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REPRESENTATIVES TALK OF SESSION'S ACTS

Mr. Yates and Mr. Snell Inform
Commercial Club

GOVERNOR MEIER IS PRAISED

Large Group of County's Prominent
Men Hear Speakers

State Representatives J. P. Yates, of Wasco, and Earl W. Snell, of Arlington addressed the Moro Commercial Club at the Hotel last Friday night at a meeting which was attended by representatives of nearly every community of Sherman county.

Mr. Yates was introduced first by the president of the club, Walter A. May, and spoke briefly on some of the things accomplished by the legislative assembly which adjourned in the early days of March. He named the change in the market road law as the best part of the legislation passed by that body as it reduces real property taxes by about \$2,125,000 and provides that market or secondary roads will be built and maintained by the state highway commission. Mr. Yates interviewed the state highway engineer after the bill was passed and found out from him just what sort of roads would be so designated by the highway commission.

During the speaker's term in the legislature and before he has been interested in railroad rates, in fact, has made a hobby of learning everything pertaining to this district concerning freight rates until his knowledge made him a leader in the fight for reduced charges on hauling. He stated that the interstate rate put into effect by Commissioner Thomas would not be of any great help to wheat shippers as it only reduces the rate on wheat that is milled and sold in the state.

Mr. Snell discussed some of the important acts of the thirty-third legislative assembly and pointed out the new laws that seemed to him to be of most importance to his district.

The new police law, according to the speaker, will combine the law enforcing parts of the highway officers, the state game and fish and prohibition enforcement. The officers will be clad in uniforms furnished by the state and will receive salaries ranging from \$1200 to \$3600 per year and will be in sufficient numbers to enforce the laws under their jurisdiction.

The new agricultural law which combines thirteen departments of the state dealing with agriculture into one department with one able man in charge was spoken of as a step ahead of any farming reform hitherto advanced by the state.

Mr. Snell, like the previous speaker, did not discuss the power program passed by the legislature at any great length, merely stating that the governor received what he asked for in this regard and remarked that the members of the legislature nearly all felt that the overwhelming vote accorded the governor in the last election was sufficient evidence of the wishes of the people in this regard.

The speaker explained the new highway speed law which has been discussed generally since its passage by the law makers. It provides that the driver of a car or truck is the judge of the speed at which he should travel, but makes the penalties higher for those meeting with accidents while traveling at high speeds.

The reapportionment bill that adds Morrow county onto the old representative district composed of Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler counties was defended by the speaker as the best that could be obtained with the population of the counties in question being what it is. Mr. Yates and Mr. Snell generously gave each other the credit for keeping the district from further dismemberment during the session.

Of taxation Mr. Snell spoke at some length for he apparently considers the taxation bills the most important part of the work done by the legislature. He defended the intangible, income and excise taxes against the arguments that have been launched against them since they were put on the statute books and declared that they were not only fair and just forms of taxation but were needed to rehabilitate agriculture in the present crisis. He also praised Governor Meier for his stand favoring these bills when he was called upon by a group of business men from Portland while the legislature was in session.

Other speakers who were called upon to give short remarks relating to the present economic scene were J. M. Wilson, J. W. Shepard, D. E. Stephens, C. L. Poley, H. B. Pinkerton, E. D. McKee, J. B. Adams, C. B.

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WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 8

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
April 2	52	32	.02
" 3	55	29	.01
" 4	56	33	.00
" 5	61	42	.00
" 6	61	45	.09
" 7	56	39	.28
" 8	50	32	.02
Total precipitation since March 1st, 2.55.			
Total precipitation since September 1st, 7.58.			

Another County Wide Meeting Planned

The following letter is being sent out by officers of the Moro Commercial Club to those who are interested in hearing the speakers who will appear on the program of that organization Friday night the 17th of April:

Dear Sir: We are going to be favored with a call by the representatives of the Oregon State Tax Commission on Friday April 17th at 7:30 o'clock at the Moro Hotel. The Moro Community Club is sponsoring this meeting but it is to be an open meeting to any one in Sherman county.

Dinner will be served at 7:30. We will be pleased to have you present.

Do you wish dinner reservations? YES NO

We are expecting a large attendance at this meeting so it is important that you let us know as soon as possible whether or not you wish dinner reservations, so that the Hotel Management may know how many to prepare for. Please mark X in front of either YES or NO and return this letter to:

R. H. COPPOCK, Secretary,
Moro Commercial Club,
Moro, Oregon.

It is expected that Charles V. Gallows and Earl Fisher will both be present to explain the new taxes and the new rates that were made by the recent legislature. Every one is invited to attend.

Many Books Loaned By Grass Valley Library

According to the quarterly report of the City Library of Grass Valley which is owned and operated by the Woman's Club, there have been 587 books loaned since the first of the year. The largest month was January when with lots of time to read 290 books were taken home by patrons of the library. In February 182 books were read and in March 115.

Out of this total twenty four were children's books which is lower than the usual amount but may be explained by the fact that children are now reading books and making book reports in the regular course of their school work.

"Keck" McKean Is Basket Ball Manager

Kenneth McKean, of Moro, was recently appointed a junior manager of basketball at the University of Oregon by the executive council of the associated students.

The managerial system at the University has been well worked out, and provides better management of finances and equipment for the teams. The position of manager is a responsible one, and care is taken in the selection.

McKean is sophomore in economics, and is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Woman's Club Will Study About Spain

Get your passports and be on board ship at 2:30 sharp next Friday, Apr. 17 or you are apt to miss a most exciting ocean voyage into the mysterious ports of Spain. Mrs. John S. Carey will pilot the ship.

Club opened by reading in union the prayer found in the club book. After a lengthy business meeting, Lois Barzee, director took charge. She read a poem from Longfellow, "America the Beautiful" was directed by Mrs. Cope and then two Oregon Products talks were given.

During the afternoon Mrs. Barzee and Mrs. Sayers favored us with two piano duets.

Mrs. Ruggies gave the first paper on "Spanish Missions in the New World" and Mrs. Conlee told of the trips she had made in various parts of California. Mrs. T. B. Searcy read a paper on Spanish Art.

Dr. Butler will speak to the Wasco Women's Club on April 10th at 8:00 o'clock at the Hotel Sherman on "Care of the Teeth." An invitation was extended to the Moro Club to attend.

RIVER TRANSPORTATION PLANNED FOR 1931

Meeting In The Dalles Discusses
Barge For Wheat Shipments

WHITE SALMON TO BE HOST

Success Of Paper Shipment Stirs Grain
Men To Action

According to the plans proposed at the meeting of the Mid-Columbia River Association, loading facilities will be built some place between The Dalles and Celilo if enough farmers signify a desire to avail themselves of this means of shipping their crop. The barges can be anchored along the bank and loaded directly from trucks then moved down the river while other barges are being loaded.

It was the expressed opinion of the farmers present that barge transportation had been talked of and it's virtues explained till every one was more or less familiar with the advantages of this means of shipping wheat. Now while wheat was low in price and other means of transportation high was considered the time to try the new plan.

Organization of the Mid-Columbia River Association which is to be a unit of the Columbia Valley Association, was almost completed and arrangements were made for meetings to be held this month and next at different towns in the district when speakers conversant with the aims of the Association will explain them to the public.

The practical side of shipping wheat by water to tidewater was discussed by members of the newly formed Mid-Columbia River Association last Tuesday night when they met in the Chamber of Commerce building at The Dalles. Representatives from the wheat growing sections of Sherman and Wasco counties expressed a decided interest in plans for immediately entering negotiations with river transportation companies in order to be able to send this year's crop of wheat, to market via the river route.

The recent success of the fruit growers of the northwest in shipping their season's needs of wrapping paper by barge has stimulated interest in this means of transporting heavy and bulky freight and the low prices of wheat has made farmers anxious to save on freight charges whenever possible.

The barge tied up in The Dalles at present is engaged in bringing the paper used in packing apples and other fruits grown in the eastern part of Oregon, Idaho and Washington, from Camas, on the Washington side of the river to The Dalles from where it is moved to the users by freight truck.

April 24th a meeting will be held in White Salmon when R. H. Kipp and the engineers who have been studying the Columbia will speak. At present the officers and directors of the Association are as follows: President, Dr. Thompson Copher; Vice-presidents, George Read and David Lemon; Secretary, W. S. Nelson. Directors all.

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MORO HIGH SCHOOL HEARS CARLTON SPENCER

University Man Advises Students To
Have A Purpose

Students of Moro high were honored with a speech by Prof. Carlton Spencer of the School of Law and Extension Service of the University of Oregon, Thursday morning, April 2. Most extension speakers from the University urge students to attend the University of Oregon but Mr. Spencer did not. He stated that the University is not anxious for students who have only social purposes in mind, but those who are desirous of making their lives more useful, profitable and productive. Also he pointed out the fact that to be successful does not necessarily mean to be rich through the possession of money but that one could be successful in other ways and he gave an illustration.

Two students have made perfect fifteen minute tests this week, Grace Cochran, a typing I student made a test of 44 net and Eva Miller, a typing II student, made a test of 59 net. Some students have made perfect five minute tests but these are not being recorded. Award tests are going to be given this week in typing.

In the county typing contest which was held here the afternoon of April 3, Doris Amidon made the highest speed record in the typing II division, Paulen Kaseberg from Wasco made the most accurate test, and Mary McNab, from Rufus, made the best test in the novice division.

The county contest was held in Wasco last year, where the highest individual records made were 69 net for the amateur division and 49 net for the novice division. The typing students did not make such good tests this year. Doris Amidon made 64 net, Mary McNab made 43, and Paulen Kaseberg made 59 net with 4 errors. The State and Eastern Oregon typing contests will be held soon and meanwhile the students will try to improve in both speed and accuracy.

Miss Brauninger thinks that high school students as a rule do not appreciate the "Sir Roger De Coverly Papers" and so in order to make them, understand them better she is going to have the English III class write several essays on our own times similar to the "Sir Roger De Coverly Papers." We will soon find out whether or not we have any good literary writers.

Moro Grain Growers Re-elect Two Directors

The Moro Grain Growers held their annual stock holders meeting last Tuesday afternoon at the office in the Hotel Moro building. The terms of W. H. Ragsdale and Deway Thompson as directors had expired and they were unanimously re-elected to continue in their positions for another term.

The local organization also voted unanimously in favor of the proposed plan now being considered by the Farmer's National Grain Corporation whereby local warehouses would be sold to that organization. Whether or not this deal will be consummated is not known at this time.

BASEBALL GAME HALTED BY RAIN

Copious Downpour Of Sherman County's Blessing Stops Play

MORO AHEAD IN SIXTH FRAME

Teams Will Try To Finish Game Next
Sunday at Moro

The game scheduled for last Sunday between the Grass Valley and the Moro base ball teams was stopped in the middle of the sixth inning by an April downpour of rain that dampened the spirits of the players and scattered the spectators to the shelter of their homes.

Barzee southpawed through the six innings for Moro and while he allowed six hits and three scores the hitting of his team mates put him on easy street after the third when five men tallied. Little Lefty Olds started for the visitors but was taken out in the third inning when Rolfe replaced him.

There were many high and long flies that gave the outfielders a bit of practice and in some cases showed the need of it. The teams are coming along, however, and when they get their best teams together will put up a game that will keep the spectators on the edge for an afternoon.

The line ups were: Osborne 1st; Pluemke 3rd; Moore, ss; Guinan 2nd; Peetz, c; Hastings, cf; Rice, lf; Barr, rf; Barzee, p.

Grass Valley: Blagg, 2nd; Vintin, ss; Fritts, c; Rolfe, 3rd and p; Rutledge, 1st; Tetz, lf; Perry, cf; Payne, rf; Olds, p, and rf; Coon, 3rd.

Moro men were able to circle the bases eight times to five for the Grass Valley players.

Moro Girl Takes Part In College Dramatics

Miss Faye Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Thompson has achieved success in college dramatics according to a review of the Albany College student body play published in the Albany Democrat-Herald.

Of Miss Thompson's acting the Albany paper has the following to say: "Faye Thompson as Olivia Marden carried the heaviest part of the production and due to the excellence of her interpretation and the smoothness of her acting, was probably the outstanding figure of the play."

The play given was "Mr. Pim Passes By" and it was directed by Dean Grace Mattern of the college.

OREGON NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

The city water commission of The Dalles has purchased a tract of ground as the site of drilling operations for a new city well.

Three hundred pullets and 500 baby chicks burned to death on the Jesse Polley farm near Haines. The fire started in a brooder.

A meeting of beekeepers and prunegrowers was held recently at Dalles to discuss the value of bees in the pollination of orchards.

Early lambing is practically finished in Malheur county. While the percentage varies as usual, records of 150 per cent have been common.

Owing to the continued mildness of the weather, band after band of sheep are leaving Vale for the open range somewhat earlier this year than usual.

Herbert Chandler, well-known Baker stockman, was elected president of the eastern Oregon stock show at Union at a meeting of the directors recently.

Fire razed the Graham block, modern downtown building in Eugene, wiping out half a dozen business establishments and causing damage of more than \$200,000.

Four sows belonging to W. O. Condry, a Cow creek rancher residing near Glendale, recently littered 48 pigs. Two of the little pigs died, but the remaining 46 appear healthy.

Twin daughters were born at Albany to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Carlson. They weighed two and three pounds. One has been removed from the incubator and is being fed from a medicine dropper.

Word was received at Albany that the bureau of public roads has awarded to three contractors the contract for clearing the right of way for four miles of the Santiam highway near Suttle lake.

An egg, opened by Mrs. Floyd Morris, of Portland, was found to contain another complete egg, shell and all. The freak was laid by a white leghorn hen on the farm of C. J. Huffman at Aurora.

Fruit growers and shippers from the Hood River, Medford, Wenatchee, Yakima and Spokane districts met in Portland for a preliminary discussion of proposed changes in fruit packing and grading rules for 1931.

The hydro-electric power plant at Dee, 14 miles up Hood River from the city of Hood River, was washed away, according to information received in the apple city. The plant had a capacity of about 8000 horsepower.

Contracts with farmers living between Grand Island and Harrisburg for the production of approximately 200 acres of asparagus, for delivery at the Reid-Murdoch plant in Salem, was announced by officials of the packing concern. The first of this asparagus will go into cans in 1933.

According to Hugh Rankin, supervisor of Crater National forest reserve, \$10,000 will be spent this summer in completing the Squaw lakes and Wagner Gap forest road leading into Talent. This road has been under construction the past three years at annual cost of \$10,000.

Federal income tax collections for Oregon for March totaled \$841,283.33, it was reported by Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue for the Oregon district. The collections for March of 1930 were \$1,203,548.44, Mr. Huntley reported, making the decrease approximately 31 per cent.

Time for filing state income tax returns has been extended to June 15, according to announcement made by members of the state tax commission. The personal income tax remains in the same form as enacted by the 1929 legislature, and later approved by the voters. It applies first to individual incomes other than interest and dividends received in 1930.

City Fathers Are Buying Pipe and Well Equipment

The city councilmen last Tuesday night made the final preparations for installing the necessary machinery at the well recently contracted by the city. A cylinder capable of throwing over fifty gallons of water per minute was ordered and the Recorder was instructed to procure bids for a thousand feet of four inch pipe which will be needed to carry the water from the well to the cistern on the hill.

Workmen will be busy for the next few days laying the concrete for the machinery bases and building a suitable building to house the pump and motor. When the cylinder arrives the pump from one of the city wells on the flat will be moved to the new location to make the test which will determine how much water the Conlee well will furnish.

INDIAN MISSIONARIES MOVE TO HILLS

Many Strange Customs of India Are
Told Of By Miss Ginn

NATIVE STEALS A HUSBAND

Social Customs Are Shocking To American Born Girl

Sunday, February 22, 1931. Dearest Mother and Daddy:

This will be my last Sunday in Quilon for a time as we are planning to leave next Friday night for the hills. Hazel Fountain takes the train Friday at midnight on the first lap of her journey home and we shall start out in the car immediately after seeing her off. Winnie says she doesn't want to go back to the house again so we shall be all packed ready to start. Will drive the rest of that night and part of the next day.

Yesterday was Hazel's birthday and we celebrated it by having the Burgeses in for tea and dinner. Winnie combined her birthday with the thot of a farewell. Cheviann made a large cake in the shape of a ship with the name of the ship which she is to sail on, on it. Winnie and I stayed up till after 11:00 Friday evening watching him frost it, put in the port holes, windows, railing, anchor and paper flags. A girl printed some place cards with boats on and Winnie got some crepe paper with a ship design on it to put around the edge of the table. It looked very nice and was a surprise for Hazel. We had the cake for tea with sandwiches, tarts, fruit and coconut ice candy. Cheviann worked so hard and was so interested in it all. He is a fine boy in so many ways. Burgeses came a little late so we didn't have tea until 4:30. We spent the time between tea and dinner sitting on the steps to the pier and later in the living room talking. Burgeses are a nice couple and I enjoyed having them around. Poor Mr. Burgess wishes we could capture some husbands so he wouldn't be the only man but he manages quite nicely.

With breakfast at 6:30 and Bible class at 7:00 we are never able to prolong our Sunday morning nap but I was awake before five, got up and read a chapter in my Bible by flash light and went back to bed till 5:30. I do like the boys in the Bible class. There is no disputing of the fact that India boasts a handsome people, both men and women, fine features, well shaped heads, black hair often curly or slightly wavy and such beautiful eyes. Our boys, about 14 or 15 years of age, are no exception. They know English very well and with their black keen eyes fixed on you while you're speaking makes you feel at least, that they are drinking it in. Appearances are often deceiving, however, but the boys are interested to come each Sunday at that hour. Three of them present this morning are Syrian Christians, Christians because their parents are Christians though these boys have surely had real salvation made clear to them. The other boy present is a Hindu and a little Gandhite but oh so keen.

The Syrian Church is divided into two groups. The Jacobites are much for formality and very much like the Greek Catholic Church. Marthomites resemble the Protestant Church but are more or less formal and self sufficient. Our language teacher is a Marthomite and does have a splendid knowledge of the scripture as well as a good many other things. Friday was a Mohammedan holiday and schools, banks and post offices were closed. With Hindu, Mohammedan and Christian holidays all recognized its vacation a good bit of the time. Only the Mohammedan shops were closed, however, and it was an eye opener to me as to the number of Mohammedans living here, so many were closed.

My extreme elevation has been duly recognized in India where the people on the average are much shorter than the Americans. This week I had a new adjective describing it. Last Sunday Mrs. Mathur and her youngsters, the Indian bankers wife, were here for a short visit. At a later time when home the children in the presence of their Mother were discussing their visit. They call Hazel and Winnie auntie so they were talking about Auntie Hazel and about Auntie Win. Then one of them piped up with, "Yes, and the other Auntie that reaches up to heaven."

We had a rather unpleasant experience with our sweeper woman this week. Maria takes care of the bath room work and sweeps the rooms and verandahs. She is a very unusual

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