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In Other Days

From the Observer April 16, 1909
 Henry Hennigan, one of the
 victims of small-pox at Beaver-
 ton was broken out at last ad-
 vices, but is getting along nicely.
 Mrs. McCullum is having some
 very desirable improvements
 made to her handsome home on
 McCoy avenue. O. W. Ramsey is
 the master mechanic.
 One of the choicest souvenirs
 of Easter Sunday at our hand is
 from little Margaret DeMoss,
 a photo postal of herself and 140
 fluffy we chicks running about
 the brooder where Margaret is
 giving them a sun bath.

From the G. V. J. April 11, 1919
 N. E. Morris has been appoint-
 ed City Recorder to fill the va-
 cancy caused by the resignation
 of John G. Odell, who has moved
 to The Dalles.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Buker on
 Tuesday received a letter from
 son, Paul, saying he had arrived
 in New York and expected to
 be home in a few weeks.
 George Allsup who has been
 overseas for about a year, re-
 turned to Grass Valley Monday.
 Ronald Messinger and Miss
 Loveland were married in Moro
 Saturday, April 5, the Rev. De-
 Long officiating.

From the Observer, Apr. 12, 1929
 A miscellaneous shower will
 be given Miss Ida May Johnston
 at the L. E. Kaseberg home west
 of Wasco this Saturday, hono-
 ring the engagement of Miss
 Johnston and her approaching
 marriage.
 Mrs. Fleck and Carl Peetz Jr.
 were visiting last weekend at
 the home of Mrs. Fleck's son
 near Klondike.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Adams en-
 tertained Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hick-
 son's leaving next day for their
 new home in Portland.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT
 Notice is hereby given that the
 undersigned has filed in the
 County Court of the State of
 Oregon for Sherman County his
 Final Account and Report as
 Administrator of the Estate of
 Blanche Lovelace Savage, deceas-
 ed, and that Wednesday, the 12th
 day of May, 1948, at 10:00 o'clock
 A. M., of said day, at the court-
 room in the courthouse in Moro,
 Sherman County, Oregon have been
 fixed by the Court as the time and
 place for hearing of objections
 to said Final Account and Report
 and for the settlement of said
 estate.

Fred Cole
 Administrator

T. Lester Johnson
 Attorney for Administrator

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELEC-
 TION IN THE RURAL SCHOOL
 DISTRICT OF SHERMAN COUNTY,
 OREGON UPON QUES-
 TION OF INCREASING TAX
 LEVY OVER AMOUNT LIMITED
 BY SECTION II, ARTICLE
 XI, STATE CONSTITUTION**
 Notice is hereby given that an
 election will be held Monday,
 April 19, 1948, by the Rural
 School District of Sherman
 County, State of Oregon, in all
 component school districts of
 said Rural School District.
 The election will begin at 2
 p. m. and will be held in the
 school house in each of said
 component districts. The purpose
 of the election is to submit to
 the legal voters of the rural
 school district the question of in-
 creasing the tax levy for the fis-
 cal year beginning July 1, 1948,
 over the amount limited by Sec-
 tion 11, ARTICLE XI of the Con-
 stitution.

The reasons for increasing
 such levy are: The Rural School
 District laws state that the base
 shall be determined by adding
 all existing bases of school dis-
 tricts. This amount is too low to
 meet the need for operating the
 schools.
 The amount of tax, in excess
 of the six per cent limitation
 proposed to be levied by the ru-
 ral school district of Sherman
 County, Oregon, for the fiscal
 year beginning July 1, 1948, is
 \$93,619.95.

Dated this 27th day of March,
 1948.

Wily W. Knikrten
 Secretary, Rural School Board
 W. A. Nisbet
 Chairman, Rural School Board

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 Notice is hereby given that the
 undersigned, Donald O. Mc-
 Dermid and Malcolm John Mc-
 Dermid, have been duly ap-
 pointed administrators of the
 estate of Grace Mc-
 Dermid, deceased. All persons
 having claims against the said estate
 are hereby notified to present the
 same, duly verified, with proper
 vouchers, to the said adminis-
 trators at their home on the Mc-
 Dermid Ranch in Sherman Coun-
 ty, Oregon, within six (6) months
 from the date of the first publi-

cation of this notice, to-wit:
 March 28, 1948.
 Donald O. McDermid and
 Malcolm John McDermid
 Administrators

Brown & Van Vactor
 Attorneys 21-4c

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT
 Notice is hereby given that the
 undersigned has filed in the
 County Court of the State of
 Oregon for Sherman County, her
 Final Account and Report as Ad-
 ministratrix of the Estate of
 Wesley J. Wilde, deceased, and
 that Wednesday, the 12th day of
 May, 1948, at 10:00 o'clock A. M.,
 of said day, at the courtroom in
 the courthouse in Moro, Sherman
 County, Oregon have been fixed
 by the Court as the time and
 place for hearing of objections
 to said Final Account and Report
 and for the settlement of said
 estate.

Wilma Wilde
 Administratrix

T. Lester Johnson
 Attorney for Administratrix

**People's
 Column**

To the Editor:
 Which side of the fence am I
 on? Why, I am on the side of
 good education. Without excep-
 tion this could be the answer to
 the topic under discussion by
 every citizen of Sherman county.
 The only question would be—
 what do you consider good edu-
 cation?

This point can be difficult to
 answer. Not all laymen can agree
 on those things which are neces-
 sary to cause education to be con-
 sidered adequate. Fortunately,
 however, educators are practical-
 ly unanimous in their philosophy
 of education. That education
 should fit the NEEDS of the
 children. It is also quite evident
 that a large segment of the popu-
 lation of this county is highly dis-
 satisfied with the type of educa-
 tion being offered to our children.
 Whom shall I believe when an
 evaluation of our present school
 system is being made? This ques-
 tion might be answered by an-
 other question. With whom
 would you confer if you were
 building a bridge across a
 stream. The answer is obvious.
 A trained engineer. The more
 costly the undertaking the more
 cautious and discreet would be
 your inquiry. For evaluating the
 worth of an educational institu-
 tion I would likewise consult an
 educational engineer.

Some of the top educators of
 the State of Oregon are conversant
 with the school situation in our
 county. Almost without excep-
 tion they say that we are
 getting less for every dollar spent
 than practically any county in
 the state. And not because of the
 lack of effort of administrators
 and teachers or taxpayers.

The High School Supervisor's
 Report of the State Department
 of Education in February of 1947
 listed two of the three high
 schools of the county as sub-
 standard. The Supervisor, D. D.
 Emerson, reported "In taking all
 of the factors mentioned in this
 report into consideration it

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seems evident that the only satis-
 factory solution to these prob-
 lems would be found in the con-
 struction of an entirely new
 school building. Since there are
 less than one hundred high
 school students in the county at
 present, and the entire area ser-
 ved by the high school is not
 too extensive to permit transpor-
 tation to one center in the coun-
 ty, it is recommended that steps
 be taken to locate a new high
 school plant centrally located in
 Sherman county. Unless steps
 are taken to pool the resources
 of the entire county, the present
 inefficiencies that are evident in
 each of the three small schools
 now maintained will continue in-
 definitely.

Again in February of 1948 the
 High School Supervisor's Report
 emphasized similar objections.
 Although the report was made
 by a different person the same
 recommendation was forthcom-
 ing.

In general these reports con-
 form to the accepted educational
 philosophy that education should
 fit the needs of the children of
 the county. That the education
 given does not fit this philosophy
 is an accepted conclusion by a
 vast majority of the people.

How best to meet this deficien-
 cy is the bone of contention.
 The proponents of the County
 Unit system of school adminis-
 tration are firm in the belief that
 this system can best administer
 the needs of the school children
 of this county. The basic tenets

of which are that no discrimina-
 tion thru educational opportuni-
 ties shall exist within the area
 of its administration. That is, no
 child shall be deprived of any
 curriculum offering granted else-
 where in that area. The basic
 philosophy of the law setting up
 the State Administered Basic
 School Support fund is that of
 "standard education" or education
 that meets the needs of the child
 in modern society. Should we
 continue to accept these demands
 without meeting the demands
 of the child in our schools then
 we are violating a trust thru our
 complacency in refusing to mod-
 ernize our curriculum and our
 facilities. Here again we must
 accept the advice of our top edu-
 cational engineers as to what is
 necessary to meet the needs of
 our children.

It is possible under the County
 Unit system to maintain two
 high schools in the county if
 that is the desire of the people.
 However, some facts about such
 a solution are necessary. No
 building in the county is fitted
 to meet the needs of modern ed-
 ucation. Should two high schools
 be established as a permanent
 solution a program of remodeling
 is at once apparent. No building
 in the county is equipped for la-
 boratory classes in science. None
 have adequate facilities for
 physical education, either show-
 ers, drying rooms, locker rooms
 or gymnasium facilities. None
 have adequate space for courses
 in industrial arts. No space for

tool rooms, paint drying rooms
 and standard equipment for such
 courses. None have facilities for
 laboratory courses in home mak-
 ing and in conjunction with this
 the school cafeteria which is a
 vital necessity.

The argument that the County
 Unit is too costly is preposterous.
 How could it possibly cost more
 to operate one school than three.
 A statement was recently made
 by an opponent of the County
 Unit system that a saving of
 \$30,000 could be made by the
 consolidation of Rufus and Was-
 co. If this argument is true if
 accomplished singly it would also
 be true if accomplished under the
 unit system. Moreover a greater
 saving can be made by further
 consolidation. It further becomes
 evident that any building pro-
 gram can be financed almost en-
 tirely from savings on the pre-
 sent budget. However, it is quite
 difficult to obtain such an ad-
 mission from the opponents of
 the plan. It certainly would be
 a far cry from difficult to oper-
 ate one high school and five
 grade schools on \$245,000 which
 is the proposed budget for the
 school year 1948-49.

Furthermore an examination
 of the costs of education in
 County Unit areas having a popu-
 lation density similar to Sher-
 man County does not bear out
 this statement. Neither do the fig-
 ures of Gilliam county which op-
 erates under the County High
 School System validate this argu-
 ment. Conceivably the only
 system which could possibly in-
 crease costs would be the re-
 establishment of high schools at
 Grass Valley and Kent.

A repetition of the statement
 that high school students would
 have to leave home at 6:30 to
 make it to school has gained cre-
 dence. In no instance do students
 leave home before 7:45 to meet
 the school bus to arrive at Moro.
 Two students from my locality
 attend Moro High School. They
 leave on the regularly scheduled
 bus at 8:05 a. m. This route is
 the farthest point northeast
 in the county.

Let us settle on something de-
 finite, reach a point of agreement
 if you will. Bickering and emo-
 tional outburst accompany a pro-
 posal of this nature and is not
 conducive to harmony and co-
 operation. Postponement of a
 decision will prolong indefinitely
 the deficiencies of education in
 Sherman county.
 Act now by voting for the
 County Unit System of School
 Administration.
 Kenneth Fridley

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 Now It's Neckties
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Fellow in Andy Botkin's Tavern
 was boasting about a trick necktie
 he was wearing made out of a by-
 product of milk. "Took 33 pounds
 of milk to make this tie," he says.
 Bill Webster was unimpressed.
 "Personally," he says, "I'd rather
 have the milk to drink. Just as I
 wouldn't change one glass of good
 American beer for a necktie made
 from thirty barrels of it!"
 Yes, modern science being what
 it is—seems like you can make
 "anything out of anything" these
 days. But in the case of milk, well

I guess drinking it is still a whole
 lot better than just wearing it.

Of course there are lots of other
 ways of abusing goods and bev-
 erages—like a fellow who doesn't
 appreciate good beer enough to
 drink it slowly and in moderation.

But from where I sit, most peo-
 ple who enjoy a wholesome bev-
 erage like beer or ale are moderate
 —because beer itself is a beverage
 of moderation.

Joe Marsh

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