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**TAXES**

Everybody seems to be a bit nervous about what the legislature is going to do or may do. There is apprehension among taxpayers that taxes may be raised because of the special session. It is felt that legislators may be stampeded by the urgent demands of relief heads and unemployed and vote taxes on the public now snowed under by unpaid assessments. Nervous taxpayers may offset this tendency by keeping in touch with their representatives and making their position known to them.

Liquor will, of course, be taxed, but that is an easy sort of tax on a majority for it is not yet compulsory to drink beer, wine or strong drink and the tax can be evaded by strict sobriety. A tax on the public utilities will certainly have to be passed on to the consumer as those companies have already missed a dividend payment and cannot be weathering the storm much better than the average company. There is a possibility that a gross sales tax will be levied against everyone making a reasonable income. Such a tax would take from one to ten percent of the gross income from everyone and would also levy a charge of one dollar for filing a return. Tremendous sums of money could be raised in this way with probably not more than the normal amount of grossing on the part of the overburdened taxpayer. One thing about it, it would catch the high incomes whether fairly or not.

It is hoped in the rural sections that something is done to relieve the school tax situation. Recent compilations show that school warrants are increasing rapidly in many of the counties of the state and with the tax situation as it is there is little hope that the tendency will change soon. In Sherman county school warrants climbed from \$14,521 to \$51,352 within the past year. Some plan to levy indirect taxes for school purposes and return the proceeds back to the counties for local school districts would meet with the approval of a large number of people.

**IT'S A NICE DAY**

It may be superstition, but the Journal is a bit hesitant about boasting of the extremely pleasant weather of the past month. It is feared that an expression of satisfaction will result in a change that will cause a hurried hunting of last winter's overcoat and the purchase of overshoes.

Nevertheless the days have been so enjoyable and the nights so devoid of the freezing usually associated with November that some recognition of the efforts of the weather man must be given. With few exceptions the benevolent southwest wind has prevailed over the piercing east wind. The sun has not shone with regularity as a damp fog covered the earth keeping the top of the ground wet so that the late planted wheat could have a chance.

The rains were late and seeding was therefore late. The warm days and nights have been just the proper treatment for wheat and that adds something to the pleasantness of the weather. For, while it is possible for people to enjoy beautiful weather anytime, it is always more welcomed when it is economically profitable as well.

And now, let's hope that this tribute to the November weather and this flaunting of superstition will not result in something less easy to take.

Regardless of the name the government picks out for the new dam people will call it Bonneville. Attempts to honor particular men may result in the reverse. Many of the names suggested are those of men who were interested in the dam for political purposes only and their reward, if it be satisfying to them, must come from votes.

The millenium will be with us when legislature ponder as deeply the question of reducing taxes as they do that of finding new ways of raising money.

President Roosevelt is reported to be a sound money advocate who is flirting around with the inflationists just to keep them from unsettling the applecart. This looks like a place for the big stick of Roosevelt I.

The strict attitude of Mr. Morgenthau and General Johnson will not appeal to those Americans who served under hard boiled officers during the war.

Nobody is going to accuse the CWA of being slow getting started.

**Grass Valley**

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Old and Doris Stradley made a hurried trip to Spokane the first of the week on a business and pleasure trip.

George Wilcox and some members of the county relief committee left Tuesday night for Portland to attend the state meeting of the CWA on the following day.

Mrs. Henry Roth has been confined to bed for the past week or more with pleurisy.

The Kent Auxiliary met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Theodore von Borstel and played cards after the business meeting. Several guests were present.

Glen Garrett was in Portland a day or so last week.

Mrs. Omer Luttrell died at the family home near Lexington early Monday from an illness that has afflicted her for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Alley and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Alley, drove to Lexington Wednesday to attend the funeral.

Wednesday night the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of the local lodges held their annual homecoming and beside the members of this vicinity several from out of town were present to add to the general enjoyment.

Grass Valley hunters have forgotten the deer and elk and are now directing their efforts toward the job of bagging a few geese. The lusk has not been too good so far.

Guy Vintin has moved to town with his family and is living in the King house.

Several students were home for the week end. Don Smith and Clayton Vintin visited friends here and Mrs. Marguerite Hutchcroft was here to visit her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brace and family were here Saturday from The Dalles for a visit with relatives and friends.

The Grass Valley bridge club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of

**NEW CHAMPION**



Vince Dundee, Baltimore veteran won the middleweight title from Lou Brouillard in a 15-round bout at Boston.

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Mrs. Dell Olds for their regular session with the cards.

Earl Perry and Don Smith have been pledged to Gamma Sigma fraternity at Pacific University.

**Smoke Up**

Salesman: "Did you like the cigar I gave you? For 500 coupons of that brand you get a banjo."

Clerk: "If I smoked 500 of those cigars, I'd need a tarp."

**GRASS VALLEY SCHOOL NOTES**

Kenneth Todd—Editor.

Last Friday night the volley ball sextet journeyed to Wasco to battle the Warriorettes for a victory of 29 to 17. The game was not nearly as well played as some of the preceding ones, as the girls could not seem to get together as usual. The Wasco girls have shown great improvement since they played here.

Next Wednesday night the Kent girls will play here and it will be the last game of the season for the Grass Valley girls and every one is expecting a great game as a victory will mean the county championship.

The three act play which the cast have been working on for several weeks is at last ready for exhibition and will be given at the Grass Valley pavilion on Friday night November 24. Because of the great amount of work and preparation that has gone into this event it is expected to be one of the finest plays put on by the high school in a long time.

The cast consists of:

- Earle Shipley—Otto Smults, the correspondence school detective.
- Francis Fairchild—Katrika Krout, from the city of Massachusetts by der Schate of Ohio.
- Maurna Todd—Araminta Soudrop, who loses her job.
- Helen Stark—Ambrosia Mc Carty, the lunch counter queen.
- Deston Russell—Jabo Grabb, the police force of Splinterville.
- Ferdinand Stark—Plunk Jarlock, escaped from the lunatic asylum.
- Dorothy Olds—Hortensey Smatters Also from the asylum.
- Frank Prather—Hannibal Howler, on the warpath.
- Marjorie Blake—Gladys Howler Coe Augustus Coe's bride.
- Hays Boyce—Augustus Coe, the newly wed.

In this play there is much excitement and fast action when the police forces and lunatics clash, and when the irate father catches his eloped daughter.

Under the direction of Mr. Helyer, the 7th and 8th grade instructor, the orchestra has made rapid progress and several numbers will be given

at the school entertainment and play next Friday.

The girls glee club will also give some special numbers, as they have grown quite efficient in the art of singing under the direction of Miss Rinehart.

**Production Loans May Be Arranged**

Early completion of the federal farm credit structure in the Pacific Northwest by the establishment of the Bank for Cooperatives and the Production Credit corporation was indicated at a conference of some 500 growers, bankers, federal and state officials who met in Spokane last week at the invitation of the government representatives.

Establishment of these two new units will complete the major federal farm credit agencies which now consist of the Federal Land Bank and the Intermediate Credit corporation, says E. L. Potter, head of the division of agricultural economics at the Oregon State college, who was one of the delegates from Oregon.

"Only a skeleton organization has been set up as yet for these new agencies, but more definite steps may be taken in a few weeks," Professor Potter said. "The Bank for Cooperatives will take over the credit service formerly handled directly by the farm board in extending capital loans to cooperatives. The Production Credit corporation will assist in the organization and capitalization of local and statewide production credit associations through which production loans on livestock and crops will be made direct to farmers."

"While this will replace the present emergency loan agencies and even the regional agricultural credit corporation, we were assured that no one will be deprived of the facilities of the latter agency until the new associations are well established. Furthermore, no loans will be transferred until they mature unless the borrower desires to do so."

Potter said it is the opinion of present credit officials that large livestock loans will be handled thru a state wide credit association, with small loans left to the local units. The final setup, however, will be arranged as best to suit state needs.

While at Spokane he learned that the federal land bank there has about 500 men at work in its district and hopes to catch up with farm appraisals by some time in December.

**Kent News**

Among those who were visitors in

The Dalles during the week were: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Norton, Mrs. J. R. Dellinger, Mrs. Volna Guyton, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and daughter Nellie, L. H. Ayses, Irene Pottrata, Charles Wilson and Mrs. Frank Haynes.

Miss Della Helyer, who is teaching at Tumalo spent the week end in Kent.

Winifred Vogel of The Dalles spent the week end at the home of Alta Norton.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stout and son Kenneth of Shaniko and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hansen of Goldendale, Wash., spent Sunday at the J. R. Dellinger home.

Mrs. J. L. Matthes left Monday for The Dalles where she will spend a few days visiting at the home of her father, George Barnett.

L. J. Davis made a business trip to Corvallis Wednesday where he consulted the Board of Review. He accompanied Perry Johnson of Moro, and Mr. Youcum of Wasco.

The George Bell Unit No. 49, of Kent, met at the home of Mrs. Emma Plueme Wednesday afternoon November 8. Plans were made to stage a play in the near future. The play will be selected and directed by Mrs. Floye von Borstel. Luncheon was served by the hostess. The teachers and several other guests were present.

Plans were also made to make the coming dance of November 25th, a worth while event of the season.

The card party given by the Auxiliary, Friday, November 17, proved successful in spite of the foggy weather. Proceeds are being used to buy material for a quilt to be sold later in the year. Our next joint meeting will be held on Thursday, November 23, at the home of Mrs.

Millie von Borstel.

**KENT SCHOOL NOTES**  
 Margaret Dunlap, Editor.

Rufus 42, Kent 22. was the final score of the volley ball game Friday night at Rufus. The Rufus girls played a fast game and covered the floor to good advantage. Kent's main fault was lack of placing the ball. After the game Elmer Helyer took his carload of girls out to Harlandview hall to a dance. Perhaps it helped them to forget their defeat.

This Friday night Rufus is to play at Kent. On Monday Kent will go to Grass Valley to play their last game with that team. There is only one more game to be played after these two and that is with Wasco. The date is not set.

The traveling library is to be returned soon and a new one is being ordered.

This courtesy is highly appreciated even though we have no paper to send in exchange.

School papers have been received from most of the schools in the county. The cast of characters in the high school play "Tea for Tom" is as follows:

- Tom Boxwell ..... Karl Plueme
- Stanley Johnson ..... Chas. Wilson
- Alice Covington ..... Lorena Young
- Ruth Arnold ..... Margaret Dunlap
- Mrs. Lindee ..... Phyllis Haynes
- Pete Kirby ..... Robert Helyer
- Lester Brown ..... Chas. Dunlap
- Thelma Oaks ..... Anna Sather
- Mrs. Covington ..... Evelyn Davis
- Mr. Covington ..... Robert Mitchell

This play is to be given December 9th in the high school auditorium. Seven pupils in the intermediate room took part in a Thanksgiving Essay Contest. Annie Laurie Haynes won first prize and Nellie Wilson second.

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**NOVEMBER**

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