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**SALES TAX**

What the sales tax would do for Sherman county is computed in another column in this paper. The computation is based on the tax roll for this year as it is problematical what the taxes will be for next year. There is no estimation made for any return to the counties in the computation and the figures are based on the average consolidated levy. In some cases especially the cities, the tax may be raised because of the removal of the personal property tax but whatever raises there may be in the towns will be offset by additional decreases in the county if the average is the same.

There seems to be no argument that the sales tax will benefit the holders of large farms and as practically every farm owner in the county has a large farm nearly all will benefit. Sherman county has one of the lowest percentages of personal property in the state and also is a county of large land holding. It is therefore in a good position to be helped by the sales tax. The tax was designed to aid those real property owners who were unable to pay their taxes and it will do it as far as this county is concerned.

While there is an excellent reason why the landowner should support the sales tax, there is no reason why the merchant, the renter (unless he has an excessive amount of personal property) the working man or the professional man should support it and it appears that as a general thing these classes of people will not.

Sherman county in 1930 when the last census was taken had the largest percentage of tenancy of any county in the state with 44.4 percent of its farmers being tenants. This makes it reasonably safe to prophesy, for those given to prophesy, that the sales tax bill will not receive a majority of the votes even in this county.

**POLITELY INTERESTED**

The 1934 political campaign is right now going through its most interesting stage in all probability. Presumably every one knows that we always have a campaign going on in this country so it is no shock to be told that the 1934 fight has started.

We are in the pleasant, polite stage of politics. For instance a man is mentioned for an office and immediately all chime in with the remark that he is a good man and might be alright for the office. It is easy to be mentioned for high place and mentioned favorably at this stage and it is encouraging to the weaker brothers who are shy.

It is the last two months before the voters register their choice that makes enemies. Now we never hear that such a one curses his grandmother or makes his wife take in washing while he spends the money gambling. It is not mentioned that so-and-so is in the pay of the trusts, corporations or the much berated big fellows. We are still ladies and gentlemen and we speak well of each other.

When we hear that Earl Snell is spoken of for secretary of state, or Hal Hoss for governor, or Charles Thomas for governor or any of the others whose name is constantly before the people spoken of for high office we are merely pleased and not more than half interested. Next year at this time we may be terribly upset at some idle rumor about our favorite candidate.

Portland seems to be having its difficulties with stamped scrip for the same reasons that the stamp idea was abandoned here. The necessity of putting a stamp on each piece of scrip with each purchase would certainly tend to slow up the movement of it not so much because of the actual burden of the cost of the stamps as the unhandiness of the transfer. Portland merchants should be able to absorb a large quantity of scrip if they chose to do so and had the proper confidence in the issue. Here scrip is working well because all merchants are cooperating, the issue was small and it is well secured. Some of it has already been redeemed in cash.

It is certainly time that some leader in some nation made a move toward peace and it must be gratifying to most Americans that our country produced that leader. To agree that no nation should send troops without its own boundaries without incurring the ill will of other nations may be a necessary step. We will however, have reached a safer condition when no nation is allowed to, or wants to, keep armies large enough to start a war of aggression.

Well, we can hardly blame the old earth for shaking a little. It may be showing its discontent with the mite-like men who people it.

Perhaps we are getting back to a normal state after all hereabouts. The weather is criticized as much as is the government.

Many persons are called crazy while committing a crime but few of them are so crazy they forget to plead insanity.

**Grass Valley**

A good crowd of Sherman countians were here Sunday afternoon to hear Ray Gill, state grange master, speak on the sales tax measure.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schilling Tuesday May 16 at the family home southwest of town an 8 and a half pound son.

Sherars Grange has important business to transact Saturday night.

Pat King was here Sunday from his home on the Deschutes near Fargher station.

Mrs. C. L. Poley spent the week end in Eugene where she attended the Mother's Day exercises at the University of Oregon where Bob is a student.

Mrs. Beardsley and daughter, Genevieve, spent the week end in Portland.

T. M. Rolfe has sold his clip of wool for a price understood to be 16 cents.

Glenn Garrett returned from the work on the highway near Maupin last week after he was hurt by falling from a truck.

A. F. Balzer and family have moved into the Alley house from the section house.

Mrs. J. H. Wilt entertained at bridge last Tuesday afternoon with several ladies from Moro attending.

Mrs. Erma Olds and Miss Grace Edmonds were in Portland over the week end.

Fishing for salmon near Sherars falls has kept many of the best fishermen of the town busy for the past week. Some very good salmon are now in cans.

The boys from here who are working on the oiling crew were home Saturday and Sunday from Maupin.

Gus Engstrom and wife entertained at dinner Sunday for several friends and their families. Present were the following and their families: John Bueher, Wm. Bueher, Klaus Bardenhagen, H. Zeigler, Matt Simon and Edgar Alley.

A. V. Allen was here the first of the week from Portland. He is interested with L. R. French in using the river for boat shipment.

J. J. Handsaker spoke to the high school Tuesday afternoon on world peace. He is an uncle of Miss Edmonds. George Wilcox talked before the high school economics class on the unemployment situation.

**Kent News**

L. E. Clark and Mrs. J. L. Davis made a business trip to Portland Wednesday. They were accompanied by Miss Hilda Schassen of The Dalles. They returned home Friday afternoon.

The State Grange Master, Ray Gill and wife of Portland and the State Grange deputy, Charles Wicklander were visitors in Kent Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hansen and Mrs. Soren Hansen and Gayle Amidon of Moro spent Sunday visiting in Kent.

Kent grange held its regular meeting last Saturday evening May 13th.

**Dr. F. A. Perkins**

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with forty two members present and all officers present.

Mrs. Frank Hurner and son Frank Wilson of Portland are visiting with friends and relatives in Kent for a few days.

The church services which were held on Mother's Day were well attended. Nellie Wilson and Geraldine Norton sang; Mrs. Ayres and Mrs. E. M. Helyer played a violin duet and Mrs. J. R. Dellinger, Mrs. Flora Ayres and Geo. Witter sang. At noon a delicious and bountiful community dinner was served at the grange hall and Mr. Gill gave an interesting talk. The Kent orchestra also gave a few numbers. In the afternoon the regular Mother's Day service was conducted. The following program was given: Two songs, Hazel Decker, Rua Helyer, Clarice Wilson, Alta Norton; two orchestra numbers; song, Mrs. Ayres, Mrs. Dellinger, Geo. Witter; Evening services were held at 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Adams and Woodrow Cox of Antelope were visitors in Kent Sunday.

Among those who visited in The Dalles last week were: A. A. Dunlap, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson, the misses Helen Wilson, Marguerite Mitchell and Alta Norton, Mrs. Walter Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dellinger and Mrs. Paul Wilson.

The Kent grange is giving a program and a dance Saturday evening, May 20th. Two short plays and a few musical numbers are to be given.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Simmons of Fossil stopped a short time in Kent Sunday evening while enroute to

**RAIL EXCURSION ABOUT 10 MILE over MEMORIAL DAY**

Going—May 26, 27, 28, 29, 30  
 Return (Home by Midnight) June 6

Between points in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, California, Montana, Wyoming (west of and including Green River) and some points in British Columbia. Minimum adults fare 50c. Children half fare. Tickets good on all trains. In sleeping car add regular sleeping car charges. Ask local agent for details.

**UNION PACIFIC**

their home from Mt. Hood.

Mr. Handsaker of the National Council for Prevention of War will speak at Kent Sunday evening, May 21 at the church at 8:00 p. m.

**Kent School Notes**

Mrs. C. B. Gregg and Mrs. John Wilson visited the intermediate room Thursday afternoon.

Dr. D. R. Erb of Eugene gave a talk Wednesday morning to the high school pupils.

Among those who attended the 4-H club meeting in Moro last Saturday were Della Helyer, Berna Orr, Clarice Wilson, Alta Norton, Anna Sather, Lorena Young, Robert Mitchell, Helen Wilson, Evelyn Davis, Clarice Mitchell, Robert Helyer, Anita Dunlap, Phyllis Haynes, Jaunita Mitchell, Melvin, Rose Ellen and LeVina Barnett, Maxine P. Laura Haynes, Jeane Haynes, Luther Davis, Cecil and Eugene Norton, Paul Schillings, and J.L. Davis.

L. H. Ayres conducted achievement tests for the 7th and 8th grades Monday.

Phyllis Haynes of the 7th grade and Helen Sather and Maxine Pluemeke of the 7th grade won 100 percent in spelling.

The grade camp cookery boys finished their project by cooking their last meal Friday afternoon. They hope to have all their reports and records completed this week.

The 4-H club will have achievement day Friday May 19th.

J. J. Handsaker, National Council for Prevention of War, spoke to the students of the High School Tuesday afternoon. The people of the community who attended were: Mrs. Ida Davis, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson.

**Dr. J. A. BUTLER**

DENTIST

HOME OFFICE, WASCO

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In Moro the First Week

In Each Month

Mrs. Wm. Young, Mrs. Volna Guyton and Mrs. Wm. Mitchell.

**Kent Auxiliary Notes**

The members of the Kent Auxiliary of George Bell Post No. 49 held their regular afternoon meeting Wednesday May 10 at the home of Mrs. Emma Pluemeke, the rain preventing them from meeting in the country as planned.

Dorothy Dunlap secretary-treasurer was absent due to having accompanied Mrs. Goodrich to Yreka, Cal., where she will visit for a short time with her sister and brothers and families.

Plans were continued for the sale of the memorial poppies.

Citizens in Kent will be in no danger of wearing a foreign made flower to honor American heroes when they put on their poppy on Poppy Day. This assurance was given today by Mildred Norton, President of the Auxiliary of George Bell Post, as preparations for the distribution of memorial poppies Thursday night Saturday were being rushed to completion.

"Foreign made" American flags and foreign made "Buy American" signs may have been offered for sale in this country, but there is no such thing as a foreign made American Legion Auxiliary poppy," the National President said. Artificial poppies can be purchased—very cheaply from foreign

countries and when the custom of wearing these flowers in honor of the World War dead was first established they were imported in large numbers. The American Legion and Auxiliary quickly took action against this practice. For years every poppy offered by the women of the Auxiliary has been made in America by the American veterans.

The next meeting will be held in the Legion hall Thursday night, May 25 after the graduation exercises.

**WOMENS AUXILIARY**

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The Auxiliary regrets that Grandma Belshie could not be with them as she was last year.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Vernon Platt, May 24, 1933.

Mrs. Lucet Adlard, Pub. chairman

**SALES TAX**

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to use up the saving made under the sales tax. If prices were raised three percent the county would have to buy \$1,114,587.30 to use up the savings under the sales tax.

What the county residents will spend depends on the crop and if prices for wheat increase sufficiently it may exceed either figure given. Last year the county's income was approximately \$600,000 from wheat.

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*Henry Ford*  
 Dearborn, Mich.

May 9, 1933

A great thing has occurred amongst us. We have made a complete turn-around, and at last America's face is toward the future.

Three years—1929 to 1932—we Americans looked backward. All our old financial and political machinery was geared to pull us out of the depression by the same door through which we entered. We thought it simply a case of going back the way we came. It failed. We now realize that the way out is forward—through it.

Thanks for that belongs to President Roosevelt. Inauguration Day he turned the Ship of State around. Having observed the failure of sincere efforts to haul us back the way we came, he designed a new method—new political and financial machinery—to pull us out the way we are going—forward. He is clearing international obstacles out of the way; he does not stand in awe of tariffs. The people begin to feel that he does not take advice from the "interests"; that he has courage and loyalty to work for one supreme interest only—the welfare of the American people. That is a big achievement for two months in office.

And now we all look to what is coming; we grow less and less concerned with what is behind. We are looking for a hand-hold on the haul rope. Every man wants to do what he can, and all he can.

The best thing I can do for the Country is to create industry by building good motor cars. If I knew anything better to do, I would do it. Industry must be my contribution. Motor cars must face ahead to the future, like everything else. They are so much a part of the Nation's daily life that if they lag behind they hold the Country back.

*Henry Ford*