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CITY FATHERS DISCUSS THIS & THAT PRO & CON

Many Topics Debated During Long Session

TAX MONEY COMING TO CITY

City Will Enforce Dog License Law and Collect Water Rents

They talked about this and they talked about that; they discussed the condition of the city's water, the break down at the city well, water rents and collections, removal of the Dufferin barn, dogs and dog licenses, the hotel account and nearly everything else that concerned the city; they talked until midnight and beyond and went home with everything finished including themselves. We refer to the city council in their meeting of Tuesday night.

Collection of water rents was a subject that required a good part of the time spent in the meeting. Practically everyone is making payments on delinquent water accounts and those who have been exceptions will be required to make payments as the city has obligations to meet with the water receipts.

The turn over of the funds from the treasurer will add approximately a thousand dollars to the city funds and will serve to relieve the pressing financial condition under which the city has been operating for some months. A payment will be made on the Conlee well this month out of water funds.

The marshal was ordered to enforce the dog license ordinance which calls for every dog in town to be licensed by the first of June. The fee is \$2.00 on all kinds and descriptions of dogs.

Considerable time and effort was spent in perusing the records of the city for the past two or three years. This was done to acquaint the members of the council with the status of the co-called city hotel account which has been under some discussion lately because of a question as to when the warrants were collectable.

It is probable that another meeting will be held this month in an effort to keep the meeting from taking up too much sleeping time from the councilmen.

Let the Journal do your printing

123 Write Examination Papers On Automobile Driving Points

Bargain hunters, tens and hundreds of them, thronged the court house Wednesday to take advantage of the last visit of a state examiner to Sherman county before the price of a driver's license goes up to a dollar.

It was certainly a good place to meet old friends. But the conditions were not proper to see them at their best for nearly everyone was busy at some phase of passing a test. Staid matrons and bald grandfathers who had not written an examination paper since back in Harrison's administration sat around hastily provided tables and wrote and scratched their heads and even whispered to their neighbors like school children.

The questions pondered upon were like all examination questions—easy if the answer was known. Men who have driven automobiles since the days of the two lugger worried about what is the basic rule and how far the rear light should show; women school winter and summer through mud, snow, rain and dust were puzzled over where not to park and whether a rear view mirror was nec-

Byron Anson Reburied After Church Service

Byron W. Anson died April 15 and was buried in the Wasco cemetery April 19 with only the undertaker, his wife and an acting sexton as witnesses. As this information became generally known a wave of protest swept the county. Roy Atwood, of Wasco and Charles McAllister of Yakima, both old timers here wrote letters to the newspaper criticizing the manner of burial.

Persons in private were free in criticizing those connected with the burial and those who it was felt should have taken an interest in it. The undertaker, C. M. Zell, of The Dalles, arranged to have the body exhumed and arranged to have a funeral service at Moro Wednesday afternoon. The expenses of the funeral were borne by Mr. Zell himself.

With the assistance of the American Legion posts of Moro and Wasco a military funeral was arranged for the man who was in early days a scout with Custer's cavalry in the last campaign of that Indian fighter of pioneer days. Fred Pickett was in charge of the firing squad that was composed of Frank Forbes, A. J. Butler, Jake Stone, Ora Workman, T. Johnston, George Meloy, O. G. Sayers, and Wily Knighten. Color guards were Marvin Miller and Vernon Platt and color bearers were Ralph Brisbane and Harvey Thompson.

Pall bearers were W. S. Powell, Frank Morrow, Angus Cameron, Steve McMillan, J. C. Freeman and J. F. Foss. After the service the remains were taken to Wasco and reinterred in the grave beside Mrs. Anson who died years ago.

Sherman Huff Tells Of Canadian Conditions

A letter from Sherm Huff who now lives near Hamlin, Alberta, tells some of the conditions in that country that are of general interest to residents here especially those who remember Mr. Huff as one of the old-timers of Sherman county.

He reports that no one has commenced farming there as yet as the spring is backward. Lots of snow fell during the winter and the frost is all out of the ground although there is usually frost until after the grain is planted. He remarks that it ordinarily is possible to seed grain before it is possible to dig a post hole.

Wheat is worth from 18 to 41 cents which is pretty good considering that the average has been around 24 cents. Oats have been as low as six cents and are coming up. Hogs sold for from \$1.45 to \$2.25. Eggs are 5 cents and few can be sold at that price as some stores do not take them all. Mr. Huff also sends regards to all old Sherman county friends.

PUBLIC PROBLEM STUDY AIM OF WASCO INSTITUTE

Wasco Church Moves Toward Clearer Understanding

STATE LEADERS ARE COMING

Roy Hewitt, Theo. Yarnes and J. J. Handsaker Coming

The educational institute being arranged for Wasco May 19, 20 and 21 has progressed to the point where the program has been made up and the speakers and chairman picked. Meetings will be held Friday evening when registration will begin at 6:30. Classes in economics, peace and temperance will be held during each study period. Each class period will be started with music and group singing.

Roy Hewitt, professor of law at Willamette University and a candidate for the state supreme court at last election, will lead the discussion of economic subjects. J. J. Handsaker, head of the state wide group working for peace will lead the group discussing that topic and Rev. T. D. Yarnes will lead the talk on temperance.

The Friday night meeting will be chaired by H. D. Proudfoot, in the economic group, Rev. A. A. McRea, in the peace class and Mrs. Elva Bryant in the temperance group. Proudfoot's class will discuss the probable causes of our economic plight; after the chairman has talked on the "Farmer's Interest in Economics."

The complete program follows:

- Friday, 7.20 p. m. Music (special)
- 7.30 to 9.30 Class periods
- Economics Class—H. D. Proudfoot, chairman. Subject "Farmers Interest in Economics."
- Discussion subject, "What are Probable causes of our Economic Plight?"
- Peace Class: Rev. A. A. McRea, chairman. Subject, "Church's Interest in Peace."
- Discussion subject, "Why We Must Have Peace."
- Temperance Class: Mrs. Elva Bryant, chairman. Subject, "Why the 18th Amendment Should Be Retained."
- Discussion subject, "What Prohibition Has Done."
- Saturday morning: Registration.
- 9.00 to 9.20 Music
- 9.20 to 11:30 Class Periods.
- Economics Class—H. B. Pinkerton, chairman. Subject "The Farmer's Present Situation"
- Discussion subject, "What are Probable Causes of our Economic Plight"
- 11.30—J. W. Shepard, subject, "Co-Operative Movement"
- Peace Class—John K. Walker, chairman. Subject, "Education for Peace"
- Discussion subject "Why We Should Disarm"
- Temperance Class—Chairman to be secured
- Subject "Why the 18th Amendment Should Be Repealed"
- Discussion subject, "What Prohibition Has Not Done"
- Dinner served by the Wasco Ladies Aid at noon.
- Saturday Afternoon. 1:30 to 2.00 Music
- 2:00 to 4:00 Class Periods
- Economics—G. L. French, chairman
- Subject, "Proposed Remedies"
- Discussion subject, "Proposed Remedies for Our Economic Plight"
- 4.00—George H. Wilcox. "Farm Mortgage Resistance"
- Peace Class—Capt. R. O. Scott, chairman
- Subject "The Army's Proposals For"

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Ray Gill Billed To Speak At Grass Valley Sunday

Ray W. Gill, master of the Oregon State Grange, will speak at the auditorium in Grass Valley next Sunday afternoon. May 14 on the sales tax bill that will go before the people for approval or rejection July 21.

Mr. Gill has been one of the strongest opponents of the sales tax and his efforts at present are being directed to the defeat of that measure. He has led the grange fight and is largely responsible for the attitude of the members of that body.

Wife of Ex-County Judge Buried In Wasco Monday

Mrs. Britania Fulton, widow of the first elected judge of Sherman county, passed away at The Dalles last Saturday at the age of 78 years. Mrs. Fultons, Britania Gilmore, was born July 16, 1855 in Yamhill county, Oregon. Her parents had come to this state from Tennessee in 1843.

November 12, 1878 she was married to John Fulton in Rockland, Wash., and the young couple immediately moved to the homestead and timber culture that is still known as he Fulton place. When Sherman county became a county and elected its first officers, Mr. Fulton was elected judge although a Democrat in a Republican county, and remained in this office twelve years.

Services for Mrs. Fulton were held in Wasco Monday afternoon with the Rev. Walter Warner officiating and interment was made in the Wasco cemetery where the husband and father of the deceased are buried.

4-H Club Program Being Prepared For Saturday

Saturday will be 4-H club day in Moro if a program arranged by county school superintendent and club leader Wily Knighten is all completed. With L. J. Allen state club leader for boys and Miss Helen Cowgill, state club leader for girls both planning to spend the day in the county instructing club workers there is sure to be plenty of interest on the part of eager youth.

The official program will begin at ten o'clock when the entire group will meet in the court room where the children will be addressed by Mr. Allen and Miss Cowgill about phases of their work. Mr. Allen will talk on "Seed and Stock Clubs" and Miss Cowgill will speak about "Cooking, Canning and Sewing Clubs."

At twelve the children, leaders and parents will adjourn to the city park where a basket dinner will be served under the trees. After this important function the boys will be taken to the Glen King ranch where practical judging of stock, sheep, hogs and calves will occupy the afternoon. The girls under the leadership of Miss Cowgill will return to the court rooms where a demonstration in cooking and canning will be staged.

Sales Tax Information

A great deal of material in the sales tax is being sent out at this time and a part of it reaches this office. Both sides of the question state their opinions without fear of successful contradiction to judge from their material. These pamphlets will be kept on file at this office and those in created may peruse them. One may strengthen his opinions either for or against the sales tax by reading the side he prefers.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 10

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
MAY 4	57	33	00
5	54	29	04
6	58	27	00
7	63	36	21
8	67	37	00
9	59	33	00
10	57	40	24
Total for week			.49

TAX PAYMENTS EXCEED LAST YEARS' BY \$6000

Nearly Half of Due Taxes Paid To Reduce Delinquency Percent

SCHOOLS WILL RECEIVE CASH

Distribution of Tax Money To Be Made This Week

Some refrain similar to "Happy Days Are Here Again" might be a theme song for Sherman county for a time if the cheerful news given out by the sheriff's office continues indefinitely. Tax collections this May are approximately \$6,000 more than last year.

The sheriff's turn over made soon after the dead line of May 5 showed that \$48,580.67 had been paid in for taxes this year whereas last year the sheriff was able to find but \$42,655.72. That is very close to \$6,000 better than last year. Of course, a part of this is represented by warrants but it is doubted if the warrants will total as much as the increase.

The different funds of the county and the several municipal corporations within the county will be enriched to varying extents by the turnover. This will vary, of course, with the amount of taxes paid on property within that district. The county general fund will receive \$9,476.59 and the state fund will receive \$4,911.86. As it is necessary for the county to pay the state approximately \$12,500 for their tax county general fund will be nearly depleted as the state fund is far too low to fill the state's requirements. School districts will receive the following sums from their special levies:

District No. 1	142.20
District No. 3	4,856.04
District No. 3A	861.85
District No. 4	4.50
District No. 5	62.81
District No. 7	1,379.81
District No. 9	1,372.03
District No. 10	24.04
District No. 11	169.39
District No. 13	189.62
District No. 15	62.13
District No. 16	239.73
District No. 17	1,337.09
District No. 19	251.66
District No. 20	240.98
District No. 21	106.22
District No. 22	130.53
District No. 23	1,242.68
District No. 24	65.18
District No. 25	135.31
District No. 26	261.35
District No. 29	271.37
District No. 30	195.30
District No. 32	395.78
District No. 33	83.12
District No. 33A	38.93
District No. 33B	21.88
District No. 35	16.76

The high school tuition fund will receive \$224.09. Cities in the county will have their financial status changed somewhat by the receipt of the following amount. Moro, \$1,226.26; Grass Valley, \$660.61; Wasco, \$1,296.67.

The total tax to be paid in this county this year is \$199,795.10 and the amount due in May is therefore \$99,897.55. The sum collected so far in May is nearly one half of the due tax bill, a larger percentage of taxes than the county has collected for some tax collection periods. There is definite assurance that other taxes will be paid as soon as the farmers who are holding 1932 wheat dispose of it and it appears possible that Sherman county will not be so high in the tax delinquency column as formerly.

Farm work has been progressing right along and many farmers are all done with field work until the weeds come along to plague them.

Traffic Mishap In Grass Valley

A traffic accident that caused a few hours excitement in Grass Valley occurred Wednesday forenoon when L. A. Olds driving a heavy sedan tangled with R. S. Moyer, traveler for the J. I. Case company, driving a light coupe.

They met near the intersection of Main and Mill streets in front of Zeigler's store. No persons were injured but the cars after striking each other struck T. W. Alley's car and did some damage to it in addition to bent fenders and jammed frames to the participating automobiles.

Alley-Engstrom Wedding Held In Goldendale

A marriage was celebrated in Goldendale Saturday afternoon, May 6, that concerned two Grass Valley families, Helen Engstrom, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Engstrom became the bride of Edgar Alley, son of T. W. Alley.

Mrs. Alley is a graduate of Grass Valley High School and Mr. Alley graduated from Moro High School and later attended Oregon Normal School. They returned immediately and expect to make their home here.

New Dentist Will Make Grass Valley and Moro

Dr. Harry D. Wilson, a dentist of Portland, who makes trips to Dufur every three weeks will include Moro and Grass Valley in his itinerary beginning the last of this month. Mr. Wilson is a native of the Dufur country, but has practiced in Portland since finishing his dental education. His first trip to this county will be made on May 29 when he will be at Grass Valley and on May 30 and 31 he will be in Moro.

Show Date Changed To Friday Night

The day of the week when shows are presented, has been changed here. Whereas Mr. Yoes has formerly given a show here on Wednesday nights he will hereafter come on Friday nights. This change has been made to simplify his schedule and allow him to make his circuit easier.

There will be no show Friday night the 12th, but on the 19th the much discussed picture, "Life Begins" will be presented to local theatre goers. Other well known pictures will follow.

Sixteen members of the Harlandview grange at the Klondike grange meeting last Saturday night.

Other Days in Sherman County When Old-Timers Were Young

From the Observer May 17, 1894. L. K. Moore goes to Grants this week to construct a residence for M. A. Leslie in that growing town.

At the teachers examination held last week certificates to teach were given to Miss Shelton, Miss Jerusha James and Wm. Ragsdale.

Four of Coxey's army were drowned near Ellensburg last Friday by the upsetting of a boat in which twenty five were crossing the river.

A debating society in Wasco county has resolved to debate the following question, "Resolved, That Coxey is a greater man than Cleveland." That will be a feast of reason.

The Republican ticket for state elections included W. P. Lord for governor, H. R. Kincaid for secretary of state and Phil Metchan for state treasurer.

From the Observer May 13, 1904. Neal McDonald made a flying trip to Moro last week in his horseless carriage. Mrs. I. D. Pike now rides in one of

CONTINUED RAINFALL MAKES FARMERS SMILE

Half an Inch of Rain Within Week Cordially Received

SOUTH END GETS BIG RAINS

Snow As Near As Shaniko Cools Off Atmosphere

If there is any one thing capable of bringing a smile of satisfaction to every resident of Sherman county it is continued rain. Therefore another week in which generous quantities of rain has fallen gives a cheerful outlook that can hardly be brought in any other way.

The first few days in May brought .33 of an inch and last week brought .49 more. Considering that the moisture outlook as the wheat was sown was very unsatisfactory this .82 helps a lot. This may not be the most propitious time for a rain although it is generally conceded that any time is that in a semi-arid farming country. However, farmers hope that the fact that Jupiter Pluvius is generous in May will not keep the old rainmaker from being equally generous in June.

Residents of the south end of the county who have visited Moro in the past week or ten days insist that they have been blessed with more rain fall than has come to the station. This is probably correct for several showers have fallen in Kent and between there and Grass Valley that did not reach as far north as Moro.

The district east of Moro, known as the point, did not get as much rain as did the remainder of the county, according to reports. Wednesday morning the weather report from Shaniko informed the public that there was over an inch of snow there, and more was coming down rapidly with the thermometer at 32 degrees. This was May 10.

City Well Now Being Repaired

Workers have almost finished the repair of the city well which stopped pumping Tuesday. It was found that a brass casting in the cylinder had broken and it was necessary to pull the pipe and rods. Superintendent Henry Ruggles, aided by Vernon Platt, Forrest Peetz and Aden Axtell did the work.