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STEIWER, FATLAND EXPLAIN NEW LAWS

Representatives Speak Before
Commercial Club

HIGHWAY LEGISLATION FAIR

Taxes, Liquor Control and Ferry
Bills Discussed

A group of interested Sherman countians listened Tuesday night to two resumes to the legislative session given by State Senator W. H. Steiwer of Fossil and Representative E. R. Fatland, Condon both of whom represented this district in the legislative imbroglio recently concluded at Salem.

Senator Steiwer suggested that perhaps the legislature was to be given more credit for bills that it defeated than for bills that it passed. Legislation defeated included some bills of doubtful value while little that was passed was harmful.

Tax Collection Modified

He stated that Governor Martin had promised the members of eastern Oregon that their roads would receive careful consideration at the hands of the commission if the commission was not forced to follow legislative whims.

The tax bills were given much consideration at the session, especially the two remitting penalty and interest on taxes levied for 1931 and 1932. This bill was later vetoed by the governor. Another bill was passed and became a law which permits five years to elapse before collection of delinquent taxes must be foreclosed by the counties. Thus some relief was given to the burdened taxpayer.

Senator Steiwer was largely instrumental in bringing about the passage of the bill that allows the state of Oregon to co-operate with the state of Washington in establishing free ferries to connect thru roads leading across the Columbia. Washington did not pass similar legislation so the effect of the Oregon law is nullified for the present, at least.

Liquor Tax Increased

Representative Fatland, who was a member of the roads and highways committee and chairman of the committee on alcoholic traffic, discussed legislation coming from these committees. He stated that the Knox bill levied 62 cents per barrel tax on beer which did not raise enough money for relief purposes. This was raised to \$1.30 with the provision that cities and counties were to receive the 30 cents for their work in policing.

The representative gave it as his opinion that the free bridge bill for the coast highways was not excessive in cost to the state when the charges all were computed on both sides. The cost of the ferries and the cost of collecting tolls would nearly equalize the costs, he said.

Liberalization of the former truck and bus legislation was effected by new legislation passed which gives better rates to small operators while not decreasing revenue to the state to any great extent.

He spoke briefly of the bills passed which give to municipal corporations the right to have the state treasurer's office aid them in reducing and consolidating the bonded indebtedness against them. These bills were especially valuable to Moro as it is one of the corporations in the heavily burdened class.

Forty persons were present to hear the talks. An attempt by

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Moro And Wasco Clubs To Hold Joint Session

The Woman's club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Lewis Cope. The meeting was opened by the singing of club songs. It was decided to give five dollars to each of the following: the children's farm home, the endowment fund and the Doernbecher hospital. A number of useful articles were collected for the children's home. The business meeting was closed and a program on art followed.

Mrs. D. E. Stephens gave a book review on "Lamb of His Bosom". A paper on "Art in 1865" was read by Naomi VanGilder.

North America from 1600 to 1800. The next club meeting will be Garden Club day and will be at the home of Mrs. Truman Strong Friday, April 19.

The Wasco garden club has been invited to attend. After a short musical program there will be a short social hour.

WASCO CIVIC SINGERS PLEASE AUDIENCE

Amusing and Artistic Performance
Given By Wasco Group

The Wasco Civic Singers established themselves safely in the hearts of Wasco citizens Saturday night when they presented their spring program consisting of music, skits and a two act play that were well received by a capacity audience. All reports on the quality of the show were laudatory.

The chorus sang three numbers followed by an encore of four popular songs. This group is composed of Zella Watkins, Gladys Halse, Henrietta Hennagin, Mary Fortner, sopranos; Lois Hilderbrand, Laura Weld, Belle Clothier, altos; Virgil Brock, Malcolm Guy, Bernice Guy, Phil Andrews tenors; Otis Royse, Wayland Weld, William Clothier, Lloyd Hennagin basses. Myrtle Clothier is accompanist.

A skit, Barnacle Bill, was given by Lois Hilderbrand and Bill Clothier, a tap dance by Sonny Crews and June Wilde, and a scene from the gay nineties by Henrietta Hennagin and Lois Hilderbrand. Wayland Weld and Martha Hastings aided by a chorus made up of Zella Watkins, Gladys Halse, Myrtle Clothier and Laura Weld.

Old Time Orchestra Plays

Between the acts of the play a tap dance by Shellia Bowman of Goldendale, a piece of Bernice Guy, and an old time orchestra featuring mouth organs, violins, Jew's harps, bones and the banjo played with Mrs. Akers directing from the piano.

The play, "The Second Fiddle", was directed by Mary Fortner with members of the civic singers cast in the roles. It concerned a play within a play, "The Clutches" being presented by a woman's club. Belle Clothier, Lew Hastings, Malcolm Guy, Henrietta Hennagin, Lloyd Hennagin, Rosemary Walker, Bill Clothier, Margaret McKee and Arthur Spencer were the cast.

Receipts of the show were \$110, indicating the enthusiasm of the town for the performance.

Annual Speaking Contest Winners Picked

The annual declamatory contest was held at Rufus Saturday night, April 6 with four schools, Kent, Grass Valley, Moro and Rufus competing. Mumps, and the fear of mumps, held the audience to medium size.

Winners of the contest were: A division: seventh and eighth grades, Robert Eaton, Grass Valley, first; Anita Dunlap, Kent, second; Jane French Moro, third. B division: Ralph Kraber, Rufus, first; Claudine Thompson, Moro, second; Billy Eaton, Grass Valley, third. C division: Annajean Knighten, Moro, first; Auden Alsop, Grass Valley, second; Eleanor Hoekinson Kent, third.

These results give Moro and Grass Valley a first, second, and third place each, Kent a second and a third place and Rufus a first place. Dr. J. Butcher and Mrs. Ray Chisam of The Dalles were the judges of the contest.

FINAL PAYMENT ON HOG HERE

Thirty-One Cents Per Hog Cost
Of Administration

AVERAGE FARM GETS \$1595

AAA Funds Aid Many Farms In
This County

Receipt of the final payment on the 1934 hog contracts was an event of this week at the office of the hog control association in the court house. The sum was \$5,477.80 which represents the final payment of \$2 per hog less the administrative expenses of approximately 31 cents per hog not raised.

This represents 3245 hogs for Sherman county. The total amount paid out to the farmers for reducing the number of hogs put on the market has been \$15,484.80 with four contracts still unpaid out of the total of 122. This means that the average sum received by each hog grower who signed the contracts was \$126.92. Each hog brought \$4.69 if not raised.

Farm Average \$1595.05

This sum, added to the \$569,897.81 that has been received in this county under the wheat reduction program, makes a total of \$585,382.61. According to the latest farm census of the county there are 367 farms in the county including all plots of land under one ownership of over 3 acres. This means that each farm in the county has received an average of \$1595.05 from the government for crop reduction control co-operation in both the wheat and hog programs.

Next year the hog contract will be on a slightly different basis and only 86 men have signed the contracts. They are now ready to send to Washington for payment of the 1935 checks.

Grass Valley Debaters End Successful Season

The Grass Valley debate team went down to defeat last Friday night at Redmond when it met the experienced team from Chiloquin in the semi-finals for the eastern Oregon championship. Mildred Alley and Janet Wilcox were the Grass Valley debaters.

This concludes the debate season for the Sherman county debaters after having won six out of nine debates. In the inter-scholastic tournament for Oregon they defeated Redmond twice only to lose to Chiloquin. In the debate session held at McMinnville they won a creditable mark for schools of all sizes throughout the state. The affirmative team did not lose in the entire year. The squad is composed of the above mentioned Marjory Blake, Elton Eakin, Lawrence Todd and Cathryn Burton. In addition to the debaters, Elton Eakin, Mrs. V. B. Eakin, Harold Hughes, and the coach, Clifford Rowe made the trip to Redmond to meet the Chiloquin team.

U. S. NATIONAL GROWING

In its statement of March 4, 1935 the United States National Bank of Portland lists deposits at \$87,692,825.55. This compares with deposits of \$76,660,930.92 as of March 5, 1934, showing a gain of eleven million dollars.

Resources in its current statement are shown as \$97,380,770.40 against resources of \$87,922,083.60 a year ago. Cash on hand and due from other banks and United States bonds total \$63,376,782.38, against corresponding items of \$47,555,619.44. March 5, 1934.

In commenting on this statement C. R. Harding, manager of The Dalles branch, stated that the growth in deposits is extremely gratifying and is indicative of improved conditions in the local field as well as in other localities where the United States National is represented.

Arnold Landry Bruised Badly In Car Mishap

A badly cut head, bruises galore and a few days in the hospital was the lot of Arnold Landry Sunday a little after noon when his car struck loose gravel on the point turn west of the tunnel on the Columbia River highway between here and The Dalles and turned over three times. Arnold was thrown from the car which probably saved his life as the top was badly damaged in the smash.

Mr. Landry has remained in the hospital since the accident as he is badly bruised and still in need of a doctor's attention to insure satisfactory healing of his wounds. He expects to be able to return to his business in a couple of weeks.

MRS. ROSE KUNSMAN DIES AT HOSPITAL

Lengthy Illness Fatal To Well
Known Local Woman

The funeral of Mrs. Rose B. Kunsman was held Sunday from the Methodist church in Moro under the direction of Zells, and with the Rev. R. A. Hutchinson giving the sermon. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pinkerton sang three duets accompanied by Mrs. Helen Ruggles. Interment was made in the Moro cemetery with members of the Neighbors of Woodcraft giving their impressive ceremony at the grave.

Mrs. Kunsman was born in Springfield, Missouri, March 22, 1882 and came to Oregon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Tomlin in 1885, settling soon afterward in Moro where Mrs. Kunsman has made her home ever since. She was married December 12, 1910 to Harry Kunsman. One daughter, Marjorie, was born to them. Mrs. Kunsman had been ill for several months and was a patient in the state hospital at The Dalles at the time of her death.

Surviving her are her widower, her daughter, one sister, Mrs. Sadie Shearer of Shedd, five brothers, Carl and George of Klammath Falls, Ben of San Francisco, Ed of Portland and Laurel of Moro. She was a member of the Neighbors of Woodcraft.

Wasco School Picks Dixon For Principal

The Wasco school board chose Homer J. Dixon, now teaching at Madras High School, as successor to Paul McCulloch at a meeting held Monday night. There were 44 applicants for the position more than half of whom had degrees of Master of Arts or Science. Mr. Dixon is a graduate from the University of Oregon and received his M. S. degree there in 1932. He has taught at Independence and at Madras. He played varsity football for three years when at school being tackle on the teams coached by Captain McEwan. He has a wife and small son, is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, national honorary fraternity in education, and S. A. E., social fraternity.

In addition to hiring a principal the board elected Miss Iva Ruth Curtis, a graduate of Hood River High School and the University of Oregon to teach the English department of the school for the next year.

LISTEN FOR THE SCREECH

The siren recently bought by the city for the fire department was installed Saturday by a group of the firemen. It was placed on a light pole which was set back of the drug store in the alley. Within a few days the wiring will be connected with the telephone office and the unmusical notes of the siren will be heard each day at noon and preceding fires.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APR. 3

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
APR. 4	44	30	.07
" 5	47	29	.00
" 6	53	29	.00
" 7	50	36	.00
" 8	46	35	.18
" 9	57	35	.00
" 10	60	31	.00
Total for week			.25

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS IN COUNTY

Moro Wins First Game From
Rufus Nine

WASCO-G. V. GAME PUTOFF

Schedule Made Out For Four
Teams

Moro won its first game of baseball Sunday, defeating Rufus by a score of 15 to 9 in the first game of the season and the very first for the new Sherman county league which is composed of four teams, Grass Valley, Moro, Wasco and Rufus. The Grass Valley-Wasco game was postponed.

The battery for the Moro team was Walker and Rice although Goddard tried his hand at pitching for part of an inning without success. New recruits to the team were Kendrick Dunlap and Charles Dunlap who played for Kent last year and Bob Belshe, Gordon Fraser and Pierson who played with Harmony in 1934. Absent for the first time in years were Collis Moore and Elmer Barzee and others who have come to consider themselves as old timers and have retired. Bob Belshe and Kendrick Dunlap did the heavy stick work for the Moro team. McNab was pitcher for the Rufus team and did his usual good work on the mound.

Line-ups:
MORO: K. Dunlap, Walker, C. Dunlap, Goddard, Rice, Belshe, Thogeson, Pierson, Fraser.
RUFUS: G. Applegate, B. McNab, Lydia Wilson, D. McNab, Chase, Deyo, Brady.

Band Leaves For Eugene Music Meet

The Moro high school band left early Friday morning for Eugene to contest with other schools of the state in the Eugene Morning News competition to determine the best band in the state of 25 members or less. Other bands entered are Arlington, Heppner, Burns, Santa Clara and Drain. The organization of the local band has been badly disrupted for the past two weeks on account of an epidemic of mumps, but enough are recovered or yet unattacked to make up the needed twenty-five. They expect to return Sunday.

Mrs. Elva Bryant was in Moro Friday and Saturday having received a few days vacation from school teaching at Hood River. She says she likes it fine in the apple city.

Old Time News For Those Who Remember-and Those Who Don't

From the Observer, April 13, 1906
A mail crane has been erected at Erskineville station.

Mrs. Nels Hansen is very low at their Monkland home. She came up from Portland during the cold spell, and was taken so much worse that she could not go back.

Wm. Raymond has purchased the Johnson dray and express business in Moro and added it to the Red Barn outfit. Will has his hands full of business, but can still take a better picture than hundreds of Cracker Jack artists.

John G. Kaseberg, father of J. C. Kaseberg of this vicinity died in Walla Walla recently, aged 74 years. Deceased was one of our most prosperous farmers. From the Observer, April 14, 1916
Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Hennagin, Friday morning, a 9 1/2 pound boy: Dr. Foley attending.

Miss L. C. Bourhill, sister of G. B. Bourhill, is visiting in Moro from Sitka, Alaska, where she is a resident missionary.

Frank Burnett has accepted del-



MISS CLARIBEL NYE
State Leader, Home Economics
Extension.



MISS GERTRUDE SKOW
Extension Recreation Specialist
Two who will conduct school on
family living here next week.

GRAIN IMPORTS EXCEED SURPLUS

Influx of Grains Hurts Market For
Northwest Wheat

With 6,510,000 bushels of corn imported from last July 1 to February 28 and 12,800,000 bushels more of Argentina new crop corn ordered for shipment to the United States up to March 15, northwest grain farmers with surplus wheat are taking unusual interest in grain market conditions and grain importations, says a market report by the Oregon State college extension service. A large part of this corn entered Pacific coast ports from Argentina where a large new crop is now coming out to the world market.

Washington press releases point out that imports of all grains in the eight months from July 1, 1934 to March 1, 1935 were only six-tenths of one percent of this country's average production of grains, and less than two percent of the loss to grain crops caused directly by the drought.

Although not great in proportion to the reduction caused by the drought, imports during recent months are several times greater than normal, much of the increase

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CONFERENCE FOR FAMILIES COMING

State College Workers To Instruct
Homemakers

VEGETABLE GROWING URGED

Recreational Facilities To Be
Discussed

The Sherman County "Conference on Family Living" sponsored by the county agent and representatives of the extension service of Oregon State college will open Tuesday morning April 15 at the court house with Mrs. Charles Guyton of Kent as Chair woman. The home economics committee of the Hartview grange will be in charge of the session.

Under Miss Claribel Nye, extension worker, the discussion will revolve around four topics: 1. adequate home grown supply of vegetables 2. low cost housing improvements, 3. selection of proper shoes for the family, and 4. recreation for the family.

Perry Johnston will talk on vegetable gardens and methods of making them pay as a part of the first topic of the discussions. Low cost housing improvements are now readily available through the Federal Housing administration.

Recreation on Program

Recreational activities for the family will be the topic of Miss Gertrude Skow who has been here before in work of this nature. "Families are learning to enjoy making play equipment and playing games at home," according to Miss Skow who lately had charge of the recreational activities at the college which was attended by 500 people from many counties. Members of all kinds of organizations are asked to be present, and the meeting will be opened at 10:10 after which group singing will be featured for a short period. Recreational methods will be discussed and practiced until noon when a luncheon will be served by a group of local women.

In the afternoon Miss Nye will speak on housing improvements. A display of materials will be shown during the school.

Wasco Seniors Practice For Final Play

The Wasco class of 1935 are polishing off their senior play entitled, "Youth Comes Tripping", which will be given next Thursday in the high school auditorium. The annual senior play this year will be unique in that the seniors cast their own characters for the play and each character is giving his own interpretation of his or her part. There is no play director. The general manager is Dana Jean McMillin with Donald McDermid and Arthur VanGilder doing the usual good work on scenery.

"Youth Comes Tripping" is a comedy in three acts of rather an original idea and promises to be an entertaining affair. Eugene Spencer as Doc Skinner, an eccentric small town character and veterinarian, will chalk up many a laugh. Other characters follow: The village postmaster, Leon Smith, the villain, Norman Fields, Doc's wife, Norine Patterson; Betty Kane, Geraldine Funk; A smart girl from the city, Cleone Walsh; Bobby, just out of college Francis Watkins; Bobby's chum, Leonard Fields; and the constable Marvin Thomas.

3 PLAYS COMING UP

Three one act plays will be given at Grass Valley Friday evening by the Literature club for the benefit of the Grass Valley library.

A comedy, "Meet the Countess" a mystery play, "Thank you, Doctor", and a drama, "The Valiant" will make up the historic bill of fare for the evening. About 20 local students will have parts in the plays.