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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Citizens of the Kent community
have done a very fine thing in the
past week or ten days by co-operating
to build the road they wanted
down Pine Hollow to the John
Day. The point of the praise has
nothing to do with the road or its
present or ultimate value. It is
praise for the spirit of citizenship
that is willing to sacrifice time and
effort to do something for the
community.

It is customary in this day and
age for communities or groups that
want some improvement to harrass
city, county, state or national officials,
with petitions, arguments—and
some times threats of political
reprisal—until they are granted
all or a part of their demands.
There has been a minimum of demand
from the Kent people and a
maximum of cooperation both
among themselves and with the
county road crew.

In earlier days, when we were
closer to the pioneer standard of
individualism and self reliance
communities often went about their
desired improvements by gathering
in a body and going to work to do
the job required. The modern
trend has been to pass the buck to
whatever governmental agency that
could be persuaded or coerced to
make an appropriation. The many
agencies for spending public money
that have been recently established
have caused this method to be almost
universal in the United States
which makes the action taken by
the Kent people all the more noteworthy
and laudable.

The importance of the road has
nothing to do with it, although it
may well become a part of a new
cross road. Kent realized that if
and when it was built it would be
of more value to them than to other
parts of the county and instead
of waiting until the job could be
done by the county alone, they
preferred their services. The cost
of the road has been negligible to
the county. The work was of no
large value to the residents of
Kent. The spirit that made it possible
is of inestimable worth to the
community, to the county and to
the nation for there have been
some indications that citizenship of
this kind was becoming a lost
virtue.

LUDLOW AMENDMENT

If it is possible to judge from
evidence found in daily conversation
it seems that the recent defeat—through holding in committee—of the Ludlow amendment is
not a popular move. The people apparently
feel that they should have
something to say about going to a
foreign land to fight.

The argument that the passage of
the amendment would handicap the
department of state in dealing with
foreign governments is a valid one
and it would undoubtedly make it
impossible to show a very strong
hand in telling other nations what
we would do to them if they didn't
behave according to our standards.
There might be an advantage for
the American people if the state
department was less able to talk
foreign war.

As it is, and as it will be for
years, probably, the only way for
the people to stop foreign war is
to persuade their congressmen that
such a war would be a bad political
move. Certainly there will never
again be so much ill feeling about
an anti-war vote as was accorded
to the senators who voted against
the World War back in 1917.

There is nothing in democracy
to indicate that a people should
blindly follow a president or a
congress into war regardless of the
reason why those officials might desire
war. There is still a chance
for the Ludlow amendment.

It is probably the proper time
according to the calendar to print
so many articles about drunks and
hangovers. It may be there are
more interested shortly after the
first of the year.

MARTIN AND THE DEMOCRATS

The Oregon Democrat, which is
a magazine published for the con-
tact section of the party, now comes
boldly into print with a criticism
of Governor Martin in which it
speculates on the possibility of de-
feating that doughty old gentleman
at the May primaries.

The principle sin of the gover-
nor apparently is that he said
some bad things about the National
Labor Relations Board and intim-
ated that the secretary of labor
was not perfect. If that be treason
to the party it is a sad state of
affairs for to many it sounded like
good Americanism to boldly ex-
press an opinion in sincerity and
with the welfare of the people of
Oregon at heart.

The Oregon Democrat also intim-
ates that the governor was elected
to represent the party in Oregon
whereas it is the general as-
sumption that he was elected to
represent and govern all of the
people of Oregon. Correct us if
we are wrong.

All of which means that the
primary campaign has already
started and that the men, or man,
who wants to be governor has
some sort of control over the party
publication. Martin has made and
will make lots of mistakes. He will
occasionally speak violent words
against men and ideas when few
can see the need or the wisdom
of so speaking. But no one has so
far been able to cast a single sus-
picion against his sincere interest
for Oregon.

GOON SQUAD

A note in the newspapers has to
do with the governor's dislike for
goon squads. While dictionaries do
not give a definition of the word,
goon from its use a goon squad is
a group of men, endowed with phys-
ical vigor and strength and either
an unholy ambition to obey some
labor boss or an intense hate for
all who do not follow the dictates
of the union, and who therefore
beat-up, kill or seriously annoy non-
union men or those of another group.
It is not an occupation that is
likely to endear its followers to
the general public for it lacks in-
gentility, it fails to observe so
many of the most rudimentary pre-
cepts of civilization, it does not
hold the law in respect. Goon
squads may be compared to the
bunches of braves that were kept
by local big shots in the fifteenth
century for the purpose of taking
what they wanted from those less
well protected.

It seems odd that a group of law
abiding citizens such as must make
up the labor unions would coun-
tenance the use of plug-uglies to en-
force their desires. The thought
persists that the rank and file of
the unions are not consulted over
the hiring of them or that the
most radical of the union members
are in power.

And the papers state that the
governor don't like goon squads.
Well, who does?

Dame Rumor will be pleased if
the Portland newspapers are closed
by strikes for then she will have
a wonderful opportunity to spread
by word of mouth such stories as
may interest but not inform. News-
papers may not be an absolute
necessity inasmuch as one doesn't
eat them or shelter his family with
them, but if there is a demand for
knowledge about what is happen-
ing, what is correct about stories
rumored they are a necessity.

It appears that all organizations,
companies, or groups that want any-
thing, rush to the government in-
stead of depending on themselves.
It is absolutely necessary in some
cases because the government has
assumed control over them. We
now have the railroads asking for
higher rates, and the farmers want-
ing a section of the farm bill
against higher rates on farm pro-
duce.

This is the sort of weather that
would not even be unusual in Los
Angeles. Naturally it is far too
early in the winter for a native to
boast of our salubrious winter for
snow and cold may yet come, but
we have seen enough of the winter
to be assured that it is not going
to be as long as those long-remembered
winters that began in Octo-
ber and lasted until April. At
least that won't happen.

It is going to take a terrible hate
of Japan to make American ladies
do without their silk stockings.
Most of them wear something else
that looks a bit like silk, though.

When the country is all steamed
up over monopoly it will be seen that
there are several kinds, economic,
political, etc. There are those who
will think the government should
take some action against the
monopoly the Democratic party has
on offices.

Loss of so many airplanes is
certain to reduce the confidence
that has been built up in flying as
a means of transportation.

Now offered is a one volume high
school course. For parents who
have a large school book bill each
fall it sounds like a life saver.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

(Continued from page one)
met with the State Land Board
this week. A large number of edu-
cators interested in protecting the
irreducible school fund and a num-
ber of eastern Oregon stockmen
also attended the meeting.

The federal government, accord-
ing to Carpenter, is ready and an-
xious to cooperate with the state
in any program that the Land
Board may decide upon. He recom-
mended an experimental test of the
blocking program through a year's
exchange of land use before any ex-
change of title is made. This would
give the board a chance to study
the effect of such a program upon
the stockmen as well as upon the
school fund before any definite
steps are taken.

Carpenter also called attention
to the fact that Uncle Sam still
owns a number of isolated tracts
of 40 and 80 acres each, in various
parts of the state which can be ac-
quired by the state through ex-
change of its grazing lands on an
acre-for-acre basis. These tracts,
according to Carpenter, are much
more valuable than are the grazing
lands which comprise most of the
state's holdings and an exchange
on this basis would prove highly
advantageous to the irreducible
school fund.

In order to prevent "chiseling"
by beneficiaries of either fund all
relief rolls as well as all unemploy-
ment compensation rolls will be
cleared through the state employ-
ment service, it has been announced
by members of the Unemployment
Compensation Commission. Any du-
plications found on the two rolls
will be carefully investigated to
prevent duplication in benefit pay-
ments.

Oregon school districts have re-
duced their debt load by \$4,438,313
in the past seven years, according
to a report compiled by Rex Pit-
nam, state superintendent of pub-
lic instruction. At the peak in
1928-29 these school districts had
\$20,496,098 in bonds outstanding.
Highest point in outstanding school
warrants was reached in 1936-37
when this form of indebtedness ag-
gregated \$1,468,612. Payment of
delinquent taxes has contributed
largely toward reduction of the
debt load. Salaries paid to teach-
ers in the public schools of this
state were \$2,500,242 less for 1936-
37 than for 1929-30 but there has
been a gradual increase in teach-
ers' salaries during the past two
years. Oregon teachers, however,
are still receiving approximately
25 percent less than they were in
1929-30.

Attorneys for the bank night
corporation this week withdrew
their suit to restrain Marion coun-
ty officials from interfering with
this popular attraction and assured
Assistant Attorney General Moody
that they would advise their client
to discontinue bank nights in all
Oregon counties.

Oregon patrons of horse and
dog races wagered \$3,735,213 on
the dogs and ponies during 1937,
the lucky holders of the winning
tickets drawing down an aggregate
of \$3,277,502 in return. The dif-
ference, of \$457,711 represents the
16 percent withheld by the pro-
moters of the races and the 2 1/2%
"cut" claimed by the state for per-
mitting the races. Bets on the Por-
tland dog races alone amounted to
\$3,582,512 while only \$93,776 was
wagered on the horses at the state
fair.

The Board of Control gave its
approval of plans for the new
state history building this week,
opening the way for the call for
bids on the structure, cost of which
is estimated at approximately \$739,
000.

Fewer Accidents

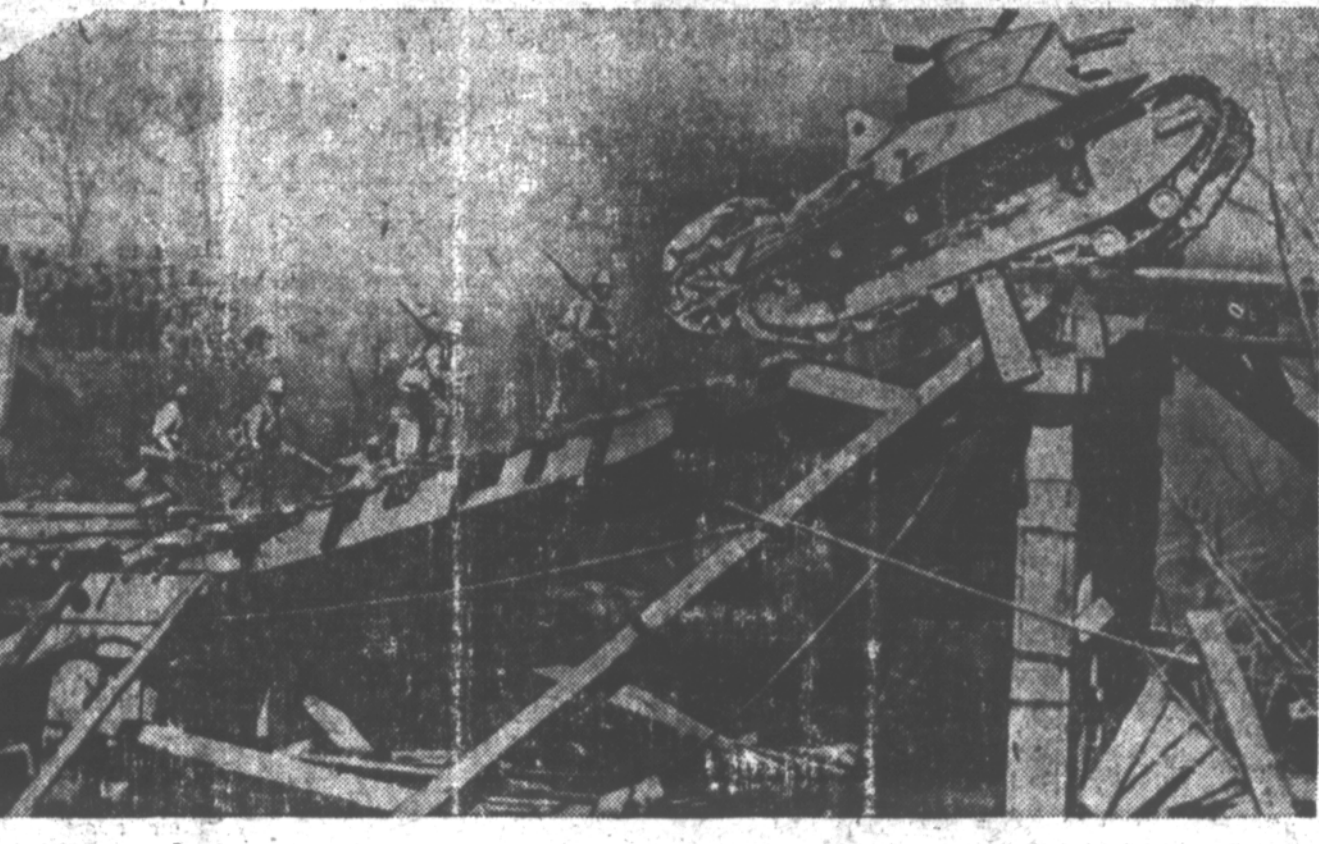
Recorded in Oregon
Automobile accident statistics for
January, 1937, were Oregon mot-
orists against unpreparedness and
too much speed at this time of year,
Secretary of State Snell said this
week.

More than half of last January's
3032 reported accidents occurred
while streets and highways were
covered with ice, and nearly one-
third occurred while snow was ac-
tually falling. Skidding played a
part in no less than 1105 mishaps.
"I am hopeful that our drivers
can chalk up a substantial decrease
over last January's record-break-
ing accident figures," Snell added,
"but this cannot be done if the
majority of us are caught unaware
by weather such as we had last
year."

The importance of sensible speed
is further stressed by the fact that
while non-collision accidents, in
which automobiles simply turned
over or were driven off the highway
represented only a little more than
one per cent of the total, they con-
tributed eight of last January's 20
highway deaths.

Mistress—The maid tells me you
want to go out tonight, Cook. It is
urgent?
Cook—No, mom; hit's mine.

the Top Means Rickety Ride for Japs



A partially demolished bridge on the Chinese front provides the setting for this unusual picture. A Japanese tank followed by soldiers rumbles cautiously over the unstable structure as the army moves forward to a new fighting position on the way to Nanking.

In Other Days

From the Observer Jan. 15, 1909

O. A. Ramsey is drafting plans
for a fine large residence for L. L.
Peez at his Pleasant Grove Farm.

Forrest Littlefield was pretty
badly stung with poison oak while
visiting with his parents in Yam-
hill county.

Eggs are worth 50 cents a dozen
in Moro.

Sleighting and tobogganing are
the ruling sports in Sherman county
at present. Two inches more
snow fell during Tuesday night.

The blockade on the main line pre-
vented arrival of outside attorneys
at the opening of Circuit Court
Monday. No trains were run on
Sunday; one train ran through
from Shaniko to Biggs on Monday
and one went up Wednesday. Mails
are badly demoralized.

From the Observer Jan. 10, 1919

Buck Terry died from pneumonia
Friday morning after a very short
illness of about eight hours.

Announcement of the engage-
ment of Miss Gladra Watkins, a
former Moro resident having spent
a part of her youth in this county
at the home of her aunt, Mrs.
Laura Moore, to Captain Blanken-
ship of Portland.

State Representative A. M.
Wright left Monday for Portland
where he met with the state high-
way commission, latter to meet
Mrs. Wright at Salem ready for
the convening of the state legisla-
ture.

From the Observer Jan. 13, 1899

The mail coach into Moro from
the north has passed into history.
God-bye, venerable relic, in the
wake of Progression, but let it be
known that you did your duty in
your day. The first mail to come
in by train arrived Wednesday
eve.

A jolly crowd of 16 persons from
Grass Valley came down Saturday
evening in a big sleigh to attend
the banquet and Odd Fellows in-
stallation. They were: R. L. Camp-
bell and wife; J. C. W. Moore and
wife; Wm. Ballfield and wife; O.
P. King and wife; H. W. Wilcox
and mother; Chas. Porter, W. I.
Westerfield, John Dunn, Ed Smith
and Frank Sims.

Beacon Rock has a reputation
of being the strongest team in the
Columbia League this year and
therefore the game should be a
close one. Cascade Locks is now
a known quantity and no particular
trouble is expected there.

Picture bookings for the camp
movie this month include some of
the best of the last two years.
Bookings for the next four weeks
are as follows: January 15, Peter
Rabbitson; January 22, General Died
at Dawn; January 29, John Meade's
Woman; February 5, Rhythm on
the Range.

Top Much, in Fact
"I am going to make my fare-
well tour in Shakespeare. What
shall be the play? Hamlet? Mac-
Beth?"
"This is your sixth farewell tour,
I believe."
"Well, yes."
"I should suggest Much Adieu
About Nothing."

Jay Price Tells
Of Place Name
Origins

To the Editor Sherman County
Journal:

It is quite probable some of your
readers know why some of the
towns in Sherman county came by
their names. For the benefit of
those that have not heard, I will
tell what I know about it. Rufus
was named for Rufus C. Wallis,
who was the founder of the place.

Wallis was an early settler in
Klickitat county, Washington. He
married Mary Basgen in 1868, and
for many years lived on Chamber-
lain Flat, just across the River
from Rufus. Mr. Wallis died sev-
eral years ago. Mrs. Wallis died
a few days ago, at the age of 88.

Grants was named for Wm.
Grant, prominent sheep man. He
was one of the first to go into busi-
ness there after the Rail Road was
built. Grant had a store in The
Dalles in 1863.

Biggs of course was named for
W. H. Biggs, who lived at Wasco,
and I think was the first man sent
to the Legislature from Sherman
county.

The little town at the mouth of
the Deschutes was first known as
Deschutesville, then changed to
Fultonville. Finally it was named
Miller, for a pioneer settler, Jeff
Milled.

Wm. Barnett built his first store
just east of Clark Dunlap's big
barn. The postoffice was moved
from Eatons to this store, and the
name changed from Spanish Hol-
low, to Wasco. I believe Barnett
proposed the name of Wasco.

Who knows why Moro is called
Moro? I confess I do not, but will
say I think it was so called because
Walter and Henry Moore started
their general store about the time
it was named, and the name was
taken from the name Moore. If
any one knows a better reason I
will be glad to hear it.

I will relate an incident that
happened many years ago. In the
early sixties, John Galliger had a
pack train on the Canyon City
road. He was murdered by Jim
Berriway, who was hung at Can-
yon City. Mike Galliger, a cousin
of John, went to Canyon City to
sell the outfit and settle the affairs
of the dead man. After doing so,
he started for The Dalles on horse
back with a man known as Cayuse
George. Some where near the head
of Ferry Canyon Mike stopped to
fix his saddle, and George went on.
It was nearly dark and Mike was a
city man, and knew nothing about
a wild country and he was soon
lost. (After wandering for three
days he killed his horse. He had
no matches, so could not build a
fire. His stomach ejected the raw
meat, also the blood which he tried
to drink. On foot he wandered four
days. My father and Bill Masiker
had gone to Buck Hollow for a load
of wood, and on the return were
camped where Grass Valley is now.
On the evening of the seventh day
since he became lost, Galliger found
their camp. He could not speak
above a whisper, and had given up
hope of ever getting out alive.
They cared for him and he recover-
ed and finally got home. He
gave Bill his revolver, and said he
would never leave the city again.
It don't seem reasonable that any
one could not find a way out of
that country, but I have told what
really happened.

Jay Price.
Irate Parent—I'll teach you to
make love to my daughter, young
man.
Suiter—I wish you would, sir.
I'm not making much headway.
Try Journal advertising. It pays

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(All persons having claims against
the Estate of John Mathieson, Sr.,
Deceased, are required to present
them with vouchers to the under-
signed at their farm residence
near Rufus, Oregon within 6
months of the date of the first pub-
lication of this notice. The date of
the first publication of this notice
is January 7, 1938.

Hugh S. Mathieson
Executor
Margaret Leff
Executrix
Frank G. Dick, Atty.
Vogt Block
The Dalles, Oregon 10-13

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

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

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the undersigned, administra-
tor of estate of Maude P. Mullen-
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 Mullenburg,
Administrator of the estate of
Maude P. Mullenburg, deceased.
R. J. Kitchen,
LaGrande, Oregon,
Attorney for administrator.

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

No. 860
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.
Dated and first published, De-
cember 24, 1937.
Date of last publication, January
14, 1938.
Neoma E. Smith, Administratrix.
Oren R. Richards, Attorney.

Bureka 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. Bolknap, Secv.

Moro Lodge No. 113 I. O. O. F.
Moro, Oregon
Meets 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays in the
I. O. O. F. hall. Tran-
sient and visiting
brothers are cordi-
ally invited to meet
with us.
Lewis McKee, N. G.
Joe Truitt, Secretary.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116
Moro, Oregon
Meets 2d and 4th Tu-
esdays of each month.
Visiting members wel-
come.
Mabel McKee, N. G.
Naomi Van Gilder, Sec.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78. O. E. S.
Moro, Oregon
Meets Every Second
Fourth Thursdays in each
Month. Visiting mem-
bers invited.
Frances King W. M.
Ruth Sparling, Secretary.

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