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## State Affairs

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The proposed state-owned radio system for use of the police bureau and highway department, has now progressed to the state where bids will be received for installation of the system at the meeting of the highway commission in Portland on June 27. Fourteen installations are contemplated. Three stations of 1000-watt capacity each will be installed at Salem, La Grande and Klamath Falls. Smaller stations of 50-watt capacity will be installed at Roseburg, The Dalles, Portland, Astoria, Bend, Coquille and Burns. Still smaller stations of 10-watt capacity will be installed at Pendleton, Baker, Eugene and Grants Pass. It is estimated that the installations will cost \$50,000 of which the federal government will supply 45 percent.

A balance of more than \$4,000 still remaining in a relief fund contributed by state employees in 1931 will be used for the relief of any employee who was on the state payroll at the time the fund was created and who might be in need at some time in the future. This was decided by members of the fund committee at a meeting this week. The money had been tied up in the First National Bank in Salem and has only recently been released. Approximately \$85,000 was contributed by state employees toward the relief of needy persons at that time.

Continuation of the program of adult education after this month will depend upon the availability of federal funds according to Robert J. Maaske, director of the program. Maaske said that 10,545 adults are now enrolled in the various courses being offered in the 25 counties and giving employment to 252 otherwise jobless teachers.

Legal authorities who have had opportunity to study the recent opinion of the United States supreme court in the New York case are pretty generally agreed that the principle of minimum wage legislation has been dealt a blow from which it can recover only through resort to a constitutional amendment. Oregon was the first state to enact a minimum wage law. The act passed in this state in 1913 and upheld by the U. S. supreme court in 1917, has been closely followed by most of the other 16 states which have written minimum wage legislation into their statutes since that time.

Two Salem citizens who witnessed the laying of the corner stone for Oregon's old capitol in 1873 were present to watch Governor Martin turn the first dirt for the proposed new capitol last week. They were H. S. Belle, now 91 years of age, and Mrs. Ida Babcock.

State departments and institutions are already beginning to give attention to their biennial budgets for 1937-38. Budget requests for the next two years are expected to exceed those for the current biennium because of the gradually increasing cost of all commodities. It is also expected that strenuous efforts will be made to restore pay of state officials, and employees to the 1932 base from which it was reduced by cuts enforced by the legislative session of 1933.

State employees who have been escaping federal income taxes in the past may not be so fortunate in the future. This applies especially to employees of self-supporting departments. First intimation that Uncle Sam was rounding up new contributors to his public purse came in a request for a list of employees of the industrial accident commission together with their salaries for the past four years. This department is supported by contributions from industrial employers and receives no state funds. A number of other state departments are in the same category, notably the public utilities commission, the motor transport division, the liquor control commission and the banking department.

Mrs. Clara Patterson, superintendent of the state industrial school for girls plans to ask the next legislature for a new building—a combination gymnasium, auditorium and school room. The institution now has 61 inmates housed in two cottages.

The state's relief budget is to be

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## Thompson Clan Hold Annual Reunion

The 15th Annual Thompson Round Up was held at DeMoss Park on June 14th with 59 of the clan being present. After a hearty dinner at 12:30, Pres. A. C. Thompson called the clan together to listen to a very enjoyable program. Reading of the last year minutes and business report, Dale, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Busch of Hillsboro gave two numbers on his piano accordion, also did some tap dancing. Solo by Doris Thompson. Reading "When the Townsend Goes Through" by Hester Thompson. Instrumental duet, Rev. Mitchelmore and Ted Thompson. Saxophone solo, Faye Thompson. Recitation, "Our Round Up" by Barbara Meloy, composed by Lucetta Adlard; Reading, C. A. Nish; Alec Nish gave a short talk on Civil War life; Jokes and Stories were spun by A. C., Claude, Ned and Ezra Thompson. Two songs were sung by the clan. Next year we are bringing our Family History up to date, beginning with our first ancestors. Since our meeting in 1935, we have recorded 2 marriages: Blanche Thompson Center of Corvallis and Eugene Henry Elliott of Moscow, Idaho. One birth, Frances Opal to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Thompson of Corvallis. We set aside the second Sunday in June to be our annual meeting date.

Those coming from out of the county were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Nish and daughter Marjorie, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Nish, all of Mikka; Ed Dill, son Hollis and daughters Versie and Jessie, of Clem; Mr. and Mrs. A. Busch and two sons of Hillsboro; Mr. and Mrs. George E. Meloy, two daughters and George Sr. of Rowena; Nellie Meloy, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thompson and baby, of Corvallis; Also seven guests enjoyed the day.

## Wasco Auxiliary Presents Play

### "Road To Glory" Gives Home Talent Chance To Act

"The Road to Glory" which the young and some of the elders of Wasco were rehearsing, was presented Wednesday night at the Wasco Opera House to a crowd of people that filled that building to the doors. The plot of the play concerned three young people, Francis Watkins, Arthur Spencer and Mitzie Johnson and their former professor, Malcolm Guy, who ably provided the comedy part of the play. Watkins, as Bob Jackson, wished to be elected governor of the Mexican province and was aided by Simpson, Chet Watkins, an unscrupulous promoter.

Norman Fields, as the native patriot who first defeated Jackson and then elected him, Betty McCafferty, who also was hunting a man, Winifred Fortner, as Carita, a local enchantress and political planner, had important parts in the play. Jones, played by R. V. Herron and Pedro, by Marlon Crews, were minor parts.

Songs interspersed. The plot, however, was but a vehicle on which to hang a number of songs, skits, burlesque acts, etc., that greatly amused the crowd. Wasco matrons dressed in the clothes of another, or imagined, day appeared as Accidents in chorus and as individuals to bring down the house. They were Mrs. Virginia McIntyre, Mrs. Lucille Blau, Mrs. Maude Akers, Mrs. Sadie McKean, Mrs. May Yocum, Mrs. Leila Bales, Miss Belle Clothier, and Mrs. Lois Hilderbrand.

Songs by the different members of the cast accompanied by four different chorus groups were given throughout the play and several feature dances were presented by Gladys Zell and Ralph Herron, Gene Spencer and Ralph Herron and by Hazel Marie Watkins.

Between the acts little Sharon Rae Hennagin, Shirley Yocum and Patricia Kaseberg danced, Miss Velma Powell sang two numbers, Miss Agnes Simon played the accordion and three little girls from Rufus, Phyllis Medler, Jacqueline Tetz and Rosanna Macnab topped. The Wasco American Legion Auxiliary which sponsored the performance was well pleased with the crowd and the success of the show.

## Close Ballgame Ends In Huge, Uneven Score

### Last of 8th and First of 9th Free Hitting Period For Both Squads; Moore Gets Two Hits Two Runs In One Inning

The CCC boys defeated the Grass Valley boys for eight innings in the Sunday game of the North Central League but were unable to hold out for the total game. The scoring began early as usual. Coelsch let the Grass Valley boys score three times in the first on a hit a fielders choice and a home run by Vintin. Then to make things even the CCCs scored four times when Miller walked two, one got on by a fielders choice which failed to get the runner and Willett knocked one over Peters head in right field to count four runs.

Game Even That ended the scoring until the sixth when Grass Valley put two runs over on two hits and an error. Miller made his third straight hit to left field for two bases bringing in Rolfe and Coe.

The Massachusetts boys come back with a score in the seventh to tie the score and the game went into the eighth. Grass Valley did nothing in its half. The CCCs, aided by a walk, a hit batter, an error and a couple of nice hits brought in three runs to put the game on ice.

### Ninth Inning Productive

In the first half of the ninth the visitors proceeded to take the game off the ice and heat it up again. Moore, first up, hit to left, Vintin beat out a tap along the third base line, Fritts hit to left, Rolfe put one over the infield that had drawn in, Rice, pinch hitting for Stark, put one in right, Coon tied the same, Miller made the first out. Roth knocked one down the base line hitting Vintin, who was running for Rice, for the second out and Dunlap, Moore and Vintin hit safely to bring the total hits for the inning to nine and the scores to eight. Moore and Vintin both hit twice in the same inning and Moore scored twice.

It was as murderous a rally as one ever sees. Final score 13 to 8.

The line up:

Grass Valley	CCC
Roth, 2	Downing, m
Dunlap, 1	Delfamine, s
Moore, s	Rich, 3
Vintin, m	Coelsch, p
Fritts, c	Rumley, c
Rolfe, 1	Willett, 2
Peters, r	Goodman, 1
Coon, 3	Donovan, r
Miller, p	Monroe, r
Stark, r	
Rice,	

## Summer Church School Ends

Seven boys and girls received diplomas for three years attendance in the Vacation Church school which closed with a picnic and graduation exercises at DeMoss park, Wednesday afternoon, June 17. School was held at the Community church for three days. Those receiving the three years ratings were Robert Brisbane, Ardis Truitt, Linden Mersinger, Patricia Pinkerton, Ramsey Schadewitz, Donald Thompson and Betty Jeanne Vintin.

Others awarded diplomas by Rev. Lawrence Mitchelmore, junior principal, were junior department and second year, Irene Searcy, Kenneth Searcy, Vernon Searcy; junior department and first year: Millara Melzer, Harold Melzer, Dean Thompson, David and Corliss McLeod, Gloria Douma, and Lois Platt; primary department, Miss Isabelle Bourhill, principal, signed diplomas for the following second year pupils: Bobby Hoskinson, Janet Schadewitz, Dickie Oveson, first year diplomas were for Earl Van Slyke, Allen Pinkerton, Keith Thompson, Orrin Schadewitz, Wayne Melzer, Billy Platt and David Moore.

Included in the staff of teachers and helpers were: Mrs. L. H. Mitchelmore, Patricia McLeod, Lois Melzer, Louise Barzee, Merle Marlan Miller, Bill Thompson, Rodney Truitt, Dean Pinkerton and Clara Mersinger.

## Federal Checks Come To Farmers And Soldiers

Federal government checks of several kinds were in evidence here Wednesday. The first of the bonus checks and bonds arrived that morning and sixteen veterans signed them. Amounts varied from small sums to those in the six and seven hundred dollar class.

The final package of 1935 wheat allotment checks came Wednesday morning also making the total of that payment on hand \$141,901.24 which is being distributed to co-operating farmers as rapidly as they can call for it. This payment is 13 cents per bushel without deductions being taken for local expenses. Checks are larger than any final payment received during the existence of the AAA.

It is possible that a few of the hog allotment checks still remain in the hands of farmers as they were distributed a few days ago here.

Farmers are appearing at the court house daily to sign the work sheets which signify that they may qualify for the soil conservation payments if they desire. It is reported by Dewey Thompson, who is in charge of that work, that practically 100% of the farmers of the county will qualify before the deadline which has been set as July 3.

In relation to the soil conservation program orders are now in for 6180 pounds of Crested Wheat Grass seed which will be used to sow down Sherman county side hills and thin land. The cost has been set at 35 cents per pound. Further orders may be taken by the county agent for a few days.

## Field Day At Station Next Friday, 26th

The annual field day at the experimental station will be held June 26th, which is next Friday. At that time farmers who are interested in the work being done at the station will have an opportunity to inspect the plots showing the rate and date of sowing wheat trials, the different varieties of wheats being grown and the rotation plots and have the work explained to them. There is also much new material on forage crops and the new grasses that are attracting so much attention since the start of the soil conservation program.

The tour of the station will begin at two o'clock in the afternoon and everyone is invited to come and see the year's showing of crops.

## Court Proceedings For June Shown

### COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS, JUNE TERM, 1936.

June 3, 1936, being the time for the regular term of the County Court of Sherman County, in the State of Oregon, the Honorable County Court did on the said date meet in the County Courtroom in the Courthouse at Moro, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m.

The following were present: Hon. Geo. A. Potter, County Judge; P. C. Axtell, A. A. Dunlap, County Commissioners; Geo. G. Updegraff, District Attorney, and Viola M. Hansen, Deputy Clerk. The following proceedings were had:

In the Matter of the Application of Delbert H. Deyo of Rufus for recommendation for Class Package Beer License. Recommendations made by County Court and fee of \$5.00 received.

In the Matter of the Application of Cecil Fields, et al. for recommendation for Class Package Beer License in Rufus. Recommendation made by County Court and fee of \$5.00 received.

In the Matter of the Application of Cecil Fields, et al. for recommendation for Retail Beer

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### WEATHER FOR THE WEEK

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
June 11	77	56	.00
" 12	81	57	.00
" 13	85	53	.01
" 14	82	55	.00
" 15	79	54	.11
" 16	79	46	.00
" 17	69	48	.00
Total for week			.12

## Grange Picnic Program Ready For Saturday

### Roy Hewitt of Salem To Give Main Address of Day; Games To Be Played By All After Picnic Dinner

A county wide picnic at the invitation of the granges will be held Saturday at DeMoss park. The usual picnic features will be in evidence. Roy Hewitt, professor of law at Willamette University will give the address of the day, the Moro band has been asked to play and a picnic dinner are the high lights of the day.

The program will be held in the morning beginning at 10 o'clock. The masters of the four granges are the committee in charge and the lecturers are responsible for the program. Each one of the granges will give some part of the program which will consist of musical numbers, singing and short skits.

### Willamette Professor Speaker

Mr. Hewitt is a well known speaker in the Willamette valley and is known to many here as he formerly taught at O. S. C. He was scheduled to speak here once before but was delayed by a broken car and could not fill the engagement.

In the afternoon games will be played, and a sports program will be enjoyed by those who take part as well as they who watch. The north end and the south end will engage in a soft ball game. Charles Adlard and Dean Reynolds are in charge of this part of the program. The lunch will be served cafeteria style and the hungry picnickers will march around the table to fill their plates before sitting down to their ease.

### Army Corporal Wants Men

Corporal Harry H. Stevenson from the Portland Recruiting Office of the United States Army will be in The Dalles in the interest of recruiting for the Regular Army on June 22 and 23, 1936.

Vacancies at the moment are for the different posts and branches of the Army stationed in the West and Northwest. A few vacancies may be available for foreign service on this trip.

Corporal Stevenson may be contacted at, or in the vicinity of the Post Office Building. Eligible applicants for enlistment will be immediately forwarded to the station and branch of their choice that is open for enlistment at the expense of the United States Government.

### Sunday School Picnic

Next Sunday, June 21, Grass Valley will be host to the various Sunday schools in Sherman county for the summer get-together of the Sherman County Sunday School association. At ten o'clock Bible classes for all ages will meet in the auditorium with a church service to follow.

At noon a basket dinner will be served. A program will be presented at 1:30 p. m. with the Wasco Methodist and Grass Valley Baptist groups furnishing special numbers. "How Suzanne Slew Her Giant," a short play, will be given by the Moro intermediates.

R. C. Byers will preside at the annual meeting of the association which follows.

### 3000 Trees Ordered

A shipment of 3000 trees was obtained from the state forest nursery at Corvallis for farmers and 4-H club members of Sherman county by County Agent Perry N. Johnston. These included Russian Olive, Black Locust, Caragana and Ponderosa pine, as well as 200 Chinese elms ordered by special request, although these are not recommended for this district. The trees were planted mainly for shelter belts, although Mr. Amick of Kent planted 750 Black Locust as a wood lot to produce his own fence posts. Trees planted in recent years are making very satisfactory growth, despite severe drought conditions. Mr. Johnston states.

## Political Parties Elect Officers For County

The central committees of the Republican and Democratic parties meet last week and elected their officers for the coming two year term. Democrats in a meeting held Friday night chose J. C. McKean as chairman, E. E. Gervais as secretary, Tom Garrett as congressional committeeman and W. F. Jackson as state committeeman. Leora Peetz was elected treasurer.

The Republicans in their Saturday meeting elected Harry D. Proudfoot of Wasco as chairman, W. Ray Blake as congressional committeeman and Giles French as secretary and state committeeman. A nominating committee of five was elected consisting of H. D. Proudfoot, Dean Reynolds, W. Ray Blake, H. A. Walker and O. L. Belshe. J. M. Wilson was appointed as committeeman from Kent because of an election tie that precluded the election of any candidate.

## Laura Ruggles Married Sunday

The wedding of Miss Laura Ruggles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ruggles of Moro and Glenn Segerdahl of Paulina was solemnized Sunday afternoon at four o'clock in the Methodist church, with the Rev. R. A. Hutehinson of The Dalles reading the service.

The bride was attended by Miss Alta Weidebeir and Josephine Sayers and Charles Ruggles, brother of the bride was best man. Arnold Landry and Phillip Ruggles were ushers and little Conne Ruggles was ring bearer. Miss Velma Powell, accompanied by Helen Ruggles, sang.

A reception at the bride's home was given immediately after the ceremony.

## July 3rd Is Final Date For SC & DA

### Reports Indicate Heavy Sign-Up Throughout The State

Friday, July 3 has been set as the closing date for receiving work sheets for the 1936 agricultural conservation program. Unless a work sheet has been filed by a farmer by that date, showing what the crops were on his farm in 1935, he will be unable to qualify for a grant for carrying out soil conserving or soil building practices under this year's program.

The date was set by the state committee late last week while the members were in session at Corvallis going over the progress of the program to date. Among the business transacted was the listing of county yields for seed flax under the special provisions applying to that crop.

### Majority Farmers Sign

The state committee received unofficial reports from many counties showing a large sign up of work sheets under the new program. In western Oregon particularly has the sign up been heavy. Farmers in general are following the advice of the extension men in getting work sheets in even though they were not certain they desired finally to participate in the program this year. Signing the work sheets entails no obligation, but merely makes certain that grants may be claimed under this year's program if earned.

Best indications are that liming will be added as an official soil building practice in western Oregon. This addition to the original list was recommended by the Oregon technical committee. Word has now been received by the state committee that the addition at a flat rate of \$2.50 an acre has been approved by the division. This usually means final approval by the secretary.

As soon as all work sheets are in, the task of getting the individual farm rates for the Class I payments will fall upon the various county committees. These rates will be computed from the approved production figures on the work sheets when compared with the county average yield of principal soil depleting crops as supplied the committee by the AAA.

## School Officers Chosen By Voters At Meetings

### Tom Fraser Re-elected As Director of Non-High School Board; Few Changes Made Personell of Boards

Election of school directors in the county last Monday was accomplished with a minimum of excitement and as a general thing few turned out to the meetings. Changes that were made although few were not the result of community fights but of gradual change and the desire of the incumbent to continue in the job he held.

Many of the district clerks have not reported the results of the elections in their districts but will be sending in the names of the new for several days along with the annual reports.

### Fraser Carries Three Districts

In the matter of selecting a member of the non-high school board for the zone which comprises the districts of Harmony, Boardman, and Erskine Tom Fraser was elected as he received the majority of the vote in all of the districts. His term is five years.

The Rufus district chose Bruce Millard to be director for three years and re-elected H. H. Brackett as clerk.

At Wasco Lloyd Hennagin was elected as director and Mary Fortner was chosen as clerk. Millard replaced Chas. Kuypers and Hennagin replaced A. J. Smith.

Moro district elected Harry Kuna man instead of John Foss as director and Joe Truitt was made clerk to succeed Marion McKee.

T. M. Garrett was re-elected director and W. Ray Blake clerk for the Grass Valley district. At Kent A. von Borstel was re-elected as director and Frank von Borstel was made clerk to succeed A. A. Dunlap who has moved from the district.

### Buckley May Hold School

The Buckley district elected Glen Fairchild as director and Don Clodfelter as clerk. This district is considering the discontinuance of their bus and may hold school there next year.

The Emigrant district re-elected George W. Drinkard clerk and Mrs. Pearl Drinkard as director. Fairview chose W. E. Nichols as director and Mrs. Ada Murray as clerk. Gorman district elected A. G. Fetter as director and Mrs. A. G. Fetter as clerk. Harmony kept S. A. Hall as director and C. E. Crites as clerk.

In the Erskine district Omer Sayers was elected director and Patricia Powell was re-elected clerk. In the Boardman district the same officers were chosen again. W. C. Miller, director and Tom Fraser, clerk.

## Two Women Injured As Car Leaves Road

Two ladies who were returning to California from a visit to Waitsburg, Washington, met with an accident about two miles north of Shaniko Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Grace E. Huebler and Mrs. W. D. Fender of Cathedral City, Cal., were the unfortunate. Their car left the road, crossed the ditch and crashed into a telephone pole with sufficient force to shear it off. H. E. Carron, Pendleton, of the Pacific Telephone Company and H. E. Haggard of Portland traveling for the Imperial Candy Co., stopped and aided the women. Mr. Carron brought them to Moro where Dr. Poley examined them and took them on to The Dalles. Mrs. Huebler had a dislocated elbow and Mrs. Fender a cut on the leg, all being minor injuries.

### Rainfall Spotted

Rainfall for the week has been but .12 at Moro but other parts of the county fared much better. At Wasco it rained Saturday, Sunday and Monday, a nice shower each day and water ran off the summer-fallow in places. South of Grass Valley got a rain Sunday and the eastern part of the county has been visited by several storms. Rains have been spotted and one section may be wet thoroughly while another next to it may be left dusty.