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## State Affairs

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What of Peter Zimmerman? The plans for the former state senator from Yamhill county in the present campaign has the political prognosticators guessing to say the least. Zimmerman this week came out with an announcement that he was supporting Sam Brown in his race for the republican nomination for United States senator and Byron G. Carney of Milwaukie for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the first district. Which, in the opinion of many, was only Pete's way of warning the two major political parties that he himself, could be expected to make the race for one of these offices as an independent candidate if the man of his choice were not selected in the May primaries. Zimmerman, who is believed to prefer a go at the United States senatorship, ran as an independent candidate for governor two years ago and gave the two major parties the scare of their lives, running an uncomfortable close second to General Martin and completely outdistancing Joe Dunn, the republican candidate. Zimmerman some time ago read himself out of the republican party and is now one of the most active figures in the newly organized Farmer-Labor movement in this state and could expect the endorsement of that party if he should decide to make the race as an independent either for the United States senatorship or for Congress.

A rather unusual situation has developed in the Democratic race for state treasurer where the Oregon Democratic official party organ is openly advocating the nomination of Jack Allen of Pendleton as against U.S. Burt of Corvallis. Vernon Williams editor of the Democrat it seems, has no great love for Burt and has repeatedly tried to discourage the latter's candidacy.

Young Democrats meeting in Salem this week in their fifth annual state-wide convention went on record with a demand for more of the spoils of office. A resolution denouncing the practice of appointing Republicans to office under a Democratic administration was adopted without debate. The younger members of the party are very well satisfied with W. L. Goslin, secretary to Governor Martin, who has been taking good care of the Democratic applicants for minor clerkship but are anything but satisfied with the way the governor himself has been dispensing patronage with most of the choicest plums going to the Republicans. This displeasure among the youthful members of the party organization extends also to department heads and commissions, particularly the state liquor commission, where the good jobs are all going to adherents of the Republican party while the loyal Democrats stand hungrily by licking their chops.

Election of C. C. Carlson of Portland as state president of the Young Democratic Clubs was conceded to be a victory for Goslin who, with his gift of oratory and organization together with his control of patronage in the lower brackets, had the delegates eating out of his hand and easily dominated the convention from start to finish.

Administrators of Oregon's unemployment compensation act were considerably heartened this week by news from New York that the court of appeals—highest tribunal of that state—had upheld the constitutionality of the act, very similar to the Oregon law. The new York court in a five-to-two opinion held that there is "nothing unreasonable or unconstitutional in a legislative act which seeks to meet the evils and dangers of unemployment in the future by raising a fund through taxation of employers generally."

The proposal of Donald Young Salem capitalist, to build an office building for state departments did not look too attractive as a close-up. No saving would be made in rental charges over those now being paid for quarters in down town office buildings and Young wants the state to install its own heating system and furnish heat as well as water, light and janitor service, all of which are included in some of the rentals now being paid. The board took the proposal under advisement but, without any display of enthusiasm.

Eleven thousand adults are attending the 730 classes which have

## Rain Hailed As Huge Benefit To Winter Wheat

### Three Quarters Inch Falls At Station and Other Parts Of County Report Larger Fall During Week

Rain in generous quantities came to Sherman county farms last Thursday night when the clouds finally opened after several days of threatening. The station instruments recorded .65 of an inch and more was reported from the ends of the county. Rainfall at Kent was .70 for that night and other showers during the week have given a good soaking to that section. The north end also reported larger rainfall.

The effect of the rain and the sunshine on the wheat crop has been remarkable for fields that have held the grey color of plowed ground for many months, although wheat was seeded in them, have suddenly become green and spots are filling up where thin wheat had been unable to cover the earth.

### Rainfall Spotted

Perhaps the main advantage brought by the rain was in soaking up the crust that had formed on the surface of fields sown to winter wheat. All wheat and other planted crops will also benefit, of course.

The series of rainfalls has come in streaks the county and the total of .73 inches at the Moro station is not an exact indicator of the amount of moisture any other part of the county has received.

A rain of almost cloud burst proportions was reported in the Hay Canyon country and near Kent several hard rains have been reported.

## Lamb Show Date Moved To May 20

The committees who are working on the lamb show met Wednesday night to complete plans for that event. Matters on which decisions were made include the change in the date from the 18th to the 20th. This was on account of the impossibility of getting the judges here at the former time. It is now practically certain that R. L. Clark and Dick Richards and Harry Lindgren will be able to come on the 20th for the show.

Another change contemplated is to hold the show in the city park instead of on the streets of the city. This will necessitate the consent of the city council but it is thought that they will acquiesce in the change.

The premium lists and the inclusion of the wool show for the day were approved. The committee that has been investigating the possibility of giving a dance on the night of the show reported that such a venture was a good one and the dance will be given.

## Declamatory Contest Winners Listed

The county declamatory contest was held in the auditorium of the Wasco High school last Friday night with a fair crowd in attendance. One of the best programs in recent years was given by the participants in the three divisions of the contest.

Judges Mignon Chisholm and Mrs. Ernest Van Nuys awarded prizes as follows: Division 1, (first to third grades) Audeen Alsop, Grass Valley, first; Annsjean Knighten, Moro, second; Jacqueline Tetz, Rufus, third.

### Second Division Close

Division 2: Jack von Borstel, Moro, first; Bill Eaton, Grass Valley, second; Dorothy Miller, Moro, third.

Division 3: Claudine Thompson, Moro, first; LaVonne Alsop, Grass Valley, second; Frank von Borstel, Kent, third.

The one-act play which was to have been given by the Wasco students during the intermission between the contest and the judges decision, was not on the program due to a recurrence of the measles epidemic in Wasco. Two of the cast were ill with the ailment.

## Republicans of County Hold Rally and Affiliate With State Club

Republicans, over a hundred strong, filled the dining room of the Moro Hotel to overflowing last Monday night to give evidence of their interest in the organization of a Republican club.

Lowell C. Paget, president of the Oregon Republican Club, came from Portland to aid local members of the party in getting the Sherman county chapter under way. The enthusiasm displayed by the gathering surprised Paget who remarked that the crowd represented the largest percentage of Republican voters who had attended any of the organization meetings.

### Representative Knight Speaker

William W. Knight, legislator Douglas county, gave the principal address and briefly pointed out many of the inconsistencies of the present administration's policies. He spoke of the growing national debt, the payments to put land into production and take it out, the debasement of the civil service, the collection of funds from WPA workers and ended with a plea for the retention of our system of democratic government.

Walter Toose and Ben Liffin, candidates for delegates to the national convention from the state at large, spoke in favor of their



Lowell C. Paget

candidacies and that of Arthur Prioulx, state chairman.

Officers elected by the group who voted unanimously to form a Sherman county chapter and affiliate with the state club were: George G. Updegraff, president; Harry D. Proudfoot, vice president; Margaret McKee, secretary; W. Ray Blake, treasurer; Hugh Walker, E. D. McKee, and C. L. Polley as an advisory committee.

Miss Catherine Tom of Rufus told of an organization of "young" Republicans formed in the Rufus school for the purpose of studying and discussing the principals of politics and the Republican party. A resolution was passed favoring the organization of such clubs throughout the state and nation.

Candidates for county office were introduced to the assembly during the meeting and Representative E. R. Fatland, who came from Gilliam county to attend, was also introduced. He was accompanied by Lawrence E. Spraker, editor and publisher of the Condon Globe-Times.

Four boys from the CCG camp furnished an interlude of music for the dinner that was well received. Patrick Garrity sang two numbers. Charles Miya played a saxophone solo and Albert Gullbrants, in addition to playing his accordion produced a pocket sized "monkey" whose antics amused the gathered Republicans greatly. John Moran was accompanist.

## Dale Baker Presented In Recital at P.U.

Pacific University, Forest Grove—Dale Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Baker of Grass Valley, will be presented by the Pacific university conservatory of music in his graduation recital for the degree of bachelor of music, Friday, May first.

Mr. Baker, who is a student of Harry Van Dyke, has been active in musical affairs during his four years at Pacific. He has been a member of the glee clubs, and men's quartet and is a member of the men's ensemble which presents monthly programs over KEX, Portland.

The program of the piano recital will include: Sonata Op. 7, Allegro moderato. Andante, melto, Alla minueto and Molto allegro, by Grieg; Rhapsodia in G minor, Brahms; Nocturne Op. 32, No. 1, Chopin; Etude Op. 28, No. 15, Chopin; Valse Op. 36, No. 7, Arensky; Etude Op. 57, Liszt; Staccato Etude Op. 23, No. 2, Rubenstein. With Mr. Van Dyke at the second piano he will play Spanish Dances Op. 12, Allegro brisoco, Con moto and Bolero by Moszkowski.

## Jury List Chosen For May 18 Term of Court

The jury list for May 18th term of circuit court has been drawn and the following men will be urgently requested to gather at the court house on that day and render their judgment on the cases that may come before the jury.

Collis P. Moore, E. E. Barnum, W. C. Miller, Roy Powell, W. B. Rice, Dewey Thompson, Glen P. King, Moro; T. W. Alley, Thomas Barnett, Ernest Eslinger, Earl Olds, Charles Lemley, L. D. Eakin, Clyde Smith, Grass Valley; T. L. Fields, W. A. Medler, A. Sid. Johnson, H. A. Walker, Elwood McPherson, R. O. Scott, G. H. Root, W. Roy Belshee, L. R. Walsh, Wasco; J. J. Decker, H. E. Morrow, Kenneth Martin, George L. Barnett, Kent; James Fox, J. M. Hilderbrand, Marie Barnett Cooper, C. W. Johnson, Klondike.

## Grass Valley Baseball Team Defeats Maupin

### Rowe and Claymur Both Suffer Finger Injuries During The Course Of The Game

Grass Valley took the Maupin team to the cleaners for the second straight game last Sunday on the local diamond to demonstrate their superiority beyond question, at least for this period of the season.

Casualties were heavy for both teams as two men were injured during the game. Clifford Rowe tagged a base runner and caught his already bandaged finger throwing it out of place and breaking it near the hand. He will be lost to the team for the remainder of the month. Claymur, who was catching for Maupin, stopped one with his finger and had to retire for the remainder of the game.

### Scores Presented

Grass Valley got its first three scores as a gift from the Maupin boys who were careless with their throwing. Rowe was on second when Vintin struck out. The catcher missed the ball and when he picked it up he tossed it to first but the first baseman was already on his way in and missed the throw. Vintin changed his mind about going to the bench and took first while Rowe scored before the visitors could recover the ball. That accounted for the first score. Not to be outdone in generosity Grass Valley gave Maupin a couple before the teams settled down to making their opponents earn their runs.

### Many Players Used

Grass Valley made ten hits and eight runs while Maupin made four runs on eleven hits.

### Line-ups:

Maupin	Grass Valley
Webb, m	Dunlap, 1
Muller, 2	Rowe, s
Bofo, s	Rolfe, 2
V. Miller, 3	Vintin, m
Pettys, 1	Fritts, c
Claymur, r	Squire, I
Abernathy, I	Peters, r
L. Miller, c	Hughes, 3
Green, p	Miller, p
Cunningham, c	Rice, c
Fralely, I	Schilling, r
Morse, c	Goddard, 1
Woodcock, p	McKay, p

## State Librarian Visits County

Miss Harriet Long, state librarian, visited the county Monday and talked to the library boards of the three libraries here. She reported that the Wasco library has distributed 4676 books during 1935 and the Grass Valley library had lent 3119 books during the same period. No records were made available to her for the Moro library.

Miss Long, who makes a visit to each library in the state at least once every two years, spoke to the local library board in the afternoon and suggested several methods of increasing local interest in books.

### Reference Books Needed

It is probable that more reference books will be added to the shelves and that books of special interest to adults will be displayed in places where they will be seen in order to acquaint citizens with the service the library may give. Any book may be obtained from the local library by asking that it be sent from the central state supply.

## State School Man Inspects High Schools

F. W. Parr and T. F. Brumbaugh were here Wednesday morning while on their way to Shaniko to inspect the schools there. Mr. Parr is working with the state school system and will inspect Sherman county schools Thursday and Friday in company with Wiley Knighten, county school superintendent. Rufus, Wasco and Moro will be looked over Thursday and Grass Valley and Kent Friday. Mr. Brumbaugh is superintendent of Wasco county schools.



Mrs. Azalca Sager  
Extension Specialist in Clothing and Textiles Oregon State College.

## "Family Living" Conference To Be Held May 6

The third annual conference on Family Living will be held in Moro on May 6th at the court house.

This conference is now being arranged by the County Agricultural Agent Johnston and the members of the County Committee of which Mrs. Wilford Belshe is chairman.

Registration starts at 9:45 a. m. and from that time until 4:00, according to County Agent Johnston, the program will be of great interest to both men and women. Mrs. Sager, Extension Specialist in Clothing and Textiles, will give a demonstration on "When the Family Buys Shoes." Mrs. Sager will discuss the types of shoes for the various members of the family, men as well as women, suitable shoes for the pre-school child and for growing boys and girls. This demonstration will consist not only of a discussion of the development and care of the feet, but shopping points to look for when purchasing the family's shoes.

Mrs. Maud Morse, Extension Specialist in Parent Education and Child Development, will discuss "Our Family Talks It Over," showing the value of cooperation between members of the family in the harmonious working out of family problems.

This conference is one of twenty two being held in the state.

## 28 Pensions Approved By Committee

The county relief committee met last Friday night at the court house and reviewed the pension situation in the county. Applications for pensions under the new plan devised for Oregon were passed upon by the board with the result that 28 pensions were approved for a total of \$7980 per year. These range from \$10 per month to \$30 per month depending on the need of the applicant as shown in his or her sworn statement.

It is expected that other applications will be received later but for the present time \$8000 is the appropriation which has been made for the care of the aged in this county.

## Moro Band Will Go To The Dalles Saturday

Participating in the Mid-Columbia district Band Meet the entire Moro high school band will go to The Dalles Saturday May 2, where 300 bandsmen will enter in the musical competition. Bands will be present at the meet from Dufur, Goldendale, Moro, Stevenson, Rufus, Maupin, Grass Valley and Condon.

The local 50 piece band will present three numbers: a march as selected at the meet, one selection number, Urbana; and an Overture entitled Harmony King by De Luca.

Besides the parade, massed band exhibition in which 300 bandsmen will take part in unison, and the concerts, there will be an evening program under the floodlights of Amaton athletic field. Climaxing the evenings entertainment, June Laah, Dalles high school Senior, will be crowned May Queen during a spectacular May Day fete. Concluding the band festival will be mass singing of "Oregon My Oregon" by the spectators, and the clubs of the high school in The Dalles.

## Summerfallow May Be Classed As Soil Depleting

### Report That Dry Land Farmers Would Have Benefits Cut In Two By New Ruling Not Verified By Administration

The report that the new soil conservation program officials have ruled that summerfallow may not be included as a soil depleting crop has not been confirmed according to County Agent Johnston, although rumors have been heard that such a ruling might be made.

It is possible that unless summerfallow is not excluded the payments will be cut in half as the production of wheat on land in districts where the summerfallow system is used is less per year than in other wheat growing sections. This may result in the payments being cut in half. This fear has caused a protest to be started in some parts of the state.

### Pea Planting Considered

Orders for eight tons of pea seed have already been received by the county agent and shipment of them will be made at once. The price is 23 cents per pound, delivered at Biggs. An order for 12 tons would be enough to insure delivery to Sherman county points. Many of these peas have been sold with the possibility of the lower payments considered as farmers feel that even on the lower basis the planting of peas would be a profitable venture.

### Officers Elected

Election of officers at the various community meetings held this week has resulted in the selection of the county committee and the committeemen. Dell Olds is chairman and county committeeman at Grass Valley. E. E. Barnum and Wallace May are community committeemen and Millard Eakin is alternate.

At Moro Joe Peters was elected county committeeman and chairman. Tom Fraser, vice chairman, and O. L. Belshe committeeman, Glen King is alternate. The Klondike, or Wasco East, district elected O. G. Hilderbrand as chairman and county committeeman, Hugh Herin vice-chairman and Art Smith committeeman. Mrs. Marie Barnett Cooper is alternate.

For the Wasco west or Locust Grove district G. H. Root is chairman. A. C. Kaseberg vice chairman, Fred Hennigan, committeeman and Roy Baker, alternate.

## Remount Stallion Now Available

W. C. Helyer of Kent, who is managing Peter Quick, remount stallion, stationed in this county, has announced that for the convenience of owners of remount stock he will take Peter Quick about the county visiting farms beginning about the first of May. A charge of five dollars for service and five addition upon the birth of a colt will be made to defray the cost of moving the horse about the county. Several horse breeders have taken advantage of the fact that the government has sent a remount horse to this county and are raising colts of this class for race and sale purposes.

## Wheat League Protests

The Eastern Oregon Wheat League and the North Pacific Grain Growers and other organizations interested in the wheat industry of the northwest have written a letter to Secretary of Agriculture Wallace criticizing his recent statement that Pacific Northwest wheat prices will trend toward an export level this year.

They ask that some permanent plan be adopted that will prevent speculative dumping of northwest wheat with its disastrous effect on the incomes of the farmers in this region.