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COUNTY HISTORY

School children who wrote for the annual historical contest this year showed improvement in one particular manner that deserves more than passing note.

In a story of the length within possibilities of a student in high or grade school it is impossible to write of the history of an entire county and do the job well.

A single event or a single district that has been outstanding in some manner makes a much better topic as it can be fully covered in two or three thousand words.

The histories are being saved by the county superintendent and at some later date they may be used for reference. They serve the admirable purpose of putting down in black and white the stories of an earlier day while it is still possible to get them direct from the mouths of the people who first settled the county.

NEW STATE HOUSE

Thursday Oregon laid the cornerstone of a new capitol building with all the fanfare and speechmaking that usually accompanies such an event.

Fortunately, it is not given to us to know what is going to happen to the state during what may normally be the life time of the building now being constructed.

We much prefer the stumbling, awkward, inefficient methods of democracy with petty office holders quarreling over petty appointments and public credit for matters of minor interest.

The capitol will be dedicated to this sort of democracy, no doubt. Some will express the hope that hereafter there be better men in the state house and this will be possible when the people send better men.

But human nature being what it is men will be elected because of ability to promise and will stay because of their ability to straddle. New state house or old, we will stumble along in much the same path and the major change will be in the comfort of those who live in the new house.

BRIDGES AND BECK Mr. Bridges, astute and thin faced foreigner who directs the destinies of longshoremen on the coast, and Mr. Beck, fat, forceful, and undisputed boss of northwest teamsters, had a name calling match last week and then got together around a table and settled their differences.

It is to be hoped that this conciliatory spirit will grow within these two men so that it will be possible for them to adopt a co-operative attitude toward those who hire the men who pay the salaries of Mr. Bridges and Mr. Beck.

Sport fans are accustomed to boxing matches in which the participants do not fight, but it is seldom they do not even meet, like the Braddock-Schmeling bout.

CROP INSURANCE

The crop insurance plan of the administration is having a hard time in congress. There are many causes, but perhaps the most important one is that a majority of the people are afraid of government intervention with economic problems.

We seem to be learning that there are some things that even a powerful government cannot change. Physical conditions of agriculture produce certain results that will have a definite effect on the quantity and therefore the price of farm products.

Congressmen have begun to remember their oaths of office and question some of the theories sent them with the result that what does come out of the hopper will be of better quality.

They call it civil war over in Europe but here it is merely a bit of labor trouble.

Farmers are already talking about having a wet harvest as if the rain was never going to stop.

W. C. Fields says he never drank two quarts of whiskey per day. Mr. Fields, be it known, is a comedian.

Portland officials and those of the motor association have found a safe driver. Wouldn't Diogenes have enjoyed that hunt?

It will be peculiar advertising for somebody if Senator Norris comes to Oregon as guest of Willis Mahoney.

When our descendants open up the corner stone of the capitol building they will be able to start a museum, or a racket store. There's everything but money and if those who come after us are like us that is what they'll need worst.

The post office department has allowed the establishment of the Morokland and Moro rural route. As arranged, the route will be 14 miles long.

F. L. Burnett has finished the concrete wall and foundation for his new 40x54 foot barn and is now getting forward with the frame. When finished it will be 20 foot to the plate.

Carl Peetz, now eighty years old, is not very well these summer days. During the hot spell of two weeks ago he was quite low in vitality, but has improved with cooler weather.

Lloyd Smith and family were visiting with his brother at Rutledge during the week from their home at Kingsley. Mrs. Isabel Smith, his mother, who had been visiting at Kingsley returned at the same time.

Mrs. C. H. Ellsworth has her granddaughter, Miss May Lusk of Underwood, Washington, visiting with her and will probably remain during the summer.

From the Observer June 19, 1938. Henry Johnson, who has been in Europe studying for six years, arrived in New York on the 6th, returning to his Sherman county home.

Grandpa Barnett died in Wasco on the 13th. Deceased was a pioneer in Sherman county, loved by everybody. His sons W. M. and Lafayette and daughter Mrs. Sis-cel all lived near him, and the Observer extends sympathy.

Mrs. McCallum arrived home on the 16th accompanied by the Misses Foss of Athena and Miss McDonald from Spokane. A. E. Cousens has a beautiful young mare which he is training for track service. She is a daughter of Jos. B. Morrisons California thoroughbred stallion, Roadster.

People's Column

To the Farmers of Sherman County

I hope that every farmer in this locality, together with his family will avail himself of the opportunity to attend the Wheat Growers' Picnic to be staged in Moro on Saturday, June 26th. It is sponsored by the Eastern Oregon Wheat League, an organization of wheat growers of Eastern Oregon, who through the past ten years, have been meeting regularly, spending lots of time, and traveling many miles in their work to solve the problems of the wheat grower.

Among some of its accomplishments that have brought dividends to every wheat grower in the Pacific North West are: elimination of the grain-bag tax; assistance in the establishment of a grain control program; encouragement of water transportation and Columbia River development; improvement in the economic phases of grain farming, particularly as regards production, handling and marketing. Have secured the reduction of freight rates.

The Wheat League, through its officials and advisors, over a period of ten years, has been largely responsible for legislation that affects warehousing and grain grading. The League has been responsible in a large measure for a study of the problems of weed control and has submitted detailed reports and recommendations to our congressional delegation in Washington. The League, next to the Extension Service, has been largely responsible for bringing to the door-step of the farmer results of experiments conducted in his behalf by our experiment stations.

The League has been fortunate in its contact and affiliation with the county agents, the specialists from the field forces of our experiment stations and the faculty of our agricultural college. No one can overestimate the value to grain growers resulting from information made available to them from these sources.

The success of the League has been largely due to the live, unselfish, capable men who have been chosen to manage its affairs. About 200 men on various committees are constantly on the alert, meeting often, working on the various problems yet to be solved. A supreme effort is being made and considerable money is being spent to block the passage of the Pettengill Bill which would give railroads again the privilege of charging more for a short haul than for a long haul over the same line.

As the work of the League is for the benefit of every wheat grower, I hope that every farmer in Sherman county will join, pay the small dues required, and work as best we can to fight the battles of the wheat grower.

The annual dues are 25c per 1000 bushels grown by the member; the minimum being \$1.00 per year. Come to the picnic the 26th and have a good time with other farmers like yourselves. Your humble servant, T. M. Rolfe.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

(Continued from page one) initiate a measure to be placed before the voters of Oregon at the November, 1938, election. The measure is now being drafted by a committee headed by State Senator Byron G. Carney of Clackamas county. The State Grange and a number of other organizations will circulate the petitions which will be ready for signatures in another 30 days.

Interest of state officials and employees this week centers in the laying of the cornerstone of the new capitol building scheduled for yesterday, (Thursday). Arranged to coincide with the sessions of the grand lodge A. F. & A. M. the ceremonies are expected to attract a large gathering of Masonic dignitaries, as well as high state officials. A special train will bring several hundred Masons from Portland for the program which is scheduled to start at 2 p.m. More than 1000 Masons, units of the Oregon national guard and at least two brass bands will take part in a parade which will precede the ceremonies at the new capitol building.

R. Frank Peters, grand master of the Masonic order, will officiate at the corner stone laying assisted by Carl G. Patterson, deputy grand master, F. C. Howell, senior grand warden, and Leif S. Fineth, junior grand warden. Col. Alfred E. Clark of Portland, grand orator, will deliver the address on behalf of the Masonic Grand Lodge, with short addresses also, scheduled by Governor

Kent Woman Here To Care For Ill Parents

Miss Hazel Decker who has been in Portland the past year, came home last Sunday to take care of her father while her mother was in a hospital at The Dalles recovering from recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Barnett and daughter LeVina and Mrs. Polly Schnagewitz were in The Dalles Monday. LeVina left on the train for Corvallis to spend two weeks at 4-H club summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and sons Dick and Jerry and Mrs. Betty Kelly attended the Sunday school picnic at DeMoss Springs Sunday.

Helen Wilson is spending a few weeks at Oakesdale, Wash., with her brother Paul Wilson and family. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ulmann of Redmond spent the week end here with Mrs. Ulmann's parents, W. C. and Mrs. Helyer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Barnett, Mrs. J. L. Mathes and daughter LeVina and Mrs. Carl Schnagewitz were shopping in The Dalles Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Corliss Andrews and Mrs. Elmer Helyer attended the funeral of Mrs. J. U. Leonard at Hood River last Wednesday.

Robert Helyer, who was a student at Corvallis the past school year returned to his home here Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton and daughters Geraldine and Carol Ann and son Eugene left Thursday for San Francisco where they will visit his daughter Alta who makes her home there.

Kent was visited by a splendid rain Sunday night, .38 of an inch, all together .49 of an inch during the week. Mrs. J. M. Wilson and sons Dick and Lester and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and daughter Nellie and grandson George Sacre returned to Kent Sunday after having spent the past week at Oakesdale, and Waverly, Washington, visiting at the homes of I. E. Wilson, Paul Wilson and R. J. Harbin and their families.

Those from Kent who attended State Grange in The Dalles last week were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Corliss Andrews. Mr. and Mrs. Durward Helyer and son Gordon spent the past week here at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Helyer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Youngberg and daughter Norma of McMinnville spent the week end here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Helyer.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, executrix of the estate of William Morrison, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to Malcolm W. Wilkerson, U. S. Bank Building, The Dalles, Oregon, with vouchers properly verified, as by law required, within six months from the date hereof. Dated this 18th day of June, 1937. Eliza Grace Morrison Huls, Executrix.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE No. 2440 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN

Meeting here this week for the purpose of organizing the interim committee on state and county revenues elected Chas. V. Galloway as chairman and B. T. McBain of Portland as secretary. Other members of this committee, created by the last legislature, include Representative Roy Carter of Gold Beach, Representative Carl Engdahl of Pendleton, Gust Anderson of Portland and County Judge H. C. Herion of Corvallis. The committee spent some time in an informal discussion of the task assigned its members and adjourned to meet again on call of the chairman, probably the first of September. Among possible sources of new revenue discussed by the committee was a modified sales tax; an ad valorem tax on motor vehicles similar to that in effect in California; an increase in income tax rates in the higher brackets; shifting of a larger share of the road burden to the state highway department to relieve the counties of this cost, releasing this money for social security purposes.

Regarded by Governor Martin as "a big boost for Oregon grown flax," the Boston navy yard this week placed an order for 61,000 pounds of flax twine with the Salem Linen Mills.

Chas. P. Pray, superintendent of state police, and Mrs. Helen G. Tyson were married at the home of the latter in Salem Saturday morning, the ceremony being performed by Justice Harry H. Holt of the state supreme court. Mrs. Tyson was assistant secretary to Governor Patterson.

There will be no tax levy for state purposes either inside or outside the six percent constitutional limitation if second half income taxes meet expectations, according to Chas. V. Galloway, chairman of the tax commission. Galloway estimates that revenues from income taxes this year will total \$5,000,000.

Governor Martin has telegraphed members of the Oregon delegation in Congress urging support of the farm tenancy bill. Several features of this bill are vital to Oregon's welfare, in the opinion of the governor, especially the rehabilitation loans and retirement of submarginal lands.

OREGON RANGES IMPROVED Oregon range lands have been improved by the development of springs and wells, installation of fences, and substantial reseeding as a result of the 1936 range program under the AAA, a preliminary summary of reports in the state office at Corvallis shows. Although the 1936 program was started late in the year, close to 1300 range operators participated.

Most of the improvement work had to do with providing additional watering places, making possible the better use of range lands. Approximately 1600 springs were dug out and improved to provide efficient use of water available. Ninety pits or reservoirs to carry surplus water into the dry season were built and 25 new wells were dug.

The summary also shows that approximately 600 miles of fence were built to control grazing to better advantage, and that about 16,000 acres of depleted range were reseeded with grasses found to be well adapted to such use. A small amount of water spreading and rodent control was also carried out, although the season was too late for much of this to be done under last year's program.

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GEORGE B. GUTHRIE, as Receiver of The Oregon-Washington Joint Stock Land Bank of Portland, Oregon, a corporation, Plaintiff,

PETER PETERS, HENRY H. WHITE, CORA H. WHITE, ARVID ANDERSON, Defendants, vs. By virtue of the writ of execution and order of sale duly issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Sherman, on the 27th day of May, 1937, pursuant to a decree entered in said court May 26, 1937, in a suit wherein George B. Guthrie, as Receiver of The Oregon-Washington Joint Stock Land Bank of Portland, Oregon, a corporation is plaintiff, and Peter Peters, Henry H. White, Cora H. White and Arvid Anderson are defendants, said writ being direct to me commanding me to make sale of the real property hereinafter described, I will on Tuesday, the 6th day of July, 1937 at 10:05 o'clock a. m., at the front door of the Court House of Sherman County in the City of Moro, State of Oregon, offer for sale and proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand the following described real property, situate in Sherman county, State of Oregon, to-wit:

The North Half of the Northwest Quarter, the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 20, in Township 4 South Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian; also

The East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 16, the Northwest Quarter of Section 21 and the Southeast Quarter of Section 20, all in Township 4 South Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian; and

The Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, and the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 17, and the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 19, in Township 4 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian; and

The Northeast Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of Section 21 Township 4 South, Range 16 East of the Willamette Meridian

to satisfy the sum of Eight Thousand Thirty-three and 01-100 Dollars (\$8,033.01) with interest thereon from May 26, 1937 at the rate of 6% per annum, and the further sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-one and 71-100 Dollars (\$1,871.71) with interest thereon from May 26, 1937 at the rate of 8% per annum, and

the further sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.) as attorneys' fee, together with costs of said suit taxed at Twenty-one & 90-100 Dollars (21.90) and the costs of and upon said writ.

C. C. Wilson Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon 31-35

NOTICE OF SHERIFFS SALE On Saturday, June 19, 1937, at the hour of 1:30 p. m., at the front door of the County Court House, in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, I will sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the following described real property, located in Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit:

North East Quarter of Section Ten (10), Township One (1) North, Range Eighteen (18) East of the Willamette Meridian. Said sale is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, to me directed in the Case of Dr. Hettie M. West, plaintiff, vs. Mrs. Eleanor Olmstead, defendant.

C. C. WILSON Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon Childers and Pinsky Attorneys for Plaintiff. 29-38

Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month Visiting members welcome. Hazel Truitt, N. G. Lila Bell, 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 Sparling, 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, Secy.

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. Lewis McKee, N. G. Joe Truit, Secretary

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