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By passing the bill to authorize construction of the Hungry Horse dam on the south fork of the Flathead river in Montana, the house wrote an end to the ambitious plan of Bonneville administration to raise the level of Flathead lake as a storage reservoir from which to feed water to Grand Coulee and Bonneville dams. The Bonneville proposal, if carried through, would have destroyed a large lumber industry, inundated 50,000 acres of the best agricultural land in Montana, would have wiped out some towns completely, others partially, and directly affected the welfare of 25,000 people, according to statements by Representative Mansfield of Montana. Mr. Mansfield also indicated that prosecution of the plan would have aroused violent opposition in his state, possibly to defiance of the government.

As a result of the determined opposition on the part of the people of Montana an investigating committee was sent to Flathead lake last summer and out of this inquiry came a recommendation for construction of a dam on the south fork of Flathead river. Recognizing the impossibility of going through with the original plan, Bonneville administration is now said to favor construction of Hungry Horse dam and the project also has the approval of the reclamation service. No farm land will be taken out of production, no railways or highways flooded and no homes destroyed. In addition to stream regulation in the Columbia, the storage would provide for irrigating about 100,000 acres now largely devoted to growing wheat and other small grains.

The bill directs that the secretary of the interior shall proceed as soon as practicable with the construction, operation and maintenance of the dam for the purposes of irrigation, flood control, improving navigation, and the generation of electrical energy. The firm power generated at the power plant is estimated to have a value of \$17.50 per kilowatt year delivered at load centers. Cost to the federal government of the completed project is estimated at \$40,000,000, to be amortized over a period of 40 years.

Industrial use of domestic grains for production of war essentials and the requirements of lend-lease has brought about an unprecedented condition in the United States. For the first time in its history this country is finding it necessary to import farm products on a scale hitherto undreamed of. In addition to the purchase of wheat from Canada arrangements are now being made to bring in 3000 carloads of oats, and a proposal is being considered to buy 700,000 tons of corn from Argentina. However, this may not materialize because of lack of shipping space. The duty on Argentine corn was lifted last December but without having the desired effect, possibly because Argentine corn is flinty and undesirable for industrial purposes. A considerable quantity of corn is held by farmers in the United States but they have been reluctant to market it at OPA price ceilings and it is being used as hog feed.

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The Hen Drank 3-in-1 Oil For This Trick

—A believe it or not—
In this day when nature seems to be trying to overcome the ravages of war by multiplication of its population by twins, triplets, quads and quintets - so even here in Sherman county the old New Hampshire Red hens, not to be out done, have taken up the challenge. Young Bobby Alman, who lives on the Holzappel place near Rufus, went out to gather the eggs the other night and brought in a 3-yolker measuring 8 1-2 x 9 inches. Now don't accuse the reporter of telling a "whopper" for it's sworn to and verified by his sister, Miss Wilma Alman.

Man in Jail For Hotel Room Theft

Wasco's usual complacent quietude was ruffled Sunday morning when at 5 o'clock the city marshal, Chas. Everett, was called to Mrs Roy Moore's rooming house to apprehend a man who had rifled and robbed the rooms of a number of lodgers there. He came there with a companion and took a room when the companion found him going through the rooms he had Mr. Everett called. He found the man sleeping and took him in custody. Much of the plunder consisting of belts, watches, money, etc. was recovered. He would not plead guilty and asked for a trial. So was placed in the county jail at Moro to await trial Tuesday evening at 5 p. m. at the city hall. The man was Johnnie Manes, 36, from the hills of Georgia, with a taking drawl as well as taking ways. He was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail by Judge Ryland Scott.

SPARE THE GAS BREAK THE BACK

Bob Taylor, state AAA head, came into town Wednesday morning over the Cottonwood grade astride a motorcycle. He was the first state AAA official to resort to the two wheeled vehicle for transportation around his district. Bob made the trip over Cottonwood like a veteran and accumulated no mark from his trip except a very dirty face.

Fifth War Loan Drive Will Open June 12

County chairmen and other members of county bond committees met in Portland Monday and Tuesday to attend a meeting of state chairmen and directors from Washington, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Arizona and California in addition to Oregon. Several representatives of the treasury department were also present to inform the various state organizations of their quotas and tell what had been planned to make this campaign the best of the five. State quotas were given out at the meeting. Oregon's quota will be \$123,000,000 an increase of \$24,000,000 from the last drive. County quotas have not been set, on Argentine corn was lifted last December but without having the desired effect, possibly because Argentine corn is flinty and undesirable for industrial purposes. A considerable quantity of corn is held by farmers in the United States but they have been reluctant to market it at OPA price ceilings and it is being used as hog feed. Pay of officers and enlisted men, including nurses, would be increased 50 percent for service on the fighting front if a bill introduced in the senate by Senator Tobey of New Hampshire is enacted by congress. The bill provides that those in actual combat shall be paid the

Coyote Bounty Considered By County Court

Payment Practically Certain After July 1 When New Budget Becomes Operative

At the May term of the county court held here Wednesday morning the court agreed to begin paying bounties on coyotes by July 1. Reason for the apparent delay is that there is no appropriation for payment of coyote bounties now, but it is almost certain that when the new fiscal year begins July 1, there will be available funds. The budget will probably contain an item for paying bounties.

According to present state law counties that wish to pay bounties may do so by levying for the money from one-tenth mill to a mill and a half. When money is available a bounty of \$3 for coyote pups or males and \$4 for adult females may be paid. Because it is practically impossible to obtain a trapper the county intends to pay for dead coyotes.

The county budget meeting for the preparation of the county budget will be held at the court house Wednesday, May 17. Named to help the court make up the estimates for county expenditures and receipts for the fiscal year running from July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945 will be Fred Hennings, P. C. Axtell and Lester Barnum. The court refused to accept a bid on town property in Wasco and refused to pay claims for Bang's diseased cattle because the latter did not conform to law, according to information given the court.

Cordon Has Plans For Oregon

Knowledge of Washington's legislative methods and direct action on the part of U. S. Senator Guy Cordon to carry out immediately the program of the late Senator McNary has been beneficial to the state of Oregon.

Since taking office Senator Cordon has (1) obtained the go ahead signal on the important Central Oregon irrigation project; (2) obtained increase of fire protection funds from 2 1-2 million to \$9 million for the forests; (3) sponsored the G. I. Bill of Rights for war veterans; (4) secured approval of \$43,000 FWA allocation to improve Portland isolation hospital; (5) obtained promise of navy officials to re-examine facts of the project of alcohol wood waste at Springfield.

Senator Cordon is on the following Senate membership committees, held by the late Senator McNary: Commerce, Indian Affairs, Irrigation and Reclamation, and Library. He is recommended by his fellow senators for these special Senate committees: Conservation of Wild Life Resources; Silver and Postwar Economic and Policy Planning.

1106 CAN VOTE

Voter registration has decreased since the last election according to the books at the clerk's office and only 1106 men and women will be entitled to vote at the primary elections next May 19. Of these 669 are Republicans and 437 are Democrats. Members of other parties will not be able to vote.

Division of voters is as follows:

Precinct	Rep.	Dem.	Total
Rufus	55	58	113
Locust Grove	58	53	111
Klondike	42	48	90
Monkland	56	24	80
Rutledge	30	4	34
Kent	76	30	105
Grass Valley	106	60	166
Moro	165	99	264
Wasco	82	61	143

Sample ballots are ready for distribution to the different precincts and plans for election are going ahead although there is little interest in candidates in this county.

Cricket Battle Opening In North End

Work of mixing and distributing the bait for the eradication of Mormon crickets will begin almost any day now as the crew has arrived and some of the material is on hand. Bran was hauled last week end. One ear of the sawdust has also been brought in.

The mixture will contain from one quarter to a third bran and 4 pounds of sodium fluo silicate per hundred pounds of mixture. Between 20 and 40 pounds of this will be put on each baited acre. Dr. Wakefield of the bureau of pest control, has asked the aircraft company that is to do the work to be ready to begin the Gilliam-Sherman county job.

Some good sized crickets have been found in fields east of Wasco and baiting will probably begin in about ten days. The mixing will be done at Wasco where ten men will comprise the two crews to be employed.

Kent News

George McKay, Harley McKay, George Howell, Fred and Bert Cox went to Oregon City to attend the funeral of Paul McKay.

Mr and Mrs Bert Cox were visitors in Kent Sunday afternoon. J. C. Wilson, Mrs Alfred Lyons and daughter, Sammie, were visitors at the home of Mr and Mrs Dick Rockman Sunday afternoon.

Walter Beyer from The Dalles was a business caller in Kent Tuesday.

Students for the upper and high school attended the track meet at Moro last Friday afternoon.

Word has been received that Seaman 2-c Robert Gregg is in the Hawaiian Islands.

A meeting was held at the Ted von Borstel home Sunday to arrange for the installation of dial telephones. Among those attending were: Mr and Mrs Grover Young, Mr and Mrs Bill Buehler, Mr and Mrs Carl Schadewitz, Mr and Mrs Joe Bibby and Mr and Mrs Claus Bardenhagen.

Jerry M. Wilson, 17, son of Mr and Mrs J. M. Wilson of Kent enlisted in the marine corps April 26 at Portland. He has been placed on inactive duty awaiting orders to report for basic training at the marine base in San Diego.

Among those who were in The Dalles during the week were: Mrs A. Von Borstel and son, Phillip. Mr and Mrs Kenneth Martin and family, and Mrs Ted von Borstel.

Paul Wilson returned from Portland where he signed up with the U. S. Marines.

Mr and Mrs Lester Wilson were in Portland over the week end where Mrs Wilson received medical attention.

Soldier Here While On Furlough

Vince Genteman, who left here months ago to join the army is back for a short furlough. He is now stationed in South Carolina after having been at the engineers school in Virginia.

Johnnie Gentry is here with his wife to work in this county again. Johnnie was in the army a couple of years until last January when he was given a medical discharge from the air corps.

Mr and Mrs Tom Jones and daughter, Doris, were at Pasco, Washington last week end.

Mrs W. D. Wallan was brought home from the hospital last week end and is getting along nicely with her broken ankle bones.

Mr and Mrs E. E. Barnum were in Portland Sunday and Monday going down with Mr and Mrs Giles French who want to attend the bond meeting Monday. They visited with their daughter, Mrs R. C. Jones and family.

Bend Takes First In Local Track Meet With 59

Good Times and Distances Made Despite High Wind; Local School Second

Bend won the North Central Oregon Track meet at the fair grounds here Friday by a score of 59 to 22 for Moro, the closest competitor. Bend brought a team of 17 men to the local meet and entered in every event in sufficient numbers to insure some points. Except for the discus Bend placed in every contest.

High point man was Lilly of Boardman, a late entrant, who made 13 points by placing first in the 220 and the broad jump and second in the pole vault.

Most exciting of the races was the 880 yard run which was won by Thompson of Moro after he had outdone himself in the mile, finishing fourth after leading most of the race. In the 880 Thompson held to his pace and had a sprint to finish on.

Schools making points were Bend 59, Moro 22, Boardman 13, Hood River 12, Goldendale 15, Arlington 11.

Records were generally good considering the high wind that blew across the field all afternoon. Starter was Willy Knishten and Frank Adams of Arlington. Collis and Roscoe Moore and Wendell Belsiger were judges.

Events concluded as follows: 100 yard dash: Sullivan, Bend, first; Brisbane, Moro, second; Haligan, Bend third; Williams, Arlington, fourth. Time 10.8.

High jump: Rasmussen of Bend and Weatherford of Arlington tied for first; Ziegler and Brisbane of Moro and Higgins of Bend, tied for third. Heights: 5 ft. 2 in.

Shot: Smead, Bend, first; Puddy, HR, second; Hentlev, Arlington, third; McDonald, Goldendale, fourth. Distance 41.5.

Discus: Blakely, Edwards and Mauldin of Bend finished in that order. Thompson, Moro, fourth. Time 5:06.5.

440 yard: Clark, Bend, first; Webber, Goldendale, second; Ziegler, Moro, third; Croder, Arlington, fourth. Time 55.2.

Javelin: McDonald, Goldendale, first; Horn, HR, second; Brogan, Bend, third; Wilcox, Moro, fourth. Distance: 142 ft. 2 in.

220 yard: Lilly, Boardman, first; Sullivan, Bend second; Clark, Bend third; Horn, HR, fourth. Time 23.6.

Pole Vault: Rasmussen, Bend, first; Lilly, Boardman, second; Wurtz, Bend third; Miller and Broadstreet, Goldendale, tied for fourth. Height 11 ft. 3 in. Rasmussen tried for a record but failed at 11:6.

Board Jump: Lilly, Boardman, first; Horn, HR, second; Haligan, Bend, third; Ziegler, Moro, fourth. Distance 19:3.

Discus: Rebersson, Moro, first; Wilke, Goldendale, second; Miller, Goldendale third; Lemley, Moro, fourth. Distance 106:4.

880 yard: Thompson, Moro, first; Lammers, Higgins and Mauldin, all of Bend, in that order. Time 2:18:6.

The 880 relay was won by Haligan, Wurtz, Sullivan and Clark of Bend in 1:42 with Arlington second and Hood River third and Moro fourth.

This week end the district meet will be held at Hood River and the local team is going down to try again. Winners of first and second places will be taken to the state meet.

31 Citizens Are Called To Serve On May Jury

The jury list for the May 15 term of circuit court has been drawn by the clerk and contains the following names of prospective jurors: George McKay, Kent, Vivian Ball, Grass Valley; M. A. Bull, Moro; Carl Schadewitz, Grass Valley; Hazel Belshe, Moro; Alfred Payne, Grass Valley; Owen Barnett, Wasco; Earl Richelderfer, Wasco; A. Douma, Moro; Willard Barnett, Grass Valley; Elnor Helyer, Grass Valley; Charles Kuyper, Rufus; Floyd Platt, Moro; Ormand Hilderbrand, Wasco; Lowell Burreas, Wasco; Durward Helyer, Kent; Russell Belshe, Moro; T. J. Coyle, Grass Valley; Virginia McIntyre, Wasco; Charles Burnet, Moro; A. B. Christian, Moro; Myrtle Funk, Wasco; Erma Dutton, Wasco; J. A. Landry, Moro; Harold Ginn, Moro; Carl Melzer, Moro; B. Estrella Hailey, Wasco; Paul Alley, Wasco; Marcella Hilderbrand, Wasco; Lester Barnum, Moro; Ellen Reynolds, Grass Valley.

There is but one small civil case to come before the May term of the court.

4-H Calves Get Monthly Weighing

Four-H calves were weighed last Saturday by LeRoy Wright who made his first report on the condition of the 14 calves that are being fed by Sherman county boys for display at county and state fairs this fall.

Of the 14 calves three are Herefords, five are Angus and six are Shorthorn. Weight is from 350 to 681 pounds. Terry Bucholtz has the largest Angus, Harry Hartley the largest Shorthorn and Phil von Borstel the largest Hereford, to date.

Eight boys are owners of the calves: Fred von Borstel, Melvie Eakin, James Hartley, Edd Fritts, Clarence May and the three mentioned above.

Taylor Says More Wheat Wanted For Next Year

R. B. Taylor, state chairman of AAA, was here Wednesday to attend the meeting of the county AAA and give the members thereof the word of the national committee regarding demand for crops.

Mr. Taylor said that the government wanted all the wheat it could get in 1945. Farmers are urged to plow every foot of grass that can grow wheat. In order to make ready for wheat on grass land the plowing will have to be done soon.

The county committee, from figures turned in to it, has estimated with a high degree of accuracy that there is 120,000 A. of wheat in the county for 1944 harvest. This is approximately 5,000 acres above the early estimate. The committee will ask for 125,000 acres for 1945.

Farmers were restricted by the AAA from growing wheat on all their acres for many years during the thirties and early forties. Then for the 1943 crop all restrictions were lifted but farmers were warned not to go into wheat with all their acres and a plea was issued asking that Crested Wheat grass be kept where possible.

For 1944 crop farmers were told to leave their grass when it was serving a purpose of erosion prevention or stock feed.

Now for 1945 they are told to put 'er all in wheat. What effect the above request if followed, will have on wheat production or the wheat price—if it should get out of government hands—or farm income is a problem for each individual farmer to solve for himself.

Bob Christianson Downed Over Pacific Island

War Department Telegram Tells Parents of Disastrous South Pacific Flight

Robert Kelso Christiansen, Second Lieutenant, 13th Air Force, was reported missing in action over Green Island as of April 6. The war department telegram reached his parents, Mr and Mrs A. B. Christiansen, here, last Thursday evening, April 27.

Green Island is a small coral island between 75 and 100 miles north of Bougainville, the island Christiansen was presumed to be based on. He had recently made missions over Rabaul and Truk, according to reports sent out by the 13th Air Force command. A part of the crew was wounded in March and the story was re-told in this newspaper two weeks ago.

Sunday Bob Christiansen's mother received a letter from Sgt. J. W. Vance, who had been wounded on a previously reported raid. The letter indicated, although not definitely, that the crew of the bomber had been lost. Vance, whose home is in Urbana, Ohio, is recuperating from his injuries. It is not known here whether he wrote from the crew's airport or from some hospital farther removed from the fighting front. Thus it is difficult to appraise his intimated information accurately.

Early this week the following news story was received from the 13th AAF in the South Pacific: By direction of the President the Air Medal was awarded on April 13, 1944 by Lt. General Millard F. Harmon, Commanding United States Army Air Force in the South Pacific Areas, to the following member of the 13th AAF: Robert K. Christiansen, (0-68494-2), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as bombardier from 21 February to 2 March 1944.

Bob Christiansen had lived here nearly all of his life until his induction into the army about two years ago. He attended school, finishing high school in 1939, after which he worked for the Moro Grain Growers until joining the army. He was popular and well liked by school mates and adults he met in business.

Duane Lemley Heads Students

The high school held its annual election this week and chose officers for the coming year, thus getting the jump on the elders who will not pick the political winners until the middle of the month.

Duane Lemley was elected as president of the student body in a hotly contested battle. Wayne Melzer was made vice-president. Fat Pinkerton secretary and Veda Belshe, treasurer to fill the regular offices. Bob Brisbane was made sergeant at arms.

Dean Wilcox was chosen to edit the Optimist for the coming year and will be assisted by Wayne Melzer. For yell leaders high school students chose Tommy Foster and Lovella Welsh.

JESSIE HULL BURIED
Jessie Hull was born in Pike county, Illinois in 1871 and came to Oregon with her parents in 1889 where she has since resided. She passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs Andy Shearer, April 25, 1944.

She leaves to mourn her loss, one brother and three sisters, Chas. E. Hull of Chico, Cal., Josie Underhill of Wasco, Carrie Morrow, Salem and Emma Shearer of Wasco.

Funeral services were held at the Christian church in Wasco April 28th. The Rev. Keith Fields officiating, a great nephew of the deceased. Pallbearers, also nephews were Earl, Tracy, Cecil, C. W. Fields, Leonard and Damon Fields, great nephews.