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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That a special election will be held in the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, on the 14th day of September, 1925, to determine whether or not the charter amendment adopted, proposed and submitted to the voters of said city by the Common Council shall be enacted by the city. The ballot title of said proposed charter amendment, and the form and number in which the question will be printed on the official ballot, being as follows:

CHARTER AMENDMENT SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE COMMON COUNCIL.

AN ACT
To amend the Charter of the City of Moro, Oregon, to incorporate the City of Moro, in Sherman County, State of Oregon, being an act of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, approved the 17th day of February, 1899, as amended by an act proposed by the Common Council of the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, and entitled: "An ordinance to amend subdivision 59 of Section 39 of the act of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, approved February 17, 1899," so as to authorize the Council of said City of Moro to borrow money in a sum not exceeding ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars to satisfy bonds heretofore issued for the purpose of acquiring and maintaining water works and electric light works, or either of such works, and to issue bonds therefor and passed by the vote of the people of the City of Moro on February 20, 1920, and to amend all other acts providing a charter for said city and amending the same by adding thereto Chapter XIII providing for the purchase by the City of Moro of the Moro Hotel Company property in the City of Moro, Sherman County, State of Oregon, for the sum of \$31,500 for auditorium and general civic purposes, and for procuring funds by a bond issue in the sum of \$31,500 for the payment of the same.

100 Yes
101 No

(Explanation: To vote mark an X in the space between the ballot number and the answer voted for.)

That the polling place, designated by the Council, will be at what is known as the Huls Building situated on the Southeast side of First Street between Main and Scott Street if said City of Moro, and that said election will be held and the polls opened at eight o'clock in the morning and continue until eight o'clock in the afternoon of said day; that the Judges and Clerks appointed as election board for said election are as follows: G. A. Mitchell, W. S. Powell and R. E. Dean, Judges, and J. L. Searcy and W. H. Williams, Clerks. Dated this 24th day of August, 1925 J. L. SEARCY, City Recorder of the City of Moro.

An act proposed by the Common Council of the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, to enact an amendment to the Charter of said City of Moro and to be submitted to the legal voters of said City for their approval or rejection, at a special election to be held in said City on the 14th day of September, 1925, and to repeal all acts, and parts of acts, in conflict therewith. Proposed and adopted by the Common Council of said City and filed in the office of the

City Recorder on the 11th day of August, 1925, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 226 of the General Laws of the State of Oregon for 1907 and the amendments thereto.

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The City of Moro does ordain as follows:

That an act entitled: "An act to incorporate the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, being an Act of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, approved the 17th day of February, 1899, and as amended by an act proposed by the Common Council of the City of Moro, Sherman County, State of Oregon, and entitled: "An ordinance to amend subdivision 59 of Section 39 of the act of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, entitled "An act to incorporate the City of Moro, in Sherman County, State of Oregon, approved February 17, 1899," so as to authorize said city to borrow money in a sum not exceeding ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars to satisfy bonds heretofore issued for the purpose of acquiring and maintaining water works and electric light works, or either of such works, and to issue bonds therefor," and passed by the vote of the people of the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, on the 20th day of February, 1920 and all other acts providing a charter for said city, heretofore and thereafter enacted by the Legislative Assembly, or by the vote of the people, be, and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto Chapter XIII to read as follows:

CHAPTER XIII.
Section 1. The common council of the City of Moro, Sherman County, State of Oregon, is hereby authorized and empowered, for the purpose of providing the citizens and inhabitants of said city with a building or public purposes to be used as a public auditorium, community house or building suitable and convenient to be used as a civic center for the convenience and general welfare of its citizens, to purchase from the Moro Hotel Company, a corporation, that certain building, known as the Moro Hotel, together with the furniture and fixtures contained therein, together with Lots Four (4) and Five (5) of Block Six (6) of the original City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, upon which the same is situated, for the sum of \$31,500, and for the purpose of procuring funds with which to purchase the same, together with all the right, title and interest therein, to issue bonds in the sum of \$31,500, said bonds to be in denominations of \$500.00 and \$1000.00 each, duly signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the Recorder, under the corporate seal of the City, bearing semi-annual interest coupons attached thereto, bearing facsimile engraved signatures of the Mayor and Recorder, whereby the city shall be held, in substance and effect, to undertake and promise to pay the holders of each of said bonds at maturity thereof the sum therein named in Gold Coin of the United States of the present standard of value, with interest thereon in like Gold Coin at the rate of 6 per cent, payable semi-annually, each of said bonds to be likewise fixed by the Council but not to exceed twenty (20) years from the date, and the principal and interest of said bonds shall be payable at the fiscal agency of the State of Oregon in New York City.

The debt limit contained in the charter of said city shall not apply to the bonds hereby authorized.

Section 3. The council shall, each year, at the time of making the annual tax levy for city purposes, include in such levy a sum sufficient to pay interest due on the outstanding bonds of this issue and to retire the principal thereof at maturity."

J. L. SEARCY, City Recorder of the City of Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, on the 11th day of August, 1925.

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Representative Wallace H. White of Maine, one of the three American representatives at the international telegraph conference in Paris.

RAILWAY MERGERS TO BE ENCOURAGED

Swampscott, Mass.—The administration intends to do all it can in the next few years to encourage voluntary railroad consolidation in the hope that it will not be necessary to force groupings of carriers.

This program of President Coolidge was outlined at White Court with the added statement that in his opinion consolidations were a necessary forerunner of a readjustment of the nation's freight rate structure.

The president, who discussed the transportation problem here with Chairman Watson of the senate interstate commerce committee, was represented as believing that the immediate concern of congress should be to pass whatever legislation was needed to help bring about voluntary mergers.

In the event results contemplated are not obtained, it was indicated that the president would favor legislation designed to force consolidation.

Mr. Coolidge realizes that it would be impossible to pass a law forcing one railroad to take over another, but he believes legislation could be enacted making it to the advantage of one system to absorb additional lines.

MITCHELL BLAMES ARMY AND NAVY

San Antonio, Tex.—Bitter charges of "incompetency, criminal negligence and almost irreparable administration of the national defense by the navy and war departments" were hurled at the two departments by Col. William M. Mitchell, air service officer of the Eighth corps area, here.

In a lengthy written statement the former assistant chief of the air service blamed this alleged incompetency for the disaster to the Shenandoah and to the PN-91, naval seaplane which apparently has been lost on an attempted flight to the Hawaiian Islands.

The fiery officer attacked the navy's Pacific fleet maneuvers, the Shenandoah's ill-fated flight and the attempt to make a non-stop flight to Hawaii as merely attempts to get publicity.

He charged the navy with neglect for starting the non-stop flight to Hawaii with "primitive flying machines" and with vessels stationed 200 miles apart to patrol the route—"distances entirely too far apart."

Mrs. Catherine J. Adams, known as the mother queen of Oregon for the last five years because of the fact she was the oldest woman member of the Pioneer association of Oregon attending the annual sessions of that gathering, died at the home of her son, William Adams, at Hillsboro. She lacked but one month of being 97 years of age.

STATE WEALTH INCREASES

Real Estate Valuation is \$813,220,112 and Personal Property \$197,017,688.

Olympia, Wash.—Total assessed valuation of real estate for the 39 counties of the state is \$813,220,112, an increase of \$7,550,066 over a year ago, and aggregate of personal property is \$197,017,688, an increase of \$3,019,384 for the year, making a grand total of \$1,010,237,800, with a total increase of \$10,579,450, as shown by a compilation by the state tax commission from the returns made by the various county assessors as finally determined by the county boards of equalization. These figures are without valuations on steam railroads, electric railways and telegraph lines, which are fixed by the state board.

Navy Gives Up Hope for Fliers.
San Francisco.—"We have given up all hope."

This was the declaration made here by Captain Stanford E. Moses, Hawaiian flight commander, commenting on the missing PN-9 No. 1, San Francisco to Honolulu non-stop plane. With no word received of Commander John Rodgers and his brave crew of four men for nearly a week after they were forced down almost with victory in their grasp, naval officers at headquarters here had about abandoned all hope.

Coos County Sheriff Dies of Injuries.
Marshfield, Or.—Sheriff E. P. Ellingson of Coos county died late Monday evening as a result of injuries received in the auto accident Sunday night in which his father-in-law, J. B. Sweet of Randon, was killed. The car in which they were going on a fishing trip plunged down a 25-foot embankment, turning over six times.

Rescue Society Meets.
Portland, Or.—The Pacific Coast Rescue and Protective society for Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California opened its 14th annual conference here Tuesday.

MISSING SHENANDOAH BAROGRAPH IS FOUND

Court of Inquiry Believes Aircraft Was in Perfect Mechanical Condition.

Caldwell, Ohio.—The missing barograph of the Shenandoah, which recorded the craft's wild flight before she plunged to earth, was found by Fred Meyers, a Cambridge bricklayer, near where the control cabin of the ship fell.

The instrument was delivered to Commander J. H. Klein of the court of inquiry, who declared it would enable the court to definitely establish the careening maneuvers of the Shenandoah just before she plunged to earth.

The barograph was sealed. The last altitude recorded was 2100 feet, indicating the giant dirigible fell from that height.

The commander said that apparently the ship cracked after the currents loosened her radio and control cabins, snapped guy wires and ripped holes in her underseams.

Klein said the court had tentatively decided:

1.—That the Shenandoah was in perfect mechanical condition when she struck the squall.

2.—Officers and crew exercised the greatest navigating skill and maintained perfect discipline.

Fourteen of the crew of the Shenandoah, giant dirigible, were killed and two others were seriously injured when the pride of the United States navy cracked during a severe storm on its western cruise.

Among the dead is Lieutenant-Commander Zachary Lansdowne, captain of the ship.

HOQUIAM ROAD ASSOCIATION FOR PRESENT POLICY

Hoquiam, Wash.—A definite decision of the policy of the state highway commission of completing the present road program before launching other road projects was reached at the final session of the Washington Good Roads association convention in this city, when delegates approved without dissent the recommendations of the executive and resolutions committee. The expected fight from advocates of new roads failed to materialize.

A resolution calling on congress to continue the granting of federal aid in Washington road construction was passed unanimously. Paving of heavy duty roads as rapidly as possible was favored. A recommendation that all counties devise a road program similar to that adopted by the state was approved.

A resolution urging the appropriation of funds necessary for creation and maintenance of a state park system was passed, and the convention went on record as opposed to any diversion of highway funds to other state departments.

Officers chosen were: Claude Ramsey, Seattle, president; E. L. French, Vancouver; C. F. Vinson, Pasco; A. L. Rogers, Waterville; S. J. Wilmer, Rosalia, and Leon Bicus, Olympia, vice presidents; D. A. Sholor, Seattle, district recording secretary; F. W. Schulze, Wenatchee, treasurer; Samuel Hill, Maryhill, honorary life president; J. P. Hartman, Seattle, and Frank Terrace, Orilla, honorary life members.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

Frank Bressler, 64, vice president of the Bank of Genesee, Genesee, Idaho, died in Portland, following an extended illness.

John B. Inman of Springfield, Ill., past department commander of Illinois, was chosen commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.

Postal receipts at 50 leading cities of the United States were 11.26 per cent higher in August, 1925, than in August, 1924, the postoffice department announced.

Dr. A. H. Upham, president of the University of Idaho, has declined an offer of the presidency of a university in the middle west, at a considerable increase in salary over that he receives at Idaho.

The Rev. Father Thomas J. Purcell, 65, one of the most widely known Catholic priests of the northwest, died at Wallace, Idaho, of heart trouble induced by diabetes. His most notable work was among the missions of northern Idaho, where he built many churches.

Heavy Storm Hits Central Oregon.
Bend, Or.—All towns in central Oregon except Bend were in darkness Sunday as the result of an electrical storm which swept over the Deschutes country. The Cline Falls power plant, four miles west of Redmond, was destroyed by fire caused by a bolt of lightning which hit the power line at some point between Redmond and the power plant at the cove. Damage to the Cline Falls auxiliary plant was estimated at \$5000.

U. S. Embassy to Rise at Tokio.
Washington, D. C.—First steps have been taken by the state department looking toward the construction of a new embassy and consulate general and residential buildings for the diplomatic staff and employes at Tokio.

Lutheran Church Official Dies.
Great Falls, Mont.—Erick Waldeland of Minneapolis, national treasurer of the Norwegian Lutheran church of America, died from a heart ailment in a hospital here. He was 65 years old.

Former French Premier Viviani Dead.
Paris.—Rene Viviani, former premier of France and a statesman of world renown, who reached his senility during and after the World war, died last night at 9 o'clock in a sanitarium at Clamard.

Twelve Dead Toll of Wenatchee Flood

Wenatchee, Wash.—Twelve dead and four missing was the total toll of the cloudburst which destroyed half a dozen buildings at the apple-yard terminal, two miles south of Wenatchee Saturday afternoon. The bodies of the following had been recovered: Mrs. George Cleveland, 50; J. Evans, 75; H. H. Overman, 35; Alex. Murdock, 33; Mrs. C. A. Bates, 43; Ralph Pettit, 22; Everett, Wash.; Mary Groff, 8; Anice Groff, 6; Florence Groff, 4; Anna Earnat, 2; Mrs. Dolmie McDonald and George Groff, aged 14 months.

Wenatchee and vicinity was stricken with the worst disaster that had ever befallen the community. Almost out of a clear sky, without the slightest warning, a cloudburst occurred along the watershed of Squilchuck creek. Every creek and dry gulch leading into the Squilchuck suddenly became a raging torrent and poured down a flood of water which in turn transformed the creek into a stream carrying as much water as the Wenatchee river usually empties into the Columbia at high water.

When this flood struck the apple-yard terminal at South Wenatchee it was estimated to be from 12 to 20 feet deep. The water smashed into half a dozen houses built on the site of the old tourist campground and then struck the Springwater hotel, three stories in height, carrying it across the road a distance of 60 feet into the Terminal hotel.

Huge rocks, dirt, wreckage and all kinds of debris were carried down with the flood, piling up as high as 30 feet along the tracks of the Great Northern terminal.

JAMES J. WALKER



State Senator James J. Walker of New York, who was selected by Tammany Hall to oppose Mayor Hylan in the democratic mayoralty primary.

HEARST AND SMITH CLASH IN CAMPAIGN

New York.—In the midst of this city's most heated mayoralty campaign, the candidates have awakened to find themselves obscure, forgotten—and far off the front pages of the newspapers.

For Hylan and Walker, the stars, have been relegated to the class of "extras" and in their places have come Governor "Al" Smith and William R. Hearst, who have stopped the show.

From now on until September 15, primary day, it appears that Smith, who as a Tammany leader, is backing Walker, and Hearst, who in his news papers leads the Hylan standards into battle, will stage a verbal warfare without mercy and without regard to niceties of language.

For two weeks hostilities were averted. Then came a bitter arraignment of the publisher from Smith, in which Hearst was termed a "debaser of journalism" and a man "morally unfit to wield any political influence."

This opening shot carried clear across the continent to Hearst's California home. The battle was on in earnest as he telegraphed the editor of one of his newspapers a smashing reply in which Smith was designated "Alibi Al."

CONVICTS MENTALLY HIGH

Examinations of Prison Breakers Made for Governor.

Salem, Or.—Tom Murray, who with Ellsworth Kelley and James Willos shot their way out of the state penitentiary here August 12, has the mental alertness of the average college graduate, according to Gus Anderson, criminologist.

Mr. Anderson is connected with Northwestern university and was said to have conducted mental tests of the three convicts at the request of Governor Pierce.

Based on the army Alpha test, which places the mental age of a person of ordinary intelligence at 14 years, Mr. Anderson found that Murray had mentality of 18.5 years, Kelley's mentality was fixed by the criminologist at 17 years, while Willos' mentality is 12 years. The mentality of both Murray and Kelley is above the average, Mr. Anderson said.

Iowa Woman Dry Leader Shot Dead.

Vinton, Ia.—Mrs. C. H. Cook, president of the Benton county W. C. T. U., was shot to death in her home by an unidentified assailant. Friends expressed belief she was the victim of a bootlegger or rum runner, as she had been active in furnishing information leading to the arrest of many liquor law violators.