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"In future times, a great
majority of the people will not only
be without landed, but any other
sort of property. These will either
combine, under the influence of
their common situation—in which
case the rights of property and
the public liberty will not be secure
in their hands—or, what is more
probable, they will become
the tools of opulence and ambition;
in which case there will be equal
danger on another side."—
James Madison.

WHEAT PROGRAM

The farm program continues to
be the item of major interest to
the farmers of Sherman county
this week. Many farmers were
all ready for spring work and could
not wait until the department of
agriculture told them what to do.
They are going ahead with their
previous plans in the hope that
they will not have to plow up too
much of their sown crop and waste
too much of their seed in order to
conform to the regulations.

The crop reduction theory, on
which the farm programs for the
past five years has been based,
has been badly served in those
programs. When the first law was
passed the department announced
that 66,000,000 acres were in
wheat. Last year there was 51,
000,000 and an equal amount is
expected this year unless compul-
sory restriction is enforced by
May 15, the final date for such
governmental action.

It is more apparent to long
time wheat growers that competi-
tion in their business is getting
greater all the time as the pro-
grams continue. Payments to
wheat growers have attracted new
wheat growers and have caused
land once abandoned to be sown
to wheat. The bills have not been
effective in stopping this and now
there is wheat land enough to pro-
duce well over a billion bushels if a
good crop is harvested.

Justification for the farm pro-
grams must be based on the the-
ory of giving agriculture an in-
ternal tariff that will protect in
some way the same way as the
tariff does industry and on the
theory of aiding agriculture to ad-
just itself to modern conditions
of the nation.

The first of these is proper but
the fact that farmers are still
asking for the tariff principle is
ample evidence that it has not
worked to give the farmers the
tariff protection they desire.

As for the second means of jus-
tifying the program, there has been
no successful attempt toward the
adjustment of agriculture to pres-
ent day needs. Note the increase
of wheat acreage. We are import-
ing wool and vegetable oils and
many other agricultural products
that could, partly at least, be pro-
duced here. We are importing beef
under treaties. Because of the
programs no one will take a single
acre permanently out of wheat
production and lose his payment
on it. Were payments made on
land permanently taken from
wheat and put into grass or other
crops it would reduce wheat acre-
age. Such payments were ones
made but the second year pay-
ments were much smaller and
farmers naturally had identical
land out of wheat for one year
only.

Little is done to get rid of the
surplus wheat and the thirty per-
cent of receipts that could have
been used to move surpluses was
used for other things and north-
west wheat lies in country elevators
and ware houses in profusion.

Agriculture might easier be
helped if the government gave a
bonus to those who produce items
now imported. This would tend
to remove land now growing surplus
crops from competition with lands
—such as ours—that can grow lit-
tle but a surplus crop.

A type of crop reduction pro-
gram that increases the crop is
wrong on the face of it and should
be changed to be effective.

EUROPE

Events in Europe have been
startling to the entire world this
week but more startling to those
who still believe that democracy
is the proper form of government
and that persecution of minori-
ties is highly improper from a
moral point of view.

That Hitler marched into Aus-
tria was not surprising; he has
been wanting to do that for years.
The union of the two nations is
hardly alarming. The method of
their union, however, is alarming.
It has not been shown that a
majority of Austrians were in fa-
vor of the German invasion and
the vote that will be taken April
10 after opponents of Nazism
have been eliminated or placed in
fear of voting will mean nothing
except that terrorism is an effec-
tive way of ruling people for a
time.

Hitler has undoubtedly done a
good turn for the German people
by causing a spiritual revival of
their confidence in themselves and
he has put them to work again.
That he branches out into foreign
invasion like military dictators
since the world began is no cred-
it to him and can do no good to
the people he rules for aggressive
wars bring no lasting happiness.

Strategically Hitler was smart
in picking the time for his in-
vasion for England was changing
policy in foreign affairs, France
has just overthrown a cabinet and
Blum was trying to form another
and the mock trials in Russia were
keeping the leaders of that nation
busy.

How long the world is to be
ruled by fear and force cannot be
told at this time. Sometimes long
years of oppression come before a
people rise and destroy their dictators.
The "off with his head" policy of
ruling a nation should be kept with
in the pages of Alice in Wonder-
land instead of becoming domi-
nant in a world of people claiming
to be civilized.

TRANSIENTS

An influx of transients—of what
ever the proper appellation is for
those irresponsible males who
have been called hoboes, tramps,
bums and bundle stiffs—has caused
a bit of concern among house-
wives who dislike a daily call or
two from men who mention their
desire for work and emphasize
their hunger for food.

Probably the presence of such
men is evidence of the growing
depression in industrial centers
that sends the men out into the
smaller towns. It is also evidence
of the inefficiency of the relief
system. Nearly everyone pays
taxes nowadays to care for the un-
fortunate and while hardly anyone
objects to giving food to a hungry
man occasionally it gets tiresome
under the circumstances, and when
repeated demands are made.

RELIEF FROM
REORGANIZATION

The governmental reorganiza-
tion bill that is now before con-
gress is as dangerous to the prin-
ciples of free government as was
the court bill last spring. If passed
it will give the chief executive
power over a great part of the
governmental agencies and defeat
the purposes of the constitution in
the matter of division of powers.

Evasion of the present law has
been going on since the end of the
term of J. F. McCarl, who had
the unpopular job of passing on
public expenditures and insuring
that they were made according to
law. He could not be re-appointed
and could not be removed. His
term ended and his assistant suc-
ceeded to his place in a temporary
capacity. He has been kept in that
capacity which means that he can
be removed and may not be ap-
pointed at all. This makes him
practically worthless as a check
against illegal expenditures or un-
budgeted expenditures. The po-
sition would be made entirely in-
effective under the proposed law.

This persistent grasping for
power has begun to pall on Ameri-
can citizens who have begun to
realize that most of the boasts of
creating an economic paradise
have not been achieved. It now
appears that the conservative Dem-
ocrat senators will form a coal-
ition with the remaining Republi-
cans and work for the defeat of
this measure which would be as
fine a job as was the defeat of the
court bill.

Gubernatorial Candidate Olson
is having an awfully hard time
getting an opponent to debate
with him. First he challenged
Hoeh who refused and now Mar-
tin has declined. Maybe Olson
will have to debate with himself.

The national debt Wednesday
was \$37,818,270,961.87 an increase
of \$65,416,672.02 in the last week.

Trials of the groons are ready to
start all over the state and are
only halted by pleas of guilty.
Insurance on truck drivers should
be less when they are all over.

People's
Column

To the Editor:

Referring to the Editorial in the
JOURNAL of last week in Re-
certain ideas of Bernard Baruch
and some faults of the 1938 Agri-
cultural Act—

Most grain growers will gladly
return with Mr. Baruch to the
objectives of the McNary-Haugen
Bill, if he or anyone else can offer
any assurance it will be enacted in-
to law but just who could give such
assurance? Surely, neither of the
two principal political parties
could do so. Our party (Republi-
can) was up to bat during the
twelve years the farmers strove
most mightily for this worthy
measure, with the benches full of
players, plenty of rooters in the
grand stand and with friendly um-
pires, and, alas! it home run any-
thing like this bill?

Most statesmen, politicians and
economists, like Mr. Baruch, now
freely admit that the producers of
any impost tariff protected and
immigration restricted country
are fully entitled to and should re-
ceive a subsidy on that part of
their produce that is consumed at
home equal to the difference in the
cost of production at home and
costs in competing countries, yet
industry and labor, which benefits
in this country to the extent of
about four billions of dollars per
year under our tariff and immi-
gration laws, are loath to allow
this to be done. It is quite inter-
esting to follow the line of thought
of Mr. Baruch in this connection
where he said: (Quote) "There is
to great a disparity between farm
and other income to permit a sound
balanced national economy. We
started the chain of events that
upset that balance at our very be-
ginning when we adopted a system
of protective tariffs, that was
deliberately intended to subsidize
our industry at the expense of
our agriculture. We interfered
with natural economic laws when
we started this disparity. There
are only two possible solutions.
One is to knock down the old arti-
ficiality of the tariff. The other to
build up a new artificiality to offset
it."

Now, grain growers, among oth-
er farmers, having seen that the
first above stated alternative can
not be accomplished in this coun-
try, are only striving for justice to
themselves by calling into opera-
tion the second alternative, and
they certainly have every right to
do that.

As to the evils and, with agri-
cultural products, the dangers of
the law of scarcity, it can be said
that, of all classes, farmers do not
subscribe to any such idea. This
was amply proven during the de-
pression, when the producers of
agricultural products reduced pro-
duction only slightly, even tho the
prices received therefor were ended
to almost nothing, while industry
cutback the output of finished
goods to such an extent that prices
for them were maintained well up
toward normal levels. And now
with the 1938 Agricultural Act,
agriculture does not propose to
cut down unduly on production,
but it does hope to avoid unneeded
and ruinous surpluses. And if the
Act is not perfect, it is at least
the best that agriculture could
possibly obtain under the circum-
stances.

A good many good people for-
get that the McNary-Haugen Bill
would have operated toward pro-
duction curtailment, also the Ex-
port Department idea would have
operated similarly, even if the
reductions should have been vol-
untary and likely not drastic.

Very truly yours,
James B. Adams
Moro, March 15th, 1938.

PATTY WINS AGAIN

Miss Patty Berg, thirteen-year-
old Missinopis golfer, with the
Grand Slam trophy which she
won for the third consecutive year
as she defeated Jane Collier James
of West Fair Beach in the
Saults of the Miami Billmore women's
golf championship at Coral Ga-
bles, Fla.



With the executive committee
selected and preliminary organi-
zation completed, approximately
6000 Boy Scouts and Cubs in the
Portland Area Council have start-
ed working for the 1938 Boy Scout
camps which will be held in the
open air in Multnomah civic sta-
dium on Saturday night, May 7,
according to Harry W. Aldrich,
Portland lumberman who has been
named chairman in charge by C.
C. Colt, president of the council.
Field Executive Paul H. Yearout
has been chosen to handle the
actual details and he has a corps
of more than 75 assistants in key
positions to assist him. A goal of
at least 20,000 spectators has been
set and with troops representing
10 countries in Oregon and five in
Southwestern Washington, coming
to the Rose City for the big occa-
sion, those in charge are confident
the 10-day program will eclipse
anything ever attempted by the
Boy Scouts in this section.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

(Continued from page one)
ing for the senatorship. He was
not yet ready, however, to definite-
ly announce his candidacy. Others
mentioned in connection with this
post include Homer Angell of
Portland; Walter Morblad of Astoria
and Walter Toose of Port-
land.

N. G. Wallace, Oregon utilities
commissioner, this week warned
J. D. Ross, Bonneville administra-
tor, against any tampering with
the present rate policy in Oregon
which gives to farmers the same
rate as enjoyed by dwellers in
adjacent cities.

"In the state of Oregon, with
only one exception, we have no
differential between urban and
rural rates, the scheduled of all
of our larger utilities being the
same on the farm as they are in
the city, and the same in the
smaller cities as in the larger."
Commissioner Wallace pointed out
in his letter to Ross.

"We realize, of course, that the
ordinary rural territory, in order
to be served at rates as low as
those in the city, must, in effect
be subsidized, and, appropriately so,
by the cities which the country
supports, and those cities feel that
they should at least be called up-
on to bear a substantial part of
such subsidy.

"Our people on the farms are
going to expect this and our peo-
ple in the city have subscribed to
it. It is my judgment that any
change in this situation would
arouse a bitter protest in the very
extension rural areas served by
the utilities which the utilities
which you mention in your letter."

Governor Martin, in a letter to
Ross also warned that any bene-
fits accruing to private utilities by
way of savings in power costs
by reason of the operation of
Bonneville dam must be passed on
to the consumers and not retained
by the utility to be paid out to
stockholders as dividends.

Dedication of the new capitol
has been tentatively set for Octo-
ber 1. The new building will be
ready for occupancy by the latter
part of June but the Capitol Com-
mission does not want to throw it
open to public inspection until the
new furnishings for the executive
suite and the House and Senate
chambers arrive. The rugs, drapes
and furniture for these rooms, it
is estimated, will cost approxi-
mately \$30,000. Designs for these
furnishings are to be prepared by
the architects who designed the
building and can not be ready for
delivery for several months. While
the building will be ready for oc-
cupancy in June it is not expected
that all of the work, such as paint-
ing of the murals and the sculptur-
ing of the statues will be complet-
ed for another year.

The Oregon association of Trade
Executives has attacked the valid-
ity of referendum petitions filed
against the anti-price discrimina-
tion act of the last legislature.
Among other things it is charged
that paid circulators were employ-
ed in securing signatures to the
petition. Suit has been filed in
the Marion county circuit court
asking that the referendum be
set aside.

This is a story of 11 pianos that
have been going "round and
round" for the past three months
without coming out any where
yet. Three months ago Oregon
State college asked for 11 new
pianos. The board of control, upon
the recommendation of the
head of the college music depart-
ment, placed the order with Sher-
man, Clay & Company of Portland.
Thereupon Collins & Erwin, an-
other Portland piano house pro-
tested the award on the ground
that their own bid had been lower
on pianos of equal quality. The
board of control thereupon passed
the buck to the board of higher
education who this week returned
the compliment and passed it back
to the Board of Control. Now the
11 pianos are right back where
they were three months ago—in
the lap of the board of control
which is again inviting bids on
the deal.

BOY SCOUT CIRCUS

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In Other Days

From the Observer, March 21, 1919

L. Barnum has resigned as man-
ager of the Bank of Moro and ac-
cepted a position as vice-president
and manager of the First National
Bank of The Dalles. He has been
an active and progressive citizen
of Sherman county.

Public meetings for the purpose
of discussing the road bond issue
will be held next week throughout
the county. Petitions have been
made up and signed with L. L.
Peetz circulating them and now
the highway commission knows
what the county wants.

F. E. Fortner will become the
manager of the Bank of Moro in
place of L. Barnum.

K. Schade, recently released
from the army, was here this week
to close a deal for the pharmacy.

From the Observer March 19, 1909

John Schassen was a Moro visitor
part of two days this week, re-
turning with Mrs. S. from a
winter trip to Germany.

March 27 residents of Moro are
to elect two school directors in
place of Judge Littlefield and Fred
Meindl, resigned.

The last cargo of 1908 wheat to
be cleared from Portland passed
out last week. There is not a
pound of wheat in the Oregon
country for export.

Mo gets two new automobiles,
Dr. Goffin and W. H. Ragdale be-
ing the purchasers.

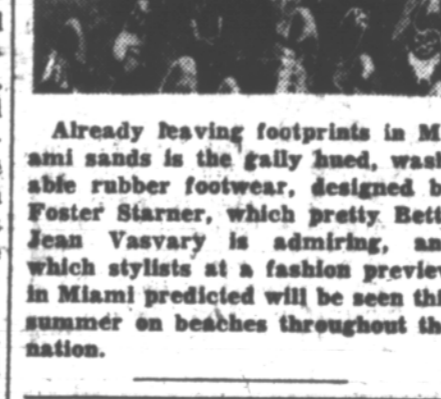
From the Observer March 17, 1899

N. W. Thompson and E. F.
Sharp found a splendid bridge site
and practical route for the Moro-
Ajax wagon road which could be
built for \$1000 or less.

After bamboozling around two
or three days about tickets paid
for in advance the Bellows con-
cert company left on the 15th for
Kansas City where they will give
their first appearance.

Messadmes Strahl and Chapman
have opened their dress making
establishment in the new Mitchell
& Foss building.

FASHION FLASH



Already leaving footprints in Mi-
ami sands is the gaily hued, wash-
able rubber footwear, designed by
Foster Starner, which pretty Betty
Jean Vasvary is admiring, and
which stylists at a fashion preview
in Miami predicted will be seen this
summer on beaches throughout the
nation.

Financial statement table with columns for Income, Disbursements, and Balance. Includes items like Net income received, Disbursements, and Balance.

J. Marsh and C. J. Brights were
elected director and clerk respec-
tively of the Wasco school district.
A hundred fifty four children of
school age were reported.

Poole-Bragson talks a great
deal about his family tree.

Kulper—Yes, a family tree is
much like other trees; the small-
est twigs do the most rustling.

Mr. Skjold—Another new outfit!
My dear, you are extravagant. You
spend money for unnecessary
clothes.

Mrs. Skjold—Absurd! Unneces-
sary clothes are not in fashion.

Life of an anti-Nazi in Germany
and Austria must be something
like the life of a China pheasant
on the day the hunting season
opens.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
THE STATE OF OREGON
FOR THE COUNTY OF
SHERMAN

NOTICE OF PAYMENT OF
DIVIDEND NO. 6.

In the Matter of the Liquidation
of the
MORO STATE BANK

Moro, Oregon.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

that an order has been entered by
the Circuit Court of the State of
Oregon for the County of Sherman
authorizing, empowering and di-
recting the Superintendent of
Tanks to distribute a SIXTH divi-
dend of TWENTY PER CENT on
all ordinary deposit claims filed
and approved against the Moro
State Bank, Moro, Oregon, to and
including the 21st day of Febru-
ary, 1938, said dividend to be paid
on and after the 18th day of
March, 1938.

That said order also directed
that this notice be given by pub-
lication thereof in one issue of a
newspaper of general circulation
printed and published in Sherman
County, Oregon. That the date of
publication thereof is the 11th day
March, 1938.

MARK SKINNER

Superintendent of Banks of Ore-
gon, in charge of Moro State Bank,
in liquidation, Moro, Oregon.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLE-
MENT

Notice is hereby given that
Geo. G. Updegraff, Administrator
of the Estate of H. L. Lanphear,
deceased, has filed in the County
Court of the State of Oregon for
Sherman County his final report
and account as such Administra-
tor, and that Saturday, the 9th
day of April, 1938, at the hour of
10:00 a. m., has been fixed by said
court as the time for hearing of
objections to said report and ac-
count, and settlement thereof.

Geo. G. Updegraff
Administrator.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On the 18th day of March, 1938,
at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at
the front door of the Court House
in Moro, Sherman County, Ore-
gon, I will sell at auction, to the
highest bidder for cash, the fol-
lowing described real property,
located in Sherman County, Ore-
gon, to-wit:

- SI-2NE1-4 Section 10; W1-3
NW1-4, W1-2SW1-4, NE1-4
SE1-4 Section 11; SW1-4NW
1-4, SE1-4NE1-4, Section 12;
SW1-4, SW1-4SE1-4, all in
Section 13; SE1-4, SW1-4,
W1-2NW1-4 Section 14; SE
1-4NE1-4, NE1-4NW1-4, E
1-4SE1-4 Section 15; SE1-4S
E1-4, Section 16; E1-2NE1-4
Section 21; SI-2NW1-4, SI-2
NE1-4, SE1-4SW1-4, SE1-4
Section 22; All of Section 23,
NW1-4NW1-4, SI-2NW1-4,
NE1-4NE1-4, SI-2NE1-4

N 1-2 SW 1-4 All in Section
24; NW1-4NE1-4, SE1-4NE1-4,
NE1-4NW1-4, NE1-4SE1-4, S
W1-4NE1-4, SW1-4NW1-4
Section 27; NW1-4NE1-4 Sec-
tion 28; SE1-4NW1-4, SW1-4
NE1-4, E1-2SW1-4, SE1-4
Sec. 33; NW1-4, N1-2SW1-4
W1-4, SW1-4SW1-4, NW1-4
SE1-4 Section 34; NE1-4SW
1-4 Section 35; E1-2SE1-4
Section 9; SI-2 Section 10; N
E1-4NE1-4 W1-2NE1-4 SE1-4
NW1-4, W1-2NW1-4 Section
15, all in Township 3 South
Range 18 East of Willamette
Meridian in Sherman County,
Also:
All the portion of the NW1-4
Section 5, Township 5 South,
Range 19, East of Willamette
Meridian, which lies in Sher-
man County, Oregon; SW1-4
SW1-4 Section 5; SW1-4NE
1-4, SE1-4SE1-4 Section 7;
NE1-4NW1-4 Section 17; NW
1-4NE1-4, SW1-4SE1-4, Section
18; SE1-4NW1-4, NE1-4
SW1-4, NW1-4SE1-4, Section
19; NW1-4NW1-4, NW1-4SW
1-4, Section 20, all in Town-
ship 5 South, Range 19 East
of the Willamette Meridian,
in Sherman County, Oregon.

Said sale is to be made under
execution issued out of the Circuit
Court of the State of Oregon, for
Wasco County, to be directed in
the case of J. B. McCook, Re-
ceiver of The First National
Bank of The Dalles, Oregon, vs.
M. J. Finlayson, et al.

C. C. WILSON
Sheriff Sherman County, Oregon.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims a-
gainst the estate of J. A. Barnett,
deceased, are hereby notified to
present them, with the proper
vouchers and duly verified, to the
undersigned, the duly appointed
administrator of the estate of
J. A. Barnett, deceased, at the
office of T. Lester Johnson, attor-
ney at law, Moro, Oregon, with-
in six months from the date of
the first publication of this no-
tice, to-wit: February 18, 1938.

Mary F. Smith,
Administratrix

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18, 1938.

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A-F & A-M
Moro, Oregon
Meets the 1st and 3rd
Thursday evenings of
each month. Visiting
members cordially
invited to meet with
us.

Serail Seary W. M.
C. V. Belknap, Secy.

Moro Lodge No. 113, I. O. O. F.
Moro, Oregon
Meets 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays in each
month. Visiting mem-
bers cordially invited
to meet with us.

Ralph E. Eakin, 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.

Belle Conlee, 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.

Kerrone Christianson W. M.
Ruth Sparring, Secretary.

Advertisement for Thor Washers and Ironers. Features images of Model 103W Thor Washer and Model 610 Thor Ironer. Text includes 'Now! TWO NEW ALL-WHITE THOR WORK SAVERS!' and 'PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT'.