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WAYNE MORSE

The senior U. S. senator, for the time being anyway, was here Monday night and talked to a group of the faithful and the curious at Grass Valley.

The senator is a brilliant talker, or was at one time. He has not been doing so well of late and perhaps he has overstepped his limit at saying words. Too much talking can lead to too little thinking.

Certainly what the senator has been saying while in this part of the state has not made much sense. It may be good politics but it is rotten economics. At Condon and at Grass Valley he said that small business was going broke because of lack of easy government loans. The fact is that small business in these parts is doing fine and that the surest way for any small business to go broke is by borrowing easy money.

He reports that McKay said at Eugene that "issues are not important and only votes count" which McKay merely quoted from Raymond Moley and is certainly a statement more indicative of Morse thinking than of McKays. For certainly Morse's switch in political parties (taking the senate leadership with him) was engendered in part by greater respect for votes than for issues.

He mourns over the sad fate of farmers in an area where any farmer with a sufficient economic unit and a little ambition is setting better than he or his father or grandfather ever did. The farmer never had it so good. Criticism of the president's veto of the farm bill is senseless for a much better bill was passed eventually. High parity supports have done more damage to the farming industry than anything in a long lifetime and any economist knows it even though politicians may still harp on it.

The senator is criticizing the effort of the administration in trying to restrict the inflationary tendencies of the times. In that he disagrees with every intelligent economist in the nation. Even Truman took steps to restrict the flow of money in his last term in one of the few examples when economics influenced politics in his mismanaged term of office. Unless we are to have unrestrained inflation the flow of money must be curtailed when business would over-expand. The accepted way of doing this is by higher interest rates and other similar measures. It is to the eternal credit of this administration that it has been doing that during a campaign.

The senator is for the senator and is showing that again in this campaign. He has done nothing for Oregon and will never do anything for Oregon. He is incapable of so doing. Any man who persistently criticizes his colleagues day after day, week after week, who holds their ideas up to public contempt, who berates his fellows and implies that their motives are dishonest will never get enough votes to pass any important bills.

Men in legislative bodies who want to pass legislation must learn the first rules of obtaining support or else let the support go and take their pleasure out of making headlines. Morse has chosen the latter course.

America has always had a plethora of politicians who proclaimed with some temporary success that they were "for the people" and that all others were for the interests, identified as Wall street, the trusts, the private corporations or some such vague characterization. Why, in this enlightened age, it should still be possible for a man to proclaim himself a political Messiah is one of the quirks of human credulity. Morse is a man of great ability who has succumbed to egomania. The welfare of the state and of Mr. Morse himself would both be improved by his compulsory retirement.

A. M. and P. M.

Unless some last minute change is made the new school directory for Sherman county is going to have some references to time that may be confusing. Such as 1330 hours and 1000 hours. The new superintendent is probably responsible because he has been teaching in the air force and is used to figuring time on a 24 hour basis instead of the awkward 12 hour basis normally used.

AMS and PMs are a source of annoyance to a printer. Often they are not needed at all. If one announces a dance at nine no one thinks it will start at nine a. m. and a 6:30 dinner almost never starts at that time in the morning. We might as well say the dance was to start at 2100 and forget the punctuation marks or that the dinner would be at 1850 hours.

The armed services use the 24 hour method and it is favored in some foreign countries. No doubt radio and television would like to see it in general use here. It does sound sensible.

FOUR DAY WEEK

Vice President Nixon has said it may be possible and Walter Reuther has been working for a four day week in much of American industry. It is no more surprising than the five day week of a few years ago.

Whenever a nation becomes so mechanized that its workers can produce all the goods it needs—or can sell—in four days there is no need of anyone working longer. Wages can be raised, leisure can be increased, and men can work 30 hours and achieve that great ambition of men and sloths—rest.

Whether it would be wiser to reduce the working hours or to go ahead and produce until every one had all the modern gadgets is a serious question not yet considered. Certainly the purpose of Mr. Reuther in proposing a four day week is to get more money for less work. That is an inflationary step and one that may make prices so high that the consumer will revolt.

It must be remembered that the economic steps taken in recent years have caused a much larger percentage of the population to live on fixed incomes. By that we mean pensions, social security, retirement funds, etc. They are in a very dangerous economic position and very likely some of them would quit buying if goods went higher because of added labor costs. How many consumers must quit buying before the boom pops we do not know.

But it is customary to blow a balloon clear up to the breaking point just as we have usually over-priced goods during a time of prosperity and brought on a depression.

Probably we will again.

COUNTY FAIR

The county fair is over and hard working officials have, by now, caught up on their lost sleep and gotten the ache out of over-worked legs. Visitors who saw the result of these efforts were pleased.

The 1956 fair proved one thing conclusively and that is that one cannot ever take a Sherman county fair for granted. He cannot assume that it will be just another fair. By some effort, from some source, there will be attractions better than before. Having watched 4-H club calves come and go for years one might assume that no youngster could feed one plumper. Maybe that isn't what it is but the winner always looks like the very best steer ever seen and this year was no exception.

This year for some reason unknown the women flooded the pavilion with more of what used to be called "fancy" work. It was probably well named at that, but now goes by crocheting, appliqueing, knit work, which are undoubtedly more specific without changing the correctness of the term "fancy". It was very nice, too, even to a masculine eye.

What seemed more practical—again to a masculine eye—was the rows of jelly and preserves and pickles and the cases of cakes and cookies. Of flowers there were 140 entries, the largest of any year. The variety differs with the year but there were lots of flowers, well displayed and proof that the women of the county are keeping up the yards.

The weather was perfect, the races good, the rodeo fast and the crowd good. For those constantly trying to put on a better fair it would be helpful if they could know just what it was about this one that made it seem a little better than usual. Everyone has an idea about it and nearly every idea is different. But there is general agreement that it was good.

JOHN DAY DAM

The apparent interest of the Klickitat PUD and the municipal electric system boards of some Oregon towns in construction of the John Day dam under the partnership plan should serve to help passage of a bill authorizing such partnership deals in some recent congress.

Nearly everyone must realize that the federal government cannot go on building dams where ever requested by ambitious communities. In times when no other money is available and men are out of work such federal construction may be justified. But when private firms or municipal cor-

porations such as PUDs or city systems have the money to build they should do so. They will do it cheaper and just as well; their financing will be for a specific project and costs can be traced; their control will be local. There are other advantages although the above are sufficient.

It is easy to say that federal dams have paid out but it is very difficult to prove. In fact, the best investigation so far made of that matter shows that Bonneville is behind over \$99,000,000. The very fact that there is argument about it shows the inefficiency of the accounting.

Unless the partnership bill is changed before it passes it will eliminate the preference clause which is doing so much damage to Oregon. It provides that public power agencies shall have first right to power from federal dams. If the public power agencies now interested do build the John Day dam, either in or conjunction with private companies, they can allocate the power among themselves according to need.

Whatever comes of it, the additional interest cannot hurt.

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FOR SALE: Little used Roto-Beater. For one half new cost of \$800. See at Mays-Dodd Ranch, Tygh Valley, Ore. 48c

FOR SALE: Alfalfa hay. W. H. McDonald, Rufus. 46-8p

FOR SALE: Red Cedar Posts. G. L. Briggs, P. O. Box 310, Phone CY 6-3383 evenings, The Dalles, Ore. 46-9p

FOR SALE: 2 bedroom house with 12 adjoining lots, in Grass Valley, Ore. Contact August Wassenmiller, Tygh Valley, Ore. 47fn

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF BOND SALE

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned until the hour of eight o'clock P. M. on Tuesday the 16th day of October, 1956, and immediately thereafter opened by the Common Council of the City of Grass Valley at the Council room in said City, for the purchase of Ten Thousands Dollars (\$10,000.00), City of Grass Valley Water Bonds, said bonds to be dated October 1, 1956, bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed six percent (6%) per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July of each year, in denominations of

One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) each, maturing serially in numerical order at the rate of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) on the 1st day of January in each of the years 1958 to 1967, inclusive.

The approving legal opinion of Messrs. Winfree, McCulloch, Shuler & Says will be furnished the successful bidder.

Bids must be unconditional and accompanied by a certified check in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Don E. Smith
City Recorder 48-9c

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hans C. Bardenhagen, Executor of the Estate of Claus J. Bardenhagen, Deceased, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, his Final Account, and the Court has set the 6th day of November 1956, at 10:00 a. m., in the office of the County Judge of Sherman County, Oregon, in the County

Courthouse at Moro, Oregon, as the time and place for the settlement of said accounting and for hearing objection to the same, if any.

HANS C. BARDENHAGEN
Executor of the Estate of
Claus J. Bardenhagen, Deceased

J Tracy Barton
The Dalles, Oregon
Attorney for the Estate 48-51c

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 as Executor of the Estate of John Gibson, deceased, and that, Wednesday, the 24th day of October, 1956, at ten o'clock A. M. of said day in the court room of the County Court in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, has been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Account and for the settlement of said estate.

George C. Gibson
Executor

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Executor 47-50c

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Abstract of Taxes Payable in 1956-57
Summary of Assessment Rolls
and other tax information about
Sherman County, Oregon

ABSTRACT OF TAXES PAYABLE IN 1956-57 ON THE ASSESSMENT ROLLS FOR THE YEAR 1956 SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT ROLL		SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, 1956-57								
REAL PROPERTY	ACRES	VALUE	PER UNIT							
Tillable Land	269,401.54	\$ 5,710,490.00	\$ 21.20							
Non-Tillable Land	195,188.00	300,780.00	1.54							
Land within corporate limits		51,970.00								
Structural improvements within corporate limits		459,000.00								
Structural improvements outside corporate limits		778,610.00								
TOTAL REAL PROPERTY		\$ 7,300,850.00								
PERSONAL PROPERTY		NUMBER	PER UNIT							
Merchandise		\$ 144,120.00								
Furniture in commercial use		25,630.00								
Farming implements		670,600.00								
Other machinery and equipment		44,090.00								
Trailer houses		4,740.00								
Horses	631	9,510.00	\$ 15.07							
Cattle	10,325	219,940.00	21.30							
Sheep & Goats	1,574	4,960.00	3.15							
Swine	481	1,780.00	3.70							
Poultry	4,748	1,550.00	.33							
TOTAL PERSONAL PROPERTY VALUE		\$ 1,126,920.00								
TOTAL LOCAL REAL & PERSONAL VALUE		8,427,770.00								
Less Veterans & Widows' Exemptions		6,650.00								
NET TAXABLE VALUE		8,421,120.00								
Public Utilities Value		1,339,891.95								
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE		9,761,011.95								
SCHOOL TAX		VALUE	LEVY	TAX						
DISTRICT										
Rural School District		\$ 9,761,011.95	30.0	\$ 292,830.36						
School District No. 7 Wasco (Bonds & Interest)		2,698,185.24	4.4	11,872.01						
TOTAL SCHOOL TAX				\$ 304,702.37						
Tax from Wasco County (Joint School District - Rural)				879.34						
GRAND TOTAL SCHOOL TAX				\$ 305,581.71						
ROAD TAX		VALUE	LEVY	TAX						
DISTRICT										
Road No. 1		\$ 8,921,868.36	11.6	\$ 103,493.67						
Road No 2 - Wasco		335,256.84	11.6	3,888.98						
Road No. 3 - Moro		263,133.27	11.6	3,052.35						
Road No. 4 - Grass Valley		240,753.48	11.6	2,792.74						
TOTAL ROAD TAX				\$ 113,227.74						
COUNTY GENERAL FUND LEVY & \$10 PER CAPITA SCHOOL FUND		VALUE	LEVY	TAX						
DISTRICT										
General Fund		\$ 9,761,011.95	6.9	\$ 67,350.00						
\$10 per capita		9,761,011.95	.7	6,832.71						
TOTAL GENERAL FUND TAX				\$ 74,182.69						
CITY TAX		VALUE	LEVY	TAX	Percentages					
CITY					COMB. LEVY	CITY TAX	RSD	GR	C	SPEC.
Wasco	\$ 335,256.84	18.6	\$ 6,235.78	72.2	25.8	41.5	16.1	10.5	6.1	
Moro	263,133.27	36.6	9,630.68	85.8	42.6	35.0	13.5	8.9		
Grass Valley	240,753.48	9.1	2,190.86	58.3	15.6	51.5	19.9	13.0		
TOTAL CITY TAX			\$ 18,057.32							
TAX AND LEVY BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR ALL PURPOSES EXCEPT CITY TAX		VALUE	TOTAL LEVY	TAX	RSD	GR	C	SPEC.		
DISTRICT										
3 Rufus	\$ 1,585,628.70	49.2	\$ 78,012.92	61.0	23.6	15.4				
9 Kent	2,698,185.24	53.6	144,622.73	56.0	21.6	14.2	8.2			
7 Wasco	962,117.12	49.2	47,336.16	61.0	23.6	15.4				
17 Moro	2,843,564.99	49.2	139,903.41	61.0	23.6	15.4				
23 Grass Valley	1,671,515.90	49.2	82,238.58	61.0	23.6	15.4				
TOTAL DISTRICT TAX			\$ 492,113.80							
LEGEND		City Tax — City Tax								
RSD — Rural School District		GR — General Road District	C — County General Fund							
GR — General Road District		Spec. — School District No. 7 Bonds & Interest								
Total Value	\$ 9,761,011.95	100.0	Total Tax	\$ 510,171.12	100.0					
Total Local Value	8,421,120.00	86.3	Total Local Tax	440,661.22	86.4					
Total Real Value	7,294,520.00	74.7	Real Property Tax	379,885.56	74.5					
Total Personal Value	1,126,600.00	11.6	Personal Property Tax	60,775.67	11.9					
Public Utilities Value	1,339,891.95	13.7	Public Utilities Tax	69,509.89	13.6					
RECAPITULATION										
General Fund Tax			\$ 74,182.69							
General Road Fund Tax			113,227.74							
Rural School District Tax			292,830.36							
Special School Tax (District No. 7)			11,872.01							
Special City Tax			18,057.32							
TOTAL COUNTY TAX TO BE COLLECTED BY SHERIFF				\$ 510,171.12						
I hereby certify that the assessed valuations, tax levies and taxes set forth herein are the full and complete copies of the originals as the same appear in this office and in my custody.										
Dated this 27th day of August, 1956										
Clair L. Balzer Sherman County Assessor										