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1939 WHEAT

The new acreage allotments as given out by the state cannot be received by wheat farmers with unbending joy. The cut to 97,836 acres in Sherman county will be a serious reduction in the one crop that is profitably grown.

This state and this county have an excellent record for obedience to government programs. This year Oregon raised a smaller crop of wheat than in 1937 while other states raised millions of bushels more. Farmers have an individual decision to make as to whether they wish to continue this obedience and go along with the program or to defy it by raising wheat on what land they choose to seed.

If farmers believe that the government will eventually work out a scheme that will be fair to the real wheat grower and that will restore prices it may be the part of wisdom to go along. If they feel that the program is, and will be, unfair to the dry land wheat man who can grow no other crop now as good a time to break away as any. Each man must make the decision himself and there are arguments for each side.

The dry land farmer of the north west has not gotten proper recognition under the various farm bills of the past year or two. Farmers in the mid-west can plant alfalfa, blue-grass or other crops on the land they take from production. A wheat farmer may plant corn as a cotton farmer plants wheat and obtains his compliance payment and a crop. Here we cannot do that and land taken out of wheat production remains as much of a care as if it was in wheat unless weeds are to be grown on it.

The real wheat grower, meaning the man in the wheat country, who has land adapted to wheat in a country with little rainfall, is thus at a disadvantage. He is losing his business to others who cannot grow as much per acre nor grow it as cheaply per bushel, but who are able to take advantage of federal regulations. It is doubtful if this is the intent of the farm program, but it is working out that way.

A large reduction in acreage should be made but those who have grown wheat for fifty years and who have land on which wheat can be grown efficiently and cheaply and who can grow no other crop, should not be forced to make the same reduction as farmers in more diversified areas. And they should not have to compete with land that is taken out of other crops by government order and on which payments are made.

These reforms may best be made by staying with the program or they may best be made by farmers who rebel at onerous restrictions. The farmers, themselves, will decide that matter for themselves.

SAFETY FIRST

For the past two or three years there has been almost constant warning of city officials by interested citizens about the danger of injuring or killing children on the street in front of the school. Proposals to enforce the speed limit have been made, warning signs have been posted—to little avail, be it admitted—an attempt was made to keep cars from parking in front of the steps and now there is a proposal to stop all parking of cars in front of the school house entirely.

No child has been injured, so far, it is true. When there is an accident, in which a child is involved public sentiment will immediately force rulings that will prevent a recurrence of it. Surely the part of wisdom would be to take the safety steps before an accident does happen.

Small children in play will run between the parked cars and out in the street without looking for passing cars. A driver has little chance to evade them unless going very slow. The street committee of the city council, the school board and the principal have been asked to work

out a parking scheme to lessen the danger. Whatever their recommendations are, they will need the co-operation and support of the public.

IS IT WAR?

The world is anxiously waiting to see what is going to happen in central Europe and proceedings have gone so far toward war that the decision rests with but one of two men, a very dangerous situation for the peace of the world.

The Sudeten Germans have been a minority group in Czechoslovakia since the peace treaty after the world war and until recently have made no violent protest of conditions under which they lived. They have missed the inflation and deflation that Germans in their native land experienced. They have missed the recent oppression of minorities in that country. It appears that their present dislike for Czech rule has been caused by propaganda disseminated for the purpose of causing dissension.

Hitler has the dictators desire to expand his country for by that means he can expand his ego. It is almost certain to cause war for already there is fighting in many small towns. It will be hard to bring lasting peace after racial hatred has gone so far.

Were the world assured that the present German government would make no effort to obtain additional territory after it had consolidated all land occupied by German peoples at the present time there could be little argument against their aggression toward Czechoslovakia. However, there is no such assurance. Poland, the Czech part of Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Hungary may all be taken on one excuse or another unless the larger powers interfere to stop the expansion.

Fascism versus Communism is being used as the reason for some of the aggression when desire for more territory is the real reason. Religious differences were used for similar reasons in years past.

With nearly all of the larger nations mobilized a major war will be under way unless some one of the powers backs down. It seems possible that Roosevelt, first and second, will both have for their major distinction the splitting of the party that raised them to places of honor.

Wonder if the election of that mule in a Washington town as precinct committeeman of the Republican party is the first sign of a coalition between the two parties.

In Other Days

From the Observer Sept. 15, 1899

N. W. Thompson made a rapid trip to Boyd on the 10th with Mrs. Simion Elcock, who was summoned to attend her daughter, Mrs. Hadley, who presented her husband with a bouncing baby girl that night.

Miss Sadie Orr is an attentive student in entomology and wherever she goes is looking out for specimens.

Charles, the 12-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Garlick, had his collar bone broken Sunday while at play with a colt on the farm. Dr. Smith is attending the sufferer.

The opening of Moro Public schools has been postponed until the 25th. The 9th grade will be added to the principal course of study.

Doug. Allen and Henry Patison have gone into business in Grass Valley—the coming railroad town of Sherman county.

From the Observer Sept. 17, 1909

H. S. McDanel has a very nice garage for his new auto, built by contractor John Strahl.

Miss Eunice B. Porter and Arthur Bergaron of Early, were married in this city on the 13th, Rev. A. J. Adams, officiating.

O. A. Ramsey has finished the Kenneth barn for I. P. Harden and completed the plans for the George Hennagin farm residence, and while waiting for materials to arrive, is busy at Col. C. A. Buckley's.

A. J. Bibby, one of the Kent grand jurors whom the countermanding order failed to reach, answered his summons, but was very lonesome in and about the court house Wednesday, as others didn't come.

From the Observer Sept. 19, 1919

Grimes & Son, local contractors, have been awarded the contract for the construction of the new residence L. J. Pape will build on his farm this fall. Work will begin this week.

John Hastings and wife left Thursday for a 60-day visit in the east, intending to stop in Minnesota, Indiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and California.

Statehouse Gossip

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months. On the contrary most of the candidates have been constantly on the go, addressing picnic gatherings and chambers of commerce and back-slapping and glad-handing the voters generally at every opportunity. The public, however, has shown but little, if any interest in the political situation since the primary campaign ended. Gorged with political palaver in the spring campaign Mr. and Mrs. Average Voter have been reluctant to listen to the siren song of the vote seeker since they deposited their ballots in the little tin boxes last May. Now, however, there is a noticeable awakening of interest in politics. It was decidedly noticeable at the state fair as the farmers and townfolk, come to view the exhibits took time out to discuss the prospects of the several candidates.

It is still much too early in the campaign to venture any predictions as to the outcome but present indications are for a neck-and-neck finish in both the gubernatorial and senatorial races. However the next few weeks can be expected to start sentiment to crystallizing and well before the November election date arrives the trend should be toward or another of the hopefuls.

A growing trend toward consolidation of school districts is noticeable throughout Oregon, according to Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction. Since 1930, Putnam points out, there has been a reduction of 268 in the number of one room schools in the state. In that period 108 small districts were consolidated into 45 larger districts.

The new tuberculosis hospital to be constructed by the state in Multnomah county will provide accommodations for only 20 patients according to plans approved by the Board of Control this week. The hospital, however, will be in a position to treat a large number of patients who can be cared for in their homes. Dean Dillihunt told the Board he had hopes of a donation of another \$50,000 to do the \$200,000 being provided by the state and federal government. If the donation materializes it will be utilized in enlarging the capacity of the hospital.

Governor Martin will be honored at a reception to be held in connection with the formal dedication of the new capitol on October 1, it was announced this week. The date is also the governor's 75th birthday anniversary.

The two anti-slot machine bills will remain on the November ballot. A complaint filed by J. A. Moore, Brooks inn-keeper, in an effort to have the measures ruled off the ballot was dismissed Saturday by Judge Lewelling.

The interim commission on state and county revenues is scheduled to meet in Salem next week to consider a number of new tax measures designed to provide relief for property owners, as well as to provide additional revenue. Members of the commission include Representatives Roy E. Carter of Gold Beach, Ralph O. Stevenson of Medford, and Carl Engdahl of Pendleton; Charles V. Galloway, member of the state tax commission; County Judge H. C. Herron of Coquille; Bett T. McBain and Gust Anderson of Portland.

Grass Valley Cast To Give Play

"Death Takes the Steering Wheel" a prohibition play will be given Monday night, September 19, in the Grass Valley Baptist church at 8 p. m.

Local interest has been aroused due to the fact that characters in the "Trial" are all Grass Valley citizens with the exception of Mr. Hayward H. Johnson, who will take the part of the defense attorney and will direct the drama.

The local cast is as follows: Judge, C. A. Oestrich; Prosecuting attorney, Rev. Gerald C. Dryden; Court clerk, Bill Todd; Prisoner, Willard Barnett; Coroner, Arch Cantrell; Detective, Wallace May; Sweetheart, Ramona Spoor; Star witness, Mrs. Glen Karnes; Bailiff, R. A. Stow. Summoned on the jury are Mrs. Maude Garrett, Mrs. Amelia Peterson, Fred Cox, Shelton Fritts, Mrs. Fred Cox, Mrs. Wayne Spoor, A. A. Dunlap, O. N. Ruggles, Herman Schilling, Marion Van Metz, Edgar Alley, W. C. Todd and Sam Holmes. Admission will be free.

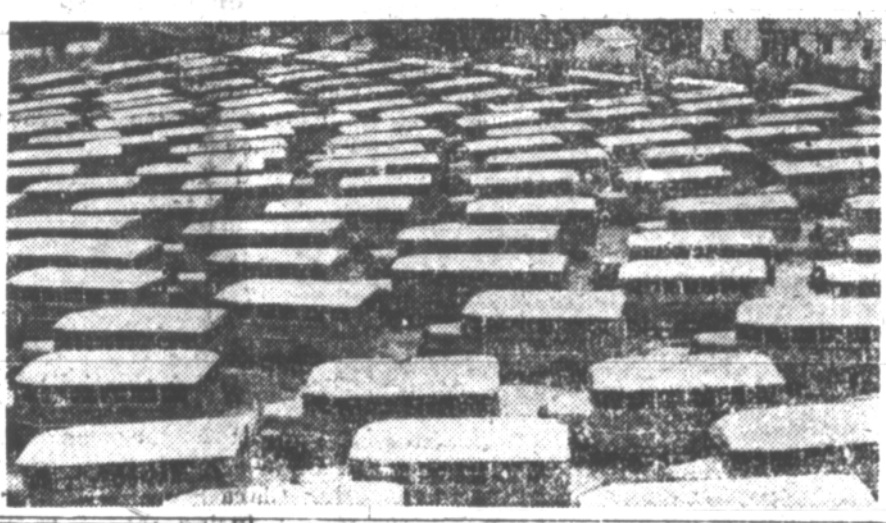
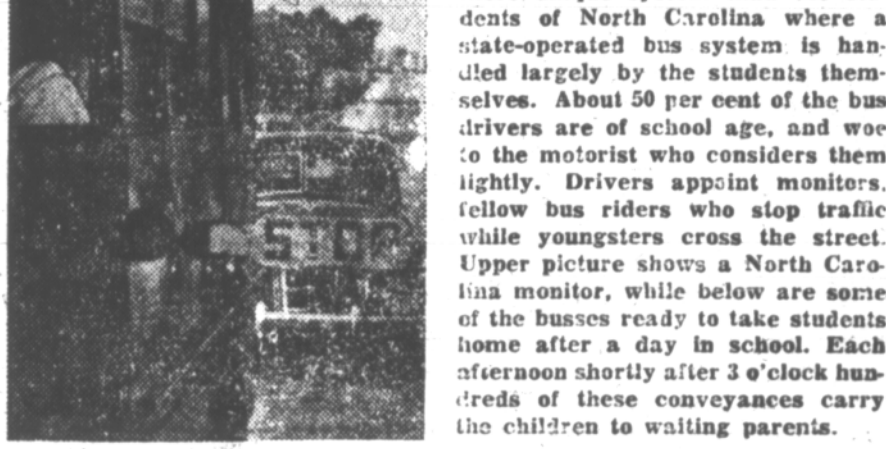
Vulnerable
Parson: "It was a good sermon today, Geordie, though perhaps you thought it a wee bit personal."
Geordie: "Aa divn't knaa, man. It wad be a queer sermon that didn't hit me some where."

Deductions from pay checks in Oregon are for old age insurance —NOT for unemployment compensation.

Back to School on a Bus



Throughout America this week youngsters will retrace their steps to the school room to begin another year's study. Some walk, others ride, but none of the riders have a more unique system than the students of North Carolina where a state-operated bus system is handled largely by the students themselves. About 50 per cent of the bus drivers are of school age, and were to the motorist who considers them lightly. Drivers appoint monitors, fellow bus riders who stop traffic while youngsters cross the street. Upper picture shows a North Carolina monitor, while below are some of the busses ready to take students home after a day in school. Each afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock hundreds of these conveyances carry the children to waiting parents.



Looking Forward

By Franklyn Waltman

Unable to defend the breakdown of the economic policies of the Roosevelt Administration, the New Deal spokesmen have commenced loudly to lament that the Republicans this year are pressing the same issues they used in 1936. The Republicans, they say, have no new ideas but must beat the same drums used two years ago.

Why bless their souls, of course, the Republicans in this year's campaign are going to press the same issues as in 1936. Do the New Deal spokesmen believe the Republicans were sincere two years ago? Do they believe that the Republicans platform builders of 1936 had their tongues in their cheeks when they laid down their scathing indictment of the New Deal?

Of course the issues against the New Deal today are the same as they were in 1936. There is, however, this difference: the evidence on which the Republican indictment of the New Deal was based has become greater and clearer in the last two years. Whereas two years ago the Republicans predicted that the fallacious policies pursued by the New Deal would end in trouble and disaster, they can today say, "we told you so!"

Purge Tactics Prove Charge
Is not the Republican platform contention of 1936 that "the powers of Congress have been usurped by the President" truer today than two years ago? Has not Mr. Roosevelt by his "purge" tactics confessed to the charge that he cannot tolerate an independent Congress?

Is not the 1936 Republican contention that "the integrity and authority of the Supreme Court have been flouted" truer today than two years ago? If evidence were needed, did not Mr. Roosevelt supply it in the interval with his Court packing plan?

Is not the 1936 Republican contention that "regulated monopoly has displaced free enterprise" a more self-evident truth today than two years ago? Indeed, the belated effort of the New Deal in recent months to do something about monopoly constitutes a plea of guilt of its encouragement of monopolistic practices during the first five years of Roosevelt rule.

Is not the 1936 Republican contention that the New Deal "has been guilty of frightful waste and extravagance, using public funds for partisan political purposes" conclusively proved by what has happened in the last five months?

Piling "Deficit Upon Deficit"
Is there any less truth today than two years ago in the 1936 Republican contention that the new Deal "has piled deficit upon deficit" and that it "threatens national bankruptcy and the destruction through the loss of insurance policies and savings-bank deposits?"
Has not the break-down of the New Deal economic policies, as exemplified by the Roosevelt Depres-

New Teacher Signs Up For Kent School

Charles Bothwell of Maupin arrived here Thursday where he will be assistant high school teacher of the Kent faculty this year.

Lillian Schassen and Evelyn Davis of The Dalles were dinner guests at the J. L. Davis home Sunday.

Mrs. G. L. Hoskinson and children attended Catholic church service in Grass Valley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woods and children moved four miles east of Kent on to what is known as the Leonard ranch, now farmed by G. L. Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Miller of Moro motored to Kent Sunday to bring their daughter Eva, who will resume her duties as teacher here.

L. W. Amick visited his daughter, Mrs. Wren Hogue near Grass Valley Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley McKay were over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Keopke at Grass Valley Saturday.

Mrs. G. L. Barnett and son Melvin and Mrs. R. N. McGlasson were week end visitors at Forest Grove.

Mrs. Grace Gregg and daughter, Delores, returned to their home here Saturday from Portland where Delores received medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Belsh of Moro were visitors here at the J. L. Davis and R. N. McGlasson homes Thursday.

J. E. Norton and Theo. von Borstel attended county court at Moro Wednesday.

Gus Schilling and son Paul were visitors in The Dalles Thursday.

A shower for Mrs. Allen Beckstead was held at her home Thursday afternoon. Out of town guests were Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and Mrs. John Keopke and infant daughter of Grass Valley.

Geraldine Norton and Nellie Wilson were Grass Valley visitors Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and sons, Dick and Jerry jr., were shopping in The Dalles Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Thomsen returned to their home at Antelope Friday after having spent the harvest season here at the Gus Schilling ranch.

Bob King and Kenneth Crews of Grass Valley and Luther Davis and Cecil Norton spent Thursday night camping at the John Day river.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson motored to Portland Monday where they left their car in a garage for repairs, having been wrecked by a trolley bus in June.

L. V. Hogue of Oakland is spending a few days here with his mother and sister, Mrs. B. A. Hogue and Gertrude before resuming his duties as teacher. Mr. Hogue has been teaching in the Oakland schools for several years.

Value of College Education
Has your son's college education been of any value?
"Och, yes, it cured his mother of Lragging about him."

Shake!
First Salesman—I made a lot of friends for the company today.
Second Salesman—I didn't sell a thing either.

Frank
Librarian—And why do you want so many books, this time Johnnie?
Johnnie—My little brother's high chair is broken.

Two Addresses
Edith—Dick, dear, your office is on Main Street, isn't it?
Dick—Yes, why?
Edith—That's what I told Daddy. But he made such a funny mistake about you yesterday. He said he'd been looking you up in Bradstreet.

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FACTS FOR DRIVERS

By EARL SWELL, Secretary of State

While legislators have placed many laws on the books designed to prohibit dangerous actions on the part of motorists, the question of a driver's safety depends not only on his strict observance of the letter of the law but also on his own good judgment.

He spoke the truth who said, "The graveyards are full of drivers who had the right-of-way." The law clearly gives the right-of-way to the driver on the right, when two vehicles approach an intersection at approximately the same time; yet a person who always insists upon taking the right-of-way whenever it is legally his may easily come to grief.

The same reasoning applies to passing. There are occasions when you can pass legally yet not safely. A road may be straight as a die and free of approaching traffic for miles, yet if the surface is narrow and slippery, passing may be extremely dangerous, particularly in the upper speed brackets.

Whizzing past a car which is traveling only 10 or 15 miles an hour may also be dangerous. Cars traveling very slowly are often preparing to turn; treat them as if they were about to swing across the road just ahead of you. Slow down and pass them at a reasonable speed, giving them ample warning with your horn.

A third dangerous practice is that of attempting to pass a long string of cars in one swoop. In the first place, this is unsportsmanlike, since normally you should give the cars ahead of you the first chance to pass; in the second place, you may not be able to get back into line if a car suddenly pulls into the road ahead of you.

Back To Touring
"A house with 52 bedrooms!" claimed the architect.
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