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Those who would trade freedom for security are deserving of neither.

OF ALL THE TENACITY

The history of the Burrell case brings credit to the state police and the local officials who aided them. During the five and a half years of investigation that finally brought a plea of guilty of murder in the second degree, the police have been most tenacious.

Every interview has been written down in a report, everything that has been said has been noted, every person who might have any possible connection with the case has been seen. Documents have been photostated and put in the file, which filled a brief case at the time sentence was passed.

The culprit, with a guilty conscience bothering him, was not allowed to forget. He could not remember clearly what he had said at the last interview. The police had it written down. They pointed out errors, his changes in statements. He didn't know how much they knew.

This went on for nearly five years. When Morgan told Sheriff Wilson while on the way to Salem, that he would be happy to sleep in the penitentiary he was not fooling. For five years every siren had made him jump, every police uniform had made him want to run, every noise in the night had aroused fear. His friends knew he had something on his mind. He was glad to get rid of it.

It was the state police and other investigators who had kept it there by slowly, tenaciously, wrapping evidence around him so he could not escape. When it became strong enough he told the whole story. "Here is the little box canyon," he said, as the car bringing him back to Sherman county turned at Dinty's. He had mentioned it before in interviews, and his mention of it was a sign of relief that confession was near.

NO CHANGE

They all say this is going to be a different world when the war is over. The recent speed mark set by a four motored plane from California to Washington is given as an example. Plane makers are advertising that no spot on earth will be over 60 hours from the nearest airport.

Men of all nations are being routed out of the ruts they occupied a few years ago and are being made acquainted with the manner in which the other half lives. This is given as another reason why we should expect a much different world when peace is declared.

There are many other reasons given for an expected change. All these leave us cold. It seems more likely that we will have a world much similar to the one we have known for the very good reason that it will be peopled by the same humans.

It is possible that they may go a bit farther when taking a vacation. They may be able to eat and enjoy things from greater distance. But the things that motivate men will be the same and as long as they are, we humans will be at home on the earth. Our first ancestor could return to earth today and after a shave and a lesson in modern manners could get along pretty well.

WE ARE REVIEWED

The current issue of the Oregon Business Review published by the School of Business Administration at the University of Oregon, has some comment on governmental units in Oregon. Her-

man Kehrl is the author.

As of July 1, 1941 there were 2640 governmental units of which 2154 were school districts. This number has been reduced to some extent but school districts still are a large part of local governmental units in this state. Sherman county is listed as having 23 units, one county, three cities and 21 school districts.

The average population of a school district in Oregon is 540.3 while in this county it is 110 and this based on the 1940 census. The average area of a school district in Oregon is 47.8 square miles and even the size of farms in Sherman county does not cause our average to be as great as that of the state. Our average size district is 39.5 square miles.

Of the seven counties of the state that are losing population Sherman county has been losing faster than any of the others. Factors are, of course, the increase in the size of farms, wartime jobs of men who had small businesses in the towns and to some extent the removal of those who have made a stake wheat farming. Perhaps the continued existence of small school districts with resultant poor schools may also be a contributing factor.

The writer comments, "The past 20 years has seen various functions shifted from county control to state or federal administration of control. The inability of the smaller counties to provide either the funds or the standards of service required has provided one argument for making the shift."

Lack of money is not a falling in this county. It seems possible that lack of pride in the county may be a falling. Not a lack of pride in the county's achievements in agriculture, but a lack of pride in its institutions; a weakening loyalty to county businesses. When the county loses a business it loses a reason for its existence as a county. When it loses enough of them it naturally and shortly becomes a part of another county. Property owners cannot afford that.

Just what is the use of having a debt limit on the federal debt. It is raised everytime a new appropriation bill is passed anyway. As a matter of fact we have had no debt limitation since the advent of the new deal. Come to think of it, there has been no limit on anything.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Apr. 23, 1915

The special train for Cello and Pig Eddy will leave Moro early the morning of May 25th.

Sheriff McKean reports taxes being paid in slower this year than usual. As a result county work is not as active as in former years.

The Moro ball fans have had a chance this week to sign a paper and come across with a donation to the local ball team to assist the boys get started. Any one missed or living out of town can help by applying to T E Hulery, manager of the team.

A D Richelderfer has finished plowing 1200 acres and has 200 acres yet to plow to finish his little patch of spring plowing.

From the Observer, Apr. 24, 1925 Two games of baseball were being played in the county last Sunday at the same time, at Wasco between the local team and Dufur and at Grass Valley between the local team and Condon.

Mrs Jack Mathias and Miss Grace Hilderbrand entertained the Klondike Community club at the home of Miss Hilderbrand last Thursday.

J O McKean, O L Belshe and George Meloy left Monday for a fishing excursion to Camp Sherman. They expected to return late of the week.

A Harbin, late of Tennessee, has received his fox hound which he recently sent for and now the hunt is on for the lost silver fox from the Theo. vonBorstel farm.

From the Observer, April 21, 1905 A neat, pretty and always appropriate present is a Lewis and Clark souvenir spoon. They can be had at Theo. Liebe's, The Dalles.

C K Cochran's little 4 year old boy was attacked by a venomous frog last Monday, while playing in the door yard about home in this city, and was bitten on the leg with such poisonous effect that Dr. Logan was called. The leg was badly swollen, and the little fellow suffered quite severely.

M Fitzmaurice has purchased the City Hotel property, which he

Magazine Story Tells of Activity Of Former Moro Boy, M, Peoples

The Sunday magazine section of the Oregonian carried a story about Merrill Peoples, who is a son of the late Emerson Peoples, one time furniture dealer and undertaker of Moro, according to Mrs L V Moore who remembers the boy when he was young. He became crippled from arthritis when a child and has made himself useful to the government as a radio instructor despite his handicap.

Born: To Mr and Mrs Robert E Gillmor at Schnectady, New York, a son, David Alan, April 14, Kenneth Searcy, son of Mr and Mrs Philip Searcy, now of Portland but formerly of Moro, is in radar school in Chicago as a Marine and is getting along very well.

Floyd Flatt has sold his house and barn in Moro to Paul Wilson of Kent. Jerry Wilson Jr., brother of Paul, is occupying the house at present.

John Gilman returned from the hospital Wednesday after having been there for several days.

Carl Peetz left Wednesday to return to Camp McCoy where he is a corporal in the camp personnel. He has been here about ten days on furlough.

George Martin returned to his army post at Charleston, S.C. Tuesday after a ten day furlough spent here with his mother, Mrs Florence Martin and friends.

Captain A. K. Lumsden of the state police was here Friday and Saturday. He was formerly a resident of the Wasco community around the turn of the century and knows many of the old timers around there.

Elders, Martin Melzer and Chester Smith and Pastor James Moberg of the Moro Community Presbyterian church attended the meeting of the April Presbytery in Portland last Tuesday, returning that evening.

The left rear driver on the railroad engine slipped a tire here Saturday and a crew had to be brought up from The Dalles to shrink it tight again. A portable gas burner is used that heats the tire while on the wheel.

Mr and Mrs W A Woods and their daughter and family. Mr and Mrs Wayne Sigman, all of Dufur, were Sunday visitors at the Ernest Woods' home here.

Mrs Roscoe Moore entertained her bridge club Tuesday night. Mrs Landstrom, a former member of the club was a guest.

E. E. Barnum returned home from Bend Wednesday after a three weeks stay here on his farm.

Wily Knighten and family were in Portland for medical attention Monday.

Kelly's Column

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fees for money orders provided in the new tax law. Issuing their own money orders is not a new business with the banks, but in the past their rates have been slightly higher than those charged by the postal department. Now the situation is reversed and all over the country banks are advertising the saving they are able to provide. A considerable increase in bank money orders would mean just so much loss to the postoffice department and it might more than offset the gain which was anticipated from the increase in money order fees.

How quickly the public responds to a publicized suggestion was illustrated by the reaction to Henry Ford's recent prediction that the war would be over within two months. Almost immediately war manpower commission was apprised of job desertions in all parts of the country, the workers deciding to hurry back to their homes because of the imminent prospect of losing their jobs. So far as official information is obtainable Mr. Ford had no ground whatever for his prediction and the result of its wide acceptance may have calamitous effects if the present trend continues. Railroad management was particularly disturbed because of the existing 100,000 shortage in railroad workers and the immediate lessening of applications for railway employment.

will have thoroughly renovated, refurnished and opened again for the purpose for which it was built.

The election held in Wasco, for bonding the city for \$28,000 was carried almost unanimously.

A surprise birthday party in honor of James Lamb was given at his place last Friday night by Mrs Lamb and Mrs Frank Brazzel. Attending were Mesdames and Messrs Clyde Gillmor, F J Brazzel, Tom Jones, Phil Wilson and family and the host and hostess.

Mrs Henry Barnum was hostess at a dinner party Saturday night honoring Henry Barnum, Lester Barnum and Mrs Giles French, whose birthdays occurred within a few days of that date. Those present were Mr and Mrs Lester Barnum, Mr and Mrs Collis Moore, Mr and Mrs Roscoe Moore, Mr and Mrs Ernest Woods, Mr and Mrs Giles French and Patty, and Mr and Mrs Henry Barnum.

Mrs W F Wallace has been a guest here for the past week at the home of her mother, Mrs Harold Ginn.

Mr and Mrs Charles Ruggles left Tuesday for St. Helens to attend the funeral of E. I. Ballagh, father of Mrs Phil Ruggles, who died there Saturday.

Mrs P C Axtell is in a hospital in The Dalles recovering from the effects of being butted by a buck sheep at the Axtell ranch this week.

Major Carl Landstrom and wife and daughter are here this week for a visit with her parents, Mr and Mrs L L Peetz.

Mr and Mrs John Wilson and Mrs J C Wilson formerly of Kent came up from Portland-Saturday night for a few days in Sherman county. Mrs Wilson stayed in Moro with her sister, Mrs G. Dopma.

Mrs William Morgan and her daughter in law, Mrs Milton Morgan, both of Heppner, stopped here Thursday for a brief visit with Mrs Robert Marvin while on their way home from Los Angeles.

Robert Marvin sent word to his wife here that he expected to have an operation for hernia this week at an army hospital. Upon recovery he will be home on a short furlough.

Mr and Mrs Julius Medler of Wasco visited Sunday with his sister, Mrs E E Barnum.

Open house at the school house Friday night was well attended and the program enjoyed by the parents and friends who came to see the children perform and show their work for the year.

John Roth of Grass Valley left Tuesday to join the navy which he volunteered for several weeks ago.

Curt Tom was here Thursday afternoon from Rufus on business.

While the weather for the past week has been cold and threatening little rain has fallen, the experimenting station reporting but 20 for the week. Total for April is therefore .83, slightly above normal but a small rain for the clouds that have gone over East and west have both reported much more rain than we have had. The weather has been cold with frost nearly every night.

Want Ads

WANTED: Janitor, young or old, man or woman. Merle Becket, Bank.

FOR SALE: 2yr old Registered Shorthorn Bull. Wes Fuller, Moro, Oregon 24-6p

FOR SALE: My pony, Pard, half Shetland gelding, 5yrs old; gentle for kids-\$75.00. Also Lassie, registered Collie female, one year old, no bad habits-\$25. Roger Ball, Phone 177, Grass Valley, Oregon 24c

FOR SALE: 7 tube Crossley rad'o in high-boy cabinet; 38 S&W revolver. C A Ruggles, Moro22c

FOR SALE: We have a limited amount of started Leghorn Pullets, 3-5 wks. old. \$40.00 per 100 delivered. Hart's Hatchery, Beaverton, Oregon. 22-3:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned Henry Yeackel has been duly appointed administrator with the Will annexed, of the Estate of Emma A. Crocker, deceased.

All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, to the undersigned at the office of John M. Stapleton, his attorney, Vogt Bldg., The Dalles, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. to-wit: March 31, 1944.

Henry Yeackel, Adm John M. Stapleton, Attorney. Vogt Bldg. The Dalles, Oregon

NOTICE

To the Electors

of the Eleventh Judicial District. I hereby announce my candidacy for Circuit Judge of the Counties of Gilliam, Wheeler and Sierman at the Primary Election to be held May 19, 1944 subject to the will of the Voters of said District.

D. N. Mackay Condon, Oregon

FINAL NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR SHERMAN COUNTY.

In Matter of the Estate of Virginia Y (Whittier) Kirby, Deceased. SS. Final Notice.

To whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that Roy J. Baker the Administrator of the said estate has rendered, presented, and filed his final account therein for settlement, and the Court has appointed Monday the 5th day of June 1944 at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. in the County Court room, of the County Court house in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, as a time and place for the hearing and final settlement of said account, and the hearing of objections thereto.

Roy J. Baker Administrator 23-6

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of Eliza J. Dingle, Deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator, with the Will annexed, of the Estate of Eliza J. Dingle, Deceased, at Klondike, in Sherman County, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, which date is April 14, 1944

Geo. A. Potter Administrator, with the Will annexed, of the Estate of EMMA J. Dingle, Deceased.

T. Lester Johnson, Wasco, Oregon. Attorney for Administrator.

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Fred Finsley For Circuit Judge Eleventh Judicial District

SENIOR BALL GRASS VALLEY AUDITORIUM SATURDAY NIGHT, APRIL 22 MUSIC BY THE MERRYMAKERS ADMISSION \$1.00 PLUS FEDERAL TAX OF .20

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh Soldiers' Wives and Post-War Married Life A psychologist offers some mighty sensible advice to husbands and wives separated by war. He believes "lack of tolerance" rather than loss of affection is most likely to cause post-war marriage difficulties.

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