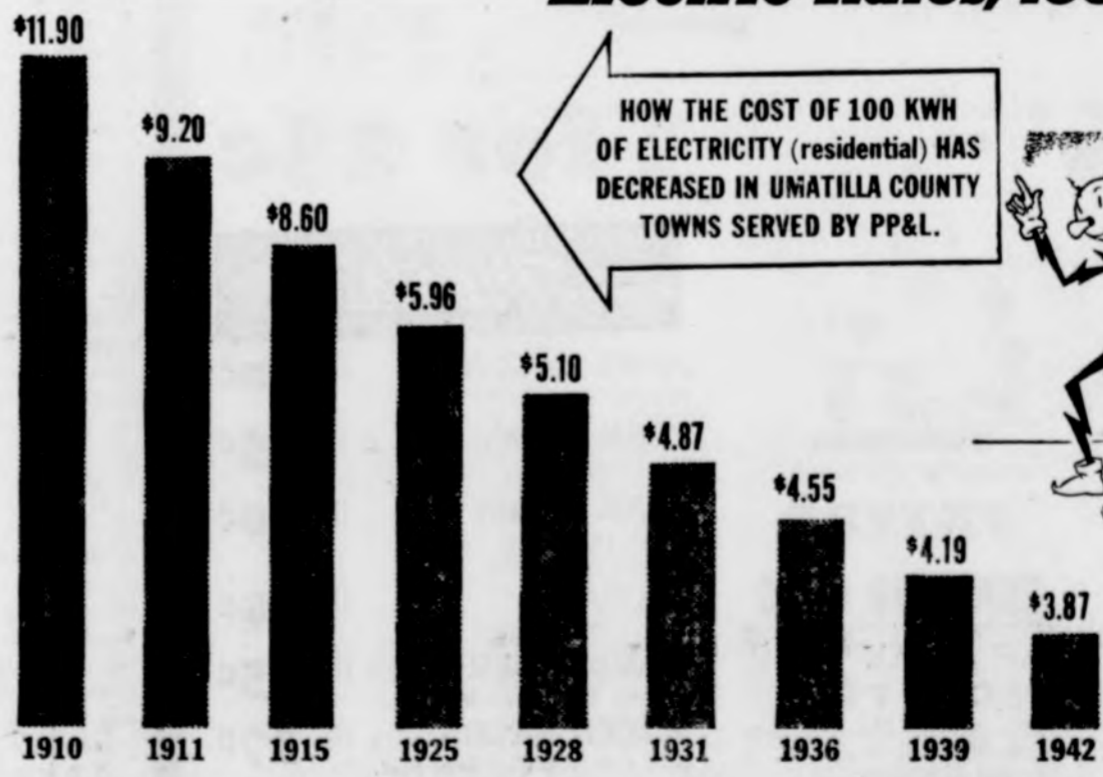
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### UMATILLA NEWS

By Mrs. Glenn Ostrom  
Mr. and Mrs. George Kendler and daughter Mary spent Saturday in Pendleton shopping.  
Mrs. H. B. Hull and Leta Myers spent Thursday in Kennewick visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Myers, aunt and uncle of Miss Myers.  
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ostrom and son Gary Dean spent Saturday afternoon in Pendleton.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hull spent Sunday and Monday morning in Pomeroy visiting at the home of Mrs. Marguerita Hull.  
Mrs. James Byrnes and daughter Joan and Mrs. Glenn Ostrom and

son Gary Dean and her granddaughters Ilene and Arlene Harryman motored to Kennewick Sunday where they visited their daughter and sister. Mrs. Don Harryman and children, Ilene and Arlene, twin daughters of Mrs. Harryman, remained at their home after a three weeks visit with their grandparents. Leta Myers accompanied them and visited her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Myers.  
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bothwell and children Mike and Penny of Pendleton visited Sunday afternoon here with Albert Vieg.  
Mrs. W. T. Bray and son Walter were Pendleton visitors Saturday.  
Mrs. Dan Gahn and daughter Brenda left Sunday for Portland where they will make their future home.

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