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BILL OF RIGHTS

On December 15 of this year it
is planned that this nation should
celebrate the 150th anniversary of
the passage of the first ten amend-
ments to the constitution of the
United States. These are usually
called the bill of rights.

Thomas Jefferson is usually
credited with their proposal and
final acceptance although the ideals
therein expressed had been writ-
ten by others during the later col-
onial days.

The first amendment provides
for the right of free speech, of free
press and of petitions and gives
freedom of religion. People do say
and publish whatever they want
to regardless of attempts to stop
them. Religion is still a matter
of choice and the "right of the peo-
ple peaceably to assemble, and to
petition for a redress of grievanc-
es" is still pretty much alive
despite the fact that some meet-
ings are broken up by the police.

The second amendment gives the
people the right to keep and bear
arms. Nowadays it is better to get
a hunting license before one goes
about armed.

Amendment three preventing the
government from quartering sol-
diers in private homes.

The fourth amendment promises
people freedom in their houses
against unreasonable searches.

The fifth amendment defines the
rights of the accused in criminal
matters. Undoubtedly many crooks
escape punishment each year be-
cause of this amendment but a
people who feel that it is better
for a dozen dishonest men to
escape than allow one innocent
person to be punished, would not
have it otherwise.

A speedy trial by an impartial
jury is given in the sixth amend-
ment. The seventh amendment
makes a jury trial the right of all
accused.

The eighth change in our basic
law provides that there shall be
no excessive bail nor cruel or un-
usual punishment. Wonder what
the colonial fathers would have
thought of \$10,000 bail and the gas
house for murderers.)

The ninth amendment gets down
to the meat of the matter by sim-
ply stating, "the enumeration in
the constitution of certain rights
shall not be construed to deny or
disparage others retained by the
people." And the tenth goes on to
say "the powers not delegated to
the United States by the constitu-
tion, nor prohibited by it to the
states, are reserved to the states
respectively, or to the people."

What the leaders of the new
United States were afraid of was
a too powerful government. The
bill of rights were all designed to
protect the rights of the people
from their own government. Eng-
land had given them a dose of re-
pression that they didn't like and
they wanted to be sure nothing
like that would happen again.

Now after a hundred and fifty
years we have apparently lost
much of the fear of a strong cen-
tral government and are on the
road to giving the powers of the
people and the states to such a
national government. It is a ten-
dency that would have shocked the
men who made the bill of rights.

FREIGHT RATES

The supreme court of Oregon
held this week that the public
utility commissioner had no right
to suspend a reduced rate pending
investigation of the propriety of
that rate.

This suit grew out of the long
contested Columbia river gasoline
shipping matter. The railroads
put a lower rate into effect. It was
ordered then suspended.

No doubt this decision will have
a bearing on rates on wheat when
and if further lower rates can be
obtained. Local shippers have long
contended that reduced rates should
not be subject to suspension.

The power of the utility commis-
sioner has been reduced. Hereafter
he will have authority to delay
higher rates but cannot stop the
installation of a lower rate basis

pending a hearing on the matters
involved. Had this been in effect
wheat freight rates would have
been lowered more quickly on sev-
eral occasions.

AN INCH AN HOUR

This is the time of year when
there stories about the heaviest
rainfall in a given period. In the
spring there will be yarns about
the biggest hen egg. Thus we
have seasonality in our tall tales.
Not, however, that some of these
tales aren't true. Maybe all of
them are.

But it is going to be very diffi-
cult to convince an old Sherman
countian that it can rain six inches
in six hours within 300 miles of
the court house in Moro. Maybe
it could happen in India or the
South Sea Islands or even in
Louisiana along the gulf. It may
be a common thing in far off and
strange lands.

Why six inches of rain would
in some years be a ten month
supply in Sherman county, par-
celled out in little showers hard-
ly long enough to move the horned
toad under the sage brush. One
inch will insure a wheat crop along
in June. Why half a day of such
an inch an hour rain would make
us happy year after year with
granaries full and more a build-
ing.

We don't know what they raise
down there where it rains like
that, except umbrellas. Betcha
they can't make use of a few
drops of rain like we can. Here
we get an average of 3 bushels
of wheat for every inch of rain
that falls. Down there an inch
of rain wouldn't be of more conse-
quence than a heavy dew around
here.

Shucks, it don't make sense.

These Japs aren't doing them-
selves much good these days.
They are attached to the axis by
treaty, yet are fiddling around
dickering with the United States
and trying to determine which
bunch of nations is going to win.
When that is done no doubt the
little brown men will be ready
with protestations of everlasting
love for the winner. It might work
but won't help much in making
the world think of Japan as a
great nation.

No year in Pacific coast football
has ever passed into history with
teams so evenly matched as this
year of 1941. While Oregon State
emerged the undisputed winner she
was beaten by two other big
teams who, in turn, were beaten
more often. The weak teams
knocked over the strong teams
with regularity and Oregon State
itself was put in the lower bracket
when the season began. The team
did not develop the fault of over
confidence when it was on top, an
evidence of good coaching that
may cause a win over the higher
scoring Duke at the Rose Bowl.

In Other Days

From the Observer Dec. 8, 1922
Douma Bros. applied to the city
council for a permit to build an
addition to their meat market to
house a new ice plant.

The first snow of the season
visited Moro Sunday falling to
a depth of 15 inches and contain-
ing 1.19 inches of moisture.

A community Christmas tree
will be held at the Moro Opera
house Sunday, December 24. The
Moro school will help with the
entertainment.

J. B. Morrison, farming now on
Shutler flat, visited here with his
son, Clarence.

From the Observer, Dec. 6, 1912
Miss Lilah Nish was united in
marriage to S. A. Hall at the farm
home of A. Nish, November 7,
at 8 p. m.

John Johnson and daughter
Mary returned from the Collins
farm last week with much im-
proved health.

The state board of health act-
ing on advice from doctors in Moro,
Wasco and Grass Valley has de-
clared that the small pox scare is
over as only one case remains in
the county.

A committee is calling a meet-
ing at Grass Valley to do some-
thing about weed legislation.

From the Observer, Dec. 5, 1902
J. M. Parry has sold his farm
near Moro to S. S. Hayes for
\$3000. Mr. P. purchased a half
section 12 miles east of Moro.

H. H. Kibby of Wasco 43, and
Miss Emily Bell, 45 of Kent, were
married at Moro Sunday. Miss
Bell, said to be the largest woman
to be married in Oregon weighs
400 pounds and the groom tips the
scales at 140.

Rev. Davis informs us that the
new lamps in the Moro ME church
work splendidly and give excellent
light.

Siens of four weddings are
visible through the Observer
horoscope.

J. E. Henderson is now prop-
rietor of the Grass Valley Hotel and
promises good meals and good
beds.

Kelly's Column

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to priorities and restrictions it is
not available. The private com-
panies, which have the same pri-
ority rating as REA, bought their
copper requirements while REA
was marking time. The private
utilities, according to Harry Slat-
tery of REA, are now building
"spite" lines and taking customers
which REA wished to serve.
There are so many angles to the
controversy that OPM will make
a survey of all copper wire and in-
quire why copper companies are
not making sufficient wire for re-
quirements.

Dairymen of Oregon are joining
with others in protesting against
the ruling of Paul V. McNutt which
permits oleomargarine to be dress-
ed up like butter. This protest has
been raging for a couple of months-
but the white-haired McNutt sticks
by his guns and refuses to change
his policy. McNutt hopes to be the
new deal candidate for president
in 1944 but has already arrayed
against his ambition the cow vote
while winning the coconut cow,
which is much less important
politically.

Statehouse Gossip

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utility at the advertised saving.
Or does the saving include only
delivery to its substation in Park
county from which point it would
have to be distributed by the state.
In that event the prospective sav-
ing would dwindle materially in as
much as it is estimated it would
cost the state \$165,000 to build the
25 miles of power lines necessary
to serve the several state buildings
and institutions, not to mention a
very substantial annual operations
and maintenance cost to keep such
a distribution system in working
order.

Should the board of control de-
cide to buy Bonneville power and
find it necessary to build any dis-
tribution lines it is believed there
is ample authority for such a pro-
gram under an act of 1935 em-
powering the board to construct, or
acquire a power plant and neces-
sary distribution lines, the cost to
be financed through savings to be
realized from operation of the
state-owned plant. That act was
passed at a time when the board
of control was considering the con-
struction of a power plant at the
state prison to be operated by con-
vict labor.

Before the board enters into any
construction program, however, in
the event it is decided to buy
Bonneville energy efforts will be
made to persuade Bonneville to
build the necessary lines, or fail-
ing in that, to contract with the
private utility to "wheel" the
electricity from the point of deliv-
ery by Bonneville to the several
points of use.

Announcement by Governor
Sprague that he had appointed
Ernest R. Fatland to the post of
state liquor commissioner came
only as confirmation of long stand-
ing rumors. Fatland succeeds
Lowell Stockman of Pendleton who
resigned from the liquor commis-
sion to seek the republican nomi-
nation for Congressman from the
second Oregon district.

The marked improvement in the
employment situation has not serv-
ed to lighten Oregon's relief burden
indicating that persons on the state
relief rolls are not employable.
While general assistance costs re-
main practically unchanged over a
year ago, aggregating \$2,087,696
for the first ten months of 1941, old
age assistance benefits increased by
\$230,000 in the same period, total-
ing \$4,603,287 for the first ten
months of the current year.

CHURCHES

Wasco Church of Christ. The
Evangelistic Campaign continues
with interest. B. Ross Evans is
bringing nightly interesting mes-
sages, for eager listeners. On
Saturday evening Mrs. Evans and
their daughter, Ilene, also Sunday
morning and evening, are assist-
ing in the song service.

Services for Sunday morning:
10:00 Bible School 11:00 - Divine



Jake Wilson
Back From Trip
To Tennessee

J. H. Wilson, who has been vis-
iting in Tennessee and various
points in the east for the past two
months returned to his home here
Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, Mr.
and Mrs. Elnor Helyer, J. C. Wil-
son, Paul Wilson and Art Justesen
attended the Borthwick sale at
Antelope Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Smith and
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith of Port-
land were guests of Mr. and Mrs.
Max Plumecq Thursday night.

Mrs. Gladys Ashley and son,
Howard of LaCenter, Wn., were
visitors at the L. W. Amick home
Saturday.

Visitors in The Dalles Friday
from here were Mrs. J. L. Matthes,
Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Barnet, Mr. and
Mrs. L. W. Amick, Mr. and Mrs.
W. G. Helyer, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse
Helyer, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth
Martin and children, Mr. and Mrs.
C. I. Lafoon, Mrs. John Decker,
Mrs. Allen Bekkedahl, Mr. and
Mrs. J. M. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs.
J. L. Davis, and Mr. and Mrs.
Robert Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith of
Redmond were visitors here over
the week end.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs.
G. F. McKay Sunday were Mr. and
Mrs. C. H. Agee of Chehalis, Wn.,
Miss Lenore Morgan of Hoquiam,
Wn., and Mrs. Bert Cox of Grass
Valley.

Charles Schadewitz is ill with
pneumonia, in The Dalles hospital.
L. V. Walton of The Dalles was
a business visitor here for a few
days last week.

Mrs. J. C. Wilson returned to
Kent Tuesday from the home of
her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Nelson in
Bend, where she has been ill with
pneumonia. She left Saturday for
Portland with her daughter Nellie
where she expects to remain for
an indefinite time.

P. K. Pope, section foreman here
has been transferred to Pilot Rock.
Mr. and Mrs. John Reckmann,
who were recently married, are now
at their home two miles northwest
of Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Whitehead
spent the week end in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Gibson of
Madras were callers at the G. F.
McKay home Thursday evening.

Mrs. Ida Davis and daughter
Pauline and G. Dpuma of Moro
spent Wednesday evening at the
J. C. Wilson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley McKay of
Sweet Home spent Saturday and
Sunday here with relatives and
friends.

Norville Martin of The Dalles
was a caller at the Robert
Schilling home Saturday afternoon.
Jerry Wilson Jr., who has been

Moro Lodge No. 113, I.O.O.F.
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Meets 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays in the
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ally invited to meet
with us.

Joe Ritner N.G.
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Moro, Oregon
Meets Every Second
and Fourth Thursdays in each
Month. Visiting members
Invited

Patricia Woods Sec.
Dorothy Moore, W.M.

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A-F & A-M
Moro, Oregon
Meets on the 1st and
3rd Thursday even-
ings of each month.
Visiting members are
cordially invited to
meet with us.

Wendell Balsiger, W. M.
C. V. Belknap, Secretary
Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116
Moro, Oregon

Meets 2d & 4th Tues-
day of each month.
Visiting members wel-
come.
Helen Martin N. G.
Florence Johnston, Sec.

Re-election of W. H. Ragsdale, The
Dalles, Oregon, wheat grower, to his
third three-year term on the distric
board of directors of the Farm Credit
Administration of Spokane was an-
nounced this week. Ragsdale was
chosen by stockholders of the
Spokane Bank for Cooperatives in
Montana, Idaho, Washington and
Oregon. As an FCA director
Ragsdale is ex-officio director of the
Federal Land Bank, Federal Inter-
mediate Credit Bank, Producer
Credit Corporation and Spokane
Bank for Cooperatives. He is presi-
dent of the Mid-Columbia Produc-
tion Credit Association of The
Dalles, and a member of the
Grass Valley Cream Groves and
Grass Valley Cream Groves.

Morning Worship. Theme: "The
Old Rugged Cross." Evening, "Is
Christian Unity Possible To Day."
Mr. Evans is proving himself a
safe and thorough teacher. Hear
him in his great sermons.
F. Claude Stephens, Minister.

Moro Christian Science Society:
Sunday school at 10 a. m. Church
service at eleven a. m. Wednesday
evening meeting at eight p. m.
The reading room in the rear of
the church building contains all
authorized Christian Science pub-
lications which may be read, bor-
rowed or purchased. The public is
welcome to the services and to
make use of the reading room.

Moro Community Presbyterian
Church. James D. Moberg, pastor.
Bible school at 10 a. m. Morning
worship at 11 a. m. Sermon, "The
Bread of Life." Special music by
the choir, Mrs. Nye director.
Christian Endeavor 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7
and choir practice at 8 p. m.

Wasco Methodist Church: Rev.
Cannell, pastor. Sunday-school at
10 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m.
League at 6:30 p. m.

MORE JOBS OPEN
Salem, Dec. 4.—About 700 qual-
ified stenographers and typists
from all parts of Oregon will take
examinations Saturday, December
6, for positions with the State Un-
employment Compensation Com-
mission.

Under direction of Prof. William
E. Griffith, supervisor for the
Board of Examiners, tests are be-
ing given in eight cities—Portland,
Salem, Klamath Falls, Eugene,
Medford, Ontario, Pendleton and
Marshfield.

The positions, varying from \$80
to \$140 a month in pay, are in four
classifications, from junior clerk-
typist to senior clerk-stenograph-
er. Because of many recent
changes due to emergency condi-
tions, permanent appointments are
expected soon with the central
office in Salem or with one of the
23 offices over the state.

Want Ads

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or phone 440, Wasco. W. A.
Medler.

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Good Pay. Reliable Person want-
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County. No experience or cap-
ital required. Some making
\$100.00 in a week. Write McNess
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Calif.

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place orders before Dec. 10 when
remainder will be shipped. Mrs.
Frances Henrichs, Moro.

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ment are free. And when you first enlist, the Navy
gives you \$118.00 worth of uniforms!

And if you want to learn a trade, the Navy is
the place to do it. There are forty-five odd trades
you can learn... training that's worth hundreds
of dollars the first year.

The Navy offers the chance of a lifetime to
young men. If you are 17 or over, get a free copy
of the illustrated booklet, "LIFE IN THE U. S. NAVY,"
from the Navy Editor of this newspaper. Simply
write or call.

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attending Hills Military Academy
in Portland, is now attending the
Kent high school. While with the
basketball team at Rufus Saturday
night in a practice game, he in-
jured his ankle quite badly, neces-
sitating a pair of crutches to get
around.
Dinner guests of the Lyons' Sun-
day were Jay McKay and family,
Robert Schilling and family and
Miss Doris Stiles.
Gus Schilling spent Sunday at
Goldendale, Wn., and Mrs. Schil-
ling returned here with him to
spend a few days with her son,
Robert Schilling and family.
Dinner guests Sunday evening
at the Jerry Wilson home were
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson of
Moro, and Mr. and Mrs. Lige Don-
ley of Joseph.
FSA STORY
(Continued from page one)
war, minimizes possibilities of a
post-war slump in farm prices.
"FSA families are also planning
to increase food production thru
machinery cooperatives, better
sires, improved dairy and poultry
practices, increased feed crops and
expanded live-at-home program
for meeting family food needs. All
farm plans now being revised for
the coming year, will consider food
for freedom AAA work sheets as
one of the most important steps in
doing their part for National de-
fense."

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