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C. L. IRELAND... Manager.

"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet of Liberty."

Official Paper for Sherman County.

Protests Tax Assessment

A member of the law firm of Veazie & Veazie, at Portland, was in Moro on Monday before the County Board of Equalization to protest the assessment levied by Assessor Otto Peetz on the mineral and gas rights reserved by the E. O. L. Co in their deeds made in late years for farm lands, sold by the company, situated in Sherman county.

A law passed by the last legislature make it mandatory to assess these rights, when held in separate title from the surface rights at 10 per cent of the total amount assessed against the surface rights.

A total of 46 deeds for land in Sherman county is at interest, totaling \$83,210 assessment for the reserved rights alone. The company wanted to settle with the Board of Equalization for less, but the Board held the position that the amount of the assessment was fixed by law and that they had no power to change the amount, particularly as this settled explicitly when Assessor Peetz was able to produce the law showing his authority for making the assessment.

To escape paying these taxes on the mineral and gas rights, reserved by the E. O. L. Co. in their deeds, the company must either deed the owners of the land the reserved rights or else let them go delinquent and then the owners of the land can buy these rights at delinquent tax sale and in that manner secure clear title to all their lands, the surface and under ground rights both.

As it is now, the company can, under these rights, dig any where at any place on any land where these mineral and gas rights have been reserved when selling.

The Board, in deciding the protest made by Mr. Veazie, took the position that the law was as stated by Assessor Peetz and that it had no authority to change the assessment and was quite willing to have the E.O.L.Co. enter suit to prevent collection of the taxes or the sale of the rights reserved by the company when selling their lands, if the taxes be not paid.

For the long term of years that Assessor Otto Peetz has been assessor for Sherman county not once has an assessment made by him been questioned before the Board of Equalization by a resident of Sherman county and never has a non-resident made good a protest before the Board and very few in number has been the protests by all non-resident property owners of the county.

Alfalfa Land For Sale

20 acres, all seeded, good stand, adjoining town, terms;

40 acres, 30 in alfalfa, balance cultivated; 5 miles from Hermiston, good improvements;

120 acres, 65 in alfalfa, some green pasture, plenty of spring water; good house and barn;

Other properties for sale,
E. P. Dodd, Hermiston, Oregon

Fresh Salmon for Sale

Parties wanting fresh Columbia river salmon for canning, etc., can get them at the following prices by sending money either to us or to Express Agent at Mosier, Oregon. After September 10th same will be shipped by express the same day caught.

Prices: Red (best) 15 cents per pound; Toolies, red, 10 cents per pound; Toolies, white, 6 cents per pound.

Nichol, Arnold & Nichol,
Mosier, Oregon.

Farm For Sale

Wheat ranch in Gilliam county, consisting of 470 acres; 265 acres tillable; 160 acres now in summer fallow ready to seed; good spring on the premises and fair buildings; distance to market 64 miles. This is a good bargain. Easy terms.

Sherman County Abstract Company,
Moro, Oregon.

Word from the new highway bridge over the DesChutes is to the effect that work on the approaches is about finished and that work on the detour road connecting the bridge with the old approach to the toll bridge road is about finished. It is expected that travel will be routed over the new bridge within the next few days. Suit has been filed by the state highway commission against M. A. Moody, the owner of the toll bridge, for rights over the detour road, which suit is now being contested in the Wasco county circuit court.

OUR LOCAL BANK STATEMENTS

No. 216. Report of the Condition of The Bank at Moro, in the state of Oregon at the close of business September 8, 1920.

Resources—	
Loans and discounts	\$510,434.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1405.11
Bonds and warrants	11,922.98
Furniture and fixtures	1,931.00
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	818.28
Due from approved reserve banks	134,003.83
Checks and other cash items	1,493.49
Cash on hand	14,399.94
Total	\$676,408.71
Liabilities—	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	805.64
Individual deposits subject to check	416,922.51
Time and savings deposits	52,540.56
Notes and bills rediscounted	26,000.00
Bills payable for money borrowed	50,000.00
Total	\$676,408.71

State of Oregon
County of Sherman } ss
I, F. E. Fortner, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
F. E. Fortner, cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of September 1920.
J. C. Harper, Notary Public
My commission expires Feb. 1, 1924.
Correct, attest:
L. Bagnon, E. O. McCoy, Directors.

No. 240. Report of the Condition of The Farmers' State Bank, at Moro, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business September 8, 1920.

Resources—	
Loans and discounts	\$316,632.55
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,413.27
Bonds and warrants	5,360.00
Stocks, securities, judgments, etc.	900.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,800.00
Due from approved reserve banks	71,949.74
Checks and other cash items	4,125.27
Exchanges for clearing house	975.20
Cash on hand	4,745.38
Expenses—	
Other resources, transient account	249.45
Total	\$409,360.76
Liabilities—	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	206,341.20
Time and savings deposits	55,586.71
Notes and bills rediscounted	94,166.17
Bills payable for money borrowed	21,735.31
Reserved for interest and taxes	1,001.49
Other liabilities, insurance account	559.88
Total	\$409,360.76

State of Oregon
County of Sherman } ss
I, R. C. Ornduff, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. C. Ornduff, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of September 1920.
Estelle Benson, Notary Public
My commission expires May 4, 1924.
Correct, attest:
W. H. Ragdale, J. C. McKean, Directors.

Auto Races Big Drawing Card

Sherman county is indeed favored in being able to arrange for the big auto racing event which will be held on the track this year the closing day of the annual county fair.

Ten of the world's greatest cars and drivers of national and international repute will compete in eight great events on that day. These men are making a specialty of racing on half-mile horse tracks and the event is put on at the fairs after all horse races are over. These men are not expecting a Tacoma speedway, but are putting on these events at big fairs all over the United States on horse tracks.

The fact that the Sherman county fair ends the fair circuit accounts for our good fortune in being able to schedule this event. People from Gilliam and Wasco counties have already indicated their intention to be on hand and a keen interest has been manifested in the event even as far south as Madras. In order to finance the event it will be necessary to charge 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for children for that day.

This is only one of the big cards of this year's fair. The racing line up will be touched on next week.

Poultry Culling Demonstration

Given a flock of hens from which you want to get result, the first and most important step is to eliminate the non producers. This is not a difficult task but it comes only by experience. Every farmer or his wife should know how to pick out a hen for Sunday dinner and know before her head is severed that he is not picking one of his working staff.

Hubert Crosby, poultry specialist from Corvallis, will be in Sherman county but two days and we want to use him to the best advantage.

Four culling demonstrations have been scheduled one of which will be held at Neil McDonald's on Thursday September 23d, at 10 a.m. Men and women attending will be expected to handle the fowls for themselves, under supervision, and when through should know how to cull their own flocks intelligently.

Mr. Crosby will touch on other poultry problems. You will find the time most profitably spent. If you cannot come and bring the wife, then send her. You will find it will pay to participate if you have to come 10 miles. Don't forget place and date.

Notice For Publication

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, September 4, 1920.

Notice is hereby given that Dell H. Wright, of Klondike, Oregon, who on June 7, 1915, made Homestead Entry No. 015053, for E½ SE¼ and SW¼ SE¼ Section 28, Township 1 North, Range 18 East, Willamette-Meridan, has filed notice of intention to make three-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, United States Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, on the 27th day of October, 1920.

Claimant names as witnesses: A. S. Porter of Wasco, Oregon; Vern Coe, George H. Reiman, and Fredrick Mahrt, all of Klondike, Oregon.
H. Frank Woodcock, Register.

Farms Lands For Sale

270 acres 9 miles from Dufur, near good country school, 65 acres in cultivation, 25 acres in fall grain, 25 acre water right, 6 acres in alfalfa, produces three crops, good family orchard, 1,200,000 of pine timber. This ranch equipped with cows, horses, machinery, and wood saw. Price \$10,000. Write W. C. Hanna, Dufur, Oregon.

400 acres one and half miles from Wamic, Oregon, 200 acres in cultivation, more could be farmed, 105 acres in fall grain, ditch running through ranch, some growing timothy. Good 7-room house, 2 big barns, good family orchard, plenty of water. All fenced and cross fenced with hog fencing. Price \$40 per acre, if taken at once. Write W. C. Hanna, Dufur, Oregon.

440 acres three miles from Dufur 1½ miles from elevator, 200 acres wheat land, creek running through ranch, good buildings, good alfalfa land, on creek bottom, including 60 head of hogs, one span of horses, two cows, and some farm machinery. Write to W. C. Hanna, Dufur, Oregon.

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