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**GOODBYE, FRANCE**

The France that the world has known since the famed revolution in that country is no more. It may never be revived. No news comes from that country except the bits that are sent from Berlin and which can hardly be believed. No one knows what the Gestapo has done to the Frenchmen who opposed the termination of their democratic form of government. Instead, briefly told, that instead of following the principle of "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity" made famous when the French middle class revolted against the Bourbons and the church, the new slogan would be "Labor, Family and the Fatherland." It may be assumed that there will be much more of labor than of liberty in France during the German occupation. It may be also presumed that there will be more of raising families willingly or no than of equality and it is hard to conceive of a great deal of fraternity between peoples so different in desires.

It was announced that the meeting to abolish the French democracy would take one hour and twenty minutes. The announcement came from Berlin. It had to do with that part of France not surrendered, yet the news came from Berlin. There are now no trade unions in France.

The report stated simply that although it was not expected that a constitutional majority of senators would be present it was not thought there would be objection made to the procedure. No public debate was permitted.

And there, but for the Grace of God and the Atlantic ocean, goes the American democracy as well.

We are not as well prepared as was France. We, too, have had a period in which we spent huge sums, coddled citizens, swaggered in our foreign policy. We, too, have paid huge sums from taxes and governmental loans to dissident groups to keep them placated so that politicians might remain in power. We, too, have forgotten that we should have a nation ruled by laws and principle and have been guided by personalities. We have struggled to keep from working, have connived to keep keep from producing and as a result are rich—nigger rich—in dollars and woefully poor in materials, in food, in machinery, in machine tools, in airplanes in houses.

But for three thousand miles of ocean our citizens, like the French, might this moment be incanting "Heil, Hitler" with hate in our hearts and discouragement in our souls; we might be laboring twelve hours or more per day to strengthen the bonds that bind us to a lifetime of slavery in body and mind. We might arise from the slavery of the body but minds without chance of getting information and constantly fed with propaganda, have little opportunity to become free.

"It can't happen here," they say, which is probably true, considering the three thousand miles of salt water and the British navy.

But if we value the right to speak our minds, the right to meet in peaceful assembly, the right to choose our officials and remove them, and the other rights of a democracy we had better abandon the ideas that have made us weak and ripe for plucking by the dictators.

Charley Michelson, who is undoubtedly the finest political mud-thrower in the United States, has now started on Wendell Willkie. Well, if a man can be smeared, Charley can do it. He's been practicing a long time.

Being commander of the Bahamas must be something like being major domo of some huge night club. If that is the case the appointment of Edward, Duke of Windsor, to that position is appropriate.

**WISFUL THINKING**

The valiant notion expressed by the American state department and seconded by Wallace of the agricultural department about taking over the protection, military and economic, of South America is surely due to fade as soon as the strutting period is over.

It is just too funny for words to think that this nation without any kind of usable arms, no airplanes, no army, could protect itself much less the whole of South America. Our navy is not large enough to patrol our own extensive coastline.

And the idea that this nation which under present management has not been able to make use of its own surpluses or employ its own citizens could take care of the surplus crops of all South America is something for the book. The nearest we can come to doing all these things at this time is to promise to try.

Anyone who wishes may find cause to exclaim, "Surprising people, these English" by merely reading this issue. Another letter from England received here has the same attitude.

Now the administration is asking for another \$4,800,000,000 when but \$14,000,000 or so has been used of the first nine billion.

A news report has it that there is going to be an investigation of the reasons for that 569 to 80 vote for the abolition of the French democracy. A majority of seven to one is not enough for the dictators.

It looks as if this hot weather may hold on as long as did the rainy weather of last winter. Like the seven lean cows of Biblical story the warm weather of June and July has pretty well eaten up the crop made possible by the wet weather of the first of the year.

Earl Browder, communist candidate for president and under conviction for passport fraud, doesn't like some of our proposed laws. Really, he is not in a good position to judge them, having never believed in our governmental philosophy.

This new Hatch, clean politics bill, which is to take those who draw federal pay from active participation therein, is sure going to reduce the number of political workers. There are a lot of people drawing federal money.

**In Other Days**

From the Observer July 14, 1911  
 Miss Ida Mowry and brother John spent Wednesday at Rohr Villa in quest of fruit.

The first wreck on the Oregon Trunk occurred Monday twenty-three miles north of Shearer bridge caused by heat spreading the rails. One was killed, five badly injured and several less seriously hurt. The engine jumped the track, went down forty feet to the river, the baggage car stayed on the rails, the day coach landed on top of the engine, breaking the safety valve. Nearly all the injuries were caused by escaped steam and water into the day coach.

The farmer's union, Moro branch, reorganized Saturday with W. S. Powell, president; W. B. Johnston, vice president; F. R. Messinger, secretary.

Roy Benson brought in a sample of oats Monday that easily measured 51 inches from the top of the heads to where the stems were cut. It was grown by J. F. Belshie and is the best oats seen in Moro this season.

From the Observer July 15, 1921  
 Sugar for only \$6.75 at Crossfield's, Wasco.

Seldon Williams is visiting with his aunt, Mrs. O. B. Messinger.

Miss Cora Stewart has accepted a position as office assistant with the Moro Trading Company.

An eight pound daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wren Hogue July 14th. Mother and daughter are doing nicely.

Kent expects to be harvesting about the 20th. Assistants are arriving each day.

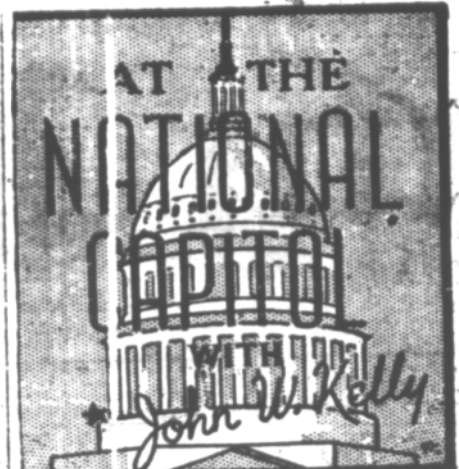
Grass Valley Journal July 15, 1921  
 John Adams and family of Shaniko and Oscar Adams and family from Kent were at Camp Sherman for a few days, including the 4th.

Fred L. Derby left for Sheridan Monday, having received a telegram that his niece, Mrs. Frank Chapman, had passed away.

George C. Vinton, who several weeks ago had a sack of wheat fall on his knee, is still confined to his home with his knee in plaster of paris.

C. W. Kinney will start harvest work on the 20th, with I. D. Pike in charge of the tractor.

Mr. and Mrs. Love are looking after the station work while agent Taylor and wife are taking their vacation.



have a couple of men in the national capital. They are ready to bid on anything from a coast guard craft to a merchant vessel. These are the vanguard of northwestern concerns looking for a chance to get in on some of the national defense orders which will soon be placed. Another group, from Oregon, interested in roads is enroute to learn what the prospects are for a few million dollars to develop military roads.

The proposal for compulsory military training has run against a snag and it may be held up until later. Meanwhile plans are under way for nation wide vocational training program for youths, with emphasis on automobile mechanics, and from this training many will be advanced to airplane engine manufacture and servicing of airplanes on the ground. Vocational schools maintained by school boards throughout the country will be used wherever possible. There will be some compensation for the students during the course of instruction. The courses will be open to several hundred young men in the northwest.

**Statehouse Gossip**

(Continued from page one)

Oregon's state office building is now debt free. The last installment of the \$511,137 loan, negotiated in 1930, to finance construction of the building, was paid off this week. Money for this building was advanced by the Industrial Accident Commission after the courts had held such a loan to be legal, and was paid off through rentals charged each department occupying the building. Interest payments over the ten years of the loan aggregated \$69,272.30.

Receipts of the state treasury during the biennium ending June 30 aggregated \$140,071,913, according to State Treasurer Walter E. Pearson. This amount represents an increase of approximately \$8,500,000 over the previous biennium, accounted for largely by increased federal grants. The receipts for the two year period include \$23,932,478 in gasoline taxes, \$10,115,000 in income taxes, \$13,609,127 in liquor revenues, \$6,620,184 in motor vehicle registration fees, \$2,236,215 in motor carrier fees and licenses collected by the Public Utilities commission, \$1,211,863 in game commission revenues, \$1,749,868 in insurance fees and \$630,869 in corporation fees.

A delay of at least three months in any decision as to the constitutionality of Oregon's anti-picketing law was indicated this week when Chief Justice Rand announced that the supreme court would again listen to arguments in this case after it resumes its activities following the summer recess, in September. At that time all seven members of the court are expected to sit on the case. At the time of the previous arguments Justice J. O. Bailey was absent from the state and Justice Henry J. Bean was ill.

**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 transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

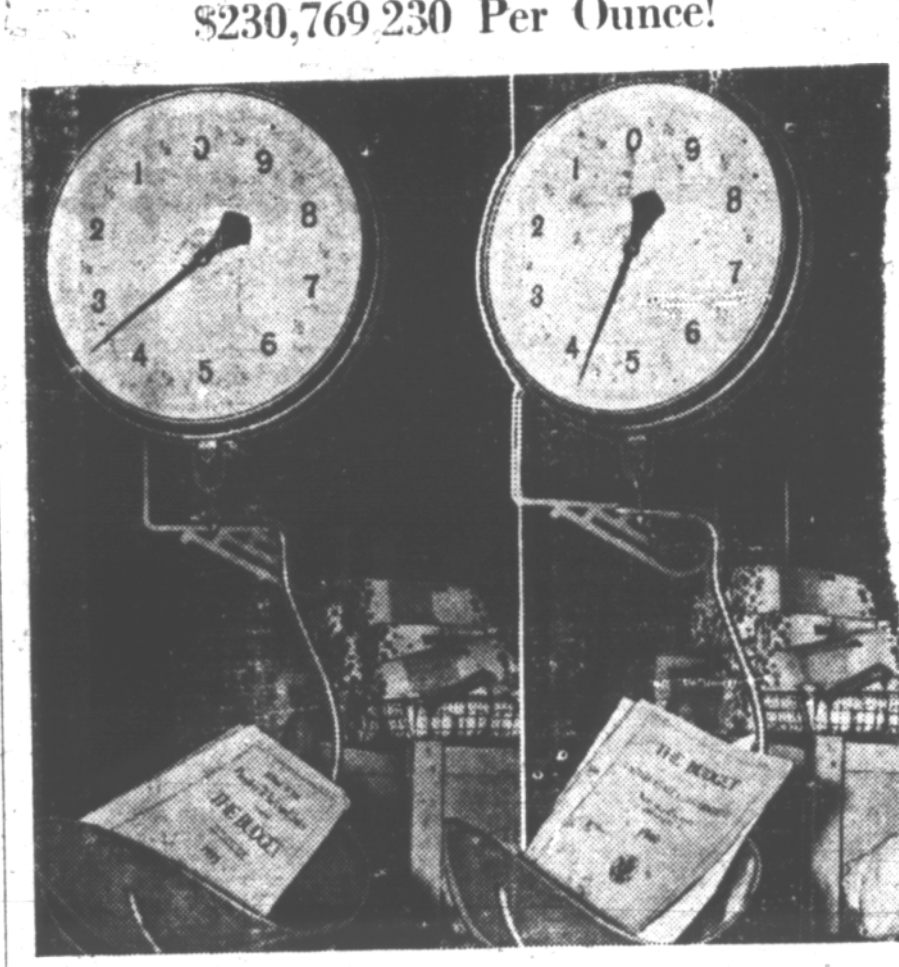
**Orlo Martin, N.G.**  
 Vernon Miller, Sec.

**Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78.O.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 Tues day of each month. Visiting members welcome.

**Anna Davis, N. G.**  
 Florence Johnston, Sec.



Between 1935 and 1940 federal expenditures have increased by \$3,000,000,000, and the budget has gained 13 ounces in weight. This means that every time the budget becomes an ounce heavier the spending increases, on an average, by \$230,769,230. The picture was prepared by the National Small Business Men's association with headquarters in Chicago.

**College Students Not Compensated**

Under no circumstances are college students available for work and hence eligible for unemployment insurance, according to referee's decisions in two cases recently appealed from determinations by the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

A house manager for a University of Oregon fraternity was denied benefits after losing his \$38-a-month job, despite his plea that only by being a student was he enabled to get the place.

A Willamette University student's claim also was disallowed during his enrollment because of being unavailable for work. He had been employed by a firm east of Salem last fall before enrolling in January, 1940.

**State Land Use Group Working**

Definite progress in land use planning and plans to cooperate with Governor Sprague's state economic council were reported at the latest meeting of the state land use planning committee, which met at Oregon State college with Dean William A. Schoenfeld as acting chairman.

Most of the members, including the six farmer representatives, were present for the session, which was devoted largely to hearing reports of the present situation in the various divisions of the land use planning work. Reports were made on agricultural planning by William L. Teutsch, assistant county agent leader; on grazing problems by Donald Bobbins, Burns; on forestry problems by F. H. Brundage of the U. S. forest service, Portland, and on taxation by Charles V. Galloway, chairman of the state tax commission.

In discussing the chief agricultural land use problems, Teutsch pointed out that they vary according to the different regions. On the coast, he said, the most pressing problem is replacing lost forest resources with agriculture on land suited to it and in the Willamette valley one of the major objectives is to prevent erosion and rebuild fertility so as to maintain grazing capacity on more than 400,000 acres of hill land pasture.

In the Columbia basin wheat counties, control of soil losses from wind and water erosion is the all important problem, Teutsch held. In the Blue Mountain region the primary question is one of proper utilization of range land in relation to livestock feed supplies in valley farms. In central and southeastern Oregon an increase in grazing capacity through range improvement is first on the list while in southern Oregon conservation of irrigation water supplies and better management of hill land pasture are uppermost in land use planning needs.

Farmer members of the state land use planning committee are Herbert Koons of Lakeview, Hall J. Spillman of Powell Butte, George Peck of Lexington, John Ramage of Woodburn, C. W. Craddock of Silvers, and Ernest L. Clausen, Broadbent. Twelve state and federal agencies are represented on the state committee, which is working toward a coordinated and unified approach to the many complicated aspects of most efficient use of the state's land resources.

Read the ads in the Journal

**CHURCHES**

Moro Community Presbyterian Church, Sunday, July 14, 1940. 10:00 - Sunday School. Classes for all ages. 11:00 - Morning Worship. Sermon by the pastor "Estimating Values" No evening service.  
 Henry G. Hanson, Pastor.

Wasco Methodist Church: Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Preaching service at the Grass Valley Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 2:30.  
 F. L. Cannell, Pastor.

**THAT'S A LOT OF COTTON**  
 There are one-and-a-half miles of cotton cord in each 6.00 by 13 tire, according to the Oregon State Motor Association. All of the cord used yearly in tires would reach 75,000,000 miles.

When Betty came in from the children's party she had attended, her mother said: "Well, daughter, did you have a nice time?" "Oh yes," said Betty enthusiastically. "It was the best party I ever tasted."

**Want Ads**

**LOST:** Black Shepard dog, white ring around neck, Lake county license tag No. 19, in north end of county. Please notify Martin Melzer, Moro. 36-8-pd

**FOR SALE:** Fairbanks, Morse light plant. In good shape. \$100. Max Plumke, Kent 35-7-p

**FOR SALE:** 16-foot International Combine, No. 7, in very good condition, for cash or bankable note. Parts for conversion to 12-foot cycle included. Hans Koepeke, Grass Valley, Oregon

**SPECIAL PRICE R. I. Red Chix** \$6.85 per 100; \$33.50-500, Try Hart's Reds for layers, fryers, Leghorn, Red pullets, special prices. Hart's Hatchery, Beaver ton, Oregon.

Will Deliver anywhere in Sherman county big 7in x 7ft out of red cedar posts in 300 lots. Price 12cents. O. W. Keizer, Route 3, Hood River, Phone 5596. 29-35ch

**FOR SALE:** two story home in desirable residence section; 4 bedrooms, bath, basement, furnace and garage. Lot 100 x 150. Price \$3200. Terms - low interest to responsible buyer. Truman Butler, Agent, Hood River, Oregon. 35-36

**GEORGE G. UPDEGRAFF**  
 Attorney At Law  
 Moro and Wasco

**NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING**  
 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 Executor of the last will and testament of Margaret Dennis, deceased, and that Saturday, August 3, 1940, at ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at the County Courtroom, in the Courthouse, at Moro, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place of hearing of objections to said Final Report and Account and the settlement of said estate.  
 Fred Krusow  
 Geo. G. Updegraff  
 Attorney for Executor 35-38

**SEMIANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1940**

County General Fund		\$46,829.79	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		24,281.94	
Receipts	\$17,319.34		
Disbursements	53,742.38		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$71,061.72	\$71,061.72	
Road Fund		\$26,502.20	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		25,664.96	
Receipts	\$26,862.13		
Disbursements	25,305.03		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$52,167.16	\$52,167.16	
Non-High School District Tuition Fund		\$ 3,840.92	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		5,383.50	
Receipts	\$ 4,255.13		
Disbursements	4,969.29		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 9,224.42	\$ 9,224.42	
County Per Capita School Fund		4,123.70	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		2,647.93	
Receipts	\$ 5,500.00		
Disbursements	1,271.69		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 6,771.69	\$ 6,771.69	
Elementary School Fund		\$ 5,826.12	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		10,188.84	
Receipts	\$15,425.92		
Disbursements	589.04		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$16,014.96	\$16,014.96	
State Irreducible School Fund		\$ 653.54	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939			
Receipts	\$ 653.40		
Disbursements	.14		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 653.54	\$ 653.54	
State Fund		\$18,859.83	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		2,235.71	
Receipts	\$ 2,421.68		
Disbursements	18,673.86		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$21,095.54	\$21,095.54	
School Districts		\$ 7,897.77	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		39,861.91	
Receipts	\$ 41,908.55		
Disbursements	5,851.13		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$47,759.68	\$47,759.68	
Road Bond Interest Fund		\$ 837.36	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		261.34	
Receipts	\$ 1,098.70		
Disbursements	\$ 1,098.70	\$ 1,098.70	
Road Bond Sinking Fund		\$ 6,000.00	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		7,860.70	
Receipts	\$13,860.70		
Disbursements	\$13,860.70	\$13,860.70	
City of Moro		\$ 1,884.16	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		2,213.74	
Receipts	\$ 3,993.66		
Disbursements	104.22		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 4,097.90	\$ 4,097.90	
City of Wasco		\$ 813.33	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		3,826.40	
Receipts	\$ 4,401.17		
Disbursements	238.56		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 4,639.73	\$ 4,639.73	
City of Grass Valley		\$ 413.59	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		1,645.49	
Receipts	\$ 1,980.11		
Disbursements	78.97		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 2,059.08	\$ 2,059.08	
Law Library Fund		\$ 218.24	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		18.75	
Receipts	\$ 80.00		
Disbursements	\$ 158.99		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 236.99	\$ 236.99	
County Fair Fund		\$ 861.43	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		861.43	
Receipts	\$ 861.43		
Disbursements	\$ 861.43	\$ 861.43	
County Dog Tax Fund		62.37	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		62.37	
Receipts	\$ 62.37		
Disbursements	\$ 62.37	\$ 62.37	
Taylor Grazing Act Fund		\$ 211.51	
Balance on hand Dec 31, 1939		285.83	
Receipts	\$ 497.34		
Disbursements	\$ 497.34	\$ 497.34	
Advance Tax		\$ 127.98	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		11.70	
Receipts	\$ 135.16		
Disbursements	\$ 4.47		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$ 139.63	\$ 139.66	
State Malt Beverage Fund		\$ 1,135.28	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		111.25	
Receipts	\$ 1,246.53		
Disbursements	\$ 1,246.53	\$ 1,246.53	
Sheriff's Unapportioned Fund		\$ 43.96	
Balance on hand December 31, 1939		116,883.16	
Receipts	\$ 43.75		
Disbursements	\$116,883.36		
Balance on hand June 30, 1940	\$116,927.11	\$116,927.11	
Cash over plus		53.05	
Total Balance due funds June 30, 1940		\$127,848.21	
Cash		\$ 59.52	
Sherman County Branch First National Bank		\$118,946.11	
Moro State Bank in liquidation		761.51	
Chase National Bank, N. Y.		8,082.07	
		\$127,848.21	\$127,848.21

I, Naomi Van Gilder, County Treasurer of Sherman County, Oregon hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of receipts and disbursements and balances for all funds of Sherman County, Oregon for the period ending June 30, 1940, as appear upon the records of my office and in my custody as such Treasurer.  
 Dated this 3rd day of July, 1940.  
 Naomi Van Gilder,  
 Sherman County Treasurer.