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WE CAN HOPE

Probably every native of this country, who has been interested in grain growing, has often hoped that some time before the sickle of time cut him down he could see a crop of wheat here mature without any of the impediments that each year reduce the yield.

Sometimes it is a bad start in the fall when it is dry or the crop must be sown late, sometimes it is lack of snow or rain in the winter, or a hard freeze that cuts the stand, it may be worms, or frost, or, more often lack of moisture in June. It is always something.

Now and then conditions have been nearly perfect and the county has produced 3,000,000 bushels of wheat, but a bit of hail or a late frost has handicapped some fields.

This year it looks as if the crop might get through without many of the limiting factors. There was a good fall, a passable winter with rain, a cool spring-so far—and moisture enough to keep the ground wet until late May.

Long experience has taught all of us to expect nothing until the crop is in the sack or elevator, but there is no let or hindrance on hoping and wishing that the county would be allowed to grow a crop for which the condition had been just right all the year around.

There seems a likelihood that that other age old dream of farmers ill come to pass; the chance of having a good crop at the same time there is a good price for it.

COST OF GOVERNMENT

The changes that are being made in the court house—in the main—are therewith of a national tendency which we deplore.

We refer to the constantly growing functions of government. There is much more of government of all kinds than a few years ago. And, of course, there is and will be much heavier taxes than before. In fact buying services through government is probably the most expensive way to get them.

That, however, doesn't seem to have anything to do with the demands of the people that the government do more things for them. Ten years ago there were vacant rooms in the court house in this small, rural county. Now the workmen are busily engaged in making more rooms for more employees and more services.

A short time ago it was the boast of this county that we had no poor people and no relief; now a man is employed at full time to administer the relief problem. We formerly boasted of our general health and now we have a nurse to care for our ills. Farmers broke out the sod and grew bountiful crops of wheat and paid for their lands who now must needs have the services of local agents and AAA employees and a multitude of state men to aid them in eeking out a living from the soil.

This is a condition, not a theory. Were it a theory there would be no need of the county going to the expense of rebuilding its court house. Because it is a condition that must be met there is need for more room in the court house.

In Salem the building program is causing the state to buy lots and build new buildings as rapidly as financially possible, to care for the new services the citizens demand. Washington D. C. is booming with workmen who are in government offices and who are building more offices for more employees.

We are making of our government an all powerful force that would appal a socialist of a few years ago. Very probably it will appal most of us when we have to pay for it.

MACHINE WAR

Wonder what a parachute trooper thinks about it. Starting off on some bright morning under a smiling sun a

young man with his life before him must consider with considerable gravity his unpleasant situation. Then, there is Crete, and the doors open and out they go to dangle in mid-air a few minutes before hitting the ground again with something of a thud.

Parachute troopers do not light on friendly ground. Otherwise they might go by safer conveyance. There is fighting to be done and woe to the visiting soldier who is unable to withstand his many foes.

Wonder if some of them don't curse this machine age that made parachuting a possibility, and if they don't wish they could dispense with the gadgets of civilization if they could only do their fighting on terra firma, even if with a spear.

We used to boast that machines worked for us; now it seems that we are in their control.

A REMNANT OF NEASY LIGHT

The extreme danger through which that sterling character of the comic strip, Lil' Abner, is passing, has, no doubt, brought worry to the minds of many youthful readers. Even their elders might give some passing reflection to the possibility of being bled to death.

It is said, by some who should know, that the father of this country suffered a like fate. The story is that George Washington caught a cold while riding in chilly weather and it settled in his throat. The colonial doctors, and in fact all doctors of that day, believed that bleeding was a cure for most every disease. To let the bad blood out, presumably.

So they prescribed bleeding and gargles of molasses, vinegar and butter. Br-r-r. In a little over a day the heretofore husky and vigorous Washington felt for his pulse and "expired without a struggle or a sigh" to quote his secretary, Tobias Lear.

It was years before doctors learned that bleeding was not a cure-all. Many good men and true died because if one blood letting failed the only known method was to try it again. Certain policies of the new deal are like that. The cure for a surplus, we are told, is a greater surplus. The cure for a debt is more debt. The cure for bureaucracy is more government employees. It might appropriately be said that our government is in the bleeding stage of administrative knowledge.

There is a bit of light showing behind the clouds and we note it with the same gleam of pleasure as a marooned and half frozen prospector might hail a bit of sun after a month's storm. The president has said, so we read, that it was a mistake to put Thanksgiving on the third Thursday of November. The cure for it is not going to be a removal of the nation's feast day to September or March, as might be expected. He is going to move it back to where it was before governmental meddling stooped to changing national holidays.

It may be a sign that our present government is not 100 percent screwball, but has dropped to, say the percentage of Ivory soap.

In Other Days

From the Observer May 23, 1902 Ernie Webb has been nursing a baseball thumb for ten days.

Miss Minnie Elcock left on the train this morning for Biggs, to fill a position in the hotel there.

The report has been confirmed that Frank Watkins met his death near Riverside, Washington May 12th.

Wm. Morrison rode in with a load of fat hogs Wednesday, two of which sold for more than a yoke of oxen are worth.

From the Observer May 24, 1912 Heim and Landry carry the popular Townsend Ice Cream. Call at the new confectionery next door to Moro post office.

Married: At the residence of J. A. Ellis, Wasco, Sunday, May 19th by Rev. A. S. Black, Earling A. Sound, now of Portland, and Miss Zania Rasmussen, of Wasco.

Ginn & Coleman just opened in the Strong Brick, will carry a full line of Farm Machinery. Agents for Cole automobile.

From the Observer May 26, 1922 Fred Krusow, W. S. Powell and V. H. Smith were elected delegates May 19th from Sherman County to attend a convention of the Oregon Grain Growers Co-operative association in Portland to elect directors of the association for the coming year.

Moro Girl Given Bridal Shower Friday Evening

Friends of Miss Gene Brisbine gathered last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Belshee to shower her with gifts in honor of her approaching marriage to Carrel Bennett, which will be an event of next month.

Many useful and beautiful gifts were received by the bride to be.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. McKean returned Monday from their trip to the eastern states bringing back a new car and truck.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McLachlan were here Monday coming from Pendleton where Dan is now employed.

Judge Carl Hendricks was here the first of the week to take care of the meeting of the circuit court and visit with friends.

Carlton Pepper, attorney from The Dalles, was here for the Monday court session.

A group of farmers from the Baskelton section in Washington visited the experiment station Monday to learn about grasses and wheat varieties from the experiment station.

M. E. McKee left Sunday for London where he will fill the place of a druggist who wishes to take a few days off from duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Elliot were in town early this week to check up on the sellers of drug items.

Ralph Brisbine returned home from the veteran's hospital last Saturday much improved in health.

He reports that the treatments did him some good and that he will return later for more of them.

Glen King was taken to the hospital in The Dalles early Monday morning suffering from another heart attack, reported to be as severe as the original one he had last fall.

Mrs. Theodore Johnston spent last week in a hospital in The Dalles.

Truman Strong and Jay Freeman were at Shearer's Tuesday afternoon after salmon but the salmon are not running much yet.

Mrs. Fred Hellberg and daughter, Janet, came up this week from Astoria to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Foss.

Next Monday will be clean-up day at the Odd-Fellows cemetery and those who want to clean up their lots and have the rubbish hauled away may do so at that time.

Rebekahs will hold a special meeting next Monday night for the purpose of initiating a candidate.

Mrs. C. J. Thompson went to Portland with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Siegenthaler Sunday and will remain until next Sunday, when she will return in time for the baccalaureate sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Thompson, were in Maupin Sunday to fish and visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Braun of Forest Grove, a brother in law of Mrs. Thompson.

Mrs. Ida Davis and daughter, Pauline and G. Douma attended the graduating ceremonies at Kent Wednesday night.

Mrs. Ethel May is in a hospital in The Dalles and is said to be recovering from her illness.

Joe Belanger was down from Pendleton one day this week to look over his experimental plots on the experiment station.

Bethel Douma is here to visit with relatives while her parents are at Baker.

The Sherman county riders met at Grass Valley last Sunday for a ride. June first they meet at Kent.

Quite a number of out of county men attended the sale of horses at the W. C. Helyer ranch last Friday. Prices bid were generally smaller than hoped for by the owner.

Miss Dollie Belshee came up from Portland to attend the wedding of her cousin, Vivian Fuller.

Clinton Kessinger, of Eugene returned Sunday after spending a few days visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace McKee left Thursday afternoon for Vancouver, Washington to be with Mrs. W. C. Haggerty, a twin sister of Mr. McKee, who expects to undergo an operation.

Mrs. J. B. Davis and Mrs. Percy Thompson, delegates to the grand lodge of the Rebekahs, and Orlo Martin, delegate from the Moro lodge from the Odd-Fellows, accompanied by W. B. Rice left Monday for Baker to attend Grand lodge.

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary were selling poppies in Moro Thursday. Previously the Auxiliaries of Wasco and Kent had sold poppies in their districts.

Fureka 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.

Wendell Balsiger W.M. C. V. Belknap, Secy. Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78 O.E.S. Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursdays in each month. Visiting members invited.

Patricia Woods Sec. Dorothea Moore, W.M.

Care About Touching Fawns Urged

At this time of year when does are dropping their fawns, the State Game Commission officials and state police are flooded with inquiries concerning deserted fawns.

If you are tramping through deer country and run into a fawn, seemingly deserted, don't molest it, because in all probability its mother is out foraging for food and will be back in due time to give maternal attention to the young one.

The best rule, say the game officials, is to just keep hands off the fawns and let the mother handle the situation.

U. S.-Mexico Pact Try the Want Ads



America and Mexico signed a mutual defense pact giving the U. S. the right to use Mexican air bases, and vice versa. L. to R., Sumner Welles, who signed for the U. S., and Mexican Ambassador Senor Dr. Najera, who signed for Mexico.

SHERIFF'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF an attachment execution duly issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Sherman County, I will on Saturday, the 21st day of June, 1941, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., at the front door of the Court-house in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, sell at public auction, subject to redemption, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all of the right, title, estate, claim, lien or interest of Welcome Ruby Agee and V. L. Agee in the following described real property, to wit:

Southeast Quarter of Section 31 and the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, all in Township 2 North, Range 17, East of Willamette Meridian; Also Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, Block 4, Biggs' Second Addition to the City of Wasco, Sherman County, Oregon; taken and levied upon as the property of Welcome Ruby Agee and V. L. Agee, to satisfy said attachment execution in favor of Independent Warehouse & Milling Co.,

a corporation, against V. L. Agee and Welcome Ruby Agee, for \$233.55, together with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from January 10, 1927, until paid, less the sum of \$50.96 paid on interest, together with costs and accruing costs. Dated at Moro, Oregon, May 23, 1941.

C. C. Wilson Sheriff, Sherman County, Oregon. Geo. G. Updegraff, Attorney for Plaintiff. 29-32

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the estate of Henry Johnson, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, in proper form, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Ad-

ministratrix of the estate of Henry Johnson, deceased, at the office of Geo. G. Updegraff, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice, to wit: May 23, 1941. MaryEva Administratrix Geo. G. Updegraff, Attorney for Administratrix. 29-32

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