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W. C. BRYANT BURIED TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Prominent Attorney and Educator
Takes Own Life

J. S. LANDERS GIVES EULOGY

Many Well Known Men In Education
Attend Ex-Regents Funeral

This county was shocked and saddened last Sunday morning to learn that W. C. Bryant, a prominent attorney and widely known educator, had taken his life. Mr. Bryant had been despondent for several weeks over business affairs that had worked adverse to his interests and had brooded on these matters and the uncertainty of financial conditions until his usual buoyancy of temperament gave way to melancholy.

Early in the morning he awoke and went to the barn where he slashed his throat with a razor. His family found him dead, but discovered him too late for the attention of hurried medical aid.

William Cullen Bryant was born at Wahoo, Nebraska, June 18th, 1875. He was the third and youngest son of Abner M. and Susan C. Bryant and was one of a family of eight children. He received his early school training in Kansas and Nebraska.

When he was thirteen years old his parents moved to Oregon locating near Buena Vista, Oregon, in Polk county. Later they moved to Falls City where William Cullen finished the public schools. He taught school for two years earning enough money to put himself thru Armstrongs Business College in Portland and the state normal school at Monmouth.

He then taught school again for four years in the meantime pursuing his study of law. He was one time a student at the University of Oregon. After spending some time in the Willamette valley he returned to Moro where he had taught school and was principal of the Moro schools for three years after which he was elected county school superintendent, serving in this capacity for three years.

On his return from the University he had purchased an interest in the Sherman County Abstract Company being associated with Frost and McCaleb. In 1907 he started practicing law in Moro. In 1910 he was appointed a member of the Board of Regents of the Oregon Normal School and acted in that capacity until that body was dissolved in 1929 when the state boards of education were combined.

Mr. Bryant, during his years in Sherman county was always active in the civic and educational affairs of the county. As county school superintendent he did much to make the schools of the county achieve their present rank in elementary schools of the state. It was during his administration that the Sherman County Field Meet and Declaratory Contest was first inaugurated and the long time success of that helpful contest was due in no small part to his original plan.

In state wide educational affairs he represented the county and gave the best years of his life to the advancement of efficient teacher training in the state. His interest in the teaching profession came from long association with it. He was the son of a teacher, a teacher himself and he trained his children to carry on his chosen work. He was for many years a member of the Moro school board.

His law and abstract business was carried on with the dignity and integrity that befits the profession. On December 29th, 1904, Mr. Bryant was married to Miss Elva Wheelon who survives him. To them was born the following children: Ruth, a student at the University of Oregon; Harold, an employee of the Pacific Power & Light Co., at Hood River; Helen, a teacher at Grass Valley and Lois, a student of Moro high school.

The funeral was held in the Legion Hall, Tuesday afternoon, April 21st when many friends throughout the state came to pay their last respects to the deceased. Among these were C. L. Starr, of the State Board of Higher Education, who is a life long friend, J. S. Landers School, J. D. V. Butler, a veteran educator of Monmouth, and E. H. Carlton the editor of the state teachers magazine.

Rev. F. A. Ginn officiated and the funeral services were given by the pastor of the Methodist church, H. Nahouse, Tom

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 22

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
April 16	56	35	.60
" 17	48	32	.00
" 18	55	27	.00
" 19	53	28	.00
" 20	58	26	.00
" 21	62	33	.00
" 22	50	32	.00
Total for week			.00
Average wind velocity from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. April 22d was 35 miles per hour.			

Grass Valley Wins Ball Game From Shaniko

Grass Valley defeated Shaniko in a close game of baseball last Sunday on the Grass Valley diamond. The Shaniko boys expected to play Kent that day but a game between Rufus and Kent made that impossible so they drove on down to Grass Valley looking for competition. They were obliged to the score of 9 to 7. Rolfe was in good form and went the entire game on the mound with Fritts receiving his slants. Beemer and Bonn pitched for Shaniko.

Quite a number of Sherman county boys were out after some early season fishing but the substitutes did their stuff in credible manner. One pleasing feature of the game was that some of the team that have had a very poor season at bat so far regained their eye and began hitting again.

Grandma Medler Honored On 86th Birthday

Last Sunday afternoon friends gathered at the home of Mrs. B. F. Medler to congratulate her on the completion of another year.

She still resides on the farm northwest of Wasco where she has spent her life since coming to Sherman county from Pennsylvania years ago as the young wife of Bruno Medler. She has reared her family there and has seen them go out into the world to do for themselves, but for herself she prefers the familiar scenes of her younger days.

About thirty descendants and friends called during the day to wish Mrs. Medler happy returns of the day.

Mid-Columbia River Ass'n To Meet May 1st

The second meeting of the newly formed Mid Columbia River Association will be held in Arlington on Friday evening, May 1st at 6:30. At this meeting members of the association and other persons interested in the development of the Columbia will have the opportunity of hearing Oregon's Junior United States Senator, Frederick Stiewer.

Much interest has been engendered in river shipping by the success of a paper company in shipping a large load of paper wrappers to the northwest apple growers by water at a saving of 27 per cent and it is expected that many persons will attend the meeting in Arlington to learn more about what can be done to bring about cheaper transportation for wheat.

Odd Fellows Plan Big Time For Anniversary

The 112th Anniversary of the F. O. O. F. to be observed at Moro Sunday April 26th.

The committee selected to arrange a program for this occasion met Tuesday evening, and have now the following to state.

That, the public are requested to attend church services at the M. E. church at 11 o'clock, when Brother Ginn will deliver a special discourse on "The Brotherhood of Man." After these services are over, you are requested to convene at the L.O.O.F. hall where dinner will be served. And at two o'clock the exercises will start.

A suitable program has been arranged for this occasion, and will include the main address by Brother Earl H. Shanks of Hood River. Owing to the lack of time we have to get this notice to the Sherman County Journal, we are unable to give out full details of the program, as some changes are to be made.

As there has been some inquiry as to the kind and style of dinner, we will state that, all who are expected to participate in the dinner, are expected to bring two articles, such as a pie and a dozen sandwiches. Chicken and pickles, cake and a fish of salad, etc. Tables will be set in the hall, where all can sit down and enjoy the dinner.

Fraternally, The Committee.

EAST WIND AND DUST STORM DOES DAMAGE

Sweeping Gale Breaks Down Trees
And Buildings

SUMMER HOMES DEMOLISHED

Five Cabins Blown Down Or Hit By
Falling Trees

A storm that is unprecedented in this country at this time of year began Tuesday afternoon about four o'clock and continued in increasing intensity until Thursday morning when the wind seemed to have blown away its frenzy.

The wind came from the northeast and carried dust particles so fine that they sifted into every house and covered everything. The wind had a velocity of 35 miles per hour Wednesday from nine o'clock in the morning until five o'clock in the afternoon and it was impossible to see for over half a mile any place in the county owing to the dust in the air.

Nearly every place in the county reports damage of some kind done by the wind. In Moro the front of Douma's barn, formerly used as a livery stable was blown into the street early Wednesday morning. The northeast corner of the south wing of the hotel suffered some damage when a window was blown out in the room in that corner and the force of the wind was strong enough to separate the tiling on the outside of the building. Hasty repairs were made and it is thought that the damage can be repaired with a minimum expense.

The roof over the alleyway of the W. W. M. Co. warehouse in Wasco was blown off. This caused the story to be started that the entire warehouse had blown down. Several trees in Wasco were damaged by losing limbs and some were destroyed.

It was reported in Moro Wednesday that a straw shed on the place farmed by Bill McDonald was blown down that morning by the wind. And several people reported that trees, especially old fruit trees, had been broken.

In many places shingles were blown from houses and several houses had windows blown out. A. M. Young, in Moro, opened his door and the wind blew a large window five or six feet.

J. B. Adams was in the south end of the county Wednesday and reported that in several places dust from wheat lands was blowing across the highway so that a driver could hardly see ahead of his car. In some small patches where the ground is sandy spring sown wheat has been blown out and some summer fallow in lighter lands has probably been ruined.

Five summer homes belonging to Sherman county people at Camp Sherman have been destroyed by a cyclone that visited that resort early Wednesday morning. A. C. Thompson, who returned from there Wednesday reports that about six o'clock

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Moro Woman's Club Fortnightly Notes

On account of sickness in the Reese home the annual meeting and garden program will be held in the Masonic Hall on Thursday April 30, instead of Friday, May 1st.

The mother and daughter banquet has been changed from Friday April 24 to May 8. It will be held in the basement of the Presbyterian church at 6:30 p. m. The attendance will be limited to club members and one daughter, either owned or borrowed. The banquet is to be pot-luck and in so far as possible made up of Oregon products.

Two new members were voted into the club, Mrs. Giles French and Mrs. Rob't Hoskinson. The club extends a hearty welcome to them.

The two Oregon Products tales were given by Mrs. Coppock and Mrs. Johnston. Mrs. Coppock read an article published by The Oregonian and written by Jeanette Cramer on "Saratoga Chips," manufactured by Williams and Co. Mrs. Johnston talked on the manufacture of Mount Hood Soap.

Mrs. John Searcy was unable to attend on account of illness and in her absence Mrs. Bryant acted as director for the day. She opened the main program by reading a poem after which Mrs. Osborn read a very excellent paper on "Spanish Music."

Mrs. Carroll Sayre illustrated the various types of Spanish architecture on the black board. It can all be told by the shape of its arches. Another interesting fact is that each mason has his own mark on the particular part he had constructed.

Marjorie Byers sang a solo. She was accompanied by Helen Searcy at the piano.

Miss Thomas read a paper on Spanish Sculpture mentioning several contemporaries and various works.

Helen Searcy gave a piano solo after which Mrs. Bryant described the artistic works of El Greco, Velasquez and Goya. El Greco's pictures are hung in the various cathedrals of Toledo. They were hung in the churches to impress the worshippers.

Miss Scruggs gave the final paper on "Spanish Artists of today." Sorollo, who painted sunny and cheerful scenes has twelve different pictures in a New York museum. Zuloaga, who painted a contrasting type of picture has his works exhibited in the Rinehart museum.

The light company crew were called from their Sunday morning slumber to replace the pole and get the lights to burning in the counties east of here and the Portland office of the truck company sent a wrecker to put the truck and trailer back on the road. Both jobs were completed shortly after ten o'clock in the morning.

BARN AND HORSES BURN AT NIGHT

George Hennagin Loses Valuable
Buildings Wednesday Night

COWS, HORSES BURN TO DEATH

Wind Whips Blaze Long Distance From
Fire

Riding on the crest of a thirty five mile gale, fire of undetermined origin, swept the barn and garage on George Hennagin's farm east of Moro into oblivion last Wednesday night about one o'clock.

Mr. Hennagin was awakened by the continued barking of his dog and looking out saw the flames leaping from the barn. When he got to the barn yard he found the barn already hopelessly afire and it was with difficulty that he drove his car from the garage before it collapsed. The wind drove the fire long distances away from the barn, destroyed fence posts and burned an apple tree six hundred feet from the base of the fire. The sheet of flame did not miss the house by more than thirty feet.

In the barn at the time was eleven head of horses, three cows and a calf. Three horses broke loose, but two of them were so badly burned that they had to be shot. The other horses and the cattle died in the flames of the barn.

It is reported that Mr. Hennagin carried insurance of \$1000.00 on barn and \$400.00 on the garage, but the horses, six of which belonged to Clarence Sparling, were not insured. Harness, feed and hay were also burned.

Neighbors, summoned by telephone, were not able to get to the scene of the fire in time to be of much assistance as the wind was of such force.

Railroads Will Deliver Additional Freight

According to word received here by A. Rose, agent of the Union Pacific railroad company and pick-up and delivery service recently instituted by that company has been extended to include merchandise shipped from The Dalles which will make it possible for Sherman county merchants to have produce and fresh fruits shipped by rail and have from Portland.

C. W. Miller, Assistant Treasurer, J. W. White, Auditor of the Freight Accounts and W. A. Douglas, Auditor of the Union Pacific Stages were in Moro last Saturday and stated that this service would be extended as soon as it was learned what items shippers wished included and as soon as satisfactory tariffs could be prepared.

The railroad company is not just beginning to deliver some of the merchandise shipped by rail but is also reclassifying many items on their tariffs and shipping them at lower rates via the Union Pacific Stages billing.

SHERMAN COUNTY PIONEER BURIED IN PORTLAND

Final Rites For Chris Andersen Held
Last Monday

Another Sherman county pioneer passed into the great beyond last Friday evening April 17th when Chris Andersen died at his home in Portland. He had just visited his Sherman county friends and was at the home of his son Chester, in White Salmon, Washington, when he became ill.

Mr. Andersen was born in Denmark May 13, 1871 and came to Sherman county from there in 1893 and after working on farms about the county for a few years he married and moved to a farm near Monkland in 1898. The next twenty years were spent farming or living in Moro where his family were educated. He later bought the place south of town on the highway now farmed by Robert Belshee who also farms his Monkland property.

The funeral of Mr. Andersen was held in Pierson's Funeral Home in Portland and was attended by many Sherman county people who now live in the city and others who drove down to be present at the rites. The pall bearers were all former Sherman county friends, O. G. Sayrs, Robert Belshee, Hans Thompson, L. H. Martin, Angus Kuks and George Llewellyn.

J. C. McKean and wife, Roy Powell and wife and Forrest Peetz and wife were present from Moro and Roy Kunsman, a former Moro resident was there from Arlington. The deceased is survived by his widow, Sophie Andersen, two daughters, Mrs. Bessie Guyer, of Spokane and Frances Andersen of Klamath Falls and Chester Andersen of White Salmon, Washington.

Wasco Teachers Give Local Institute

Over forty teachers and visitors attended the local Sherman county institute here at the Wasco school last Saturday morning. The institute began at 9:30 o'clock and the address of welcome was given by Rev. Sherman Hawk. A program was first given, Mary Jeanette Sargent played a piano solo; Nyal Grady and Gene Hull gave a saxophone duet and "Swimmin' Pools," a one act play was presented by the Masque and Dagger club. Miss Profit spoke on The Organization of Dramatics in connection with the English department. Superintendent Rakes discussed recent legislation affecting the school system.

After a recess of ten minutes, the principal address of the morning was given by Miss E. Moore of Hood River who spoke on Principles of Geography. Miss Moore is head of the geography section of the Inland Empire Teachers' Association and also president of the geography section of the Oregon Teachers Association. Miss Moore emphasized the necessity of realizing the purpose of geography in teaching it as a subject. She said, "The purpose of teaching geography is to show man in relation to his environment." She also urged the placing of proper emphasis upon the why of geographical phenomena.

A prominent visitor who was the last speaker on the program was Mr. E. F. Carleton, editor of the Oregon Educational Journal, who spoke briefly. At one o'clock a hot luncheon was served to the visitors and teachers by the domestic science class of the high school under the direction of Miss Magness.

Lieutenant Homewood Speaks In Wasco

Lieutenant John Homewood of the 19th Infantry, U. S. A. addressed the student body and teachers of the Wasco public school last Monday afternoon. He explained the significance of many of the little known parts of the soldiers uniform, gave the history of several regimental insignias, and in the course of his talk showed the utility of every bit of clothing worn by the soldier in Uncle Sam's Army.

In an encore speech, requested by the children who had listened with rapt attention to the first address, he recounted several anecdotes of the world war surprising some who had previously supposed that war was grim and gasty and that humor was a negligible quantity on the battle field.

After the assembly period the Lieutenant talked to some of the high school boys that are thinking of attending a C. M. T. C. this summer.

CHARLES V. GALLOWAY EXPLAINS TAX BILLS

Large Group Of Citizens Hear Tax
Commission Head

INTANGIBLE TAXES DEFENDED

Income Tax Is Declared To Be First
Tax Ever Levied

Charles V. Galloway, member of the Oregon State Tax Commission, held the attention of sixty listeners last Friday evening in the Moro Hotel with a discourse on taxes that covered the philosophical and the practical sides of the subject.

Mr. Galloway began his talk by cautioning against becoming disgruntled with taxes when these taxes were voted by the people themselves. He said that voters would continue to order improvements and vote bonds and they exercise their "inalienable right and constitutional privilege" to kick about taxes every May and November.

Taxpayers have many expenses in their personal business that are as expensive and probably bring less enjoyment than the things that are provided by the government out of their tax money. As an example he stated that their are \$50,000,000.00 raised by taxes on property in this state and there are 250,000 automobiles in the state whose annual depreciation is at least \$200 per year which amounts to almost the same cost to the people as the entire property tax they pay annually. The use of a car is considered a personal necessity while the taxes are considered an imposition.

According to the speaker the state taxes are divided 43 per cent to education including elementary and higher, 17 per cent goes to highways, 21 per cent to cities and towns and the remainder to counties and state and a number of other smaller activities. He did not foresee much possibility of cutting any of these items to any great extent for citizens of the state are going to require roads and schools to compare with those of other states.

He did, however, believe that the new taxes voted in part by the people and in part passed by the last legislatures would assist materially in reducing the property tax as it is at present. The excise, intangible and the income taxes were defended by Mr. Galloway as being the proper way to lower taxes on farm land. In this connection he quoted Voltaire and the famous Scotch economist, Adam Smith, to show that income and intangible taxes were just and equitable taxes and had been so considered since the beginning of political economy as a division of thought. Our system of levying all taxes on property was called a strictly American system that had never been used by the older countries of Europe. "The income tax is the first tax to be used" he said in refuting the common argument that Oregon's new taxes are untried and unheard of in other parts of the world.

Even when the intangible and the income taxes are put into effect the holders of this form of property will not pay over one fifth of the amount levied against real property except in some cases. Holders of intangible property will be allowed to deduct interest paid out on such bonds or mortgages.

The reason we have had so much trouble getting these taxes into effect has been the reluctance of the people to try something different. We have had the habit of deriving all our governmental income from real property, since the beginning of government, the American continent and a glaring inequality had to exist before people would submit to any change in taxation methods.

Mr. Galloway expressed confidence in the future of taxation in the intangible, excise and income taxes and refuted the argument of those who proclaim that this state is the "fool of the family" in making new tax laws. Some of the firms that are making the biggest protest are paying heavier taxes on plants in other parts of the world and will not leave Oregon as long as they have an outlet for their products in this territory.

The tax commissioner has an easy delivery and a conversational tone of voice which combined with a native wit made him one of the easiest speakers to listen to that has been here for some time.

Since the last two meetings of the Commercial Club have been such a decided success it is quite possible that they will be continued until

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