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THEY SOW THE WIND

The politicians, especially some
of the gubernatorial candidates,
who are aiding and arousing
public discontent over the tax situation
are sowing a crop that will
harass them forever if they are
elected and will cause strife and
discontent in Oregon for many
years regardless of what happens.

The clamor comes principally
from Multnomah county where tax
rates were equalized for the first
time in years. If the home owners
of that county, aided and abetted
by the politicians, succeed in
establishing the variable ratio
they will have started a basis for
tax unfairness in Oregon that will
be far reaching.

It is time Oregon's farmers a-
wake to their danger. A lower
assessment ratio for home owners
will certainly cause the farmer to
pay more taxes in the end. Let
the politicians come to the country
with their inferred favoritism to-
ward home owners and see what
happens.

The new 1941 law did appar-
ently make some property levies
higher than usual for the half
year of 1942. This even though it
expressly states that half year
taxes shall not exceed one half of
a normal year's taxes.

The heavy federal taxes caused
most of the trouble and taxpayers
are overlooking the fact that one
of the purposes of the 1941 law
was to change date of paying
property taxes so they will com-
e due at a different date than fed-
eral income taxes.

Income tax payers feel badly
about paying their state levies
and are being told how bad it is
to build up a surplus in the state
treasury. Let them consider that
the war has made the taxes larger
than contemplated, that the sur-
plus—if any exists next January—
can be apportioned back to the
counties for property tax relief.

Where were these same income
tax payers back in 1933 and 1934
when property owners were losing
their land because of high prop-
erty taxes? Did they then protest
against high taxes? Remember
an income taxpayer doesn't pay
until he makes it; a property owner
pays anyway. It is right and
proper that income taxes should
carry the burden in times of plenty.
And if a surplus is built up to
aid property owners in bad times
there should be little complaint.

Voters will not forget that tax
discontent is being engendered
and encouraged for political pur-
poses.

This is the first year that in
come tax payers have ever paid
a nickel toward common schools.
If the surplus—if any exists next
January—can be sent back to the
counties it will be the first time
income taxpayers have ever con-
tributed anything toward local
government from which they have
derived most of the advantages
of citizenship.

Not one of the candidates who
are making the most to do about
the tax situation appeared before
the committee that discussed the
1941 tax law, not one made a pub-
lic statement against it.

By arousing taxpayer discon-
tent they start a wind that will
become a whirlwind for them to
rep in later years—and it will
bring suffering to a state that has
so far been sane in its tax pro-
gram.

PUMPERS

emonstration has been made
in every section of the county of
the new pumper intended to put
out wheat fires and other conflag-
rations in rural areas of the
county.

It is reported that most of
those who saw it work favored
the purchase of some of these
machines. With this conclusion
we can have no disagreement.

The pumpers themselves will
have no value without water. In
fact, no fire fighting equipment is
of much good without water. Those
who expect to derive benefit from
the use of the pumpers will need

water available in some easily
transportable container.
A little community organization
can care for this matter and with
a comparatively few gallons of
water ready to use many fires can
be stopped before great damage
can be done. It should be so
effective that insurance rates
could be reduced.

WE DO THINGS
WHEN WE GROWL

After months of complacency,
the American people are begin-
ning to growl. It is as pleasant
as the sound of gears of a start-
ing harvester. For Americans
work best, get most done, have
better government when they
growl.

In our quiet periods we are fat
physically and mentally; we per-
mit anything, shift our morals,
our religion, our standards of
efficient government. When we
growl we put things into place in
a hurry.

There are a few hardy souls
who growl all the time. They may
often be found as columnists, edi-
torial writers, soap box orators.
They perform a service by keeping
alive a little spark of discontent
so real national growths can start
more easily. They are something
like the pilot light in a furnace.

John Kelly says congress is
hearing from the folks back
home where there is much growl-
ing being done about the 40-hour
week, about international cartels,
about bureaucracy. A few weeks
of this—if the growling keeps
up—and congress will begin to
realize that the people intend to
run the government in this coun-
try instead of letting the govern-
ment run them.

FULL DRESS OR NO FIGHT

The story is told of an Ameri-
can aviator in Burma who charged
from his bath wrapped in a towel
to take off in his plane and de-
stroy two Japs planes. The story
has it that such garb will no
longer be permitted.

And so the Victorian age stays
with us. Igorrots, it is told, are
splendid fighters although they
never wore pants. The fiercer in
question did pretty well without
his clothes. Yet the sensibilities
of some officer were outraged.

One might think that the ob-
ject of becoming a flying man was
to wear a snappy uniform. An
older and simpler philosophy would
insist that the object of being
a flier was to shoot Japs. From
reading the papers one gets the
idea the war is a serious affair,
but apparently one must be dress-
ed properly for it to enter the
lists. We suggest for that com-
manding officer a reading of the
well pictured life of Alley Oop.

LIFE is authority for the state-
ment that interned Japanese will
receive at least \$54 per month less
\$15 for board for a net of \$39.
Beats soldering all to Hell, don't
it?

Yes, yes, we understand, Lex
Ayres is in a conscientious objec-
tor camp. So, what?

In Other Days

From the Observer April 10, 1903
City elections resulted in the
election of W. H. Moore over M.
Fitzmaurice by a vote of 36 to 24.
E. R. Hickson was chosen treas-
urer and I. D. Pike, 51; J. O. El-
rod 42, H. A. Moore 33, L. D. Idle-
man 19, J. M. Dunahoo 17 for
councilmen.

Substantial hitching posts have
been erected at the corner of the
Mehedist church corner.

Moro and Grass Valley councils
have quarantined against small
pox as there are ten cases at
Shaniko.

J. C. Freeman of LaGrande ar-
rived last evening and took charge
of the boot and shoe department
of the S. T. Company.

From the Observer April 4, 1913
Frank Forbes was injured while
working on the Damon farm Fri-
day when the harrow team ran
away while being unhitched.

R. D. Jackson has purchased the
interest of Dr. W. C. Nason in the
Moro Pharmacy. He expects to
keep the telephone exchange open
at noon.

An unfortunate accident befel
Guy Pickard at Klondike when he
was working on a well drill. His
arm was taken off at the elbow by
being crushed by a belt.

Kent station will soon have a
resident agent on the job.
Egday the high school under
the direction of P. M. Nash will
give a benefit performance for the
Dayton flood sufferers.

From the Observer, April 6, 1923
A number of farmers around
Moro have had to curtail their
farm work because of flu among
their horses.

The ladies of the Dorcas soci-
ety entertained their husbands at
the Moro Hotel Thursday evening.
A man from Redmond visited
the Kent farm of Guy Hoskinson
last week after seed for the
Deschutes county agent.

A. B. Potter was in from Klon-
dike Monday saying he was much
impressed with the wheat pros-
pects in his part of the county.

Kelly's Column

(Continued from page one)

that by the end of 1943 synthetic
rubber will be produced in suf-
ficient quantities to make it avail-
able to the every day motorist—
provided the every day motorist
still has a car at that time.

A county defense council in the
northwest has written to the pub-
lic health service requesting infor-
mation concerning the possibility
of men contracting tuberculosis
from breathing aluminum dust.
Dr. J. G. Townsend, medical direc-
tor of the division of industrial
hygiene, states that aluminum dust
alone has never been incriminated
either as causing pulmonary fibro-
sis or as predisposing the worker
to pulmonary tuberculosis. An in-
vestigation of 50 workers who had
been exposed to the dust from
alumina from five to forty years
in the furnaces of aluminum works
showed no ill effects. The question
was raised because of the rapidly
increasing aluminum industry in
the northwest, with the prospects
of additional plants in the near
future.

Statehouse Gossip

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were started on their way toward
a place on the November ballot
this week with the filing of pre-
liminary petitions with Secretary
of State Snell.

One of these measures, sponsor-
ed by the Oregon State Teachers'
association, would divert all in-
come tax revenues in excess of
\$7,750,000 a year to support the
public school system. Under the
plan proposed by the teachers this
excess revenue would be appor-
tioned among the local school dis-
tricts on the basis of school atten-
dance and would be used to off-
set property taxes for support of
the school.

The other proposed initiative
measure involves four major changes
in the present set up for ad-
ministration of public welfare
funds. Whereas under the pres-
ent law the state welfare commis-
sioner consists of seven members
appointed by the governor the
proposed amendment would re-
quire that these seven members be
selected from members of the var-
ious county courts. The measure
would also abolish the post of re-
lief administrator and do away
with the four citizen-members of
county welfare commissions. It
would also eliminate from the law
requirement that relatives of nee-
dly aged persons be required to
provide for their care when finan-
cially able to do so.

The impracticability of supply-
ing the three Pacific coast states
with gasoline by railroad or truck
lines is shown in a study just com-
pleted by Ormand R. Bean, Ore-
gon's public utilities commissioner.
Bean's study shows that it would
take 226 tank cars or 452 trucks
to supply the gasoline needs of the
three states for a single day. This
is based upon an average
daily consumption of 816,347 gal-
lons for Oregon, 1,136,436 gallons
for Washington and 312,232 gal-
lons for Idaho. The figures cover
only gasoline needs and do not in-
clude fuel oil, diesel, lubricating
oil or kerosene. The study was
prompted by suggestions that rail
and truck lines should take over
the job of supplying the Pacific
northwest with its gasoline now
that tankers are being diverted to
supplying the military forces.

The old pioneer atop Oregon's
capitol will continue to shine in
all its gold leaf splendor. The
fourth interceptor command has
advised that the reflection from
the statue is not deemed a military
hazard that would necessitate the
use of camouflage.

Some idea of the extent to which
the state has curtailed automobile
travel since tire rationing went
into effect can be gained through
a report just issued by R. H. Bal-
dock, state highway engineer
which shows that the highway de-
partment has reduced its automo-
bile mileage by 37 percent. Em-
ployees of the department who
heretofore traveled by automobile
now go by stage or train, Baldock
said.

Public servants in Oregon who
enter the armed services either
through voluntary enlistment or
through the draft are automati-
cally granted leaves of absence un-
der the state law, according to
Attorney General Vern Waddle.
The leaves, however, only cover the
period for which officials are
elected or appointed.

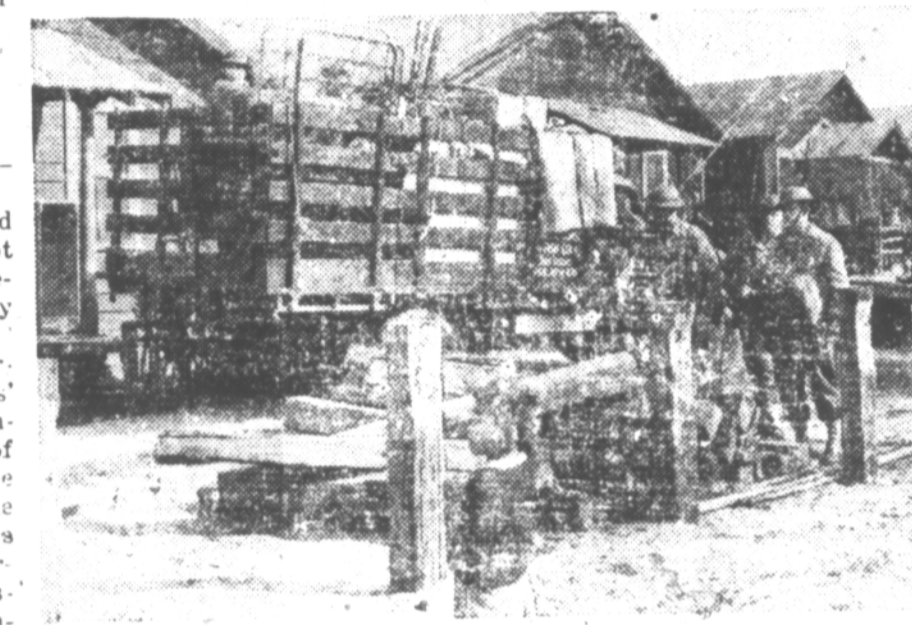
Saving of nearly \$5,000,000 a
year are now being enjoyed by
consumers of electricity in Oregon
as a result of rate reductions
put into effect in the past seven
years, it is revealed in a report
made to Governor Sprague this
week by Utilities Commissioner
Bean. Rate reductions put into
effect in the past three years,
Bean pointed out, account for sav-
ings to consumers of more than
\$3,500,000 a year.

Paraski Troops Ready for Action



After a hard training grind, ski troopers of the 503rd parachute
battalion are now seasoned paraski soldiers. A group of the jumping
snowbirds are pictured inside their transport plane en route to their jump-
off place near Alta, Utah. Their skis and other equipment will be dropped
to them by large parachutes after they have leaped.

Army Takes Over Terminal Island



It was "moving day" for Japanese residents at Fish Harbor as United
States troops took possession of the harbor under a federal condemnation
writ, and scores of Japanese families began their mass evacuation of
Terminal Island area in California. Photo shows soldiers patrolling a
Japanese section, while a truck loaded with household goods passes by.

Prizewinning article in Ameri-
can Legion Auxiliary's contest
held at Grass Valley and Kent
last month

Kent Auxiliary
Recommends
Member for VP

Members of George Bell Post
American Legion and Auxiliary
met at the home of Mr. and Mrs.
Ted Ball, Thursday evening,
March 26. After an inspection of
the beautifully arranged new house
regular business meetings were
held.

Following the suggestion of De-
partment Child Welfare Chr., it
was voted to outfit a girl for
Easter. Cassie Holmes, unit
child welfare chairman reported
that the center in Portland had
received and valued the new
clothing at \$30.00 which was
recently sent by the unit together
with used clothing. (Cassie Holmes
is instructing a class in home
nursing, which is held each Mon-
day afternoon in Grass Valley.
Norma Everett, unit historian
and defense chairman, displayed
pictures taken of the clever win-
dow display in Grass Valley
during defense week.

It was announced that the unit
had gone on record as endorsing
Foye von Borstel as candidate
for Department Vice-president and
had written a letter to that effect
to the Department Secretary, which
had been approved at the recent
board meeting in Portland. The
unit is now sponsoring a poppy
contest for pupils of Grass
Valley, Kent, Shaniko and Ante-
lope and will give first, second and
third prizes to the winner in each
division. The posters are to be
judged the afternoon of April 8,
at the next Auxiliary meeting
which will be held at the home of
Dorothy Dunlap in Grass Valley.
These posters are to be used as
publicity for the annual sale. Part
of the funds are paid to the
disabled veterans of the World
War, who have been making the
poppies; part is used for the care
of the families of all World War
veterans, including those in pres-
ent armed forces, particularly of
those who have been disabled or
killed in line of duty; and for the
Red Cross.

He shoulders the duties of a
citizen as well as enjoys the bene-
fits. He does everything he can
to preserve those benefits, by wise
fulfillment of the duties.

A good American is a Christian.
Our country was founded by
Christians who came here so they
could believe what they wanted to
and worship God as they desired.
Our national government was
founded upon Christian principles;
our culture is based upon Chris-
tian ideals. To fulfill the aims of
the founders of our government
the good American citizen must
first of all be Christian, and then
he will be a loyal, industrious, and
useful citizen.

Bob Ziegler, Grass Valley.

After the meetings, progressive
55¢ was played, with seven tables
in play. Dorothy Dunlap and
Frank von Borstel received high
scores. A delicious buffet lunch
was served by the hostess at a late
hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sather and
son Glen were business visitors in
Moro Tuesday.

Mrs. Max Plumke was a vis-
itor in The Dalles Saturday.

Mrs. William Gatyson was a
Dalles visitor Wednesday.

Gus Shilling, who has been em-
ployed at the Dave Deid place at
Wasco, was a dinner guest at the
Robert Schilling home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wicklan-
der were guests Saturday night
at the Louis Sather home, and at-
tended game in town that eve-
ning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bothwell

and son—Edward of Hood River,
spent the week end visiting Mrs.
Bothwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
J. M. Wilson. Mrs. Bothwell was
also a visitor at the Kent grange
Saturday evening.

Mrs. J. C. Wilson left for a few
days visit with her daughter, Mrs.
H. C. Nelson in Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis were
business visitors in The Dalles
Saturday.

Eleanor Hoskinson returned to
The Dalles Sunday to again take
up her school work, after being at
home for the past ten days. She
was called home due to the illness
of her mother, who had a slight
attack of pneumonia, but is now
quite recovered. Mr. and Mrs.
Arthur Johnson of Moro spent
Sunday afternoon at the Hoskin-
son home.

Wren Hogue of Grass Valley
was a business visitor in Kent
Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Belshoe,
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Adams and Mrs.
Estella Dillinger of the Harland-
vise Grange were visitors of the
Kent Grange Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Amick
had as callers Sunday Mr. and
Mrs. A. S. Johnson of Moro and
Mr. and Mrs. Laffoon and daugh-
ter.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:
That the County Court for Sher-
man County, Oregon, has appoint-
ed P. Waldo Davis, Administrator
for the Estate of Lizzie Irena
Davis, deceased. Persons having
claims against said Estate are
hereby notified to present same
within six months from the date
of first publication of this notice,
fully verified, to the Administra-
tor at the office of the County
Judge for Sherman County, Moro,
Oregon.

F. Waldo Davis, Administrator
of the Estate of Lizzie Irena
Davis, deceased.
John W. Pennington
Attorney for Administrator 22-25

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims a-
gainst the estate of Nancy Jane
Dunlap, deceased, are hereby noti-
fied to present them in proper form
to the undersigned, the duly ap-
pointed, qualified and acting ex-
ecutrices and Executor of the last
will and testament of Nancy Jane
Dunlap, deceased, at the office of
Geo. G. Updegraff, Moro, Oregon,
within six months from the date
of this notice, to wit: March 6,
1942.

Virgilia D. McKee
Vleda D. Van Gaasbeck
Clifton I. Dunlap
Veva D. Marshall
Geo. G. Updegraff,
Attorney for Executrices
and Executor 18-21

NOTICE OF HEARING OF
FINAL REPORT

Notice is given that Saturday,
the 11th day of April, 1942, at
the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said
day and the courtroom of the
County Court in the courthouse in
Moro in Sherman County, Oregon,
has been fixed as the time and
place for the hearing of all objec-
tions, if any, to the final report
and account filed by the under-
signed in the estate of Charles M.
Kuypers, deceased, and the settle-
ment thereof.

ELIZABETH KUYPERS
Executrix of the will of Charles
M. Kuypers, deceased.
Carlton L. Pepper
Attorney for Executrix 19-22

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the
undersigned have filed in the
County Court of the State of
Oregon for Sherman County their
Final Report and Account as Ad-
ministratrix and Administrator,
respectively, of the estate of Fred
Blau, deceased, and that Satur-
day, the 18th day of April, 1942,
at ten o'clock a. m. of said day,
in the Courtroom, at the Court-
house, in Moro, Sherman County,
Oregon, have been fixed by the
Court as the time and place for
hearing of objections to said Final
Report and Account and the settle-
ment of said estate.

Minnie G. Blau
Walter L. Blau
Geo. G. Updegraff,

Attorney for Administratrix
and Administrator. 20-24

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 Adminis-
trator, with the will annexed, of
the estate of Clayton LeRoy Rich,
deceased, and that Saturday, the
2nd day of May, 1942, at ten o'-
clock a. m., of said day, in the
County Courtroom, at the Court-
house, in Moro, Sherman Coun-
ty, 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.

E. P. Rich
Beor. G. Updegraff,
Attorney for Administrator,
with the will annexed. 22-25

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 Adminis-
trator of the estate of Mary
Isabell Cronk, deceased, and that
Saturday, April 11th, 1942, 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 for hearing of
objections to said Final Report
and Account and the settlement of
said estate.

Herman Schilling. 19-22
Geo. G. Updegraff,
Attorney for Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims
against the estate of Jessie Hen-
richs, deceased, are hereby notified
to present them, in proper form,
to the undersigned, the duly ap-
pointed, qualified and acting Ad-
ministratrix, with the will annex-
ed, of the estate of Jessie Hen-
richs, deceased, at the office of
Geo. G. Updegraff, Moro, Oregon,
within six months from the date
of this notice, to wit: March 13,
1942.

Wilma Hansen
Geo. G. Updegraff,
Attorney for Administratrix,
with the will annexed 19-21

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 her Final
Report and Account as Adminis-
tratrix of the estate of Henry
Johnson, deceased, and that Sat-
urday, the 25th day of April, 1942,
at ten o'clock a. m., of said day,
in the Courtroom, at the Court-
house, in Moro, Sherman County,
Oregon, have been fixed by the
Court as the time and place for
hearing of objections to said Final
Report and Account and the settle-
ment of said estate.

Mary Eva
Geo. G. Updegraff,
Attorney for Administratrix. 20-23

Moro Lodge No. 113, I. O. O. F.

Moro, Oregon
Meets 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays in the
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sient and visiting
brothers are cordi-
ally invited to meet
with us.

Paul May, N. G.
Percy Thompson, Sec.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78, O. E. S.

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

Marie Hoskinson, W. M.
Pauline Douma, Sec.

Frecka Lodge No. 121 A-F & A-M

Meets on the 1st and
3rd Thursday eve-
nings of each month.
Visiting members are
cordially invited to
meet with us.

Darwin Van Gilder, W. M.
C. V. Belknap, Secretary

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116

Moro, Oregon
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Visiting members wel-
come.
Lucille May, N. G.
Florence Johnston, Sec.

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