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TIME FOR SNOW

The ground usually freezes too much at night for seeding during the day, and therefore about all the grain is seeded that is going to be this fall. Little wheat is really up and none of it is in a very satisfactory condition. Nothing would help it as much as a good snow, at least a foot that would stay on the ground, gradually melting and keeping the sown kernels wet and protecting them from freezing nights that otherwise might form a crust that would imprison the seed.

There are those, even in the wheat country, who dislike snow and hate to see it come. But for those who have crops in the earth when weather is cold and windy snow is like a blanket pulled comfortably up to the ears on a cold night.

Roads are usually kept open and travel is seldom impeded for more than a day or two; cars can travel, stock are handy to feed; what's the matter with a good fall of snow. A foot, two, three, enough to bring the year's moisture to normal and beyond, enough to protect the sown crop. There's something about a good snow that gives assurance to the farmer.

Well, let's have some snow.

CERTIFICATE PLAN

The Oregon Wheat Growers league is on record as favoring a new plan for handling the wheat of the nation. The plan is new only in that it differs from the parity plan that has been used by the government for the past 17 years.

The certificate plan is really the old McNary-Haugen plan set to a slightly different tune. It is a two price system where under the wheat that is milled for human food is sold at one price and that which is exported or used for stock feed is sold at another, and lower, price.

It is not hard to obtain agreement on this plan in the northwest, especially in this part of Oregon because most of the men now raising wheat grew up thinking that this plan would work if it were to be tried. It sounds very simple except for the detail of pricing so that wheat bought for stock would not be found in a flour mill. The certificate plan seems to have that phase worked out pretty well.

Presidents have either vetoed the plan or proposed some other that superceded it. It makes more sense than the parity scheme now in vogue and which nearly everyone is trying to change. Even Brannan, intent upon giving money to the farmer and low prices to the consumer, would bring the parity formula up to date and then give it the old run-around.

Nevertheless this means a rather hopeless time to advocate the certificate plan. The nation has gone internationalist and the leaders are imbued with love of the foreign man. The two price system is a nationalist doctrine based on the theory that we can keep prices high at home and dump the surplus on foreign markets. High tariffs would be used to prevent dumping of foreign surpluses here. First thing to fear would be high tariffs all around.

We are trying under the Marshall plan to get the western European nations to trade freely with one another and stop such nationalist ideas as two price systems and the state department could hardly permit a certificate plan to be passed for wheat.

Of course, the time will come when we will turn nationalist again and work done for the certificate plan now may not come amiss then.

When it will happen cannot be foretold. But it will be when the nation gets tired of sending money abroad with no chance of getting it back. After the last war we loaned the money; now we are giving it but the effect is the same. (Perhaps it should be said that we thought we were loaning the money.)

When we come to the realization that two and two make four and not seven and that \$250 billion isn't hay and that European nations aren't going to do our fighting for us and that attempts to buy prosperity either at home or abroad are futile there may be a chance for the certificate plan. But as long as we are still financially inebriated there's no more hope for it than there is to get a drunken sailor aboard ship.

THE HOOVER REPORT

There doesn't seem to be any opposition to the Hoover report. It is the report of a committee of 12, half Republican and half Democrat, appointed by President Truman to develop a plan for governmental reorganization for more efficiency. It is estimated that fifteen bills would do most of the job of changing the government and five of these were passed by the 81st congress. The most important and the most controversial will be harder to pass. Perhaps they will never get through congress unless there is more public interest than mere general favor of the report.

The government of the United States is probably the biggest thing in the world from an organization standpoint. It is so big that it never can do anything efficiently and probably the citizens should never expect efficient management of anything handled by the federal government. But the government must do some things.

Some of the more outlandish errors are laughable and would be more so if the admission cost wasn't so high. It costs the government two and a half cents to print and deliver a penny postcard, some departments have more typewriters than they have employees. It costs the government from \$20,000 to \$51,000 per bed to construct hospitals while private hospitals are built for \$16,000. The postoffice department has 58 separate appropriations, the Hungry Horse project in Montana cost \$93,500,000 and the estimate was \$6,300,000.

Upon reading a few such items the citizen says "Sure, I'm for cutting that down". But working against him and with much more aggressiveness are the bureaucrats who might be displaced if there was efficiency in the government. Did you ever see an aggressive little mosquito sting an elephant?

The citizen can either take a hand in making big government more efficient or go broke paying taxes. Maybe he can never make big government work (we doubt it) but the Hoover report is a plan to bring some efficiency

SCHOOL LANDS

Another one of those useless furors about Oregon school lands has been in the news of a politicians speech which contained more partisanship than facts.

It was said that Washington obtained more money for its school lands than did Oregon. There doesn't seem to be any doubt about that. Anyone with a knowledge of land should know at least one reason why. Washington's land is better. Oregon sold much of its school lands for \$1.25 per acre and still has a lot of the school sections. No one will pay \$1.25 per acre for them because they are rough and rocky and furnish little grazing.

The good lands were bought long ago and judging by present values the price was too low. Probably none of the state would have been settled had the homesteader had to pay the present price for land. It wasn't worth it then.

Those who have delved into the historical facts have found that both political parties favored the sale of the lands. In any case this digging into history to try to provide a little political capital is a weak effort and would have amounted to nothing even had it been so.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78. O.E.S. Meets every second and fourth Thursday in each month; visiting members invited. Moro, Oregon
Elsie Jones, W. M.
Edna Melzer, Secretary

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116 Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Sallie Martin, N. G. Clara Houston, Sec.

Moro Lodge No. 115 I.O.O.F. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

Leo Watkins, N. G. John DeMoss, Secretary

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.F. & A.M. Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us.
L. V. Henrichs, W. M. H. B. Pinkerton, Secretary

Want Ads

NOTICE: Stanley Home Products. Call Kathryn Blaylock, Grass Valley. Ph. 542. 7-9c

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FOR SALE: Male Irish Setter, 8 mo. old. Price \$20. Ernest Woods, Moro, Ph. 671 7c

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PTA MEETS

Friday, December 9, the members of the South Sherman County P-TA who attended the regular monthly meeting at Grass Valley school house were treated to an entertaining program. A very clever reading entitled "The Light House Keeper" was read by Glendora Smith while the following characters were being portrayed: Lydia Crews, the Lighthouse Keeper; Juanita Ruggles, his wife; Verna Block, the daughter; Dorothy Perry, the doctor; Cora Perrigo, the villan. Barbara Blaylock and Margaret Baumgartner sang a couple of songs. Darlene Macheel reported in a very interesting manner on the trip the Moro high school girls' volleyball team took to Long Creek on December 3.

After the general meeting three sectional meetings were held in which teachers of the first four grades met with parents of children in these grades, teachers of grades 5-8 met with parents of children in the upper grades. A high school section was also conducted.

After the business meeting all adjourned to the lunch room where the Grass Valley committee served tea, coffee and cookies. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 13, probably at Moro.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, OREGON DISTRICT, LAND OFFICE, Portland 18, December 6, 1949
NOTICE is hereby given that under provisions of section 2455, R. S., as amended by section 14 of the act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat., 1274), pursuant to the application of Thomas S. Reese, Serial No. Oregon 01280, there will be offered, to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$5.00 per acre, at a public sale to be held at 10:00 o'clock a. m., on the 31st day of January next, at this office, the following tracts of land:
T. 2 S., R. 18 E., W. M., Oregon, sec. 10, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 and SE 1/4 NW 1/4.
Bids may be made by the principal or his agent, either personally at the sale or by mail.

Bids sent by mail will be considered only if received at this office prior to the hour fixed for the sale. These bids must be accompanied by certified checks or post-office money orders for the amounts of the bids and must be enclosed in sealed envelopes. The envelopes must be marked in the lower left-hand corner substantially as follows: "Public sale bid, Serial No. Oregon 01280, Sale 10:00 a. m., January 31, 1950."
The person making the highest bid will be required to pay immediately the amount thereof.
Any persons claiming adversely the above-described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.
Any person entitled to claim a preference right under the first proviso to said section 14 as an owner of contiguous land must assert his claim within 30 days from the date of public offering and conditional sale to the highest bidder and at the expiration of said preference right period, if no such right has been asserted, the highest bidder will be declared the purchaser of the land.
Carl F. Spaulding Assistant Manager 6-10c

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR SHERMAN COUNTY
In Matter of the Estate of Jas. E. Brown, deceased.

James T. Brown
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Max H. Brown
Joint Executors 4-7c

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SS. Notice to Creditors TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You are hereby notified that the undersigned, Jas. T. Brown, Robt. B. Brown and Max H. Brown, have been duly appointed and confirmed by the above entitled Court as Joint Executors of the Last Will & Testament and of the Estate of Jas. E. Brown, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present same to said Executors, with the proper vouchers annexed at the law office of Roy J. Baker in Grass Valley, Sherman County, Oregon, for allowance or rejection, within six months from date of the first publication of this notice. First Publication being November 25, 1949.

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T. 2 S., R. 18 E., W. M., Oregon, sec. 10, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 and SE 1/4 NW 1/4.
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In Matter of the Estate of Jas. E. Brown, deceased.

James T. Brown
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Joint Executors 4-7c

Roy J. Baker
Att'y for Estate

November 10, 1949
NOTICE is hereby given that under provisions of section 2455, R. S., as amended by section 14 of the act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat., 1274), and pursuant to the application of Ernest E. Shull, Moro, Oregon, Serial No. Oregon 0470, there will be offered, to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$3.00 per acre, at a public sale to be held at 11 o'clock A. M., on the 10th day of January, 1950 next, at this office, the following tract of land:
SW 1/4 NW 1/4, sec. 32, T. 1 N., R. 18 E., W. M., Oregon, 40 acres.
Bids may be made by the principal or his agent, either personally at the sale or by mail. Bids sent by mail will be considered only if received at this office prior to the hour fixed for the sale. These bids must be accompanied by certified checks or post-office money orders for the amounts of the bids and must be enclosed in sealed envelopes. The envelopes must be marked in the lower left-hand corner substantially as follows: "Public sale bid, Serial No. Oregon 0470, Sale, January 10 1950."

The person making the highest bid will be required to pay immediately the amount thereof. Any persons claiming adversely the above-described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

Any person entitled to claim a preference right under the first proviso to said section 14 as an owner of contiguous land must assert his claim within 30 days from the date of public offering and conditional sale to the highest bidder and at the expiration of said preference right period, if no such right has been asserted, the highest bidder will be declared the purchaser of the land.


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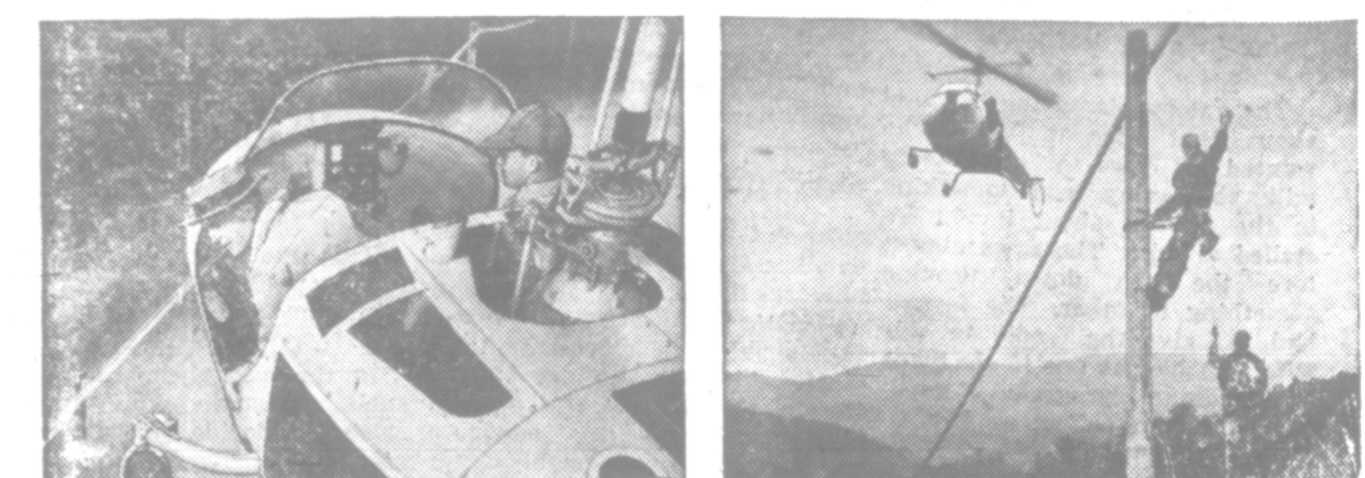
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