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COLONEL HOUSE



Col. E. M. House, head of the American mission which has arrived in Europe to participate in allied war councils.

WILSON DELIVERS MESSAGE TO LABOR

Buffalo, N. Y.—President Wilson delivered a message to the workmen of the United States in an address before the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor. His entrance to the convention hall was the signal for a tremendous outburst of cheers from the 6000 persons assembled to hear him.

The president appealed for co-operation. He said that he "would like to see all the critics exported." He said, "We must get down to business and every one must do the right thing."

"Never show ourselves Americans by going off in separate groups to talk by ourselves, but by co-operating in a common enterprise which is to release the spirit of the world from bondage," he declared.

The president referred to the present as a "time more critical than the world has yet known."

It was important "in this moment of counsel to remind ourselves how the war came about," he said, and continued: "This is the last decisive issue between the old principle of power and the new principle of freedom."

He said, "the war was started by Germany. Her authorities deny it, but I am willing to await the verdict of history on the statement I have just made."

"Germany had a place in the sun," the president continued. "Why was she not satisfied? What more does she want?"

A Strange Situation.
"Humor is a very funny thing," said Blinks.
"It ought to be," said the philosopher.
"Oh, I don't mean that way," said Blinks. "I mean that it is a strange thing. Now, I can't speak French, but I can always understand a French joke, and I can speak English, but I'm blessed if I can see an English joke."

"Most people are," said the philosopher.
"Are what?" said Blinks.
"Blessed if they can see an English joke," said the philosopher. "It is a sign of an unusually keen vision."

Force of the Imagination.
There is a story of a man who was tied up in a dark room and informed that he was to be put to death by beheading. His tormentors made a small incision in his neck and arranged for a stream of lukewarm water to trickle down his back for fifteen minutes. At the end of fifteen minutes the man died of exhaustion. He had not lost a drop of blood, but he thought he had. Such is the power of suggestion.

Dissatisfied Humor.
I was introduced by particular request to Mrs. Wynham Lewis, a pretty little woman, a flirt and a rattle. Indeed, gifted with a volubility I should think unequalled and of which I can convey no idea. She told me she liked "silent, melancholy men." I answered that I had no doubt of it. Letter of Benjamin Disraeli to His Sister.

Different Effects.
"The same thing will make entirely different impressions on different readers," remarked the man who writes.
"Quite so," replied the lawyer. "Letters which bring tears to a girl's eyes frequently make a jury laugh."—Washington Star.

Just Suited.
"There's only one objection to these apartments," said the agent of the building. "From these two windows you can't help seeing everything in the dining rooms of the neighbors on both sides of you."

"What's the rental?" smilingly asked the portly dame who was looking for a flat.—Chicago Tribune.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

The salmon run in the Umpqua river is heavier than for many years. The annual Columbia county Sunday school convention was held in Scappoose.

The annual Linn-Benton teachers' institute will be held in Albany November 26 to 28.

It is reported that forest fires in the Tiago district of Coos county have done much damage.

The reconstructed Grace Presbyterian church in Albany will be dedicated Sunday, November 18.

The state highway commission, since December 1, 1916, has expended approximately \$542,848.

The Oregon wool growers will hold their 20th annual convention at The Dalles October 6 and 7.

It is reported from Diamond that ducks are dying on Baco lake, near there, by hundreds each week.

The Oregon State Horticultural society will hold its annual meeting at Salem December 6-8, inclusive.

The Pacific Northwest Ice Cream Manufacturers' convention will be held in Portland November 30-32.

Governor Withycombe appointed N. G. Wallace, of Prineville, to succeed County Judge Springer, of Crook county, who resigned.

W. S. Hale, superintendent of the state industrial school for boys, has signified his intention to Governor Withycombe of resigning.

Apple growers of the state are encountering great difficulty in shipping apples east without danger of freezing because of the scarcity of cars.

There is no present intention of establishing a cantonment in Oregon, says Adjutant General McCain, in a letter to Senator Chamberlain's office.

The Clackamas County Guernsey Cattle club, organized in Clackamas county in August, has purchased \$5 head of thoroughbred Guernseys in Wisconsin.

Many walnut growers from Oregon and adjoining states attended the third annual session of the Western Walnut association which was held at McMinnville.

Engineers representing the state highway commission are now viewing and making a preliminary survey of the Pacific highway between Albany and Jefferson.

Paving work on the Sheridan road, which was being done by the state highway department, has been closed down because of inability to get cars for supplying gravel.

Eastern Oregon's first annual marksmen's tournament will be held at Enterprise November 28 and 29, under the auspices of the Wallows County Rod and Gun club.

Dispatches from Ottawa include in the list of casualties the name of Captain G. I. Mitchell, an American, of Portland, who died of wounds received on the front in France.

L. M. Gilbert, for the past nine months a teacher at the state training school for boys, is considered the likely successor to Will S. Hale as superintendent of that institution.

Definite announcement has been made by Southern Pacific officials that a contract has been signed for the construction of a new depot at Salem. The structure will cost \$30,000.

Max Lucke, who was editor of the Deutsche Zeitung, of Portland, which recently suspended publication, was arrested on a presidential warrant and ordered interned for the duration of the war.

Charles Galloway, state tax commissioner, has left for Atlanta, Ga., where he will attend sessions of the National Tax association and also a meeting of the congress of states on taxation.

A civil service examination to fill a vacancy in the Sumpter postoffice was held November 12 at Baker and was the first in Oregon under the order placing presidential offices under civil service.

The total assessed valuation of the counties of Oregon, as compiled by the county assessors, is \$807,917,181. This is an increase of \$46,882,064 over last year, when a similar assessed valuation was \$761,035,127.

Thirty-one ships have been launched at nine Oregon shipyards during the present boom in shipbuilding, according to records. Twenty-seven have been launched during this year. Four were launched in 1916.

United States Senator McNary telegraphed to Food Administrator Hoover declaring that the farmers of Oregon are suffering a material loss from the present situation concerning wheat and asking for relief.

After the installation of hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of modern apparatus, an additional boat and numerous other improvements, Portland's bureau of fire, according to a report just issued by the national board of fire underwriters, is less efficient than it was in 1910.

Several Coos county high schools with domestic science departments are resuming the usual winter customs of serving noonday lunches for the accommodation of students who prefer to dine at the schools instead of returning home for meals.

Concluding that moving pictures furnished the state institutions by a film supply company of Portland were unfit for exhibition, the board of control has directed its secretary to make arrangements for a censorship of the films provided.

Carl L. Davis, secretary of the Coos County Fire Patrol association, declares that forest fires have caused more damage and required more expenditures by the association than in any year since the patrol was organized.

The port of Bandon is considering the construction of a \$20,000 dredge for the purpose of guaranteeing the port a certainty of shipping the year around. Recent bar trouble caused shoaling is expected to be taken care of by such a dredge.

Voters will not have the opportunity of voting on who shall be state engineer at the coming primary and general elections, as under the law the office becomes appointive at the expiration of the present incumbent's term.

Douglas county will provide in its 1918 budget a sum which it is hoped will be not less than \$20,000 for the construction of a new route between Loom lake and the Umpqua river, to replace the old highway now connecting with Scottsburg.

William Riggins, who some time ago declared he was the slayer of William Booth, near Williams, instead of William Branson and Mrs. Anna Booth, who are serving sentences for the crime, has reiterated his avowal of guilt before the state parole board.

S. C. Sargent, superintendent of banks, is preparing to send a letter to all state banks and trust companies in Oregon urging them to become affiliated with the federal reserve system. He urges this both as a patriotic duty and for the sake of the benefits which will accrue to the state banks.

Traffic officials of the Union Pacific in the west will gather in Portland November 19 for a meeting to consider traffic problems that will probably keep them busy for several days. It is expected 60 representatives of the various lines between Omaha and the Pacific coast will be in attendance.

The Pacific International Livestock exposition, to be held in Portland November 19 to 24, has not had such a comprehensive entry list of livestock at any show since the first one in 1910. Entries have been keeping the filing clerks busy. They are from California, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

Official figures showing Oregon's subscription to the second liberty loan given out by the state campaign committee in the recent drive show the total subscriptions by the people of the state amounted up to \$26,067,100. Of this figure, Portland is credited with \$14,259,900 and Oregon outside of Portland invested \$11,817,200.

The first of a series of three classes which are to be given instruction in ordinance stores accounting by C. C. Jeremiah, of the University of Oregon school of commerce, has finished its work. After a short visit with friends and relatives each of the men will report to the recruiting office nearest his home and be sworn into the federal service.

The largest number of fatal accidents reported for any single week since the organization of the Oregon industrial accident commission is contained in the statement for the week ending November 8. The report shows 12 fatal accidents. Seven of the fatalities resulted from an accident near Reedville when a train crashed into an automobile. The remainder were distributed through various industries.

Oregon farmers are responding enthusiastically to the desire of the federal government for the organization of agricultural councils and the co-operation of county agents, according to reports of the extension service of the Oregon Agricultural college, which has the work in charge. Satisfactory progress in installing agents is being made and counties are being opened just as fast as men can be obtained to carry on the work.

Announcement has been made by Governor Withycombe that he would install a modified honor system at the penitentiary which would call for more discrimination in the selection of "honor men," and also a closer surveillance over them than has been the case under the present system. He was prompted to modify the present system because of the escape of six "honor men" last week, and frequent escapes heretofore.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill has announced that the state board of education has adopted a rule to the effect that, after December 1, no standard high school shall accept work done in a non-standard or non-accredited secondary school and that students of such schools before being admitted to any standard high school must pass written examinations in those subjects in which they apply for high school credits.

Oregon lumbermen have appealed to Governor Withycombe and the state highway commission and requested that the road building campaign in this state be modified so as to offer as little competition as possible to the lumber industry, which is already handicapped by lack of the necessary labor to supply the most urgent needs of the government, namely an adequate supply of fir for the manufacture of airplanes, in addition to the spruce output for which the government has contracted.

Assistant Secretary Vrooman, of the department of agriculture, replying to data submitted by Representative Ginnotti regarding federal aid for disputed highway sections in Douglas county, says no evidence was presented from Oregon tending to show any reasonable prospect that mail would be carried over any portion of the road not already covered by mail routes, immediately or within a reasonable time. Therefore he will be obliged to refuse the request for federal funds, except for 2.4 miles on one Douglas county road now in use as a post road.

Fuel Administrator Fred, J. Holmes of La Grande has chosen as committee men to assist him in distributing fuel in Oregon, Bruce Dennis, W. O. Munsel, Dr. C. J. Smith and E. A. Holmes, all of Portland; Lot L. Pierce of Salem and F. L. Chambers of Eugene.

Secretary of State Olcott has sent notices to all state officials that any claims presented by them against the state for expenses for either passenger or Pullman fares or freight expenses tax under the new war tax law will not be audited by his office.

The appropriation of \$7500 for the state grain inspection department, under the public service commission, is now exhausted and the commission is preparing to ask the emergency board to authorize the department to incur a deficiency of probably \$5000.

BRIEF WAR NEWS

The conference of British, French and Italian representatives has resulted in the creation of a permanent inter-allied military committee under General Lord, Wilson and Cadorna, to sit at Versailles.

Advices from Petrograd are that the revolutionists have been defeated. In Petrograd, street fighting has taken place, with the Cosacks and other loyalists having the better of the Bolsheviks, element, while Kerensky with 200,000 men is on his way from Gatchina to reinforce the loyalists.

The British army in Palestine, pursuing the defeated Turks, has made further extensive gains. Askalon has been occupied. With the occupation of Askalon, British forces have described a half circle around the holy city of Jerusalem. At Haborra, the British are only 20 miles distant from the shrine of all Christians and Jews.

On the Italian front the Italian line on the north has stiffened under the reinforcements it has received from the British and French. The German official communication admits that east of Asiago, where the Austro-Germans made gains last week, the Italians in strong force attacked the invaders and recaptured lost positions.

General Greene Asked to Give Facts.
Seattle, Wash.—By a vote of 5 to 4 the Seattle city council adopted a resolution requesting Major General H. A. Greene, commanding the Camp Lewis cantonment, to submit evidence substantiating his charge that a vice syndicate with "men high in authority involved" is operating in this city, making it an unsafe place for soldiers to visit.

Says Government Can Stop Strikes.
San Francisco.—The government has the power to end strikes and lockouts and intends to use this power, Verner Z. Reed, of the president's mediation commission, said in reference to the continued strikes of telephone employees in Washington and Oregon.

American Battleship Boat Lost.
Washington.—Twelve men—all the crew of the picket-boat of the battleship Michigan—were lost when their little craft foundered in home waters October 30.

Prohibition Defeated in Ohio.
Cincinnati.—Prohibition has been defeated in Ohio by a majority of 1733 votes, according to official returns from all counties.

Women Arrested for Picketing Wilson.
Washington.—Forty-one members of the National Woman's party were arrested at the two front gates of the white house for picketing.

Paraguay Leap.
Lace making was taught the natives of Paraguay by missionaries two centuries ago. Today in all towns of 8,000 inhabitants many of the men and nearly all the women and children make lace collars, handkerchiefs and ladies' ties.

Accomplished.
Bibbs—I never knew such a Baz as Longbow. Bibbs—Yes. That fellow could actually eat an onion and lie out of it.—Philadelphia Record.

Keep Clean
Keep clean inside, as well as outside. Do not allow food poisons to accumulate in your bowels. Headache, a sign of self-poisoning, will point to stomach troubles which are sure to follow. Keep yourself well, as thousands of others do, by taking when needed a dose of two of the old, reliable, vegetable, family liver medicine.

Theodore's Black-Draught
Mrs. Maggie Blackmore, Oswatimie, Kan., says: "Black-Draught cured me of constipation of 15 years standing, which nothing had been able to help. I was also a slave to stomach trouble. Everything I ate would sour on my stomach. I used two packages of Black-Draught and Obedience, and the trouble is gone. I feel like a new woman. Black-Draught should be on your shelf. Get a package today, please. One cent dose."

All Druggists

Notice of Estimated and Proposed Tax Levy for Sherman County, Oregon, for the Year 1917

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 5th day of December, 1917, the County Court of Sherman County, Oregon, will be in regular session at the County Court House in Moro, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock a.m., and any taxpayer of Sherman County, Oregon, will be heard in favor of, or against the proposed tax levy as hereinafter itemized.

ITEMIZED STATEMENT.

Prepared in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 224 of the 1916 Oregon Session Laws, showing an estimate of the amount of money required to be raised by taxation, by Sherman County, Oregon, for the year 1918, to maintain each department of the county government, county office, or county officer, and for each county improvement, the maintenance of each county building, structure or institution, and for the salary of each county officer or employee, and for the improvement and maintenance of public highways, roads and bridges, and for other contemplated expenditures.

Also showing the probable receipts of Sherman County, Oregon, from sources other than direct taxation upon real and personal property for the year 1917, and also the approximate amount of the balance of the various funds of Sherman county, Oregon, upon January 1st, 1918.

PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING EXPENSES	
County Judge—	Amount
Salary	\$ 450
Incidental expenses	250
County Clerk—	
Salary	1500
Deputy Salary	900
Record books and blanks	150
Incidental expenses	100
County Sheriff—	
Salary	1800
Deputy salary	900
Traveling expenses	300
Office supplies and incidental expenses	400
County Treasurer—	
Salary	400
Record books and incidental expenses	50
County Assessor—	
Salary	1500
Field deputies	340
Rolls, detail sheets, stamps and miscellaneous	220
District Attorney—	
Incidental expenses	25
County School Superintendent—	
Salary	1500
Traveling expenses	300
Incidental expenses	150
Eight grade examination	50
Coroner's Fees—	
Fees and expenses	100
Jurors fees and witnesses	50
County Commissioners—	
Fees, per diem and mileage	250
County Surveyor—	
Fees and incidental expenses	200
Sealer Weights and Measures—	
Per diem and expenses	125
State Account—	
Per diem and expenses	100
Court House Expenses—	
Janitor, fuel, light, water, telephone rental, furniture, repairs, and miscellaneous	1000
Jail Account—	
Board of prisoners	150
Care of Poor—	
County physician	1000
Burial expense	400
County Health Officer—	
Salary	100
Expenses	50
Indigent Soldiers—	
Relief of old soldiers	50
Boys and Girls Aid Society—	
Relief	120
Insane Account—	
Examination and expense	50
Election Account—	
Judges and clerks	1000
Ballots	400
Ballot boxes and fees of registration	100
Deputy sheriffs, hall rent, and repairing booths	350
Scalp Bounty—	
Bounty on wild animals	500
Fruit Inspector—	
Per diem and expenses	80
Stock Inspector—	
Salary	300
Stationary and advertising	25
School Library—	
Books and state library	125
School Childrens Industrial Fair	
Expense	450
County Institute—	
Expense	100
Widows Pension—	
Future allowance	400
Fair Account—	
County fair, premiums, etc	2500
Painting buildings	500
Circuit Court—	
Witnesses and jurors	1000
Reporters fees	100
Stationary	25
Meals for jurors	50
Beaiffs	80
Justice Court—	
Fees justice and constable	100
County Schools—	
Apportionment of \$8.00 per capita	9000
County high school tuition fund	2400
School board convention	60
State of Oregon—	
1918 state tax for Sherman county	30,000
Auditor—	
Auditing county books	250
War Expense—	
Telephone, telegraph, etc	100
Grand Total Expense	\$ 66,125
INCOME FROM OTHER SOURCES OTHER THAN TAXATION	
Approximate balance in general fund	2400
Fees from county clerks office	1900
One-half of bounty from state	250
Total income from other sources than taxation	4550
Total amount to be raised by taxation	\$ 60,575
Roads and Highways—	
Salary of road master, laborers, repairs, improvements, and all bridges under 10 feet wide to be paid from road fund	25,000
Bridges—	
Bridges over 10 feet to be built from bridge fund	23,440

Grand Total Amount, to be raised by taxation for State, County, Schools, Roads and Bridges, \$109,015

It is estimated that the amount necessary to be raised by taxation is \$109,015.

Dated at Moro, Oregon, this 7th day of November, 1917.

Fred Krurow, County Judge
E. D. McKee, Commissioner
J. M. Wilson, Commissioner
K. A. McPherson, Clerk

Notice of School Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 17 of Sherman county, state of Oregon, that a school meeting of said district will be held at the school house on the 30th day of November, 1917, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon to vote on the proposition of levying a special district tax.

The total amount of money needed by the district during the fiscal year beginning on June 30th, 1918, and ending on June 30th, 1919, is estimated in the following budget and includes the amounts to be received from the county school fund, state school fund, special district tax, and all other moneys of the district:

BUDGET	
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
Teachers' salaries	\$ 6336
Furniture	1250
Apparatus and supplies, such as maps, chalk, erasers, stoves, curtains, etc.	125
Library books	30
Flags	00
Repairs of schoolhouses, outbuildings or grounds	1000
Improving grounds	1500
Playground equipment	100
Transportation of pupils	00
Tuition of pupils	00
Janitor's wages	500
Janitor's supplies	50
Fuel	400
Light	50
Water	75
Clerk's salary	25
Postage and stationery	25
For the payment of bonded debt and interest thereon, issued under Sections 117, 144 to 148, and 422 of the School Laws of Oregon, 1917	1000
For the payment of outstanding indebtedness	3534
Total estimated amount of money to be expended for all purposes during the year	\$16000
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	
From county school fund during the coming school year	\$ 1200
From state school fund during the coming school year	200
Estimated amount to be received from all other sources during the coming school year	1200
Total estimated receipts, not including the money to be received from the tax which it is proposed to vote	\$ 2600
RECAPITULATION	
Total estimated expenses for the year	\$16000
Total estimated receipts, not including the tax to be voted	2600
Balance, amount to be raised by district tax	13400
Dated this 5th day of November, 1917.	
D. E. Stephens,	
Chairman Board of Directors	
F. E. Fortner, District Clerk	

Notice of Special City Election

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of the City of Moro, of Sherman county, State of Oregon, that a Special City Election will be held in the Garfield Building (old Duran hall) on the 30th day of November, 1917, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 m., and from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., to vote on the proposition of levying a Special City Tax.

The total amount of money needed by the City of Moro, during the year beginning on the 1st day of January, 1918, and ending on the 31st day of December, 1918, is estimated in the following itemized budget:

BUDGET	
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	
Salaries of City Engineer, Marshal, City Treasurer and City Recorder.....	\$2,000
Oil and Distillate for Pumping Station.....	2,300
Miscellaneous labor.....	400
Materials and supplies.....	1,000
Payment of bonds maturing June, 1918.....	2,000
Interest on bonds.....	450
For cross walks and for sidewalks along city property.....	1,000
Payment of outstanding warrants.....	2,000
Total estimated amount of money to be expended for all purposes during year.....	\$11,050
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	
From water rent collections during year.....	\$2,600
From light rent collections during year.....	2,400
From license collections during year.....	100
From miscellaneous collections during year.....	50
Total estimated receipts, not including money to be received from tax which it is proposed to vote \$5,150	
RECAPITULATION	
Total estimated expenses for year.....	\$11,050
Total estimated receipts, not including the tax to be voted.....	5,150
Balance, amount to be raised by the special city tax.....	\$ 5,900
The amount of money to be raised by this special tax is more than the amount raised by special city tax in the year immediately preceding this, plus six per cent. It is necessary to raise this additional amount by special levy for the following reasons: For the payment of the outstanding bonds and warrants coming due during the year and interest on same and to build needed cross walks and sidewalks abutting city property. The assessed valuation of the City of Moreau for the year 1917, is estimated at \$321,790. The following named persons have been appointed judges and clerks of this Special City Election: Judges of Election: J. M. Axtell, S. P. Brislin, Alton Hunter; Clerks of Election: W. T. McCoy, J. A. Hardin. Dated this 29th day of October, 1917. L. Baraum, Mayor; H. U. Martin, G. L. Poley, W. S. Powell, L. W. Ross, N. W. Thompson, A. M. Wright, Councilmen.	
Attest:	
F. E. Fagan, City Recorder	