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Sixty legislators—51 representatives and nine senators—who served during the last session aspire to continue in the service of the state either in the same capacity or in some other and, generally more remunerative position.

Seven senators and former senators aspire to seats in the national Congress. Sam H. Brown, republican, wants to go to the United States senate. Curtis D. Stringer of Lebanon, Byron G. Carney of Milwaukie, C. D. Nickelson of Hood River, Roy W. Ritzer of Pendleton, Phil Yates of Wasco and Charles M. Thomas of Portland are in the race for Congress. Stringer and Carney are democrats and the others are republicans. Former state senator Ashby C. Dickson, democrat, Portland, is a candidate for the circuit court judgeship in Multnomah county. Congressman Walter M. Pierce of LaGrande, candidate for re-election, is also a former state senator.

Of the 15 state senators whose terms are expiring, nine are candidates for re-election. These include J. G. Barrett of Heppner, Allan A. Bynon of Portland, Henry L. Corbett of Portland, Robert M. Duncan of Burns, Walter S. Fisher of Roseburg, Dorothy McCullough Lee of Portland, Isaac E. Staples formerly of Portland but now of Tillamook, W. H. Steiwer of Fossil and N. G. Wallace of Bend. The six senators who are retiring from public life include Geo. M. Aitken of Garden Home, N. A. Body of Portland, James T. Chinnock of Grants Pass, James A. Hazlett of Hood River, Henry L. Hess of LaGrande, and Peter Zimmerman of Yamhill.

Of the 51 representatives who are candidates for nomination on the primary ballot four seek promotion to the state senate. These include Homer D. Angell of Portland, William L. Dickson of Portland, W. A. Johnson of Grants Pass, and E. L. Ross of Hillsboro. Four others aspire to still higher honors and are candidates for Congressional nominations in their respective districts. These include E. W. Kirkpatrick of Milwaukie, C. P. Haight of Canyon City and Warren Erwin and Nanny Wood Honeyman of Portland. All four are democrats. Howard Latourette another Portland Democrat who presided as speaker of the House at the special session now aspires to be head man of the party in Oregon and is a candidate for national committee man. Harry Fraser, Molalla Democrat is a candidate for district attorney of Clackamas county. The nine House members who failed to file in the state primary are J. R. Caulfield of Tillamook, William L. Graham of Portland, Wm. W. Knight of Roseburg, Roscoe Krier of The Dalles, J. A. McKeivitt of Eugene, Victor L. Nelson of Portland, William C. Rankin of Portland, Millard D. Rodman of Culver, and James H. E. Scott of Milton. Graham has a job with the state as deputy real estate commissioner.

A number of veterans of previous sessions also aspire to stage a comeback in the forthcoming campaign. Frank H. Hilton, former House member, seeks to represent Multnomah county in the senate. Other former representatives who would be content with their old seats include A. M. Jannsen of Washington county; H. H. Chindgren of Clackamas county; Arthur McPhillips of Yamhill county; and Fred J. Meindl, W. C. North, Denton G. Burdick, John H. Hall, John B. McCourt, F. H. Dammach and Frank J. Lonergan of Multnomah county. Burdick and Lonergan have both served as speaker of the House. Congressman James W. Mott of Salem is also a former member of the lower House of the Oregon legislature.

Jack E. Allen of Pendleton, former state senator, is a candidate for the democratic nomination for state treasurer and P. J. Stadelman of The Dalles who served a year as secretary of state, is out for the republican nomination for the senate from the Hood River-Wasco district.

After the candidates finally made up their minds—several with drawing after filing their declarations—a total of 448 remain in the primary race. Of these 248 are republicans, 179 are democrats and 21 are non-partisan candidates for judicial positions. There are 257 candidates for legislative posts—143 republicans and 114 democrats. Thirty four republicans and 23 democrats aspire to fill the 16

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Peter Quick Futurity Has New Entrants

Colts that have been entered in the Granada Theatre race for next fair are Lady Redwings and Quick-silver by A. H. Barnum, Sir Kent by Durward Helyer, Prince Rupert, by W. C. Helyer, U. S. Grant by Amandus von Borstel and Patches by Billy Alsop. Others are expected to enter within a short time as the entry list will close by June 1.

This race is entered by Peter Quick, government remount horse who has been in the county for three years. Guy Mathews has agreed to furnish the entrance fee for all two year old colts up to fifteen that are entered.

Hollis Bull New Manager at Condon

Hollis Bull and wife were taken to Condon Sunday by M. A. Bull and wife to begin duty as the new manager of the Condon Grain Growers. Mr. Bull has been engaged in the grain business since finishing school and is thoroughly acquainted with the requirements of the job he is taking over.

The death of Lynden Lucas, who was formerly manager at Condon, caused the grain growers there to look for another manager. It is expected that the Condon Grain Growers will handle the business of the Arlington Grain Growers this harvest which will considerably increase the business to be done.

Christian Endeavor Elects Officers

Christian Endeavor societies of the Community Presbyterian church have elected Rachel Poley, and Wyman French, presidents of the high school and junior groups. Other officers of the high school society are, Gordon Tompson and Lee McLeod, vice presidents; Louise Barzee, secretary; and Marie McLeod, treasurer. Ted Thompson, retiring president becomes executive advisor. The junior leaders assisting Wyman are, Betty Jean Vintin, vice president; Helen Morrison, secretary; and Donald Thompson, treasurer.

Family Living Conference Due In May

The first of a series of 19 "Family Living conferences," to be held in 18 counties of the state during April and May, will be April 10 and 11 in Baker county, according to a schedule of dates recently released by Miss Thelma Gaylord, acting state leader of home economics extension. Similar meetings were held in a number of counties last year.

Counties taking part are those in which no home demonstration agent is employed, and local arrangements are being made by county agricultural agents and county home economics advisory committees. Miss Lucy Case, extension specialist in foods and nutrition, and Miss Joan Patterson, extension specialist in home furnishings, will take part in some of the meetings, and Mrs. Azalea Sager, extension specialist in clothing and textiles, and Mrs. Maude Morse, extension specialist in child development and parent education, will be the visiting specialists at others.

Other counties to hold conferences, dates for some of which are still tentative are, Douglas, Josephine, Klamath, Lincoln, Tillamook, Linn, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Marion, Coos, Wallowa, Union, Morrow, Grant, Hood River, and Lake, with the latter holding two meetings, one in the Idaho district and one in the northern district.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK			
	MAX	MIN	PRECIP
Apr. 2	46	26	.00
" 3	41	19	.05
" 4	48	28	.01
" 5	50	32	.00
" 6	60	34	.00
" 7	62	43	.00
" 8	58	35	.00
Total for week			.06

Land Still Blows As Wind Keeps High Velocity

Cessation of Wind or Heavy Rain Needed To Stop Dust From Blowing; Many Fields Seriously Damaged

Blows in wheat land that started two weeks ago have continued to move nearly every day that the wind rises to a velocity of ten miles per hour and several fields have been damaged beyond immediate repair.

There have been no days in which as much soil was moved as on the first Thursday and Friday the blows started but some part of the land has moved almost every day since that time. Stories of seeding two or three times or until the loosened seed bed was, entirely blown away are common although the number of acres thus destroyed is not large.

Klondike Land Moving

The country east of Klondike has had several bad blows notably on the Dutton, Ferrell, Seely and Harper places. This country was considered blow land several years ago but has remained in place of late years. West of Wasco, blows are in new territory to a great extent although many acres were damaged there also.

There are two theories about the blows. Some contend that a new system of farming or of handling the land will have to be tried and others hold that this is just one of those years when conditions are right for blowing. The erosion men in the county insist that the tiller plow that leaves the stubble on the surface will stop the blows or rather, will keep them from starting, and point to the burning of stubble as a practice that eventually puts land in a condition for blowing.

New Methods Needed

In some places the lighter part of the soil has been so completely separated from the heavier parts and piled so high that it is almost impossible to stop it from moving at all as it is like water in seeking a level condition.

A cessation of the wind is hoped for or enough rain to form a crust that might be broken to roughen the ground. Growing weather so that the crops could protect the ground would be another method nature might use to stop the blowing.

Reseeding Started In Some Fields

Frank Burnet started reseeding some of his winter wheat Wednesday morning after a month of doubt as to the advisability of such a move. Some others are expected to follow suit before long unless weather and growing conditions materially change and unless more wheat starts to grow than is now apparent.

Winter wheat has been dying, especially on north slopes, since the break up of the cold weather in February. This is true of early sown wheat more than of late sown wheat. The reason given is the October freeze.

Mapping of Oregon Topography Planned

Encouragement for a program of topographical survey and mapping of Oregon, proposed to the federal government by the Oregon State Planning board, has been received from President Roosevelt Senator Frederick Steiwer and J. W. Hawley, acting director of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic survey, it was announced by Ormand R. Bean, Portland, chairman of the board.

Communications from the President, Senator and Mr. Hawley have been received by Governor Martin, who forwarded the board's proposal to Washington, D. C. recently.

Referring to the board's proposal that a congressional appropriation be made for the mapping work, President Roosevelt wrote to Governor Martin. Your suggestion is noted, and I assure you it will receive consideration.

Sleepless Trip Causes Man To Mistake Towns

Independence, Missouri, is a city of 15,296 persons which is considerably more than inhabit this city. Yet Kenneth A. Peterson, a native of Kansas City, Mo., was certain last Saturday night that he was in Independence, Mo., when he was sitting in the sheriff's office in Moro, Oregon.

First conclusion naturally is that Mr. Peterson had strayed from the path of temperate recitade. However, it appeared from later developments that Mr. Peterson left Kansas City Tuesday of last week and drove constantly until he was found Saturday morning near Dinty's. He had done without sleep, without much to eat and with lots of coffee and he knew he was in Independence, Mo.

After a couple of nights and a day of sleep and many telegrams on the part of Sheriff Chrisman the strange tale of Kenneth A. Peterson was straightened out and he was released from custody Monday morning fully convinced that he was in Moro, Oregon.

Mrs. C. W. Moore Buried in The Dalles

Mrs. Eva Rollins Moore, wife of Charles W. Moore, of Portland died last Saturday from heart trouble, an ailment that has bothered her for a number of years.

Mrs. Moore was born in Minnesota, a daughter of Dr. Charles R. Rollins, who was the founder of Grass Valley. When a small girl she came to Sherman county with her father who took up the land on which a large part of the town was built. Mr. Moore became a partner of Dr. Rollins in the formerly well known firm of Moore & Rollins, pioneer merchants.

After leaving Grass Valley the Moores lived in The Dalles for a number of years and then moved to Portland where they have resided since. Last year they celebrated their golden wedding ceremony.

Churchs Confer Here Next Week

Miss Iva Manning To Be Guest Speaker At Conference

Miss Iva Nell Manning, instructor in the Asheville Teachers' college, Asheville, N. C. is the visiting speaker for the spring meeting of Pendleton presbytery and presbytery, to be held in the Community Presbyterian church, April 15 to 17.

Official delegates to presbytery consists of ministers and Elders from the various Presbyterian churches of the district, while representatives of women's missionary societies constitute the personnel of presbyterial. Visitors from the community are invited to attend any sessions.

Wednesday night, the moderator's sermon by Rev. George Redden of Bend, on "The Lumber Jack" and the election of officers are forming a large part of the program. Mr. Redden, for many years missionary to the lumber jacks of Oregon, is bringing a message of personal experiences. Thursday both presbytery and presbyterial are holding regular meetings open to all who wish to attend.

Dinner To Be Served

Thursday night at 6, the women of the local church will serve a banquet for the young people. At 7:30 p. m. Miss Manning will give one of her popular addresses. Special music is provided for many of the sessions. Friday morning the meetings end, and Pendleton presbytery will have held its last meeting. Organized in 1904, the presbytery is to be dissolved in June following the General Assembly in Syracuse, N. Y. At that time Moro and Parkdale churches will join Portland presbytery, and the churches of Pendleton and Grande Ronde presbyteries will merge to form a new group probably called the Presbytery of Eastern Oregon. Delegates are expected from Pendleton, Bend, Redmond, Parkdale, Umatilla, Boardman and other Presbyterian churches in the district.

Sherman Hiway Association Gets Official Start

Officers Elected and Program For Action Discussed At Organization Meeting; Work On South First Objective

Organization of an association to work for the development of the Sherman highway was made Wednesday night when interested citizens of the area served by that highway met at the Legion hall to discuss ways and means of getting the road improved.

Members Invited

The meeting was the outgrowth of a resolution passed last week by the Moro Commercial club favoring the organization of a separate body to work for the improvement of the Sherman highway.

An attempt will be made to get as many members as possible within the boundary of the territory through which the highway runs. Membership will include everyone who is interested in the road. Funds will be raised by subscription.

Directors Named

Two directors were named from each of the seven districts into which the area was divided. They were as follows: From Antelope, John Silvertooth, Vern Dues; Shaniko, Ivan Olsen. William Reese; Kent; J. E. Norton, J. M. Wilson; Grass Valley; W. Ray Blake, E. E. Gervais; Moro; M. E. McKee, Giles French; Wasco; E. D. McKee, Phil Yates; Biggs-Rufus; P. J. Finley, C. C. Wilson. Because of a desire to have the officers from the same town Mr. McKee and Mr. French were elected secretary and president, respectively.

Highway Work Sole Aim

Sole purpose of the Sherman Highway Association will be to work for the completion and repair of that part of the federal and state highway system, with the immediate objective being the surfacing of the southern end of the road.

Mrs. Charles Tom Buried This Week

Mrs. Mary Montgomery Tom, widow of Charles H. Tom, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Hoggard at Hermiston Sunday after a long illness.

She was born in Illinois and was married to Mr. Tom in 1877 and came to Sherman county in the early eighties. This has been her home since that time. Surviving her are three daughters, Mrs. Edith Hoggard, Mrs. Sarah Wilkerson and Mrs. Leah Jensen and one son, Curtis Tom. Charles Montgomery of Moro is a brother and four other brothers are still living in eastern states.

The funeral was held in The Dalles Tuesday and interment was made in the Odd-Fellows cemetery at that place.

Railroad Pays Heavy Taxes In Counties

A total of \$1,036,514.13 in taxes was levied in Oregon against the property of the Union Pacific Railroad for 1935 and has been promptly paid, as in past years. Below are the figures for a number of Oregon counties:

Baker	\$96,800
Gilliam	53,505
Harney	23,984
Hood River	43,450
Malheur	81,892
Morrow	59,431
Multnomah	277,798
Sherman	42,292
Umatilla	149,381
Union	88,393
Wallowa	19,952
Wasco	87,173

In Baker, Umatilla, Union and Wasco counties, for example, the Union Pacific pays between 13 per cent and 15 per cent of each county's total tax levy. In Sherman county it pays more than 20 per cent and, in Gilliam county, more than 23 per cent of the total tax levy.

Soil Treatment Methods Show Erosion Loss

A study was made on the Palouse project during the winter and after the spring run-off to ascertain the effects of various types of tillage practices on soil and water losses. Observations were made on wheat land for several types of tillage operations.

Wheat stubble, unworked: Localized sheet erosion. Soil sloughing on steep slopes.

Fall plowed, stubble burned: Severe sheet erosion, soil slips, and many muddy inundations. Summerfallow, stubble burned, plowed fine, seeded to winter wheat. Very severe sheet erosion. Many soil slips and sloughs.

Plowed rough and unworked, stubble not burned. Moderate to slight sheet erosion on slopes. Some soil slips.

Disk tilled, stubble not burned. No apparent erosion. Chiseled wheat stubble. No apparent erosion.

J. A. Pyburn Dies Suddenly at Wasco

J. A. (Dick) Pyburn, 62, died suddenly of heart failure Thursday morning at the Wilkerson ranch north of Wasco. According to the officials who were called Mr. Pyburn, who was employed at the ranch, arose early in the morning and went outside the house where he fell. He crawled back to the porch where his body was found a short time later. Dr. Poley, who acted in place of the coronor, pronounced a heart attack as the cause of death.

Mr. Pyburn was a member of an old time Sherman county family and has lived here for a large part of his life. The Pyburn home is in Wasco. Funeral services will be announced later.

Concert Of Bandmen Billed For The Dalles

Preparations were nearing completion this week for a free public concert to be given at 8:00 p. m. Wednesday, April 15, in the civic auditorium at The Dalles by The Dalles City Band, says Loyd Arnold, director.

The presentation, which will be featured as the band's fourth anniversary concert, is being planned to include a variety of entertainment differing somewhat from the average run of concerts, it was stated. A group of novelty numbers will occupy a prominent place on the program in addition to an arrangement of marches, new overtures, and other concert selections. No charge will be made.

Scholarship To Pacific Offered Local Student

Announcement of a Pacific University scholarship for a local high school student was contained in an illustrated bulletin poster received by the principal of the high school this week. The scholarship will be awarded by the faculty of the high school on the basis of academic attainment and other qualifications. Presentation is to be made during commencement.

Courses Reorganized

Courses at Pacific university, Forest Grove, have been reorganized recently along the most advanced educational lines. Field's of concentration known as the humanities, social sciences, natural science and art, and the honors courses give complete liberty in the upper division to the better students.

Pacific university has maintained a high scholarship standing for many years. It gave the first college degree ever earned west of the Rockies to Harvey Scott, famous editor of the Portland Oregonian, in 1863. University of Oregon and Pacific university were the two institutions in Oregon who were charter members of the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools. Pacific's credits were accepted in full value by Columbia university and Princeton before 1900.

49 Enrollees Coming Today To CCC Camp

Contracts Between Farmers and Government Regarding Soil Utilization Methods Being Signed and Sent To Pullman

Forty nine new enrollees will arrive at Biggs Friday morning at ten o'clock to begin work at Camp Moro. They will come from the first corp area which means the New England states. Routing will be from Camp Devens in Massachusetts. Their arrival will bring the total strength of the camp up to 161 where it is expected to remain until the end of the present enlistment period.

Smaller Camps Permitted

A new order has been made which permits camps to operate with 150 men instead of the two hundred that were required by the army previously. All barracks will be used which will give more room to each enrollee.

Contracts between the Soil Conservation Service and farmers of this county are being made almost daily as the farm and soil surveys are completed and the work program for the farms are made out and approved by the farmer. A complete program to last until 1940 is made out for each piece of land on the farm. So much to summerfallow one year and grain the next, so many acres to be seeded to grass and maintained, so many acres to pasture. These programs are passed upon and agreed to by farm operators and owners and then sent to Pullman and Washington D. C. for federal approval.

Work Widening

Work from the camp is gradually being spread up the Grass Valley canyon watershed and will soon be to the end of that area. The surveys are made before new work is done on the farms.

New Office Planned

An office building for the SCS is going to be built on the site formerly occupied by the camp garage before that structure succumbed to the wind storm of last week. This will give more room for the office work of the erosion service. A new garage will be built on the east side of the camp to house the cars of officers and SCS men. It will not be open on the south side.

Seeding of grass on the Roy Powell land was begun Thursday morning. This is being done on some of the land along gullies that were straightened last fall.

Fulton Road May Be Secondary Highway

An engineer from the office of the state highway department was here Thursday to confer with members of the county court regarding the application of the county to have the Fulton canyon road designated as a state secondary highway. The probable cost of the reconstruction of the road after the flood of February caused the move on the part of the county. If the Fulton canyon road is added to the secondary road system it will be an extension of the Wasco-Condon secondary and will be under state supervision from Wasco to the junction with the Columbia river highway near Millers. Final verdict on the matter will probably be delayed for several days after the engineer's report is made.

April Starts With Record Temperature

Speaking of the weather. A record was broken the first day of April when the mercury dropped to 19 above zero which was two degrees below the coldest April day or night since weather records have been kept here. Little rain has fallen, but a lot of atmosphere has gone by since this month of spring time flowers and tree planting opened so inauspiciously with the coldest day on record.