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COUNTY MANAGER

A bill to permit counties of Oregon to adopt the county manager system is in the hopper at Salem with some assurance of being passed by this session of the legislature.

This is a matter that has been discussed at some length in this part of the state as well as many others and while it has its opposition it also has many adherents.

The proposal is that the administrative functions of county government be put under the supervision of one man who will be appointed by the county court which will be elected in the same manner as at present.

The manager will become in fact the manager of the county, especially as to its administration. It is not contemplated that he will have to do with school supervision and he may not have charge of the road program.

The manager would hire subordinates or clerks to make up the tax rolls and collect the taxes as well as to do the assessing. The job of recording papers would be in his charge and lawful enforcement and serving of papers in civil suits would also be done by some one from his office.

Objections to the measure are that an inefficient man be hired for the job and it is a real objection, but the county court would be able to fire him at any time which is something that cannot be done with elected officials who prove to be less than was expected of them at election time.

In any of the counties at the present time much of the work of the county is being done by the county judges, who handle a large part of the relief work, look after the road program and the general county business.

As the country filled up with homesteaders in the next four or five years the store prospered and a grist mill was installed to grind flour from the product of the newly tilled fields.

EIGHTY-TWO

Last Sunday friends of Grandma Ruggles aided her in celebrating her eighty second birthday with presents and congratulatory talks. It was a happy occasion.

No one of fewer years could explain the sentiments and throbs of 82 not having had the requisite experience, but may speculate on what the passage of the years might mean to one who came to this county in the early eighties when the heavy wagons bounced over the bunch grass and no fences marked the prairie.

No other period in the history of this county—or like area—will be so significant, nor so interesting to live in, as have the past sixty years. No generation will have members who reach the age of 82 with so much of progress in human welfare to look back on.

It is said that a Roman ruler when aged was given to boasting that he had found Rome a city of brick and had made it a city of marble. Those of the generation who are now around eighty found this county a land of bunch grass and sage brush and have—through unremitting toil and unrelenting adherence to ideals—made

this county a county of homes and farms. And it is most fitting that we who are still here to enjoy the fruits of their labor congratulate those who made it possible.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Feb. 2, 1900

R. M. Brash is taking advantage of this spring like weather to complete his contract on painting the Moro Presbyterian church.

At a special meeting of the county court the tax levy for the current year was finally fixed—aggregating in all 26 3-10th mills. In Moro an additional 9 mills, covering city and school special.

Martin Brothers have sold the Moro city foundry to Capt. F. D. Nelson of this city and W. D. Arms worthy of Arlington.

From the Observer Feb. 4, 1910

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Ira K. Axtell, January 28, a daughter.

Miss Sara Ruggles has taken a department as teacher in the Grass Valley schools.

Harry Benson assumed charge of Moro Dray, No. 2 on the 1st, having purchased the interest of Soren Hansen, who goes back to the farm.

DeMoss Springs does not wish to run in opposition to the "Rose Carnival" or the "Mardi Grass" but as announced last July will say that the pioneers will hold their annual picnic and celebration July 4th.

From the Observer Feb. 6, 1920

W. C. Thompson has completed a deal whereby he has bought the lease and farm outfit owned by Orville Gibson in the Rutledge district. The place consists of 640 acres of good farm land.

Mrs. A. H. Johns is visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Johns having preceded her husband a few days. A. H. Johns is brother of Dr. Johns and is moving to Sherman county from Pendleton.

At a meeting in W. C. Bryant's office it was decided to circulate subscription lists for two new business companies: 1st for the Sherman Electric Company, 2nd for the building of a modern hotel to replace the Moro Hotel, burned last 4th of July.

The committee in charge of both are: O. L. Belshe, W. S. Powell, W. H. Ragsdale, F. E. Fortner, L. L. Peetz and A. M. Wright.

Grass Valley Journal: Con Buckley and bride arrived at their home the other evening. Con thought it best to take the Deschutes route.

Mrs. I. D. Pike, who has been confined to her bed for two weeks on Sunday morning was taken to The Dalles hospital where she had an operation performed by Dr. Taylor.

Barnett Family Early Pioneers

W. M. Barnett came from Indiana to San Francisco in the early days, and found work in the rapidly growing west. A short time later he was in Goldendale, where he worked in a store paying court, meanwhile to the daughter of John Golden, for whom the town was named. In 1880, his suit having been successful, he and his young family moved to a homestead just north of Wasco, and his mercantile training caused him to put a stock of goods in a house just off his land.

As the country filled up with homesteaders in the next four or five years the store prospered and a grist mill was installed to grind flour from the product of the newly tilled fields. Early day merchants also did something of a banking business because of the necessity of extending credit and, in the early days of this century Mr. Barnett started a bank that continued under his name until consolidated.

The management of the store and later the bank made Mr. Barnett one of the prominent figures of pioneer days in the county and he was active in all public matters.

Like other pioneer families many of its members are now living out side the county. Corwin is in California, Florence (Mrs. Turner) Ira and Golden are in Portland. Mrs. Marie Barnett Cooper is farming the home place and many other acres of her own near Wasco; Owen is following his father's footsteps as a merchant, Dorothy (Mrs. Blekney) is at Oregon City and Lois (Mrs. Ormand Hildenbrand) lives near Wasco.

Mrs. Barnett is still alive living at Wasco most of the time, altho she spends some of the winters in Portland. Mrs. Nolla Barnett Siscol, a sister, still lives at Wasco at the age of 83.

Lafe Barnett, a brother, took up land west of Wasco where he prospered and raised a large family. He remained on the farm, still living there although nearing 80 years.

Statehouse Gossip

(Continued from page one) just as soon as its job is completed, probably in July or August. The new library building was turned over to the state by the contractor Monday but the new heating plant is yet to be completed and the granite statues which will guard the entrance to the capitol building will not be placed until some time this summer.

The Oregon Fair Association, including representatives of all county fairs, the state fair, Pacific International and Eastern Oregon Livestock show, is vigorously opposing the proposal made by Governor Sprague that the state's "take" from pari-mutuel betting be placed in the general fund and the several fairs be placed on an appropriation basis.

A measure sponsored by Representative Giles French would authorize the state tax commission to use any surplus fund accruing from income taxes in off setting the property levy for support of the elementary schools.

Representatives of the League of Oregon cities, including Mayor H. W. Hand of Corvallis and Charles Huggins of Marshfield, attending the legislative session in an effort to secure a share of gasoline funds for city streets, deny that their proposal involves any "diversion" of highway funds. Instead, they explain, they only seek a "reallocation" of the highway funds so that the cities may receive a portion of this revenue for the use of their streets.

A number of salary increase bills have made their appearance at this session. One would increase the salary of the labor commissioner from \$3600 to \$5000 a year, another would authorize the state treasurer to fix the salary of his chief deputy and still another would "up" the salary of the state parole officer to \$5000 a year.

Way Back

Opera Star—Yes, 20 long years I have sung in ze Metropolitan. Admirer—Hm-m, you musta known Madame Butterfly when she was only a caterpillar.

We Have Too

"You say you come from Detroit?" remarked the fellow passenger. "That's where they make automobiles, isn't it?" "Sure," replied the American with some resentment. "We make other things in Detroit, too." "Yes, I know," retorted the fellow passenger. "I've ridden in them."

It's Always Tomorrow

"There goes Mactovich the philanthropist." "Really?" "Yes; he owns a string of theaters; and on the box-office of each one is a sign which reads 'Free Tickets Tomorrow.'"

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County her Final Account and Report as administratrix of the estate of J. A. Barnett, deceased, and that Monday, the 13th day of February, 1938, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the court room, in the courthouse, in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to said Final Account and Report and for the settlement of said estate.

Mary F. Smith, Administratrix. T. Lester Johnson, Attorney for administratrix. 10-14

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

A. B. Christianson W. M. C. V. Belknap, Secy.

Moro Lodge No. 113, I.O.O.F. Moro, Oregon Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the I.O.O.F. hall Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

Ve non Miller, N. G. Joe Truitt, Secretary.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78 O.E.S. Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursdays in each Month. Visiting members Invited.

Rose Amidon, W.M. Ruth Sparling, Secretary.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon Meets 2d & 4th Tues day of each month. Visiting members welcome.

Thelma Miller, N.G. Florence Johnston, Secy.

SUMMONS

Cause No. 2518

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

SHERMAN COUNTY, a Political Subdivision of the State of Oregon Plaintiff,

vs.
SHERMAN COUNTY, a Political Subdivision of the State of Oregon Plaintiff,
Otis Alley Estate, Wasco American Legion, Moro American Legion, George P. Amo, Jessie Amos, Emil Andersen, Ida M. Andrews, G. T. and Ida M. Andrews, G. T. Andrews, James C. Ashley, Andrew Barnett Estate, George Baker, Emaline Belshe, John Biggs Estate, Eva Pearl Binder, Mary E. Booth, J. W. Booth Estate, J. H. Bottemiller, J. N. Boyd, S. P. Brisbane Estate, Mrs. C. J. Bright, Mary K. Britton, M. A. Brock Estate, Brugman Timbe: Company, Mrs. L. A. Bruley, Elva A. Bryant, S. O. Clodfelter, B. F. Cochran Estate, George E. Coesen, Bert S. Cox, George W. Coy, Hattie Craig, George N. Crossfield Estate, Pierre Cutchierre, J. E. Davis, W. K. Deal, C. E. Deal, Juanita De Foe, Nancy J. Dunlap, Flora Dunlap, S. P. Brisbane Estate, Eastern Oregon Trading Company, J. W. Eaton, J. M. Eddy, R. G. Edwards, J. A. Ellis, Gertrude Epperson, Ernest Eslinger, M. Estey, Roy Feely, Myrtle Walker Fenwick, Harvey J. Ferrell, Nellie Dingle Fields, Nellie Dingle Fields, T. L. Fields, I. E. Fields, Fred R. Fortner, F. E. Fortner, L. R. French, Hattie E. French, The First National Bank of Kelson, Grant Garland, W. A. Gentry, Sadie Gideon Estate, R. J. Ginn Estate, Ma y Girt, Ira J. Goin, Ray Hansel, C. A. Harper, Heath and Sons, Arthur L. Helliwell, Godfrey Hendricks, Bertha Glenn Heroux, Maggie Higginbotham Estate, Herbert Hill, L. S. Hines, James Hoag, Etta Hoag, Walter E. Holman, Charles and Anna Hull, J. K. Irby, Lucy Isaacs, Emil R. Jaekel, Joe James, John Day Power Company, Ella Jones, John Karlen, Grace L. Kelley, W. A. Kentner Estate, H. Laughter, Mary Leonard Estate, May Lowden, Emma E. Lucas Estate, H. B. Lusk, Charles McAllister, Charles McAllister, P. W. McDonald Estate, A. W. McFarland, M. McKenzie, Leroy H. Martin, Glenn E. Maurer, Jessica Maurer, Elsie L. Miller, Bertha F. Moon, Moro State Bank, Edgar L. and James A. Muckle, Natatores, Inc., Emmett Olds Estate, L. A. and Ida Olds, Dean Olds, D. C. O'Reilly, Anna Packard, Margaret W. Peetz and W. C. Bryant Estate, Ronald A. Perrault, George S. Peishin Estate, Ruby B. Pettys, Guy W. Pickard, Russell Piersoll, Fred and Genevieve Pickett, Anna Provost, E. P. Rich, Mrs. B. J. Robertson, L. W. Ross, Bertha Sagawa Estate, Andy Sandvig, Andy Sandvig, Emma Sayrs, Louis Schadewitz Estate, Joseph Scheurer, T. E. Sink Estate, Lottie Sirginson Estate, Laura Smith, Mamie E. Spoonmore, Earl D. Stack, Zoe S. Thompson, K. F. Thompson, Alice M. Thorpe, Laura Tomlin Estate, United States Trust Company, Jennie Van Gilder Estate, Jennie Van Gilder Estate, Jennie Van Gilder Estate, H. A. Van Gilder, J. C. Freeman, Virginia A. Mo se, Farmers Elevator and Supply Company, Henry Schadewitz, Thomas Silverthorn, C. H. Van Hutton, B. M. Vanlandingham, Mary E. Wall Estate, C. E. Ward, Wasco Motor Service, E. L. Weld, E. L. Weld, E. L. Weld, H. H. and Cora White, Wesley J. Wilde, Wiley, Harriana and Walsh, James Woods Estate, Nell J. Woods Estate, and all persons, corporations, known or unknown, claiming any right, title to or interest in any of the real estate hereinafter described,

Defendants.
To each of the defendants above named, and each and every person owning or claiming to own or having or claiming to have any interest whatsoever in the hereinafter described real property.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON:

You, and each of you, hereby are notified that Sherman County, a duly organized county of the State of Oregon, is the owner and holder of certain certificates of delinquency issued on the 1st day of October, 1938, to said county by its Sheriff and Tax Collector, Said certificates, in the aggregate amount of \$18,881.89 and numbered from 1 to 217, include all the real properties appearing on the tax rolls of Sherman County on October 1, 1938, the date of the issuance of said certificates of delinquency, upon which taxes have been delinquent for more than three years from the earliest date of such delinquency and two annual instalments of such delinquent taxes have not been paid in compliance with Chapter 5, Oregon Laws, Special Session, 1935, as amended by Chapter 96, Oregon Laws, 1937, and against which no other valid and subsisting certificate or certificates of delinquency are outstanding. The total amount shown by said certificates of delinquency to be due and owing against each parcel of real property described therein includes all taxes, 1937 and prior years, which were unpaid and delinquent at the date of the issuance of said certificates. Such certificates so issued to said county were filed by the Sheriff and Tax Collector in the office of the County Clerk on the 5th day of December, 1938, and constitute and are a public record open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

The numbers of each of said certificates of delinquency, the names of the person or persons appearing on the latest tax roll in the hands of the Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sherman County at the date of the first publication of this summons as the owner or owners of said properties, and if unknown, so stated, followed by a description of each of the separate parcels of property, together with the total amount of delinquent taxes for 1937 and all prior years with interest thereon to October 1st, 1938, the date of the issuance of said certificates of delinquency, are as follows:

Table with columns: Certificate number, Name of Owners and Description of Property, Sec. or Lot, Township N or S, Range E, Block, Range W. M., Total Delinquent Taxes Including Interest to October 1, 1938. Rows include Otis Alley Estate, American Legion, George P. Amo, Jessie Amos, etc.

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