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COUNTY MANAGER

The county budget for the coming year is a document that gives many reasons for the adoption of the county manager plan.

Sherman is a small county. Its official jobs do not require much time. Yet, the men performing them must eat and live just like anyone else. The solution, we think, is in consolidation of the jobs until they are man-size. Then the taxpayers would not complain about paying adequate salaries.

Under a county manager charter the entire work of the several county offices would be under one man with authority to hire such assistants as he needed and the county board would approve. No one would be elected to an administrative office. There would be a county board which would serve as a legislative assembly, making resolutions and directing the county manager. That person would be the executive head.

With one assistant and some part-time help he could run the county offices if he were willing to work at it. If not he could be displaced and another one hired. He would not have a four year tenure, nor necessarily any tenure at all.

New machinery and new equipment reduces the man power required in all industry and business offices. As labor becomes higher priced ways are found to obtain more work from it. That is only good management. A horse farm could not afford to pay \$15 per day for a 12-horse teamster but a man pulling ten plows behind a tractor earns it easily. The county has invested in no little office equipment. Conditions have made it necessary to pay larger salaries. It is proper that the county arrange its business so that it gets something from its machinery investment and proper that when an employee gets a job it be big enough to interest him.

FRUITS OF DEPRESSION

We can't help but wonder what this downturn in the economy will do to some of our fancier evidences of conspicuous consumption. It will surely result in ending some of the gaudier show-offs whose end is past due. There will be others, naturally, but it is time for new ones, the immediate post-war era always bring out the worst.

There are Hilton hotels, for example, about which we know nothing except what is printed in the ads. They sound like wonderful places in which to spend money but when spending for the sake of spending becomes unpopular or impossible, hotels with comfort without ostentation will get the business.

We wonder what will happen to highway building. Will we keep on making huge, wide concrete monuments that it is necessary to speed because they were so plainly built for that purpose. We doubt the advisability of putting so much money into one road when other roads need improvement also.

Will the huge extravaganzas of entertainment last or will there be more thought and less show in theater and pictures?

We could use a dose of practicality in many things, could use thinking instead of so much show, could develop a way of life that was more satisfactory than that of the chrome era.

SCIENCES

It is very probable that the world needs bigger and better atomic bombs less than it needs anything. Yet, a great part of human ingenuity and a good bit of money is going into preparation for atomic warfare. The money isn't so bad; it is never used up being like water in nature, indestructible, now a river, now a spring, now steam; someone always has money (someone else usually) and it is often used but never used up. Development of atomic bombs has greatly expanded the mopey in the world; so much so that it isn't worth much. Still the money is not so important as the human energy that has gone into finding new and better ways of killing humans.

Science is simply wonderful. It has put chrome on motor cars

so they glare in the eyes, it has preserved vegetables to they can be grown in California and eaten in Oregon; it has made clothing out of wood; it has made machines to do the work of man and changed the location of a laborer's calluses. It has made life easier, fulfilling the hopes of the lazy.

We are speaking of the physical sciences, of course. There just has to be other sciences. Mankind, if he is to continue to exist, must find other aims than are at present expressed in his science. Otherwise there is no particular point in letting man continue on the earth at all. If all he wants to do is live easier and kill quicker his very existence is a danger to himself. Neither does it lead to enjoyment.

The sciences we need to develop and to teach are the sciences of getting along. We need to understand the Russians and the Russians need to understand us. The same goes for the Chinese, the French. Whether we like those of other races and religions and political beliefs or not they are here on the earth and show every indication of remaining. We can try to evade them personally but we cannot evade them nationally. The science we need is the science of how to get along with them. We don't think killing them is practical.

COUNTY BUDGET

The county court has offered some criticism of the report on the budget in last week's issue of our favorite newspaper. We learned long ago to expect such things as a publisher and as an official. Often they lead to clarifications from which the public benefits. We feel certain that the court is no more unhappy about the story than the editor is unhappy about the budget.

The court says, and correctly, that the biggest item of increase was the emergency fund and for auditing, which is explained. As for the auditing at a figure of \$5,000, we wonder if the cost of finding an error is not going to be as great as the error itself.

Our addition on salary increases is \$2970 and the reductions \$1400 for a net of \$1570. We included \$590 for the county agents to get the different figure.

In last week's story we said the budget was up to \$238,670 from \$230,403. That is just exactly correct. We did not report on the tax, not having the receipts at hand.

Last year the budgeters asked for and received \$230,403 (\$111,500 for roads, \$88,903 for general). They estimate that there will be \$12,000 left on July 1 and have reduced the prospective tax by that amount and by some larger receipts so that the tax will be \$4628 under that of last year and the voters will have to pass on a levy over the six percent of \$63,480.43 instead of \$75,880.95 which it was last year. This is because of an increase in the base.

The point is that of the \$12,000 left over from the 1957-58 budget \$7,372 is going to be spent. The budget is up. As for the contemplated expenditures for John Day dam the \$7,000 additional in the emergency fund and the \$2500 for the planning commission which is mostly for dam problems, make an investment of nearly \$10,000 in a dam not yet started. We think it rather more than generous and in indication of being a little fearful of the future.

Some court members have been asked to permit the voters to pass on budget items separately. This was not granted. What would happen if voters were given this privilege we do not know but it would certainly clarify a clouded situation and settle a lot of arguments.

Of the road fund of \$141,500 there was \$37,531.22 left at the first of April and the budgeters estimated that \$7,000 would be left July 1. Of the general fund of \$88,903 there was \$34,072.34 left April 1 and it was estimated that \$5,000 would remain July 1. Average quarterly expenditures for the road fund for the first three quarters was \$34,656.26 which makes it appear somewhat difficult to have \$7,000 in that fund July 1. Average quarterly expenditures for the general fund for the first three quarters was \$18,276.89 which makes it appear that much more than \$5,000 would remain in that fund. Maybe the budget committee has some information not given.

There are four sinking funds in the budget, one of them new. The budget does not show the status of either the ambulance sinking fund, the FAS sinking fund, nor the macadam maintenance sinking fund. Neither does it show the amounts spent from such funds, if any. We think that is incomplete budgeting.

As for salaries. We have no objection to anyone trying to raise his income and if that means getting a raise in salary let him try. The officials may all be worth the money they will get. We are not sure that the jobs are worth that much. Our solution to that is discussed elsewhere.

HARLANDVIEW GRANGE
Meets First and Third Saturdays each month at 8:00 p. m.
Helen Bruckert, Master
Florence Bruckert, Secretary

People's Column

Dear Editor:
We are writing this letter to clarify, for the voters, some of the misleading statements which appeared in the last Sherman County Journal, regarding the county budget for the fiscal year 1958-59.

The statement that "causes of the increases are mostly salaries and new items" is not correct. The two main items causing increase are an increase in the emergency fund of \$7,000 and an increase of \$3,500 for auditing. The reasoning of the Budget Committee in increasing the emergency fund from \$5,000 to \$12,000 was to take care of any possible contingencies that may arise incident to the construction of the John Day dam. There is no experience on which to base such budget estimates, but there is little doubt that many emergencies will arise. This money will not be spent unless an emergency does develop.

The State Bureau of Audits was employed a year ago last January at an estimated annual cost of \$1,500. The addition \$3,500 that was budgeted is the amount that was required to audit the books of the Sheriff's office after the death of the late Norman E. Fields, before his successor could take over. Due to the inferior quality of work performed by our former auditor, much additional expense was involved in performing this special audit.

Salaries were increased by a total of \$2,380 and as you pointed out, \$2500 was made available for planning commission purposes. We would also like to point out that although the budget is a little larger than last year, the amount that the taxpayer will be called upon to pay, will be \$4,628 less, due to our increased receipts and cash on hand.

The Budget Committee gave every item in the budget serious consideration and came up with a budget which we feel merits the support of the voters.

Sincerely,
Sherman County Court
Vernon I. Miller
Lester Wilson
C. F. Kuypers

WANT ADS

FOR SALE: Bear Cat garden tractor, with plow, disk and cultivator. Call JO 5-3295 after 5 p. m. 24c

WE have a 1958 Model 5T IHC Combine with top bulker. Cut less than 4000 acres. Will trade for used machinery or what have you. Call or write Swode Smith % Dielschneider Equip. Company, The Dalles, Ore. 24-5c

FOR SALE: An automatic washing machine in excellent condition. Mrs. E. E. Barnum, Moro. 24-5c

ELECTRIC ORGAN: Want responsible party to assume small mo. pyts. Also spinet piano. Write Credit Mgr., P. O. Box 226, Salem, Ore. 24-25c

FOR SALE BY OWNER
C. GORDON JOHNSON
WHEAT RANCH

480 acres in Sherman County
LEGAL DESCRIPTION
W 1/2 and SE 1/4 of Sec. 17,
T. 2 N., R. 18 E.W.M.

Contains 460 acres of tillable land
Year 'round creek

Children resident on the premises qualify as potential beneficiaries of James Weir Memorial Fund

160 acres in crop this year
Sealed bids will be received at the office of Howard Dent, Jr., 106 E. 4th St., The Dalles, Ore. up to 5 p. m. April 30, 1958

Terms may be negotiated. Owner reserves right to refuse any and all bids.

WANTED: Saleslady or salesman to sell McNeess Products part or Custom Slaughtering by appointment only. Meat cutting, wrapping, sharp freeze. Kenny's Market, Grass Valley, Oregon. Call ED 3-2345 for appointment.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O.E.S.
Meets every second Thursday each month. Visiting members invited. Moro, Oregon.

Genevieve Powell, W. M.
Gwen Ross, Secretary
Taylor Lodge A. F. & A. M.
Wasco, Oregon

Meets each First and Third Tuesdays

Elton Medler, W. M.
Gordon Harper, Sec.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome.

Ann Miller, NG
Helen Martin, Sec.

Moro Lodge No. 113 I.O.O.F.
Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited.

Orlow Martin, N. G.
Leo Watkins, Secretary

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.P.A.A.M.
Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us.

Joe Heater, W. M.
Lyde Gilmore, Secretary

full time. Big profits. No experience needed. Will teach and finance you. Write McNeess Co., P.O. Box 14, Bayshore Station, Oakland 23, Calif. 23-4p

STRAYED: From ranch in Rutledge 1 lge polled Hereford cow, 1 dark red Hereford cow, 1 yellow-red Hereford cow. Vernon Eakin, Ph. ED 3-2559 Grass Valley, Oregon. 22-4c

EXPERIENCE UNNECESSARY: You do not need selling experience to become a Watkins Dealer. Excellent profits. Car or truck needed but no capital investment in stock. We can start you now. Write The J. R. Watkins Company, 3903 Brookline Avenue, Seattle 5, Washington. 22-27c

WANTED: Horses to break or train; horseshoeing. Sandy Sanson. Moro Hotel JO5-3204 tfn

STATE WIDE PAINT CO. complete painting and decorating service, spray or brush. Phone CY 6-3977 or CY6-5293, 1205 E. 12th St. Vern Campbell and Jack Null, The Dalles, Or. 38tfn

LUMBER for your ranch or farm. competitive mill prices. Thoren Lumber Co., Lyle, Wash. 8-tfn

FOR SALE: Completely remodeled 2 bedroom home in Moro. Call JO 5-3602 or JO 5-3528. 12c tfn

LOST: 3 yearling registered Hereford heifers, branded Lazy S over S on right side. Last seen at mouth of Little Ferry Canyon on Sherman Co. side of John Day. Reward for their recovery. Sid Seale, Condon, Ore. 12c tfn

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION AND MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in compliance with Sec. 331.010, ORS, to the legal voters of School District No. 3, of Sherman County, State of Oregon, that the ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION of said District will be held at the school house; between the hours of 2 P. M. and 8 P. M. on the first Monday of May, being the 5th day of May, A. D. 1958, for the purpose of electing one board member to serve a 5 year term. (In Districts of the Third Class)

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BUDGET—FISCAL YEAR 1958-1959

Summary of Estimated Expenditures, Receipts, and Available Cash Balances, and Tax Levies	Total All Funds	General Fund	Bus Reserve	Lunch Fund
1. Total Estimated Expenditures DEDUCT:	\$ 54,339.73	\$ 45,339.73	\$ 7,350.00	\$ 1,575.00
2. Total Estimated Receipts and Available Cash Balances	24,542.05	20,378.05	2,589.00	1,575.00
3. Amount Necessary to Balance the Budget	29,722.68	24,961.68	4,761.00	
ADD:				
4. Estimated Amount of Taxes that will not be collected during the Fiscal Year for which this Budget is made, including Estimated Rebate on Taxes	891.68	748.85	142.83	
5. Total Estimated Tax Levies for Ensuing Fiscal Year	\$ 30,614.36	\$ 25,710.53	\$ 4,903.83	
6. Analysis of Estimated Tax Levies: (a) Amount Outside 6% Limitation	\$ 30,614.36			

INDEBTEDNESS

1. Amount of bonded indebtedness (Include all negotiable interest-bearing warrants issued under ORS 328.205)	\$ None
2. Amount of warrant indebtedness on warrants issued and endorsed "not paid for want of funds."	\$ None
3. Amount of other indebtedness	\$ None
4. Total indebtedness (sum of items 1, 2, 3.)	\$ None

Schedule II Estimated Receipts District No. 9 County Sherman

Item	Fiscal Year
10. Revenue from Local Sources	
Rent	\$ 900.00
Water	200.00
20. Revenue from Intermediate Sources	
21.1 County School Fund	850.00
29.9 Miscellaneous Music	750.00
30. Revenue from or through State Sources	
31.0 Basis School Support Fund	5603.80
33.1 Common Irreducible School Fund	74.25
10. Revenue from other Sch. Dist.	
High School Bus	4000.00
Total Receipts	\$ 12,378.05
Beginning Net Cash Balance Less Cash Working Fund (or deficit)	8000.00
Total Budget Resources Gen. Fund	\$ 20,378.05

Schedule III Estimated Expenditures District No. 9 Co. Sherman

Item	Fiscal Year
I. General Control	
1. Personal Service:	
(1) Clerk	\$ 480.00
2. Supplies	25.00
3. Elections and Publicity	50.00
4. Legal Service (Clerk's bond, Audit, etc.)	167.00
6. Total Expense of Gen. Control	\$ 722.00
II. Instruction	
(1) Personal Service:	
(1) Principals	6600.00
(3) Teachers	10775.00
(4) Music	800.00
(5) Substitute teacher	300.00
2. Library Supplies, Repairs	15.00
3. Teaching Supplies	600.00
4. Textbooks	200.00
6. Other Expense of Instruction	100.00
7. Total expense of Instruction	\$ 18,850.00
III. Operation of Plant	
(1) Personal Service:	
(1) Janitors and other employees	3000.00
2. Supplies	450.00
3. Fuel	1500.00
4. Water	150.00
5. Light and Power	800.00
6. Telephone	80.00
7. Other Expense of Operation	50.00
8. Total Expense of Operation	\$ 6,030.00

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Dated this 14th day of Apr. 1958.
ATTEST: Jean Brown District Clerk
William M. Huck Chairman Board of Directors 24-25c

NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION AND MEETING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in compliance with Sec. 331.010, ORS, to the legal voters of Sherman County High School District of Sherman County, State of Oregon, that the ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION of said District will be held at Grade Schools of Rufus, Wasco, Moro, Grass Valley and Kent; between the hours of 2 P. M. and 8 P. M. on the first Monday of May, being the 5th day of May, A. D. 1958, for the purpose of electing one director for a five year term.

Dated this 11th day of April 1958.
ATTEST: Marjorie K. Marvin District Clerk
Marvin Thomas Chairman Board of Directors 24-25c

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in compliance with Sec. 331.010, ORS, to the legal voters of School District No. 9, of Sherman County, State of Oregon, that the ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING of said District will be held at the schoolhouse on the 5th day of May, 1958, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of discussing the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1958 and ending June 30, 1959, hereinafter set forth.

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Schedule IV Estimated Expenditures District No. 9 County Sherman

Item	Fiscal Year
IV. Maintenance and Repairs	
2. Repair, Maintenance and Replacement	
(1) Furniture and Equipment	300.00
(2) Building Structure	1,000.00
5. Total Expense of Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 1,300.00
V. Auxiliary Agencies	
1. Health Service	
(2) Supplies and other expenses	25.00
2. Transportation of Pupils	
(1) Personal Service	7,800.00
(2) Supplies and Repairs	