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LOU PEETZ

The near retirement of L. L. Peetz from public life is occasion for brief review of his activities on behalf of the county over a long period of years.

Mr Peetz came to Sherman county a long gawky boy who already gave promise of his eventual height of 6 foot 6 inches. The family, coming from Tacoma, Washington where Louis was born settled on land southwest of Moro where the family grew up, attending the Erskine school and early in life learning how to drive a freight team from The Dalles to the wool sheds of central Oregon.

But that was the usual thing in those days. It is of Mr Peetz' public work that this is written. He went to farming the home place late in the 90s. Within a short time he began working the road from his place to town, using horses and a drag in those days. He practically built that road.

When the county fair was moved from downtown to its present location on the hill he and Art Barnum brought teams and equipment to town and spent the better part of a winter grading the track.

He circulated the first petition for the Sherman highway in 1917. Then he became county commissioner in 1920 after a write-in election. Serving on the board he gave much of his time and use of his car to the road program, construction then being active. He resigned in 1931.

Of late years he has been county road foreman and is responsible for much of the road construction which went on during the depression and up to last fall when he suffered the loss of a leg because of an accident while working for the county.

Now he is serving as a sort of road boss emeritus (one retired with honor) who is called upon to advise then ew men who are going on with the work.

Probably no man in the county is so well acquainted with the road system of the county, nor has any one man contributed so much in time and effort to the excellent roads the county enjoys.

SILVER ARMOUR

The city was recently concerned over our wheat crop and it might be a bit of relief to share the worrying that is a constant May and June feature of growing grain in eastern Oregon.

Some information and some surmise leads to the opinion that the sad story originated from the crop insurance section where some sadistic satisfaction might be expected from crop failure. Perhaps the next six weeks will be such as to make the prophesy of a poor crop seem optimistic. Surely if no rain comes our way and if the east wind scorches us day by day there will be acres left uncut when harvest time comes.

All that is possible, just as it is possible that Oregon's timber would burn and Portland would be flooded, the cattle get the hoof and mouth disease. But it is so seldom that we really reach the very heights of agricultural perfection or plumb the depths of productive despair. Things always could be a little worse or a little better.

The farmers, themselves, refuse to worry. For five years, say they, we have been treated bountifully by nature and most generously by the market (or the government) and there's much fat on our economic ribs. We can't expect to reap top crops all our lives. If there's got to be a bad one, it better be now than any other time.

This ability to look nature in its awesome eye and scorn her with thumb to nose is a feeling wheat farmers have not experienced heretofore, and they do seem to be getting a bit of pleasure out of it. An armour built of silver dollars may have but temporary power against so potent as nature's. Often it failed to rain in answer to our prayers, perhaps it will not in response to our scorn.

Some experts say there will be a depression because there always has been one following wars and wartime inflation; other experts think that one will not be necessary. The latter group usually add that we need not have a depression if price levels don't get too high and employment keeps up etc., etc., none of which conditions are compatible with depressions, anyway. In other words there will be no depression if everyone acts like he thought there was going to be and saves his money accordingly.

In Other Days

From the Observer, May 18, 1928
A. H. Barnum and Roy Phillip left here Sunday for Denver by auto on a scouting trip for new breeding stock for their ranches.
Kenneth McKean had two bones in his left ankle broken while playing second base in a baseball game between Moro and Rufus.
Morris Searcy, sophomore in commerce, has been named assistant night editor of the Barometer, OSC newspaper.

From the G. V. J. May 17, 1918
The moving picture, "The Kaiser, the Beast of Berlin" is due at the local theater later this month.
When he receives the appointment as postmaster L. B. Pike will move it to the building recently occupied by Barnett's pool hall.
A large crew of men are now

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

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Maybe you read how a group of industrial experts have decided that the small town is the place for industry—not big cities. Reasons they give are better housing, pleasanter living, and more opportunity for wholesome recreation.

Well, looking around our town I'd say that was about right. Most of us own our homes, and keep them looking nice; we enjoy each other's company; and our recreations are mostly simple outdoor sports, and in the evening a mellow glass of beer with pleasant company.

As Doc Walters says, that sort of life just naturally sets you up for work the next day... whether it's in office, mill, or field. And Doc should know. He works fourteen hours, but never misses his morning "constitutional" or his evening glass of beer with friends.

From where I sit, any industry could profit from being in a town where wholesome living, temperance, and friendship are the rule.

Joe Marsh

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working on the new elevator, the pit 40 feet square is about completed and heavy timbers have been shipped.
From the Observer, May 15, 1908
Grass Valley, our sister city, was visited by a disastrous fire early Tuesday morning destroying \$50,000 of property with \$20,000 of insurance. Burned out were Porter Bros., A. J. Lemmon, P. N. Lemmon, J. H. Smith, H. W. Wilcox and M. B. Taylor.
A car load of flour broke away Saturday and whizzed out of Moro at 70 miles an hour by the

time it got to Dalles. The freight train was just below it, but the car left the tracks before it reached the train, being a complete wreck with little flour recovered.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELIZA J. DINGLE, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned, as Administrator of said estate, under and by virtue of an order in the above entitled Court, made on the 7th day of May, 1947, in the matter of the Estate of Eliza J. Dingle, deceased, will sell at private sale, in one or several parcels, to the highest bidder, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned, and subject to the confirmation of the above entitled Court, on and after 10:00 A. M. on the 10th day of June, 1947, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, Attorney at law, in Wasco, Oregon, the following described real property situated in the County of Sherman, State of Oregon, to-wit:

- (1) Beginning at the Northwest corner of Block 5 of Biggs 2nd Addition to the town, now city, of Wasco, Sherman County, Oregon, running thence East 135 feet to a point on the North line of said Block 5; thence South 115 feet; thence West 135 feet to a point on the West line of said Block 5, thence North to place of beginning.
 - (2) Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-one and the South west Quarter of Section Twenty-two in Township One North, Range Seventeen East of the Willamette Meridian.
- The terms of said sale will be: Cash, lawful money of the United States, ten per cent (10%) of the purchase money to be paid at time of sale, balance on confirmation of sale by the Court. All bids or offers must be in writing, and may be left at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney for said administrator, at Wasco, Oregon, or may be delivered to said administrator personally at Klondike, Sherman County, Oregon, at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of the sale.

Dated this 4th day of May, 1947.
George A. Potter
Administrator, with the will annexed, of the Estate of Eliza J. Dingle, deceased.

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

Claud P. Bayer Plaintiff
VS.
Beth T. Bayer Defendant
To Beth T. Bayer, defendant above named.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit for divorce on or before the 16th day of May 1947 being the last day of publication hereof, and if you fail to so appear and answer, the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in his complaint filed herein: to-wit:
For a decree dissolving the marriage contract, that now exists between you and the Plaintiff herein, and granting him a divorce from you forever. And fur-

ther to bar you from any interest in his property, or other charges against him.

This Summons is served upon you by publication thereof once a week for four successive weeks in the Sherman County Journal, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, by order made and entered

herein by the Hon. D. N. Mackay, Judge of the above entitled Court, dated April 11th 1947.

The date of the first publication being April 18th 1947, and last publication being May 16th 1947.

Roy J. Baker
Attorney for Plaintiff
Residing at Grass Valley, or The Dalles, Oregon.

**Water
Well Drilling**

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for further information call at Sherman County Journal

NOTICE OF NON-HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in compliance with section 111-1244, O.C.L.A., to the legal voters of the Non-High School District of Sherman County, Oregon, that a meeting will be held at the Courthouse in Moro, Oregon, on the 7th day of June, 1947, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of discussing the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1947, and ending June 30, 1948, hereinafter set forth.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS		ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
1. Estimated available cash on hand at beginning of year for which this budget is made	\$ 566.94		
2. Estimated receipts from delinquent taxes	1932.20		
3. Amounts received from other sources	\$ 2499.14		
TOTAL	\$ 2499.14		

ITEM	Expenditures 1943-44	Expenditures 1944-45	Expenditures 1945-46	Exp. budget allowance 6 mo. current sch. yr. Exp.	Bud't allow'ce	Est. Exp. for 1947-48
1. Tuition	\$9,128.21	\$11,713.28	\$10,123.66		\$3,850.00	10,000.00
2. Transportation	1,706.90	1,823.80	1,573.70		1,400.00	3,000.00
3. Personal Service (Clerical—Legal)			42.50			
4. Postage, Telegraph, Tel. 6.00			6.00		3.00	6.00
5. Supplies and Printing			22.50		10.50	20.00
6. Election and Publicity	10.20	15.75	20.85		11.25	22.50
7. Other misc. exp.	22.50					1,000.00
8. Emergency						
TOTALS	\$10,773.81	\$13,581.33	\$11,766.71	None	\$5,274.75	\$14,063.50

SUMMARY EST. EXP., RECEIPTS, AVAILABLE CASH BALANCES, AND TAX LEVY	
1. Total estimated expenditures	\$ 14,063.50
2. Deduct total estimated receipts and available cash balances	2,499.14
3. Amount necessary to balance the budget	11,564.36
4. Balance to be raised by taxation	11,564.36
Analysis of Estimated Tax Levies: Amount inside 6% limitation	11,564.36

INDEBTEDNESS
1. Amount of warrant indebtedness on warrants issued and endorsed "not paid for want of funds" None
2. Amt. of other indebtedness None
3. Total indebtedness None

Dated May 5, 1947
Signed: Wily W. Knighten, Clerk
Kenneth Fridley, Chr. Board of directors

Approved by Budget Committee May 5, 1947
Signed: Paulen W. Kaseberg Sec. Budget Com.
Harold D. Eakin, Chr., Budget Committee

Non-operating railroad unions are demanding still another raise of

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The non-operating unions alone—whose members do not actually operate trains—are demanding a flat increase of 20 cents an hour. These demands would cost the railroads of the country five hundred sixty-eight million dollars a year!

Last year these employees had an increase of 18½ cents an hour. This was their third major wage increase since 1939. Their average weekly pay has gone up 75%, as against a cost-of-living rise of 54%.

Since 1939, railroad wage and material costs have gone up more than three times as much as freight rates, and five times as much as passenger fares. That is why in

1946, with the largest peacetime traffic in history, the net income of railroads went down to the equivalent of only 2¼% of the net property investment.

What About 1947?

Even with the recent freight rate increase, preliminary figures indicate that the railroads will make only about the same low return in 1947 as in 1946. This will be because:—the wage increase made in 1946 will be in effect for all of 1947;

—special payroll taxes on railroads have recently been increased; —and passenger traffic has declined.

Where Would the Money Come From?

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