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TENANTRY

There has been a governmentally aided agitation against farm tenantry although it seems to have run against a snag in the house agricultural committee.

This very county has a larger percentage of tenant farmed land than the average of the United States. While our system of agriculture is different from that usually followed, the system of renting is much the same.

In a report that has recently been issued by the agricultural college with A. S. Burrier as compiler the tenant situation is graphically shown.

No one, therefore, can blame a young man who engages in farming for preferring to lease instead of to buy. His investment is considerable for a farming outfit.

As far as this country is concerned the rise in tenantry is not caused by the growth of landed estates. In the study of the Columbia basin it was shown that 29% of the land rented was owned by relatives of the operator.

LABOR DECISIONS

One of those weekly momentous, colossal, super decisions of the supreme court was handed down Monday and the resultant furor leads to the belief that Washington is rivaling Hollywood in the extravagance of its adjectives.

The decisions that declared the Wagner bill valid were given on several cases principally having to do with large industry. It is now a court sanctioned law that labor has the right to organize and to elect representatives to bargain with employers.

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huge sums of money in their treasuries that can be used for any purpose, even political intimidation. and there is no governmental check on any of it.

Certainly, if it has been fair and just and in the public interest, to restrict the capital side of industry (and we think it has been a decided asset to do so) it is also proper that the laborers in industry be made to follow certain rules of fair conduct.

The Wagner act gives labor more power. The leaders can use it as a means of oppression of the public and the laborers and non-union men unless some laws are passed to protect the minorities and restrict the pugnacious and over bearing leaders.

IT RAINED

The recent rains (recent is used to mean the entire year) have brought about many new problems in this county. Such beneficence on the part of nature has long ceased to be a part of our expectations and many explanations, or attempts at explanation, have been made to account for the phenomenon.

It will be remembered that the period of precipitation began on Christmas night and that no week since that time has been devoid of rain or snow. One explanation is that Santa Claus after having made his annual pilgrimage around the earth returned home and remembered the dryness and general disappointment in this section resolved to send the showers.

Uncle Joe Tolliver, whose feet have been cracked from drouth for the past seven years, is worried about webs between his toes and is calling on the doctor. The local chamber of commerce has appointed a committee to arrange for dockage at Hay Canyon in event there is water enough in that watercourse to float ocean going ships by harvest time.

Spring that have been full of dust for five years are now running a stream and fishermen are looking in the depths for mountain trout. For years there have been no ducks in the county that could swim and now they are paddling across every barnyard. The county road grader has been stuck several times because it was not equipped with oars when it came from the factory.

Oregon leaders are now on the way to Washington to protest putting Bonneville and Boulder dams together for rate making purposes. There should be no division in Oregon on that measure and every organization should notify the powers that be in the capitol as to their desires.

This kind of weather is a spring developer of the best sort and many a man who has been hauling water for five years now has a well that is running over.

Little Johnny is in the second grade at school and this is the first time he has ever been wet with his shirt on.

Whats become of the old saying that too many cooks spoil the broth. Or maybe the administration never heard of it before deciding to make a larger supreme court.

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Everyone may grow white with this year because there won't be enough sun to tan it.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

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the governor that he continue to serve on the board in spite of the unfriendly attitude of organized labor whose leaders had demanded that he quit.

A flat tax of \$10 a year on real property up to a valuation of \$2500 is proposed by a group of Portland residents headed by Charles B. Gibson who expect to sponsor a constitutional amendment covering this subject.

Plans for participation by Oregon troops in army maneuvers at Camp Lewis this year were discussed at a conference here this week attended by Major General George A. White and a group of army officers from Fort Lewis headed by Colonel Francis W. Clark.

There will be no levy against property for state purposes in Oregon next year. That much can be predicted at this early date with reasonable safety.

Members of the tax commission are in doubt as to the application of income taxes to the elementary school levy. While this tax is included in the state levy it is not a state tax in the true sense inasmuch as he tax is retained in the counties in which it is collected and does not flow into the state's treasury.

On June 30 Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner will sever his connection with the state hospital at Salem after 49 years of service with that institution. 30 years of which he has served as its superintendent.

The state supreme court increased Oregon's income tax collections by approximately \$250,000 this week when it held that contractors on the Bonneville dam were subject to the tax.

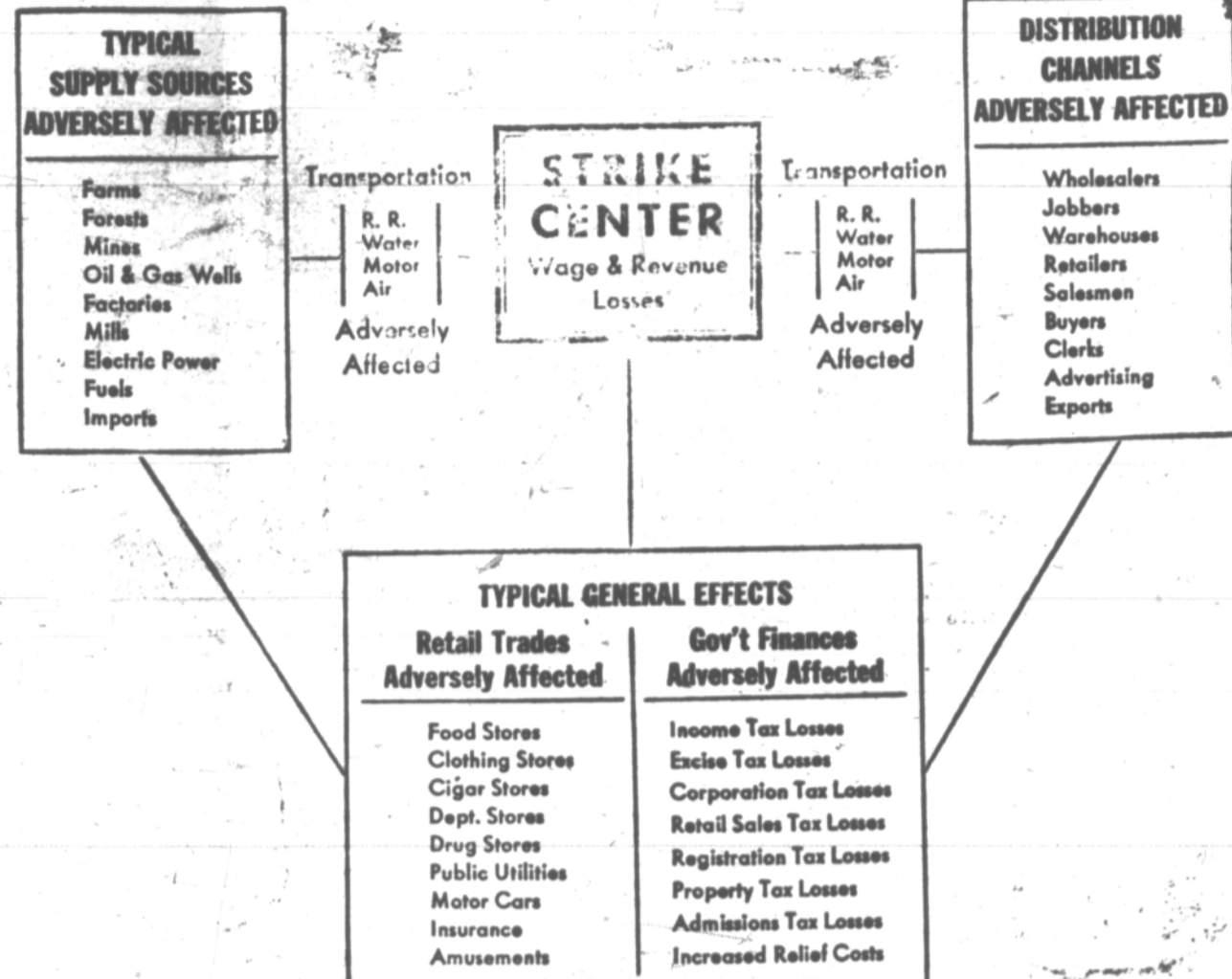
The board of control has authorized the purchase of two more farms for use by the state institutions. One is a tract of 130 acres adjoining the "Cottage farm" of the state hospital south of Salem.

Earl Snell, secretary of state, is not running for office—not just now at least. Snell made the statement this week after political prognosticators had suggested that he would either seek the republican nomination for governor or a second term as secretary of state.

The pin ball operators are leaving no stone unturned in their determination to perpetuate their existence in Oregon. Articles of incorporation were filed here this week for the Oregon Merchants Legislative League the purpose of which is to carry on a campaign of education regarding the necessity and propriety of legalizing and licensing trade stimulators.

Guy V. Litner, state director of re-employment reported to Governor Martin that 1465 men and women were placed in jobs during March. Nine hundred of these jobs are permanent positions. Litner said.

TYPICAL EFFECTS OF A STRIKE IN ANY MAJOR INDUSTRY



The chart above shows how the effects of a strike begin immediately to spread in all directions. Back at supply sources, cancelled orders for raw and semi-finished materials and equipment tend to create additional unemployment and lost business in ever-widening circles in distribution channels, sales, employment, and income fall off more or less sharply.

In Other Days

E. C. Davis, proprietor of the Grass Valley Barn, promptly attends all calls, day or night. Animals given the very best of care. Archie Blue returned to school Monday after a vacation on the farm working in the field.

Moro people will be interested to learn that playing on the O. A. C. Varsity team that defeated the U. of O. on their home floor with a score of 20 to 17 were two former Moro High School girls, the Misses Lulu and Kathleen Meloy, who are attending the O. A. C. school of Commerce.

Erosion Control Held Savior of Gilliam Farm

Condon—Participation in the program of the Soil Conservation Service is expected to mean the difference between the increased valuation of Scott Brown's 2486 acre stock ranch near Condon and its inevitable eventual abandonment due to erosion and overgrazing.

George Wilcox of The Dalles was a business visitor at Kent Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Holdaway and daughter Doris of Madras were visiting at the W. G. Helyer home Wednesday and Thursday.

Kent Grangers Visit Neighbors At Harlandview

Kent Grange members who visited Harlandview grange Friday evening were: Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, Mrs. Ollie Helyer and daughter Myrtle and Mrs. G. L. Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Millard of Rufus were business visitors at the J. L. Davis home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kelly and Mrs. Glen Fairchild of Grass Valley were at Kent a short time Sunday.

The choir met Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neil McGlasson. Next Sunday they will meet at the L. W. Amick home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox of Grass Valley visited at the G. W. Howell home Sunday.

Mrs. Popplestone—Oh, did I tell you my husband bought me a new car? Mrs. Tyndale—But, my dear, I didn't know you could drive. Mrs. Popplestone—Well, I drove him into buying it.

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In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Sherman. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator, with the will annexed of the Estate of Alexander Davis, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Sherman, and has qualified.

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dence No. 2105 Spruce St. La-Grande, 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.

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Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78. O. E. S. Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second Fourth Thursdays of each month. Visiting members invited.

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.

Moro Lodge No. 113, 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.

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