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Of Oregon- Its Government and People By A. L. Lindbeck

Pin ball and marble board games having been successfully outlawed in Marion county the attitude of law enforcement officials in other sections of the state toward these gambling devices will be watched with much interest.

Appeals to the supreme court by N. J. Arnold and J. H. Campbell, operator of these devices, were dropped this week and restraining orders issued by the Marion county circuit court pending the outcome of the appeals were dissolved. A few days later when deputy sheriffs searched the county for the presence of the machines none could be found. In both of these cases Circuit Judge James W. Crawford had held the pin ball and marble board games to be lotteries operating in violation of the state constitution.

Ralph Moody, assistant attorney general and special prosecutor who handled the Marion county cases against the pin ball and marble board operators declared that dismissal of the appeals gave to Judge Crawford's decree the same force and effect as a favorable supreme court opinion. Attorneys representing the operators, however, deny this claim. They point out that the suits effect only the status of the machines in Marion county and indicate that their clients will continue to operate in other counties of the state.

In a letter to T. Leland Brown, district attorney for Wasco county, Moody pointed out that Oregon's statutes already contain enough law to outlaw these gambling devices and declared that responsibility for the enforcement of the law rests with the district attorneys. Moody also pointed out that Judge Crawford's opinion holding pin ball, marble board and similar devices to violate the lottery, gambling, nickel-in-the-slot and public nuisance statutes of the state also held the act of 1935 purporting to authorize counties and cities to license the operation of these machines to be unconstitutional.

Already a number of District Attorneys have indicated their intention to follow up the success of the campaign in Marion county with prosecutions against operators of similar devices in their own counties. It is pointed out there that in event any district attorney should prove derelict in the enforcement of the anti-gambling and lottery laws Governor Martin has ample authority to displace him with a special prosecutor just as he did in Marion county when he asked Attorney General Van Winkle to step into the picture which he did by placing Moody in charge of law enforcement.

Thirty three hundred officers and men constituting Oregon's National Guard contingent will start moving out from their bases in 25 cities scattered over the state early next Tuesday morning bound for the annual maneuver.

Instead of going to Camp Clatsop as usual, however, the Oregon troops will go to Fort Lewis, Washington, where they will join with troops from Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, as well as regular army units, in the greatest peace time concentration of fighting men and machines in the history of the Pacific northwest. A total of approximately 15,000 men will be engaged in the war maneuvers at Fort Lewis which will continue for a period of 15 days.

The first week of the encampment will be devoted to whipping the men into shape, according to Major General George A. White, commander of the 41st division. The big review, high light in the two week's program from the stand point of the public, will be held on Saturday, August 21. Commencing on Monday, August 23 and continuing day and night without interruption until August 28, the troops will be engaged in a gigantic war maneuver, simulating as nearly as possible actual war time conditions.

In addition to the 15,000 men engaged in the maneuvers there will be more than 1000 pieces of heavy equipment included cannon, trucks, tractors and tanks.

Governor Martin, returning from a tour of inspection with members of the State Game Commission

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WPA Worker Gathering Data On County

Miss Sophia Robertson of Pendleton is here to make a survey of historical records of Sherman county. County, city, school and justice of peace records will be catalogued and listed in the report which will be made a part of a general survey of Oregon. All state records will be catalogued and sent to Washington, D. C.

Miss Robertson is anxious to interview pioneers of the county or those who have stories of historical value or books or diaries that tell of local history in early days. She is staying at the Moro Hotel. The Historical Records Survey is being conducted as a Federal WPA Project in each State, and the findings of the writers will be available to County officials, libraries and Universities.

Feed Values Being Carefully Studied

An interesting study is being made at the Union branch experiment station in the comparative palatabilities of the various grasses and legumes. Equal amounts of the different varieties of grasses, clovers and other forage crops are fed to animals, and the amount rejected is measured. The slender stemmed type of crested wheat grass, known as the fairway strain, was relished better than some legumes. This strain is recommended only where moisture conditions are a little better than the drier eastern Oregon lands.

Wasco County Farmers Unite For Protection

Wasco county farmers have formed an organization to speak and act for them in matters pertaining to the enforcement of law and maintenance of constitutional rights. The name given to this organization is the Associated Farmers of Wasco County, and it is a corporation under the laws of Oregon.

Similar units of a farmer associations have been formed in Hood River and Jackson counties and are being formed in others. Definite purpose, as set forth in the article of incorporation, is: "Without profit to the corporation or the members thereof, to protect, preserve and maintain American institution and ideals; to preserve the constitutional form of government in both state and nation; to oppose and combat any and all doctrines or practices which imperil the maintenance of these constitutional privileges which the educational system of the United States has brought to all children and students; to fight against the infiltration of all subversive doctrines into the educational systems and into government; to combat the dictatorship of individuals and groups; to foster and encourage respect for and to maintain law and order particularly by cooperating with local, state and national officials and governmental agencies; to promote the prompt, orderly and efficient administration of justice; to promote and protect the economic and agricultural welfare of the citizens of the United States and particularly Wasco county."

Officers chosen include many of the most prominent farmers of Wasco county and farm owners of The Dalles. It is probable that after the rush of harvest is over farmers of Sherman county will have an opportunity to organize a similar group in order to have some organization that will truly represent their sentiments in industrial troubles.

FAIR ATTRACTS INTEREST
As a means of advertising the Sherman county fair a group is being organized to go about the mid-Columbia district dressed in bright colored garb to tell natives of what is going to happen here September 24-25-26.

Goldendale, Tygh Valley, Maupin, Madras, Redmond, Condon and The Dalles will probably be included in the visiting schedule of the group which wants the 1937 fair to be bigger and better than even before.

Kent Robber Sentenced To Two Year Term

Paul Quintit Sent To Penitentiary After Confessing To Robbery; Sentence Began Thursday

Sentence was passed on Paul Quintin Wednesday afternoon by Circuit Judge Carl Hendricks of Fossil who gave the confessed robber two years in the penitentiary. Sheriff Wilson and deputy Sheriff Tom Garrett left Thursday morning for Salem with Quintin.

Paul Wesley Quinton, 27, is in the county jail awaiting sentence for the robbery of the McKay service station at Kent a week ago Sunday night. He has confessed.

Quinton was apprehended by Sheriff Wilson and Deputy Tom Garrett at Vancouver, Wash., and brought here last Thursday. He was traced through a stage ticket he purchased for Celilo. From there he went to Wishram where he boarded a freight train and rode to Vancouver. The officers found him and obtained a confession and recovered the plunder which consisted of \$27 in nickels and some knives that had been taken from a punch board.

Quinton says that some boys tried to break into the station while he was looting the place. He has been at Kent for about a month and was to work in the warehouse. He comes from Georgia.

Allotment Committee To Set Capacities

The county allotment committee met Thursday to discuss plans for setting the carrying capacity of range land under the conservation plans. Joe Peters, Ormand Hilderbrand and Frank von Borstel are members of the committee. Meeting with them were Bernard Lee, range supervisor of Prineville, and W. C. Elms.

New Wheats Replace Older Varieties

The extent to which the so-called "college wheats" have replaced older varieties in major wheat growing sections of Oregon was apparent to any trained observers who traveled the Old Oregon Trail highway this year. From the top of Emigrant hill east of Pendleton, many thousands of acres of grain are visible. From that vantage point, before harvest, only three fields could be seen that did not have the brown chaff indicative of either Federation or Rex wheat. Federation was introduced from Australia by the Moro branch experiment station, while Rex wheat was actually bred and developed there.

Isaac Hathaway Dies In Eastern State

Isaac Hathaway, 74, died August 3rd, at the home of his sister, Mrs. John Sprague in Glidden, Iowa. His death was caused by progressive paralysis.

Isaac Hathaway, son of Leonard and Phebe Hathaway was born in Green county, Iowa, June 16th, 1863. In 1898 he came to Oregon, first going to Umatilla county and later taking up a homestead in Sherman county. He farmed land owned by John and Alfred Dillinger.

In 1912 he moved to The Dalles, working for The Dalles water commission until 1925 when he returned to Iowa to make his home with his sister who survives him. Also a niece and nephew living in Des Moines survive.

PASSING CARS ON THE ROAD

When you pass a car that is going 40 miles an hour it is just the same as passing at least 78 cars parked bumper to bumper in the road, reminds the Oregon State Motor association. Always wait until you can see the car you have just passed in the rear-view mirror before turning over to the right in front of it.

Potato Digger Morning Glory Destroyer

LeRoy Wright returned from Union Friday afternoon after attending a conference of county agents at the station there. Weeds and methods of control was the subject of the meeting. Mr. Wright reports that the recent report of the station there that morning glory was controlled and actually killed by use of a rod weeder and potato digger is correct. The ground was tilled fourteen times during the summer and a heavy stand of winter wheat was sown. There was no morning glory in the wheat and the summer fallow this year is free from the weed.

Minister Teaching At Summer School

With official notification of his appointment as dean of boys and director of recreation for the Oregon Christian Endeavor conference at hand, Rev. L. H. Mitchelmore leaves Monday for Turner where he will serve on the faculty of the state wide assembly from August 16 to 23. Mr. Mitchelmore will also teach a class in recreational leadership.

Others on the staff for the young people's conference are Dr. Walter L. Myers, state C. E. secretary, Eugene; Rev. James A. Smith, Cottage Grove; Miss Lovina Wilson, Tillamook; Howard Cole, State president; Miss Ruth Towne, Mrs. C. W. Stacy, Salem; Rev. C. P. Gates, Ladd Addition Evangelical church, Portland. Study, inspirational addresses and recreation make up the program of leadership training for Christian Endeavor members.

Ready Answers Will Speed Up Farm Program

Farmers taking part in the AAA program in Oregon can speed up the work of checking this year's performance by having the necessary information ready for the supervisor's check, says N. C. Donaldson, secretary of the state committee at O. S. C.

It is suggested that growers prepare a list of 1937 crops grown on each field and indicate the fields in which they have performed practices entitling them to payment under the agricultural conservation program. Such a listing will cut the time required to prepare the compliance forms for checking and auditing, will cut the cost of checking performance, and it may enable the AAA to make payments earlier than it could otherwise. It will also be of assistance if farmers will notify their community committee chairman or the county committee as soon as all practices have been performed.

Certain amendments to the western division program as it applies to Oregon have recently been announced by George E. Farrell, western regional director. One of these extends the practice of applying landplaster in certain cases to four additional counties. These are Josephine, Jackson, Douglas and Hood River. Another change permits the use of poles or logs in the construction of range fences.

A third amendment permits the withholding of any payments in cases where a farmer adopts any practices which the secretary determines tend to defeat any of the purposes of the 1937 program. It also prevents the use of any scheme or device that would offset the performance for which payment would otherwise be made. These are "safety devices" to prevent rare attempts to take advantage of the program.

A few other changes, mostly technical in nature and intended to clarify former provisions, have been made, which are now in the hands of the various county committees.

AMICKS' HOGS SELL WELL

L. W. Amick is one of the fortunate ones to cash in on the increase in the price of hogs. He recently sold nine 142 day old pigs in Portland and the net receipts were \$195.15 and that isn't a bad way to make a dollar a day.

County Fair Judges Picked By Board

Changes In Seating Arrangements Pondered By Board Since Change In Bucking Location Is Made

Judges for the exhibits at the county fair have been chosen by the board. Three men and one woman will place the exhibits in their order of excellence. Judging horse classes will be Al Oliver of the animal husbandry department of Oregon State college. Joe Balanger, county agent of Morrow county will place cattle, sheep and hogs for both the open and 4-H club classes. D. E. Stephens of the local experiment station has consented to judge the field crops exhibits and Miss Helen Cowgill, assistant club leader, will judge the home economics classes.

Fair board members are concerned over the seating capacity of the grand stand this year and contemplating the purchase of movable bleachers or the erection of permanent bleachers near the present grandstand.

Bucking Chutes Changed

Bucking horses are to be ridden in the arena this year instead of on the track and the additional seating space is needed to keep people from congregating around the chutes and obscuring the vision of these in the grandstand. Fewer people will be allowed in the center of the track this year.

The new judges stand is built and is much smaller to give spectators a better chance to see the events in the arena. Standard Oil officials are trying to arrange for a sound truck to announce events and keep visitors informed of what is going on.

An effort is being made to obtain samples of wheat in greater number than before so that the major crop of the county will be properly represented in the exhibits. Sherman county wheat placed well at the fair last fall and this year's crop is of equally good quality or some fields may be found as good.

Earl Snell Tells Of Ways To Prevent Deaths

Do you think that it is necessary that one human life be sacrificed to modern traffic every day in the state of Oregon? That thousands must be injured and millions of dollars in property damage suffered as a part of the price we must pay for the enjoyment and convenience afforded us by the use of motor vehicles? Are you willing to pay your part of this tremendous toll?

If not, what are you doing to change present conditions? No one can be sure of being exempt from the penalties of reckless or careless driving. Its toll will eventually be felt by you, your family or your friends. No group is too small, no family circle and its contacts so few in number that it can feel secure.

Deaths on Oregon highways showed an increase of more than 18 per cent in 1936 as compared with the previous year. The number of fatalities for this year again is rising. Can this continue indefinitely or will an awakened public conscience put an end to a condition that has become intolerable?

You ask what can be done? The answer is: manifest an active interest. An aroused public sentiment will get results. Discuss the problem with your educators, your police officers and your courts. Call it to the attention of your legislators, that they may act if necessary. Remember that education, enforcement and engineering must go hand in hand in the ultimate solution of this terrible and perplexing problem.

Every community in Oregon is interested in bringing about better driving conditions on our streets and highways, and it is my hope that active work will go forward in each of them in the very near future. Do your part to help eliminate Oregon's traffic deaths.

August Work of County Court Reported In Full

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS, August Term, 1937 August 4, 1937 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 said date meet in the County Courthouse at Moro, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m.

The following being present: Geo. A. Potter, County Judge; David Reid, County Commissioner; A. A. Dunlap, County Commissioner; T. Lester Johnson, District Attorney; Joe Truitt, County Clerk.

The following proceedings were had at the said term of court:

In the matter of the payment of Claims listed in the Claim Docket against General Fund:

The Clerk is instructed to write warrants against the General Fund in the amount and in favor of the Claimants listed on pages 249 to 250, inclusive, Claim Docket No. 3.

In the matter of the payment of Claims listed in the Claim Docket against Road Fund:

The Clerk is instructed to write warrants against the Road Fund in the amounts and in favor of the claimants listed on pages 251 to 252, inclusive, Claim Docket No. 3.

Rs: Claim of Millard R. Eakin for damages of sheep killed by dogs, referred to dog committee.

Re: County Clerk's Semi-annual reports, Jan. 1, 1937 to July 1, 1937. Accepted and filed.

Re: Treasurer's report for month ending July 31, 1937. Accepted and filed.

By order of the court the County Clerk is ordered to issue warrant for \$150.00 in payment of 1937 Biological Survey of Predatory Animal Control.

Re: Budget item of Inland Empire Waterways association. Clerk instructed to issue warrant for \$250.00.

Re: Stock inspector, action deferred until later date.

Court adjourned, subject to call of County Judge.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AND ALLOWED AGAINST THE GENERAL FUND, August Term, 1937

U. S. National Bank, Public Assistance	\$196.44	
U. S. National Bank, Blind Assistance	5.77	
U. S. National Bank, Aid to dependent Children	22.36	
U. S. National Bank, Old Age Assistance	171.67	
State Ind. Acc. Comm.		
Peace officer's protection	6.23	
West Coast Print. & Bind Co. Record books for Clerk's office	32.90	
R. T. Morgan, work on Court yard	3.00	
Carl Anderson, Coroners fee \$5.00; Mileage \$8.80; other expenses \$9.90; Total	23.30	
Pacific Power & Light Co. Courthouse lights	\$9.88;	
DeMoss Park	\$4.50; Total	14.38
M. Clarke Webb, Sealer of Weights and Measures	3.64	
D. J. Butcher, Reemployment Service	15.00	
Stevens-Ness Law Publishing Co. Clerk's 1937 Annotations	2.50	
Joe Truitt, Bank check register for Clerk	.75	
Wily W. Knighten, 4-H Club Fund	500.00	
Wily W. Knighten, Expenses to convention \$36.62; Office help \$13.60	Total	50.22
Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. Assessor \$2.76; Clerk \$3.45;		
Sheriff \$8.20; Total	14.40	
Annie Eddy, Janitress	30.00	
Art Johnson, Furnace tender	25.00	
Geo. A. Potter, Judges Salary	37.50	
David Reid, Commissioner's Expenses	11.50	
A. A. Dunlap, Commissioner's Expenses	16.00	
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County printing \$11.35; Clerks Supplies \$10.00; Assessors printing \$5.75; Total	27.10	
Farmers Elevator & Supply Co. Slack coal	273.49	
Naomi Van Gilder, Telephone tolls, Jan. to July, inclusive	5.55	
J. C. Freeman, Stamps for Clerk's office	4.50	
C. C. Wilson, Transporting prisoner	27.80	
Geo. A. Potter, Judge's expenses	9.70	
T. Lester Johnson, Rent of office \$6.25; Phone calls, etc \$1.25; Total	7.50	
James Stewart, Stock inspector	25.00	

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Slow Harvest Caused By Green Wheat

June Rains Sends Up Suckers That Endanger Crop When Threshed; Yields Higher Than Expected

Harvesting is still being delayed in some sections because of the green spots in the wheat and the late wheat that suckered up from the roots after the heavy June rain. This green wheat turns black and taints the ripe wheat in the sack and elevator men take it only at the owners' risk. Many farmers started and stopped and are now threshing again, while some are still waiting.

Cloudy days and damp nights have also delayed harvesting. Fewer machines are in use now than in past years due to the increase in commercial cutting and this makes cutting the crop slower than in past years. Acreages cut per day per machine is probably higher due to faster tractors.

Yields Very Good

Yields are generally higher than was expected when harvest started and with some exceptions where the grain was seriously damaged by the hot weather are higher than average.

Winter wheat has made as little as five sacks in some places where there was a thin stand and weeds, but throughout the county it will probably make from nine to ten sacks. Spring wheat is making more wheat per acre and probably sixty to seventy percent of the county is in spring wheat indicating that the average yield will be better than twenty bushels.

The price has been working downward for a month and few sales are being made at figures offered as farmers think that the small crop will cause another increase before long.

Navy Accepting Men For Enlistment

Lieutenant John F. Goodwin, U. S. Navy, Officer in Charge of the Oregon Recruiting District with offices in the U. S. Court House at Portland, Oregon, advises that a Traveling Recruiting Party headed by Chief Machinist Mate M. P. Bryant, U. S. Navy, is enroute through the State of Oregon. This party has with them complete sound moving picture equipment and a large number of film of travelogues covering practically every point in the world visited by ships of the U. S. Navy; scenes of our Navy at work and at play, and a number of film showing enlisted men under instruction in many of the trade schools maintained by the Naval Establishment. The Recruiting Party will exhibit these films at The Dalles, Oregon August 17, 1937, and enlistments of young men between 17 and 24 will be taken.

Crop Rotations Still Being Tired For Wheat

Experiences of branch experiment stations in eastern Oregon with trying to develop rotation on Columbia basin wheat lands have shown that considerable care must be practiced to make sure that the fertility and moisture balance is not too seriously disturbed. It has been found, for example, that if wheat is grown immediately after alfalfa has been plowed down, there will be an excess of nitrogen, which causes the wheat to grow so rank that it later burns for lack of moisture before maturity. Various crop combinations are practices to avoid such difficulties are constantly being studied at the branch stations.

IN ROUNDING TURNS

An interesting lesson can be learned from the technique of professional racing drivers who, instead of keeping at full speed until they are well into the turn and then putting on the brakes, apply their brakes when approaching the turn, enter it as reduced speed and then accelerate as they come out again on the straightaway, notes the Oregon State Motor association.