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WATER

There is certainly something peculiar about Moro's water situation. The Conlee well that has been furnishing all the water modern pumping equipment could get out of it has refused to respond to more than 12 hours pumping daily. Learning that this was really the reason cost the city a couple of pump repairs. It seemed unbelievable.

It may be laid to the fair ground well. When that hole was drilled some years ago the water level dropped in the city well about 70 feet. When the present pump was installed the water level was 27 feet. That was always enough until the fair board put in a new pump that took some 40 gallons per minute from its well. The city water level dropped to 19 feet and constant pumping has since been impossible.

That means that until the well now being drilled comes in with a sufficient suppy (knock, knock) there will be a short supply of water in Moro. Water users will either be careful or be dry. Lawns will get their water from the font of Mother Nature. It's late enough that none will be damaged anyway.

That seems to be the whole story. Unless some one comes forth to suggest a way to get blood out of a turnip and water out of dry hole there isn't going to be enough water to use as we like. Cool weather may make it possible to fill the cistern again so the city can let the water flow unrestricted, but it will be some time before that can occur.

SALES TAX

The taxpayers have to pay for government. Fees, gambling money and other minor items make up but a small part of governmental income.

The taxpayers should be given the right to decide how much government they want and how much they are willing to pay for In Oregon they have that right It has not worked very well because voters are inclined to vote for more government than they are willing to vote taxes with which to pay the bills

Usually the more kinds of taxes levied the more tax income can be obtained from the people. In Oregon the main sources of income are the property tax (which supports cities, counties and a large portion of school districts) and the income tax (which supports the state and part of the schools.)

Effort to broaden this tax base has resulted in sales tax elections that have always been futile. There has been no election on other proposals for a broader tax base. There is a tax that would be much more equitable than a sales tax. It is the business tax.

Our economy is growing away from buying and selling of "tangible personal property" on which the sales tax is based, and growing toward dealing in intangible things, services, etc. The income made by members of the professions bears only the income tax, while the farmers pay both property and income tax. Lawyers, doctors, dentists, tax experts, real estate men pay a much smaller portion of state costs than their income merits.

The sales tax by keeping the basis of taxation on tangible personal property, holds to an old method of taxation—that of property. No one can controvert the fact that it bears most heavily on those least able to pay.

Taxpayers are being urged to buy more government by voting more taxes The intent of the sales tax is to raise more money. Some relief to income and property taxpayers would result. That is true But in the end the desire is for more money for government to spend.

If the sales tax fails income taxes will be higher. Property taxes will not be higher unless the voters vote taxes over the six percent limitation, or budget committees boost levies.

We have tended toward more government and more taxes for many years. As long as people permit governments to expand there will be no limit to the costs. It is time to curtail.

Here it is nearly October and there have been few cool days and still no frost.

HELPING EUROPE

Whether the United States is to agree to the Marshall plan or not is now being decided. A special session of congress may be called to make the decision official, but the question is now being resolved in the minds of the people who should influence congress.

Few American citizens have enough information on which to base their opinion.One must wonder whether the leaders are better informed.

The plan is to advance some 20 to 30 billion dollars to help Europe help herself. Dire prophesies of what may happen to us are being made. It is said that Europe will fall apart and turn toward communism, that economic ruin abroad will destroy our economy, that there will be wars again over the land unless we help feed Europeans.

From this viewpoint it looks as if Europe is going communistic about as fast as it can anyway with half of it already under the dominion of the soviets and witn Italy and France tending that way. England is not a free enterprise nation anymore either.

We have had a post-war boom with Europe in chaos, but we have been putting up the money for our own boom. Under the Marshall plan we would continue that policy. If we do help and Europe goes "bust" anyway we will be some 30 billions farther in the red, which isn't so much considering our present debt.

We helped Europe after the last war and that didn't prevent the recent one. Maybe it will this time, but there is no assurance.

Recently there came a flicker through the darkness caused by an American official who doubted whether our aid to Europe was advisable. He left that Eurpeans were not inclined to help themselves as long as American wheat and American coal came in on every ship, (our ships).

No one is wise enough to say what policy would best rehabilitate the world and bring peace to all nations. If the Marshall plan helps make mendicants out of western Europeans it will be wrong. Should it bring recover it will be right.

It seems doubtful if capitalism will be able to stop communism. Too few peple have the heritage of freedom to hold it dear. Even in this country many prefer security, even that pale security promised by a government, to freedom and the right to try to advance by themselves.

Economically this county will benefit by the Marshall plan for our product is one that will be in great demand. If a drop comes the greater indebtedness incurred will deepen the depression. We do very badly in depressions having but one resource.

So far there has been no discussion of the sales tax election other than casual comment and no one seems excited about it anywhere. That probably means a small vote and small chance of passage.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Sept. 25, 1908

Col C. A. Buckley has returned from his 30 day trip in the east and is more optimistic than before his departure of the future of Oregon and its products.

Thomas Callaghan has sold his last quarter section of Sherman county farm land. Thomas Searcy bought it, consideration, $5,000.

Rev A. J. Adams officiated at the marriage in this city on the 21st of Wilbur C. Helyer and Miss T Brooks Wilson, both of Kent.

Fred Landers has established a boot and shoe repair shop in the Meach building on Main street and will also clean and press clothing.

From the G. V. J. Sept. 20, 1918

There were 598 men registered in Sherman county September 12 for the selective service.

A. J. Bibby brought 13 porkers to town Monday and exchanged them to butcher Ziegler for $567.80.

A marriage license was issued in The Dalles Tuesday to Joe Dunlap and Vannessa Rolfe, both of Grass Valley.

Will Walpole and wife came from Irrigon and will stay with Mrs Walpole's father, J. H. Smith.

From the Observer, Sept. 21, 1928

Miss Mildred Ginn left Moro Thursday for Los Angeles, Calif., where she will continue her studies at Bible school.

R. W. Pinkerton and wife, Jas. Woods and wife and Anson Woods drove to White Salmon last Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs Harriet Comstock. Deceased was a former resident of Sherman county living near Kent and was within one month of being 94 years old at the time of her death.

Orville Barnum breezed into Moro last Sunday as pilot of an airplane bound for the Gilliam county fair at Condon.

LEGION-AUXILIARY PLAN JOINT INSTALLATION

Joint installation of new Legion and Auxiliary officers will be made at a meeting to be held at the Legion hall the night of October 22, according to a decision made at the regular meeting of Chris Schultz post Wednesday night. The Auxiliary met at the home of the president, Mrs Mollie McLachlan.

Interest in formation of a fire department for Moro was expressed at the meeting and a committee will meet with the city council to obtain more informaion. A dance committee composed of Lloyd Noonan, Jack Lawrence and Andy Paulson will work with Commander Bob Axtell to give dances during the winter.

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

HUGH A WALKER and JEAN CURTIS, Plaintiffs,

vs

GEORGE A. POTTER, as Administrator c.t.a. of the Estate of of Eliza J. Dingle, deceased; LESTER BARNUM, as Trustee of the Estate of John D. McDermid, deceased; DOUGALD McDERMID; MARGARET VAN PELT; JANET WYMAN; WILENA HOUSTON; ANNIE LANCASTER; FLORA GRIEG; JANET BROWN; ARCHIE McDERMID; ALEXANDER McDERMID; JANET McNICHOL; NEIL McNICHOL; JOHN McDERMID; GRACE McDERMID; MALCOLM McDERMID; DONALD McDERMID; MARGARET BLAU; THE UNKNOWN DEVISSEES UNDER THE WILL OF MARGARET BELL DECEASED: JOHN A. BELL; LYDIA SMALL; JEAN SMALL; NEWTON SMALL; THE UNKNOWN DEVISEES UNDER THE WILL OF ANNIE McDERMID SMALL, DECEASED; MARGARET KULOW; ERNEST MAYHEW; McDERMID MAYHEW; THELMA LYNDEN; KATHLEEN MAYHEW; MRS ELI WHEELER; MRS MARY McDERMID; MARGARET McLAUGHLIN; LULU JOHNSTON; MAUD McCARL; JENNIE CURRIE; WILLIAM NEIL McDERMID; MARY MARGARET McDERMID; MRS AMELIA McDERMID; JOHN McCARL; DOUGALD McCARL; MALCOLM McCARL; CHARLES McCARL; WILLIAM McCARL; ANNIE McCARL; HARRY McCARL; MARY McCARL; and also all PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, INTEREST OR DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE IN OR TO THE TRUST ESTATE UNDER THE WILL OF JOHN D. McDERMID, DECEASED, Defendants,

NO.———— SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION.

TO DOUGALD McDERMID, MARGARET VAN PELT, JANET WYMAN, WILENA HOUSTON, ANNIE LANCASTER, FLORA GRIEG, JANET BROWN, ARCHIE McDERMID, ALEXANDER McDERMID, JANET McNICHOL, NEIL McNICHOL, THE UNKNOWN DEVISEES UNDER THE WILL OF MARGARET BELL, DECEASED: JOHN A. BELL, LYDIA SMALL, JEAN SMALL, NEWTON SMALL; THE UNKNOWN DEVISEES UNDER THE WILL OF ANNIE McDERMID SMALL, DECEASED; MARGARET KULOW, ERNEST MAYHEW, McDERMID, MAYHEW, THELMA LYNDEN, KATHLEEN MALHEW, MRS ELI WHEELER, MRS MARY McDERMID, MARGARET McLAUGHLIN, LULU JOHNSTON, MAUD McCARL, JENNIE CURRIE, WILLIAM NEIL McDERMID, MARY MARGARET McDERMID, MRS AMELIA McDERMID, JOHN McCARL, DOUGALD McCARL, MALCOLM McCARL, CHARLES McCARL, WILLIAM McCARL, ANNIE McCARL, HARRY McCARL, MARY McCARL; and also ALL PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, INTEREST OR DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE IN OR TO THE TRUST ESTATE UNDER THE WILL OF JOHN D. McDERMID, DECEASED, DEFENDANTS:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the Amened Complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the expiration of four (4) weeks from the date of the first publication of this Summons, which time prescribed in the order for publication hereof, was fixed as the 12th day of September 1947:

AND if you fail so to appear and answer, plaintiffs for want thereof will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in plaintiff's Amended Complaint herein, to wit:

For a decree of the above entitled Court construing the last will and testament of JOHN D. McDERMID, deceased, and adjudging what legatees are entitled to distribution of the trust fund derived from the sale of the real property devised in trust by the said will of JOHN D. McDERMID, deceased, and adjudging the amount of the distributive share to which each legatee is entitled;

For a decree adjudging that the one-eighth (⅛) of the residue of said trust fund bequeathed by the will of JOHN D. McDERMID to his brother, ARCHIBALD McDERMID, became a part of and is merged with the five-eighths (⅝) of the residue of said trust fund which is by said will bequeathed to the surviving children of the testator's deceased brother, MALCOLM McDERMID, (except for his son Robert), to the surviving children of the testator's deceased brother, DONALD McDERMID (except his sons Donald and John), to the surviving grandchildren of the testator's deceased sister, JANET McDERMID, to the surviving children of the testator's deceased sister CHRISTINA WALKER, and to the surviving children of the testator's deceased sister, MARGARET McDERMID;

For a further decree adjudging that said residuary five-eights (⅝) (including said lapsed one-eighth (⅛) of ARCHIBALD McDERMID) is distributive only among those children and grand children of the last named deceased brothers and sisters of the testator as were living at the death of ELIZA J. DINGLE, widow of the testator;

And for a further decree adjudging that HUGH A. WALKER and JEAN CURTIS, plaintiffs herein, are each entitled to three thirty seconds (3-32) of the entire residuary trust estate remaining after the payment of the specific legacies payable therefrom and after the payment of the costs of administration of said trust and the costs of this suit charged against said trust fund by the decree herein.

And for a further decree allowing and awarding to the plaintiffs herein their costs and disbursements in this suit together with reasonable attorneys' fees to be paid from said trust fund before distribution thereof;

And for a decree directing the defendant, LESTER BARNUM, trustee of said trust fund, to pay therefrom the said expenses, costs and attorneys' fees and to distribute the remainder of said trust fund to the persons and in the proportions adjudged entitled thereto by the Court; and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem meet and equitable in the premises.

This summons is published pursuant to order of the Honorable D. N. Mackay, Judge of the above entitled Court, made and entered on the 11th day of September, 1947, directing publication of this summons for four (4) weeks in the SHERMAN COUNTY JOURNAL, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Sherman County, Oregon, the first publication hereof to be made on the 12th day of September, 1947.

Pursuant to Section 9-111 O. C. L. A., as amended by Ch. 233 Or. L. 1947, a copy of this Summons, together with a copy of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint herein, both certified by plaintiffs' attorneys, is being mailed to defendant McDermid Mayhew, the defendant designated by plaintiff's attorneys, and a copy of this Summons only, certified by Plaintiffs' attorneys, is being mailed to each and every other defendant above named.

PLATT, HENDERSON, WARNER, CRAM & DICKINSON,
Attorneys for Plaintiffs.
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Portland 4, Oregon.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of Blanche Lovelace Savage, deceased, are hereby notified to present them with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Blanche Lovelace Savage, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, Attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: September 5, 1947.

Fred Cole
Administrator

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Administrator
Wasco, Oregon.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of Henry I. Savage, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting administrator of the Estate of Henry I. Savage, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, Attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, within six month from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: September 5, 1947.

Fred Cole
Administrator

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Administrator
Wasco, Oregon.

THE WINNAH . . . At the annual junior boxing championships held at the Naval academy, Annapolis, this winner, 4½-year-old Carey Dickinson, receives not only one award but a double decker from Nancy and Jane Penington. Many naval sons take part.

SHANIKO

Alex Mathieson and Dewey Lofton were visitors at Antelope Sunday afternoon.

James and Peter Robertson and Duncan McLennon were at Willowdale Sunday.

William Richardson returned from Yakima over the weekend after visiting Mrs Richardson who is in a hospital at Yakima. They have a new son named Ernest.

William Wilson has gone to Portland to spend a few days visiting friends. Frank Mahoney is staying at Mr Wilson's ranch during his absence.

Rev. Howard Schilling and family and members from the Baptist church were invited to the home of Mrs Maude Garrett in Shaniko Sunday for a pot luck dinner and services afterward.

Henry Spalenger has been visiting his mother, Mrs Julia Spalenger in Portland over the week end returning Monday.

Mr and Mrs Jesse Fine of California arrived Tuesday morning to visit his mother, Mrs Amanda Fine.

Almon McKinley received word Tuesday morning of the marriage of his grand daughter, Gloria McKinley to E. J. Brown of North Hollywood, California. Mrs Brown is the daughter of the late William McKinley formerly of Shaniko and Mrs Leona McKinley of Portland.

Mrs Rosa Harris went to Goldendale with Mr and Mrs Amos Fine on their way to visit Mrs Arlie Fine, Mrs Harris' daughter, who is ill.

Regardless of the funeral's cost the family is provided with every benefit of our modern equipment and experienced personal attendance.
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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

We All Need Fun!

Nobody in Our Town is exactly lazy (even though Pete Swanson's missus claims he sleeps till seven A.M.). But the hardest working man of all is Doc Hollister—on call, morning, noon and night.

Funny thing, Doc's favorite prescription to his patients is: You ought to have fun. The pace of modern living, even on the farm, demands some relaxation.

And as Doc says—fun is a personal thing. For the missus it may mean a movie or a good book; for Dad, a mellow and refreshing glass of beer; and for the kids, parcheesi or the radio. Doesn't mean everybody has to like the same thing—so long as they relax, have fun, together, in the home.

Doc doesn't have much time himself. After a hard day, he'll relax before the fire with a glass of beer—and wait for the phone to ring again. And from where I sit, Doc deserves each well-earned minute of that relaxation.

Joe Marsh

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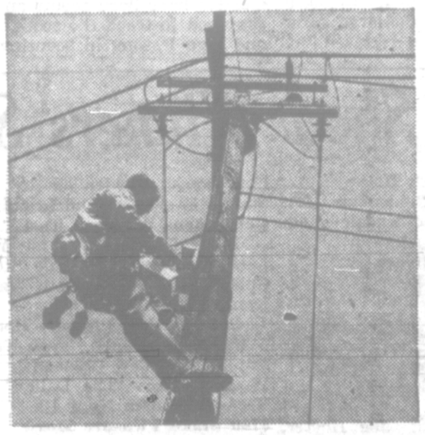
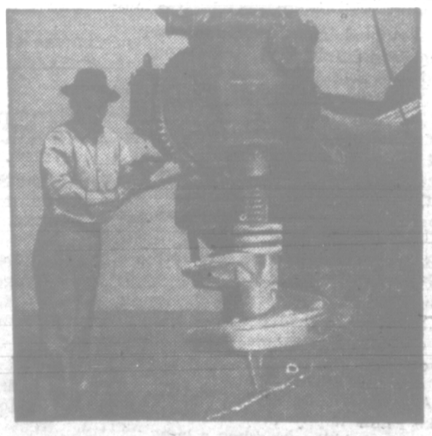
New ways the telephone can reach remote areas

Radio telephone allows your voice to "ride the beam" into Death Valley, across the channel to Catalina Island . . . to Mount Hood . . . between Marysville and Redding. With transmitters like this one we can span sea or desert by radio and your voice sounds exactly as though it were coming over a telephone wire.



Power-line carrier is another new device which makes telephone communications possible in remote, sparsely settled districts. Your voice "hitch-hikes" along existing power lines on radio waves that are tuned to follow the wires. Several power-line systems are now used on the Pacific Coast . . . and they're as safe and effective to use as any.



These developments are dramatic . . . but most of our expansion program must be pushed with "everyday" things like this post-hole digger . . . wires and cables and switchboards. Our construction program of $200,000,000 this year brings us closer to our goal: the finest telephone service for the West.

New Working Dollars . . . Millions of new dollars needed to build buildings and buy new equipment to meet the public demand for more telephones and more service do not come from telephone bills. New dollars come from people who are willing to put their savings into the business. We must earn enough to attract these new working dollars.

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More than 60,000 people working together to furnish ever-better telephone service to the West