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HAIL, 1938

One cannot help but wonder if
aged 1937 does not come to the
end of his allotted time with some-
thing of relief and that if 1938 was
not so youthful and innocent of
experience he would refuse to take
over the burdens.

This is perhaps properly the
time for optimism and hope as the
new year is coming in and a new
page is being turned. But optimism
or pessimism, it is also a time for
realism.

Nineteen thirty seven ends with
two wars being fought and either
the reporting is much better than
heretofore or the wars are more
cruel. Spaniards fighting Spaniards
with the aid of nations support-
ing the political theories of each
side have done as thorough a
job of killing all citizens as possi-
ble. The Chinese, armed with older
machinery and poorly trained, are
being pushed back into the hills by
the Japanese who are covetous of
their lands.

In this country we are less prosper-
ous than last year despite gener-
ally larger crops and a pretty
good first half year industrially.
Our national debt is growing every
day, unemployment is getting
worse, and strikes hamper labor
from working and industry from
producing.

Dictators, who have assumed
control in European nations, are
saying that democracy is a form
of government that cannot with-
stand the shocks of hard times and
that strong hands are needed at
the helm. If they are right—and
we will be the last to admit it—
there is soon to be an end to indi-
vidualism, to liberty, such as we
of America have known, to freedom
of expression for ordinary citizens.

Yes, 1938 needs sympathy and
whatever aid we can give it to
make its closing a happier time for
the world than is the ending of
1937.

OFF THE PAYROLL

Tom Burns, who is known to the
elders as a leader in labor fights
of another day, comes forth with
the proposal that labor leaders go
off the payroll when their follow-
ers are made to do so by a strike.
It is a better proposal than most
that have been made since Port-
land was tied up by a jurisdictional
dispute.

It is undoubtedly true that a
large part of the men now kept
from work through the dispute
between their leaders would much
rather be working. Whether they
are to be represented as craftsmen
or as lumber workers cannot be as
important as prevention of work
under any classification. The unions
have become a voice of the
leaders instead of the voice of the
workmen.

Usually in a strike it is im-
portant to inquire into the dis-
pute, why it was caused and the
merits of both sides. In this pre-
sent tie up the dispute is between
CIO and AFL. CIO wants to or-
ganize the men by shop and factory
and the AFL by crafts. Votes of
the men have nothing to do with it
for either side boycotts products
produced by the other.

It is hard to be convinced that
the principle of union organization
is keeping the leaders in opposi-
tion to as great an extent as is
the income in dues that will accrue
to the winner and is in fact pro-
viding the funds for the fight.

If the proposal of Tom Burns
was followed and salaries of the
leaders were stopped there could
be a test of principles untarnished
by the hope for financial returns
and personal power.

A CHOICE

Democratic voters of the second
Oregon congressional district will
have a decision to make next May
that will not be very easy. Wade
Crawford, Klamath Indian, an-
nounces that he is going to enter
the race against Walter Pierce for
the nomination of congressman.

Some, of course, will scoff at the
possibility of a real native son
having a chance against the ex-
perienced Walter. Yet, consider
that many men have been elected
because of the advertising they
would give the district represented.
Remember Victor Myers over in
Washington. When Mr. Crawford
in all his tribal regalia, which he
probably never wore at home, in-
tered the house chamber everyone
would be promptly appraised of the
second district of Oregon, its ge-
ography, area and history. Walter,
with his broad brimmed hat and
his apolloosa complexion, could
not compete with Wade Crawford,
the native.

Now as to whether Mr. Crawford
can arouse the multitude from the
political stump as easily and as
thoroughly as can Mr. Pierce is not
known at present writing. Expe-
rience has taught Mr. Pierce many
ways to appeal to the voter. Mr.
Crawford, for instance may not
know that it is politically wise to
wear a sack string watch chain in
the wheat counties and a cow hide
thong in the stock counties; he may
not easily learn the farm similes
and metaphors and be always able
to keep them separate from those
of the city. All these things come
with experience in vote getting and
Mr. Crawford is new at the game.
Yet the news reels and the picture
magazines would not miss Mr.
Crawford.

IT FEELS LIKE SPRING

Here it is with the days growing
longer already, the time of year
when the cold begins to strengthen,
and the weather is so much like
spring that the trees and flowers
are fooled by it and are preparing
to put out leaves.

Ralph Brisbane, trimming trees
in the city park, found the silver
leafed poplar with buds as large
as a little finger almost ready to
send out bloom and leaves. And
this is December. Of course, the
buds may get frozen like a young
man asking for his first kiss, but
there they are ready to decorate
the trees in May-time fashion.

Mrs. Sayra has had violets in her
yard this month when ordinarily
those little flowers are covered with
snow and frozen solidly, although
the violet is among the first flow-
ers to brave the threats of spring.

This is no prophesy of what is
to come for the ground may be
covered with a foot of snow by the
time readers are perusing this
page. Such changes are not un-
known heretofore. Perhaps nature
wishing to be returned to the good
graces of Sherman countians, will
send a winter of rain and westerly
winds to make up for the cold,
blustery, snowy winter of 1936-37.
If it does not it has at least made
enough progress along that line to
fool some plants that are ordinari-
ly very wise to the intentions of
nature.

A Portland community paper
that is sending out copies contain-
ing an article boosting Elton Wat-
kins, says "The Democrats of Ore-
gon are face to face with a grave
responsibility. If they nominate a re-
sponsible, honest, EARLESS Demo-
crat—" etc. We think it has
definite possibilities. For years
there have been unkind remarks
about politicians with their ear to
the ground and folks have become
a bit shy about voting for them.
We hardly supposed the political
experiment stations were working
on a new variety that would be
earless to prevent this weakness,
but it has apparently been done.
Such office holders would be unable
to listen to the lobbyists, they
would not be concerned about the
roars of the multitude and could be
directed by their own consciences.
Truly this is a New Deal.

The first moving pictures that
came from the China war zone
found a larger audience than many
a well advertised feature. From
indications the films of the bomb-
ing of the Panay will attract more
attention than would a picture
having half a dozen movie stars.

No very serious flood has yet
brought disaster to Sherman coun-
ty, towns since 1894 when Grants
was washed out of existence by
high water on the Columbia. Yet
if the Willamette valley has rain
to spare we could handle a bit of
it, although pretty well supplied.

Now science is promising a more
abundant life along with politics.
Mebbe so, but grandpap who had
to work hard for a living was more
virile than his grandson. It may
be found impossible to make life
very abundant for those who are
called upon from setting down instead
of caloused from working.

It might weaken the nation's
hand in diplomacy if the amend-
ment to hold a vote before the na-
tion declared war was passed: But
it would strengthen the people's
hand in their affairs if it was
passed.

Rain of .22 inches fell Wednes-
day night in Moro and cloudy skies
remain.

Hints For Food
Handlers Given
By State Board

This bulletin is intended partic-
ularly for food handlers engaged in
serving the public, but it may be
taken to heart by housewives and
others in private homes. It is also
issued for the purpose of informing
consumers of food what is expected
of food handlers in the way of per-
sonal cleanliness and the mainte-
nance of public health.

Disease prevention is usually a
personal and individual matter
rather than something that can be
controlled by health authorities.
Some very severe outbreaks of com-
municable disease have been traced
to food handlers who were care-
less in their personal habits. Yet
if so simple a precaution as thor-
oughly cleansing the hands had
been observed, much unnecessary
illness among food consumers
would have been avoided. A food
handler with a common cold that
requires frequent use of the hand-
kerchief should stay at home and
receive treatment. By so doing he
will recover more rapidly from his
illness and will not expose fellow
workers and patrons to the infec-
tion. If a food handler knows he
has a communicable disease he
should immediately stop work and
not unnecessarily expose others to
the disease.

Disease Spread

The spreading of disease is often
a hand to mouth affair so the job
of hand washing should be a thor-
ough one. Hot, running water, a
good soap and ample time are es-
sential. An individual scrub brush
is a great help. After washing the
hands should be dried on an indi-
vidual towel. The finger nails
should be neatly trimmed and free
from dirt at all times. The hands
should be washed whenever soiled
particularly before beginning to
prepare or serve food and after
leaving the toilet. Clean hands
usually go with a clear mind, a
clean body, and clean clothing. A
person with clean hands is nearly
always intelligent and considerate
of the rights of others. He realizes
that the presence of clean hands
in an eating place increases patron-
age and helps keep the commu-
nity healthy.

The utensils in which foods are
prepared or stored as well as dishes
in which they are served should be
thoroughly cleansed. Dishes, drink-
ing glasses and food handling uten-
sils which are soiled should never
be used. Tongs, forks, or other
implements should be used to han-
dle candy, cakes, bread, and simi-
lar objects to minimize the hand-
ling of food with bare hands. Sand-
wich makers should learn to do
their work without in any way
touching the materials with their
hands. Cleanliness is the personal
responsibility of each food handler.
By observing suggestions that
have been given, the food handler
can increase his self respect, can
help safe guard his own health,
and at the same time aid in pre-
venting the transmission of disease
to patrons. Moreover, he will con-
tribute to the success of the busi-
ness in which he is engaged because
cleanliness is always appreciated
and is attractive to patrons.

In order that there may be full
and complete cooperation between
the food handler and his employer,
both must understand fully the
reasons for the precautionary meas-
ures to be taken.

THE BARNUM FAMILY

Henry Barnum, who came from
New England, was among the first
settlers in what is now Sherman
county. He filed on the land that
is now the site of Moro in 1869 and
built the ditch fences that may still
be seen in parts of town. He had
been in Wasco county since 1857,
and in Oregon since the forties.
He was the founder of the Barnum
family that has been well known
here since pioneer days.

He had horses and cattle being
one of the first stockmen who took
up land and located permanently.
He built a home and brought his
wife, Elmira Massiker, from the
old Price place to share it with him.

His sons, Elvin, Ladru and Art
are still residents of this section
of the state as is his daughter, Mrs.
L. L. Peets. All have been identi-
fied with the development of the
county that has taken place since
the first settlement. For years they
owned and operated stock ranches
in Grass Valley canyon and they
still own them. Ladru entered the
banking business early in the cen-
tury, later moved to The Dalles and
is living there at present. Art was
the first breeder of purebred Here-
fords in the county and for a num-
ber of years showed his stock over
the west at fairs and stock shows.

Ladru was councilman and mayor
of Moro during his residence here
and was head of the liberty loan
campaigns during the world war.
Art was president of the fair board
for twenty five years, retiring but
a year or so ago.



Su-Lin, only baby giant Panda in
captivity, greets winter at the
Brookfield (Ill.) zoo. This playful
favorite of thousands of visitors who
come from far and near to see her,
waves a jolly paw to Old Man Win-
ter and her admiring friends at the
zoo.

CRONOLOGY

August 20: Pinball machines
picked by board. Kent robber
sentenced to two year term.
August 28: School opening post-
poned till September 13. New
bleacher being built at fair grounds.
Mrs. Wiley McDonald passes.
September 3: Wasco bank mak-
ing full payment. Two arrested in
Grass Valley. Rainfall delays har-
vest. AftonMcIntyre has accident.
September 10: Officials picked
for fair racing and bucking. Har-
vest nears close. Dale Baker mar-
ried. James Stewart and Roy
Harper die. 75 to 90 CCC's to
leave.

September 17: Percentage of
smutty wheat lower in years.
Sherman county schools open Mon-
day. Preparations for fair being
made.
September 24: Reatha Sayra
and Donald von Borstel to go to the
International Livestock show as
guests of First National bank.
Fair started today.

October 1: Fair huge success.
Large crowds attend the biggest
fair since discontinuation a few
years ago. Prohibition play com-
ing. Sherman county to exhibit
at Pacific International.

October 8: Bob King wins cham-
pionship with calf. Wasco festival
successfully entertains crowd.
Health Association holds meeting
here. Delegation asks for prefer-
ence in roadwork.
October 15: Moro city budget
reduced about forty percent. New
CCC's from south to arrive. Non-
High school budget reduced. Dor-
othy Foss married Sunday.

October 22: County budget
slightly larger this year than last.
Edward Thomas and W. G. Knigh-
ten die. Club children celebrate
at victory dinner. Wheat league
directors plan meeting.
October 29: Budgets of Grass
Valley and Wasco posted. Woman's
club buys old Ellsworth Hotel
building. Teacher's Institute held
in The Dalles. SCS making survey
of county lands.

November 5: County court ag-
rees to hire driller for well at
fair ground. First camp night of
new OCC company held Wednes-
day. Rain comes to send farmers
to work. New farm explanation
due this month. Farm groups op-
pose 70 car train bill.

November 12: 1938 program for
farmers drawn crowd. Wheat
League committees named. Two
wrecks for week, one killed. Lond-
strom-Peetz announcement told.

November 19: Farm program
leaders elected for county. Two
trials enliven court session. Moro
State bank will pay fourth divid-
end. Wasco loses football game
to Goldendale. Mrs. J. A. Sharp
dies.

November 26: Budget approval
postponed till December court.
Shelton-McKee wedding held at
Wasco. Farm income will buy less
this year. Donald Morris becomes
First Class Scout.

December 3: Budget for county
balanced by reduction of original
estimate. Local committees work
on resolutions for wheat league.
Wasco organizes a civic club. Ac-
cident in Moro injures two. O-
Meara holds tractor school. Mrs.
Ruth Miller dies.

December 10: Moro bank orders
fifth dividend. Wheat League meet-
ing held at La Grande. County
budget given final approval.

December 17: Twenty apply for
old age pensions. Year's supply of
rainfall more than usual. Basis for
farm legislation set forth by
league. CCC's beat Kent in basket-
ball. Moving pictures being given
every week at the Legion hall. The
local firm of McKean & Searcy hold
tractor school.

December 24: New road to be
built between Bourbon and Kent.
Farm program delayed for infor-
mation. Wasco Civic club has
meeting. George Vinton and Mrs.
Elizabeth Olds die in week. Farm-
ers talk over labor troubles of
state.

In Other Days

From the Observer Jan. 3, 1918

Moro wins in basketball at The
Dalles against The Dalles. High
point man was Collis Moore with
a total of 14 points.

Mayor N. W. Thompson has
declared the city closed because of
a renewed epidemic of the flu.

Chester Anderson is home from
Portland where he is attending
auto and tractor school.

L. N. Huls and wife were visitors
during the holidays, from The
Dalles, at the home of Mrs. Huls
parents.

Reed Hulse, from Vancouver,
Washington, is visiting old Sher-
man county tillcums.

From the Observer Dec. 30, 1898

Judge Meader's court was engag-
ed in trial of a suit this week for
a threshing account where the de-
fendant set up no value received
because of imperfect work.

Miss Ida and Master George
Mowry are at home for the holi-
days.

Hans Hansen, one of the stalwart
citizens of Gorman and Mrs. Ras-
mussen were visitors Wednesday.

Rev. Nickelson and Miss Mattie
Barnes were married in Antelope
December 23rd, Rev. D. H. Leach
officiating.

Billy Weigrand, Tom Callaghan
and J. A. Hand New Yeared in The
Dalles.

From the Observer January 1, 1909

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ed January the 11, in the Moro
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united in marriage with Roy Pow-
ell, one of our esteemed young gen-
tlemen.

CHURCHES

Community Presbyterian Church
Lawrence H. Michelmore, Ministe-
Community Presbyterian church:
10 a. m., Bible school with classes
for all ages; 11 a. m., "Facing the

New Year," sermon by the pastor; R. J. Kitchen,
7:15 p. m., Christian Endeavor LaGrande, Oregon,
societies meet for song, worship Attorney for administrator.
and discussion.

Grass Valley Baptist Church
Gerald C. Dryden, Pastor.

Grass Valley Baptist church: 10
a. m. Bible school. 11 a. m. New
Years' Message. Start the new
year right by coming to church this
Sunday. 7:30 evangelistic mes-
sage. Come to find the way to
salvation and to grow in the Chris-
tian life. 7:30 p. m. Thursday,
prayer and Bible study. Also
monthly business meeting.

Christian Science Society

Christian Science Society: Serv-
ices are held on Sunday morning at
11 o'clock and on Wednesday eve-
ning at 8 o'clock. This church main-
tains a reading room in the rear
of the church building where all
authorized Christian Science litera-
ture may be read, borrowed or pur-
chased.

Wasco Methodist Church
F. L. Cannell, Pastor

Wasco Methodist church: Sun-
day school at 10 a. m. Morning
worship at eleven. Subject "A
Case of Blues." Text, "But Elijah
went a day's journey into the wil-
derness, and came and sat down
under a juniper tree; and he re-
quested for himself that he might
die. I Kings 19:4." Choir practice
Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Who Th'wiped Our Anna?
My Analyze over the ocean
My Analyze over the sea,
Ah, who will go over the ocean
And bring back my Anatomy?

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLE-
MENT

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
SHERMAN COUNTY, STATE OF
OREGON.

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF Maude P. Muilenburg,
Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the undersigned, adminis-
trator of estate of Maude P. Muilen-
burg, deceased, has filed in the
County Court of Sherman County,
Oregon, his final account as admin-
istrator of said estate and that the
31st day of January, 1938, at the
hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon
of said day, at the county court
room in the courthouse of said
county, has been fixed by the court
as the time and place for hearing
of objections to said account, if
any, and the settlement thereof.

William Muilenburg,
Administrator of the estate of
Maude P. Muilenburg, deceased.

IN THE COUNTY COURT FOR
THE STATE OF OREGON FOR
THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN
PROBATE DEPARTMENT

No. 360
NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF ALEXANDER DA-
VIS, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned, as Administratrix of
the Estate of Alexander Davis, de-
ceased, has filed her final account
in the County Court of the State
of Oregon, for Sherman County,
and that Monday, the 24th day of
January, 1938, at the hour of 10
o'clock in the forenoon of said day
and the court room of said court
has been appointed by said Court
as the time and place for the hear-
ing of objections thereto and the
settlement thereof.

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Neoma E. Smith, Administratrix.
Oren R. Richards, Attorney.

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

Moro, Oregon
Meets the 1st and 3rd
Thursday evenings of
each month. Visiting
members cordially in-
vited to meet with us.

Roy Powell, W. M.
C. V. Belknap, Sec.

More Lodge No. 113, I. O. O. F.

Moro, Oregon
Meets 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays in the
I. O. O. F. hall. Trans-
ient and visiting
brothers are cordi-
ally invited to meet
with us.

Lewis McKee, N. G.
Joe Truitt, Sec.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116

Moro, Oregon
Meets 2d and 4th Tu-
esdays of each month.
Visiting members
welcome.

Mabel McKee, N. G.
Naomi Van Gilder, Sec.

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

Moro, Oregon
Meets Every Sunday
Fourth Thursdays of
Month. Visiting mem-
bers invited.

Frances King W. M.
Ruth Sparling, Secretary.



The high cost of living is
getting to be a problem again---
but you can still get the news of
your neighbors each week for
the same cost.

WHY NOT RESOLVE:
To Subscribe To The
Sherman County

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For 1938 ---- and know what is going
on around the county.