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RAILROAD

News columns carry the glad tidings that the Shaniko branch is to remain in service "indefinitely". That is good news to everyone in the county, and, as the entire line is to remain, it is good news for the southern part of Wasco county as well.

It may be comforting to the county to know that the Shaniko branch is the first line of railroad to successfully circumvent the original order of the WPB requisitioning department which has taken railroad lines from nearly every state. Delegations have appeared in opposition without avail heretofore.

The timing of the action from this county was of utmost importance. It happened to occur at the same time as did the senate resolution asking for an investigation of the methods whereby the WPB had taken railroads. It also occurred as the agricultural department was finding that there was great need for feed grains to fatten and grow the many thousand head of livestock that the nation needs for its citizens and for the citizens of its allies.

Probably the major congratulations should go to the indomitable spirit of Sherman countians who within the space of five minutes voted to send a delegation to Washington to obtain a hearing and voted the money to send it. This spirit of not giving up until the last card had been played, until the last chip had been spent, has now borne fruit. The railroad will remain until its rails have been determined to be absolutely necessary. That will require another attempt on the part of the requisitioning powers.

Net results of the spirited action of the people who asked that the game be played to the end has been that owners of nearly a million bushels of wheat have obtained loans on that wheat and that the rails will remain until further notice.

The decision to keep all of the line is something of a surprise to those in closest touch with the case. They had agreed on a compromise which seemed the only course to follow under the circumstances. It is probable that the rails north of Grass Valley, the 30 pound rails, were in greatest demand, and if these could not be obtained the powers that be would not bother with the lighter rails. It is possible that the argument presented for the necessity for rails to move feed wheat resulted in the decision to retain all of the line.

Whatever the motives for the action—which may never be known—it is one that will be hailed with acclaim in Sherman county. Let the reasons and the credit rest, we're darn glad to retain a railroad.

ELECTION
Next Tuesday voters of the United States will cast their ballots for the men of their choice. The worry about the war will keep many from bothering with the election and a light vote is expected. That is not proper. This election is an important one. It is important because the most serious thing to be voted upon is whether or not those who have been in charge of the national war effort should be kept in power or not. That is a national problem, and national officers are to be chosen.

There are several things wrong with the war effort. No one will deny that. First we have not lived up to our early war boasts about production, at least during our first ten months of actual war; we have not made as much war material and sent it to our allies as we might have done. We have been talking something of a licking on many of the fronts on which we are represented.

The people of the United States have been sadly and unnecessarily deceived about the true state of affairs at the battle fronts. We are told of ship sinkings long after they have occurred; in fact, we may even now have lost a battle or two the news of which is being withheld. That is poor public psychology, poor government, even if it is good politics before an election.

There has been indecision about handling of the manpower of the nation and it was not until this week that some rule was made about keeping men in production instead of sending them all to war. Food production of the nation has been jeopardized thereby and it may result in hunger within our own borders before winter is over.

The conduct of the war is the main question before the voters. The only opportunity for them to express favor or criticism about the war will be next Tuesday.

In state, district and county affairs the question before the voters is the age old one of good government; the question of voting for experienced and efficient men and women to conduct the government.

That is important, too, especially in these times when greater strain is put on all kinds of government.

HALLOWEEN

Next Saturday night is the annual party of All-Souls. The mischievous souls are the only ones who are generally apparent, but all are eligible to cavort on that night.

Ordinarily Halloween is observed by mild deprecations and some destruction. This is not usually so bad. This year a different situation prevails. Many of the things that are destroyed as a matter of course by the pranksters cannot be replaced for love or money. They cannot be obtained at all.

Lumber to make gates or out-buildings is almost unobtainable; the ordinary hardware items for fences, etc., cannot be bought; barrels, old cars and many other things are irreplaceable.

A number of tricks of the spooks are harmless enough and require nothing but some work on the part of property owners. It would be an indication of patriotism on the part of the Halloween spirits if this sort of tricks were the only ones perpetrated next Saturday night.

From the Observer Oct. 30, 1903
Henry Krause, the Pioneer harness maker in Sherman county, has a large stock of harness and leather goods, also a varied assortment of winter lap robes. He always has the very best quality and the price is right.

W. H. McGrath has purchased a home in Grass Valley and moved his family there to give his little ones educational advantages not acquired on a homestead.

Dr. McLean, state veterinary surgeon, was up this week inspecting the stock on Hon. R. J. Ginn's farm. He tells us that tar weed will kill stock. It creates a distillery in the stomach and carries stock off like rot gut whiskey does a man.

From the Observer Oct. 31, 1913.
Miss Vanda Kee, who has been assisting Mrs. C. L. Ireland with her household chores, left Tuesday afternoon to bewitch her brother Bruce and family where the stork left a baby girl that same morning at three.

Dr. C. L. Poley reports that Roberta Reese is much better and that she will soon be entirely recovered from her mild attack of typhoid.

Mrs. Simon Elcock is now at home in Moro with her daughter, Mrs. Edna Kelly.

Nell McDonald is up from his home at Trout Lake in personal charge of the fall work on his farm east of Monkland.
From the Observer Nov. 2, 1923.
Milton O. Howell and Rebecca S. Hilderbrand, both of Wasco, were married in the parlor of Hotel Moro on Tuesday, October 30th, by Rev. H. G. Hanson, pastor of Moro Presbyterian church, in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Murchie, also of Wasco, who acted as witnesses to the ceremony.

Kelly's Column
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plenty of champions in the house.
Liquor salesmen in Oregon who have been busy working up a campaign against the proposal of Senator Lee of Oklahoma to prohibit liquor around cantonments have succeeded in securing the cooperation of many citizens, judging from the number of telegrams which have been received from the delegation from that state. The tenor of the messages is that this is something for the armed forces to deal with and that it can be handled by forbidding any one selling or giving a drink of intoxicating liquor to a soldier or sailor in uniform. Such was the regulation in the first world war. As an alternative, opponents suggest that a dry area be created but this restricted zone should not be such as to affect towns.

Housewives who have depended for years on the old Mason jar with its zinc lid for home canning have been affected by the recent WPB order prohibiting the use of zinc in making lids for glass containers, and this means the old Mason jar will have to wear a new cap. The jars will still be usable, however, as a substitute for the zinc tops is available in the form of a porcelain lid with a steel rim.

A previous WPB order had restricted the use of zinc in scores of other articles and the increasing demand for zinc in war plants made necessary the added restrictions on civilian uses.

Richard Abell and Robert Walman were visitors in The Dalles Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schilling and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jay McKay and family and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Beyers and Thelma were visitors at the George McKay home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin were dinner guests at the Norton home Monday.

Mrs. Grace Gregg and grandson Michael Purchase are visiting a few days in Bend at the home of Mrs. Gregg's sister, Mrs. Earl Gregg.

Mrs. J. N. MacInnes was a visitor in Wamic and at the home of her daughters. One of her grand daughters returned home with her.

James Starkey is back working for Paul Wilson.

Mrs. Mike Smith returned here after a few days visiting in Astoria.

Louis Schadewitz of Oakland, Calif. was here a couple of days home with him.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walt Wilson were in The Dalles one day last week. Richard Stakely, J. E. and Warren Norton went out to the Stakely ranch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin and family were visitors in Arlington Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec McLeod, Mrs. George Kruger and Mr. and Mrs. Randall Martin and family stopped a short time in Kent Sunday.

Ralph Bolen of Grass Valley was a visitor last weekend of the Kelleys.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barnett of Grass Valley were guests at the home of the Kelleys Saturday evening. They spent a few hours visiting.

Earl Bryant Visited At Kent On Leave

Earl Bryant of the Army, stationed somewhere in the east was a visitor here Saturday.

The Kent Grange had a good crowd out for its dance. After paying the orchestra \$26 was cleared.

Miss Helen Sather of The Dalles and Mike Garrison of the U.S. army were overnight visitors at the Sather home Saturday. They came up for the dance returning to The Dalles from where Garrison was to leave for a camp in New Mexico.

George Barnett and son, Melvin of Maupin were here at the Mathe home.

Barbara Hartison and Geraldine Norton of Portland were weekend visitors at the Nortons. Geraldine went back Sunday and Miss Harrison Monday.

Vernon Miller of Moro was a caller here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin, George Wilson and J. E. Norton were loading scrap iron Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jefferie had as dinner guests Sunday Barbara Harrison and Eugene Norton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and sons Jerry Jr. and Richard were dinner guests Sunday of the J. H. Wilsons.

J. C. Wilson of Portland is visiting here for a few days.

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County Court

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Overhaul of machine for sheriff's office 12.50

Wasco-Sherman Public Health Dept., nurse's sal. 72.50

Nurse's travel 57.55 130.05

E. M. Alley, coroner's fees 6.20

Standard Oil Co. of California Expense of official car 30.82

Foss & Co. exp. of official car 4.51

S. W. Searcy, courthouse supplies 5.69

Department of Agriculture Sealer, wts. & mtrs 3.76

Chas. L. Montgomery, Labor on grounds around shed 2.50

May & Son., board of prisoners, county jail 4.07

Lion Fireman Mfg. Co. repairs for courthouse furnace 2.95

National Ass'n. of Co. Officials, 5 subscriptions to "County Officer" 10.00

R. A. Stow, justice fees City of Moro, Water for courthouse, September 11.73

Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co. phones all offices 30.80

Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co. Oregon State employment office Pacific Power & Light Co. Courthouse lights 22.04

DeMoss Park lights 1.00 23.04

Bushong Co. clerk's sup. 12.65

Sheriff's sup 21.21 33.56

West Coast Print. & Bind. Co. Sheriff's office supplies 252.42

The Flax Co. Clerk's supplies 3.00

A. E. Simmons Co. clerk's expense 16.00

Sheriff's expense 4.00

Sup's expense 4.00 25.00

Stevens-Neas Pub. Co. clerk's expense .44

O'Meara Supply & Imp. Co. Fire-fighting equipment .10

Reckmann Bros., indemnity for Bangs diseased cattle 6.00

Fried A. Colf, indemnity for Bangs diseased cattle 6.00

Leon H. Smith, indemnity for Bangs diseased cattle 84.31

C. Bargenholt, driving fire truck Sept. 1. to Sept 15. 53.55

C. Bargenholt, labor on court house flue 37.60

E. McPherson, labor on courthouse flue 16.20

D. J. McLachlin, labor on courthouse flue 8.00

C. Mersinger, labor on courthouse flue 36.03

State Indus. Acc. Com. Laborers protection re: courthouse flue 6.67

State Indus. Acc. Comm. Peace officers protection 4.78

Frank E. Bennett, tax collector, taxes on Shiel property in Gilliam county 11.80

Marie Hoskinson, assessor's office help 4.50

A. M. Zevely, expense of Government trapper 12.50

J. C. Freeman, P.M. Stamps for clerk's office 10.00

J. C. Freeman P.M. Box rent 2.16

T. Lester Johnson, district attorney expenses 18.50

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Willy W. Knighten, office help 59.00
The Master Engravers, Sup't supplies 3.98
Rex Putnam, sup't supplies 7.60
T. Lester Johnson, expenses re: R. R. hearing Shaniko branch 12.00
City of Wasco, city of Wasco's share proceeds of sale of tax foreclosed property 37.50

L. L. Peetz, road foreman 44.25
E. McPherson, road labor 67.90
D. J. McLachlin road labor 16.80
L. L. Peetz, road foreman 96.05
E. McPherson, road labor 89.60
C. Bargenholt, road labor 80.80

Ross Ornduff, clerical 25.00
State Indus. Acc. Ass'n. protection road employees 15.82
National Hospital Ass'n. road employees 5.00

Leelle C. Scott, state treas. 50 percent of fine in re Circuit court case 2590 50.00

Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. General road supplies 5.25

J. K. McKean, machine rep. 51.90
C. M. Clevenger, gas & oil 2.25
Walther-Williams Co. tire rep. 4.00

Pike's Garage, machinery rep. 8.00
Fees & Co. machinery rep. 1.45
S. W. Searcy sundry sup. 16.25

Moro Garage, mach. rep. City of Moro, Sept. water rent, Moro shed 1.75

Pacific Power & Light Co. Sept. lights, Moro shed 1.00

Wasco shed 1.00 2.00

Shell Oil Co. gas & oil for August 20.37

Union Oil Co. gas & oil for September 7.21

Sherman Co-op. Grain Grow. material for powder house 16.41

Moro Lumber & Fuel Co. Lumber, etc. 53.50

Moro Lumber & Fuel Co. Bridge Lumber 432.57

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

LAST Saturday night we were settling around Jeb Crowell's house, and from upstairs we hear the squawks those Crowell youngsters put up while their Ma was dunkin' 'em in soap and water. Causes Jeb to comment:

"Just shows how times change. Used to be a law here in America that nobody could take a bath without a doctor's prescription!"

Then we get talking about the funny laws some people have put through in this country—like the state where they made it against the law to wake a man up if he's sleeping on the railroad tracks.

"Railroad law I once heard about," says Basil Strube, the stationmaster, "said when two trains meet at an intersection, neither can proceed until the other one has gone ahead."

"How could that be a law?" asks Pete Swanson. "That just don't make sense."

"Lots of laws don't make sense," says Jeb. "Why just think! We're livin' in a land where most folks hold for tolerance and understanding. And yet it wasn't so long ago we had a law of Prohibition. Account for that, if you can."

Well, he had us there. Here's America—where we set so much store on seein' the other fellow's point of view—havin' such a law. Now that it's all over, it's hard to realize how people put up with a law like that, even as long as they did.

From where I sit, a man's got every right to enjoy a satisfyin' glass of beer when he wants to quench his thirst. Beer's a friendly drink. It's a drink of moderation, too. And most folks—even the ones that don't drink beer themselves—are tolerant enough, nowadays, to respect the rights of folks who do.

I reckon Jeb was right—we've had some mighty strange laws in this country.

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