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REHABILITATING REPUBLICANS

Attempts by the Republican party to decide on a policy and a program are laudable. As a minority party it has a duty to its members and to the entire nation to clarify the issues before the people.

In order to do that most effectively, however, the Republican party stand for something. It must decide on a philosophy of government that suits its members and then let everyone know where it stands.

The real question before the American people now, as it has been for the past two years, is whether the people are going to control the government or the government is going to control the people. There is no problem as to where the Republicans will stand on that matter.

It is senseless to criticize the relief program of the Democrats except from an administrative point of view for the very simple reason that we are going to have a relief program, whether federal, state or local as long as people have to have it. The question on the farm program is not whether the farmers should have parity prices or not, but whether farmers or the government should have control of the program.

If the people of this nation want to delegate unlimited power to one man and perpetually look to him for happiness, food, shelter, entertainment, health, economic, moral, financial success the "nude" is pointing the way. If the people wish to win back and there after retain the democratic form of government they fought for years ago they must support an opposition party, Republican, coalition or what ever develops.

WE ARE NOT THE WORLD'S POLICEMAN

One need be only middle aged to remember another time when a national leader stated the fine sentiments about this nation's responsibility in international affairs. We set ourselves, as a nation, a judge over the acts of other nations and appointed ourselves a policeman to enforce our ideas and ideals over the war torn world.

Probably nothing gives a man or a people a greater feeling of generosity and superiority than to judge others and gird on our armor to set the world right. One remembers how great we felt ourselves to be in 1917. We would show the world the right path and, by Thunder, keep the feet of wandering rulers and their subjects on it.

That was in 1917. Those who twenty years ago set forth as policemen to do the bidding of the national leaders who were the judges are older—and wiser.

The last war should be lesson enough for one generation that war breeds nothing but war and hate and debt. Those men in all nations for whom the war will never end will be hard to convince that they or their children should venture into another for any cause but preservation of their homes and firesides.

We fought the last war to preserve democracy—a noble sentiment, but where is democracy that so many died to save. We may have to fight the next war for the principle of non-aggression and find when it is all ended that national aggression is more common than ever. Wars are hot won; they are merely lost.

This nation, great and powerful though it is, is not the judge of other nations nor are its sons policemen to quiet international disturbances.

HONOR JUSTLY GIVEN

Sherman county is going to give honor to its successful 4-H club children next Monday evening and it is most fitting that they do so. They have brought greater recognition to the county than it has achieved in many years of Pacific Internationals and state fairs.

Provincial folks of Oregon who pucker up their faces in bewilderment when they hear the infrequently mentioned name of Sherman as a county will be fewer since the success of these boys and girls. Many, perhaps, who just generally understand that beef cattle are grown in vast open spaces and will not note that one of the smallest counties took a goodly share of the prizes for club calves and for wheat. That is relatively unimportant for those who observe will look up the county on the map and forever remember it.

And the children have done it with long hours spent feeding and currying and studying and working at the many jobs the care of prize beef entails. Monday will be their day.

A BETTER REASON

In some sections the possibility of a special session of the Oregon legislature is a subject of much importance. The group that would like to have financial arrangements made to give those pensioners over 65 at least \$30 per month have prepared a petition to give the governor hoping that he will call the lawmakers together.

Now comes Ben Osborn, leader of the federation of labor, and proposes the move giving as his reason labor's well known opposition to the sales or transaction tax in any form.

Something about the move doesn't ring true. There was a close co-operation between pension adherents and labor in the last session which has probably not become suspicion. It is more than likely that Mr. Osborn feels that the recent disturbances among laborers, or at least among labor leaders, has changed the picture to such an extent that if a session was called there would be some restraint put upon the unions that would make them more responsible to the state and to the public.

The persecution complex that has bothered some of our leaders recently has its latest manifestation in the charge that the stock market crash was caused by manipulation of those who do not want a special session of congress.

A merger of two fighting unions would consolidate more income than the DuPont-Roosevelt merger.

The new CCC boys at the camp will find a goodly number of fellow citizens of their home states in this county as they become better acquainted, for many of the residents of these parts originally came from the south, particularly Tennessee and Missouri.

A visiting senator in Portland is pictured eating bacon and eggs while commenting that one must be in the news to be anyone. The financial ability to eat bacon and eggs is quite a distinction these days too, senator.

Co-eds at the University of Washington are declared to be better physical specimens than the men students. Judging from recent football scores we believe it, too.

English children are being educated in the use of the gas mask. What a wonderful thing is civilization.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor are to visit Bonneville dam on their trip to America. My, won't the old concrete swell with pride.

This is the week in the year when we are sorry Sherman county is so far from the state's two big schools and the annual football game. The last two hours before the victor is decided should make everyone feel like an undergraduate.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

(Continued from page one)

sider more adequate pensions for the needy aged within the next few days.

Unless Townsend leaders who have been working on the problem the past week succeed in evolving a program which will finance more generous pensions without adding to the present tax burden, it is a pretty safe bet that his answer will be "no."

The demand for the special session was presented to the governor in the form of petitions containing more than 75,000 signatures. Presentation of the petitions was made by a large delegation of Townsend leaders who prevailed upon the governor to withhold any immediate decision and give them an opportunity to work out a program that might meet with his approval.

In an address before 500 Townsends in Salem that night Governor Martin expressed himself as in entire sympathy with the old age pension movement. Declaring that present pensions were entirely inadequate to meet the needs of the aged the governor promised to go along with the sponsors of the more adequate pension program "to the limit that the traffic will bear." The governor, however, expressed his doubt as to the ability to enact a revenue measure to finance more generous pensions without running counter to a referendum which would tie the whole program up until the next election.

Townsend leaders who are sponsoring the move for a special session are confident that a "transaction tax" would meet with the approval of the voters although to the laymen it is difficult to distinguish between this tax and the sales tax which has been defeated by decisive majorities on three occasions in Oregon.

Approximately \$1,100,000 a year is being saved by Oregon utility patrons as the result of voluntary reductions in rates filed by the utilities during the past two years after a series of "friendly conferences" with the utilities department, according to N. G. Gallace, public utilities commissioner. The most recent of these voluntary rate reductions were announced this week by the Northwestern Electric company and the Portland General Electric company. The new rates filed by these utilities and applying only to residential and commercial lighting, it is said, will result in savings of approximately \$330,000 a year to patrons of these companies which serve the city of Portland and a large slice of the lower Willamette valley as far south as Salem.

Valuations of railroads operating in Oregon have been increased by nearly \$4,000,000 over 1936 figures while valuations of Oregon power utilities have been "upped" by \$4,829,037.15 the state tax commission announced this week. Valuation increases among the power utilities ranged as high as 66 per cent in the case of the Port Orford Light and Power company. Hearings held by the tax commission, it was shown, revealed that the greatest improvement in earnings during the past year was made by utilities operating in eastern and southern Oregon rather than by the larger utilities operating in the vicinity of Bonneville dam. It was also developed at these hearings, the commissioners explained, that while gross earnings of the utilities generally have increased net revenues would be little if any higher than for 1936 because of increased operating costs including higher wages and increased prices of materials and supplies. Railroads generally reported serious reductions in their net earnings the commission said.

In case there may be some who have not been apprised of the fact it should be mentioned that this is "Be Kind To People" week. That's a new one for the "weeks" calendar, a strictly Oregon product. Governor Martin has requested that all citizens of Oregon observe the week "in a general spirit of kindly interest and old-fashioned neighborliness."

Seeding and Price Worry Farmers

Continued dry weather for the past week has prevented seeding except in isolated instances and more farmers every day are saying that they expect to seed in the spring instead of in the fall this year.

Lowering prices for wheat have slowed business to some extent throughout the county as few farmers will sell for the 75 to 80 cents offered, hoping that later developments will raise the price to a more profitable level.

WARDROBE

"Ah," said the customs officer, finding a bottle of whiskey, "I thought you said there were only old clothes in this trunk?" "Aye, that's my night cap."

Kent Bride Given Miscellaneous Shower

Friends of Mrs. Kenneth Sather surprised her Sunday by having a miscellaneous shower for her at the Louie Sather home. She received a number of lovely gifts and refreshments were served by the hostess.

On October 28 the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary Geo. Bell Post, & Unit No. 49 are honored with an invitation to hold their regular meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Guyton.

Mrs. W. C. Helyer is staying in Portland a few weeks where she is receiving medical aid.

George and Lester Wilson took a truck load of bucks to Fossil Sunday where they had sold them. They also looked for a deer while there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson left Saturday for a two months' visit in Tenn. They will stop enroute to Tenn. and visit friends in South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett of The Dalles were brief callers at the home of Mrs. B. A. Hogue Saturday.

Carl Gregg and daughter Dolores of Ellensburg, Washington were week end visitors here at the Alfred Lyons home.

Mrs. Emma Boardman of Camp Sherman visited Mrs. Max Pluemke last Saturday.

G. W. Howell and John Woods business visitors in The Dalles Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McGlasson left Thursday for Salem where Mr. McGlasson attended a school principals meeting. They were accompanied as far as Portland by Mrs. Clarice Sacre and son George and Mrs. J. C. Wilson. They all returned Sunday except Mrs. Sacre, who remained there for medical care.

G. V. School

By Dolores Simon

Wednesday, October 21, Grass Valley will send their girls volleyball team to Wasco where they will play their fourth game of the season. The Wasco boys do not have a team.

Mr. Baker attended the Oregon High School Principals Association meeting in Salem, Friday, October 21.

City of Moro Budget

This original estimate is made in compliance with section 231-A of the laws of 1921 and shows in parallel columns the unit cost of the several services, materials and supplies for the three fiscal years next preceding the current year, the expenditures and the budget allowance for the first six months of the current year and the expenditures of the current year.

ORIGINAL ESTIMATE AND ACCOUNTING SHEET

Table with columns for Budget Used for 6 mo. for 1937, 1937, 1936, 1935, 1934. Rows include GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT, WATER FUND, MISCELLANEOUS, DEBT SERVICE.

I, Charles Ruggles, do hereby certify that the above estimated expenditures for the year 1937 was prepared by me and that the expenditures and budget allowance for the first six months of the current year as shown above, have been compiled from the records in my charge, and to the best of my knowledge and belief are true and correct copies thereof.

Charles Ruggles, City Recorder.

Notice of the estimated expenses and receipts and the proposed tax levy for the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, for the year 1938.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance to a legislative Act approved by the Governor, February 19th, 1931, that on November 16 the Budget Committee of the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, will be in session at the City Hall at the hour of 7:30 o'clock p. m. and that any taxpayer of the City of Moro will be heard in favor of or against the proposed tax levy as hereinafter itemized.

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Table with columns for GENERAL FUND, WATER FUND, MISCELLANEOUS, DEBT SERVICE. Rows include Treasurers salary, Recorders salary, Marshall and Water, Labor a-c water, Supplies, Power a-c water, Fire Dept., Emergency, Power a-c St. Lights, Insurance on Hotel, Prin. on bonds, Int. on bonds, TOTAL.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Table with columns for WATER FUND, Licenses, Hotel Rent, Amount to be raised by taxation, GRAND TOTAL.

Bonded Indebtedness of City of Moro: Giles L. French, Chairman of Budget Committee. Dated at Moro Oregon October 11, 1937. H. O. Kunsman, Secretary of the Budget Committee. Date set for the Hearing on the Budget November 16, 1937.

15. He was back in school Monday.

Volley ball practices are held at 7:30 p. m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for the girls.

A glee club has been organized under the direction of Mr. Tapp. The pianist is Doris Stradley. The turn out is much better than in previous years. Those participating are Virginia Huhman, Ellen Eakin, Lydia Roth, Dolores Simon, Thelma Fortner, Louise Roth, Betty Olds, Blanche Garrett, Wanda Tiller, Ramona Spoor, Gene Reynolds, Warren Morgan, Donald Olds, Harry Young, Harry Stark, Clarence Johnson, Willard Olds, Bill Ball, and Bill Todd.

Mr. Tapp has also organized an orchestra which practices at 3:30 each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Violins have instruction at 8:30 every morning. Those who started late obtain extra instruction after 4:00 each evening and on Saturday. They can play four pieces well now. There are ten violins, two of which have had instruction, they are Doris Stradley and Ivan Gervais. The members and the instruments are violin, Grace Zevely, Jeanette Huhman, Bobby Ziegler, Ivan Gervais, Virginia Huhman, Irma Lee Gervais, Donald Olds, Duane Lemley, LeRoy Spoor and Doris Stradley. Trumpet, Doris Newcomb, Ross Fields, and Freda Beuther. Trombone Ramona Spoor. Drum; Kelly Tiller, Herman Zeigler, and Thelma Fortner. Piano, Betty Olds. Clarinet, Ellen Eakin, John Beuther, and Lowell Tiller. Saxophone, Lila Lee Alley, Emma Jean Eakin, and Gene Reynolds.

Veteran Sportsman—Have you ever done any shooting? Amateur Guest—Well, for the last two years I've fired the starting guns for the races at our county fair.

In Other Days

From the Observer Oct. 23, 1908.

A very pretty home wedding took place on the 18th when Miss Ella Anderson was united in marriage to Arthur S. Johnson of Kent.

Sherman county men who won prizes at the Wasco county district fair were A. H. Barnum, R. T. Morgan, Col. C. A. Buckley,

Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us.

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome.

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A M. Wright and Mrs. L. A. Heath.

Some of our farmers are cutting out formaldehyde treatment of seed wheat. Nothing better than vitroling has yet been discovered.

A report on the schools of the county shows that principal s received an average of \$93.25, men teachers \$75, women \$56.33 and that \$100 was the highest salary paid and \$40 the lowest.

From the Observer Oct. 25, 1918.

R. M. Benson has raised 252 pounds of beans from a lot and a half near his residence. At current market price the beans are worth more than the land on which they were grown.

Nine deaths from influenza in a week in Sherman county proves that the epidemic is serious.

The Early mill is again in active operation. All flour must be handled on an 80 percent wheat and 20 percent substitute basis at either store or mill.

PRICE INDEX

(Continued from page one) is attributed to an expected average farm price level running around 12 per cent over the 1936 year average, and to a prospective increase of about 3 per cent in the gross volume of agricultural production. Data in the report shows that farm prices were at a relative high level during the first half of 1937, declining during the summer and fall months under new crop influence. In general, the season has been favorable for crops, both in Oregon and in the country as a whole.

Although the report states that the estimates are quite preliminary in nature, the increase in total agricultural income in Oregon in 1937 over 1936 may approximate 15 per cent and may amount to as much as \$20,000,000. Including the value added by agricultural manufacturing operations and the farm sales of numerous specialty farm products, as well as income from the principal crop and animal products, total agricultural income

is expected to reach \$150,000,000 or more in 1937—the greatest since 1929.

"Considering the purchasing power of the dollar, Oregon's agricultural income in 1937 has the appearance of being even better than in 1929, if present prospects work out," says the report. "In 1929, the United States index prices paid by farmers averaged 101 per cent of the 1929-30 level, against the probable average of 86 for 1937."

"On the other hand, however, the census shows that the income of 1937 will be divided between a considerable greater number of farm operators in Oregon, consequently the purchasing power per farm family has not increased to the same extent as total agricultural income."

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the estate of Elizabeth Fuller, deceased, are hereby notified to present them in proper form to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Fuller, deceased, at the office of Geo. G. Updegraff, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice, to wit: October 15, 1937.

David Reid, Attorney for Administrator.

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

Notice is given that Saturday, the 30th day of October, 1937, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day and the court room of the County Court in the courthouse at Moro in Sherman County, Oregon has been fixed as the time and place for hearing all objections to the final report and account filed with the clerk of the County Court of Sherman County, Oregon, by the undersigned as administrator of the estate of John P. Brackett, deceased.

J. L. Brackett, Administrator of the estate of John P. Brackett, deceased.

Carlton L. Pepper, Attorney for Administrator.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

On Saturday, the 18th day of November, 1937, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. at the front door of the Courthouse in Moro, Sherman County Oregon, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property located in Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit:

The South Half (S½) of Section Sixteen (16), Township Two (2) South Range Sixteen (16), East of the Willamette Meridian.

Said sale is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Sherman to me directed in the case of the State Land Board of the State of Oregon, plaintiff vs. C. E. Johnson and Edna H. Johnson, husband and wife; J. A. Evans; H. C. Ginn and Stella Ginn, husband and wife; Joe F. Peters and Marie Peters, husband and wife; F. R. Fortner and Anabel L. Fortner, husband and wife; Mark Skinner, Superintendent of Banks of the State of Oregon; American Surety Company of New York, a corporation; and Sherman County a municipal corporation, defendants.

C. C. WILSON, Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon. Geo. G. Updegraff, Attorney for Plaintiff. 49-52

BANK BY MAIL advertisement with illustration of a hand holding a check and a box labeled 'SAVE MONEY SAVE TIME'.

The Dalles Branch of the United States National Bank advertisement, including contact information for C. R. Harding, Manager and L. A. Littleton, Asst. Mgr.