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RATE PROSPECT

At present the prospect that the new freight rates will be permitted to go into effect without protest from this part of the state seems very good.

These rates mean a great deal to the actual producers of wheat in the mid-Columbia basin. They mean actual money. Every owner of wheat can cash in on them whenever he sells his grain.

There is also a distinct probability that the rails will reconstruct the entire rate structure in this area which would give further relief to producers who have long protested that they pay too much to get their wheat to market.

The decision of business men of The Dalles to offer no protest is a most proper one, for the rates will do much to add to the prosperity of this section, and such prosperity is, undoubtedly shared by those business men. In fact, any change that brought more money to this area should receive their hearty endorsement.

SOUND OF SPRING

Now comes the barking tractor to assure us that spring is a fact and not just a fancy of the weatherman, who occasionally sends a few fine days when he is really not ready for continued warm weather.

The heavy rains have ended although there is still cloudiness and now and then a bit of rain, as if nature was unwilling to end the downpour.

Little grain has been sown, for the plowed fields are still very wet. Farmers who are working are plowing for summerfallow. It will be a few days before the wide sweep of harrow and drill will mark the lands so long dormant. Then, if these warm wet days continue, it will be but a short time before the land will be rich with promise and the fields green with hastily growing spring wheat. In April we are well on our way to another harvest.

TENANTS' DECLINE

For long years we have heard of the effect the present farm program was having on the tenant farmer of the south. We learned that southern farm owners were disposed to take over their land themselves and let the tenants shift for themselves, working when possible and going on relief when the work was done.

It all seemed a bit remote and caused little interest. Now we can realize just how it is. The same thing is happening in this county.

With the government willing, even anxious, to give a farmer cash money for compliance with the demands of Washington bureaucrats the land owner can see little reason for sharing it with a tenant. This is especially true when the owner lives near the land and is able to supervise and to hire the farm work done by a commercial operator.

Thus, we find a decrease in the number of tenants. Men who have farmed land for years are being removed.

Often enough the land owner is harassed by indebtedness and in need of all the money possible to make his payments. Often the tenant, himself, hires the work done by commercial farmers. Problems of farm management are simplified under a one-crop system and with the yearly federal payments as an incentive tenants are being removed from farms at a rapid rate.

From a social point of view this is a very bad condition. It causes a concentration of wealth and power that can have no defense in this land.

From an economic standpoint it is a natural development under the conditions of the present system.

Little has been said of it in the many criticisms that have been made against the farm program. The movement to restrict payments under the AAA would do something to stop the removal

of tenants but not much unless a more drastic restriction is made than has been proposed. Perhaps the tendency will be charged through some move to restrict the development of one-crop farming.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

Portland is apparently having a perfectly awful time with itself. It is trying to decide why industry looks it over and then overlooks it when it comes down to actually making a proposition for building an industrial plant.

Those who don't like our income tax say that is the cause; those who rail at property taxes feel that Portland's tax rate is to blame. The Governor thinks the valuation of property was the reason for two plants choosing the Washington side of the river.

It seems reasonable to suppose that a factory that intended to hire many men would rather be a few miles from a large city than too close to it. There are minor restrictive rules and ordinances that complicate the job of running a factory in the city. Men can live closer to their work and be more dependent on their job in a more rural area.

In the present instance the power and the shipping facilities are the same; the market will be the same; the cost of obtaining the raw material will be almost identical.

It has long been said of Portland—whether true or not—that it is run by and for a small group of capitalists who rather resent any competition with their own established businesses. That opinion prevailed in this part of the state for some time but in recent years the big city has shown a more enlightened viewpoint on agricultural matters concerning this country and the idea has been dispelled.

In any event it won't hurt Portland nor its business men to examine the reasons for loss of the industries. Perhaps a bit of the luxury of self disparagement won't do any material damage. Most towns suffer from the criticism that the business men are too selfish to permit development—some are guilty.

In Other Days

Grass Valley Journal Mar. 18, 1921
John Leslie, brother in law of O. M. Fraley, arrived Sunday from California accompanied by his wife, for a short visit with his many friends here, having been well acquainted in the past with the Blaggs, Starks, Davises and Ellingers.

Miss Correnne Key who has been visiting her parents here for two months expects to leave for New York city.

From the Observer Mar. 10, 1911
Ev Sinks garden has furnished a nice head of cabbage any day this winter that he felt like cutting one from the stock.

Dr. J. R. Morgan shouldered too much heavy exercise on his last trip to Wasco and came home with a strained right shoulder, caused from a wood splitting contest.

T. W. Brannon has a souvenir of his last exercise at the rink in an arm broken by a fall, but he will be able to plow and sow when settled farm working days arrive.

From the Observer Mar. 11, 1921
The boxing and wrestling tournament staged last Thursday at Moro Opera house by the Moro Athletic club was an unqualified success. Receipts totaled \$403.10

First was a bout between Schade-witz and Meloy, the decision going to Meloy; followed by another bout by the Mellins Food Twins, the young Elwood boys; next came the bout put on by L. Strahl and G. Douma, decision going to Strahl and the last wrestling bout was between Wasco Myers and Burl, won by Myers.

The boxing events were between Pat McDonald and Young Walker won by Walker; E. B. Dodd and T. H. Fraser, a draw; G. Tomlin and J. Winegarden, decision given to Tomlin; Bill McDonald and Art Barzee, awarded to Barzee; Jim Howell and C. F. Hill, decision easily going to Hill; Everett McQuellin of Wasco and Whitesides of Moro given event on the card, decision to McQuellin, though Whitesides had him guessing for some time.

People's Column

To our Sherman county friends: Signa and I are taking this way of telling every one how much we appreciate your kindness to us during the years we worked for and with you, and also at the time of our leaving. No matter where we go or live Moro will still be home to us and I hope to come back some day to live among you again.

We are quite nicely settled and are beginning to feel more at home. Every one has been very nice to us and am sure we will like the place better when spring comes. The weather never gets very cold here but how it does rain. However we miss every one a lot and are looking forward to seeing every one next summer.

Most Sincerely
Mrs. Woods and Signa

Statehouse Gossip

(Continued from page one)
point it was a great disappointment. The audit was confined entirely to an analysis of the department's finances and did not touch upon the several controversial issues which have made this department the focal point of sensational rumors for several months. These matters, the audit explains, are being made the subject of a special investigation and will be covered in a later report.

Earl Hill, Cushman merchant, who announced himself as a candidate for state treasurer last week made his candidacy certain this week when he planked down \$100 to cover his filing fee in the race for the Republican nomination. So far no other candidate has appeared although Floyd Cook, in Salem this week, let it be known that he was still thinking it over and friends of Lee Patterson, son of the late Governor I. L. Patterson, are understood to be doing their best to get him in the race.

Salem, Oregon—If the proverbial political shadows can be relied upon as reflections of impending events indications are that the long speculated upon purge of Dan Fry as state purchasing agent is about to materialize.

Fry himself denies that he has had any intimation as to his fate and neither Governor Sprague nor the Secretary of State will discuss the situation but several developments of a minor nature which might be regarded as political straws definitely point to a change.

With the Governor and his republican colleague on the Board of Control still deadlocked over choice of Fry's successor and both putting forward a favorite candidate for the job it would not be at all surprising if a solution should be reached which would find both candidates on the state payroll with Simeon Nickerson, Portland produce broker, whose cause is espoused by Snell, holding down the purchasing agent's job and Roy Mills, supported by Governor Sprague, designated as secretary to the Board of Control.

Yielding to pressure from Washington and threatened with the withdrawal of federal aid as the only alternative to non compliance the state public welfare commission this week announced that it would put into effect a merit plan approved by the federal social security board, covering all of its employees.

Complaints arising over delay of jobless insurance checks in reaching unemployed workers were aired at a hearing this week attended by union leaders and members of the Oregon Unemployment compensation commission. The complaints, it appears, were traceable to a compliance with the unemployment compensation act, rather than to any failure of the commission's organization. It is likely that the conference will result in an attempt to amend the act at the next session to eliminate or at least shorten the waiting periods and speed up delivery of benefit checks.

The state land board acting on advice from Attorney General Van Winkle will insist upon the payment of royalty on sand and gravel taken from the bed of the Willamette river by the Port of Portland for use in constructing a fill on property of the Portland Gas & Coke company. The royalty payment will go into the irreducible school fund.

The Elevator
The little country girl went shopping in the big city with her mother and had her first ride in an elevator.

"Did you enjoy it?" asked her father.

"Yes, but it was so funny, Dad!" answered the child. "When we went into the little house, the upstairs came down!"

Relief Ship on Way to Pitcairn Island



December 10 the ship County, slowly starving on lonely Pitcairn Island in the South Pacific, will get help from a relief expedition which sailed recently from Portland, Maine. Left to right: Kenneth Simpson, captain of the schooner Liberty; Mrs. Simpson and Granville Lindley, head of the expedition. Since the outbreak of war the islanders have been eating tropical fruits and vegetables.

10 STUDENTS HIGH IN USE OF BOOKS

University of Oregon, Eugene, March 8 (Special)—Dr. Donald M. Ely's statement that the University of Oregon "is no country club" was borne out when the library reported recently that this university was second in a list of 41 colleges for the number of reserve books drawn out in proportion to the size of the student body.

The resume received by the library showed that Oregon students used 128.8 reserve books per student, and that the University of Chicago topped the list with 150.0. The survey was for the school period of 1938-1939.

Read the ads in the Journal.

Hi-Ways to Health by ADA R. MAYNE OREGON DAIRY COUNCIL

PLAIN AND FANCY ROLLS

Homemade rolls are a welcome addition to any meal in any season. For generations baking day has meant fresh bread as a family treat for supper. But there's always a special cause for celebration when mother takes the time to shape some of the bread dough into rolls. Even today many home makers who have a bakery in the neighborhood to supply their bread, still like to make a special batch of rolls for a company dinner.

Here is the family that would ever grow tired of plain rolls when they are hot and fluffy with a tender brown crust. But for the ambitious home maker who likes variation in her meals from day to day, there are dozens of ways to change the shape and even the flavor of the home made roll.

The finger or dinner roll, the clover leaf roll, the parker house roll are only a few of the shapes you can make from a standard recipe. But whatever shape you make them, be sure to make them small and dainty and to serve them hot with plenty of butter.

Pinwheels with all sorts of fillings are always tempting. When the dough is rolled thin spread it with soft butter and your favorite filling. Then roll like a jelly roll and cut off the rolls about one inch thick. Cinnamon and sugar makes a good filling and you can add any kind of nuts or dried fruit. Candied fruit peel, grated orange rind, and slices of all sorts, with honey or brown sugar or white sugar, can also be used in making delicious sweet fillings. For a change try filling the pinwheel with ground ham or peanut butter or grated cheese.

Glazed rolls always hit the spot for breakfast. Put plenty of butter in the bottom of the pan with brown sugar and nuts or raisins. Then put in plain rolls or pinwheels with a sweet filling. Let them rise and bake as usual. When they are turned out there will be a syrupy glaze on top.

Here is a standard roll recipe which can be made to yield an endless number of shapes and forms.

Standard Roll Recipe
1 cake yeast
1-4 cup lukewarm water
1-2 cup butter
1-2 cup sugar
1 1-2 teaspoons salt
2 cups scalded milk
8 cups sifted flour
Soften the yeast in the lukewarm water. Add the butter and sugar to the hot milk. Cool to lukewarm and add beaten egg (if desired) and combine with the yeast and water. Stir in the sifted flour and salt until the dough is stiff enough to knead. Knead thoroughly, form into a ball, and put into a buttered bowl to rise. Cover the bowl and set it in a pan of warm water to keep it at a temperature of 80 to 85 degrees. When the dough has doubled in bulk, punch the center, pull the sides over and press them into the center. Then turn the ball so the smooth side is up and let the dough rise to the same volume as before. Knead again. Shape as desired and put in a warm place to double in bulk. Then bake in a hot oven (400 degrees) for 15 to 20 minutes.

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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL WITH JOHN W. KELLY

the new governor, Dr. A. G. Black, are planning a new policy. Farm groups say Secretary Wallace and Governor Black want to mix rural relief with a credit reservoir, or "public funds with private investment." So apprehensive are various groups that FCA will lose its effectiveness that the Grange, Farm Bureau Federation, National Woolgrowers National Association of Livestock Producers, and National Cooperative Council are joining with a group of senators—among them Oregon's McNary, Republican leader—to insist that FCA be made an independent agency and run on business principles as it was before the reorganization.

Approval has been received from the president for a statewide project in Oregon under the sponsorship of the University of Oregon for a tabulation of the personnel data on all state and local employees. This information is to be used as a base for a pension system. The allocation is for \$7,830.

When Herbert Hoover appealed to the senate committee on foreign affairs for relief for Finland and Poland he was accused of seeking publicity to build up a demand for his nomination by the Republicans at Philadelphia, June the 24th.

10 STUDENTS WANT MATES TO BE COMPANIONS

University of Oregon, Eugene March 8 (Special)—Students may have forgotten all about "companionate marriage" which was a topic of conversation a few years ago, but University of Oregon co-eds want their husbands to be congenial, understanding, have a sense of humor and mutual interests, a survey just conducted here shows.

The project, carried out under the direction of Dr. Wilbur S. Helin, assistant professor of psychology, showed that 60 percent of the girls put these qualities, those of companionship, first in their qualifications for a husband. High ideals, character and intelligence were rated first by 27 percent, while only 13 percent were interested primarily in ambition, success or income of the hoped-for mates.

In most cases, co-eds listed social virtues such as personality and business ability, as second choices.

The men also want wives who will be real companions, since 53 percent listed these qualities first. Personality and attractiveness were rated at the top by 38 percent, while only nine percent were greatly interested in house-keeping ability or finance. For second choice, most men preferred beauty, charm and personality.

GEORGE G. UPDEGRAFF Attorney At Law Moro and Wasco

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. E. Amidon, 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. Trading and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

Orlo Marten, N.G. Vernon Miller, Sec.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 780.E.S. Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursdays in each Month. Visiting members invited.

Naomi Van Gilder, W. M. Ruth Sparling, Sec.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon Meets 2d & 4th Tuesday of each month. Visiting members welcome. Anna Davis, N. G. Florence Johnston, Sec.

FOR SHERIFF: I hereby announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination for sheriff of Sherman county subject to the will of the voters at the primary election in May. If elected, I will carry on the work of the office to the best of my ability. Charles C. Wilson

FOR ASSESSOR: I hereby announce candidacy to succeed myself as Assessor of Sherman county, subject to the will of the Republican voters. Margaret W. Peetz

ANNOUNCEMENT: Having filed my declaration of candidacy for the Democratic Party's nomination of county clerk of Sherman County, Oregon, I cordially solicit the support of the members of that party and also the support of all electors of Sherman County, Oregon. Ross Ornduff

FREIGHT RATE STORY: Continued from page one. Baker, president of that organization, states that any protest would have to be presented by the board of directors for action. Mr. Baker asked that he and Mr. West, secretary, have a chance to meet with the directors of the local cooperative and talk over the matter.

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

In the matter of the Estate of H. A. Sommer, deceased. TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: You are hereby notified that the undersigned have been appointed by the above entitled court, Administrators of the Estate of H. A. Sommer, deceased, and have qualified. And all persons having claims against same are hereby required to present their claim fully verified, to the undersigned within six months after date of publication of this notice. Roy J. Baker, Ellen E. Sommer, Irma Lafoon, Elsie Martin, Administratrix

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

In the matter of the Estates of Charles H. Leonard and Janet Leonard, deceased. TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that Fred Krusow, the Administrator of both of said estates, has rendered and filed his final account in each of said estates for settlement and the court has appointed Monday the 6th day of May, 1940, at the hour of 10 o'clock A.M. in the County Court room of the County Court house in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon as a time and place for the hearing of objections to and final settlement of said account. Fred Krusow, Administrator

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County his Final Report and Account as Administrator of the estate of Harriet Root, deceased, and that Saturday, March 23, 1940 at ten o'clock A. M., of said day, at the County Court room, in the Courthouse, at Moro, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to said Final Report and Account and the settlement of said estate. G. Herbert Root, Attorney for Administrator Feb. 23, March 1, 8, 15, 1940.

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

In the matter of the Estate of ELIZABETH DAVIS, deceased. ORDER FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR SETTLEMENT OF FINAL ACCOUNT. Neoma E. Smith, administratrix of the estate of said deceased, having filed with the clerk of this court her final report and account with said estate and made application to the court for an order fixing and appointing a time and place for the settlement of said final account and for hearing objections thereto, if any there be.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that the 11 day of March, 1940 at the hour of 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon be, and the same hereby is, fixed and appointed as the time, and the courtroom of this court as the place, for the settlement of said final account; and it is further ORDERED that notice of the time and place so fixed and appointed be published in the SHERMAN COUNTY JOURNAL, a newspaper printed, published and of general circulation in Sherman County, Oregon, for 4 successive weeks in five successive issues of said paper. Dated this 2 day of February, 1940. George A. Ppfer, Judge

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