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With near approach of the May primaries candidates for state jobs are beginning to blossom out like dandelions on a spring lawn.

Of the three high-up state officials about whose political intentions there has been so much speculation during the past few months, uncertainty now enshrouds only one—State Treasurer Holman. While Holman himself is still non-committal there is a strong suspicion that he will yet enter the race for the republican nomination for governor. At least it is known that much pressure is being brought to bear to persuade him to make the race by prominent party leaders who believe that in him alone is there any chance for a republican victory in Oregon next fall.

During the past week two new gubernatorial aspirants made their debut in the primary arena. Chas. L. Faine, Eugene real estate dealer who two years ago aspired to be Republican national committee man, has announced that he would this year try for the governorship. At the same time Dr. Ralph H. Erwin, Multnomah county corner, told the world that he proposes to go out after the Democratic nomination.

M. S. Shrock, Milwaukie feed manufacturer, who several weeks ago announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor this week filed his formal declaration with the state department and is definitely in the race on a platform that calls for arbitration of labor disputes.

The surprise move of the week was made by Clarence F. Hyde, Eugene realtor, who filed as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Labor Commissioner. Hyde who has served three terms as State Representative from Lane county had been prominently mentioned as a possible candidate for Congress from the first district but crossed the prognosticators up when he filed for the Labor post. Walter Norblad, youthful Astoria attorney who has had four years experience in the state legislature now has his eye on Washington and has been doing some checking up on his prospects with a view to seeking the Republican nomination for United States senator.

So far only one candidate has appeared for the United States senate short term from November 8 to January 3. Colonel Robert T. Miller, prominent Portland Democrat, has announced his intention to seek that honor.

Five hundred and eighty four tardy motorists who failed to heed the warning to do their license shopping by the first of the year were arrested by state police during January. In addition to being required to buy their new plates these delinquents also contributed \$1060 in fines to the public exchequer, records of the state police bureau reveal.

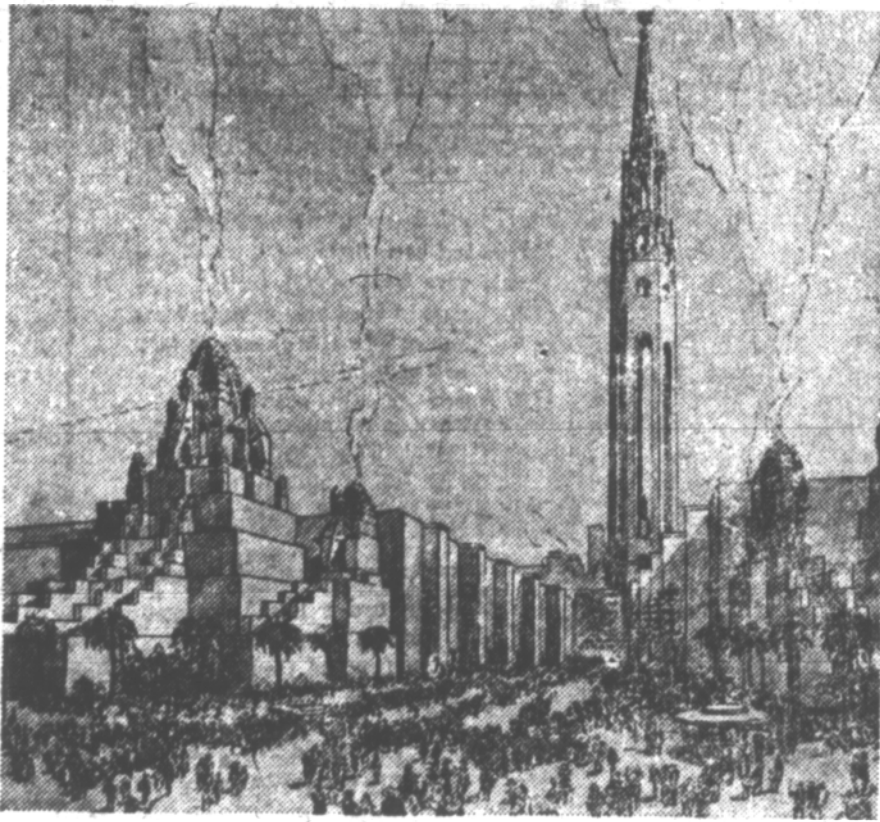
A new organization which is said to be opposed to the Townsend third party idea was launched in Oregon this week with the filing of articles of incorporation. The organization is known as the Associated National Recovery clubs of Oregon. Incorporators include E. C. Ahlstrom and W. T. Brouner of Lakeview and F. M. Mortensen of Klamath Falls.

Oregon's new 1938 road map is now ready for distribution. The new map contains much more information of value to tourists than its predecessors. Among this information is the location and acreage of game refuges and an extension of the border of the map to show highway connections in adjoining states.

Harvesting, handling and marketing of agricultural products would be protected from interference by labor organizations under the terms of a revised initiative measure filed in Salem this week. The revised measure contains more teeth than did the original bill filed by the same sponsors two weeks ago. As did the first draft so also does the new one seek to define labor disputes, to regulate collective bargaining agencies and to forbid picketing and boycotts.

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Portals of Pacific Exposition



Main entrance gates of the 1939 Golden Gate International exposition on Treasure Island in San Francisco bay where millions are expected to enter next year are shown in this sketch by Artist Louis Roth. Towering above the exposition is the 408-foot Tower of the Sun.

County Treasurer Speaks Over KOAC

Mrs. Naomi Van Gilder, county treasurer, spoke over KOAC Wednesday night at 7:45 using as her subject "Official Responsibilities of Finance Officers." This is one of the programs given by the Bureau of Municipal Research. Mrs. Van Gilder with her husband and Mrs. Collis Moore left Tuesday and returned Thursday.

Kent Auxiliaries To Help With Dance

The Kent Auxiliary is planning to assist the Legion in giving a Spring Vacation Dance at Kent on Saturday night, March 19. Millie von Borstel, president and also State Americanism Chairman reported a pleasant and profitable State Americanism and National Defense Conference which she attended in Corvallis February 24. Mrs. Cole, National vice president had her official visit and was principal speaker at this Conference. The following day, accompanied by Mae Waters, State President, they visited at the Veteran's hospital in Portland.

Best Tires Should Be On Front

For considerations of safety, many drivers prefer to carry their better pair of tires on the front wheels, since they believe a front tire blow out is more apt to throw a car out of control than a rear tire blow out. Because wear on the rear tires is greater, other drivers carry their better tires on the rear wheels so that all four tires will wear evenly and minimize the possibility of tire failure. Since expert opinion is divided, it is impossible to give a definite answer to this question, but the best-tire-in-front theory seems to have found the most favor, because it is the most consistent with principles of safety.

New Prexy at U of O

Continuance of the spirit of co-operation and progress built up at the University of Oregon during the past four years under Dr. C. Valentine Boyer, retiring head, was urged by Dr. Donald M. Erb, new president, in an informal "chat" delivered before the faculty meeting. This was the first official appearance of the executive since assuming his official position on March 1.

No Changes Expected

Dr. Erb, as president, plans no innovations in university procedure, he said, and he asked that all members of the faculty and administration work with him in solving the institution's problems and in working out policies.

Warm praise for the accomplishments made by the university during the past four years was sounded by Dr. Erb. He pointed to the increase in building facilities, greatly increased enrollment and other advances made since Dr. Boyer became president four years ago.

Farm Work Starting On County Farms

Farming has begun over a large part of the county this week, although in the northeast part of the county some plowing had been done before that time and several hundred acres are already seeded. Little summer-fallowing has been done except where the farmer had lots of work and wanted to start very early.

Spring, toothing and preparing fields for spring seeding has started north of Gordon ridge but many places are still too wet for any farm work. South of Nigger ridge nothing has been done as the fields are still miry in the low places and the roads are just becoming passable.

People's Power League Holds Meeting

Last Thursday a meeting was held at the court house by the local unit of the People's Power league for the purpose of furthering the organization that is interested in obtaining Bonneville power for this district.

Officers were elected as follows: President, E. E. Gervais, Grass Valley; Secretary, Jewel Herin, Rufus. A board of directors was named of three from each section of the county. On this board were named Atlee Wilson, Hugh Herin, and David Reid of Rufus; V. B. Haufelt, H. D. Proudfoot of Wasco and A. B. Potter of Klondike; Wilford Belshe; George McDonald and W. S. Powell of Moro; Millard Eakin, C. P. Adams and Dean Reynolds of Grass Valley and C. B. Andrews, J. E. Norton and J. M. Wilson of Kent.

Morton Tompkins, who is working out of Ross' office, spoke to the gathering on the procedure of organizing and also in criticism of the power companies. Fifty percent of the money collected was sent to the power league headquarters in Portland.

CE Members Will Go To Dufur

Several members of the Presbyterian society accompanied by L. H. Mitchellmore expect to attend the annual Mt. Hood Union Christian Endeavor convention at Dufur this week-end. Opening tonight, sessions will continue thru Saturday and Sunday. Last year the Moro society was convention host.

Highlights of the youth assembly include a musical program by the Eugene Northwest Christian college male quartet tonight, youth talks tomorrow morning, the banquet tomorrow night, and installation of new officers and awarding of honors, Sunday.

Among those invited to address the convention are Joyce Dillinger, Dufur, union president; Veldon Diment, Newburg, ex-state union president; Miss Helen McClov, Oregon City, regional state C. E. vice president; Dr. Walter Myers, Eugene, state field secretary; Carl Peetz, and Mr. Mitchellmore of Moro. The local delegation will return home Saturday night.

Woman's Club Hears The Dalles Librarian

The Moro Woman's Club met at the club rooms last Friday. Routine business was taken care of, including the voting to add the following persons to their membership: Mrs. Ida Davis, Mrs. Ella May Gould, Mrs. Mabel McKee, Mrs. Vasthi Stroggins, Mrs. Mildred McLeod, Miss Althea Stone-man, Mrs. T. W. Alley, Mrs. J. H. Wilt and Mrs. Dean Reynolds.

The members were urged to bring scrap books for the children of the Doernbecher hospital, to the next meeting.

The speaker for the afternoon was Miss Mary Frances Gilbert, librarian of The Dalles Library. She displayed a number of new books, giving interesting sketches of most of them. She said it was possible to borrow books from the library she represents, by getting a non-resident card costing \$1 a year.

Miss Bonnie Peters entertained the club with a piano solo, "Sylvia."

The next meeting will be on March 25th, with Mrs. Lawrence Mitchellmore and Mrs. Carroll Sayrs directing the program. The main feature will be a walking rehearsal of the one-act comedy, "It must be love."

Local Library Has New Books

New books at the library have been put on the shelf and may be obtained for a charge of five cents per week for a time after which they will be put on the regular loan shelves. Among this list are several best sellers that are in demand. The list follows:

This is my Story—Eleanor Roosevelt; The Sparrow Murder Case—S. S. Van Dine; The Marches On—Mary Roberts Rinehart; Life with Father—Clarence Day; Red and Black—Grace S. Richmond; Red Pepper Returns—Grace S. Richmond; The Citadel—A. J. Cronin; Excuse It, Please—Cornelia Otis Skinner; Jalna—Mazo De LaRoche; Charlie Chan Omnibus—Carl Derr Biggers; Elmer Gantry—Sinclair Lewis; Wallflowers—Temple Bailey; He-cule Poirot—Agatha Christie; Northwest Passage—Kenneth Roberts; Big Timber—Robert Ormond Case; Childrens books.

Lochinvar Luck—Albert Payson Terhune; Buff a Collie—Albert Payson Terhune; Rab and His Friends—John Brown; Beautiful Joe—Marshall Saunders.

Books bought a few months ago:

The Far Call—Edison Marshall; Life and Death in Sing Sing—Warden Lawes; I've Been To London—Temple Bailey; Gone With the Wind—Margaret Mitchell; The Doctor—Mary Roberts Rinehart; The Good Earth—Pearl S. Buck; Little Brown Bruno—Alice Radford; Long Remember—MacKinley Kantor.

Church Group Meets

A dozen young people met Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Eakin for a meeting of the 20-30 group sponsored by the Community church. Mrs. L. H. Mitchellmore directed several games during the social hour preceding the discussion of "Mohammadianism as a Religion" led by Orval Thompson. At a late hour refreshments were served by a committee from the group.

The March meeting will probably be the last conducted by the group until fall, it was agreed by those present Monday night.

CAMP IMPROVED

Two new pillars for the entrance of the SCS camp are being built this week by the OCC boys in keeping with the improvements that have previously been made. The trees are growing and the new rock borders give the camp a better appearance than formerly.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	
Mar. 3	52	31	.00
" 4	50	37	.02
" 5	49	35	.05
" 6	55	30	.00
" 7	54	31	.00
" 8	53	32	.01
" 9	55	36	.00
Total for week			.08

Sixth Dividend; Twenty Percent Ordered Paid

Seventy Percent of
Deposits Paid By
Moro State Bank

Next Friday, March 18th, and after the Moro State Bank liquidator, H. W. Champneys will pay a dividend of 20% to holders of claims against that bank who have filed claims up to February 1, 1938. This will be the sixth dividend and when paid will represent 70% of the deposits. Approximately half of the claims have been paid in the past thirteen months.

Legal difficulties have been strained out for the payment of this dividend and former depositors may be assured that it will be paid. The \$31,481.36 will be of special value to the county at this time when taxes, county, state and federal are due and it is presumed that a part of it will be used for that purpose.

The county's claim has been paid in full with minor exceptions and several new claims have been filed since the last dividend was paid which makes some change in the total to be released. Those who filed claims for the first time will receive a payment on the five previous dividends as well as on the sixth one giving them seventy percent of their deposits at this time.

The bank closed in September 1931 and dividends were not paid for some years because of poor crop conditions, but recent crops have been better and many farmers and other debtors to the bank have cleaned up their accounts giving the depositors hope that the entire amount will be paid eventually.

Health Association Hears Speaker

The Sherman county health association met last Friday night at the court house and after a brief business meeting during which a report of finances was made showing good receipts from the seal sale, Dr. Gerard Haugen talked on child guidance. He told of the work being done since an appropriation was made last legislative session for the purpose of aiding children accustom themselves to their problems. It was Dr. Haugen's belief that many children have been saved from stopping school and becoming delinquents, and even from insane hospitals by the proper kind of guidance and teaching when needed.

Pomona Grange Has Popular Guests

Ralph W. Perry, of Hood River and Mrs. William Munroe, state legislator from that county, were here Saturday to attend the meeting of the Pomona grange held at Harland View. Mr. Perry is a candidate for state master opposing Ray Gill who has been in that office for a number of years. Mr. Perry is one of the signers for the labor responsibility bill that is being supported by many farm organizations of the state and which is in substantial agreement with the recently published statement of Louis Taber, national master, regarding labor and the farmer.

Rifle Club Dinner To Be Thursday

The Moro Rifle club dinner will be held next Monday night at the Moro Hotel at six o'clock. Ray Blake and Bert Endicott were the captains of the sides who disagreed about the count. Now every one who signed up for the hunt and paid his fee is asked to the dinner and to eat turkey and everything that goes with it. Twenty four local men are in the group.

EXAMINOR COMING

The examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be in Moro on Monday, March 14, 1938, at the court house between the hours of 1 to 5 respectively. All wishing permits or licenses to drive cars may get in touch with him at this time.

Ross Asks For The Opinions Of the Public

J. D. Ross, administrator of Bonneville dam, is ready to hold hearings to determine the wish of the people regarding the kind of rates to be established. He would like to hear from interested people who will give him their opinions of type of rates, amount of power to be served for industry near Bonneville, whether or not the administrator should fix resale rates.

Farm Organizations Sponsor Labor Bill

Organized agriculture in every part of the state has composed all minor differences and has united in the support of an initiative measure designed to protect agriculture in all future labor troubles arising in Oregon.

The bill was filed with the secretary of state several days ago and petitions will be placed in circulation just as soon as the attorney general completes a ballot title for the measure.

Organizations sponsoring the new measure are: Associated Farmers of Oregon, Inc., by H. L. Shoemaker, Hood River, president; W. J. Warner, Medford, vice president, and W. J. Looker, Medford, secretary-treasurer; The Oregon Farm Bureau, by Mac Hoke, Pendleton president; The Eastern Oregon Wheat League, by Geo. N. Peck, Lexington, president; and The Hood River Growers Club, by R. W. Hazeltine, president.

Individual signers of the bill include Ralph W. Perry, master of the Pine Grove Grange, Hood River, and a candidate against Ray W. Gill for master of the state grange. J. C. Barrett, Heppner, ex-president of the Oregon Wool Growers Association; John O. Farr, Jefferson, master of the Marion County Pomona Grange, Earl Newby, Talent, prominent Granger, and Chester Fitch, Medford, president of the Fruit Growers League of Southern Oregon.

The new measure, which has the united support of the Associated Farmers of Wasco County gives complete protection for the growing, harvesting, and marketing of agricultural and other products. It defines a labor dispute as one between an employer and a majority of his employees, and gives the courts jurisdiction to issue injunctions in labor troubles. It compels labor organizations to keep an accurate record of all receipts and expenditures and permits members to inspect them at all times. If union officials refuse such inspections, it gives the courts the right to order the production of such records and to determine if their dues and assessments are reasonable, if union members complain of excessive charges.

Livestock Census Figures Given

The state of Oregon has three chickens, two sheep and one head of cattle for every one of its million residents, a survey, "Demand for Agricultural Labor in Oregon," recently completed by the state planning board, shows.

Care of 3,187,740 chickens; 178,296 turkeys, 2,207,898 sheep, 522,344 beef cattle, 419,543 dairy cattle, 171,071 horses and mules, 168,580 hogs, and 124,031 goats requires the huge total of 84,305,050 "man hours" per year, or steady work, assuming a 10 hour farm working day and 300 days a year, for 28,102 men.

Livestock and poultry, from the standpoint of labor, lead field crops and horticultural enterprises, the report shows, with the latter, requiring 70,243,539 man hours, or steady work of 2,414 men. In none of these enterprises, however, is work steady the year around and "peak" demand for labor at various seasons with unemployment at "slack" times, makes one of Oregon's major problems.

JUDGE IS CANDIDATE

Judge Carl Hendricks was here Wednesday from Fossil to transact some legal business. The judge expects to be a candidate for reelection at the coming non-partisan primary.

Change Made In Federal Farm Program

Work of Past Months
Made Ineffective By New
Ruling of Department

"Farm Act makes numerous changes in conservation program. Complete adjustment of bases but stop work on goals. Will send you schedule of district meetings Saturday."

The above telegram was received Tuesday by the county agent from N. C. Donaldson, who is in charge of the agricultural conservation program in Oregon.

It almost completely explodes all the work that has been done in this county since the passage of the farm bill a month ago, and even since last fall, when farmers were assured that regardless of what sort of a bill was passed by congress it would not affect the soil conservation program for 1938.

It indicates that the goals for the county may be made considerably higher for this year. Many farmers have already figured out their land on the basis of the 16% cut in acreage and this will probably have to be changed.

Change Expected

There is a possibility that the message foretells that the secretary of agriculture expects congress to pass a processing or sales tax on wheat to raise money to make parity payments to wheat farmers. If this is done before May 15 the secretary of agriculture may put into effect the marketing quota already set for 1938. This quota is 62,500,000 acres. Already 57,000,000 have been seeded with the expectancy that 23,000,000 more will be seeded this spring. The total acreage is expected to be around 81,000,000 acres or about the same as last year if no quotas are set. Enforcement of the quota of 62,500,000 acres would make a reduction of nearly 23% in acreage this year or would make it impossible to sell the product of those acres without the penalty of 15 cents per bushel.

The above is one distinct possibility that may come from the halting of the goal setting for farms here. It is based on the presumption that more than two-thirds of the wheat farmers would vote for the marketing quota which is considered likely for there are so many small farmers who would suffer little under a quota and could materially cut wheat production by voting a cut on the large wheat producers of the west.

Anyway, it now appears that any farmer who felt that he was all set for 1938 will have to revise his plans in all probability.

Firemen Plan Dance

The Moro Firemen are getting ready for their St. Patrick ball to be given in the Legion hall March 17th. Orchestra for the occasion will be Vivian Lewis' all girl band among them being a former Sherman mountain, Harriet Disher who once lived at Wasco. The band has played at summer resorts and ball rooms for several years and has an excellent reputation for ability.

Basketball Fans, Team Go To Odell

The high school basketball team accompanied by some fans and a truck load of rooters went to Odell Friday to witness some of the games of the sub-district tournament. Moro met Maupin in the first game and was eliminated. Rufus and Grass Valley met a like fate. Maupin and Odell were final contestants and the former won and will go to the meet at Astington.

DRUNKEN DRIVING LESS

Drunk driving is on the decrease but drunken "pedestrianism" is on the increase in southern California, Newton Kendall, assistant district attorney of Los Angeles, recently reported. This problem will be one of those on the program for the fourth annual Western Safety conference in Los Angeles next September, for which Secretary of State Earl Snell will be chairman of the traffic safety division.