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HERE IS A SLICK GRAFT

The statement in the Journal last week that Sherman county would receive approximately \$19,000 from the state for road building was erroneous. The exact amount that this county will receive is \$5,104. The fund of \$1,600,000 to be divided between the counties will not be divided as was the secondary highway money but as the auto license fee money was distributed in 1931.

When the state of Oregon raises \$3,000,000 in taxes, Sherman county's share is \$24,500 and when it distributes to the counties \$1,600,000 this county receives a paltry \$5,104. If the money was divided on almost any other basis we would be better treated. We have roads aplenty to keep up and taxable property enough. What we lack is the cars. It is true that automobile registrations have dropped in the wheat counties, but this was not noticeable to a great extent in 1931.

One of the ways we are beat out of our share of highway money is by erroneous statements of car salesmen. When automobiles are first bought the license fee paid should be credited to the county in which the purchaser lives and not in the county in which the sale is made. This is not always done. We know of several instances where men buying an automobile in The Dalles have had their address given as same point there with the result that Wasco county received the third license fee return. Such methods are petty practices of petty men and an investigation should be started by the powers that be to correct them.

It is unfair to distribute highway money according to the license fee return anyway for the majority of the trucks of the state are licensed from Portland although they are operated over roads in other counties a greater part of the time. It certainly looks like Wasco county with \$48,000 and Umatilla county with \$44,000 have been receiving a lot of money that really belonged to adjoining counties. Everyone knows that these counties do not have cars in that much greater quantity than do neighboring districts

AND PRINCIPAL

The proposal of President Roosevelt for the relief of the farm debt situation is apparently based on a desire to do the best for the indebted farmers. The reduction of interest rates is one of the most important things possible to aid agriculture. It should be kept in mind, however, that the bonds of many, if not all, of the loaning companies are far below par and a move that merely reduced interest without scaling down the principal payments would be a greater help to the loan companies than to the farmer.

If the government wishes to engage in the farm loan business on an exclusive basis it might buy the bonds of the many loan companies at the price quoted the first of March and give the farmers the benefit of the saving. The bond holders have already lost the difference between the par value of their bonds and the market price.

There are many loans made during the high priced days that cannot be paid even with interest at 2 per cent. If the bonds of companies could be bought for sixty percent of the par value the farmers would be entitled to a like saving, and that would be of more value to them than would a reduction in interest rates.

We conquer the air as long as weather conditions are favorable and when they are not our tiny ships are as helpless as a toy balloon.

Home brew, the reckless upstart of unknown strength, is now called upon to defend himself against his father, who is weakened somewhat by age and inaction. The elder member of the sizzling brew family is also hampered by taxes while the younger has not a care in the world. It looks like it might be another victory for the younger generation.

Co eds at the University of Washington may now smoke. Wont the dear things be pleased at the news.

Congress may wake up some day and decide that if they are to try something on 122 million people it is a good plan to think over a day or two.

A fine of one dollar was imposed on a man who poses as prince. That was probably the limit of his ability to pay.

The Beaver—Ducks have started off correctly for a good season by losing the first games.

Well, Ol'timer, Here's mud in your eye.

Justus Brandees, minority, dissenting opinion in the Florida chain store tax case.

The right of state, he said, "flows from the broader right of Americans to preserve, and to establish from time to time, such institutions, social and economic, as seem to them desirable; and, likewise, to end those which they deem undesirable. The State might, if conditions warranted, subject giant corporations to a control similar to that now exerted over public utility companies. Or the citizen of Florida might conceivably escape from the domination of giant corporations by having the state engage in business—There is a widespread belief that the existing unemployment is the result, in large, of the gross inequality in the distribution of wealth and income which giant corporations have fostered; that by the control which the few have exerted through giant corporations, individual initiative and effort are being paralyzed, creative power impaired, and human happiness lessened; that the true prosperity of our past came not from big business, but through the courage, the energy, and the resourcefulness of small men; that only by releasing from corporate control the faculties of the unknown many, only by reopening to them the opportunities for leadership, can confidence in our future be restored and the existing misery be overcome; and that only through participation by business can Americans secure the many in the responsibilities of moral and intellectual development which is essential to the maintenance of liberty. I know of nothing in the federal constitution which precludes the State from endeavoring to give it effect and prevent domination in interstate commerce by subjecting corporate chains to discriminatory license fees. To that extent, the citizens of each state are still masters of their destiny.

They'll Take Care of the White House



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nesbitt, neighbors of the Roosevelts in Hyde Park, N. Y., who accepted Mrs. Franklyn D. Roosevelt's offer to be custodian chief clerk and housekeeper, respectively, of the White House. Mrs. Nesbitt was once the manager of a co-operative market in Springfield, Mass. Mr. Nesbitt was formerly chief clerk for the Northern Pacific railroad in Minnesota.

George Schwartz was here this week looking after his several ranch properties in this vicinity.

Misses Tilda and Oaille Wassemiller spent a few days visiting here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wassemiller.

George Wilcox has been busy the past week getting wised up on the relief work of the county. He was in Moro for the first meeting of the committee and again at the court meeting.

Old timers in the south end of Sherman county will be interested to learn of the death of John Geotjen, one of the first residents of the Rutledge community of homesteading days.

Read the ads in the Journal

Kent News

Among those who visited The Dalles last week were: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Phelan, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Ayres and son Loren, Pauline Davis, Clarice Wilson, Mrs. J. N. MacInnes and daughter Marjorie. Walter Nic-

Grass Valley

The Boy Scouts spaded up the yard for Mrs. Ruggles Tuesday afternoon to make practical application of their endeavor to do a good deed daily.

Mrs. Davies, who has been teaching the fifth and sixth grades is ill at her home in Portland, and a Miss Rinehart has been engaged to substitute for her.

The Stone family are having their share of trouble. Mrs. Stone was taken to the hospital the last of the week suffering from nephritis. She is very ill and is kept in an oxygen tent constantly. Mr. Stone is still under the effects of a case of the influenza and is in bed part of the time.

Henry Roth returned Monday from Olympia, Wash., where he has been working on a house being built by his brother. Illness in his family here was the cause of his return.

Doris Stradley has been home from school this week suffering from the influenza.

Several city officials have attended the meetings of the council in Moro to gather information about what that city was going to do with the new 3.2.

Con Rust and family have moved to Biggs as a result of the general shakeup of railroad section men lately.

Mrs. Chas. King and daughter Nadine, were visiting here this week with Mrs. King's brother George Wilcox and family.

Glen Perry was here from Condon last week end for a few days visit.

Miss Helen Bryant, who formerly taught the fourth and fifth grades here visited for a few hours Tuesday while on a vacation from her school work at Whitman college.

Miss Cassie Holmes is in The Dalles attending Mrs. Alva Stone at the hospital.

The JOURNAL
 is always glad to
 have people send
 in news events. The
 more news the bet-
 ter paper.

at Clarno last Sunday.

Kent Grange will hold its regular meeting Saturday evening March 8.

Leo, Earl and Louie Barnett of Clem spent Saturday evening and Sunday visiting with relatives here. They were accompanied home by their mother, Mrs. Ernest Barnett, who has been visiting here for the last two weeks.

Bill Helyer left Wednesday morning for Madras where he will stay for some time with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harbin and son Earl of Grass Valley spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul May, Mr. Wilson and Clifford May of Moro attended the dance at Kent Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson and Mrs. John Wilson and infant son spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Fritts of Grass Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Francis of Bend spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gregg while enroute to Walla Walla.

Margeurite Mitchell, Alta Norton, Anna Sather and Lloyd Young were visitors on Sherars Grade Sunday.

Mrs. Alfred Lyons and daughters Mary Lou and Sammy Jean spent Thursday at the home of Mrs. C. B. Gregg.

Born: April 4th, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson, a daughter.

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 OPTOMETRIST-OPTICIAN

Kent-Auxiliary Notes

The Auxiliary of George Bell Post No. 49 voted to purchase 150 poppies which they will begin to sell soon due to the appeal sent by Mabel McIn-turff and Mrs. James Morris of the National Poppy Committee.

The former urged the sale of the poppies because the money obtained has been used this last year in giving relief to needy families. "This relief was far from adequate but it at least kept clothing on the children, shoes on their feet, a roof of sorts over their heads, a little fuel to keep them warm and often food to keep them alive. Never, in the history of the American Legion Auxiliary, has there been so much need as this past winter and there is no let up in sight. Every day we are adding to our list. More children without shoes, clothing and food and we cannot let them suffer. Place the orders early so the hospital patients can begin to earn some money of their own at once. This will be a great help to many of them. They will be paid one cent each for assembling the poppy. This is often the only money they earn during the long year spent behind the hospital walls."

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ayres, Community Service Chairman, on Wednesday afternoon, April 12th.

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