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Wasco News Tells Of Meets And Parties

Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg entertained with a dinner at the Sherman Hotel, Friday evening, the following guests: Mrs. Herbert Root, Jean Lang, Margaret Nickels, Clair Ball, Gordon Hildebrand, Patricia and Larry Kaseberg. Later they were joined by Mrs. Austin Foss and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Harper. The group attended The Dalles Forum, sponsoring William Hain.

Thursday evening of last week W. D. Watkins and F. C. Stephens of the Wasco Church of Christ drove to Dufur to attend a meeting of the Mid-Columbia 90 and 9 men's organization.

The regular monthly meeting of the American Legion auxiliary was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Hazel Marie Foss. Thirteen members answered roll call. The next meeting will be March 3rd with Mrs. Louise Nisbet as hostess.

Gordon Johnson was taken to The Dalles hospital Saturday.

Mrs. A. D. McConaughy returned from Wray, Colorado where she spent the past three weeks visiting her mother Mrs. R. E. Devine, who was ill.

The Womens Study club met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. G. H. Root. Mrs. B. Estelle Halley gave a paper on the Future of Alaska, following the business meeting refreshments were served. Mrs. Walter Blau of Portland was a guest of the club.

Mrs. Walter Blau of Portland was visitor in Wasco last week.

Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Cannell of Odell were visiting friends in Wasco Monday.

Mrs. O. W. Barnett gave a birthday dinner party Saturday evening at the Sherman Hotel Coffee Shop honoring Mrs. Gus Hartman's birthday, guests were Mrs. Desta Hoyt and Mrs. B. Estelle Halley.

Mrs. Vernon VanGilder and daughter, Emma Jean returned from Portland Thursday after a short visit with the former son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Glenn VanGilder.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Howell and son Douglas were weekend guests in Portland.

The Tillicum Card club met at the home of Mrs. W. A. Nisbet Thursday afternoon. A 1:30 desert luncheon was served, followed by 3 tables of bridge with Mrs. George Harris and Mrs. Albert Dormier holding high score.

Wayne Darby of Portland spent several days last week visiting his mother Mrs. Lydia Darby.

Mrs. Catherine Sonnenberg left Friday to spend the weekend in Portland with her daughter Miss Ester Sonnenberg.

The 7-8 grade students motored to The Dalles Saturday evening and enjoyed roller skating, they were accompanied by Mrs. Ilene Callaway, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Workman, Mr. and Mrs. Dornald, Mr. and Mrs. Art Machell and Leo Watkins.

The Tuesday Study club met at the home of Mrs. Stanley Sweet. A paper on club womens' responsibilities was read by Mrs. Ida Carlisle following the business meeting refreshments were served.

Miss Margaret Nichols of Oakland, California was a week-end guest of Miss Claire Ball.

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Pete Macnab held 11 points for high point man. Al Dornmaier held 8 points for second.

Monday night's home game with Dufur added another to Wasco's long and bloody list of victories. The game ended with a score of 55 for Wasco to 36 for Dufur. Wasco maintained the lead throughout, although the Dufur team gave them some bad moments in the second quarter, when Dufur brought their score to the uncomfortably close margin of 5 points.

Al Dornmaier led Wasco team with 22 points, with nobody else even approaching it. J. Slusher with 14 points and Robertson with 13 were high point men for Dufur.

All the fouls were personal, no black eyes resulted, however.

Basketball Boys Near End Of Season

By Dick Oveson

The Moro Huskies ran over Maupin for the second time this season by a score of 32-23 at Maupin last Wednesday night. The Huskies jumped into an early game lead and although Maupin at one time cut the Huskie lead the outcome was never in doubt.

Moro led 5-5 at the half. Three men, Pinkerton, Hoskinson and Bayer led the Huskies with 7 apiece.

Earlier in the evening the Huskie Pups were bumped 37-24 by the Maupin Bs.

Overcoming a halftime lead of two points the Madras White Buffaloes eked out a 34-28 victory over the Moro Huskies at Madras last Friday night. Six points was the margin and a slender six it was too, as the lead changed hands back and forth throughout the game.

Moro led safely until the middle of the third quarter when Rodman tipped in two quick points to put Madras in the lead where they stayed.

High man for Moro was Bayer with 11 points.

The Goldendale Wolves threw just about everything in the book at Moro's Huskies at Goldendale last Saturday night while the Huskies seemed helpless to do anything about it.

The final score was 62-24 and that tells the story as well as anything. Moro was led by Bayer with 8 points.

Moro's second string did considerably better than the varsity as they held the Wolf reserves to a 35-25 win.

Discussion of 2-4-D Heard By Wright

LeRoy Wright attended a meeting of the Northwest Weed association in Portland last week and heard some startling things about plans, or at least hopes, of chemical companies regarding weeds.

According to Wright, county agent, one company agrees to come to Sherman county with an airplane and kill weeds with the methyl-ester acid of 2-4-D using but seven gallons of the mixture per acre.

Most of the discussion was about 2-4-D instead of chlorates, which have been used by farmers for the past several years with moderate success. The local AAA board expressed itself at a recent meeting as favoring a policy of forcing more action against weeds before permitting payment, which has already been done in several Oregon counties.

In Other Days

From the Observer, February 17, 1928.

A crew of railroad engineers and surveyors were in Moro this week working on a survey for a switch track leading into the grounds where the Shell Oil company will begin building their new oil station as soon as weather conditions will permit active work.

The younger unit of the Moro Campfire girls, assisted by their guardian Mrs. Evelyn Searcy, entertained their mothers last Saturday evening at a 5-course banquet.

From the Grass Valley Journal, February 15, 1918.

Assessor Otto Peetz has favored this office with a summary of the 1917 assessment roll, giving the special tax levy of Wasco, Moro, and Grass Valley, and of the school districts, etc. The total tax of the city of Wasco is 24.5 mills; of Moro, 44.1 mills; of Grass Valley, 35.5 mills. The total county tax to be collected by the Sheriff amounts to \$171,404.35.

From the Observer, February 14, 1908.

The Elrod two-story brick is now a ruin. The high winds of the last week completed the destruction of what the fire left. Both the rear and side walls have been blown down by the winds.

The wheel was broken off the windmill tower of James Woods farm water supplier last week, necessitating a new one.

Mrs. A. B. Christanson was taken to The Dalles hospital Wednesday night.

Legislator Skims Over Salem Session To Date

Finance and School Bills

Most Important This Session;

Legislative Committees Slow

It is now possible to begin to estimate what kind of a legislature is this 44th one of Oregon's. That always takes some time and is the cause of delay in getting started. Men who have something they want done come down and hang around watching and observing. If the "flavor" of the assembly seems favorable some bills come in, if not they go home.

This assembly contains a very large number of very fine citizens. Most of them are responsible men at home, some retired, some active. They are mostly men of much legislative experience. That is especially true of the senate which has but one or two who have not served before.

Many house members are in unfamiliar committee assignments which gives them new things to learn, but it may take longer. That would indicate a slow session. But also there is little legislation of importance on hand. Outside of the finance and school bills there is little of consequence.

These take up the greatest part of the thinking. The state needs some eight or ten million new dollars if the ways and means committee uses some strictness in passing appropriations. It may not do so and any generosity on their part, or the part of the legislature itself, will make a need for more money.

That poses another question: what group is to pay the larger part of the new taxes that will be needed. In Oregon property always pays if no other taxpayer is found. If, however, the income tax exemptions can be lowered to take in a few more dollars it will raise about half the required amount. There may be some taxes on gambling of one kind or another, some picking up a million here and there to make the state's budget come out alright.

The Tax Study commission made recommendations that would have adjusted taxes satisfactorily, but so far these ideas have not had a very full hearing. Perhaps the powers that be will shove them aside in favor of something else for there seems little inclination to get down to hard study of a difficult subject.

Proponents of a sales tax have finally introduced a bill to bring about that sort of a tax. It is a hastily constructed bill containing three matters that are not entirely compatible: a sales tax, an income tax exemption and a 40 mill levy. It has long been expected that such a bill would come in. Oddly it seems to have less support than other sales tax bills of former years and although the statement is often made that more people favor sales tax now than ever before, that statement is impossible of any proof. It is opinion.

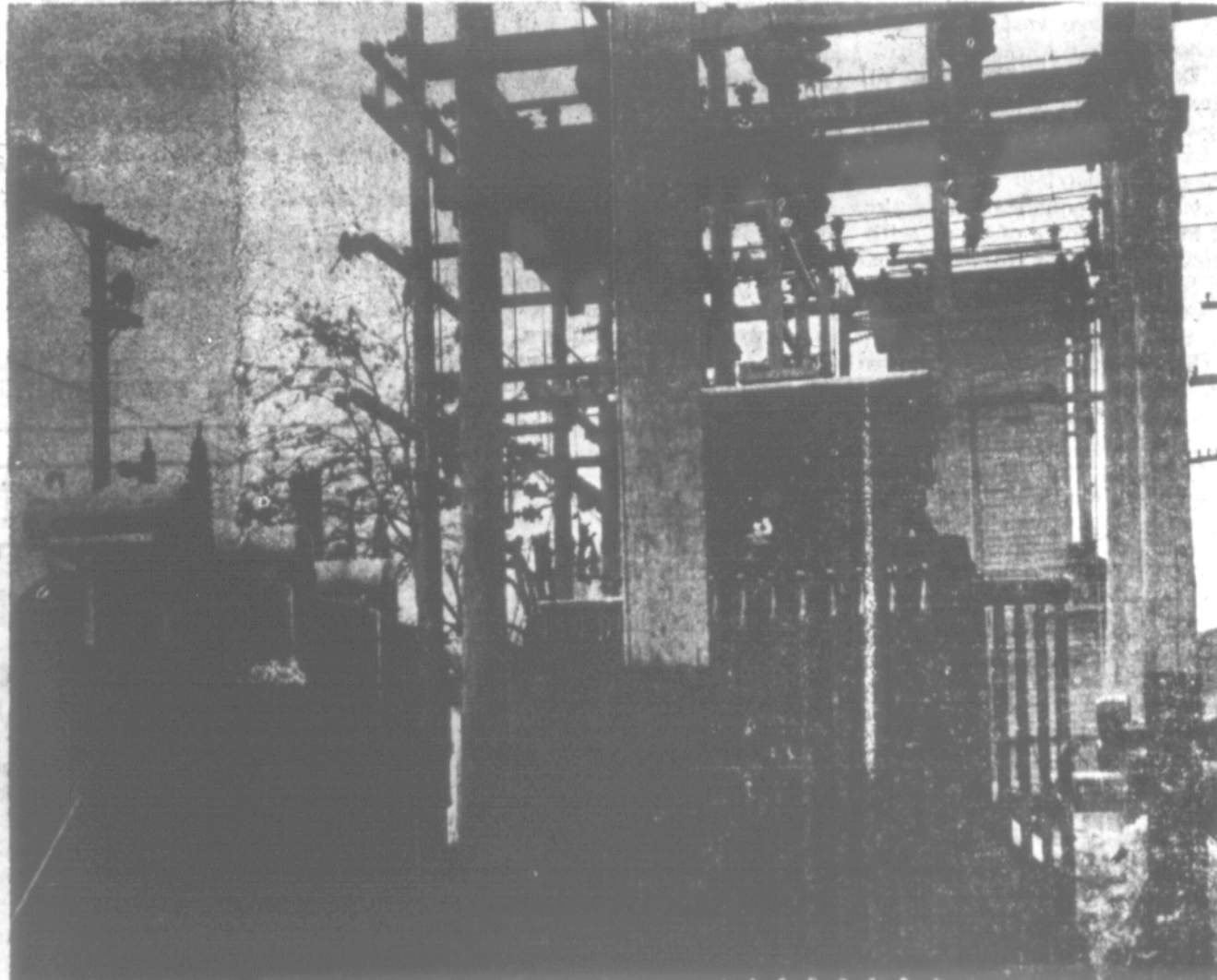
This legislature may be so conservative that it will not pass any strong labor restrictions. (A conservative being one who dislikes change.)

A bill is being readied for introduction that will amend the Norris-LaGuardia act which defines a labor dispute and permits picketing, or says that picketing is possible at most times. Such a measure seems to have more strength than a closed shop bill. A closed shop is restrictive and there appears little desire for more restriction.

Employers are not asking for the anti-closed shop bill. Letters received by its proponents favoring it are from working men. Not even all labor leaders are for the closed union—which is doing a greater harm to working men than the closed shop.

The public hearing for the basic school support bill, HB9, was a means of bringing men from all over the state to speak for the equalization part of it. Not one who spoke was going to lose. Had one added up the amounts expected it would have totaled many thousands. Only one, a woman from Eugene, expressed any compunction about taking money from some one else for the education of her children, so far have filial, community and tax responsibilities fallen.

There will be increases in salaries and wages, higher payments for workmen's compensation, for unemployment compensation, not get it.



Pacific Power & Light company has completed installation of a new transformer bank and a new voltage regulator at the Dufur power facilities serving this area. Photo was taken while construction was underway.

New Transformer And Regulator Added Sunday

New Equipment Completed;
Lights Out From
Dufur to Heppner

Addition of the largest voltage regulator ever installed on the company's system, together with a new 7500 KVA transformer, has been completed at the Pacific Power & Light company transmission substation near Dufur as part of a \$220,000 construction program on power facilities serving this area, R. P. Brisbane, local manager for the company, announced Monday.

The new equipment which went into operation on the company's lines late Sunday afternoon, is one of a series of improvements in a general expansion program scheduled for this area five years ago, but delayed by shortages of materials and by government restrictions on construction.

In addition to being the largest of this type of equipment yet installed on the company system, the new regulator has the added advantage of 50 per cent more range factor, Brisbane said.

The new transformer bank, which more than triples the capacity of the transmission substation, includes three new transformers, each of which weighs more than 44,000 pounds. The voltage regulator weighs 21,700 pounds. A railroad tank car of transit oil was required to fill the insulating tanks of the three transformers.

Brisbane said work will start on a new 18-mile transmission line to provide increased line capacity for this area as soon as materials are delivered by manufacturers.

The equipment and materials for both the substation improvement and for the new transmission line were ordered more than a year ago.

Ex-Sherman County Ladies To Meet Monthly

The luncheon group of ex-Sherman county ladies met at "The House of Hicks" in Portland on February 6th and enjoyed an afternoon of visiting. Several ladies were there from Vancouver, Woodburn, Gresham, Hillsboro, Eugene, Reedsport and other points for the occasion.

It was decided, by vote, to hold the luncheon regularly on the second Wednesday of each month at the same place, which will be known as "The House of Kilroy" located on S.W. Taylor between 4th and 5th.

Mrs. Norma Medler Byrd of Hillsboro drew door prize, and high honors in bridge were won by Mrs. May Belash, consolation prize going to Mrs. Lottie Lee Cowles.

The hostesses were Mrs. Lawrence K. Moore and Esta M. Powell, who carried out the Valentine idea in a pleasing arrangement, accompanied by the ever welcome early pussy willow. Hostesses for the next meeting will be Mrs. C. S. Barbour, Mrs. Ralph S. Wittenburg, and Mrs. Gordon S. Brown. The date is March 12, 1947. All present residents as well as ex-residents are most welcome to attend.

Paint Ordered By County Fair Board

The fair board will meet Monday in one of its monthly meetings and will decide upon roofing the sales ring on the grounds. It was intended that this should be done at some time, but building costs seem high to the board and there may be delay in actually doing it.

The board has ordered 350 gallons of paint for use at the grounds and this will be applied as soon as weather conditions permit which means a brighter looking fair for 1947.

Thanks Given For Contributions

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all who worked, and especially the contributors that made our drive for funds such a success, a total of \$1,800.01 was donated.

A. A. Dunlap, chairman.

The people in the courthouse had quite an experience Tuesday of this week. A cat crawled into a hole under the floor and couldn't get out, resulting in a ripe smell all through the building.

more pay for state and county officials, more taxes for the taxpayer but perhaps nothing so sweeping as was the civil service and retirement bills of last session. These need overhauling—and may

Several Changes Made In Moro

Many changes of all kinds have been made in Moro recently. At the late Wood's garage there are three brothers, Hugh, Wade and Vern Arstall and Tom Monroe operating a general garage and repair shop with a service station expecting to open about March 1. At the other end of town R. S. and George Misener and a son-in-law have taken over Foss & Company and are operating a general garage and machine shop.

Ed Eaves is about ready to open his new confectionery as soon as he can get the rest of his equipment, and his wife is operating the Moro Beauty Shop both of which are useful.

Bucholtz Confectionery is being remodeled with black and white paint and lowering the ceiling about three feet. New magazine racks and pigeon holes for those who get their papers there, with several new booths added.

The Moro Variety and Remedy has changed hands this week. Arden Squire has sold to Bob Axtell who took over the store Tuesday.

CHURCHES

Moro Community Church
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Church Services 11:00 a. m.

Sunday, February 16, 1947—Sermon Theme: "The Candle Burning for God." Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Sunday school 10:00 a. m.

Wednesday, February 19th is the first day of Lent this year. The Moro Church will begin to have Lenten services every week on Wednesday night in the church at 7:30 p. m. Everyone in the community is invited and encouraged to come to these special Lenten mid-week services.

The Grass Valley Baptist Church
Sunday School 10 a. m., Morning service 11 a. m., Rev. George W. Kehoe, speaker; evening service 7:30 p. m., subject "The Manner of Salvation," by pastor; prayer meeting at the parsonage, Wed. 7:30 p. m. Choir practice at the church Thursday 7:45 p. m.

Wasco Methodist Church
10:00 Church School, classes for all ages; 11:00 Morning Worship Service topic: "Youth Confronts the Church"; 7:00 Youth Fellowship followed by period of recreation. Wednesday 2:00 Women's Society of Christian Service at the home of Mrs. Arthur Smith.
Grass Valley Methodist Church
3:00 Worship Service, Carl E. Stierle, pastor.

Christian Science Society
Subject of Christian Science lesson, "Soul."

Wasco Church of Christ
10 a. m. Church Bible school, W. D. Watkins, Supt. An opportunity to enjoy the great lessons from the Bible. 11 a. m. Divine morning Worship. The Communion message "When Thou Prayest." Monday evening 7:30 at the church parsonage each week, Bible study. A welcome to all who may want to know more of the wonderful book.
F. Claude Stephens, minister.

Plans For Beef Show Discussed By LeRoy Wright

LeRoy Wright talked before the Kiwanis club Thursday in The Dalles and told the members of plans for the beef show to be held there under sponsorship of the Eastern Oregon Wheat league in late May.

Wright, chairman of the beef department, had obtained information as to the number of beef calves that will be on hand when the show opens and the buildings space required. Total calves now expected is 120 which assures a big show.

No break-down by counties is available but Baker county is getting 12 ready. Grant will send around 25, Sherman 38 and Wasco two. Other counties expected to have good delegations of boys with calves are Gilliam, Wheeler, Morrow, Umatilla and Union.

Womans Club Hears Soap Opera

Radio was the theme of the program Friday at the Moro Womans Club with Naomi VanGilder as director. A paper and talk on quiz programs and how they originated was given by Mrs. Chas. Kenny. Mrs. Tom Fraser had charge of a radio interview followed by a style show of spring hats.

An open forum on radio followed. Better programs for children and fewer better programs for adults were endorsed by members.

A very amusing soap opera written and directed by Dorotha Moore was presented with Naomi VanGilder, Dorotha Moore, Althea Burnet and Florence Thompson taking part.

The next meeting, February 21, will be a silver tea for the benefit of the Scholarship Loan Fund, the Child Welfare department having charge of the program. Helen Sayrs will be director with Mrs. Orlo Martin, Mrs. Bernard Martin, Mrs. Ralph Eakin and Mrs. Jas. Kenny acting as hostesses.

SHANIKO NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. James Rees of Portland were week-end visitors at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rees.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Patjens, Jr. left Monday for their home in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolf Jensen left here last week-end to take a position at Madras. He has been working for the R.E.A.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto L. Missal from Bremerton, Wn., moved here to work for the R.E.A. They have a small son.

Shaniko was honored by a visit of the new Eastern Oregon Bishop of the Episcopal church, Bishop Lane W. Barton. He will make his headquarters at Bend and plans are being made to have church here at regular intervals.

Mrs. Peggy Elwood of Hermiston, Oregon is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hanks.

The mail truck has been having trouble getting to Shaniko resulting in late mail and rescue trips.

Moro News Notes

Two young men from Moro, both members of Moro high school before enlisting, took the oath of the U.S. army in Portland as announced by M-Sgt. John F. Rose of The Dalles army recruiting station.

Both young men joined the army for eighteen months unassigned, they are Tommy A. Foster, 18, and Herbert W. Lawrence, 18. Both were star basketball and football players at Moro high before enlisting in the regular army.

Mrs. Karl Landstrom and daughter, Maris Lou were here over the weekend visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Peetz. Mrs. E. E. Barnum accompanied them to Portland Sunday to visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Jones.

Rep. and Mrs. Giles L. French, Rep. and Mrs. Fred Hellberg and family, were in Moro over the weekend. The Hellbergs were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Foss.

Miss Gloria Douma was home from Mt. Angel College this week-end visiting with her parents, having completed the first semester work.

Mr. and Mrs. Collis Moore left Tuesday of this week for Portland and Salem expecting to return Saturday.

Bud Powell is now owner and manager of the Foley Hotel in La Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Benson and son Ronny, Bob Axtell and Lois Flatt went to The Dalles Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Krusow there.

Doris Jones returned to her home here after a week visiting with her sister's family in Tygh Valley, the Joe Hoodys.

John DeMoss returned home from Portland Tuesday returning Sunday to get his wife who stayed longer to visit with her son's family.

Mrs. Wayne Thompson and daughter Patricia from Freewater were in Moro visiting this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pinkerton went to Corvallis last week-end to visit with their son, Dean and daughter, Mrs. Victor Malen and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Grimes of Portland were here visiting last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. David Nish.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Amidon returned from their visit in Washington this week.