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## THE 500,000.00 VETO

The action of the governor in vetoing \$500,000.00 of the appropriation of the schools of higher education has met with almost unanimous approval here especially among those who believe drastic tax reduction to be one of the best ways out of the present economic jam.

Farmers' organizations have caused reduction of taxes in several state departments during the session of the legislature just passed, but in every case they have allowed the decrease to hit something that they, the farmers themselves, should consider important. First, the market roads. The millage for this branch of road building was repealed and will result in fewer feeder roads for farmers to use. Of all the money spent for roads in this state the expenditure for a market road system was the most valuable to agriculture.

When their dissatisfaction with the higher education policy was translated into veto by the governor of a part of the biennial appropriation it was removed from the part of the higher education fund used for extension work and for experiment farms that are directly of benefit to the farmer.

If it had been possible to make the cut general over the entire field of the schools in question, or better yet to take the five-hundred thousand dollars from the departments centered in the different schools, it would have been a better tax cut for the farmers. As it is, the schools of Law, Mines, Forestry, Medicine, and what not, will go on as before without the loss of a single dollar for their funds are raised by a millage tax. It is the school of Agriculture that will suffer, not in itself, perhaps, but in the loss of effectiveness of its outside contacts, such as the county agents, and extension workers, and the experiment farms.

As a tax reducer the farmer is still an amateur and he certainly needs the tax organizations that have been formed in the past few months throughout the state.

## WHAT FUTURE FOR WHEAT

The announcement that the Federal Farm Board expects to lose several million dollars on the wheat of the Pacific Northwest was to be expected, for as long as the middle western states are able to produce wheat enough to supply the population of the territory east of the Rocky mountains it will be difficult for the far western states to find a market for their crop except by export.

White wheat has long been exported anyway which is one of the reasons our prices has not been set by domestic requirements. The present tariff law just about leaves us with no place to send our wheat for the nations that ordinarily import wheat have raised their own tariff on that food stuff in retaliation for the higher import duties imposed on their products coming into this country.

France, Germany and Italy have tariffs on wheat that makes it economically impossible to ship any wheat into those countries at all which serves to aid their farmers by giving them a price of \$2.00 or over per bushel. This, of course, leads them to raise the comparatively easily produced crop of wheat on land that should be used for something else. It isn't only the huge wheat fields of Russia that are competing with the Pacific northwest farmer; it is the ten and twenty acre farms of western Europe.

The northwest raises about five-times as much wheat as it needs to support its own population. It is an importer of many other products of the soil that could be grown on wheat lands in parts of the area if properly equipped and managed, and it is probable to suppose that at least part of the farm relief will have to come from such diversion to other crops.

Until conditions have changed and there is a market for the wheat of this section the farmer who arranges for another source of income from his farm outside of his wheat crop will be the man who will prosper and will be ready to profit by better conditions when they do arrive.

This is about the time of year that the towns of Sherman county begin planning for their annual clean-up day. It is a good practice to get together and remove the accumulated rubbish of the winter season for it not only makes the town look brighter, but a days work together often removes personal animosities that have gathered during the winter's hibernation. These sometimes effect the welfare of small towns as much as the rubbish that accumulates in the streets and should be removed as regularly.

The past week has been the sort of weather the farmers have been praying for. Let us repeat again that it is the best sort of relief for the individual farmer.

A man who ate a spoonful of sand every day for forty years has just died at the age of 97 showing the value of grit in the human makeup.

One thing the Oregon legislature did succeed in doing was to stir up more comment about their acts than any session for several years.

We wonder if Dr. Cooper gets by with that kind of memory when relating things to his wife?

No wonder Mayor Jimmie Walker was popular if he distributed graft like his claim he did.

## Grass Valley

J. O. Mink is here from Wain and is employed on the section. Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Dick Huhman, a baby girl in The Dalles hospital, last Friday.

George Wilcox and wife drove to Portland Wednesday where George is to meet his doctors again.

James Dennis has been quite sick during the past week and has not been able to make his regular trips over town.

Mrs. Ted Trimble is taking care of things at Dell Olds' home this week as Mrs. Nabouse left Tuesday for her home in Moro.

Mrs. Erma Olds and Mrs. Lydia Olds drove to The Dalles Monday to see Mrs. Ella Olds who is recuperating from an operation.

Mrs. O. C. Claypool will be at the Grass Valley Inn, Friday March 20th. Showing Smart New Frocks, Hats, Coats, and Accessories.

The Woman's Club play will begin promptly at 8 P. M. next Saturday so those that wish to attend the dance at Kent later may do so.

Born: Marie Teresa von Borstel arrived at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Theodore von Borstel on March 14th. She weighed ten pounds.

Miss Agnes Palmer takes the part of Kay in the play "Oh! Kay" which will be presented by the Woman's Club Saturday night at the pavilion.

R. E. Sutherland and wife, of Portland, parents of Mrs. Earl Olds arrived Monday to visit the Olds family for a few days. Mr. Sutherland drove to Prineville Wednesday.

Herman Schilling and wife entertained a few invited guests at their home last Monday evening. There were four tables of friends who spent an enjoyable evening with cards.

Herman Peters returned Monday from a short visit to Oregon City. Mrs. Peters who accompanied him remained in the valley to spend a little more time with her sister Mrs. Frank Wilcox.

Art Bibby has purchased a pool room in Heppner and left for that city last Saturday. He expects to move there permanently in the future. The pastime here will be in charge of Luke Bibby.

The local golfers obtained a tractor and machinery and smoothed the grounds used for that sport. A disc and grader made much improvement in the fairways and will permit balls to be hit farther and found easier. Earl Olds was the only casualty of the day as he received a black eye while cranking the tractor.

Eben Kee and Edna Crowfoot were married in Portland last week and returned to the Kee ranch north of town on Monday. Mrs. Kee is known to many friends here as this was her home for a few months when Mrs. Iva Kee resided here. Eben has lived in Sherman county nearly all of his life and is the son of Frank Kee. They will make their home on the farm which Eben leases from his father.

## Grass Valley High School

BARBARA WALPOLE, Editor

At a Student Body meeting Monday afternoon letters were awarded to the following: Harold Blagg, Bob Poley, Bernard Martin, Willard Barnett, Clayton Vinton, Bruce Alley, Eva Perry, Norma Garrett, Thelma Stow, Cynthia Bell, Marietta Perry, Pearl Bell and Pauline Newcomb. The letters, which were awarded, to those who played in at least half of the games, this year, are more expensive and will last much longer than those given previously.

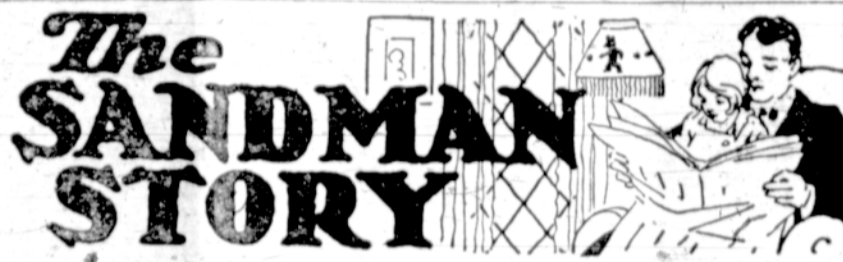
Last Friday evening, March 13, the city auditorium, which was attractively decorated in crimson and gray, the school colors, was the scene of a High School dance given in honor of the Basketball Teams. The patrons and patronesses were: Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Schilling, Dr. and Mrs. Poley,

Mr. and Mrs. Blake and Mr. and Mrs. Garrett. The Alumni were also guests of the occasion. After partaking in both old and new dances, refreshments of punch and wafers were served.

Last Thursday afternoon, Mrs. Norton gave a very interesting and enlightening talk on India. Being a personal acquaintance of Gandhi she was able to give us many details of inside facts. India is really a very wealthy country and despite the fact we have many rich men in America, the richest man in the world is in India. Mrs. Norton, like many others, believes India would forge ahead if it weren't for Great Britain.

As the Basketball season has ended the boys and girls are working at Baseball now. Both have good turn-outs.

The English 3 class, under guidance of Miss Palmer, has divided into two groups and will edit two small papers. "The Crimson Rambler" will be edited by Margaret Schilling and "The Peppy News" by Vernon Eakin.



## HIS CHRISTMAS SHOES

TOMMY was not very old. Nor was he so very, very young. That is to say, he was not a baby. Not by any manner of means. He went out to play with others and with an older brother and sister, too.

That was one of the reasons Tommy did not feel so very old. He was the youngest in the family. His sister and his brother were older than he was, and of course, so was his daddy and so was his mother, as we all know.

Christmas had passed and all the boys and girls were talking about the presents they had received. Tommy's mother had been sick during the fall and his father had been out of work for several weeks and



His Good Shoes Were Not So Very Good.

Tommy had heard it hinted that Santa Claus had helped with the medicine. "Perhaps," thought Tommy to himself, "Santa spent all he could afford on our family, for he had to divide up Christmas between all the families." And when he asked his older brother and his older sister if this were true, they said that he was right. They had asked Santa to give them a little of their Christmas in medicine.

Not because they wanted medicines, but because medicine had to be bought and money hadn't been coming in—hardly at all.

For one thing Tommy had wanted a bag of candy. He also wanted one much better than the ones at the store. Better than any other oranges could possibly be.

Tommy also thought he would like a little tin boat—just a tiny one to float in the bathtub.

But more than anything else Tommy wanted a pair of new shoes.

## Rebekahs Hold Convention In Antelope

The annual convention of District No. 21 which was held at Antelope March 14 with Leona Thiel President of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon in attendance. The meeting was open at 2 p. m. with the officers of White Rose Lodge No. 136 in the chairs. After the meeting was opened they surrendered their chairs to the officers of the convention. The address of welcome was given by Rose Hill of White Rose Lodge which was responded to by a member of Wheatland Lodge of Kent.

Draping of the Charter was given by Grass Valley No. 118. The next convention will be held in Grass Valley.

A six o'clock banquet was given which was very much enjoyed by all. There were 20 from Moro that attended the convention. The evening session was opened at 7:30.

Lupine Lodge No. 116 of Moro put on the degree work while Wheatland

The president then gave her address which was appreciated by all. The convention then closed and again we were treated with Ice Cream cake and coffee. We then departed for our several homes feeling that we had a very successful convention.

Committee.

Later Noah Fox, a relative of the Rufners, was shot and killed within 100 yards of the "coffin room." Fox was slain by his son-in-law, George Riley, who was acquitted of the crime in the Page county court.

More than 100 men are to be employed on the Black Canyon-Oakridge section of the Willamette highway, according to announcement by E. L. Gates, the contractor. Camp is now being established near Oakridge. Most of the men will be taken from the Oakridge and Westfir districts, it is announced.

An air race calls for new heroism that will soon leave the demigods of the ball field and the prize ring looking like back numbers.

Amberris, the source of the rarest perfumes, comes from sick whales, and that's another difference between sick whales and dead whales.

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