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PUMPERS

The county court is still debating within itself about the desirability of buying some of the pumps for fire protection. Its members are hearing arguments pro and con on the matter and they are undecided.

Arguments against the purchase seem to be that the pumps are light and easily portable and apparently efficient, will need water to make them effective. The job of getting water to them seems insurmountable to the critics. The fact that it may be difficult to get to the fires is also used as an argument.

It is true that water will be something of a difficulty. It does not matter what sort of fire fighting equipment is bought or used, water is needed. If men are to fight fire with sacks, they need water. It is not believed by anyone that the purchase of the pumps would obviate all difficulties of fighting fire. They would merely solve the problem of how to put out the fire after men and water had been gathered at the scene of the fire.

Until some one invents a machine that will put out fires by some other method water is always going to be a problem in putting out wheat fires. It does appear that the pumps that were tested here will put out more fire with a barrel of water than any other method heretofore discovered. Whatever equipment is used, be it sacks, shovels, plows or pumps, there will have to be men at the fire. Use them and they will have to come by car or truck if they get there very quickly. Whether that equipment is used to put water on the fire will have to have a supply of that along.

The pumps do not solve the entire problem. Nothing will. They do, however, seem to solve one phase of it better than anything tried before now.

DECKER'S LAKE

News items from Keswick occasionally refer to Decker's Lake. Now a lake is not a geographical designation common to Sherman county. Our only water comes from the skies or from wells, our rivers are deep below the plains on which most of us live. How come Decker's Lake?

It is strictly a man made affair, this lake, caused by damming a water course with a soil conservation dam. It is said to be 12 or 15 feet deep. With adaptability worthy of the pioneers the citizens of the Kent district built them boats and bought them outboard motors so they may go boating when the desire for open water is on them.

CONFUSION

No situation in which the nation has found itself in many years has given rise to so much confusion in the minds of citizens, even citizens who are ordinarily able to keep up with the rush of public with ease.

There seems to be dozens of agencies in Washington D. C. putting out news stories and each one conflicts whether stories on the same subject. If the ambition of these agencies is to keep the people up in the air and mentally muddled they are succeeding very well.

We are told we must save aluminum - and that it was not good after it was saved. We are told that war's paper is valuable - and that there already much on hand. We are told that taxes are to be much higher - and that this will not affect the small ear salary. We are told that married men will be drafted - and that they will not be if they are supporting their dependents. That we have too much wheat - that we need more wheat!

The American citizen will apparently have to learn to be a person who pays no attention to

anything until he is drafted into some sort of work or service. It is very apparent that there are too many agencies giving orders and putting out propaganda. It would be comforting to know which one - if any - is always right.

CLEAN-UP DAY

Before another week rolls by Moro is to have a clean-up day. Such things are an annual event in many towns and are a rare occurrence in others. The fact that they are held is an indication of civic pride, just as it is personal pride, and a desire for neatness, that causes some men to keep their homestead in good order and others to let it fall into disrepair.

Moro's clean-ups have done much for the appearance of the town in previous years. There are jobs yet to do.

Small town citizens cannot by a day's effort make their town an industrial center, a mecca for tourists or a booming metropolis. Cleaning it up might improve its chances for all of these. Principal virtue of a clean-up day is that it raises the morale of the residents and gives them a cleaner, greener city in which to live.

Chief aim of a small town might well be to be the kind of a town's citizens liked to live in.

VICTORY GARDEN

They argued about it, gently and jokingly. About the time to plant the radishes and the corn. He was for waiting until it was warmer and she for getting the seeds in the ground while it was still wet. He held out for warmth and she for wetness. It was settled like most of such arguments.

And when there was the matter of planting the rows far apart to give more moisture. This would require more hoeing. If the rows were close together it would take more water - less hoeing. He was for the water and she for the hoeing.

The radishes and lettuce came on and brightened the table and the menu. There was prospect of early potatoes and peas. They discovered that their arguments had been in vain - that the time and the manner were not the important things about the garden.

It was planting it, caring for it, that made the difference. And, as he said as he bit into an early radish all tart and juicy, "This is sure a pleasant way to lick Japs."

In a political race in which there is so little interest there may be some startling upsets. This year the only contests for the supreme court finds incumbent James T. Brand opposed by E. B. Ashurst who was defeated as circuit judge in Klamath county at the last election. Judge Brand is a capable jurist with a good record.

In Other Days

From the Observer May 8, 1903. Wasco baseball company has been incorporated for \$2000 with J. E. McPherson, Frank Meader and Frank Hulery incorporators.

One of the slivers on an Opera house bench pierced the pantaloons, the underwear and epidermis of J. R. Belcher and broke off in the flesh so deeply that Dr. Logan had to remove it. Jim had the bench down and was sitting on it when it attacked him.

Moro beat Grass Valley 15 to 7 with Arthur Smith and Ira AxteLL as battery. Nate Murphy, Roy Vinton and Herb Murphy were the Grass Valley battery.

E. H. L. V. Moore and Frank Sayrs returned from a three day fishing trip to Buckhollow with 410 trout.

From the Observer May 2, 1913. The Kent section of Sherman county and as far as a mile north of Grass Valley was visited by a snow storm that lasted nearly all day Tuesday. A. Shaniko about six inches fell.

When called out of town by company business T. C. Lee now travels in an electric lighted RCH auto.

A subscription paper has been started by J. N. Landry for the purpose of raising money to make a ball ground at the fair grounds.

L. K. Moore has sold the Cooper farm near Hay Canyon to H. M. Shull for \$21,600 for the 720 acres.

From the Observer, May 4, 1923. Wm. Daggett has sold his interest in the Williams-Daggett motor company to his partner, Walter Williams who will continue to conduct the business.

The county court recently appointed as fair directors, A. H. Barnum, G. E. Mathews, Fred Cox, L. B. Payne and Richard Dingle.

The main event of the Frank Brown post smoker tonight will be Art Bibby of Kent and Clarence Bauman of Heppner.

The city council has had markers placed at the center of all principal street intersections to direct traffic.

The nickel loaf of bread is now on sale in Portland.

People's Column

To the Editor of the Journal: I am asking for a little space in your estimable paper to inform the members of this community about our scrap iron drive. I have been asked by the chairman of the county war board, Joe Peters, to act as chairman of this community which I will gladly do, but I must have a lot of co-operation to put this drive over.

Here are the facts and suggestions.

- 1. A car will be spotted for loading May 6 and 7.
2. Each mans loads will be weighed and the returns reported among us.
3. Cast iron \$18.00 per ton. No. 2 scrap \$10.00.
4. Rags, paper, burlap, aluminum and brass are wanted, also old tires. Bring them in.
5. Bring in smaller stuff in pick-up or trailer early in the morning May 6. Then we'll make up crews on the trucks to handle the big stuff.
6. The state war board is insisting we get this material in. No scrap - no more new plow shares. It works both ways.
7. Drag your scrap iron out of the ditches and scabs on some accessible place before May 6.
8. Lets load our car May 6 and hit the Jap with a big load of scrap.

Carroll Says

Kelly's Column

(Continued from page one) side outfit.

It will not be compulsory for Oregon women to register, but registration will be solicited on a voluntary basis. Registration for women will probably be called for the national capital. There is July 4, at least that is the talk at expected to be 1,500,000 women working in munitions factories and on farms within 12 months plus the thousands of trained nurses required for the armed force, and the women's auxiliary corps, the latter a uniformed group which can be sent to any part of the world where American troops are stationed.

Reclamation service announces that it will carry on investigation of the feasibility of projects at John Day, for the basin: Pendleton, Talent, Medford, Clear Lake, Sam's valley and five projects in Willamette valley. They are intended to be "backlogs" when the war is over and there will be no need for public works to provide employment. No appropriation was allowed for continuing the Deschutes project, but it will not be suspended as there is sufficient surplus from previous appropriations to carry on the work at least for one more year; say into the summer of 1943.

Statehouse Gossip

(Continued from page one) now be refinanced at an average interest rate of two per cent instead of the four to six per cent the old bonds bear.

Re-Elect CHARLES L. McNARY U.S. SENATOR Energetic Experienced Influential

LOWELL STOCKMAN for Congress 2nd District Republican... Farmer "All-Out War Effort instead of Pensions for Congress" Primaries, May 15th

Say "CHEERIO" with cheerful OLD SUNNY BROOK KENTUCKY STRAIGHT BOURBON WHISKEY "CHEERFUL AS ITS NAME" \$1.25 Pt. \$2.40 Qt. National Distillers Products Corp., N. Y. No. 4 Proof

Chas. V. Galloway, chairman of the state tax commission, who has been the butt of considerable criticism at the hands of newspaper editorial writers and political demagogues the past year, is at last going to break his silence and strike back. Galloway is digging down into his own private purse to pay for 30 minutes of time on radio station KGW between 9:00 and 9:30 o'clock Saturday night, May 2, at which time he will give his version of the uniform assessment order, the shift in the tax paying period and other controversial issues.

Tire rationing is beginning to be reflected in reduced gasoline consumption on the part of Oregon motorists. Sales for both February and March were down below the levels for the same month last year, according to a report by Secretary of State Snell. However, due to a big January increase gasoline consumption for the quarter was still above that for the same period a year ago.

Plans for the protection of Oregon's forests from fires through sabotage this summer were made by a committee of the state forestry board meeting in Salem this week. Included in these plans are greater restrictions on entry into timbered areas, more closures of forests and an absolute prohibition on slash and debris burning after May 15.

Warning that Japan can be expected to strike back at this country for the bombing of Tokyo and other cities of the island empire, Jerrald Owen, coordinator of the Oregon defense council has sent word to all county defense coordinators to keep their organizations constantly on the alert. "A bombing fleet over the Pacific - and that means Oregon - is not impossible," Owens declared in his bulletin addressed to the county coordinators.

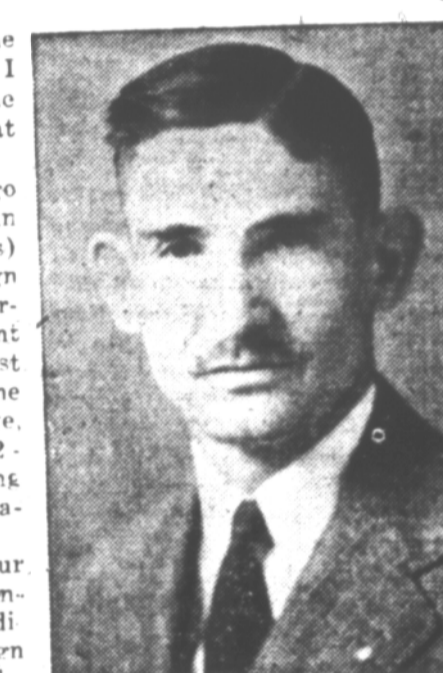
"Snell Gets Things Done!" LEADERSHIP to speed Oregon's war effort. LEADERSHIP for Oregon's tax problems. LEADERSHIP for Oregon's industrial development. LEADERSHIP that is efficient, effective, friendly. Earl Snell FOR GOVERNOR

Oregon is Forging Ahead with Gov. Sprague. 1. ALL TAXES ON PROPERTY... state purposes have been wiped out. 2. Now Gov. Sprague is determined on 20% cut in state income taxes. 3. State bonded debt slashed \$12,300,000. 4. State Guard is now expanded into a true home defense system. 5. Gov. Sprague originated the plan for the Civil Reserve; 110,000 have enrolled. Re-Elect GOV. SPRAGUE

FREE Colorfully Illustrated handbook on how to select, use, serve wine. Simple, understandable - "de-bunking" the complex etiquette - you will find every thing you want to know in WINES... and WINE SERVING. MAIL COUPON TO WINE COUNCIL OF OREGON

To the Republican Voters of Sherman County:

"In asking you to support me in my campaign for Congress, I feel that you should know something of my background and what I stand for. I was born about 41 years ago and was raised on a farm: am an ex-service man (U. S. Marines) with a year and a half of foreign service; a college graduate in forestry and agriculture. I spent several years with the US Forest Service and later as head of the Oregon Game Service in this state, during which period about 12,000,000 acres of federal grazing land was placed under administration.



My work has taken me over nearly every section of the district which has given me an opportunity to become familiar with its problems. I also feel that my knowledge of international affairs should be of considerable value at this time. The people of Sherman county are almost completely dependent on the production of grain and livestock for a living. If the price of these two commodities can be stabilized at a reasonable price, prosperity is assured. On the other hand, if these commodities are not protected from foreign competition bankruptcy, or a low standard of living will result. I shall therefore do everything that I can to protect the American market for American goods. Our immediate objective is, of course, to win the war. No patriotic American objects to paying heavy taxes but what he does object to is to paying out three dollars and getting only one dollar in value. I shall therefore work for a more efficient prosecution of the war. I believe that the success of this nation is tied up with the success of the Republican party and for that reason it is very important that the control of that party remain in the hands of the people. MARVIN KLEMM Republican Candidate for Congress Paid ad. by Marvin Klemm

In 1938-39 I made a world tour for the purpose of making a general study of agricultural conditions abroad. Over thirty foreign countries including Australia, the Philippines, China, Japan, Russia, and Germany were covered on the trip. For the past year and more I have been in charge of the state school lands. During this short period the revenue from these lands has more than doubled.

A Man Makes His Own REPUTATION Read These Sincere Comments on Charles H. MACK Democratic Candidate for Congress. OREGON VOTER (State political weekly) April 18 "Charles H. Mack, Klamath county assessor, may win the nomination away from the 'unbeatable' Pierce'... 'His fine record in county office is so well known among assessors elsewhere that his fame will be spread with enthusiasm'... 'It is refreshing to note his courage, independence and enterprise.' KLAMATH BASIN PROGRESS (Democratic) April 3 'Charlie is no spell-binder or rabble rouser, but he is a clear thinker and good fighter and is politically ambitious, and he would not let himself or the district he represents fall into a position of obscurity back in Washington.' KLAMATH HERALD AND NEWS (Ind.-Rep.) April 1 'Mack represents the clean type of younger men-needed in public office. He has a record of public service, and of interest and work in public and civic affairs, that make him a candidate of which his home county may well be proud as he tries for high office.' \*CHARLES V. GALLOWAY, Chairman State Tax Commission, Feb. 11 'Now that you have decided to quit assessing for other work I want to express my sincere appreciation of our ever pleasant and helpful association of the last seven years. During 23 years as a member of the State Tax Commission I have worked with many County Assessors and, for all around ability and efficiency, no one of them takes rank above you.' \*The statement of Charles V. Galloway was made in a personal letter to Mr. Mack, dated Feb. 11, 1942 when the announcement was made that he would not seek re-election as Klamath County assessor. Vote for Charles H. Mack At the Democratic Primary May 15. Paid for by Mack-for-Congress Club, R. & Woodruff, Chairman

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING NOTICE: There will be a meeting of the County Board of Equalization of Sherman County, Oregon, at the Court House, Moro, Oregon, on the second Monday in May, that being the 11th day of May, 1942, to publicly examine the Assessment Rolls, correct all errors in valuation, descriptions of lands or other property assessed by me, and it shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed (appearance is by petition) All petitions must be in writing and verified by the oath of the applicant and filed with the board within the first week it is by law required to be in session. 24-27 Margaret W. Peetz County Assessor

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon of Sherman County her Final Report and Account as Administratrix of the estate of Nelson W. Thompson, deceased, and that Saturday, the 16th day of May, 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. Frances Henrichs, Attorney for Administratrix 24-27

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY On Saturday, the 9th day of May, 1942, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. at the front door of the courthouse in Moro in Sherman County, Oregon, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property located in Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit: The West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section Two, the East Half of Section Three, and the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section Ten, all in Township Four South, Range Fifteen, East of the Willamette Meridian; Together with the tenements hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining; Situated in Sherman County, State of Oregon. Said sale is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County to me directed in the case of The Federal Land Bank of Spokane, a corporation, plaintiff vs. Oscar Karl Eaton and Louise J. Eaton, husband and wife, W. F. Jackson; W. C. Todd and Ethel Todd, husband and wife, Sherman County, a municipal corporation; and Mid-Oregon National Farm Loan Association, a corporation, defendants. C. C. WILSON Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the County Court for Sherman County, Oregon, has appointed 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, duly verified, to the Administrator at the office of the County Judge for Sherman County, Moro, Oregon. P. Waldo Davis, Administrator of the Estate of Lizzie Irena Davis, deceased. John W. Pennington Eugene, Oregon Attorney for Administrator 22-25

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. 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. Eureka Lodge No. 121 A-F & A-M Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings 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 Meets 2d & 4th Tuesday of each month. Visiting members welcome. Lucille May, N. G. Florence Johnston, Sec.