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They Like Turmoil

A MAIN purpose of the proposed primary change, de-serving of approval at the special election next week, is to shorten the period during which Oregon, in election years, is kept stirred up by political campaigns.
 Under the present plan, the state is treated to one of these campaigns in the spring, beginning early in April. Then, having picked candidates for the general election, the voters must wait for another six months, or until November, to finish up the business.
 If the new plan is adopted, the nominating will be done in September, and two months later the final selection can be made. It will greatly reduce the time during which candidates and voters must be under campaign pressure.
 Hotly opposed to the primary change, no doubt for this very reason, are "leaders" of a certain type, such as some of the grange politicians. These men live for campaigns, which mean for them travel, excitement, expense funds, and a chance to indulge their ego by influencing voters susceptible to their kind of persuasive efforts. They love the turmoil. They hate political tranquility.
 Is it any wonder, therefore, that they are out to defeat a plan designed to cut in half the period of political bally-hoo and pressure in Oregon in election years? What else could one expect of them? If they had their way, there would be more campaigning, instead of less.
 Their aims in life, however, are not those of the ordinary citizen. He has his work to do, and he doesn't want to be bothered by politics, year in and year out. He can and should vote "Yes" next Friday, and do his part toward concentrating campaign politics into a few months in the latter part of election years.

Legislators' Pay

THE legislators' pay bill, to come up for vote next week, has little chance of passage.
 This measure would amend the constitution to provide that members of the legislature shall receive such compensation as is set by law.
 At present, legislators' pay is unquestionably small. They get \$3 a day and not more than \$120 for any one session, and \$3 for every mile traveled in going to and from the capitol.
 The proposed amendment does not set down any definite amount to be paid, but leaves that up to the legislators themselves. This immediately raises the question of the advisability of permitting the law-makers to fix their own salaries, and the affirmative argument in the voters' pamphlet, written by three members of the legislature, is devoted chiefly to an attempt to answer this question. They argue that times and conditions change and for this reason alone, the pay should be fixed by law. They claim further that the possibility of veto and referendum are safe checks on any tendency of legislators to boost their pay too high. But vetoes can be over-ridden and referenda are getting tiresome and they are expensive.
 The proponents argue that the low pay has lowered the standard of legislature's membership. There is a question, however, whether boosting congressional pay raised the membership standards. Some think it lowered them, with selfish politicians seeking the jobs for what they could get out of them in cash.
 It is to be noted too that there is no dearth of candidates for the legislature, although the pay is niggardly.
 Had the amount to be paid been made reasonable and set up in the amendment itself, the proposed measure would have had much greater support. As it is, it appears doomed for defeat, which will not be a calamity.

Four-H News

ELY COOKERS
 The Jolly Cookers of Ely spent an enjoyable evening at the home of Miss Della Eagle, the 4-H club leader, January 3, 1936.
 Those present were, Lorraine Richardson, Fern Blanchard, Janet Prottman, Paula Blanton, Maryville McMillan, Ellenore Ruth Blanton, Barbara Hall, Patricia Miller, Ruth Newton, Lenore McMillan, Mrs. Blanton, Mary Lee Givan, Avis Casebeer, and Vera McMillan.
 The Jolly Cookers have been progressing wonderfully in their work, and attending their meetings regularly every two weeks.
 VERA McMILLAN.

KENO ITEMS

KENO, Ore.—Mr. Simpson of the Standard Oil company, was out Wednesday afternoon to test the flamo gas for the home economies department. This semester will be devoted to the art of cooking.
 Mr. and Mrs. McVay went to Hornbrook, Cal., Thursday morning to visit Mr. McVay's brother-in-law, Tom Copping, for a few days.
 The P-T-A. is sponsoring a dance for next week-end. The dance will probably be Friday, January 31, in the high school gym.
 Mr. Wilkins of the county school employ, is working on the pit in the bus garage which is to be used in greasing the school buses.
 The U. S. biological survey will take place January 24, 25 and 26, to determine whether the ducks are increasing or decreasing.

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS
 The Inside Story From The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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BOSTON, Jan. 24.—A rumor has swept this section that Al Smith will ease his punches in his liberty league speech Saturday night. It seems to be a top tip in upper New York state and Massachusetts.
 One of Al's closest friends here says, off the record:
 "Advance publicity on the speech has been overplayed. It cannot possibly live up to expectations. But Al has pulled very few punches in his life."
 "His speech will burn his Roosevelt bridges behind him—with gasoline."

LEEWAY
 You can mark it down in your hat that the republican delegation from Massachusetts will be unpledged. The most eminent authorities here have passed word down the line to that effect. There seems to be no disagreement.
 But this is one spot where an unpledged delegation will not be covertly for Hoover. The boys have decided that emphatically also.

WEAKNESS
 Behind these unpledged republican prospects you will find the essential hidden weakness of the republicans, which is not confined to New England.

It is that there is no outstanding leadership personality offering a popular focal rallying point. The leaders around here like Governor Landon of Kansas, but there is little or no leadership functioning for him on the inside. It was all fixed some months ago for Ted Clark, confidential advisor of President Coolidge, to come into New England and set up a Landon bandwagon for the boys to climb on. Clark died before he could do it.

Col. Knox is also relished hereabouts. He is a New Englander by birth and experience and will probably have a fair bulk of the delegates from this section.

Mr. Hoover is personally admired by the party leaders, but generally considered impossible as a candidate.

While opposition to the new deal is firm and widespread, it just cannot get around to congealing into enthusiasm behind any one opposition man.

PLAYING
 They say that democratic Boss Curley was speaking more or less humorously when he hinted himself as a candidate for the senate next year against Senator Coolidge. He will probably wind up by running for governor, instead. Curley is playing a wise game. He lets his associates talk ardently against the new deal, but he personally always speaks well of President Roosevelt.

Thus, Mr. Curley is very likely to be found on top of the heap, no matter who winds up on the bottom.

RETICENCE
 Retired Assistant Treasury Secretary Coolidge is just as talkative as a certain former president by the same name. One of his Boston banking associates had dinner with him a few nights before his resignation and heard nothing about it. Not only that, but Coolidge also neglected to offer any vehement criticism of the new deal.

Those who are closest to him say the Washington stories are correct. It was not a specific incident which caused his resignation, but an accumulation of spending policies with which he could not go along.
 Incidentally, the resignation was presented long before it was announced. He let Mr. Roosevelt hold it up and fix the time.

POPULARITY TRENDS
 Whether Al Smith has lost weight in his old New England stronghold is a matter of dispute among the astrophysicists. Some say his row with Father Coughlin last year has hurt him. It is generally agreed that Coughlin has fallen off in these parts, but probably not as much as in the rest of the country.
 Townsdenites are on the up. The movement is comparatively new in these regions and still has the advantage of fresh appeal. Such an educational leader as the assistant superintendent of schools in Boston (Dr. Frederick Gillis) came out for the plan a few days ago, although

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"It's Aunt Martha! Run out and keep her on the porch while I bring out that floor lamp she gave us for Christmas."

he doubted its "feasibility"—his word—at the present time.
 The fact seems to be that the Townsdenites will be a surging political influence in the developing presidential campaign, but not a dominant one.

FRANKFURTER
 The most thoroughly retired of all retiring Bostonians is probably the most influential one—Prof. Frankfurter. His advisory relationship with the president is confidential, and he lives his life accordingly.
 He handles his classes daily at the Harvard university law school, slips off to Washington occasionally, getting in and out of the White House without publicity. There are also telephones available to be used. With it all, he lives in the cloistered seclusion of the confidences of his clique of friends here, in New York and Washington. All the young lawyers he has helped along.

He does not talk freely with newsmen, even to two of his good friends on Boston papers. Concerning political-economic subjects, he lets his books speak for him, and they speak loudly enough. He is highly respected locally, even by his political adversaries.
 No national political character has been so elusive since Col. House functioned in a somewhat similar, but more official, way for Woodrow Wilson.

RECOUNT
 The New Dealers wrote New England off as a total loss last November. The Literary Digest poll showed roughly 70 per cent of this populous section against. Even so, this does not close the book as far as next November's personalities are concerned. A recount will be necessary before then, after such unknown factors as Curley, Al Smith and the republican candidate are developed more clearly.

News of Oregon

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—A dislocated shoulder might bring real grief to some persons but to Willard Hannum of Missouri Flat it couldn't mean much more than a toothache after a hurricane.
 Hannum dislocated the shoulder in scrambling from his car when he noticed flames creeping up a five-gallon can of gasoline a few inches from him. He escaped the blast by several feet. The car was destroyed.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—The federal court here received a complaint from Loring J. Whitaker of Rex, Ore., asking that the walnut code be abolished. He alleged the act was unconstitutional.

FLORENCE, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—Completion of the Siuslaw highway bridge, the opening of the Cape creek tunnel and the construction of the Rainrock sec-

tion of the Siuslaw highway will be given recognition in connection with Rhododendron day in May, commercial club officials announced.

ASHLAND, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—Dr. F. G. Swendenburg and Ralph E. Koozer replaced two persons who resigned recently from the city council.

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—Natural resources and the fact that Astoria's tax situation is in better condition add to the probability that 1936 will be an outstanding year of progress and development, Jack C. Wright declared in taking over his office as president of the Astoria chamber of commerce.

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—Delegates from Oregon and California land grant counties in session here took issue with the Willamette Lumbermen's association suggestion concerning use of lands.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—The Oregon State Board of Aeronautics, explaining that better airport facilities are essential if Portland is to continue as a main terminal for airlines, went on record favoring the \$300,000 bond issue up for vote here Jan. 31.

OREGON CITY, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—Construction of Clackamas county's \$200,000 courthouse probably will begin next week, contractors said today. Fred Christensen of Portland, subcontractor, said excavation work will be completed tomorrow.

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From Other Editors

PIERCE WANTS PROTECTION
 (Corvallis Gazette-Times)
 Congressman Pierce has joined in a demand for higher tariffs on agricultural products in order to keep out foreign competition. In this matter Congressman Pierce is right and we are glad to see this life long democrat line up with the Old Guard Republicans, wicked and depraved as they are, and demand that we keep American markets for Americans.
 Let's look at the Canadian reciprocity treaty which was a blow to the Oregon lumber industry but which made America such a "good neighbor." Among the items on which reductions were made up to 50 per cent were cattle, dairy cows, cream, cheese, poultry, maple sugar, breakfast foods, apples, strawberries, blue berries, cherries, peas, seed potatoes, turnips, hay, fish, lumber, pulp board and patent leather. Nearly all of these are farm products. We didn't hear Mr. Pierce complaining about that directly.
 The silliest thing done however was the crop reduction policy which not only lost us our markets abroad, and subsidized South American farmers, but permitted enormous increase in importation of farm crops. Within the past eight months we have imported 22,000,000 pounds of butter; 4,000,000 pounds of foreign sugar; 10,000,000 bushels of rye; 30,000,000 bushels of corn; 10,000,000 bushels of wheat; 10,000,000 bushels of oats; 5,000,000 bushels of barley; 28,000,000 pounds of beans; 122,000,000 pounds of cotton seed oil; 176,000,000 pounds of tallow; 44,000,000 pounds of canned meats, and 68,000,000 pounds of other meats.

Putting it another way, imports for the first half of 1935 increased over the same imports for the first half of 1934 by the following percentages: Wheat 117 per cent; corn 114.42 per cent; cattle 122 per cent; butter 24.48 per cent; sugar 29 per cent, and so on. And all of this while we were holding millions of acres of our own land out of production.
 In 1932 Candidate Roosevelt told a midwest audience, "I know no farm tariff schedules that are too high." He now cuts them, some as deep as 50 per cent. What a truthful man he has turned out to be!

SOME PEOPLE SAY
 If I had my life to live over again, I would not spend one hour in politics.—James H. Moran, 92, White Plains, N. Y., in politics since Grant was president.

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HILLSBORO, Ore., Jan. 24. (AP)—District Attorney G. Russell Morgan said demurrers, filed for nine persons arrested at the Spinning Wheel dance hall near Tigard, will be heard next Thursday. The nine face charges involving selling liquor and gambling.
 The district attorney said it had not been determined whether charges will be filed against the 150 persons in the dance hall at the time of the raid.

Adolph's Observations

THE other day a pair of ladies' bloomers came down out of the heavens and fell on the deck of a steamship in mid-ocean. There were no women on board as this was a freighter that carried only the crew of forty-two men.
 The captain started an investigation and received a report from the lookout that there had been no airplanes in the vicinity and the wireless operator advised that the nearest ship was seven miles leeward. Several of the sailors swore that the garment did not fall from the rigging, as they observed it floating in the air long before landing on the deck.
 When the negligee came from will probably always remain a mystery like where the Democrats got fifty dollars apiece to go to Roosevelt's banquet.

COMING SUNDAY

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOVED
 GARY COOPER
 Ann HARDING
 Peter Ibbetson
 IDA LUPINO
 John Halliday
 Dickie Moore
 PINE TREE

Ten Years Ago

A dangerous curve, long feared by Klamath motorists, will be made comparatively safe by the blasting away of a huge rock in the center of The Dallas-California highway at Alkoma point, formerly known as Battlesnake point, according to word received from the state highway commission today.

DORRIS, Cal. (Special)—A rabidly infected dog bit Elmer Marshall, a farmer, his wife, and young son at the Marshall ranch in Sam's Neck, 15 miles west of Dorris a few days ago. The family is undergoing Pasteur treatment to combat the malady. A shipment of the serum was received at the Dorris hospital today for these cases and any others that may develop.
 The dog, which had been a pet of the family, disappeared after biting Mr. and Mrs. Marshall and the little boy. Another mad dog was shot recently.

Several cases of livestock being bitten by mad coyotes have been reported in this locality during the past month. This is the first case of persons being attacked.

TODAY

Ends Saturday
 THEY WERE ALL WET...UNTIL IT STARTED SNOWING!
 It's a comedy cloud-burst, with romance caught in a shower of howls!

WHEELER and WOOLSEY
 THE RAINMAKERS
 DOROTHY LEE, BERTON CHURCHILL
 Charlie Chase
 Comedy
 Adventure
 Cartoon
 News
 PELICAN

COMING SUNDAY!

SHE FOUND A HIDING PLACE FROM HER BESIEGING PUBLIC
 IN THE HEART OF A MAN WHO WOULDN'T BESIEGE HER!

Here, Mr. and Mrs. Klamath Falls is a picture that brings to you this sparkling star in the fullest splendor of her charming, happy-go-lucky personality.

Ginger ROGERS
 IN PERSON
 with GEORGE BRENT
 PELICAN

HURRY! LAST TIMES SATURDAY!
 YOU MUST NOT MISS THIS CHANCE TO SEE
 ERROL FLYNN
 OLYMPIC CHAMPION AND WORLD ADVENTURER
 A CHARMING NEW PERSONALITY
 TO MAKE YOUR HEART BEAT
 FASTER WITH HIS DARING
 --- AND HIS SMILE
 IN THE ROLE OF THE MOST COLORFUL
 CHARACTER OF THE SEVEN SEAS
 REBEL! PIRATE! LOVER!
 RIDE THE HIGH SEAS WITH HIM—THRILL
 TO HIS COURAGE AND GALLANTRY!
 THE GENTLEMAN PIRATE!
 SWASHBUCKLING ADVENTURE
 ROMANCE, ACTION!
 RAFAEL SABATINI'S
 CAPTAIN BLOOD
 with ERROL FLYNN
 OLIVIA DE HAVILLAND
 A Warner-First
 Nat'l Picture
 PINE TREE

ENDS SATURDAY
 Love TRIUMPHS OVER THE LAWLESS!
 ROMANCE CONQUERS RENEGADES IN A DARING DISPLAY OF DARE DEVILITY!
 Joe Wayne
 "THE NEW FRONTIER"
 MURIEL EVANS
 EL BRENDEL COMEDY
 TRAVEL — NEWS
 COLOR CARTOON
 V25X
 KIDNOS 10

TOMORROW
 BILL CODY
 ANDY SHUFFORD
 in
 "TEXAS PIONEERS"
 THEN
 TOM KENNEDY
 "GOBS OF TROUBLE"
 THEN
 "LIFE'S LAST LAUGH"
 THEN
 BETTY BOOP
 "STOP THAT NOISE"
 THEN
 SPORTLIGHT
 "PADON MY GRIP"
 ★ 5 ★
 RAINBOW

REX 15¢
 —Today—
 Chapter No. 2
 TOM MIX AND TONY JR.
 "THE MIRACLE RIDER"
 —Also—
 Thelma Todd
 Lyle Talbot and
 Capt. Frank Hawks
 in
 "KLONDIKE"
 —Plus—
 KEN MAYNARD
 "TOMBSTONE CANYON"
 Tonight is
 AMATEUR NITE