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SEVEN UP

Who is going to be the next governor of Oregon? That is the question and there is even a question as to whether the Republican nominee is an important matter to consider in the answering of it. However, we Americans like a race and it must be admitted that there is a certain interest in this one. There are seven—none of them look hungry although one has made his lack of financial resources a part of his campaign. They look like this to one observer.

Sam Brown: every one says he is honest; many add, "but misguided". He favors public ownership; is popular with his fellow farmers in the central Willamette valley; is known as progressive; is short, solid, and sixty.

E. P. Dodd: only candidate from eastern Oregon; is building his campaign on river development; has been business man, editor, and is now head of a waterway league. He is not extensively known over the state.

Joe Dunne: his physical development bears no resemblance but politically he reminds one of a flea: always jumping around from popular idea to popular idea. He has been state senator from Multnomah and Clackamas counties for years; introduces the most bills; talks the most; into this; into that. Nevertheless has a fair chance for the nomination because of his aggressiveness during the campaign.

Charles Hall: has been up before; caused the election of Pierce; wants to protect stock holders in utilities. He has been banker, telephone magnate in Coos county. Not considered likely to win.

Rufus Holman: state treasurer; has been concerned with governmental affairs for years and knows about government; conceited; always bickering; friends say because he is always right, enemies say because he has a bad disposition; has fair chance because his name is known. If elected he would be governor, and if permitted to appoint successor as treasurer, would be the whole show.

Frank Lonergan: Multnomah representative for years; capable legislator; fine orator. In disfavor in rural districts because of his defense of numerous malefactors in his capacity as attorney. Will get a big vote in Portland.

General McAlexander: retired major-general; Rock of the Marne, world war hero; backed by veterans; makes fine impression because of his apparent sincerity about his platform. Wants to cut expenses, curtail crime; pacify warring school factions.

GOOD, SO FAR

Whether the country as a whole is to harvest a good crop or not it looks now as if a goodly part of this county may be expected to do so. First worry was about the light winter, next was about the possibility of the wheat growing too rank and being frosted in a cold spring. Neither of these disasters have materialized to any extent and now the only hazard to be overcome is the lack of moisture of a hot wave before harvest. That is normal and customary.

Weeds are more numerous than usual but within the last week or two much of the wheat has stretched up above the weeds and the fields look better than they have at any time during the early spring. At least two thirds of the county will have a better than normal crop if the weather man sends average weather for another six weeks. The county cannot exceed its production because of the reduction in acreage but it can, and may, raise more wheat than it has for four years even with curtailed acreage. Uncle Sam may need it too.

Late reports are to the effect that the wheat crop in the United States will be short again this year, almost as short as last year in fact. According to modern economics that is a sign of prosperity.

Beer was originally manufactured to cool drinkers down not to warm them up and the move to reduce the alcoholic content to 3.6 will aid this.

The move to monetize more silver will be unpopular as long as the country thinks that those favoring it are holders of silver bullion. That sort of business has been pretty well exposed.

Dodd is undone, for Dunne, and all done as a gubernatorial candidate and asks his friends to support Joe Dunne. Last we heard of him he was going to be elected easily.

A bank was robbed in Oklahoma by some one else than the Dillinger gang. John will feel badly about that.

It looks like the kick-back wage contracts are about to kick-back.

Beer dispensers must be rather quiet about their business if the new ruling of the liquor commission holds. Folks used to find it in cellars, maybe they can without signs.

The Old Philosopher

I heard the other day that the schools in the county were writing essays about early history in Sherman county.

Of course, with my Missouri nature, I began to wonder. Why write history? And then I got to wondering. Why read history? After ruminating over several pipefuls I came to the conclusion that we like to read history because usually it gives us a mighty pleasant picture to look at in comparison with our own age.

In other words history gives us the same feeling we experience after having traveled all day over a washboard dirt road and then suddenly come to a paved one. History gives us life with the bumps smoothed down by forgetfulness and the hollows filled in with imagination.

That's why so many of us prefer to live in the past. In our dashing at the breakneck speed of our own lives, hitting the bumps, sliding around the corners, sinking into mud holes; it is only natural that we should like to stay at home, pull down the blinds and slip quietly back into the past of which only the best things have been remembered.

I don't suppose these essays in Sherman county will mention the men who drank themselves to death, or those who bled their neighbors until they were forced to sell out and leave, or those who burdened heavy by misfortune died in poverty.

Its funny how things like that are not mentioned in history. But I suppose, it all dates back to the habit of Adam and Eve after they were kicked out of thinking how had been and trying to forget how the serpent had made a fool of them.

Thus it is with us as individuals. When I hold my little grand son on my knee I don't tell him about the time I bullied a kid about half my size and gave him a terrible thrashing. But I do tell him about the time I licked Joe Grady for making a wise crack about Emmy Hawkins, my girl, as she was walking down the street.

I like to remember the latter fight but I have almost forgotten the first one. As a result my grandson will tell his children what a noble fellow great grand dad was. That is the advantage of history.

So when we read the history of Sherman county or any other history let's read between the lines, and tell ourselves that times were just as bad then as now, there were just as big crooks then as now and that we would all rather live in the present than go back to the past because we learned long ago that "living happily ever after" is confined to fairy stories.

Grass Valley

Junior Wilcox, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilcox became dangerously ill while at school Monday forenoon and the next morning he was taken to Newberg for medical treatment. A form of paralysis caused by a blood clot on the brain is thought to be the cause of the illness.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin a son, Thursday May 3, at the farm home of the Martins. Dr. Poley attending.

Jacob Wassenniller, Charles Lemley and B. C. Baker returned from a prospecting trip through the eastern part of the state last week still hopeful but without definite prospects.

Lutherans of this vicinity held church services in the M. E. church last Sunday with the Rev. Hildendorf of Hood River filling the pulpit. Twenty seven were in attendance.

C. W. Fields and family drove to Hermiston Saturday morning and returned Sunday evening.

Mrs. O. M. Fraley came up on the stage Friday of last week to visit her daughter, Mrs. Art Bibby.

Con Buckley and Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart Wassenniller were visitors here Tuesday from The Dalles. Mrs. Henry Roth left for Idaho for a visit with relatives this week.

Miss Lucy Adams who has been here several weeks returned to her home in Elgin this week.

Bert Baker is doing a little painting for his brother Roy while visiting here.

Seniors of the Grass Valley high school displayed their histrionic abilities Friday evening before parents and townsmen when the annual Senior play was given. "Funnie Phinnie" was the play chosen. The title role was taken by Kenneth Todd with credit to his ability. Others who were well cast were Helene Homewood, as Mrs. Plummer, Neva Gervais as Ruby, Norma Garrett as Ella. Other characters were taken by Helen Stark, Vivian Reynolds, Lila Fay Boyce, Hayse Boyce, Earl Shipley, and Frank Prather. The humorous situations in the play were well handled by the actors.

Earl Olds has opened up his meat shop for the summer trade this week.

Suit for divorce has been filed by Harold Hughes against Grace Hughes on the grounds of cruelty.

The Odd-Fellows are cleaning up their lot preparatory to beginning work on their new building, the contract for which will be let in a few days.

"Is Mose Podmore a good shot?" "Yes, we were out shooting with our rifles the other day and he hit the bullseye the first time."

"That sure was fine shooting." "Yes, but he had to pay the farmer \$40 for killing the bull."

Kent News

J. E. Norton motored to Moro Tuesday to hear U. G. McAlexander, who addressed the Moro Commercial Club.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunlap made a business trip to The Dalles Thursday.

Mrs. G. L. Barnett, Mrs. Ann Schadewitz, and Mrs. J. L. Mathes were shopping at Moro and Grass Valley Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Darby of Antelope were visitors at Kent Sunday afternoon.

Mary Magée and Irene Potttratz spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. George Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz were shopping in The Dalles Wednesday.

Reverend C. F. Swander of Portland will deliver his annual Mother's day address here next Sunday, May 13. A community dinner will be served at the grange hall.

Miss Della Helyer, Mrs. J. W. Chamberland and daughter Joan, and Curtis Carlain of Tumalo were all day guests Sunday at the W. C. Helyer home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Harbin, Mrs. Essie Wilson and son Bill were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and J. C. Wilson.

J. L. Davis attended an allotment committee meeting in Moro Saturday.

4-H Club News

Last Saturday the Moro Dairy Club met at the county court house for their regular meeting.

Discussions were held concerning demonstrations and judging teams for the county fair. Henry Barnum, local leader of the Moro pig and beef clubs, gave some excellent suggestions for demonstrations. Two judging teams were selected from the club. These were No. 1, Betty Powell, Helen Strong and Dorothy Fraser; No. 2, Wayne Thompson, Louis May and Orville Thogerson. The average of the first team so far this season is 79.5 and the average for the latter is 81. After all of the judging tours the three highest of these two teams will be entered as the Moro Dairy Club judging team at the local fair.

Four field tours are being scheduled for the near future. One to Tom Fraser's farm to judge pigs on May 19th, another to Roy Powell's ranch for judging cattle, the next will be to T. M. Rolfe's farm near Grass Valley and the last to the Lone Rock Stock Farm owned by A. H. Barnum.

The program for the rest of the season was arranged and written to be sent to the state office.

Mrs. D. E. Stephens, local leader of the Moro High School Cooking Club, entertained her club last at her home last Thursday noon.

A lovely luncheon was served by Mrs. Stephens. The menu consisted of meat loaf, fruit mold salad, clover leaf rolls, saratoga chips, pickles, chocolate angel food cake, ice cream with crushed strawberry sauce and punch. The girls sang several songs and gave the club pledge while Mrs. Stephens served.

The senior girls of the cooking club were guests of honor.

The Garden Club under the direction of Merrill Oveson made a garden tour of the garden club members' gardens who live in Moro.

Carl Peetz's garden was the first one to be inspected by the group of six members and two visitors. Carl is raising peas, onions, radishes, potatoes, and dill in his garden lot.

The next garden visited was Donald Williams'. Carrots, radishes, spinach, onions and potatoes are found growing in Donald's garden.

Billie Thompson's garden contains carrots, beets and onions.

Five crops must be exhibited at the local fair. Topics discussed were various seasons for certain vegetables and types of soil and care some seeds require. Merrill Oveson and Perry Johnston gave some information of value to the members.

Only three girls of the club were present at the Sewing Club meeting at Mrs. Omer Sayrs home last Saturday. These girls were Jean Powell, Galye Amidon and Lavon Sayrs.

The afternoon was spent by the girls sewing on the required garment.

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Jean and Galye worked on their cotton school costumes for the 3rd division, while Lavon sewed on her slip. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday afternoon, May 9 at the school house.

On April 28th about seventy five Sherman countians made a field excursion to several nationally-known farms for the purpose of judging and showing some ideal stock for examples to be used in judging and exhibiting livestock, by the 4-H members. Mr. Johnston recently sent out copies of the results of the youthful 4-H members judging.

Ivan Gervais won the honor for being the best judge altho he placed only three of the classes judged. His score was 95. Wayne Thompson followed with an average of 93. The various clubs averaged thus:

The Moro Dairy Club with eight members judging averaged 80.4 Gordon Fraser is the leader of this club.

The Moro Beef Club led by Henry Barnum followed a close second with an average of 79.4.

Dewey Thompson's colt club of Moro averaged 77.4 having five colt club members judging from each club.

The Grass Valley Dairy club led by Glen King and the Grass Valley sheep club headed by Wallace May had an average of 76.6. Six 4-H members judging from each club.

The average of six beef club members of Moro was 76.1. Henry Barnum is the local leader.

J. B. Coon's pig club from Grass Valley rated 75 after figuring up the five members scores.

Two members of Lloyd Henrichs' sheep club near Moro scored 73.5.

With only one member competing the average of the Kent Sheep club were guests of honor.

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club under direction of Elmer Helyer of Kent was 60.
The total of all Moro clubs was 77.3. Grass Valley clubs rated 75.2 and Kent scored 60.
Dorothy Frazer.

The second meeting of the Adams Forestry Club was an identifier meeting. For we did not have a meeting but went to the Moro Scout nursery and found many new trees, then we went to the Adams lot and found and identified all trees but one. We then went to the Moro city park and found some more trees. We then had our entertainment. Then we went back to the school house.

The Adams Forestry Club met at the school house on May 8, 1934. The meeting was called to order in due form by the president; the minutes were read and the roll was called. We were all asked a question about the trees of Sherman county. We had a visitor, Perry Johnston, who explained to us how to use a record book. There was a transportation committee appointed. Those that were on it were Lyle Nahouse, Melvin Baker

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