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THE COURT

The question undoubtedly arises in the mind of the average citizen "Why this sudden dissatisfaction with the supreme court?" Papers and magazines are full of well supported statements indicating that the people of this county have progressed farther than those of any other nation. We have the highest living standards, the most cars, bath tubs, furniture, food, cosmetics, show houses. Now to be suddenly told that all this cannot last unless we drastically change the court is a bit thick to say the least.

The suspicion grows that the desire for the change is not the primary cause for the agitation, but that it is desired to change the court in order to bring about other laws, and this is undoubtedly true. If the voters of the land, in the manner prescribed by law, wish to change the court the constitution or any part of the government, that is their right and we hope it will be inalienable. When changes are dictated by one man and possibly put into effect through his efforts it is not democratic government. Other men always arise to follow the same path until the people do not control their destinies and democratic government is no more.

Such statements are not theory. The recent history of Italy and Germany show that they can be fact. It is not a question that should be decided on partisan political grounds for it is a question, not of parties but of Americanism.

A MAN'S MAN

It was only a few years ago that small town newspapers used to refer to substantial citizens as local capitalists in an effort to compliment them or their ability in amassing a competence. That is not done now. Recent changes in the use of words has given the term "capitalist" an entirely different connotation. It also seems probable that at the same time a like difference has grown up regarding the respect for the man who has attained financial success. Whereas a generation ago a man was supposed to care for himself and family, he is now considered a subject for sympathy, and not for contempt, if he fails to do so.

"Perhaps a nation can succeed if it exalts the weak instead of the strong, but it never has been done. As a nation we are adopting the snarling attitude of the weak when we deride those who achieve success and hold them up as enemies of the state. We are setting employees against employers, the man who has not against the man who has. And we are doing all this on assumption and prejudice, and not on fact. This is the sort of propaganda that often comes before a revolution or a rebellion. When one class comes to hate another there is danger of social upheaval. In these days it could result in nothing but chaos and a return to a more primitive civilization.

WE HAD TO WRITE ABOUT SPRING

It is spring. A peculiar, backward spring it may be, yet spring it is. The pools of water standing along the roadsides, the greening grass, the wheat coming hesitantly from the fields, the few awkward colts in the barn yards, the buttercups on the stenographer's desk are all indications that, together, give final proof of the advent of the vernal season.

And it is time for spring for here it is April, the month of showers. Now nature is never true to form and this year we have had the showers in March, and hardly a bit of wind. This is something so different that the oldest timer can hardly remember its likeness. Oft times spring in these parts is a riotous season with beating showers, driving snow storms, occasional sunshine and wind until the very air seems to be nervously and frantically endeavoring to forestall human happiness and growth of plant life.

This year it has not been so. Mother Nature is in a cooperative mood and while she has prevented the sowing of crops by an excess of moisture she has bountifully provided for crops that were sown early. In fact, farmers are aghast at the blessings that have been sent and are already figuring on a harvest such as has not been known since the fabulous days of

1912 and 1916 or of 1894 when wheat was harvested from sod if the seed had been scattered in harvesting.

All this does not of a certainty insure a crop, for wheat is not harvested in April but in July or August which still gives it a chance to be chilled by late frosts or seared by a bright summer sun. It is normal for farmers to be hopeful in the spring and well they may be, lest they be discouraged the year around. But the rain is coming down and the wheat is coming up. What else is important?

COURT DECISIONS

Recent decisions by the supreme court of the land are indicative of the flexibility of opinions of the court as at present constituted. The minimum wage law of Washington was upheld whereas a similar law was declared null and void in 1923. A different group of men are on the court now than most of them being appointees of the so-called conservative presidents.

There have been numerous changes in decisions by the court since the formation of the United States and this one is no more sweeping than others have been. As this one happened to come while the court was under criticism it is more noticeable, however.

The Frazier-Lemke law that was given the court's Okeh is a much different bill than the one of the same name that was called unconstitutional a few years ago as is indicated by the changed vote on it by court members.

There are those who charge that the decisions were partially inspired by fear of the president's proposal but such sentiments are probably more indicative of the action those who express them would take in similar situations than a reason for the action of the court.

Members of the court are removed from desire for political preference by their age and permanent appointment. Their salary is large enough to remove them from financial worry. Few nations have evolved a like system for interpretations of written constitutions and few have been able to retain minority rights as well as we have in America. The majority rules in a democracy but the rights of the minority must be preserved. As long as decisions can be made, or changed, without fear of popular favor we should be able to maintain a democracy.

It doesn't take many workmen to start a sit-down strike any way a majority is not needed, therefore, if the strikers are declared to be legal another means has been found for a minority to confound and circumvent the will of the majority. Workers can usually get some public sympathy and support if they really have a just grievance against their employers but when their argument is backed by a few of them, who perhaps, for reasons of union politics instead of for economic reasons want to strike they will, and should, fail to stop industry.

Over in Idaho they are still driving on their 1936 license plates. Pretty soon the 1937 kind will be selling at a discount because of the short time they can be used.

Governor Martin says he will act in case of a sit-down strike. It's nice to know that some one will work in case such things come to Oregon.

The house of representatives by adverse action on a bill has ruled that if a man wants a ranch he will have to buy it instead of having the government do it for him. How old fashioned.

If there was anything likelier about March this year it was like the Hollywood lion and not the African kind.

A visit to the penitentiary has been recommended as a possible cure for law-breaking. It might be a good one, too. No one who hears the locks clicking behind him and sees the long lines of discouraged men will want to remain behind the bars.

The new Norwegian prince has been christened Harold. Oh, well, a king doesn't have to fight any more so maybe Percy or Reginald will do for a name pretty soon.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

(Continued from page one)

week when their pay checks were restored to the old pre-depression base. The salary restoration was made possible when the recent legislature failed to re-inact the salary reduction act which has been in effect since 1933.

The experiment of transferring youthful offenders from the state prison to the boys' training school was given a black eye this week when it was found necessary to return two of the boys back to the penitentiary. The experiment was entered into approximately a year ago as a means, both of reducing the congestion at the state prison and segregating the young first termers from the older criminals. Out of 66 boys under the age of 20 years only nine were found who could be entrusted to the care of the boys' school where there is no provision for forcible detention of the inmates.

Details of the new state building program, so far as the acquisition of the additional land and construction of the new library building are concerned will be left entirely to the capitol reconstruction commission. At a conference here last week the board of control assured the commission that, while it reserved the right to veto any proposal that might not meet with its favor, it would not be its purpose to unduly interfere with the commission's plan.

As a starter the capitol is asking Uncle Sam for \$450,000 of W. P. A. money to match the state appropriation of \$550,000. If that grant is secured it is expected that the commission will plan the construction of two buildings or one large building to accommodate not only the state library but several other state departments. If the federal grant is refused, building plans for this biennium will probably be confirmed to a new library.

By far the biggest problem confronting the capitol commission, however, is that of acquiring additional land. All of the four blocks included in the proposed enlarged capitol site are now occupied by residences, some of the finest in Salem. Many of the owners are reluctant to sell for sentimental reasons. It is expected that the objections of these may be met by leaving them a life interest in the property. Condemnation proceedings will probably have to be resorted to in acquiring some property in case the agents for the state and the owners fail to agree on the price.

An unprecedented demand for forest tree seedlings is reported by J. W. Ferguson, state forester. More than 600,000 of the seedlings will go to Oregon farmers this spring to be set out for wood lots, shelterbelts and windbreaks. Ferguson predicts that the demand for young trees will reach the million mark in 1938. Seedlings available for free distribution to farmers include 16 varieties. Trees are selected for shipment to meet climatic requirements of the various sections of the state as well as the particular needs of the applicant in the production of fuel, posts and lumber.

As was predicted when Governor Martin vetoed the emergency clause on the Martin anti-gambling bill slot machine and pin-ball operators this week started the referendum on the measure as well as the Carney measure, which also outlaws slot machines and authorizes their confiscation as public nuisances. Preliminary petitions were filed with the state department this week and petitions will be in circulation throughout the state for signatures within a short time. If the requisite number of names are secured the two measures will be on the 1938 ballot for action by the voters. In the meantime it is expected that the legality of these gambling devices will be threshed out in the courts in a suit started in Marion county and which has already been decided against the pin ball operators by Circuit Judge Crawford.

Only one member of the advisory board for the employment institution for adult blind was retained on the newly created board. That was Mrs. Lee Patterson of Portland who has been active in work for the blind for many years. Other members of the new board which will administer the institution are Dr. Ralph Fenton and O. V. Badley of Portland, J. H. Chapel of Marshfield and Mrs. Harry Burke of Astoria.

The authority vested in the highway commission by the recent legislature to construct a building out of their own funds may never be exercised. Governor Martin told newspapermen this week that he would never consent to the use of highway funds for building purposes. Furthermore the governor said that neither he nor the members of the highway commission had ever been consulted with reference to the building bill, although members of the legislature declare that the bill originally came from the highway commission.

In Other Days

From the Observer April 3, 1908

Miss Nellie Rose and Roy P. Hulse were married on Tuesday at the home of the bride's parents in Parma, Idaho, and are now at home in the Ellis cottage, Moro.

Wm. Morrison had a bad hand caused by a mis-lick at the wood chopping block. A son of the fifth generation was born to Mr. and Mrs. Cisero Miller, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moretz near DeMoss.

A birthday party was given on the evening of the 28th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hunter in honor of J. C. Hunter. The Springs people always have a good sociable time when they get together.

Luther B. Hill, the Moro recluse, died Wednesday night. The funeral took place from the M. E. church Thursday afternoon. Rev. Tonkins officiating. Inquest by his brother's side in Moro cemetery. Peace be thine, unfortunate old man.

From the Observer April 5, 1918 George Crumley, agent at Moro for the Standard Oil Co., was killed in an automobile accident just north of Moro, on Monday evening. The Field Meet for Sherman county will be at Grass Valley this year on Friday, May 31st. That being the closing week of all town schools.

Mrs. T. E. Hulery has received word that her brothers Homer and Charles, with their artillery company sailed for France on March 24th. The local teachers institute at Wasco last Saturday was above usual in interest to the teachers. 44 of the 50 teachers in the county attending.

Wheat Prospects Look Good For New Crop Year

Spring outlook with world wheat supplies being rapidly reduced and with below normal carry-over stocks in prospect at the close of the season July, 1937, world wheat prices are expected to continue at high levels in 1936-37, according to the Bureau's spring outlook on wheat and should another small world wheat crop or a small European crop be produced, world prices would average higher in 1937-38 than in 1936-37. If farmers carry out their intentions for spring wheat planting, and if fields of spring wheat equal to the average for the ten year 1922-32 period are obtained, this year's spring wheat crop would be about 260,000,000 bushels. Adding to this the winter wheat crop of about 600,000,000 bushels, indicated as possible by the Crop-reporting board as of December 1, the total wheat crop in the United States this year would be about 860,000,000 bushels. A crop of this size if distributed among the different classes of wheat in about normal proportions, would cause the United States to become a net exporter of wheat and in the absence of Governmental aids, would tend to put the United States prices on an export basis. Much of the spring wheat area is still dry, however, and conditions in many sections of the winter wheat belt are reported as unfavorable. It is quite possible, therefore, that a crop may be produced which would leave no surplus for export.

News of Kent And Vicinity

Those who enjoyed Easter dinner at the Carl Schadewitz home were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gentry and daughter Bess, Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Leonard and Emma Schadewitz of Moro and Errett Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton and daughter Carol Ann and Walter Wilson motored to Portland Wednesday where they attended the Shell Oil Company's "Sales Show."

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McGlasson were overnight visitors at the Wilford Belshe home near Moro Saturday night.

Miss Billie Wilson and Miss Jean Matthews of Spokane, Wash., are spending this week at the J. M. Wilson home. The girls are students in a business college in Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Decker came home Thursday, having spent the past two weeks in The Dalles where Mr. Decker was a patient in The Dalles hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Helyer and son Jesse were all day guests of their daughter Mrs. Richard Holdaway at Madras Tuesday.

David Walters and sister Susanne left Monday for White Salmon, Wash., to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Elton Weldon who died Monday morning.

Frank Adams and Mary Settlemyer spent the week end in Portland.

Dinner guests at the J. C. Wilson home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Helyer and Mrs. Pollie Reckman and daughter Margaret.

Kent Sunday school had a short Easter program including three musical numbers, with sixty one present.

Kent Grange No. 688 held its regular meeting Saturday evening March 27th, with twenty three members present. The Lecturers program consisted of a piano solo by Mrs. W. G. Helyer, Mrs. H. E. Morrow and Myrtle Helyer each gave a reading and a skit by four members of the Sather family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith near Grass Valley Sunday.

William Mitchell and Clarice Sacre of Moro were week end visitors of home folks.

Maryhill Museum To Be Open Sunday

The Maryhill Museum building will be open for inspection for the first time on Sunday, April 4th, when the Goldendale Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary will entertain with a tea, from 2 until 5 o'clock p. m. While the building is not yet completed, the work done this past few months will prove of interest to those who have viewed the building for many years from the outside. With work on the grounds and various parts of the building to be completed within the next few months, the ladies feel fortunate to have this opportunity to use the Museum. There will be few exhibits available, but opportunity will be given to inspect the various rooms, living quarters, obtain a view from the roof and to learn of the plans for its development. Some of the articles of furniture from the Royal Palace in Roumania, while not set in place, will be available for view. The Legion Auxiliary, whose members will serve tea, will use the proceeds for child welfare and hospital work, a charge of fifty

cents for adults will be made, as an admission. This will probably be the only opportunity for inspection of the Museum until it is permanently opened, work being continued this spring upon both building and grounds.

C. E. CONFERENCE

(Continued from page one) at 6 p. m. with Carl Peetz, Louise Barzee, Beth Mersinger and the Missionary society in charge of arrangements. Dr. Gates will address the district-wide youth assembly on "Fellow Workers in Citizenship" at the 7:30 meeting. The county is invited.

Sunday afternoon and evening closing sessions will be held. At 2:30 Walter Myers, state officer, will speak on "The Divine Partnership." At 6:30 C. E. meetings will be held and at 7:30 society awards are to be made, officers installed, and Dr. Myers is speaking on "Fellow Workers in Evangelism."

Moro friends are providing break fast and lodging for out of town delegates, with Marie McLeod, Vivian Fuller, Rachel Poley and Wyman French the committee in charge of entertainment.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR SHERMAN COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MAUDE P. MULLENBURG, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the estate of Maude P. Mullenburg, deceased, have been issued to me out of and under the seal of the county court of said County. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them, with the proper vouchers, to me at my place of residence No. 2105 Spruce St. LaGrande, Oregon, Union County, within six months from the date of this notice, or to George G. Updegraff, his attorney at his office at Moro, Oregon. Dated this 2nd of April, 1937. William Mullenburg, Administrator of the estate of Maude P. Mullenburg, Deceased. 22-23-24-25

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that Helen Deyo, administratrix of the estate of Clinton Clifford Calvin Deyo, deceased, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, her final account and that the said Court has set the 13th day of April 1937, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. in the office of the County Clerk of Sherman County at Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the same, if any. Helen Deyo, Administratrix. J. Tracy Barton, Attorney for the Estate.

Notice For Publication

Department of the Interior U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, Feb. 4, 1937. NOTICE is hereby given that Janette M. Sorahan, of Grass Valley, Oregon, widow of Phillip S. Sorahan, who, on May 5, 1931 made Homestead Entry under Act Dec. 29, 1916, No. 027888, for NE1SW1, S1SW1, Sec. 28, N4. NW1SW1, Sec. 23, SE1, Section 32, Township 2-South Range 18-W, East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final Proof, to establish claim to the land above

described, before Register, United States Land Office, at The Dalles, Oregon, on the 14th day of April, 1937.

Claimant names as witnesses, John Stewart of Grass Valley, Oregon; Charles A. Stewart of The Dalles, Oregon; Horace McKee of Moro, Oregon; C. E. Quirk of The Dalles, Oregon. W. F. Jackson, Register 18-19-20-21-22

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the matter of the estate of Chester C. Medler, deceased, Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Chester C. Medler, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Sherman, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, with vouchers duly verified, within six months from the date thereof. Dated and first published March 26, 1937. Last published April 16, 1937. O. G. Hilderbrand, Administrator.

Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 116

Moro, Oregon Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month Visiting members welcome. Hazel Truitt, N. G. Lila Bull, Secretary

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78, O. E. S.

Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second Fourth Thursdays in each Month. Visiting members invited. Frances King W. M. Ruth Spirling, Secretary.

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A-F & A-M

Moro, Oregon Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us. Roy Powell, W. M. C. V. Belknap, Secretary

Moro Lodge No. 143, I. O. O. F.

Moro, Oregon Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the I. O. O. F. Hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us. Lewis McKee, N. G. Joe Truitt, Secretary

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