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Salem landlords who were threatening to raise their rents on offices occupied by state departments have agreed to postpone the increases until after the first of the year. Department heads affected by the proposed increases pleaded that they had no funds with which to meet the additional cost. Most of the state departments which were forced to move into downtown office buildings when the old capitol burned are renting on a month to month basis with no lease to protect them against higher rentals.

Secretary of State Snell proposes to make motoring tourists feel that they are really welcome when they come to Oregon in the future. The new non-resident permits for 1937 will bear the label "Guest of Oregon."

Death continues to ride the Oregon highways with more reckless abandon than ever. The year 1936 bids fair to make a new all time high record for traffic fatalities. Already in the first nine months of the year 215 persons have lost their lives as a result of traffic accidents on the highways of this state, compared to 185 for the same period last year. Traffic accidents, totaling 22,302 for the year to date, are nearly 50 percent ahead of the 1934 record as also are the number of injuries resulting from traffic accidents.

Evidence that the state flax industry is at last on a paying basis is to be found in the fact that it turned \$50,000 into the state's general fund this week to apply on a loan made several years ago when the then infant industry was in the experimental stage.

A scroll containing the signatures of Governor Martin, State Treasurer Holman, Secretary of State Snell, the seven members of the capitol reconstruction commission and the 90 legislators who served in the 1935 session, is to be placed in the corner stone of the new state house. Copies of all resolutions, bills and other proceedings relating to the new capitol will also be deposited in the corner stone. Fred Drager, veteran chief clerk of the House, is now gathering the material. Construction of the new building is expected to start about December 1.

A drive for a new tuberculosis hospital to be located in Multnomah county has already been launched. The Oregon Tuberculosis association has announced its intention of asking the next legislature for an appropriation of \$200,000 to finance the new institution, authority for which was given by the voters at a special election in May, 1934.

Eighty three Oregon motorists had their drivers' licenses revoked during September, 80 for driving while intoxicated. Thirty-six other motorists had their licenses suspended, 18 of these for reckless driving. While one third of the motorists reside in Multnomah county only 7 of the 80 drunken driving cases were reported from that county.

Superintendent Pray of the state police was this week authorized by the board of control to install a crime detection laboratory in the pathology department of the University medical school at Portland. The legislative session of 1935 appropriated \$500 for the laboratory.

It is now five years since a prisoner was hanged at the Oregon penitentiary. James E. Kingsley, the last man to pay the supreme penalty for murder in this state, was hanged on October 30, 1931, for killing Sam E. Prescott, Ashland police officer.

With a record registration of 546,034 voters eligible to participate in next Tuesday's election, a record vote is expected as thousands of men and women wend their way to the poles in 1625 precincts in every nook and corner of the state to express their preference for candidates and measures on state, county and city ballots.

At the last presidential election in 1932 a total of 377,932 Oregon voters exercised their franchise. If the increase in voting this year keeps pace with the increase in registration the total vote at Tues-

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Grass Valley High School Presents Play

The Ghost Parade, a mystery comedy, was presented by the students of the Grass Valley High school Saturday night. This is the first play of the year and the cast included many students who have formerly taken no part in the dramatic work of the school.

The play was concerned with a supposedly haunted village hotel recently willed to Anne Watkins (Anita Dunlap) who arrives accompanied by a friend, Mamie Rose (Louise Roth). Guy Vintin as the sheriff turned over the place to her and warns her of the stories of ghosts.

Moro Girl Wins Place On College Glee Club

Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon, Oct. 27—Genevieve N. L. H. Nahouse of Moro, Oregon, one of the new members of the Linfield Women's Glee club announced recently by Virginia Ward Elliott, director. Miss Nahouse is a freshman enrolled in the department of business administration.

Range Program Planned at Arlington

A meeting was held in Arlington Thursday which was attended by county agents of nearby counties and members of the Agricultural Conservation committees and led by P. M. Brandt of the state college, who is directing the range program for the federal government.

The purpose of the meeting was primarily to acquaint the agents and committeemen with the range program that is being started in this state.

Payments of considerable size are probable under this program for land owners who have range land in need of conservation. These payments are limited to \$2.00 per head of stock the range will carry.

For contouring land sixty cents per acre may be paid. Many Payments Possible Development of water resources will bring certain payments. For springs and seed development there is a payment of \$50. For earth reservoirs there is a payment of 15 cents per cubic yard. Wells may obtain a payment of \$1 per lineal foot.

Under the head of water spreading there may be a payment of 10 cents per lineal foot of ditch. For range fencing thirty cents per rod may be paid, for fire guards 3 cents per lineal foot. Rodent control for infested areas may be 15 cents per acre controlled. Re-seeding of grasses may bring a payment of \$2.50 for Crested Wheat grass and \$1.25 for the seed of other grasses.

The program will be explained to range men of the participating counties within a few weeks by members of the extension staff of the state college.

CAPTAIN ALLYN LEACES

Captain William P. Allyn, who has been in charge of the local CCC camp since last March, resigned from active duty with the army this week and left for Portland Thursday. The camp is not in charge of Lt. Roy Dahlin, who has been second in command for several months.

Captain Allyn was married last week to Miss Ethel Jane Burton of Portland and they will move to that city where he will become a salesman for a heating appliance.

Wasco Bank Orders Dividend of 20 Percent

Payment is Eighth Dividend And Makes a Total of 80 Percent Paid To Depositors Since Closing of Bank

A dividend of twenty percent has been authorized by the superintendent of banks, Mark Skinner, for the Bank of Commerce, Wasco. Payment will be made on and after November 6 by the deputy, H. M. Stephens.

This will be the seventh dividend and will total \$31,276.30 into the hands of the depositors of the bank. After the payment is made eighty percent of the deposits of the bank will have been paid.

Loans Still Out According to the statement of the bank \$97,783.08 still remain of the loans and discounts of the bank which may be used to pay up the remaining 20% of deposits and other claims against the institution. There are some other available assets also which may be used including claims and judgments of \$3,694.93 and Banking assets of \$7,111.40.

Secured claims of \$4,091.34 have all been paid. Preferred claims of \$6,999.41 have been paid. Bills payable of \$101,170.00 and redemptions of \$74,364.00 have been paid. Of ordinary claims of \$156,385.69, \$93,726.23 have been previously paid.

Much Interest Earned

Interest amounting to \$60,743.34 has been collected during the process of liquidating the bank and stock assessments of \$14,766.43 have been turned in to the deputy in charge. Expenses have totaled \$15,183.22 and the bank has paid interest amounting to \$11,879.74. This leaves a net earning of the liquidation of \$33,880.38.

Old Time County Resident Passes On

Charles Frank Fulton, one of Sherman county's pioneers, died at his home in Portland Tuesday. The Fulton family came to the Willamette valley from Indiana in 1847 and in 1857 Col. James Fulton established a stock ranch in Wasco county and since that time members of the family have lived in Wasco or Sherman counties.

Members of the family have represented the county in the legislature and have been county judge, the first judge elected being John Fulton.

Frank Fulton, as the deceased was known, has lived in Portland for several years but has made frequent visits to his Sherman county holdings.

The funeral services will be held in Portland Saturday and interment will be made in the Wasco cemetery. Graveside services will be held at two o'clock Sunday afternoon there for this pioneer stock man whose foresight and ability had much to do with the development of the county where his remains will rest.

Local Girl Places High in English Test

Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oct. 27—Doris Thompson of Moro, freshman in home economics at Oregon State college, recently placed in the tenth decile in the English placement test, according to Dr. John Kierzek, professor of English and director of freshman composition courses.

Out of 1450 students taking the test, 108 composed the tenth decile. The high rating accorded these students shows a sound high school foundation.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK

DATE	MAX	MIN	PRECIP
Oct. 22	60	34	.00
" 23	73	36	.00
" 24	68	45	.00
" 25	65	28	.00
" 26	67	34	.00
" 27	63	37	.00
" 28	64	32	.00
Total for week			.00

Gram Offers Aid Yields of Spring and Winter Wheats Compared

Labor Commissioner C. H. Gram states that his department has made an investigation of the fatal accident to H. K. Davenport of Hood River Valley. Mr. Davenport was electrocuted in his own plant, caused by defective wiring. Mr. Gram says his department finds many electrical installations in small industrial plants which are both life and fire hazards. The majority of these installations are made by owners themselves.

The Bureau of Labor is anxious to have these defects corrected and will be only too happy to assist owners, upon request, by making surveys.

Funeral Held For Moro Woman

Funeral services for Mrs. Etta Axtell, wife of J. M. Axtell, who died Sunday, were held Wednesday afternoon from the Presbyterian church with Rev. Mitchellmore giving the sermon. Interment was made in the local cemetery.

Mrs. Axtell was born in Iowa April 17, 1859 and had lived a large part of her life in Oregon. She came to Moro about 25 years ago. She is survived by her widower, two sons, Floyd Brown of Aloha, Wallace Brown of Beaverton, two daughters, Mrs. Aden Axtell of Moro and Mrs. Nora Jack of Beaverton and eleven grand children and eleven great grand children. She had been ill for several months.

Sherman County Court Proceedings

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS OF THE OCTOBER TERM OF COURT, 1936.

October 7th, 1936 being the time for the regular term of the County Court of the County of Sherman, the Honorable County Court did on the said date meet at the Court house in the City of Moro, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m.

The following were present: Geo. A. Potter, county Judge; A. A. Dunlap, County Commissioner.

P. C. Axtell, County Commissioner; Geo. G. Updegraff, Dist. Attorney; Marie Hoskinson, Deputy Clerk.

The following proceedings were had:

In the matter of paying the claims presented against the General Fund:

In the matter of paying the claims presented against the Road Fund:

In the matter of the 1936 Budget item for Biological Survey in Sherman County—Clerk instructed to issue warrant to Earl Snell, Secretary of State for Sherman County and balance of budget for predatory animal control.

In the matter of 1936 budget of the association of Oregon counties—Clerk instructed to issue warrant in amount and remit to W. S. Allen.

In the matter of the vacation of a certain county road in Road District No. 1. Roadmaster ordered to review road and report.

In the matter of the High School Tuition fund—transfer—County Treasurer authorized to transfer from High School Tuition Fund to Road bond sinking fund \$870.62.

In the matter of Sherman County Road Bonds—County Treasurer authorized to \$1.10 for Block of 15,000 Sherman County Road Bonds.

In the matter of appointing of the 1936 budget committee.—C. W. Johnson, Klondike, Oregon, O. L. Belshe, Moro, Oregon, and Amanus von Borstel, Kent, Oregon.

In the matter of Security held by Sherman County with reference to Moro State Bank in liquidation, foreclosure suit—Pacific Coast Jt. Stock Land Bank vs. D. J. McLachlan, et al.—State Banking Department advised Sherman County equity in land foreclosed valueless. Therefore will not exercise its right of redemption.

In the matter of loan—County Court authorized a loan of \$5000.00 from the Bond interest fund to road bond sinking fund for the purpose of purchasing bonds.

In the matter of setting date for budget meeting—November 14, 1936 at 10 o'clock a. m. set for date.

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Winter Wheat Generally Best Yields Until 1929 When Spring Wheat Became Best Dry Ground Probable Cause

This has been one of those falls when there is a difficult question for farmers to answer about the business of farming. To seed or not to seed causes many wrinkles on autumn season is without rainfall.

Some figures have been compiled by D. E. Stephens at the experiment station that shows the results that have been obtained from both spring and winter seeding. Wheat used for winter seeding was Turkey Red and for spring seeding was Baart. Federation was not used because it was not known here at the time the experiment was started. It has yielded 3 bushels more than Baart since it has been grown here.

The average for the sixteen years from 1913 to 1928 inclusive was 29.4 bushels for winter wheat and 23.9 for spring wheat, a difference that would clearly indicate that winter wheat was the most profitable.

Change in 1929 Since 1929, however, there is a different story. The results have been as follows:

Year	Turkey	Baart
1929	14.4	20.3
1930	13.1	22.2
1931	15.3	22.4
1932	13.7	14.8
1933	19.6	19.8
1934	16.2	15.6
1935	13.4	21.5
1936	20.4	19.8

The most likely correlation between these figures and the rainfall is that whenever there is a deficiency of moisture in the low or three feet or soil spring wheat will make a better yield than will spring wheat. The average since 1929 has been 15.8 for winter wheat and 19.6 for spring wheat.

Dean Eric W. Allen Finds the Danes a Thrifty, Capable Race

Kopenhagen—Denmark is a sensible little country, if there ever was one. It has to be. If the Danes make any serious mistakes, there is no chance that Nature will make up the deficit, or luck, or politics, and perhaps not even Providence. So the Danes just watch their step, and they have accomplished wonders.

Denmark is almost without natural resources, yet the Danes eat better, sleep warmer, live in more modern houses, enjoy a superior education, are socially more secure, and get through life with less tribulation than almost any other one could name. A young Nazi in Germany, a war baby himself, told me he would hate to live in Denmark because life there was so peaceful and unexciting.

All the Danes had to start with was a small country made up apparently of sanddunes covered with a thin and not very fertile soil. Now they have a land that seems more like Oregon than anything else about as artistic as the Danes are about as artistic as the Americans. Whether that is saying much or little is left to the reader. Their idea of what constitutes a good town is the same. The streets should be wide, and clean, and well paved. The houses should be well built. The store windows should be large, and spotlessly clean, and filled with the most modern goods the world can offer, attractively displayed. A few neon lights and a little snap advertising in brilliant colors warms the Danish soul, as it does the American. The automobiles should be streamlined, and they are—no where else in Europe.

But to see the star exhibit of the Danish life one must go outside the cities and note what has happened to those sanddunes. All Denmark is a food-factory. Every Danish farmer mixes his own fertilizer and he always knows exactly what he is doing. There is no guess about it. He knows his

Weed Control Program Starting Fri. and Sat.

Lawrence Jenkins, associate specialist in Farm Crops, will be here today and tomorrow to conduct experiments in weed control and eradication.

Five kinds of chemicals will be used on six weed plots in as many different parts of the county. Carbon Bisulphide, Calcium Chlorate (Atiacide) Chlorates, Pentox and Acid Arsenical compound will be tried on plots at Kent, Grass Valley, Moro, Klondike, Locust Grove and Rufus.

The purpose of this experiment is to obtain information about the comparative effectiveness of the weed chemicals in this county. This information is expected to provide the basis for a long time weed control program.

About a quarter of an acre will be used in each plot to be divided in five sections, each treated with a different chemical. The plots must be fenced as some of the chemicals used are poisonous to stock.

County Agent Gives Conservation Rules

County agent, LeRoy Wright announced Wednesday that all who are seeding Crested Wheat grass in expectancy of obtaining the payment for such work should notify his office immediately after seeding so that the check can be made by the supervisor and payments hastened.

Those who plowed with a disc plow and have not applied for a trashy fallow payments should see a member of the committee from their district for examination. A trashy fallow payment will be granted whether a soil conserving crop is grown or not.

Acres of trashy fallow must be passed on by the committee member but no payment will be made where stubble was burned or pastured.

Crested Wheat must be sown before November first and it may be sown in drills or solid.

Mrs. Elizabeth Schaeffer left last week for a week or ten days visit in Prineville with relatives.

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chemistry and his biology and his bacteriology and he keeps careful statistics of results. One could not walk through his clover field without tripping and falling. The yield of everything per acre, or, as he would say, per hectare, is very large.

We saw a stock fair at Odense as we drove through and were surprised at the quality of the animals. Afterwards we were told that low grade stock has just about disappeared from the country. Hogs are so brought to the bacon factory (not "slaughter house") the farmers are penalized in price if the sides are an inch or so too short or an inch or so too long. Danish butter is Standard luxury throughout all the world's tropical regions and in those lands where it is noon at the Danish midnight. The Danes know exactly how to make it so that it is absolutely standard—and of the highest standard—how to put it in tins so that it will keep, how to market it and ship it—and how to charge for it.

Marketing, in fact, is exactly where the Danes shine. Only in a country where a very high quality of education is general—almost universal, in fact—could their complex organization of dozens of cooperatives be successfully conducted, and become the basis of a country's economic and cultural success. Even the farm hand, or the porter at your hotel, is likely to be a college graduate and answer your question in good French, or German or English if you cannot understand Danish. There are bookstores everywhere, with big stocks in several languages, not only in Kopenhagen but in the small towns. There are far more newspapers in proportion than there are at home, and they are lively, American style sheets, with lots of pictures and a great deal of interesting news, not the pseudo-

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Political Race Ending With Results In Doubt

Presidential Campaign Draws Entire Interest of Voters of County and Many Minor Candidates Overlooked

The political campaign, as far as Sherman county is concerned, is ending its last stage with discussion limited to a marked degree to the presidential race. The only other race that has drawn any interest from the public of noticeable extent has been the one for congressman from the second district between incumbent Walter M. Pierce and Roy W. Ritner. Even the county ticket has been accorded little discussion.

By radio, by pictures, by news dispatches, by pamphlet and by the use of the franking privilege the voters have been informed of the issues in the major national race. Minds are surely made up by this time.

The most important place the voters of Oregon have to fill is the United States senatorship for which Charles L. McNary is apparently the leading candidate. Willis Mahoney is trying to wrest the position from the senior senator. Others in the race are two independents, Clarence Rudder and Albert Streiff. The Socialist-Labor candidate is Eric Hass.

Congress Fight Hot

Mr. Peirce and Mr. Ritner are the only candidates for the congressional seat in this district. Mr. Peirce is the incumbent having served since 1932. Mr. Ritner has been state senator and secretary of the Pendleton Round-Up in addition to being a farmer in Matilla county.

The race for state treasurer is between U. S. Burt, who is an instructor in the schools of higher education in the state, and Rufus Holman who is the incumbent. Don Swetland is an independent candidate.

Alfred P. Dobson of Portland is candidate for the office of attorney general in opposition to I. H. Van Winkle, incumbent. Mr. Dobson is regarded as a competent attorney by fellow members of the bar. J. E. Hosmer of Marion county is an independent candidate.

This district will have to choose a senator and two representatives at this election. W. H. Steiwer of Fossil is the only nominee as George Wilcox resigned because of his removal from the district. Mr. Steiwer's election is therefore assured. He has served one regular and one special session.

District Officers Up

Candidates for representative number four with two places to fill. Ernest R. Fatland of Condon is one of the incumbents having served a term at Salem where he made a reputation for fairness and ability. He has been suggested as a candidate for speaker.

Giles L. French of Sherman county is the other incumbent having been appointed by the county courts of the district after the resignation of Paul Lynch. He served in the special session.

I. D. Grey of Arlington is a contestant for one of the places. He is an electrician who has worked in many of the towns in the district.

Hanson Hughes of Heppner is the fourth candidate. He is a grocerman in his home town where he has lived for many years.

Two Attorney Candidates

The final contest on the state ballot is for the district attorneyship of Sherman county. T. Lester Johnson of Wasco is an independent candidate for this office and is opposing George G. Updegraff, present district attorney, who won the nomination of both parties at the May primaries.

There is no contest for county assessor as Margaret W. Peetz won the nomination for both parties last May. David Reid, candidate for county commissioner and George A. Potter, candidate for county judge are in the same position and the election of all of them may be prophesied without fear of failure.

W. A. Rugles and Joe Truitt are the candidates for county clerk. The former won his place

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