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Sherman County Wheat and Stock Win P.I. Awards

Wheat Exhibits More Numerous This Year; 4-H Clubbers Win

Washington D. C., Oct. 12.—Absolute control of wheat production, with a grower being licensed to cultivate a certain acreage, is one of the far-reaching legislative proposals farmers will discover sometime after January, 1940. Under the plan a farmer would no longer be permitted to seed as many acres as he desires; he would be told how many acres he could devote to wheat by officials in the Department of Agriculture in Washington. The program would prohibit a farmer from being master of his own holdings.

This idea has reached the point where the house committee on agriculture, at an executive meeting, has agreed to start hearings on the proposal when the regular congressional session opens after the first of the year. A rough outline of the plan has been drafted, with the cooperation of the agricultural department.

Behind the thought of regiment the wheat growers of Oregon and Washington, as well as all other wheat sections, is a desire to prevent a repetition of the World War experience, when farmers cultivated every acre available, a practice which subsequently resulted in the dust bowls, ruined farms and farmers and caused terrific depression for wheatmen.

Concretely, the theory is to place a limitation, rigidly, on the number of acres devoted to wheat. This is expected to prevent too great surplus with consequent low prices. To grow wheat the department would issue a permit, or license, stating how many acres each farmer could use for that crop. The plan is materially different from the present voluntary agreement. There would be an indirect processing tax, which would go back to the producers, and this tax might be a fraction of a cent, plainly printed on each loaf of bread.

In Pacific northwest states, particularly, there has been a demand in recent years to save the trees along the highways of federal-aid system, as these trees are being logged off. Under the federal road act, funds can be used to acquire a strip of forest on these highways if the state highway commission will match the money. However, highway officials prefer building more roads rather than divert any funds for beautification.

James W. Mott, of Oregon, outlined a proposal to meet this situation at the 25th annual meeting of the American Association of Highway Officials this week. When the regular session of congress meets Representative Mott will offer an amendment to the road act specifying that two percent of the federal aid funds allocated to a state shall be used to acquire timber. The two percent would require matching. Ranking member of the house committee on roads, Mott would become chairman in the event of a republican administration.

Here is something that doesn't make sense: According to newspapers, polls taken in the Pacific northwest show that 75 percent of the people are for repeal of the mandatory embargo on weapons of war, but the ration of letters received by Oregon - Washington members of congress runs 80 to 90 percent against repeal. Even dismissing the engineered propaganda, such as printed postal cards the letters run 65 or more percent to retain the embargo. There is difficulty in reconciling the wide discrepancy. Polls can be and are juggled; letters speak for themselves.

A government owned and operated plant to manufacture chemicals to destroy noxious weeds in grain fields of the Inland Empire is the purpose of a bill now in process. It provides for a plant somewhere along the Columbia river, using power from Bonneville, and the enterprise placed under the direction of Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture.

Sherman county wheat growers fared well in the wheat competition at the Pacific International where judging was completed Monday. While sweepstakes was not won this year as last, exhibitors from this county won several firsts. On Federation Grover Young was first and J. M. Wilson second; on Golden, Charles Lemley was first and Millard Eakin second; Donald McDermid was second on Rex; Randall Fischer was second on hard white. George Wilcox second, Conroy and McHugh, third and Arzell Lemley fourth on Hard Red Winter; Donald McDermid third on Soft White with Arzell Lemley fifth; and Arzell Lemley also won second on Turkey Red.

Winner in the Hard Red Winter class was Jaeger of Condon whose wheat was not as heavy as the second place wheat from Sherman county but was better in color and appearance. Neighboring counties won firsts in most of the classes in which Sherman received second.

Awards won by the 4-H clubbers of this county were fewer than usual because of better competition from other counties according to those who spent several days at the show watching the judging.

In the Shorthorn class Jack von Borstel won eighth for junior and Frank von Borstel won 9th for senior.

Carsten von Borstel won second for heifer under two and Lloyd Kelly won first and Frank von Borstel second for breeding heifers under one year.

In the senior Angus class John Hildebrand won third, Elton Medler fifth and Jerry Wilson eighth. In junior Angus Bob King was fourth and Frank LeMaster 7th, Helen Thompson eighth.

In the senior Hereford class Bob King was seventh, Frank von Borstel twelfth, Lee Barnett 25th. The junior Hereford class saw Jack von Borstel win 11th and Shelton Fritts 17th. In county herds Sherman county was sixth.

Shelton Fritts won tenth and Ed Fritts eleventh on hogs. Dickie Oveson and Bob Hoskinson won first with their pen of three fat lambs and they brought 14 cents at the sale. Bob King was second, Clyde Fridley fourth and Cathryn Pridley fifth.

The Moro Breakfast club bought the John Hildebrand steer, a group of farmers combined together to buy the Elton Medler calf and Bob King's senior Hereford was bought by Glen Karnes of Grass Valley.

Club Women of 4th District To Meet

Club women throughout Sherman, Wheeler, Gilliam and Wasco counties are looking forward to the fall conference of the fourth district of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs to be held Saturday, October 21, at The Dalles. Mrs. Margaret Merrifield of the hostess club is chairman of general arrangements. Mrs. Harold D. Peterson of Dallas, Mrs. A. C. McIntyre, Pendleton, junior past president; Mrs. Finley P. Mullins, Portland, state fine arts chairman; Mrs. W. E. Crawford, The Dalles, district secretary, are among those who have been invited to speak at the session, according to Mrs. H. J. Simmons, Fossil district president, Mrs. C. A. Johnson and Mrs. R. W. French of The Dalles are in charge of the memorial service. Past presidents of the Moro Women's, Wasco Women's Study, Wasco Tuesday afternoon, Arlington Woman's, The Dalles Sorosis and Fossil Woman's Welfare Club and district chairman will give their annual reports.

Tom Fraser has three horses at the stock show, one winning the place as reserve champion stallion. T. M. Rolfe of Grass Valley has some of his Porcherons there and John Rolfe and Frank Bayer see groomers for them and nearly all the 4-H club members of the county are at the show.

Red Cross Unit Elects Oveson As President

A meeting of the newly organized Sherman county chapter of the Red Cross was held Friday night with Miss Ruby Thompson of the Wasco county chapter in attendance to give advice about organization.

Dewey Thompson, who was elected at the former meeting, offered his resignation because of lack of time and Merrill Oveson was chosen to succeed him.

An executive board was chosen to be composed of two members from each section of the county. From Kent Mrs. Theodore von Borstel and J. E. Norton were chosen; from Grass Valley Cassie Holmes and Mrs. E. M. Alley; from Moro Mrs. Margaret Peetz and Roy Powell; from Wasco, Mrs. Afton McIntyre and A. C. Kaseberg; from Klondike Judge George Potter and Mrs. A. L. Gosson; from Rufus Mrs. Grace Medler and Mrs. A. S. Johnson.

Mrs. Darwin Van Gilder was named roll call chairman for the county and Mrs. V. B. Haufler production chairman. C. A. Tom of Rufus will be first aid chairman.

A meeting is to be held in The Dalles next Wednesday, October 18 at the United Brethren church at which time national officers will be in The Dalles. Those who find it possible to attend should notify Mrs. C. L. Poley, local secretary.

October County Court Proceedings

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER TERM, 1939.

October 4, 1939 being the time for the regular term of the County Court of Sherman County, Oregon, the Honorable Court did meet on the said date in the County Court room in the County Court house in Moro, Oregon at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m.

The following being present: Geo. A. Potter, County Judge; David Reid, County Commissioner; J. M. Wilson, County Commissioner; T. Lester Johnson, Dist. Attorney; Joe Truitt, County Clerk.

The following proceedings were had at said term: In the matter of the payment of claims against the General Fund. Claims allowed and ordered paid.

In the matter of the payment of claims presented against the Road Fund. Claims allowed and ordered paid.

In the matter of the appointment of the 1939 budget committee. Appointed: A. A. Dunlap, Grass Valley; P. C. Axtell, Moro; and A. C. Kaseberg, Wasco. Publication dates October 20-27.

In the matter of the report of Katherine Morse, Sherman County Health Nurse. Report accepted and filed.

Re: Sheriff's report for month ending September, 1939. Report accepted and filed.

Re: Application of Chas. R. Logan for appointment for the 1940 County Audit and the School Districts 1939-1940 Audit. Application of Chas. R. Logan as County Auditor, accepted for fee as 1939.

Court adjourned subject to call of County Judge.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AND ALLOWED AGAINST THE GENERAL FUND, OCTOBER TERM, 1939.

Claimant	Account	Amount
First National Bank	General Assistance	\$110.07
	Aid to Dependent Children	29.87
	Old Age Assistance	200.20
	Blind Assistance	4.40
A. E. Simmons, Treasurer's office	expense \$1.00; Sheriff's office expense 5.25	6.25
Pacific Power & Light Co.	DeMoss Park expense \$1.50; Courthouse lights \$18.95;	20.45
Dr. C. L. Poley, Health officer	expense to meeting	22.50
Kilham Stationery & Printing	Clerk's office expense	3.60
The Dalles Freight Line	Sup't office expense	1.68
Katherine Morse: Health Nurse		75.00
Chas. R. Logan: County audit		47.50
Department of Agriculture	Sealer of Weights and Measures	3.76
Oregon State Highway Commission: Assessor's office	expense	2.20
West Coast Printing & Binding Co.: Sheriff's office expense		2.50

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Germany Took Deep Breath; See What Happened!



1919 Post-war Germany, minus territory lost to France, Belgium, Poland, Danzig, Denmark and Czechoslovakia, but still a large nation.



March 1938 Saar basin (see arrow) joined the Reich in 1935 by plebiscite. On March 12, 1938, Hitler entered Austria "to restore peace."



September 1938 Six months later Sudetenland, the rim of Czechoslovakia, was added following the Munich conference which averted war.



March 1939 Moravia and Bohemia became a "protectorate" on March 15 this year; Slovakia was taken the next day. This ended Czechoslovakia.



April 1939 The next month the Memel territory was handed over by Lithuania after a plebiscite; the territory was predominantly German.



September 1939 In September of this year, after the lightning war in Poland, Germany took a lion's share of the spoils; Russia got the rest.

Germany's population is now more than twice that of France proper; almost three times Italy's, and considerably more than the British Isles, Canada and Australia combined. Only Russia and the United States, of western countries, have greater populations, and in Europe only Russia has more territory.

New County Committees To Be Chosen Soon

Election of Oregon farmers will serve on county and community committees in administering the 1940 AAA program will be held soon, according to announcement by N. C. Donaldson of Corvallis, state administrator.

Community elections, at which 868 community committeemen and alternates will be selected, will be held throughout the state on October 27. County conventions, attended by one delegate from each community, will be held shortly thereafter. Three county committeemen and one alternate will be elected at each county convention.

A total of 1005 Oregon farmers serve on community and county committees, taking part in administering the federal government's agricultural conservation program, Donaldson said. They represent approximately 42,000 Oregon farmers participating in the conservation program.

By balloting in community halls, couthouses, school houses and other community meeting places, farmers have a direct voice in electing the men who will be in charge of the AAA program in their county, Donaldson pointed out.

Welfare Commission Of County Meets

John Whitelaw, field representative of the Oregon Public Welfare commission, met with the local welfare commission Wednesday morning and discussed possibilities of a WPA project for this county during the winter months. Application may be made for one if conditions warrant.

Vernal Teschner of Grass Valley was certified as applicant for the CCC camp at Heppner and has been sent to his station. Present at the meeting were Chairman George Potter, Dean Reynolds, Mrs. Richelderfer, Rev. H. G. Hanson and David Reid.

WHEAT LOANS MADE TO 1620 FARMERS

Federal loans on the new wheat crop have been made to 1620 Oregon farmers, according to Will Steen of Milton, chairman of the AAA committee. These loans represent 4,500,000 bushels of wheat, and total \$2,967,000.

Wheat loan officials predict an increase in loan activities during the next few weeks, since market prices and loan values are close together and since loans taken out now will run nearly all of their full seven-months period before meeting the maturity date of April 30.

Sprague Held Justified For Action Against Aeronautics Board

By A. L. Lindbeck

Governor Sprague struck swiftly this week to rid his administration of a rebellious board. Twenty four hours after the state board of aeronautics had defied the governor by adopting a resolution continuing the position of director of aeronautics as a full time job the governor moved to purge the board of the four members who took part in the meeting.

Two weeks ago when the governor requested the resignation of Allan Greenwood as inspector for the aeronautics board he declared the position to be an unnecessary expense which should be abolished. At the meeting of the board this week it not only voted to continue the job under the title of "director" in open defiance of the governor's views but proceeded to rub salt in the wound by continuing Greenwood in his \$360-a-month sinecure for another month.

Greenwood, a leader in the young Democratic club movement was appointed to his post through the influence of W. L. (Pinky) Goslin, secretary to Governor Martin. Many outstanding leaders in the aviation world have criticized the office as an unnecessary expense and criticized Greenwood because of his alleged activities in promoting his own private interests at state expense. One member of the "purged" board has written Governor Sprague since being removed from the board approving of his action and agreeing with him as to the need for abolishing the job of inspector.

Members of the board removed by the governor were Dr. Paul W. Sharp, chairman, Klamath Falls; Dr. Raymond R. Staub, Portland; Thomas A. Culbertson, Jr., Medford; and Webster A. Jones, Portland. In the place the governor has appointed Dr. Clarence Gilstrap, La Grande; George R. Dodson, Portland; Floyd Hart, Medford; Lee U. Eyerly, Salem. The only member of the old board retained was Arthur W. Whitaker of Portland, who was not present at the meeting at which the board adopted the resolution which Governor Sprague found "personally offensive to me."

The bronze plaque of ex-Governor Charles H. Martin, donated to the state by admirers of the former governor, arrived at the capitol this week and will be placed in the memorial corridor on the lower floor of the new building. Placing of the plaque was delayed when donors insisted that it be placed in the executive suite an arrangement to which Secretary of State Snell objected as setting a precedent that might lead to embarrassing complications in the future.

In 1914 Oregon's highway system was "little more than a plan for future development." Twenty five years ago there were only 1000 miles of partially improved

roads on projected state highway routes, only 20 miles of which were paved. Today the state highway system contains 7000 miles of improved roads, of which 4500 are paved or oiled and 2000 miles are surfaced with well maintained rock or gravel surfacing. These facts are set forth in a report by the state highway system covering highway development in this state during the past quarter of a century. In 1914, the report points out, there were only 16,347 motor vehicles in Oregon. Now there are more than 365,000. In 1914 funds for state highway construction and maintenance were provided largely by the counties, the state contributing only about \$250,000 a year, raised through a quarter-mill property tax. Today state and federal funds spent on Oregon highways total approximately \$14,000,000 a year. During the past 25 years approximately \$160,000,000 has been spent on highway improvement in Oregon with another \$40,000,000 going toward highway maintenance.

The Budget Director Dave Eccles is doing a lot of worrying these days over a possible deficit in the relief budget at the end of the biennium. Not that the relief committee is in any danger of exceeding its appropriation but in Eccles opinion liquor profits will fall far short of meeting the expense.

Teachers Organize In County

Sherman county teachers met at the Woman's club building Tuesday night for their first meeting of the year. Purpose was the formation of a Sherman county unit of the Oregon Teacher's Association. The local group has R. G. Cunliff as president.

Election of officers for the county OSTA resulted in Ray Jewel of Grass Valley being chosen president and Patricia Cyphers, also of Grass Valley being elected secretary.

As delegates to the state teachers meeting in Portland Christmas week Jean Ackerson and Mary Alice Burns of Wasco were chosen and Georgia Bracken and Martha Hoover were named as alternates.

Wasco Masons To Present Scroll

A meeting open to the public will be held in Fraternity hall in Wasco the night of Tuesday, October 17 at which time the Masonic lodge of Wasco will present to Fraternity hall a replica of the constitution. Speaker for the occasion will be Judge Fred Wilson of The Dalles. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

Wheat League Program Made At Arlington

Speakers Chosen To Address Wheat Growers at Meeting

In Condon December 8-9

The annual meeting of the directors of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League was held in Arlington last Sunday for the purpose of making up a program for the general meeting which will be held in Condon this year. December 8 and 9 were chosen for the meeting with the committees scheduled to meet the 7th of December.

As toastmaster for the annual banquet Earl Snell, secretary of state, was chosen and an effort is being made to have Dr. Bruce Baxter of Willamette university come as banquet speaker.

C. M. Evans, director of the triple A, will attend the meetings and speak. The committee is trying to get D. E. Stephens to come from Washington to tell of the effect of cropping and tillage methods and their effect on the soil of the northwest. Other speakers who will be invited are Paul J. Raver, new head of Booneville and D. E. Richards of the experiment station at Union. An economist who can explain the wheat situation from a world point of view will be brought if possible.

Attending from Sherman county were H. D. Proudfoot, league president, Millard Eakin, Sherman county director, A. A. Dunlap and Wallace May.

Moro Woman's Club Holds First Meeting

The Moro Woman's Club held its first meeting of the year, Friday, October 6th, with the new president, Mrs. Carroll Sayrs presiding, and Mrs. James Kenny acting as secretary.

The new club programs for the year were on hand and eagerly scanned by the members, each one being anxious to know just where and when she was to take her place in the year's work.

Mrs. R. G. Cunliff gave a brief explanation of the program for the year. As Mrs. Bernard Martin who was director for the day, had gone on a vacation, Mrs. Cunliff directed the program, which consisted of a very interesting and pleasing talk by Mrs. Ramsey on her trip to Kansas and Oklahoma. She related many humorous incidents as well as a description of a visit to her childhood home.

Miss Barbara Leisz gave a most instructive talk on "Essentials of an Oral Book Review." This was of interest to the club women as there are to be a number of book reviews given in the future, and the 4 essentials she gave and the contrasts between the types of reviews will be a help to that member "victim," and last an account by Mrs. Viggo Haufler, of their trip to New York and back last spring. Although not all fortunate enough to take a trip, it's a pleasure to listen to the vivid description of those who have, and just relax and let ones imagination wander a wee bit.

The Club, being sponsors of the Girl Scout troop in Moro, voted to pay a fee of \$5.00 to the national organization.

A local troop committee was appointed by Mrs. H. B. Pinkerton, Troop Leader. The committee chosen from club members is as follows: Mrs. G. A. Hanson, Mrs. C. L. Poley, and Mrs. M. M. Oveson.

On Saturday, October 21 the 4th District club convention will be held in The Dalles. Registration at 9:30 a. m.

Those who are taking cars, or who wish a way to go call Mrs. Dewey Thompson.

Remount Colts May Be Registered

Those owning remount horses in this county are being urged to register them with the government according to W. C. Helyer who says that the cost of such registration up to January first is \$2.00 but that this will be increased to \$4.00 thereafter. Proof of eligibility can be had from Mr. Helyer if sired by either Peter Quick or Fitz-Hampton and blanks can also be had from him.

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