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COMMEND COUNTY COURT

By Charles V. Stanton

WE believe the members of the Douglas county court are entitled to more than a passing word of commendation for the outstanding achievements of the past few years. There is, perhaps, no county in Oregon in better financial condition than Douglas county and we doubt if any has brighter future prospects from the tax standpoint.

Douglas county is free of all indebtedness. All transactions are on a cash basis. For three years there has been no levy of taxes for administrative purposes. Taxpayers have been called upon only for the cost of maintaining and improving roads and bridges.

This is in sharp contrast with conditions as they existed in 1937, when the county was overdrawn approximately \$90,000.00.

As compared with the indebtedness existing in 1937, the county's cash balance on the date of Feb. 29, 1944, was \$1,066,351.61, which included an operating fund of \$490,743.40.

This favorable condition did not come about just through happenstance. It required sound business judgment and well-executed policies to achieve such an outstanding improvement in financial condition.

It is true that a part of the county's surplus funds resulted from payment of delinquent taxes, but one of the main sources of the income which has created a large backlog for postwar development, at the same time lowering taxes, is the efficient manner in which timber sales have been handled.

In the field of timber management the individual members of the county court are to be highly commended for the manner in which the difficult task has been conducted.

In the early days of the county's timber boom there was a predominant school of thought which advocated getting the timber, acquired through tax foreclosure, back on the tax rolls without thought as to its value. Sales were consummated for the amounts of delinquent taxes, some blocks of timber going for only a fraction of their real worth.

Commissioner H. B. Roadman early sensed a rising trend in timber values and, despite much opposition, insisted upon a policy of selling for true value only. In this policy he was joined by Commissioner J. Ross Hutchinson, while County Judge D. N. Busenbark, after being appointed to the office he now holds, concurred in the added policy of joining county-owned timber in the sustained yield program and, as a further protection to the county, advocated long-term sales contracts.

The court also is giving preference in timber sales to operators who set up mills or processing plants within the county, discouraging, as far as possible, the shipment of logs outside the county for manufacture.

The court has attempted in recent sales to assure continued income over a period of years, rather than taking a quick cash return. Contracts are made on a down payment of 10 per cent and in recent sales initial payments have amounted to \$138,423. On agreements now in effect and continuing as long as 20 years, annual payments will amount to \$66,000, while the additional sum of \$47,520 will be realized in the form of interest on deferred payments.

The contracts are made on a basis of stumpage valuations. Payments are based upon accurate cruises made prior to cutting. Provision is made for cruises both by the county and the operator with a third cruise by a representative of a federal agency in the event of any major disparity in calculations.

This policy provides continued income over a long period of years with an accompanying reduction in tax rates.

At the same time, timber is returned to tax rolls immediately upon sale. Disposal by the county of timber valued at \$1,440,000 already has restored more than \$28,000 annually in tax payments.

During the years the county's financial condition has been so vastly improved, other departments have not been neglected. All offices have been efficiently maintained. The sum of \$146,538.73 has been expended for road equipment. Improvement and betterment, exclusive of general maintenance, has been provided the county's road system at a cost of \$254,676.04.

A total of 230 bridges, which, if placed end-to-end, would reach two and one-half miles, have been built at a cost of \$262,228.29.

Such conditions, as have been reported here, could not have been brought about without diligence and harmony. We believe the members of the court, collectively and individually, are entitled to commendation from the taxpayers they are serving so efficiently.

as here there are political rumblings.

ON our home political front, the New Dealers win a special election in Oklahoma, called to fill a vacancy in the Oklahoma delegation in congress. It was a hard fight, on an apparently clear issue of "back the New Deal." The election was considered so important that Senator Barkley was sent to Oklahoma as a New Deal pinch hitter.

Oklahoma, of course, is strong by democratic still, the republican failure to win there indicates that no republican LANDSLIDE has yet started.

NEWS OF OUR MEN-WOMEN IN UNIFORM

Aviation Cadet William O. Goodlow, son of Mrs. Florence Goodlow, 44 Ella St., Roseburg, has reported to the Altus army air field, Altus, Okla., where he will begin his final nine weeks of pilot training. He will receive 70 hours of training on two-engine planes, together with lecture

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BEST BETS FOR TODAY

- FRIDAY**
 6:30—Double or Nothing.
 8:00—Eye Witness News.
 9:30—Name That Song.
 10:00—Freedom of Opportunity.
SATURDAY
 9:30—Hello Mom.
 1:15—Sisters Choir of Chicago.
 2:00—Navy Bulletin Board.
 3:30—The Three Cheers.
 4:00—Nick Carter.
 6:00—Chicago Theatre of the Air.
 7:30—Hawaii Calls.
 8:00—Downbeat Derby.
 9:30—Pilgrim Hour.
SUNDAY
 10:30—Hookey Hall.
 1:30—Life of Lincoln.
 2:30—The Shadow.
 3:00—Roosty of the A. A. F.
 6:00—Cleveland Symphony.
 7:15—Palm Leaf Trio.
 7:30—Boys Town.
 8:00—California Melodies.
 8:30—Jack Benny.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

- 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co.
 4:15—Music Off the Record.
 4:30—Lullaby in Rhythm.
 4:45—Songs of Good Cheer.
 5:00—Bible Adventures, Presbyterian Church.
 5:15—Superman, Kellogg's Pop.
 5:30—Musical Cocktail.
 5:45—Gordon Burke, News, Studebaker.
 6:00—Gabriel Heatter, KRM.
 6:15—Believe It or Not, Pall Mall Cigarettes.
 6:30—Double or Nothing, Feenminter.
 7:00—Dale Carnegie.
 7:15—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co.
 7:20—Demi-Tasse Ditties.
 7:30—Lone Hanger.
 8:00—Eye-Witness News, Copco.
 8:15—Here Comes the Band, Douglas Flour Mill.
 8:30—Name That Song, 42 Hair Oil Products.
 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
 9:15—Hi Neighbor, Garstens Furniture Store.
 9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1944

- 6:45—Rise and Shine.
 7:00—News.
 7:15—Rainbow House.
 7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical.
 7:35—The Beehive.
 7:40—Rhapsody in Wax.
 8:00—Haven of Rest.
 8:30—Alvino Rey's Orchestra.
 8:45—Spike Jones.
 9:00—Canary Chorus.
 9:30—Hello Mom.
 10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
 10:15—Al Williams.
 10:30—Luncheon With Lopez.
 11:00—The King's Men.
 11:15—The Pastor's Scrapbook, Dr. Roach, Presbyterian Church.
 11:30—George Hamilton's Orchestra.
 12:00—Musical Interlude.
 12:10—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer.
 12:15—Rhythm in Random.
 12:40—State News, Hansen Motors.
 12:45—News-Review of the Air.
 12:55—Terminal Market Report.
 1:00—Ten Pin Poppies.
 1:15—Sisters Choir of Chicago.
 1:45—Paul Martell's Orchestra.
 2:00—Navy Bulletin Board.
 2:30—American Eagles in Britain.
 3:00—Augustana College Choir.
 3:15—Oaklawn Races.
 3:30—The Three Cheers.
 3:45—Music Off the Record.
 4:00—Nick Carter.
 4:30—Flying High.
 5:00—Moods in Music.
 5:15—Sentimental Music.
 5:30—Musical Cocktail.
 5:45—Gordon Burke News, Studebaker.
 6:00—Chicago Theatre of the Air.
 7:00—Royal Arch Gunnison.
 7:15—State and Local News.
 7:20—Musical Interlude.
 7:30—Hawaii Calls.
 8:00—Downbeat Derby, Union Oil Co.
 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
 9:15—Service Salute, E. G. High.
 9:30—Pilgrim Hour.
 10:30—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 1944

- 8:00—Wesley Radio League.
 8:30—Voice of Prophecy.
 9:00—Detroit Bible Class.
 9:30—Lutheran Hour.
 10:00—Alka Seltzer News.
 10:15—Romance of the Highway.
 10:30—Hookey Hall, Chooz.
 11:00—Baptist Church Services.
 12:00—Garden Talk, Gill Bros. Co.
 12:15—Voice of the Dairy Farmer.
 12:30—Dr. Floyd Johnson.
 1:00—Wide Horizons.
 1:30—Life of Lincoln.
 2:00—Gospel Messages, Church of Christ.
 2:15—Bishop's Crusade, Methodist Church.
 2:30—The Shadow.
 3:00—Roosty of the AAF.
 3:30—Four-Square Gospel Church.
 4:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour.
 5:00—Mediation Board.
 5:45—Gabriel Heatter, Barbasol.
 6:00—Cleveland Symphony.
 7:00—Geddie Foster, Employers Group Ins.

Sunday at the Churches

SUTHERLIN PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Mrs. Betty Williams, pastor. Bible school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Children's church at 8 p. m. Young People's church at 6:45 p. m. Evangelistic service at 7:45 p. m. Everyone is welcome.

THE SALVATION ARMY

327 W. Cass St. Captain Norma Koon and Lt. Betty Lee Smith, officers in charge. Saturday: Prayer meeting at 7:30. Sunday: Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Holiness meeting at 10; Open air at 7:30 p. m.; Salvation meeting at 7:45. Tuesday: Sunbeams at 4:30; Corps Cadets at 5:30; Bible study at 7:30. Wednesday: Ladies Home league at 2; Young People's meeting at 7; Y. P. club at 8. The public is cordially invited to attend any of these meetings.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

"When the Holy Man Entered an Unholy City" is the Palm Sunday sermon of Rev. H. P. Scone, Baptist pastor. Sunday morning at eleven. Frank Grubbe will sing "Calvary" by Paul Rodney. "The Man Who Had to Talk to Himself" is the sermon topic Sunday evening at 7:30. There will be a beautiful baptismal service. A brief, but very important business meeting will follow the Sunday evening services. Rev. and Mrs. Neil Wallace, special workers in Child Evangelism, will take the first thirty minutes as pulpit guests. The Wallaces are outstanding musicians. They will also show pictures of work among the children in America. You are never a stranger, not even the first time you attend services at the First Baptist church.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rinke A. Feenstra, pastor. Palm Sunday will be observed at the Methodist church with special music by the choir who sing "The Palms" and a solo by Mrs. R. D. Coen. Parents will present their little children for baptism as a special part of the morning worship service. The pastor's message will be in memory of the last Sunday before the death of our Lord, "Behold Thy King Cometh Unto Thee." We are hosts to the Singerspiration at 6:30 p. m. At this service young people from all the churches will lead in the singing of gospel hymns and choruses. At 7:30 the Youth Fellowship will present a devotional service and the pastor's message will be "Could Ye Not Watch With Me One Hour?"

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Missouri Synod). Corey and Military streets, West Roseburg. The service of Sunday, April 2, begins at 11 a. m. The pastor will deliver the concluding sermon of the Lenten series, "Passion Prayers." The topic of the sermon is, "The Prayer at the Gateway of Eternity." The Sunday school meets at 9:45 a. m. The Lutheran Hour will be broadcast over KRRR Sunday at 9:30 a. m. A special service will be held Good Friday, April 7, beginning at 7:30 p. m. the sermon topic being "Good Friday: Eyes at Joseph's Tomb." Holy Communion will be celebrated at this service. Announcement for Communion may be made Tuesday, April 4, at the

- 7:15—Palm Leaf Trio.
 7:30—Boys Town.
 8:00—California Melodies.
 8:30—Jack Benny, General Foods.
 9:00—Alka Seltzer News.
 9:15—Stardust Serenade.
 9:30—The Story of the Third Commandment.
 10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour.
 11:00—Sign Off.

church. The choir meets every Friday for rehearsal. W. A. Sylwester, 1170 Military street, pastor.

OAKLAND CHURCH OF CHRIST

Wm. J. Diehm, minister. Bible school, 10:00 a. m. Morning worship, 11:00 a. m. Sermon: "Sayings on the Cross." Junior church 11:00 a. m. Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Sermon: "Book of Colossians." Ladies Aid, 2:00 p. m. Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Wilkins. Prayer meeting, 8:00 p. m., Wednesday at the parsonage. Orchestra practice, 8:00 p. m., Saturday at home of Bert Hill.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Cor. Douglas and Kane Sts. Len B. Fishback, minister. Francis Lintott, organist. Jessie Waggoner, choir director. The Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. with William R. Unrath as superintendent. Our attendance goal for Easter Sunday is 400. The sermon subject at 10:45 a. m. will be "Christ and the Forgiveness of Sins." There will be a vocal solo by Mary Lou Hutto. At 6:30 p. m. the Junior Christian Endeavor society will meet in the basement and the young people's C. E. society will meet in the upper C. E. room.

The sermon subject at 7:30 p. m. will be "Nothing But the Truth." There will be a vocal duet by Betty and Susanna Hahn. Remember, you are always welcome at the "homelike" church.

PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH

477 S. Jackson. Gerald G. Beckwith, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11 a. m., sermon by the pastor. Evening service at 7:30 p. m., sermon by the pastor. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. You are invited to come and worship with us.

DAYS CREEK COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Apr. 2. Miss Beulah Atherton, superintendent. Morning worship hour at 11 a. m. Levi White, pastor.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

312 E. Douglas street. Regular services Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject of lesson, "Unreality." Sunday school convenes at 9:45 a. m. Wednesday evening meetings which include testimonies of healing and remarks on Christian Science, are held at 8 o'clock. The Reading room at 317 Perkins building is open daily except Sundays and holidays from 10:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Here the Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or subscribed for. The public is cordially invited to attend the church services and to visit the reading room.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Myrtle Creek, holds services each Sunday at 11:00 a. m. in the grange hall, 3rd and Division streets. The subject of the lesson-sermon for Sunday, April 2, is "Unreality."

A meeting which includes testimonies of healing and remarks on Christian Science is held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8:00 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Father William L. Blaker. Services for Palm Sunday: Holy communion 8:00 a. m.; church school, 9:35 a. m.; holy communion and sermon, 11:00 a. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Lane and Jackson Sts. Rev. Morris H. Roach, Th. D., minister. Mrs. Homer Grow, organist. Mr. E. S. Hall, choir director. Mr. W. G. Blake, S. S. Supt. The regular Communion service will be held Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service. Mr. Homer Grow will sing "The Palms" as a special. The evening message will be "Entering the City of Peace."

Calendar for the week:

Sunday: Organ Chimes, KRRR, at 9:30 a. m.; Sunday school at 9:50 a. m.; Morning worship at 11 a. m.; Junior C. E. at 4:30 p. m.; C. E. societies at 6:30 p. m.; evening service at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday: Boy Scouts at 7:30 p. m.; Session meeting at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday: Camp Fire girls at 4 p. m.; Congregational meeting at 6:30 p. m. Thursday: Radio Bible class, KRRR, at 11:15 a. m.; Choir practice at 7:30 p. m. Friday: Euodia club at 12 noon; Bible Adventures, KRRR, at 5 p. m. Saturday: Pastor's Scrap Book, KRRR, 11:15 a. m.

LOOKINGGLASS COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school convenes at 10. Morning worship at 11. Bible study Tuesday evening. F. Gene Elliott, pastor.

CALAPOOIA FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Dr. D. L. Fenwick, district superintendent of the Oregon Conference of the Free Methodist church, will preach at the Calapooia church the evenings of March 31, and April 1, at 8 p. m. Dr. Fenwick has had a great deal of evangelistic and pastoral experience, and has a message well

adapted to our needs today. Sunday school will convene at 10 Sunday morning and Dr. Fenwick will bring the message during the worship hour. Y. P. M. S. at 7 p. m., and evening service at 8. Wilmer Werth, pastor.

DILLARD COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school convenes at 10. Youth Fellowship at 6:45. F. Gene Elliott, pastor.

TEN MILE COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school convenes at 2 p. m. Church at 2:45 p. m. Bible study Thursday evening. F. Gene Elliott, pastor.

CANAS VALLEY COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school convenes at 10. Evening worship at 7:45. F. Gene Elliott, pastor.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

400 E. Douglas. Sunday school will be led by Mrs. Roy Denny, supt. Various other introductions of interest to each pupil. Morning worship service, Theme, "Heaven's Open Gate." Y. P. service 7. Program given by group three. Evening service. Reports and Evangelistic. Leonard T. Hannon, pastor. 835 Winchester St.

FATHER'S INFLUENCE PORT WASHINGTON, N. Y.

A first grade teacher unable to persuade a pupil to read numbers from a blackboard called the little boy's father to the classroom to help her. The father wrote "3" and the boy said "three." He wrote "5" and "five" said the child. Then he wrote "8". "The boy responded: 'Pretzel.'"

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