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The so-called "liquor" issue promises to be a liquid one in many respects. Gasoline, milk, beer, wine, and hard liquors will come in for their share of consideration at the hands of the lawmakers according to reports already filtering into the capitol from the far corners of the state.

County courts will support a move for a bigger cut of the gasoline taxes for county roads. Nor are they all going to be satisfied with the tentative agreement already arrived at in which \$400,000 a year would be added to the present \$1,000,000 fund which is being distributed among the counties under an act of the 1931 session.

Representative Ekersley of Clackamas county has announced that he would demand an investigation into the activities of the Milk Control Board looking to the abolishment of that regulatory body as a result of the recent hike in the price of milk to consumers in the Portland area. In this move Ekersley will have the support of a number of his colleagues while many others, particularly those from the dairy counties, will just as strenuously oppose any tampering with the milk control act.

Ideas about what should be done with the problem of liquor control seem to be about as numerous as the legislators. There is a well defined move on foot to abolish all beer parlors and to confine the sale of both beer and wine to liquor stores and agencies in the original package. This move has its incentive in the lax regulation of beer dispensaries under the present system with its wide open drinking and drunkenness on the part of women and girls and the rowdiness which prevails in so-called night clubs, especially those outside the jurisdiction of city police. Countering this move the Liquor Control Board has recently started to clamp down on beer parlor operators who fail to preserve order in their places of business. In direct opposition to this move to concentrate the sale of all liquors in the hands of the state hotel and restaurant keepers are expected to renew their fight for the right to serve drinks to their patrons, a fight which served to enliven the last regular session in the attempt to pass the so-called "cocktail" bill.

While Oregon went Democratic in a big way in the recent presidential election the Republicans elected a majority of the county officers throughout the state, a compilation of election returns just completed by Dave O'Hara, election clerk in the state department, reveals. Of the 237 county officials elected in November 1936 were Republicans, 93 Democrats and five Independents. O'Hara's compilation reveals the following results: County judges—9 republicans, 4 democrats, 1 independent. Commissioners—19 republicans, 16 democrats. Sheriffs—17 republicans, 13 democrats. Clerks, 23 republicans, 11 democrats. Treasurers—9 republicans, 24 democrats, 1 independent. Assessors—22 republicans, 7 democrats, 1 independent. Surveyors—16 republicans, 9 democrats, 1 independent. Coroners—24 republicans, 9 democrats.

Oregon's 1937 state fair will open on Labor Day, September 6, according to announcement by Solon T. White, director of agriculture. The Labor Day opening of the fair was strenuously opposed by county fair managers who favored a later date for the state fair. White, however, insists that the Labor Day crowds are necessary to a successful fair unless the legislature can be persuaded to make a more generous contribution towards financing of the annual show.

Maintenance of Oregon's penal and eleemosynary institutions during 1937-38 will cost at least ten per cent more per capita than during the current biennium according to Dan Fry state purchasing agent who points to the steadily increasing cost of foodstuffs, clothing and other supplies.

Assessed valuation of real and personal property as returned by the various county assessors, as well as that of utility property as determined by the state tax commission.

Christmas is Observed Here In Usual Way

Christmas in Sherman county will be spent in the old-fashioned manner this year although some of the observances draw smaller crowds of patrons than was the habit in other days.

Schools have adjourned until after the first of the year and programs given by the children were a part of the annual celebration of the Christmas season. Moro held its program the night of the 22nd and Wasco and Grass Valley school patrons were given an opportunity to see their children on the stage Wednesday night.

Churches all observed the season with programs by the Sunday school children and sermons of joy over the birth of the Savior. These programs were held Thursday night for the most part.

A dance at Grass Valley Saturday night will permit the youths and maidens who have returned from school to meet all their friends for at least once during the holidays.

On Christmas day, itself, there will be family parties and gatherings in nearly every home in the county and the fatted calf will be roasted for the day and presents will make for happiness in youthful hearts.

Christmas snow will probably be lacking but a bit of rain and the promise of more may take its place and prove as efficient as an irrigator of fall sown wheat.

Mrs. Granville Phillips Buried At Hood River

Mrs. Granville Phillips, long a resident of Sherman county, but lately of Hood River, died at her home there last Saturday and was buried there Monday, December 21.

Florence Geneva McCoy was born November 23, 1860 in Jay county, Indiana. She was the daughter of Sylvester and Elvira (Walton) McCoy. She passed from this earthly life December 19, 1936, aged 76 years and 26 days.

On July 7, 1878 she was married to Riley C. Johnson, and to this union were born two children, a son Arthur S. now living in Moro, Oregon, and a daughter, Delight who died October 7, 1882.

In the spring of 1901 she came to Oregon and on October 17, 1901 she was married to Granville Phillips who preceded her to the life beyond on July 4, 1934.

In early life she united with the Church of Christ and has always been a faithful christian, devoted to the betterment of those around her. The W. C. T. U. received her special interest and support.

She leaves to mourn their loss a son, Arthur S. Johnson of Moro, two brothers, Elmer E. Regester of Lebanon, Oregon and Wilber L. Regester of Hood River, three grand children and one great grand child, and other relatives and many friends.

Truly may we say "She hath wrought a good work." "Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have the right to the tree of life and may enter in through the gates into the city." Rev. 22:14.

New Officers Will Be Installed Jan. 4

Sheriff Chrisman and Deputy Nahouse are working on the tax books this week preparatory to making the end of the year turnover to the treasurer. It is estimated that approximately \$40,000 in tax money will be ready for distribution to the various taxing units shortly after the beginning of 1937. The new officers will be installed in office January fourth, the first Monday of the term. It is understood that Mrs. Marie Hoskinson will remain for a short time as deputy clerk and that Mrs. Clarice Sacre will act as deputy for the sheriff.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK				
DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.	
Dec. 17	50	31	.00	
" 18	55	31	.00	
" 19	50	29	.00	
" 20	48	42	.00	
" 21	53	45	.06	
" 22	53	40	.00	
" 23	55	46	.25	
Total for week			.31	

Farm Program For 1937 Now On Its Way

Oregon Men Protest Against Extreme Crop Control Plans and Work Toward Simplified Control For Farmers

With detailed dockets on the new 1937 AAA program now being prepared in Washington, farmers of Oregon will have full information on which to base their crop plans for the next spring three months earlier than last year, says Wm. L. Teutsch, assistant county agent leader at Oregon State college. Teutsch and N. E. Dodd of Baker, chairman of the state committee, recently returned from Washington where they represented this state in the conference which determined the general outlines of the new program.

Northwest Has Our Idea

While Oregon and other northwestern states failed to put over their recommendations for a simplified program based entirely on soil building practices, they did succeed in preventing the development of a program based almost entirely on the other extreme of diversion and crop control. The Oregon delegation reports. Dodd headed a committee of western grower representatives which was an important factor in bringing the compromise agreement which embodies a larger proportion of soil building payments, although it contains certain crop control factors for corn which were deemed essential by the middle western leaders.

The general idea is that the new program is the beginning of a more permanent long-time development which will continue in some such form throughout the next four years at least. More emphasis on practice payments is an improvement under Oregon conditions.

Control Wanted

Those who were advocates of a more stringent control plan pointed to the disturbing prospects of 77 million acres wheat planting for 1937, which under normal conditions would produce more than 900 million bushels; to prospects of adding additional surplus to the 73 million bales of cotton now on hand, and to a possible 103 million acres of corn when the 93 to 94 million acres is the limit that can be handled profitably under average conditions.

Under the new program farms in Oregon which are already devoted largely to soil conserving crops will have more opportunity to cooperate in improving these farms. Hereafter farmers will be divided into diversion and non-diversion types. Pasture farms like those in Tillamook county, for example, will be considered non-diversion types and will have more soil building practices available.

Variation In Wheat Affect Feed Value

One reason that wheat has been the subject of so much controversy regarding its value in feeding livestock is that it varies widely in composition according to the conditions under which it is grown. D. E. Richards, superintendent of the livestock branch experiment station at Union, told members of the Eastern Oregon Wheat league at the recent convention. "Wheat is the most variable in composition of any of the cereals and is profoundly influenced by climate, especially as to its protein content," Richards explained. "Corn, if the crop is mature, has a very constant feeding value and its composition is little affected by climatic conditions. Wheat grown in the northern plains states on the other hand averages 13.5 per cent protein, while wheat from the Atlantic coast states 11.7 per cent, and that from the Pacific coast states only 9.9 per cent crude protein."

In his investigation of feeding wheat to livestock, Richards has found that it is satisfactory for all kinds of livestock if properly fed. The fact that it has usually been higher in price than other grains has led to a common opinion that it is not adapted for livestock feeding purposes.

Annual Lions Breakfast Announced

The Dalles Lions Club, which began an annual series of inter-community breakfasts in 1929, will stage the event this year at 6:30 a. m., December 31, in the Port of The Dalles \$250,000 Dock, completed a few months ago. The breakfast table will be set in a large, well heated chamber at the back where cargo ships will call after Bonneville Dam is completed. Surrounded by wheat, wool, cherries and general cargo, the breakfast will have an appropriate background for the theme which is "Shipping and Transportation."

The availability of the spacious warehouse quarters is timely, for the reason that attendance at the breakfasts the past several years has taxed the capacity of the largest available dining or banquet halls of the city.

The Lions Club, which is aided in its sponsorship of the inter-community breakfasts by all other service and civic clubs of The Dalles, has prepared an excellent program featuring the past, present and future of Columbia River Development, with plenty of high jinks added as spice for the entertainment.

This has become the outstanding event in the Mid Columbia and is attended by men from all communities from Portland to Pendleton, as well as many points in Washington.

Reservations can be secured by writing to the Chamber of Commerce, The Dalles, Oregon.

T.M. Rolfe Sells Percheron Stallion

Sales of purebred Percheron draft horses for 1936 surpass all record of sales for the last 16 years, according to Ellis McFarland secretary of the Percheron Horse Association at Chicago, who reports a total of 6,517 purebreds transferred on the records of the association for this year. Registrations of purebred colts reached a total of 5,028, the highest number recorded since 1923.

One of the recent Percheron sales in Sherman County is that of the stallion, Sandino 200688, which T. M. Rolfe of Grass Valley has transferred to C. A. Tom of Rufus. Sandino is a black son of Casino II 169825, which traces to imported French ancestors. The dam of Sandino is the 18 year old Miss Kroumir 171658, one of the valuable brood mares in Mr. Rolfe's herd. Miss Kroumir is by an imported sire and traces to Calypso, known among Percheron breeders as the "ideal type" Percheron stallion.

Kent Grange Will Install New Officers

Kent Grange No. 688 will hold its regular meeting Saturday evening December 26th. Installation of officers after the business meeting will take place, open to the public.

Mrs. Esther Moler and son Lawrence of Portland visited Mr. J. C. Wilson a short time Monday.

The Sunday school rally held at Kent Christian church Sunday December 20th was well attended. Grass Valley, Moro, and Wasco being represented. Rev. Carey and Douglas of Wasco, Rev. Mitchellmore and R. C. Byers of Moro and J. M. Wilson of Kent were the speakers. A hot luck dinner was served at the grange hall to about one hundred people.

Choir practice was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Barnett Sunday evening. Twenty eight were present. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cookies were served by the hostess.

Donald MacInnes arrived at Kent Saturday from McMinnville to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. N. MacInnes.

Helen Wilson returned to her home here Saturday from the Mid-Columbia hospital where she is convalescing from her recent operation.

Ted Johnson who has been spending the past month in Washington, returned to Kent Saturday where he will work for J. M. Wilson.

UNIQUE WRAP IS GIFT TO U. OF O. CO-ED



MISS MARIE RASMUSSEN, president of the Delta Delta Delta sorority at the University of Oregon, proudly displays her new wrap, sent direct to her from an aunt in Paris. Only two similar models are in existence, one owned by Paulette Goddard of motion picture fame, and the other by Doris Duke, world's richest girl. On a cream background an unusual design has been brocaded in gold, yellow, apricot and orange. The gift was a welcome addition to Miss Rasmussen's wardrobe, since like most co-eds she watches her clothes budget closely.

County Pays Election Costs At December Court Term

December 2, 1936 being the time for the regular term of the County Court for Sherman County in the State of Oregon the Honorable County Court did on the said date meet in the court house at 10:00 o'clock a. m., the following were present:

Geo. A. Potter, County Judge, A. A. Dunlap, County Commissioner, P. C. Axtell, County Commissioner.

The following proceedings were had at said term of Court:

In the matter of paying claims presented at said term of court against the General Fund: clerk instructed to draw warrants against general fund to pay said claims.

In the matter of paying claims presented at said term of court against the road fund, said claims ordered paid and the clerk instructed to draw warrants against road fund to pay said claims.

In the matter of County Treasurer's report for the months of October 31 and November 30, 1936. Reports accepted and filed.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AND PAID AT THE DECEMBER 2, 1936 TERM OF COUNTY COURT AGAINST THE GENERAL FUND

U. S. National Bank, Sherman County's Portion of Old Age Assistance	\$188.90
Geo. A. Potter, Judge	37.50
A. A. Dunlap, Commissioner	21.00
P. C. Axtell, Commissioner	19.75
Jas. Stewart Stock Inspector	25.00
Annie Eddy, Janitress	30.00
Art Johnson Furnace tender	25.00
Pacific Power & Light Co. Lights for November	12.13
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Company	
Telephones for November	19.10
City of Moro Water for Nov.	10.40
Roy J. Baker, Coyote traps	21.50
D. J. Butcher, Sherman County's share of office expense	15.00
Dr. C. L. Poley, Vital Statistics	1.50
W. E. Tate, Vital Statistics	1.00
M. Clarke Webb, Sealer, weights and measures	3.14
E. W. Bartlett, Repair on Clerk's and Dist. Attorney's typewriters	15.00
W. B. Simmons, Deputy at general election	5.00
Rufus Grange No. 826, Rent for Polling place for Election	5.00
A. B. Potter, Rent and repair	

on Polling places	5.00
Building America, Superintendents subscription	4.00
The School Executive, 2-year subscription	3.00
The Education Digest, 1-year subscription	2.00
Geo. A. Potter, Supplies for feeble-minded	2.27
Wily Knighten, Cash advanced office help	7.18
Naomi Van Gilder, Expense to Treasurer's Convention	9.85
J. P. Yates, Care of feeble minded	18.15
Superintendent of Public Instruction, One-fourth cost of joint Wasco Sherman county, Institute	32.50
Geo. A. Potter, County Judge Expense	22.15
May & Son Court house expense	1.77
Geo. G. Updegraff, Dist. Attorney's Expense	10.03
Sherman County Journal County Printing	7.00
West Coast Printing & Binding Co. Election supplies	.35
Kent, I. O. O. F. Lodge Rent of hall for 3 elections	15.00
Geo. H. Wilcox, Premium on Deputy Clerk's Bond	6.63
Chas. Logan, Audit of books part	20.00
W. L. Wilson, Chairman Rufus Precinct	7.29
R. P. Foister, Judge, Rufus Precinct	7.29
H. M. Brackett, Clerk, Rufus, precinct and mileage	9.29
W. A. Morris, Clerk Rufus precinct	7.29
Ada J. Jones, Clerk Rufus Precinct	7.29
Victor Anderson, Clerk Locust Grove Precinct	5.91
Fred Hennagin, Judge Locust Grove and Mileage	7.41
Amelia C. Root, Clerk Locust Grove	5.91
Gladys Zell, Clerk Locust Grove	5.91
Nellie Fields, Clerk Locust Grove	5.91
J. T. Johnson, Chairman Klondike Precinct	5.91
A. B. Potter, Judge Klondike Precinct	5.91
Geo. W. Drinkard, Clerk Klondike Precinct	5.91
C. W. Johnson, Clerk Klondike Precinct	5.91
O. G. Hilderbrand, Clerk Klondike Precinct	5.91

Half Inch Rain Brings Safety To Sown Wheat

December Brings First Rainfall Of Crop Year; Wheat Now Taught Safe For Another Month Unless Wind Blows

The rain maker, masking in the red costume and white whiskers of Santa Claus, drove over Sherman county fields Wednesday and left a Christmas present of inestimable value to the farmers of the county. It was rain. No sweeping deluge, no heavy downpour, but a gentle easy rain of half an inch or more that made it certain that wheat in the ground will sprout if still alive.

The rain followed a dark and cloudy period that gave an indication of rain for several days before the conditions became proper. In Moro .31 inch fell up to Wednesday night and .24 inch came that night. At Kent .53 was reported and in the Wasco district as much or more fell. Earlier rains have been heavier in the north end of the county.

Fall Moisture About Nil

The north end of the county has reported wheat as safe from swelling and rotting for several days. In the southern part of the county the grain has been dry as the rains were mere showers that dried out before getting down to the wheat. In the middle section of the county there was some fear that the grain was injured for some of it was damp and some was dry and a part of it might be rotted and unable to use this last rain. A majority of the farmers questioned are confident the grain is alright.

This shower brings to an end one of the worst falls on record as far as rainfall is concerned. In September there was .07 inch; in October there was .07 inch and in November there was .06 inch making a grand total of a fifth of an inch of rain in the first three months of the crop year. It was of no value whatsoever in producing a crop as such small amounts evaporate readily.

During December so far there has been nearly an inch of rain at the Moro station with what fell Wednesday night. While this fall will insure safety for the sown wheat for a short time, more, much more will be needed in January and February.

Highway Maintenance Building Possible

The state highway commission is contemplating the erection of a warehouse and maintenance shop someplace in or near Moro this year if the plans are approved by those in authority. The location has not been definitely decided upon as yet nor is the building assured but will depend on the passage of the commission's budget and the allocation of funds for the work.

Civil Service Can Use More Men

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:

Informational service representative, and senior, associate, and assistant informational service representatives. \$2,600 to \$4,600 a year, Social Security Board.

Animal husbandman (sheep and goat breeding) \$3,800 a year, associate animal husbandman (sheep and goat breeding) \$3,200 a year, associate animal husbandman (swine) \$3,200 a year, associate in animal nutrition \$3,200 a year, Bureau of Animal Industry.

Commodity exchange investigator, and principal, senior, associate, and assistant commodity exchange investigators. \$2,600 to \$5,600 a year, Commodity Exchange Administration, Department of Agriculture.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.