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SO YOU CAN'T TAKE IT, EH?

We find residents of eastern Oregon—and we surmise that the sentiment is shared by other rural Oregonians—either amused or scornful over the reaction of the official and vocal portion of Portland over Governor McKay's decision on daylight saving.

Last year, they recall, city people voiced pious remarks about a contrary decision and slyly informed farmers that they might as well accept the signs of progress and quit being stuffy about something so socially desirable and necessary as a change in the time.

This year there is a real threat of home rule and defiance of a regularly constituted law. Neither appal us, if they don't like the law let 'em raise heck about it. That's American, even if it isn't legal.

But what riles rural observers is that the city seems to think its ideas should rule the entire state; that a bunch of grocery clerks, a handful of bond sellers, should be trying to tell the producers of Oregon's wealth that they have to knock off in the shank of the afternoon.

It is, in a way, a contest of prestige.

Oregon farmers, with their records of feeding and clothing the state and a part of California behind them, feel that they are the most important segment of the population although they are willing to share their position with lumbermen. As the figurative bringer home of the beans and bacon to the state's household they want to be recognized as the masculine part of the Oregon family—the part that decides when to get up in the morning. They do not intend to let the part of the state that represents the feminine boss the household.

The law under which the governor had to struggle is a poor law at best, although it was passed by legislature and people. It merely made the suffering individual who occupies the gubernatorial chair make the decision which has without good reason become so important. It should have been a law for daylight saving. Then the vote of the people would have been definite. It was not. Probably a majority prefer standard time for a rather small majority in Portland wanted daylight time when it was voted on a few years ago.

Better yet, the decision might well be left to individuals, and this may come from the present controversy. Officially the state will be on standard time. Others can change their hours. Radio stations can change their hours if they please, workers can go to work an hour earlier (goodness knows it is late enough anyway).

Rural residents will always feel, we hope, that it is more important to raise a bushel of wheat than to bake a loaf of bread, that the beef comes before the steak, that one must cut logs before one fits a cornice, that basic production is more important than the service trades. And it would settle a lot of arguments if the city folks could see that point.

TELEVISION

Oregon is going slightly g-g-a over the approach of television as a new means of entertainment, now that restrictions have been removed. There is a commercial element involved, of course, as the things cost money.

We have no experience with television and think it a very intricate invention that might use some otherwise valuable time. The possibility of seeing the average American humorist in addition to hearing him is more than slightly appalling. It seems possible that his smirk would remove our occasional smile.

No one would want to prevent Oregonians from having any of the gadgets that other folk find amusing. We hope that we are soon laughing over television as loudly as when we first heard Amos and Andy in the dear departed days of early radio. And if the politicians swelter in the heat of the photo lamps it will bring no perspiration to our brow. It's OK by us, you understand.

But if television only succeeds in elaborating the silly things about America, as radio has done, it will add little to our civilization. Radio has made reading almost a lost art, other than to permit a perusal of the "funny" papers.

Christianson Home Scene of Afternoon Announcement Tea

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Christianson in Moro was the scene of an afternoon tea Sunday as the setting for announcing the engagement of their daughter, Diane, to John W. Stewart. Miss Margo Norton of Portland presented arriving guests with nut cup favors in spring flowers. Held in the stem of a flower on each cup was a scroll of paper containing the young couple's names and engagement date. From the tea table covered with a white satin cloth and centered with an arrangement of white, pink and blue spring flowers, coffee and French pastries with the names of the young couple on each were served to the guests.

Presiding at the silver services at each end of the table were Mrs. Daisy Byers, Mrs. William Rudolf, Mrs. Ernie Moore, Mrs.

Educators are concerned about the next generation and say that no matter what they may be it will not be well-read. Learning has not been made a part of radio, nor, we understand, is it of television. It is an excuse to not read and the froth of a radio program cannot be compared with the real mental meat that might be derived from a similar time spent with good books.

Art Justesen, Mrs. Roy Powell and Mrs. John Johnson. Presiding at the punch bowl were Mrs. Carroll Sayers, Mrs. Wendell Balsiger, Mrs. Dean Pinkerton. Assisting about the rooms, Mrs. Collis Moore, Mrs. George Mitchell, Mrs. Lawrence Kaseberg.

The guest book was in charge of Miss Joan Galner of Newberg and Miss Sharon Coons, Moro.

Entertainment consisted of songs by Mrs. Henry Norton, Mrs. Homer Townsend, and Mrs. Kenneth McKean, accompanied by Mrs. Carroll Sayers.

The bride-to-be graduated from the Moro schools and attended Lewis & Clark college. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Stewart of Modesto, Calif. He is a graduate of Oregon State college and is at present the veterans instructor in Moro.

The wedding date has been set for June 15 at the Presbyterian church in Moro.

County's Farmers To Have Opportunity To Adjust Wage Ceilings

Sherman county farmers will have an opportunity to adjust farm wage ceilings at a meeting in county courthouse set for 2:00 p. m. Monday, May 5, T. W. Thompson, county agent, says. Wheat growers in the Columbia basin are apparently in violation

of present farm wage regulations set by the National Wage Stabilization Board. The May 5 meeting has been called in the interest of farmers by the Oregon Wheat League. Determinations will be made of prevailing wage rates and 1950 wage rates in Sherman county.

A series of meetings have been in the wheat growing counties during May 5-10. A general meeting has been set for May 10 in Pendleton at 10:00 a. m. Findings of the county meetings will be compiled at the Pendleton meeting for presentation to the Wage Stabilization Board. A representative of the board will be present at each of the county meetings.

Present flat ceiling rates for farm labor as determined by the Wage Stabilization Board are 95 cents an hour, \$225 per month without room and board, \$495 per month plus a house and other perquisites, and \$175 per month plus room and board.

The Wage Stabilization Board is charged, with securing compliance with the program. Failure to comply may result in the disallowance of all wage payments as operating expense for income tax purposes.

Area ceiling rates can be established when it is demonstrated that wages in a given area are out of line with wage board ceilings. The May 5 meeting has been called to enable Sherman county farmers to make needed adjustment, Thompson stated.

Patterson-Serfling Nuptials Performed at Reedsport

At a double-ring ceremony at 8:00 o'clock in the evening of April 26, Miss Linnie Myr Serfling and Mr. Arnold Patterson were united in marriage at the First Baptist church of Reedsport, by Rev. Grayden D. Loree.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron A. Serfling of Gardiner and a teacher in the Moro grade school. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nichols of Reedsport.

SYNOPSIS OF ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1951 OF THE MERCHANTS' INDEMNITY CORPORATION OF NEW YORK, IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, MADE TO THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF OREGON, PURSUANT TO LAW.

ADMITTED ASSETS	
Bonds	\$ 9,229,831.98
Stocks	4,155,314.00
Mortgage loans on real estate	None
Real estate	844,778.37
Cash and bank deposits	644,778.37
Agents' balances or uncollected premiums	1,428,826.34
Interest, dividends and real estate income due and accrued	50,518.37
Other assets	27,383.68
Total admitted assets	\$16,330,832.74
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS	
Losses	964,808.00
Loss adjustment expenses	100,897.13
Unearned premiums	7,660,217.04
All other liabilities	654,680.56
Total liabilities, except capital	\$ 9,380,602.73
Capital paid up	\$1,000,000.00
Special surplus	None
Unassigned funds (surplus)	5,441,029.72
Surplus as regards policyholders	\$ 6,441,029.72
Total	\$15,830,632.74
STATEMENT OF INCOME	
Premiums earned	\$ 3,158,434.66
Investment income	81.04
Total before federal income taxes	3,158,515.70
Federal income taxes	308,340.55
Net income	2,850,175.15
Dividends to stockholders	216,000.00
Dividends to policyholders	None
Capital charges (net—Other items affecting surplus (net)	575,953.13
Total capital and surplus items (net)	353,953.13
Increase in surplus as regards policyholders	855,195.43
FOR THE YEAR	
Net losses paid	\$37,320.50
Dividends paid or credited to policyholders	None

ANNOUNCEMENT
I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the office of State Representative from the 22nd Representative District comprising Gilliam, Wheeler, Sherman and Morrow counties, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the primary election May 16, 1952.
Robert Smith
Condon, Oregon

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING
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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, her Final Report and Account as Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Walter A. Medler, deceased, and that Saturday, May 31, 1952, at ten o'clock A. M. of said day, at the County Courtroom, in the Courthouse, at Moro, Oregon, has been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to said Final Report and Account and the settlement of said estate.
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BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
Meeting of the board of equalization for Sherman county. To the taxpayers of Sherman county, Oregon. Notice is hereby given that the Board of Equalization for Sherman County, Oregon, will attend at the County Court Room of the Sherman County Court House, State of Oregon, on the second Monday of May, or May 12, 1952 and publicly examine the assessment rolls, correct all errors in valuation, description or qualities of lands, lots or other property assessed by such assessor; and it shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed. Each petition or application for the reduction of a particular assessment shall be made in writing verified by the oath of the applicant or his attorney, and shall be filed with the board within the first week it is by law required to be in session; and any petition or application not so made, verified and filed shall not be considered or acted upon by the board. Each such petition or application shall state thereon the address to which notice of the action of the board of equalization shall be sent.
Clair L. Balzer
Sherman County Assessor

Moro, Oregon, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. as the time and place for the settlement of said accounting and for hearing objections to the same, if any.

DONALDA KNIGHTEN
Administratrix with Will-Annexed

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NOTICE OF DISTRICT ROAD MEETING, DISTRICT NO. 1, SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON

NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of a petition duly signed by the required number of freeholders and bona-fide residents of Road District No. 1, Sherman County, Oregon, a district road meeting of the legal voters of said District No. 1 will be held at the court house in Moro, Oregon, on Wednesday, May 14, 1952, at 2:00 p. m., for the purpose of voting an additional tax not to exceed 10 mills on the dollar on all taxable property in said road district, the fund to be raised by such additional tax to be expended under the supervision of the County Court upon the roads within said road district within one year from the collection of said tax.
Dated this 25th day of April, 1952.

C. A. Tom
County Judge

Want Ads

WANTED—Work, baby sitting, typing, etc. Phone 410, Moro. 2412
WANTED—Dressmaking or alterations. Hazel Workman, Sewing Center, 312E 3rd St., The Dalles, phone 3070. 24-27p
FOR SALE: Old make violin, fine tone. Case included. \$100. If interested see Mrs. Davis at Union Pacific depot. 26-30c
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Lapine Rebekah Lodge No. 116 Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Josephine Gentry, N.G. Helen Martin, Sec.

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. Clyde Gillmor, W.M. H. D. Pinkerton, Secretary

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78. O.E.S. Meets every second and fourth Thursday in each month; visiting members invited. Moro, Oregon. Bonnie May, W.M. Gwen Ross, Secretary

CHARLES A. TOM
Candidate for Republican Nomination for Representative 22ND DISTRICT

- Farmer—Wheat and Cattle
- Chairman Land Economics Committee and Taxation Committee, State Agricultural Planning Conference
- Graduate O.S.C. and Cornell University
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