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#### TIME TO SQUEAK

The proposal that is expected to emanate from the legislature that the bill be revived which would make it mandatory that the roads that were on the 1917 highway map be completed before any other roads are built will receive support in Sherman county for such a bill, if passed, would insure the completion of the south end of the Sherman highway.

The federal road men are favorable to the project, but state they seldom suggest improvements to the state. It really depends on the local sentiment and the noise that is made about the road by those who use it. It is easy for the highway commission to say that a road is not used when improvements are asked. The argument does not apply to the Sherman highway for it would be used if it were finished. There is every reason to believe that much of the through north and south traffic would take an east of the mountains road if it were as good as one in the western part of the state. Our roads are usually faster, straighter and are certainly drier and safer.

If the old saw is true that the wheel that squeaks the loudest gets the grease, it appears to be time that some loud and continued squawking be done whenever the highway commission meets.

#### HODGE-PODGE

Being the reactions of a newly-hatched legislator

The rules of procedure hamper the individual, but if followed, aid the legislative body to achieve something which is hoped to be satisfactory to most but not exactly what anyone wanted—Harry Corbett handles meetings with more grace and ease than most folks eat, he's as unflustered before the assembly as when tying his tie—Latourette will be a competent speaker in the house.

There is lots of delay, waiting for committee reports, waiting for information and until some bills come in there will be general slowness in the whole business. The resolutions committee offered a resolution to hold down the number of bills, and it was laid on the table until printed. The next resolution was from the same group, and would have injected the Townsend plan into the discussion.

Members of the senate and house who come from rural districts may be found every morning taking the air on the streets or waiting in the lobbies until the excitement begins. They get up too early for this sort of business, and no matter how late they stay up the sun gets them out.

A glance over the personnel of the house encounters a comparatively few members who are taxpayers of any magnitude. Some are men of large properties, but the majority are not. For this particular session this indicates that taxpayers should increase their normal interest several fold as this special session of the legislature is for the express purpose of spending some millions of dollars.

The governor mentioned two plans of financing, direct property tax and liquor tax. Either of these would make it easy on salaried men, unless they happened to be extraordinary consumers of liquor. There will be an attempt to broaden the base of taxation for the capitol, as every citizen should pay a share of the construction cost.

Receiving the governor and his retinue of supreme court judges and other state officials gives the legislators a workout. They stand up, sit down, arise and be seated to the rap of the gavel when the governor approaches, when he marches to the rostrum, etc. It stretches the legs and gives a workout to our sense of respect for officialdom.

Someone has written that great men descend to petty things and petty men rise to great things, occasionally. He might have written it when seated in a legislative assembly.

#### THE RIVER

The county budget committee Saturday included an item in the yearly budget that is new to taxpayers in this county. We refer to the one giving \$500 to the Inland Waterways Association.

For a number of years agitation for development of the Columbia has been carried on by small isolated groups of men who worked as hard as they could for the object desired, but did not achieve much in the way of results. A few months ago these groups were united into one unit with a program planned several years ahead, and a program that includes all sections in its scope.

This course we consider necessary if the people who live along the river are to realize the development in navigation they desire. This very winter contractors will be blasting out the rocks that impede transportation on the river from Celilo to Umatilla. That is the work of the Inland Waterways Association.

No one who has wheat or other products to ship can minimize the benefits this will bring to the wheat growers in this county. With our normal crop of two to two and a half million bushels a saving of three or four cents per bushel in freight rates means decided savings.

The past few mornings are the kind that make some of us begin to wonder what we did with our summer wages. "B-r-r."

#### STATE AFFAIRS

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A total of 3,671 students have taken advantage of the free reading courses offered by the state library since the inception of this service in December, 1932, according to Miss Harriett Long, state librarian. Courses prepared for these students number 4234 and covered 525 subjects. Indicative of the far reaching influence of this service the students were reached through 345 post offices in 35 counties.

Governor Martin, State Treasurer Holman and the board of control are moving into their new quarters on the fourth floor of the state office building this week. The former quarters of the bonus commission have been completely remodeled for the new tenants and will afford much greater convenience both from the standpoint of the officials themselves and the visiting public, than did the temporary quarters in the supreme court building.

The 1935 state fair returned a profit of approximately \$16,000 over current expenses, according to Solon T. White, director of agriculture. Most of this profit has gone to paying bond principal and interest on the grandstand building and to making temporary repairs on other buildings on the ground.

Whom the Gods would destroy they first make mad.

In the present instance the Gods were disguised as the Republican members of the House. Whether they had anything to do with stirring up the strife in the ranks of the Democratic majority they certainly made the most of the opportunity to grab off the big end of the spoils.

With the Democratic majority hopelessly split on the question of the Speakership the republican minority stepped into the breach with offers of assistance—for a consideration. Earl Hill, of Lane county minority leader, it seems, went into a huddle with the small handful of Democrats of the House who refused to play ball with their fellow democrats who had some 21 votes on the dotted line in support of Howard Latourette for Speaker. Under the circumstances with the followers of Representative Graham refusing to go into a party caucus to settle on a speaker it became necessary for the Latourette forces to look to some Republican support if they were to win—and they did.

Sunday night's caucus at which Latourette was selected for the speakership by a 29-28 vote was one of the wierdest exhibitions of parliamentary maneuvering ever witnessed at a legislative caucus in this state. Just what the Republican support cost the Latourette forces may never be known but the fact remains that in the balloting for desk jobs that night the republicans came away with four of the best jobs in the House bag and several minor plums—a most significant situation in itself and one which becomes all the more significant when it is coupled up with the fact that the republican functionaries were elected by almost the same vote as was the Speaker.

Another significant development in connection with the organization of the House on Monday was the unseating of Representative Lew Wallace, a Democrat, in spite of the fact that the democrats held a majority of four votes in the lower House. Rumors about the legislative lobby has it that the

#### In Other Days

From the Observer Oct. 27, 1916  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Strong have moved back to their Moro home and Truman and wife are now at home on the Grass Valley ranch.

Miss Casperson, teacher at the Boardman school, will entertain the school at the home of Mrs. Geo. Hennagin this Saturday evening with a **Holloween** party.

The roof of the Hay Canyon school house caught fire and burned last Tuesday morning. The building was saved.

The Moro high school orchestra held its first meeting Wednesday, October 25. The orchestra this year will be comprised of three violins, two clarinets, two cornets, drums and piano.

Tuesday evening about five o'clock the farm home of Roy Powell burned with all its contents. The family were a half mile away at another house, except a little girl who discovered the fire when going into a bedroom. Nothing was saved, even the wood pile burned after the family thought it safe to leave the wreck.

From the Observer Oct. 26, 1906

Kent. A pretty home wedding was celebrated at the house of Mr. J. J. Wiley, October 18 when his daughter Lillian Edna was united in marriage to George Dittler, Rev. Hallowman officiating. Miss Ida Orcutt was bridesmaid and Henry Witter of Portland, was best man. There were nearly forty guests to witness the ceremony.

J. O. Thompson has again taken the Kenneth property, recently sold at sheriff's sale on a judgment against Charley Jones.

W. J. Kelly and Fred Fortner have gone to Montana, not to stay. They expect to return in about two weeks. Whether they will come back in an air ship, or build one after their return, we could not learn, but we are assured the trip is in connection with an air ship venture. Wouldn't it be great for Wasco to become famous as the home of the first successful air ship.

seating of Representative Farrell, a republican, was the price demanded by Hill in return for the republican support of Henry Seimon, a democrat, who seems to have had the Speakership "in the bag" except for the fact that some one forgot to sew up the bag and some of his support escaped—just enough to cost him the honor.

The contest between Ashby C. Dickson, democrat, and Nate Body, republican, for the senate seat formerly held by Dickson, was decided on strictly partisan lines. Body was seated by a vote of 17 to 12. Senator Spaulding of Marion joining with the 11 democrats in support of Dickson with all of the other republicans voting 'er straight for Body.

Senator Allen Bynon has announced his intention of sponsoring a bill relieving the counties of the burden of old age pensions and placing the entire burden on the state. He has already introduced a bill which would reduce the age of pensioners from 70 years to 65 years.

In spite of the plea made by Governor Martin that the business of the session be confined to the capitol construction program indications are that there will be a veritable flood of bills introduced covering every subject.

#### Time Factor In Speaker Choice

The legislature is doing nothing or practically nothing, because there is as yet nothing to do. No one has so far had the temerity to drop a bill into the hopper calling for any specific location or type of structure.

Wednesday the solons were driven out to visit all the sites and were told by an architect about the building plans proposed for each site. The hill sites are quite a ways from the center of town, but the Candalaria site, with enough money and planning could be made a beautiful setting for a capitol group, if it were the desire of the people of the state to build a capitol group and build it away from the center of Salem.

The public institutions committees are working dailly and soon there will be bills galore on the floor undergoing the criticism that is sure to be offered to any plan that is proposed. That is probably the hesitancy in starting the thing along.

Members of the house are too nearly divided on the questions that have been put before it thus far to do anything. It is not even organized. The speakership which was settled by a majority of one vote would have had an entirely different result if the vote had been taken ten minutes later when two members arrived. They had been talking to an officer who thought they had been driving too fast. It reminds one of the old story about the battle being lost because a horse threw a shoe.

That part of the argument has been forgotten, now that the credentials committee has the matter of the eligibility of three or four members under consideration. The first report was favorable to Lew Wallace and would have excluded Farrell and Taylor, a member from southern Oregon. Some wanted to keep one or the other and so after a debate of some time the report was referred back to the committee.

The bickerings are probably not bad unless the illfeelings that may be caused thereby are carried over into the important problems to come before the session.

The first day is used by old members to visit about with friends in house and senate, to introduce wives and stenographers. It's like a picnic. New and more or less unacquainted members may sit at their desks worrying about the loss of time or can exercise by walking along the aisles like some caged animal before the gaze of the spectators who come to see the fun.

Information placed on members desks Monday showed that 21 of the 48 states have capitol sites smaller than Oregon's would be if Wilson park was added to the present grounds. The park has been made available by the city of Salem. It is too early to prophesy, what might come of the special session. The talk is all about the eligibility of this or that, the possible committee appointments and the size of the buck that was shot last month. Some members

from rural Oregon state that their constituents favor the old site and others, from equally rural districts claim backing for a new and larger site.

#### Service Calling For Young Men

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an open competitive examination for Railway Postal Clerk.

Applications may be filed with the civil-service district office nearest the applicant or with the U. S. Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. Applications must be on file not later than October 28, 1935.

Applicants must have reached their eighteenth but not their thirtieth birthday on the date of the receipt of applications, except that these age limits do not apply to persons granted military preference. Applicants must measure at least 5 feet 6 inches in height, bare feet, and must weigh at least 130 pounds without clothing. They must be in sound physical health and capable of enduring arduous exertion.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the Postoffice or Customhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

#### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

ON THE 2nd day of November, 1935, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m. at the front door of the Court House in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand the following described real estate situated in Grass Valley, Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit:

Lot -9- of Block -5- of the original town plat of said Grass Valley, Oregon.

SAID SALE is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County and to me directed in the case of Clara J. Baker, Plaintiff VS C. M. Plyler and Mildred Plyler Turner, defendants where in judgment and decree was issued against said defendants and in favor of the Plaintiff and is duly docketed in Judgment Docket "A" at page 182 of said Court and County, and which said judgment still remains unpaid.

HUGH CHRISMAN  
Sheriff of Sherman County Ore.

#### Notice of Sheriff's Sale of Real Property

On Saturday, the 23rd day of November, 1935 at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. at the front door of the Courthouse in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property located in Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit:

The Southeast quarter (1) of Section twenty (20), Township one (1) South, Range seventeen (17) East, Willamette Meridian, save and except the following described tracts or parcels of land heretofore

conveyed to Theodore Johnston: Beginning at the Northwest corner of the Southeast one-quarter (1) Section Twenty (20), Township one (1) South, Range seventeen (17) East, Willamette Meridian, thence North eighty-eight (88) degrees thirty (30) minutes East a distance of one hundred seventy-nine and no tenths (179.0) feet to the West line of the right of way of the Lone Rock Market Road which point is thirty (30) feet right of Station eighty-one (81) plus thirty (30); thence Southerly along the West line of the said Lone Rock Market Road right of way a distance of one thousand two hundred ninety-eight (1298) feet to a point thirty (30) feet to the right of station ninety-four (94) plus twenty-eight (28) on the said Lone Rock Market Road; thence North one thousand five (1005) feet to a place of beginning, containing six and five one-hundredths (6.05) acres, excluding one-half (1/2) of the present County Road. Also beginning at the Southwest corner of the Southeast one-quarter (1) Section twenty (20), Township one (1) South, Range seventeen (17) East, Willamette Meridian, thence North one thousand (1000) feet to a point on the West line of the right of way of the Lone Rock Market Road, which point is thirty (30) feet to the right of station one hundred (100) plus fifty-four (54) thence Southerly along the West line of the right of way of the said Lone Rock Market Road a distance of one thousand seven hundred sixty-six (1766) feet which point is thirty (30) feet to the right of station one hundred eighteen (118) plus twenty (20), thence West along the South line of the Southeast one-quarter (1) Section twenty (20), Township one (1) South, Range seventeen (17) East, Willamette Meridian, a distance of nine hundred fifty (950) feet to the place of beginning, containing nineteen and thirty-five one-hundredths (19.35) acres, excluding old right of way. Also, excepting the right of way of the present Lone Rock Market Road, containing one and seventy one-hundredths (1.70) acres, more or less, all in the county of Sherman, State of Oregon.

Said sale is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Sherman to me directed in the case of State of Oregon, Represented and Acting by the World War Veterans' State Aid Commission, plaintiff, vs. Omer R. Hulse and Lula M. Hulse, also known as Lulu M. Hulse, husband and wife; Lenora M. Hulse; Lewis McKee and Horace McKee, copartners doing business under the firm name of McKee Brothers, Defendants.

HUGH CHRISMAN  
Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon  
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