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**DECLARATION OF
 INDEPENDENCE**

The American people have long had a guarantee of political security, a more valuable guarantee than any that can be made for social security. No one or no organization, including government, can guarantee food and shelter for millions unless the millions make their own. But the people of America when they organized their government, wrote into it their political security.

It was July 4, 1776 that delegates from the thirteen colonies agreed to the Declaration of Independence and established on this earth the governmental principle that all men are equal before the law and able to govern themselves.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness."

There it is, in the somewhat wordy verbiage of another age, the plain and simple declaration of a small group of men that they and their fellows had the right, even the duty, to govern themselves.

That was 177 years ago come Saturday and the theory has been well learned and generally accepted over much of the world. Men who know nothing else about government are wont to boast, "It's a free country, ain't it?" We do govern ourselves well if we give it our attention, poorly if we let others than those properly delegated do it.

What we do lack is definite knowledge about how to govern ourselves. Our system is good although it tests it to be used in a nation of 48 states and 157,000,000 people when it was designed for 13 states and a population of under 3,000,000. The forms that enabled citizens to be well represented then sometimes degenerate into bureaucracy in these times of more people, greater distances and different problems. It takes more thought on the part of citizens to be well governed now than it did 177 years ago.

Nevertheless, as long as we hold to the original charter: that we have the right to govern ourselves we will continue to have an ideal within which we can make any sort of government we like.

WHEAT QUOTAS

It is generally assumed that wheat farmers will vote for acreage reduction this month. The campaign is on to swing sentiment toward cutting acres and keeping price.

It is a matter about which farmers will be wise to exercise their usual wise, independent judgment which is often better than what they are told. This newspaper does not think it is certain that a favorable vote for quotas will be of greatest benefit to the wheat growers of the northwest over a long period of years.

Figures given here last week by Floyd Root showed that while Oregon had increased its wheat acreage by 49 per cent in the decade 1942-1952 many states in the mid-west had increased wheat acreage by over 100 per cent. Michigan used to grow beans now raises wheat, for example.

Let us figure it out. If in 1942 an Oregon farm and a Michigan farm had 100 acres each in wheat. By 1953 the Oregon farm would have 149 acres in wheat while the Michigan farm would have 214 acres in wheat. Reason is the high price of wheat, naturally. Now a reduction is made, equal all over the United States. It may be 30 per cent in which case the Oregon farm would have 104 acres in wheat and the Michigan

farm 150 acres. That means to us that the established wheat areas of the United States are losing the market to the Johnny-come-latelys. Now in theory that isn't bad. In practice it is bad because we are the old established wheat belt. We cannot grow any other crop on our land but grains, especially wheat. If the change in wheat acreage continues we are going to have to do something else with our land.

With fertilizers and weed killers acreage reduction will not reduce the size of the crop very much and it may well cause more bean growers to turn to wheat. On the basis of economics the best way to reduce the amount of wheat is to reduce the price, on the basis of politics that is dangerous. Government regulations and controls have not been successful. As for the long established wheat farmer, he is losing his business under the proposal to be voted on this month.

It may be that he thinks the price is more valuable than a market; it may be that he has faith in government controls; it may be that he thinks consumption will catch up with production soon; it may be that he believes the government can get rid of the surplus; it may be that he believes that no administration dares let the price of wheat drop. Any or all of these may be true.

It is certain, however, that farmers in the old wheat belts are losing acres to new producers and will continue to lose as long as the price is held up by artificial means.

INFORMATION

Sherman county has always had a hard time keeping artisans by which name we designate the carpenters, painters, plumbers, mechanics and those of similar attainments, who know how to build and decorate. Right now, three are leaving the county when we are sure there is building and painting to be done.

We think it might help if there was a central office or person who could and would list jobs that some one wanted to have done so that artisans could plan far enough ahead to stay in the county.

It wouldn't mean that the employer couldn't specify who he wanted to do his work or that employees couldn't take the kind of work they felt best equipped to do.

There are many jobs that any competent artisan could do if he knew the work was to be done and would be done if the employer knew he could get someone to do it.

If enough persons think the idea is valuable, it could be arranged and if it worked, could be continued indefinitely.

**COUNTY RAMBLIN'S
 By Thomas W. Thompson
 County Agent**

The Sherman Branch Experiment Station will hold its annual field day at 1:30 p. m. July 7. Several items should be of special interest to Sherman county farmers, especially the nitrogen fertilizer plots with fall and spring applications.

The annual meeting of the Tri-County Weather Research committee will be held June 30 west of Condon at the Igo Grande hall. Vincent Schafer, outstanding authority on this question of rain-increase by artificial means will be the principal speaker.

Sherman county 4-H boys and girls will have the opportunity to attend a summer camp at Suttle Lake, July 19-24. Club members from Deschutes, Jefferson, Crook, Harney, Wasco, and Sherman counties participated in this camp last year. Boys and girls have craft classes, swimming, and other sports, and recreational training during an enjoyable week camp. Any 4-H club member nine to eighteen years of age may attend upon payment of camp fees.

Sherman county 1953 wheat price support rate will be no lower than \$2.27. This is based on a national average of \$2.21, announced last fall. The rates will not be reduced but could be increased if 90% of the parity price of wheat at the beginning of the marketing year (July 1, 1953) is greater than \$2.21 on the national level.

Malathon is a new insecticide available to home gardeners for control of aphids, red spider mites and scale. This material is safe to handle and a good replacement of Black Leaf 40. The home gardener should use one to two teaspoonful of 50% emulsion concentrate to three gallons of water. Malathon is being sold under several commercial names and can be purchased locally.

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LEGAL NOTICES
 NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION IN THE NON-HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, UPON QUESTION OF IN-

creasing Tax Levy Over Amount Limited by Section 11, Article XI, State Constitution.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held Monday, July 27, 1953, by the Non-High School District of Sherman County, Oregon, in all component school districts of said Non-High 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 Non-High School District the question of increasing the tax levy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953, over the amount limited by Section 11, Article XI of the Constitution.

The Non-High School District has no base. This levy is for funds to pay 2 years depreciation in lieu of tuition.

The amount of tax, in excess of the six per cent limitation proposed to be levied by the Non-High School District of Sherman County, Oregon, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953, is \$1,300.00.

Dated this 25th day of June, 1953.

Attest: Wily Knighten
 Secretary Rural School Board
 Rolland Johnson
 Chairman Rural School Board

NOTICE OF BOND SALE

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned until 8:00 o'clock P. M., Pacific Standard Time, on the 21st day of July, 1953, and immediately thereafter opened by the District School Board of the District School No. 7, Sherman County, Oregon, at a meeting of said Board in the High School Building at Wasco, Sherman County, Oregon, for the purchase, at not less than par and accrued interest of the following described negotiable general obligation coupon bonds of said School District in the principal amount of \$95,000.00, dated August 1, 1953 in denominations of \$1000.00 each and maturing serially in numerical order as follows:

DATE	AMOUNT
August 1, 1954	\$ 9,000.00
August 1, 1955	9,000.00
August 1, 1956	9,000.00
August 1, 1957	9,000.00
August 1, 1958	9,000.00
August 1, 1959	10,000.00
August 1, 1960	10,000.00
August 1, 1961	10,000.00
August 1, 1962	10,000.00
August 1, 1963	10,000.00

The bonds will bear interest payable semi-annually at such rate or rates, not exceeding six per cent (6%) per annum, as shall be specified by the successful bidder. Both the principal and interest of the bonds will be paid at the office of the County Treasurer of Sherman County, Oregon.

The bonds will be sold to the bidder offering the lowest effective interest rate to the District, taking into consideration and account such premiums as are offered and such items of cost as have been or shall be charged by the bidder in connection with the purchase of the bonds. The District School Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Unless all bids are rejected the bonds will be awarded to the bidder complying with the terms of the notice of sale and submitting the bid which provides the lowest cost to the School District.

Each bid must be unconditional, must be accompanied by a certified check on a bank doing business in the State of Oregon in an amount equal to five per cent (5%) of the par value of the bonds, and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Bids for Bonds". No interest will be allowed on

the deposit with the bid, but the check of the successful bidder will be retained as part payment of the bonds, or to secure the school district against any loss resulting from failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of his bid.

Each bidder shall include in his bid a statement of the total cost to the School District if his bid be accepted.

These bonds are issued under and pursuant to authority conferred on the District School Board of said School District No. 7, Sherman County, Oregon, by the legal voters thereof at an election duly and legally called and held in and for said district on the 15th day of June, 1953, and are issued under the authority of Chapter 17, Title 111, O.C.L.A., as amended.

The successful bidder will be supplied with the approving legal opinion of Messrs. Winfree, McCullough, Shuler and Sayre, attorneys, Portland, Oregon.

The bonds will be delivered at the expense of the School District to the successful bidder at Portland, Oregon.

Jerry Barnett
 District Clerk

ESTATE OF

CLARENCE I. LAFFOON, Dec'd
 ARTHUR LANGGUTH, Attorney
 602 McKay Bldg., Portland, Ore.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
 THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR
 THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN
 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATE
 No. 572

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Irma C. Laffoon, has been appointed Executrix of the Estate of Clarence I. Laffoon, Dec'd, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified, as by Law required, to the undersigned, at her home, near Kent, in Sherman County, Oregon, within six (6) months from the date hereof.

Date of first publication, June 5, 1953.
 Date of last publication, July 3, 1953.

IRMA C. LAFFOON,
 Executrix
 ARTHUR LANGGUTH,
 602 McKay Bldg.,
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 Att'y for Estate

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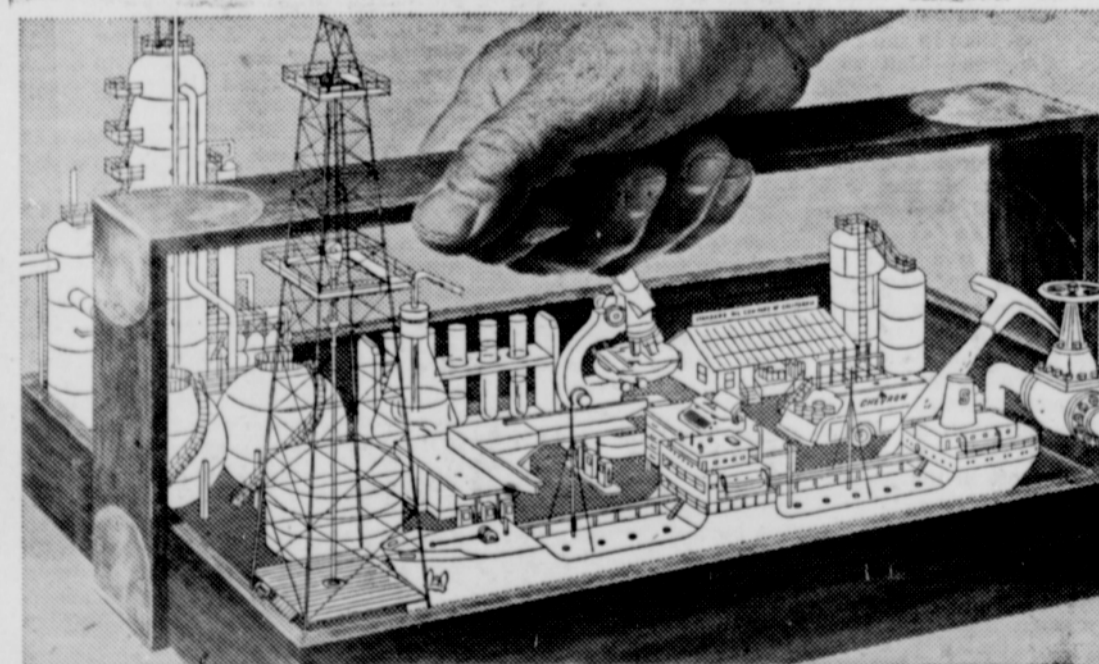
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