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By A. L. Lindbeck

Since the adjournment of the legislative session has been tentatively set for March 4. Some of the more optimistic are hopeful that it may come a few days—even a week—earlier while the more pessimistic of the lawmakers are fearful that the session will overrun that mark but predictions—and it can be only a prediction at this distance—seem to center around this date.

The end of the 40-day period for the lawmakers comes with Friday of this week, providing another incentive for speedy adjournment of the session although legislative employees whose pay goes without interruption are quite content to stick it out for the remainder of the winter.

So far only two of the controversial issues of the session have been disposed of. Representative Chapman's open shop bill met with decisive defeat in the House last week when the Multnomah county legislator was able to muster only 14 votes in its support as against an adverse vote of 46. The pilot bill, reorganizing the state board of pilot commissioners, rolled thru both houses with a few amendments after successfully running the gauntlet of criticism from its opponents.

PUD, taxes, relief, various pension proposals, civil service for state employees, and the appropriation bills are still before the session. The first of these, involving numerous amendments to the people's utility district act, was the center of interest at a number of hearings this week, culminating at a big free-for-all public hearing Wednesday night. Principal bone of contention in this measure is the Bonneville-endorsed provision for private sale of bonds to be issued by these power districts. This issue has resulted in a split in the ranks of the public ownership advocates with Ray Gill, Morton Tompkins and a number of other grange leaders lining up with the Bonneville crowd in support of the private sale provision and Peter Zimmerman, Herman Lafkv and other zealous public ownership advocates backing Governor Sprague in his insistence that these bonds shall be sold on bids and to the highest bidder.

There does not appear to be any considerable sentiment in favor of new taxes or revenue measures. Even the proposed amendments to the income tax laws providing relief for intangibles tax payers and increasing the load of personal income taxes which has been recommended by Governor Sprague has failed to arouse any enthusiasm on the part of the lawmakers most of whom appear content to let well enough alone. As for sales taxes and gross income taxes, these appear to be definitely out, especially since Governor Sprague has turned thumbs down on such revenues. Relief is again the big problem with big pension advocates insisting on more generous treatment of the needy aged and the counties, as well as the state knowing no where to turn for the necessary funds unless the people should be willing to approve some form of sales tax. Prospects now are that the lawmakers will cut their suit to fit the cloth at hand, which means still further trimming of the already severely trimmed relief budget.

The various proposals for state subsidized retirement pensions for firemen, teachers and other organized groups will probably not get very far at this session although strong lobbies are still at work on the legislators in behalf of these issues. Neither does there appear to be much support for the proposal to place state employees under civil service, an issue that was brought sharply to the fore this week in charges that racketeering methods were being used in coercing employees to contribute toward a fund in support of this measure.

The ways and means committee is well up in its work of sorting out the wheat from the chaff in the state budget. Tentative action has already been taken on most of the big appropriation bills and these will begin to move out into the open in a few days now.

Governor Sprague is said to be giving serious consideration to the so-called Kansas plan which involves a legislative interim council to prepare needed legislation. In

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COUNTY CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT OF FEES COLLECTED AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE SAME JANUARY 1, TO DECEMBER 31, 1938.

TOTAL OF ALL FEES COLLECTED	\$2101.35
Less Migratory Liens—remitted to Sec. of State	\$58.50
Less Litigant Fees—remitted to State Treasurer	79.00
Less Divorce Fees—remitted to State Treasurer	35.00
Less amount paid as refund on fees	5.00
Less amount paid to County Treasurer	1983.85
	\$2101.35
	\$2101.35
ITEMIZED	
Recording fees	\$ 890.65
Law Library fees	62.50
Circuit Court fees	330.00
County and Probate fees	195.00
Marriage Licenses	24.00
Miscellaneous Copying and Indexing	426.79
Migratory Liens	58.50
Litigant fees	79.00
Divorce fees	35.00
	\$2101.35

Dated this 7th day of January 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

County Clerk.

CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1938 TO DECEMBER 31, 1938

Account	Amount	School Library	62.80
County Judge's Salary	\$ 450.00	4-H Club Fair	500.00
Judge's expenses	187.60	County Teacher's Institute	80.00
County Clerk's Salary	1500.00	Courthouse expenses	2406.48
Deputy Clerk's Salary	1020.00	County Printing	236.48
Incidental expenses	200.00	Jail, Board of prisoners, etc.	53.78
Record books & blanks	225.00	Elections:	
County Sheriff's Salary	1800.00	Judges & Clerks	616.50
Deputy Sheriff's Salary	1020.00	Ballots	254.00
Traveling expenses	420.00	Booths	50.00
Incidental expenses	642.00	Ballot boxes and registration	23.10
State Industrial Accident Commission	58.90	County Fair	1500.00
County Assessor's Salary	1800.00	Insurance on Fairgrounds	225.00
Field Assessor's Salary	400.00	Justice Court	13.00
Rolls, detail sheets, etc.	494.20	Circuit Court	
Office Help	165.90	Witness & Juror fees	1448.10
District Attorney's expenses	188.00	Reporter's fees	104.00
County Treasurer's Salary	900.00	Meals for Jurors	14.30
Record books & blanks	71.43	Balliff's fees	35.00
County School Superintendent's Salary	1500.00	Insane and Feeble-minded examinations	3.96
Traveling expenses	300.00	Public Assistance	715.03
Incidental expenses	249.12	Old Age Assistance	2400.29
Office Help	400.00	Blind Assistance	69.30
County Health Nurse	400.00	Aid to Dependent Children	180.33
Coroner's fees and expenses	40.90	Boys and Girls Aid Society	50.00
County Health Officer	300.00	Louise Home	50.00
Expenses	10.50	Waverly Baby Home	50.00
Commissioner's fees and Mileage	390.30	Volunteers of America home	50.00
Account		DeMoss Memorial Park	120.69
Insurance on Courthouse and Exp. Station			
Bureau of Biological Survey			
White Shield Home			
Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Auditing County Books			
County Agent			
Premiums on officer's bonds			
Inland Empire Waterways Association			
Emergency Items:			
Taxes on Shiel property	\$43.00		
Well at Fairgrounds	995.15		
Employment Service	90.00		
Association of Oregon Counties—Fees	57.01		
Law Library—Library Fund	\$42.19		
Conference Report	75.00		
Sheep Killed by dogs—Dog Fund	82.00		
Gas used by Government trapper	98.32		
Examination of Parks	45.00		
Oregon Grange Bulletin	195.84		
Painting at Fairgrounds	299.50		
Zell's Funeral Home	35.00		
Christmas Seals	5.00		

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New Health Nurse Assumes Duties

Miss Katherine Morse, the health nurse for Sherman and Crook counties, arrived in Moro Tuesday from Crook county, where she has just completed her first six weeks work and will remain in Sherman county six weeks—thus dividing her time between the two counties in this manner giving six months service to each.

Miss Morse comes to us well qualified for her position being a graduate from the University of Oregon, with a public health nurse certificate. She has also had training at Stanford in the Pediatric clinic there.

Miss Morse also comes to us with a broken arm sustained while skiing recently on Mt. Hood.

Garden Club To Present Play

As a benefit performance for civic improvement, the Wasco Garden club will present the play "Land Ho, Sailor" on Saturday, February 25. The cast includes Robert Belknap, Margaret Johnson, Homer Dixon, William Githier, Lois Hilderbrand, Max Williams, Marjory Rich, Gordon Rich, and Georgia Bracken. The play is reported to contain humor, breezy action, a good plot, unique characters, and amusing dialogue.

Word has been received from Miss Winters, of Portland, that Sherman county is ahead again this year in the Christmas seal sale, with a 14.3 per capita sale, so far.

Dial Telephones To Be Installed In Sherman Co.

Installation of automatic dial telephone exchanges for Moro, Wasco, and Grass Valley to take the place of the present manual switchboards serving these exchanges is being planned, according to J. R. Farrington, manager for The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company.

These new dial exchanges, it is expected, will be placed in operation this fall, possibly by October 1.

The type of central office to be placed in these three cities is known as a community dial exchange and is recognized as the most modern and up-to-date equipment available for such exchanges.

All of the calls will be dialed. Long distance, information, and other miscellaneous calls will be handled by direct circuits to the Dalles; such calls will be made by dialing "Operator."

Local customers are to be individually notified of the change, and the company this fall will begin installing dial telephones to replace the present magneto or crank type telephones. A feature of the new dial system for these cities is that all of the farmer line telephones, as well as the local stations, will be dial-operated.

Total cost of the dial project for Moro, Wasco, and Grass Valley will be in the neighborhood of \$22,500.

Those wishing more definite information in regard to the change can obtain such by contacting County Agent LeRoy Wright.

Local Boys To Attend World's Fair

Bob King of Moro, Frank von Borstel of Grass Valley and Catherine Fridley of Wasco will attend the San Francisco World's Fair exhibiting 4-H club baby beavers in the baby beef show to be held on Treasure Island April 2-8. Bob King will exhibit two Herefords and one Angus; Frank von Borstel one Hereford and Catherine Fridley, one Angus. Sherman county's exhibit will be the largest of any county in Northwestern Oregon. In Southern Oregon Klamath county will have the largest exhibit followed by Jackson county. At the present time plans are under way for two carloads of Oregon 4-H club baby beavers to be exhibited one of these to come from Northern Oregon and the other from Southern Oregon.

LeRoy C. Wright, Sherman county agent, has been designated as one of the Oregon men to accompany the exhibits to the San Francisco show.

A committee consisting of Mr. D. E. Richards, superintendent of the Union experiment station; Mr. H. A. Lindgren, Livestock extension specialist and Mr. L. J. Allen, assistant state club leader, will act as a sifting committee for Northeastern Oregon. The purpose of this committee is to make observations of all of the animals to be exhibited from this area and if it is felt by these men that any of these animals being fed for exhibition are not of the high quality necessary for this show, they will not be sent. These exhibits will be sold locally since the expense of transporting the animals to San Francisco from this area is rather high.

The policy at the San Francisco show has been in past years for every animal of low quality to be taken out prior to judging. For the last three or four years no animals from Oregon have gone to San Francisco and after arrival have been sifted. All have been shown and in most cases have placed in the money. Last year Bob King of Sherman county exhibited a Hereford in the Hereford class and placed first in his division. The exhibitors from Sherman county are hoping that this record will be continued for 1939.

Former Resident Called By Death

By John R. Kaseberg
Mary Duella Waters, daughter of Thomas and Helen Hall Waters, was born April 4, 1882 in Webberville, Mich.

In November 1898 she accompanied her mother to Wasco, Oregon where her sister, Mrs. Chas. A. Akers then resided. She taught in the public schools of Sherman county until December 2, 1901 when she was married to John R. Kaseberg. After a residence of seven years on a Gordon Ridge farm, she accompanied her husband to Portland which has since been her home.

She was greatly interested in travel, study, music and art and loved her home and family above all else; a woman of high character and loving disposition.

Her death occurred February 10th 1939 in Pasadena, California where she and her husband were visiting at the time. She is survived by her husband, John R. Kaseberg; a daughter, Helen Korn, a son, J. Kenneth Kaseberg and one grand child, Barbara Joy Kaseberg.

"A loving one from us has gone, A voice we loved is stilled; A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled."

PRECIPITATION TOTALS

Figures obtained from the experiment station show 1.01 inches of moisture received during the first 14 days of February, with the normal for the month standing at 1.16 inches. Total precipitation to date since September first is 5.67 inches.

Wasco reports .89 inches for February so far, with .72 for the entire month of January.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK

DATE	9	MAX.	MIN.	T.
Feb. 9	16	5		
" 10	22	7		.15
" 11	44	17		T.
" 12	50	24		.04
" 13	41	30		.04
" 14	52	33		.25
" 15	56	39		T.
Total for the week				.48

Basketball Tournament March 3 & 4

Tournament Will Be Single
Elimination With Eight
Teams Entered

The Sub District No. 13A Basketball Tournament represented by schools from Wasco, Sherman and Hood River counties will be held on March 3 and 4, at the Odell High School gymnasium. Schools placed in this district by the Oregon High School Athletic Association are: Adelphe, Dufur, Maupin, Mosier, Wapinitia, St. Mary's of The Dalles, Grass Valley, Kent, Moro, Wasco, Odell, Cascade Locks and Parkdale.

Probable competitors in the tournament will be Maupin, Dufur and St. Mary's from Wasco county; Rufus, Grass Valley and Moro, from Sherman county; and Odell, and Parkdale from Hood River.

The tournament will be single elimination with eight teams entered (three from Sherman and Wasco counties, and two from Hood River county.)

In contrast to former years the first teams from each of the counties were seeded in the first round so they would not meet each other at the beginning. All other positions were drawn by lot. The following is a brief summary of drawings, time of games and officials assigned:

March 3—1:30 p. m. 1st Hood River vs 3rd Sherman, Moro; referee Brumbaugh.
3:00 p. m. 1st Sherman, Rufus vs 3rd Wasco; referee Bennett.
7:30 p. m., 2nd Hood River vs. 2nd Wasco; referee Brumbaugh.

9:00 p. m., 1st Wasco vs. 2nd Sherman, Grass Valley; referee Bennett.

The games on March 4 will be played at 9:30 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 7:30 p. m., and 9:00 p. m. The game at 9:00 p. m. will decide the championship and the two teams who will represent the sub district at the district tournament at Arlington March 10 and 11.

ACTIVITY AT CCC CAMP

No information definite, indefinite or otherwise seems to be forthcoming from the SCS or CCC camp headquarters but . . . some rumor has it that we are to have a small or what is termed a "spike" camp here soon. Wm. Mitchell is reported to have arrived Monday with twelve Ohio boys from the Stahfield camp . . . found water pipes broken from the recent freeze and other attendant unhandy situations that broken water pipes can cause, so . . . the other 38 boys or what ever number it takes to constitute a spike camp will not arrive until the camp is in readiness for them.

The Woman's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Martha Cope last Wednesday. Mrs. Byers was assisting hostess at the dessert luncheon served at 2:00 p. m. to the nineteen members present.

Officers elected for the new year were: Mrs. Harry Pinkerton, president; Mrs. L. V. Moore, vice-president; Mrs. Martha Cope, secretary; Mrs. E. E. Barzee, treasurer. Mrs. Dewey Thompson was director of the program, covering the subject of negroes in America and Africa.

Insured unemployed workers in Wasco, Gilliam, Sherman, Wheeler and Jefferson counties received \$4620.42 from the state unemployment compensation commission during January. This was 1 per cent of the state total, officials said.

The state total for benefit checks \$506,035, was less than the amount disbursed last June and but slightly more than totals for July and August, during which seasonal conditions for work in Oregon are near the peak, it was pointed out. This was said to reflect the general improvement in Oregon employment conditions over those noted a year ago.

Teachers To Meet Here Next Week

The Sherman county branch of the Oregon state teachers association, organized a few months ago, is planning another meeting for Saturday, February 25 in Moro.

President, R. G. Cunliff, in planning the meeting, outlined a constructive program appointing committees to assemble information and advising all to be prepared to speak on the various subjects suggested.

The committee to assemble constructive criticism on administration analysis is: Barbara Leisz, Chairman, with Bertha Craig, Charles Bothwell, Eva Miller, Robert Tapp, Margaret Traoune, E. A. Cochran, Frances Gorsline, Marie Andrews and Martha Hoover, assisting.

The committee on teacher analysis is to consist of the principal from each school, with Homer Dixon acting as chairman.

After reports from the above committees, the county superintendent, will be given an opportunity to offer his comments, approval or disapproval of the reports, plus his own criticisms.

A report card committee was also named to assemble information on various forms and suggest improvements for our present cards. Mrs. Mary Hendricks, chairman, Marian Gittings, John E. Thompson, Mr. Mayfield, Arden Squire, Kay Jewell, Georgia Bracken, Peleen Sylvester, Katherine Monahan and Earl Miner, assistants.

Mr. Jewell is expected to give a delegate's report on O. S. T. A. and Earl Miner a report on School legislation.

Other things to come before the members is the matter of dues, the date and place for the county music festival, the declamatory contest and plans for a county track program.

Miss Barbara Leisz, assistant high school teacher of the Moro schools, has been engaged as the luncheon speaker for the occasion.

WASCO CIVIC CLUB MEETS

Forty five members of the Wasco Civic club met in the hotel dining room, partaking of a bountiful turkey dinner served to them by Mr. and Mrs. Webber, who recently took over the dining room.

During the business session that followed the members decided to sponsor the Lamb Show given each spring in the county. A committee of three, Owen Barnett, Bill Nisbet and J. T. Johnson, were appointed to investigate and consider plans for a picture show house in the community, to be reported on at the next meeting.

Legislative Hi-Lights And Capitol Observations and Predictions

It is likely that this session of the legislature will go down in history as one of the most peculiar in recent history of legislatures, especially from the point of view of the House.

The oldest of the old timers who attend the legislature say that never before has there been a session without groups or blocks being organized for some purpose or other, good or bad. Up to date there is no organization of over two or three members and that because of friendship and not in the nature of an offensive and defensive alliance as political organizations usually turn out to be.

Bills are voted upon because of the beliefs of the individual members and that is why it should be in a democratic government. No one with a bill is given to feel that there will be reprisals if he fails to vote a certain way on another bill and that is a bit odd also.

There have always been individual legislators who refused to be bothered by such things but this time they are in the majority and the old timers find it strange.

This is about the time of the session when the members start to become interested in supplies to take home to their various offices so that they can write letters for the next two years or more on official stationery. Some of these requests are funny from the ordinary point of view for how the normal mortal can expect to write five thousand letters in two years, in the course of legislative business is beyond the majority.

More durable supplies are also requested, including staplers, clips, etc. One member asked for a list of stationery and supplies as long

Land Use Board Meets To Discuss AAA

Approximately 1000 Acres
Of Crested Wheat Grass
Needed To Furnish Seed

The Land Use committee met Wednesday at the court house with Wm. Steen of Umatilla, chairman of the AAA committee, present to discuss the ways that the AAA program could work in for a land use program for Sherman county.

Fred Entermille, state land use supervisor of Baker county and chairman of the Baker county AAA committee discussed suggestions on tillage methods and cropping systems, which would conform to good land use practices in dry land wheat farming areas and resume of diversion from wheat amounting to more than 53,000 acres of which 24,737 acres have been seeded to crested wheat grass as permanent diversion. Practically 19,000 acres in addition have been left idle for diversion and in the neighborhood of 10,000 acres in 1938 seeded to winter wheat in the spring for diversion.

The matter of using crested wheat grass for hay was discussed at length and was brought out that this grass kept in the bloom stage is superior to all other hays except legumes from the standpoint of total nutrient. It was estimated that this grass on 20 bushel land would produce from 1 to 1 1/2 tons per acre and that it would in the two year period produce more hay than the average grain used for this purpose.

Approximately 1000 acres of grass will need to be harvested for seed each year in this county to hold the 24 to 25 thousand acres plus an estimated 7 to 10 thousand acres additional diversion permanent to grass to keep the recommended figure in the neighborhood of 35,000 acres in grass.

Mr. Steen said that the county would need to have a seed house to hold the 24 to 25 thousand acres plus an estimated 7 to 10 thousand acres additional diversion permanent to grass to keep the recommended figure in the neighborhood of 35,000 acres in grass.

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Moro Library Receives New Books

New books received by the Moro library and on the shelf for borrowers are:

Sacred Scimitar	Bell
Secret of Tibet	Bell
Christmas Gift	Hancock
Maris	Hill
Heartbroken Melody	Norris
Stories That Never Grow Old	Piper
Night Must End	Price
Life of Shep	Woodruff

Legislative Hi-Lights And Capitol Observations and Predictions

as his arm and was referred by the speaker to J. K. Gill and company.

Surprising to those who are viewing their first legislative assembly is the fact that oratory has little if any effect on the following vote. This has been demonstrated this session on nearly every controversial measure.

Last Friday was orators day in the house with the credit service bill starting the boys off on a debate that was not quelled until the house adjourned at six o'clock after passing the pilot bill.

C. C. Chapman talked for an hour for his closed shop bill and made a fine presentation too, having his arguments clearly. His opposition talked rather ineffectively for fifteen minutes. The vote was 46 to 14 against the Chapman bill.

Closer was the pilot bill during the debate on which Frank Hilton Ash spoke about an hour. Captain Ash spoke much more briefly and in a quiet conversational tone of voice and obtained 38 votes as against 22 for the more valuable side.

Monday of this week the firemen's pension bill was before the house and Frank Loneragan defended the measure in opening and rebuttal speeches that from the point of debate were excellent. His opposition was good but failed to equal his ability and fire. The vote was 40 to 20 against Loneragan.

And so it goes with the fine arts of public speaking taking a licking on nearly every measure and the quiet explanation of bills gaining more votes than loud oratory. This house is not one to be swayed very easily.

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