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When the state legislature meets in regular session in January its members will be confronted with requests for direct appropriations aggregating \$17,918,657.52 all bearing the approval of budget director Wallace S. Wharton. This figure, according to Wharton, represents a reduction of \$2,523,578.96 from the budget requests filed with the department by the state's numerous activities which are supported by legislative appropriations.

Of the approved appropriations approximately \$4,000,000 represents the recommended budget for relief purposes to be financed out of profits of the State Liquor Commission. The remaining \$13,918,657.52 is to be financed out of the general fund. With revenues accruing to this fund totalling \$14,397,687 during the biennium there remains a surplus of \$529,509.98 to meet other needs than those included in the budget—providing, of course, that the legislators follow the recommendations of the budget director.

Included in the recommendations of the budget director is an item of \$461,688.34 for the state system of higher education over and above the millage levies. If this item or any portion of it is approved by the legislature it will be the first time since the session of 1929 that higher education has received any state aid other than that approved by the special levies.

General fund appropriations approved by the budget director for 1937-38 exceed by approximately \$2,560,000 the appropriations voted for the current biennium.

Budget requests of the 11 state institutions aggregating \$5,069,185.92 were reduced by the budget director to \$3,776,142.52, a reduction of more than \$1,293,043.40. At that the recommendations exceed by more than \$270,000 the appropriations voted for the current biennium. Permanent improvements at state institutions as approved by the budget director call for the expenditure of only \$344,173.68 during the biennium. No major improvements are included in the list, the largest single item being that of a receiving ward at the eastern Oregon State hospital at Pendleton, which, together with remodeling of the living quarters at that institution is estimated to cost \$68,000. Other buildings included in the list are two physicians cottages at the state hospital in Salem to cost \$15,000; two residential cottages at the state prison \$10,000; two physicians cottages at the tuberculosis hospital, Salem, \$15,000; new heating plant and laundry at the eastern Oregon tuberculosis hospital at The Dalles, \$51,400. It is hoped that federal aid to the extent of 45 percent may be secured in financing the biennium's building program reducing the cost of the state to \$100,395.

"Millions for the relief of Oregon's needy citizens but not one cent for the support of alien paupers." Not in so many words but in effect that was the reply of Governor Martin to delegations which picketed the state house this week and called at the executive department in search of financial aid for destitute refugees from the states of the middle west. The governor declared that financial aid would be provided in returning destitute families to their home states but that they could not be given relief since they were not citizens of this state and Oregon already had enough needy people of its own to take care of.

A delegation representing the Oregon Tuberculosis association which appeared before the state board of control in behalf of a new tuberculosis hospital to be located in Multnomah county received plenty of sympathy but no encouragement of support for their program at this time. Members of the board admitted the need for additional hospital facilities for the care and treatment of tuberculosis victims but expressed the opinion that the recently established institution at The Dalles should be completely rounded out before a new institution was started. Sponsors of the new hospital estimated \$300,000 as the cost of a hospital with a capacity of 150 patients.

That the Townsend "bloc" will be a factor in the forthcoming legislative session is generally admitted. Just how much influence this bloc (Continued on Page two)

Kent Auxiliary Meets to Make Clothing

The ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary of George Bell unit met at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Dunlap Wednesday afternoon. The afternoon was spent in cutting and making print dresses to be sent to needy World War veterans families who suffered the loss of their homes in the Bandon disaster. A wreath of Auxiliary poppies was made and together with a spray of fresh cut flowers was placed on the grave of Henry Baker in commemoration of the close of the war 18 years ago. Refreshments of apple pie a la mode and coffee were served by the hostess.

Tuberculosis Test Given To 329

Sixty-eight percent of the children of Sherman county were given the preliminary test for tuberculosis Tuesday of this week when Dr. J. M. O'Dell of The Dalles and Dr. C. L. Poley of Moro, assisted by Miss Mary VanVactor, Wasco county health nurse, made a trip to the county schools.

Thursday of this week Dr. Poley again visited the schools and examined the 329 children tested to see if the test had reacted positive or negatively. Those who show a positive test will be given an x-ray plate and will have an opportunity to go to The Dalles and have a free x-ray taken to determine if the tuberculosis germs they are harboring are active or not. Treatment will be recommended for those who react to the test.

Extension Men Working On New Farm Program

Simplified Program Asked By Oregon Representatives Who Are Attending Conference

Early completion and announcement of details of the 1937 agricultural conservation program is promised by officials of the AAA in the western region and at Washington. The latest move in speeding up the program is the calling to Washington of representative farmers and extension men from all parts of the United States to assist in final consideration of the many suggestions made at community, county and regional meetings held throughout the United States last October.

Oregon delegates to this conference are N. E. Dodd of Baker, who is a member of the state committee in charge of the program, and Wm. L. Teutsch, assistant county agent leader. Mr. Teutsch went to Washington directly from a regional county planning conference in Salt Lake City. His work at the national capital is expected to continue until about December.

A 1937 program which will more nearly fit the desires and needs of the farmers themselves than was possible to develop in the hurried atmosphere from which the 1936 program came is the desire of all those concerned, says George E. Farrell, director of the western region. He says that the suggestions made by Oregon representatives at the local meetings in this state have in varying degrees been included in recommendations from other states. As many of these will be incorporated as practicable.

The outstanding proposal made by the Oregon delegation, which was heartily seconded by those from Washington and Idaho, is that the entire plan be simplified much along the lines now incorporated in the range building program. If this is done every farm will have a maximum benefit payment set, which may be earned by the farmer through following one or more of a number of approved soil building practices. This would eliminate much misunderstanding on the part of the growers, would do away with a large percentage of the "paper work" now required, and would at the same time accomplish the major objectives of soil conservation, the Oregon officials believe.

Governor Martin To Speak To Wheat League

Experimenters and Economists Scheduled To Appear On Program At Annual Meeting In Heppner, December 4-5

Governor Charles H. Martin has added the Eastern Oregon Wheat league to his crowded schedule of events to be attended in person, and will be the principal speaker at the annual banquet, according to definite assurance received by President E. W. Miller, Lexington, and Secretary Charles W. Smith of O. S. C. The banquet will be held the evening of the first day of the convention, December 4 and 5.

With the Governor as a major attraction, and the usual features that have made the Wheat League banquet outstanding, the local committee in charge is expecting a capacity crowd for this function.

Program Flexible

While the exact order of the program has not been worked out as yet, officers have lined up a number of definite items. Word is still awaited as to who will be the representative from Washington, D. C., although those in charge have been assured that someone will be sent.

Among the Oregon men to appear on the program will be W. S. Nelson, manager of The Dalles Chamber of Commerce, who will speak on Columbia river development, with special attention to the improved transportation facilities which will come with the completion of the Bonneville dam. D. E. Stephens, superintendent of the branch experiment station at Moro is always a popular wheat league speaker on production matters. He will discuss latest information on substitute or rotation crops for the mid-Columbia district.

Wm. A. Schoenfeld, director of the Oregon experiment station, is to be on the program this year after being absent for several sessions. He will discuss some phase of the state's agricultural research program. D. E. Richards, superintendent of the eastern Oregon livestock experiment station at Union will be present again to bring up to date the report on feeding of wheat to livestock.

Reports of the advance committees which are at work on major problems of the eastern Oregon section will be completed in time for general discussion by those attending the convention. A number of other state officials in addition to Governor Martin, and prominent business men from Portland and elsewhere are expected to attend some of the sessions, as the Eastern Oregon Wheat league is now considered one of the major farm gatherings of the year.

Teachers Must Go To School Longer

The amount of training required for a certificate to teach in the elementary schools of Oregon is due for an advance on January 1, 1937, in line with legislation enacted at the 1935 session of the legislature, according to a statement issued by State Superintendent C. A. Howard. The statement follows:

Graduates of standard two year courses at Oregon normals who wish to secure certificates on the basis of such graduation, but who have not yet done so, will need to make application to the State Department of Education before January 1, 1937. On that date the amount of training required for an Oregon elementary certificate will be advanced to include a full term of 12 weeks of professional training in addition to the completion of a standard two-year normal course. Persons who apply for elementary certificates after January 1, 1937, will be required by law to meet the advanced qualifications.

Under the regulations of the State Department of Education, the holder of a one-year certificate based on standard normal school graduation who fails to teach long enough during the life of such certificate to be eligible for a five-year paper can secure another one-year certificate at such time as he may wish to apply for it.

DEAN WELCOMES NEW STUDENTS AT UNIVERSITY OF OREGON



MRS. HAZEL P. SCHWERING, dean of women, welcomes a group of freshman women at the University of Oregon. Left to right are Ruth Sterrett, Salem; Isabelle Baker, Florence; Jean Wiley, Salem; Mrs. Schwering and Marie Louise Langdell, Portland. The dean of women's office offers guidance and counsel to all women students during the school year.

Harland View Grange Elects Officers for 1937

Harland View grange met Friday, November 13 to elect officers for the year 1937. During the session which lasted until nearly midnight the following officers were elected: Master, H. B. Belshie; Overseer, Dewey Thompson; Lecturer, Mrs. Chas. Adlard; Steward, Clifford May; Assistant Steward, Robert Belshie; Chaplain, C. J. Thompson; Treasurer, George McDonald; Secretary, Roy Kessinger; Gate Keeper, Chas. Adlard; Ceres, Mrs. D. L. Reynolds; Pomona, Mrs. A. G. Futtr; Flora, Mrs. W. A. May; Lady Assistant Steward, Mrs. Robert Belshie.

Charles Wicklander, State deputy, was present during the meeting and gave some interesting pointers on grange regulations and procedure at the close of the evening. Following the meeting refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

No Jury Called For November Court

No jury was called in for the November term of court as no cases of importance were on the docket. The first day was taken up with citizenship matters and one minor case was held on the second day. This was the case of Charles R. Baker and the Reckman boys, John, Henry and Andy.

"Some time ago Baker's car crashed into the rear of a truck that had stopped on the road southwest of Grass Valley. The Reckmans claimed that their truck was unavoidably broken down in the road while Baker claimed that they were negligent. Attorney Krier and Hankinson presented the case for Mr. Baker and Frank G. Dick acted as attorney for Reckmans. The decision will be given by Judge Hendricks. Baker sued for \$295.

Rev. Ed C. Cofer Dies in Portland

Ed C. Cofer, who has served in this county as minister on many occasions and who was once stationed for several months in Grass Valley, died in Portland Tuesday morning after an illness that has kept him incapacitated for some time. An operation of two months ago disclosed the fact that he could not live a very long time.

Mr. Cofer was 51 years old. He had been in the ministry for many years, had worked in evangelical work and was pastor of the Calvary Baptist church at the time of his death.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK				
DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.	
Nov. 12	50	20	.00	
" 13	52	23	.00	
" 14	48	21	.00	
" 15	57	35	.00	
" 16	57	35	.00	
" 17	56	33	.03	
" 18	57	31	.00	
Total for week			.03	

Range Program Application Time Expires Nov. 25

Payments May Be Earned In Several Ways By Stockmen

November 25th has been set as the final date for filing applications under the range program now being urged on the owners of range land in this section of the United States.

Under the plan one cow, one horse or five sheep are considered an animal unit. The maximum payment possible is \$2 for each animal unit and it is presumed that ten acres will be needed for each animal unit making possible payments of 20 cents per acre to those complying.

Perry N. Johnston, former county agent of this county, is the examiner for this district and is expected to come here soon to examine the ranges of this county where owners have applied. It is reported that already 46,000 acres will be under the plan in this county.

The two dollars can be earned by several methods: developing springs or seeps, digging wells brings a payment of \$1 per foot, fifteen cents per cubic yard may be paid for building earth dams for reservoirs, \$2.50 per acre will be allowed for seeding Crested Wheat grass at the rate of five pounds per acre, thirty cents per rod may be paid for building three wire fences with posts not over 20 feet apart, sixty cents per acre may be paid for building contour furrows and ten cents per yard for building fire trails.

Any range owner or operator may obtain these payments by complying with the regulations. He may develop any land he owns or occupies except that owned by the federal government.

Val Workman Misses Bridge

Val Workman missed the bridge in front of Mrs. Hansen's place Wednesday night and tipped his car over in the ditch. No damage was done to Mr. Workman except slight bruises and the car escaped injury in the main although some glass was broken. He was returning from Wasco and turned into the street leading to the bridge and drove below it turning over in the ditch.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

This may be a dry fall and all that as some people have heard in the last few weeks but nevertheless a man was stuck in the mud half a block from the main street of Moro last week. It was this way: Marshall Williams had dug up a shut off in the alley near Douma's which caused it to spring a leak, as is the way with shut offs at this time of year. When Walter Ruggles drove down the alley he got stuck—tight, too, and it required the assistance of several laughing neighbors to get him out.

Railroad Levy Reduced in Sherman County

According to information given out this week by Margaret Peetz, county assessor, the state tax commission have reduced the railroad valuation in this county by \$239,482.80.

This reduction has been due to the taking up of the Deschutes railroad. Because of the removal of the rails, some of the ties and the bridges the valuation of the right of way has been cut by one half. This leaves a valuation of \$5760 per mile.

The valuation of the Shaniko branch per mile is put at \$10080 and that of the main line along the Columbia river is set at \$38880 for 1936. The loss of the Deschutes branch valuation will affect several of the school districts in the county.

Eugene Girl Wins Recognition in 4-H

JOYCE ANDERSON, 15, is named Oregon's 4-H girl best typifying the objective of the club movement as a feature of the National 4-H Program on Social Progress. She is enrolled in the Bethel Girls 4-H Club, led by Melba Andrews, 1935 state and national champion in the girls' record contest.

Miss Anderson has been a club member seven years during which she has completed a broad program in economic projects and taken active part in public enterprises. She participated in 12 educational demonstrations, three judging contests, and three style revues. For two years she was president of a club and served in other offices as well as in the girls senior recreational club, fire prevention, plays, pageants and other affairs.

Will Visit New York

She will be a contender with other state champions of the United States in the Social Progress Program for a trip to New York City with leader next June where the national champion boy and girl will each be presented a cash college scholarship of \$500.00 by Mr. David Sarnoff, President of the Radio Corporation of America, which sponsors the contest.

Miss Anderson was one of over 6500 club members in five counties in the state which participated in the contest.

County Trapper Gets Eight Coyotes

Melvin Fulkerson, predatory animal hunter stationed in Sherman county, did away with eight coyotes during October according to the report of the biological survey for that month. Alva Stone, who formerly was stationed here caught 13 in Morrow county. One hunter, Robert Long, of Malheur county, caught 80 coyotes and four bobcats during October to become high man of the month in Oregon.

Budget Passed With Few Minor Additions Made

Women's Delegation Requests Appropriation For Hire of Health Nurse; Levying Board Grants Request

Despite stories and rumors that the budget hearing would be enlivened by numerous delegations it was one of the quietest on record and only a few tax payers attended. A delegation of women interested in the addition of a health nurse to the county's force appeared and presented Dr. Bestrum of the state health office and Olive Whitlock health nurse, both of whom talked about the work of a health nurse and the advantages that might accrue were an appropriation made for her support.

The county court shortly agreed to meet their demands and voted the \$300 asked by the delegation. It also raised the pay of the county health officer to \$300 to meet with the statutory limitation. No other changes were made in the budget and it was passed as published with the above exceptions.

Health Nurse Talks

Miss Whitlock in presenting the case for the women's delegation stated that the federal government would make an appropriation of approximately \$125 for each hundred dollars allowed by the county and that the expenses of a nurse would be around \$225 per month. The money allowed by the county would make it possible to have a nurse here for three months of the year and Miss Whitlock thought that time ample to do the work needed.

Mrs. Theo. von Borstel spoke briefly and stated that it was the ultimate aim of a newly formed organization to have a health nurse work in Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties the year around.

The action on the budget assures taxpayers that there will be a saving in the sums spent for deputies unless the county court votes at some later time to increase the salaries paid. It is now presumed that one deputy will do the work in both the sheriff's and clerk's offices, but it is highly probable that no one satisfactory to both Charles Wilson and Joe Truitt can be found in which case each will hire a deputy to do their work. Part time work may thus result.

It is doubtful if the system can be said to be settled until it is tried.

Lloyd Hendrichs Gets U. P. Scholarship

The Union Pacific scholarship which is given annually to some outstanding club boy or girl in several counties has been awarded this year to Lloyd Hendrichs with Mary Pinkerton as second or alternate. These are the Sherman county winners.

The rules state that no child may be eligible for the prize until he or she has reached the age of sixteen. The scholarship is for \$100 to be used at Oregon State college. Previous winners have been the Fraser youngsters for several years.

Bank to Sponsor 4-H Competition in Oregon

A state wide competition for achievement and leadership among Oregon's 25,000 4-H club members will be sponsored next year by The First National Bank of Portland. It was announced yesterday by E. B. MacNaughton, president. Awards of a three-day trip to Portland as guests of The First National Bank during the 1937 Pacific International Livestock Exposition will be given the outstanding boy and girl from each of the 36 counties, according to the plans of the bank which sponsored a similar contest this fall in the 21 counties where the bank has branches.

The statewide competition was decided upon by bank officials when this year's contest proved highly successful and evoked many letters of appreciation from 4-H Club members, their parents, friends and club leaders.