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A. Yturri Explains Reapportionment Law; Sees It as Most Controversial **Problem Facing Present Legislature** Offers His 'Modified Federal Plan,' Based On Population, Area as Aiding E. Oregon

By SENATOR ANTHONY YTURRI

Reapportionment is a subject of vital importance to Eastern Oregon.

That area east of the Cascades comprises virtually threefourths of the geographic area of our state. Despite this large family of Caldwell were week- at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Delpercentage of territory, Eastern Oregon is represented in the end guests at the Bert Richesin vin Conner at Nyssa. legislature by only six (6) senators and thirteen (13) represen- home. Their daughter, Vicki, tatives. The remaining 24 sen-

ators and 47 representatives task of reapportionment, by Aug. come from that part of Oregon 1. If he, in turn, fails, then the constitution to make the appormountains. tionment. These successive man-

have even less in the very near known as "automatic reapportion- ing visitors at the home of his ment." legislature's action at this ses-

Present Law Discussed

This situation is causing considerable alarm. The legislators Katie and Patsy Hawks attend- Plymouth. are running about with all sorts The constitution of Oregon pro- of fancy schemes! Those east of vides that the apportionment of the mountains are fearful of losboth representatives and senators ing representation, while those will be based upon population. No on the western slopes and the seaconsideration is accorded to the coast insist upon full constituextent of territory. The constitu- tional representation. Fortunatetion further provides that there ly, my request for a seat on the shall be only 30 senators and 60 Elections and Reapportionment representatives, and to determine committee of the senate was granthe number of legislators who ted and I shall have a voice, shall come from each county or though perhaps a small one, in

district, there exists a constitu- the final outcome. tional formula. This formula is Compares With National Problem applied by dividing the last federal census by the number of sen-ted the constitution were faced ators and representatives permit-ted by law. In the case of sena-tors, if we divided 30 into our population of approximately 1,population of approximately 1, 760,000, you will see that there is to be one senator for each 58,900 of population and one represen-tative for each 28,500. tative for each 28,500.

tative for each 28,000. A provision in the constitution states that if a single county has enough population to justify a senator or representative, then it shall have one. On the other is a county does not have shall have one. On the other hand, if a county does not have enough population to justify a senator or a representative, but does have more than one-half of the senator of the densely populated areas of Oregon react if it were now proposed to allocate U. S. senators on the basis of popula-tion to the exclusion of territorial the population required, then it may be entitled to a senator or would enable the combined states a representative as the case may of Oregon, Washington, Idaho,

The constitution also provides that if a county does not have sufficient population to justify a hand, the populous states of New senator or representative, it can York, Texas, Illinois, Pennsylbe added to an adjoining county or counties and a district created for representation. for representation.

Some Counties Grow Rapidly

Yturri Outlines His Plan The truth is that Multnomah, It is my contention that the Clackamas, Lane and Marion federal situation is in principle counties have grown rapidly in population and as a result are en-ists in the state of Oregon. Many titled to more representation than states adopt the rigid federal plan

spent the weekend with her par- TO VISIT NEW COURTHOUSE Nu Acres News ents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Moncur. Adrian Livestock club members Mr. and Mrs. Bud Armstrong with junior members meeting in wedding anniversary of his par- Emison avenue in Nyssa. By Farmerettes Club and Jimmy of Wilder visited Sun- the high school and the senior ents. day afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. group meeting in the ag building. Mrs. P. M. Jorgenson who had George McKee. At the junior meeting members been ill all winter returned to judged dairy cattle and appointed work Monday at Ore-Ida plant ed an MYF youth rally Sunday at Mark Stringham and Clinton Ontario First Methodist church. Chamberlain to attend "Know Sunday afternoon guests at the Friday evening guests at the Your County Government" day P. M. Jorgenson home were Mr. Omar Betts home were Mr. and when a 4-H group will visit the and Mrs. Grant C. Peterson and Mrs. W. O. Unwin. new courthouse in Vale. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Conner and daughter. Donna of Nyssa. Pauline Butler and Gene Wor-Mr. and Mrs. Bob Franklin and family called Saturday evening den were named delegates to visit the courthouse, during the meeting of the senior group. They Sunday visitors at the Omar stayed the remainder of the week Betts home were Mr. and Mrs. also judged dairy cattle. with her grandparents. A. P. Chesney,

Mrs. John Wolfkiel has returnwhich lies west of the Cascade Supreme court is bound by the ed home from the hospital greatly land was a Sunday guest of Miss improved. Mr, and Mrs. Kenneth Hawks yid Howard that afternoon was

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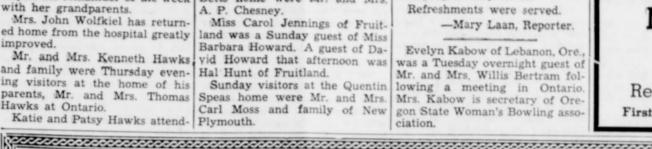
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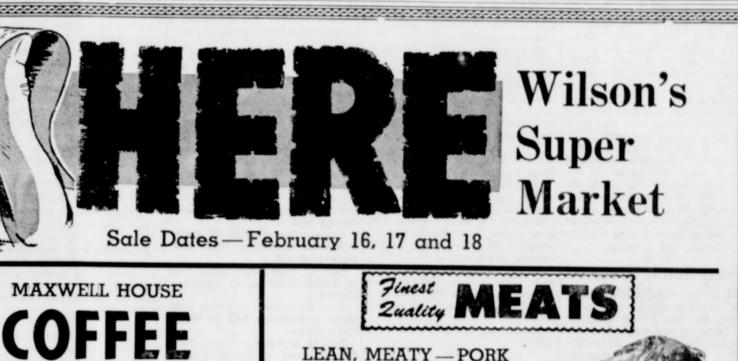
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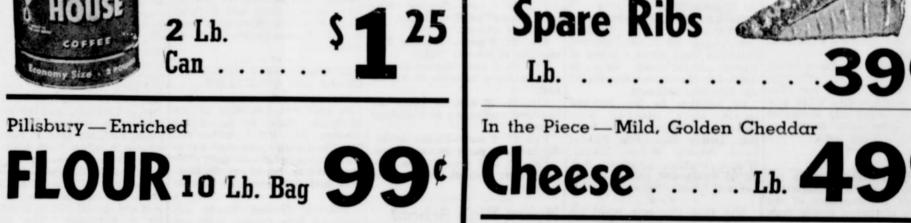
The grim fact is that we may dates of the constitution are and family were Thursday even- Hal Hunt of Fruitland. Hawks at Ontario.

ciation.



Miss Linda Moneur of Boise ADRIAN LIVESTOCK GROUP







met Feb. 9 for their third session Hugoton, Kan., to attend the 50th former home on route 2 to 711 Another couple recently moving into Nyssa from route 2 is Mr. and Mrs. Oscar J. Kurtz. They

AT CLARENCE CLAPP HOME Brownie troop 120 met Wednes- street, the home formerly occuday at the Clarence Clapp home pied by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Guthfor their regular weekly meeting rie. The Guthries have moved to with eight members present. Fol- a home on route 2 where the lowing the Brownie pledge, the Ward C. Lundy family was pregroup sang songs and played viously located.

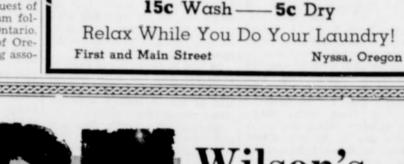
are now living at 302 South Fifth

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games. Mrs. Clapp served re- Mr. and Mrs. Lundy and two sons are now residing on the

-Joyce Jennings, Reporter. Frank Jayo ranch on route 1.





BROWNIE TROOP MEETS

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Wyoming, Utah, Arizona, Nevada

all the U.S. senators

stitutional interpretation is folreducing the total number allow- amendment. ed for Eastern Oregon.

consequency, where it is the terms of the terms of the terms of the terms of terms o

In the case of representatives, Malheur, Harney, Lake, Grant to 18. Still the area west of the resentatives to nine (9) or even of their counties.

Sees Inequitable Situation

tion for three-quarters of the state the only reason I am not suggestto have three out of the 30 senators and only nine out of the 60 tors and only nine out of the 60 representatives? This appears to be highly inequitable from the standpoint of representation. The significance of this problem can be graphically brought home when you consider the fact that to a large extent the actions of the legislature in Oregon affects, and frequently controls, your moand frequently controls, your mo- have more than one. ney as well as the water, state On the other hand, I feel that do so.

Legislature Action Imperative

It is imperative that the legislature act at this session because part in forming a judgment. the constitution provides that if, following the federal census, this mula above described, by July 1 controversial than any other pro-gram to be considered by this sesstate is required to perform the sion of the legislature.

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they now have, if the strict con- which grants one senator to each county, and there is abundant lowed. The additional representation for those counties can only intention to devote full effort tobe provided at the expense of ward retention of the present exsparsely populated areas of East- tent of representation in the legern Oregon. This, in turn, means islature at least. In addition, I that the districts in Eastern Ore- mean to introduce a resolution gon may be enlarged by adding which will ask the people of Oremore counties to a district and gon to vote on a constitutional

ed for Eastern Oregon. Consequently, it is not only con-ceivable but probable than an eff cert will be made to reduce rep-I would propose that this con-

and even Wheeler could be joined mountains would have 27 so they as one district, with one repre- should not complain too bitterly. sentative. And the result could This plan would propose that rep-resentatives continue to be electsenators to three (3) and the rep- ed in proportion to the population

"Modified Federal Plan"

I refer to this plan as the "Mod-Wouldn't it be a tragic situa- ified Federal Plan." Obviously ing a strict federal plan or system is for the reason that the heavily

ney as well as the health institu-lands, penal and health institu-tions, your children, and in effect Neuertheless your very lives. Nevertheless, it may have a chance to pass this this is the situation that exists legislature. Actually, from the and it is my intention to alleviate standpoint of logic, equity and it insofar as it is in my power to fairness, I do not believe that anyone can offer more than grudging opposition if good conscience, sincerity and honesty have any

I will endeavor to keep you inlegislature does not reapportion apportionment problem which in the state on the basis of the for- my judgment will become more

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