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County Tax Budget Meeting

After all the pother of the last several weeks about the high cost of running the local county government and the talk of making an organized attempt to force salaries of county officials to the statutory limit, curtailment of road building and other economies in county government the writer fully expected to chronicle a drastic pruning of the county tax budget as proposed and published by the tax budget committee. Considering the importance of the matters to come before the meeting we took time out of our regular work that could not be spared to attend the meeting last Friday and in describing the meeting the words of an old song comes to mind as an apt illustration: "They walked right in, turned around, and walked right out again." The evening preceding the formal meeting about 30 tax payers met by arrangement in the lobby of Hotel Moro and perfected an organization, selected spokesmen, and approved a policy of retrenchment to be presented at the tax budget meeting. This program was being well presented the next day and salaries had been voted lower for several county officials when the noon recess was taken.

The afternoon meeting began with an address by Mr. Mansfield, state president of the Farm Bureau, who opposed the elimination of the office of the County Agent. Others in attendance also voiced opposition to such action and the meeting voted unanimously to continue the office and to grant an increase of \$500 above the amount set by the budget committee.

By the time this had been done the 300 or more tax payers who were present felt quite generous toward all county officials and voted to restore all salaries to above the limit set by the legislature and to the amounts approved by the tax budget committee in the first instance. They also voted to make the county school superintendent a gift of the county owned automobile and an allowance of \$300 yearly for its maintenance. They also voted to approve the road program of the county court for the next two years, involving an expenditure of \$115,000—of this amount \$30,000 on the Kaseberg road; \$35,000 on the Hay Canyon road, and a possible \$50,000 on a connecting link between the Sherman Highway and the Hay Canyon road.

As a result of the meeting, a total cut of \$630 was taken from the budget—\$330 from the traveling expense allowed the county assessor and \$300 allowed the county superintendent for the same purpose—deducting the \$500 additional voted the county agent, leaves the sum of \$130 as being saved the county as a result of the meeting. A further saving of \$500 was made by the county in the purchase of a safe for the assessor's office, through the amount paid before the meeting was held.

The tax levy for Sherman county on the 1921 roll for the year 1922, as adopted totals \$239,011.

Moro Theater Improvements

G. E. Mathews, manager of Moro Theater, has just had completed the building of a foyer in the rear of the theater. This is an improvement all patrons will enjoy and enable them to attend functions without being in the cold draft from opening the lobby door which has been so much the case in the past. About eight feet from the rear of the theater a 4 foot partition has been built across the room with openings to the head of each aisle. Over this partition will be draped curtains and the same effect will be placed at the aisle openings, with small electric lights to illuminate the foyer when pictures are being shown on the screen. With this improvement there will not be the confusion caused by late patrons and the main part of the building will be much warmer and better ventilated through the conductors placed last summer in the ceiling. Mr. Mathews is constantly improving the building and its facilities until it is rapidly becoming one of the most comfortable show places in eastern Oregon.

Farmers' Week

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December 26th to 31st, 1921

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Near Death From Gas Fumes

A near tragedy happened early Sunday morning at the W. B. Powell home when Mr. Powell was busy locating an electrical short on his automobile. He had opened the large doors full width and was sitting in the front seat testing the wires while the engine was running when he noticed that the room was uncomfortably close. He got out of the car and out of the garage by holding to the side of the car. He does not remember how he got to the house. Mrs. Powell saw him fall to the ground just outside the kitchen and after considerable effort roused him from a stupor only to have him go into another. He was soon able to go into the house, but he said he continued to belch gas fumes from off his stomach until late the next day. It is dangerous to run an auto engine in a closed room, but this proves it is equally dangerous to do this with the door open and the wind, ever so lightly, blowing against the door.

Church Items

The big thing in church interest just now in Moro are the special meetings which began at the Presbyterian church last Sunday. The outlook for the meetings is very auspicious. The interest and spirit have been splendid from the very beginning. The increased choir and the spirited singing of familiar hymns add greatly to the attractiveness of the services. Some of the musicians about town have been practicing with the choir, and next week it is hoped that they will be present at the services, and add to the interest in this part of the program. Plans are also on foot for other special features as the meetings proceed. The pastors, Rev. Henry Hanson and Rev. U. C. Smothers are doing the preaching.

The messages are dealing with the deep fundamentals of the Christian life and faith, the things that will always be in need for the highest type of life for all around men and women. The meetings will be held continuously in the Presbyterian church until some time next week, when they will be transferred to the Methodist church, and continue there until January 23d.

The Dorcas Society of the Presbyterian church held a busy meeting in the church parlors last Wednesday afternoon. The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church held their monthly tea at the parsonage on Thursday afternoon.

Next Sunday morning Rev. U. C. Smothers will fill his regular appointment at the Spalding Church, the weather permitting. In the Presbyterian Church at Moro Rev. Henry G. Hanson will preach on "The Transformed Life" at the morning service.

Plans are being worked out for observance of "Go to Church" Sunday, January 15th. Special emphasis will be laid on coming to church by families, and sitting together by families.

Next Sunday evening, January 8th, at the union meeting the message will be on the theme, "The Greatest or Fundamental Sins." Watch the bulletin boards down town for notices of special themes during the week.

Awakening of "Honest Hutch"

Will Rogers, the cowboy actor, has scored a success in his latest picture for Goldwyn, "Honest Hutch" adapted from story by Garrett Smith. The picture comes to Moro theater Saturday, January 7th. Ort Hutchins, (Will Rogers) was a worthless town loafer in Willow Bend, when he found, or thought he found a fortune of \$100,000. He immediately assumed the dignity that goes with the possession of wealth, and his regeneration makes an absorbing drama.

Crafty enough not to suddenly break loose with the money he begins to talk casually about town of his "savings" while his neighbors deride him.

He spruces up his sooty clothes, barbers his hair and takes up his old trade of carpentry. When Hiram Joy (Nick Cogley), the town banker, offers Hutch a chance to take over his ranch and work it, the late loafer groans at the thought of the work, but spurs himself on to do it.

The crops are heavy, and Hutch profits on them. Unconsciously he acquires a bank account while waiting the time when he can come out with his riches. But when finally he goes to dig up the stolen money, he finds it gone and a note saying: "Dear Ba: I seen you dig it up, and bury it." It was signed, "Yours the bank robber."

The shock of losing what he had slaved months to enjoy throws Hutch into an illness from which he emerges to find himself possessed of a loving wife, a happy family and an orderly house. He has made a man of himself.

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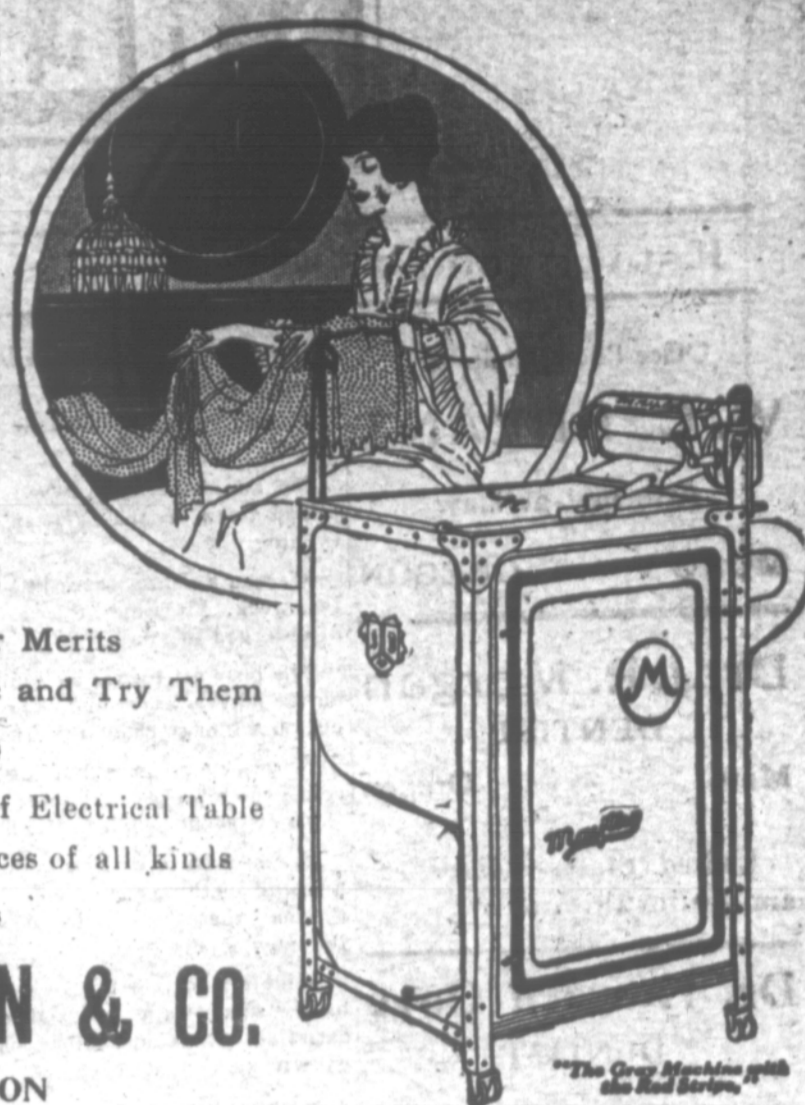
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New Highway Transportation Law

Brief digest of an act passed by last special legislative session providing for the supervision and regulation of the transportation of persons and property for compensation over any public highway by motor vehicles.

The new automotive legislation is interpreted as affecting all corporations, person or companies owning, controlling, operating or managing any motor vehicle used in the business of transportation of persons or property for compensation over the public highways of the state, exception being made to such vehicles as operate exclusively within the limits of an incorporated city or town.

The public service commission, in its administration of the act, is authorized to supervise and regulate such features as rates, services and facilities from the standpoint of their reasonableness, safety and adequacy and to exercise jurisdiction in such matters affecting the relationship of such companies with the passenger and shipping public.

All companies or individuals subject to the act and engaged in the operation of this class of public transportation must first obtain from the commission a certificate or permit setting forth the terms and conditions covering such operations, also to file a surety bond or liability insurance and good faith undertaking. The maximum license fee is fixed at ten (10) dollars per vehicle.

The necessary application blanks, including a request for pertinent data, accompanied by copies of the law, are furnished by the public service commission promptly upon request. The county clerks and county judges of the various counties have been supplied with copies of the new law for the information of the general public.

The commission requests the cooperation of the automotive industry and the general public in the introduction of and compliance with the new law, in matter and spirit.

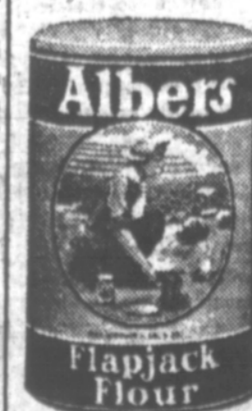
Notice to Highway Motor Transportation Companies and Persons, and to whom it may concern:

You and each of you are hereby notified that the law passed at the special session of the Legislature providing for supervision and regulation of transportation of persons and property for compensation over public highways by motor vehicles, is now in force and effect, and you are advised to secure instructions by communicating with the commission immediately. For your reference and convenience a copy of the law is now on file with the County Clerk.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 31st day of December, 1921.

Public Service Commission of Oregon
by Fred A. Williams, Chairman.
Attest: Wm. P. Ellis, Secretary.

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