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OP OX-CARTISHNESS

Returning home after a couple
of months at Salem and taking
time to read some of the gathering
of newspapers we find that the
Optimist in The Dalles is, or at
least, was, greively upset over the
stand of the representative from
this district against the Columbia
river bridge bill. So much upset
was the editor that he was unable
to live up to the paper's ap-
pointment, Optimist.

It is perhaps improper for this
paper to rise to the defense of the
representative, but we are going
to do it nevertheless.

Denouncing the opposition to the
bridge bill as an ox-cart notion
the Optimist goes on inveighing
against anyone who would pre-
sume to want a bridge anywhere
but where The Dalles wants it.

His information is less adequate
than his temper.

The opposition expressed a-
gainst the bridge bill was that it
included the power to purchase
existing bridges across the Colum-
bia. We still think that a valid
objection to the bill which was al-
so inclusive of nearly every other
verb giving power to obtain
bridges.

Headlines in papers along the
river especially in towns where
bridges are located were to the
effect that the legislature had
authorized the highway commission
to make free bridges of toll
bridges. That was not the intent
of the bill as originally explained.

Certainly it should not have
been the intent of The Dalles. If
commission funds are used for the
purchase of bridges there will be
less to use for the construction of
a new bridge across the upper
Columbia where The Dalles wants
it.

We realize also that the charge
of selfishness on the part of Sher-
man county's representative was
used to further the passage of the
bill. Furthermore, no one who had
the figures on the financial condi-
tion of the three bridges could be
absolutely without suspicion as to
the motives that caused the inclu-
sion of the word purchase in the
bill.

Sherman county knows that if
a bridge is built at or near The
Dalles it will help this county. It
apparently knows that fact better
than The Dalles knows that if
a bridge is built so connect Fed-
eral Highway 97 across the Colum-
bia it will help The Dalles.

And, if there be jealousy be-
tween communities over the loca-
tion of a possible bridge, it is just
as ox-cartish on the part of one
community as another.

STRIKE

Down in Portland the teamster's
Union, set upon adding the Mont-
gomery Ward workers who are
striking, has done its best to stop
all shipments of less than car load
to anyone. There is just nothing
going to stop the freight yards.

Of course, what one thinks about
such measures depends on several
things. If he believes that a union
because it controls one class of
workers should be permitted to
tie up industry while the nation
is at war then the pickets are
necessary.

If one is imbued with an older
and much different type of Amer-
icanism he will think that the
effort of the teamsters in making
a sympathetic strike is bad public
policy for them and a dangerous
matter for officials to condone.

We often hear the inquiry
"Who's running this country,
anyway?" Well, judging from this
evidence it surely is not the
public. The way to run this coun-
try is to get control of a well
situated minority and put a spoke
in the wheel of industry. Then
you become somebody of real im-
portance like, say, Hitler whose
nuisance value is almost un-
limited.

Just pure pessimism leads to
the thought that this bright
March weather may lead up to
some blustery days in April, but
no one cares if there are really
some April showers.

In Other Days

From the Observer March 24, 1922
Born at The Dalles Monday af-
ternoon, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Ira
Barnett of Wasco.

Two more inches of wet snow
visited Moro Wednesday night.
Reports say twice as much at
Kent.

A number of farmers are in the
field plowing since the weather
has permitted field work. Truman
Strong was the first one in this
vicinity to start his plows.

The annual meeting of the
Dorcas society held Wednesday
afternoon at the Presbyterian
church the following officers were
elected for the ensuing year: Pres-
ident, Mrs. O. L. Belshe; Vice
Presidents: Mrs. L. V. Moore,
Mrs. Robert Urquhart, Mrs. M. A.
Bull; Secretary, Mrs. A. Rose;
Treasurer, Mrs. C. L. Ireland.

The county roadmaster has
crews at work in different sections
of the county levelling, grading and
dragging the roads.

From the Observer March 24, 1912
Moro high school won a district
team last Friday evening at Grass
Valley. The Grass Valley speakers
were Clyde Horner, Clarence Mor-
rison and Harry Baker; those from
Moro were John Mowry, Marjory
Ross, and Harry Pinkerton.

M. J. Finayson, of Antelope, who
has been treated at The Dalles for
an old bullet wound, has recovered
sufficiently to be at home again.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W.
Borrian, at Portland, March 19, a
daughter.

The board of directors of the
Sherman county Fair Association
met at Moro Saturday and arranged
for the erection of a barn 38 x
180 feet, to the right of the en-
trance; a poultry house was also
ordered built, and the grand stand
finished by the addition of a pavil-
ion on the ground floor under-
neath the seats.

Chris Anderson returned Satur-
day from a hospital in Portland,
looking nearly as hale and hearty
as he did before he underwent the
operation for appendicitis.

From the Observer March 21, 1902
Following the delegates from
this precinct to the prohibition
convention: J. B. Mowry, W. C.
Smith, S. C. Elder, Jas. Mitchell,
J. M. Dumahoo, R. E. Hoskinson,
W. E. White.

Mrs. Nellie Wheat is getting
along very nicely and may be able
to be out in a few days.

Circuit court in Moro this week
held our hotels chock-a-block and
emptied out jails.

Emmit Sels has resigned from
the Kent store and is now at home
in Moro.

The new school house now being
built on the O. B. Messinger
farm east of Klondike will supplant
the superannuated Webfoot house.
We trust its builders will give it
a better name.

L. K. Moore's old shack on Main
Street has been razed to make
room for another two story brick.

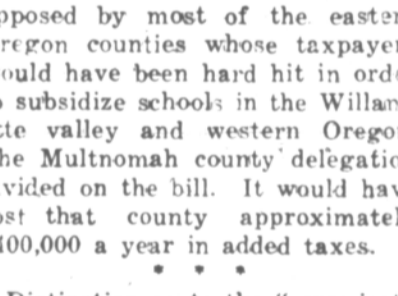
Statehouse Gossip

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the calendar for consideration the
following day. Since there was to
be no "following day" supporters
of the bill tried to suspend the
rules in order to advance the mea-
sure for immediate consideration
but failed to muster the required
votes.

This measure was strenuously
opposed by most of the eastern
Oregon counties whose taxpayers
would have been hard hit in order
to subsidize schools in the Willam-
ette valley and western Oregon.
The Multnomah county delegation
divided on the bill. It would have
cost that county approximately
\$400,000 a year in added taxes.

Distinction as to the "screwiest"
development of the session goes to
an innocent appearing bit of leg-
islation known as the "parsonage
bill." As introduced and passed in
the House this measure would
have exempted parsonages from
assessment and taxation. As it
came out of the senate committee
on assessment and taxation all
reference to parsonages had been
eliminated and in place thereof
the bill had been amended to provide
for an ad valorem tax on municipal
and public power districts. When
this development was discovered
the senators sent the bill back to
the committee with instructions to
restore it to its original form. This
committee did but its proponents
were not able to bring it up for
third reading before adjournment
and it remains on the calendar.

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Oregon motorists will begin feel-
ing the effects of new legislation
a most at once. Secretary of State
F. M. Snell has warned that some
40,000 operators' licenses will be
expiring within the next few
months. When these are renewed
motorists will find that the cost
has been increased 50 per cent.
The legislators tacked on an ex-
tra 50 cents—25 cents a year—
to create a fund to reimburse hos-
pitals for the care of indigent
victims of traffic accidents.



AT THE NATIONAL CAPITOL

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west, contractors with government
orders have a cost-plus fixed-fee
contract and these are around
three or four percent of the total
cost of the job. There can be no
poofteering by contractors.

With millions of men and women
working at good wages there will
be a vast purchasing power. Work-
ers will buy things they have been
unable to afford or have been de-
prived of in the depression. This
will, naturally, create competition
for consumer goods. This means
inflation. To nip inflation before
it gets under way (it has started
now) the federal government is
applying priorities. Little by lit-
tle priorities are being extended
to various metals and commodities;
manufacturers of consumer goods
will be limited in their supplies.
The first article on the priority
list is aluminum and manufactur-
ers of aluminum goods will be out
of business when their present
stock is exhausted unless they can
buy scrap aluminum from airplane
factories at 11 cents a pound, the
price fixed by the government.

Priorities is one way of dealing
with the situation. Another is a
plan, not yet approved, to pay
workers a certain percentage of
their wage in government securi-
ties having a distant maturity.

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NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION PERIOD

Public notice is hereby given that I, C. C. Wilson, Sheriff and
Tax Collector for Sherman County, State of Oregon, on the 24th
day of April, 1941, will issue to said Sherman County, State of Ore-
gon, a deed covering each of the hereinafter described real properties
being located in Sherman County, State of Oregon, unless such
properties be redeemed before the said April 24, 1941, from a tax fore-
closure sale to said Sherman County, Oregon, made on the 22nd day of
April, 1940, pursuant to a Judgment and Decree of the Circuit Court of
the State of Oregon, made and entered on the 21st day of December,
1939, and an Order of Sale of the Circuit Court of the State of Ore-
gon, made and entered on the 22nd day of April, 1940, foreclosing cer-
tain certificates of delinquency heretofore issued against said prop-
erties; and

That on the execution of such deed to said Sherman County,
Oregon, as aforesaid, each and all of said properties not so redeemed
will be forever forfeited to said Sherman County, Oregon, and all
rights of redemption whatsoever will terminate and expire; and

That the names of the several record owners at the time of the
foreclosure, a description of each of the several properties on which
the period of redemption is about to expire, and the total amount
of taxes, interest, penalties and costs due on the several parcels
and tracts on the 24th day of April, 1941, the day a deed for said
properties will be issued to Sherman County, Oregon, is as follows:

Table with columns: Certificate number, Name of Owners and Description of Property, Sec. or Lot, Township N or S or Block or Range E. W. M., Total Delinquent Taxes Including Interest to October 1, 1938.

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