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**NEW SHUFFLE**  
An attempt will be made again  
by local representatives to re-  
arrange the distribution of funds  
paid by the state to the counties  
from the highway commission  
funds.

Present basis for distribution is  
on number of cars.  
The federal government divides  
its funds according to a formula  
that considers population, miles of  
post-roads and area. A bill is get-  
ting ready for introduction that  
will divide Oregon's similar  
money on the basis of number of  
cars, area, and miles of roads (all  
roads). The report of the interim  
committee has a recommendation  
along similar lines.

Number of cars is not a very  
fair way of dividing the money. A  
stockman may have no more cars  
than a city dweller but he will  
drive it a lot farther in taking  
care of his business. Just going to  
work may take fifty miles. Rural  
roads are used to haul the food  
that feeds the world and have a  
value greater than those arteries  
that merely carry persons to and  
fro.

Some eastern Oregon counties  
have very few roads and do not,  
in fact, need many for the land  
is not cultivated but the roads  
are needed and badly needed. The  
miles of road would not be so  
great in them as in farm areas.  
The miles of road factor will not  
change the present distribution  
as much as will the area factor,  
for where there are many people,  
of cars, there are also roads.  
In 1941 a similar attempt was  
made to have this redistributed  
but the vote of the valley counties  
was too strong at the time. With  
the report of the committee advo-  
cating such a change it may be

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REAL ESTATE  
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different this year. The commit-  
tee has an engineering back-  
ground.

**POWER, FISH FIGHT**  
The announcement that fishing  
interests are going to oppose the  
proposed new dam on the Deschutes  
river near Madras may be those  
start of as good a fight as those  
two opponents have ever engaged  
in.

Fishing men, commercial, that  
is, feel that dams on the Columbia  
and tributaries will kill their in-  
dustry. They are probably cor-  
ret, too, but so far have not been  
able to stop U. S. Engineers. What  
luck they will have with a private  
firm will not be known until later.  
Complicating the matter is that  
a PUD has a dam site a short  
ways above the proposed \$12,000-  
000 structure. This may bring on  
an argument between private and  
public power factions as well.

The new dam is just below the  
mouth of the Metolius and that  
river is held by fishing interests  
as one of the best propagation  
streams in the state. There is a  
fish hatchery site there which  
would, say the fishermen, be ren-  
dered useless if the dam was built.  
On behalf of the power people  
it may be said that there is dire  
need for power as dim lights and  
darkened streets attest. This dam  
can be put into operation long be-  
fore McNary dam can be built on  
the Columbia and it will serve an  
area that has never had quite  
enough power.

It is unfortunate that the agen-  
cies on which we must depend to  
develop the state so often come  
into conflict. There is nothing  
either that rebounds to the ben-  
efit of the state in the quarrels be-  
tween private and public power  
factions. A state with as many  
power rivers as Oregon should  
have a place for both, at least, as  
long as the demand for power con-  
tinues.

**CONDENSED REPORT OF  
PROCEEDINGS OF JANUARY  
1949 TERM OF COUNTY  
COURT**

C. A. Tom, County Judge elect,  
and Lester Wilson, County Com-  
missioner elect, qualify and are  
inducted into respective offices.  
For and on behalf of George  
Jensen, of Rufus, Judge Tom was  
presented with a silver plated  
gavel.  
Judge Tom extends invitation  
to retiring members of County  
Court to meet with Court at any  
time for discussion of any mat-  
ters incidental to County govern-  
ment.

Bonds of County Clerk, Deputy  
County Clerk, County Assessor,  
Justice of Peace and County Cor-  
oner presented to and approved by  
Court.  
Claims allowed as presented, ex-  
cepting that County Treasurer di-

rected to draw on Post War Road  
fund in sum of \$1500.00 as part  
payment on purchase of snow  
plow; Clerk directed to draw on  
General Road Fund budget to the  
extent of \$1413.17 in full payment  
of remaining balance on purchase  
of snow plow.  
Clerk directed to draw on Special  
Road Tax Fund to extent of  
\$785.00 in payment for Gravel  
Loader.

Treasurer directed to draw on  
Tax Department Equipment ac-  
count to extent of \$2000.00 and  
Clerk directed to draw on County  
General Fund to extent of \$947.50  
in full payment for accounting  
and posting machine for Assessor  
and Sheriff offices.  
Monthly Statement of County  
Treasurer showing fund balances  
as of December 31, 1948 presented  
and filed.

County Clerk's Statement show-  
ing budgeted fund balances in  
General Road fund as of Decem-  
ber 31, 1948 presented and filed.  
Semi-Annual Report of County  
Treasurer covering period of July  
1, 1948 to December 31, 1948 in-  
clusive presented and filed.  
Report of Sheriff's tax turn-  
over, covering period from Octo-  
ber 15, to November 15, 1948 in-  
clusive, presented and filed.

In the matter of the procure-  
ment of Bonds for all future elec-  
tive and appointive County offi-  
cials: Court is to place orders for  
same.  
Purchase & Sales Agreement en-  
tered into with Standard Oil Co.,  
and Union Oil Co., for County's  
gasoline requirements for 1949.  
Communication from State High-  
way Department, received and  
filed, relative to proposed work  
to be done on Federal Aid Second-  
ary highway in Sherman County.  
Clerk directed to make response  
thereto.

Appearance made before Court  
relative to required procedure in  
Commencement of probate pro-  
ceedings.

Appearance made before Court  
relative to expansion and rear-  
rangement pertaining to 4H Club  
program work in County.

Mr. T. S. Reese appears before  
Court requesting that crossing for  
livestock be provided, as agreed to  
on Milton V. Miller outlet road.  
Bid of Robert Helyer for pur-  
chase of tax foreclosed property  
in Kent accepted.

Bid of Arthur J. Smith for pur-  
chase of tax foreclosed property  
in Wasco accepted.

Bids of J. R. Yocum et al and  
Robert Belshe for purchase of  
obsolete horse drawn road grad-  
ers accepted.

Official County Appointments  
for 1949:  
Sheriff Norman E. Fields,  
County Trust Officer.

Joe Peters, James T. Brown and  
J. M. Wilson as County Road  
Viewers.

Kenneth Fridley reappointed as  
County Fair Board member for  
three year term.  
James T. Brown reappointed as  
County Road Foreman.

W. E. Bruckert, Thomas H.  
Douma and Kenneth Sather reap-  
pointed as Dog Damage Indemnity  
Board.

Sherman County Journal reap-  
pointed as County Official News-  
paper.

Appointment of Board of Su-  
pervisors of DeMoss Memorial  
Park held in suspense.

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Clara Houston, Sec.

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Circuit Court Jury List for 1949  
consisting of 200 names selected  
and filed.  
No further matters at issue, ad-  
journment ensued.

**CLAIMS PRESENTED  
AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY,  
OREGON, GENERAL AND  
ROAD FUNDS FOR DECEMBER,  
1948 AND APPROVED JAN-  
UARY, 5, 1949 TERM OF THE  
COUNTY COURT.**

**General Fund:**  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
Mahoney Office Equipment,  
\$2.50; Kihlam Stationery & Print-  
ing Co., \$4.44; West Coast Print-  
ing & Binding Co., \$32.00; Bur-  
roughs Adding Machine Co., \$473.  
75; Norman E. Fields, \$50.00.  
**CLEVER OFFICE:**  
Bushong & Co., \$15.00; West  
Coast Printing & Binding Co.,  
\$11.50; J. C. Freeman, P. M., \$10.00.  
**ASSESSOR'S OFFICE:**  
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.,  
\$473.75.

**COURT HOUSE:**  
Pacific Power & Light Co., \$24.  
37; City of Moro, Water Dept.,  
\$3.50; Pacific Telephone & Tele-  
graph Co., \$48.25; Ranch & Home  
Store, \$6.53; J. C. Freeman, P. M.,  
\$3.15; Moro Lumber & Fuel Yard,  
\$514.55; C. Mersinger, \$210.69.  
**COUNTY COURT:**  
Vernon Miller, \$14.00; Joe  
Peters, \$5.07.  
**CORONER:**  
E. M. Alley, \$16.00.

**EMERGENCY FUND:**  
Secretary of State, \$2.00; Jes-  
sie's Flower Shop, \$7.50; Bern-  
ard's Flowers, \$15.00; Leonard R.  
Smith, \$9.60.  
Eastern Oregon Wheat League,  
\$30.00.

Government Trapper, \$50.00.  
Premium on Officer's Bonds,  
\$370.00.  
County Printing, \$25.00.  
Association of Oregon Counties,  
\$101.77.

Sealer of Weights and Measur-  
es, \$2.56.  
District Attorney's Expense,  
\$7.50.

**T. Lester Johnson**  
LAWYER  
WASCO MORO

Retirement Fund: \$51.75.  
County Audit: \$80.00.  
County Agent's Office: \$1,350.00.  
**MISCELLANEOUS:**  
State Industrial Accident Com-  
mission, \$7.82; First National  
Bank, \$74.70; State Tax Commis-  
sion, \$13.73; Public Employees Re-  
tirement, \$130.16; National Hos-  
pital Association, \$10.50.

**GENERAL ROAD FUND  
ROAD EMPLOYEES PAY ROLL:**  
Wm. R. Wallace, \$50.46; J. T.  
Brown, \$222.10; E. McPherson,  
\$170.47; Frank Bazzel, \$169.85;  
Frank Bayer, \$202.04; Charles H.  
Perrigo, \$216.37; George H. De-  
Moss, \$211.27; Charles F. Decker,  
\$188.35; Kenneth Morehouse, \$144.  
84; Claude Bayer, \$131.77.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**  
The Central Tractor Wrecking  
Co., \$69.60; Secretary of State,  
\$11.00; Public Employees Retire-  
ment, \$34.88; Railway Express  
Agency, \$24.40; First National  
Bank, \$59.35; State Tax Commis-  
sion, \$18.85; Public Employees Re-  
tirement, \$164.97; State Industrial  
Accident Commission, \$77.41; C.  
H. Urness Motors, \$236.15; Log-  
gers and Contractors Machinery  
Co., \$443.78; Wasco Motor Co.,  
\$64.45; Howard Cooper Corp., \$38.  
00; Sunset Motor Co., \$44.92; J. K.  
McKean Co., \$60.90; Interstate  
Tractor & Equipment Co., \$0.49;  
Arstall - Monroe Pontiac, \$142.98;  
W. R. Reid & Son, \$21.75; Ranch  
& Home Store, \$3.63; Moro Lum-  
ber & Fuel, \$42.73; Industrial  
Motor Parts, \$15.00; Firestone  
Stores, \$13.73; Hartley's Garage,  
\$13.50; May & Son, \$1.50; Craig  
Office Supply, \$1.96; Pacific Tele-  
phone & Telegraph, \$10.15; City  
of Moro, \$3.50; Pacific Power &  
Light Co., \$11.29; Contractor's  
Equipment Corp., \$1413.17; Union  
Oil Co., \$448.59; Standard Oil Co.,  
\$35.64.

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Dean Johnson, president of the  
C. D. Johnson Lumber corpora-  
tion, has just been elected a direc-  
tor of the First National Bank of  
Portland, it was announced by F.  
N. Belgrano Jr., president of the  
bank. Johnson fills a vacancy on  
the board created by the untimely  
death last summer of Grville F.  
Miller.

Born and reared in St. Louis,  
Johnson came to the West Coast  
in 1921 and has been prominently  
associated with the lumber in-  
dustry all his business life.

In the first World War, John-  
son was with the 20th Engineers,  
a forestry unit and the largest  
engineering group, with 20,000  
troops, serving overseas. He was  
discharged as a first lieutenant in  
1919, with a citation from our  
government for distinguished ser-  
vice.

In making the announcement of  
Johnson's appointment to the  
First National Bank board, Bel-  
grano stated, "We are extremely  
pleased that Dean Johnson has ac-

cepted this directorship. His suc-  
cessful business career of more  
than 28 years in Oregon, and the  
prominence and respect he holds  
in business circles in and out of  
Oregon, are ample evidence of the  
value he can be as a director of  
our bank."

Wednesday Connie and Dorothy  
Wilson and Miss Anajean Knig-  
ton accompanied Paul Wilson to  
Eugene. They expect to return  
home Sunday.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**Who's A Foreigner?**

While I'm waiting for a head-  
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lets slip with a crack about those  
"foreigners" who live by the depot.

"Now wait a minute, Slim,"  
snaps Doc Sherman. "Don't forget  
we're all 'foreigners' more or less.  
Some of our families have simply  
been here longer than others. But  
even if they came over on the May-  
flower, they were foreigners to the  
Indians."

Slim gets a little red and you  
could see that Doc had him. "And  
the reason they came here," he goes

on, "was to find freedom to do and  
think as they wanted to so long as  
they didn't tramp on the rights of  
the other fellow."

From where I sit, America became  
the great land it is today through  
our being tolerant of different peo-  
ple and different tastes—whether  
it's a taste for square dancing or  
waltzing, radio or movies, goat's  
milk or a temperate glass of spark-  
ling beer.

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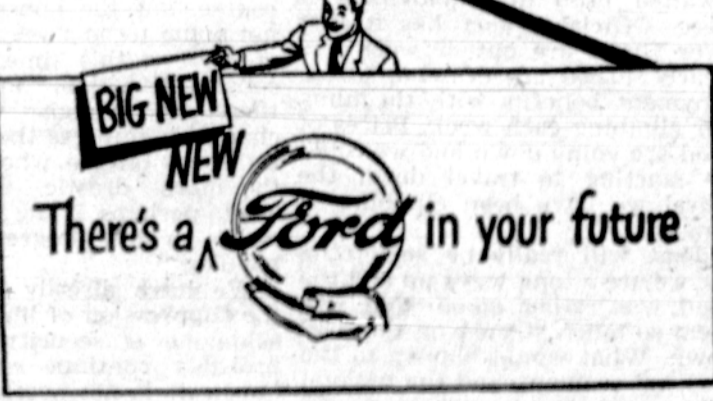


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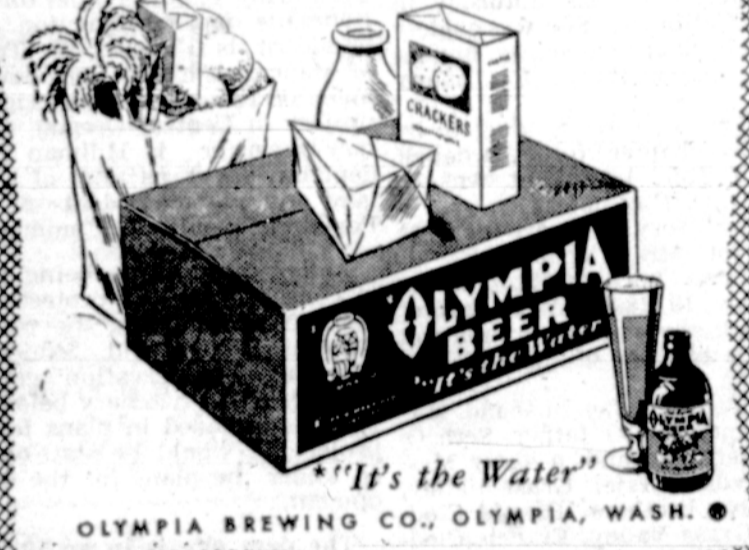
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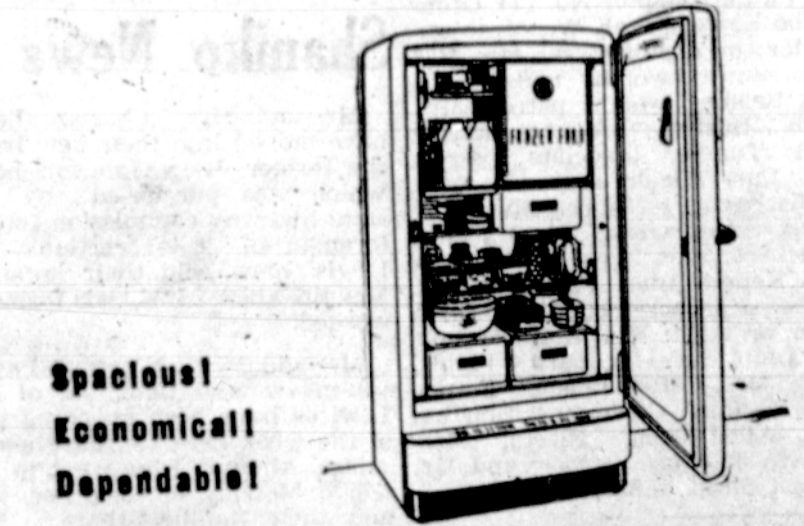
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