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LET'S TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER

"Man, born of women, is of few days and full of trouble", saith the philosopher, and he might have added that a part of it at least is just a creation of man's imagination.

One of our principal troubles this spring has been the weather. It has received much more than its share of abuse—even admitting that its share is great. The cloudiness, the wind and the chill of the air has been a regular subject on every hand until we all have concluded that this must be an exceptionally cold spring the like of which we have never before experienced.

We do not wish to appear in the light of defending the weather against all comers. It has made the same impression on us as others and we have done our share of complaining about it. The truth of the matter is, however, that it hasn't been such a cold spring after all.

For the month of March this year the mean average temperature has been 40.9 degrees whereas the average for the last twenty years has been 41.9 degrees. The weather man has caused all this comment by lowering the temperature just one degree. It really is worse than it appears at that for one degree on average mean temperature is quite a bit. Our coldest spring was 1913 when our average was 38.2 our warmest 1926 when it was 46.7 so you see it has been a cold spring through not a record breaker by quite a bit.

We have had nights when cold chased the thermometer down to 23 degrees although it has been down to 9 in other Marchs. The sun has brought the mercury up to 62 this year which is not so bad considering that 74 degrees is the highest recorded for March.

Perhaps, and this brings to mind other and more important troubles, the real reason this spring has seemed so cold is that many of us are trying to get along with the clothes we found in the attic.

WHY FOUR?

Years ago this county had 19 road districts. Then a county court consolidated them to seven which we still have. Three include the towns only. Why we have them is a question for which there doesn't seem to be any adequate answer.

Citizens in each road district pay the same road tax. This year it is one mill all over the county and the tax has been equal for a long time except when one district voted a special tax. Special taxes are not popular now and we prophesy they will not be for some time.

The money derived from road taxes is not spent in proportion to the manner in which it is received. District No. 1, which includes the north end of the county, pays almost 44 per cent of the taxes; district No. 2, in the center of the county pays about 23 per cent of the taxes; district No. 3 in the south central part of the county pays about 15 per cent of the taxes and district No. 4 in the south end pays a little over 10 per cent of the taxes.

Improvements on roads have not been made in proportion to the amounts received from the districts. Maintenance is done on a basis of need instead of a basis of taxable wealth. There is no more need of having 4 than 19. Unless someone can bring forward ample reasons for continuing the present system why not consolidate them all into one?

Now we set out on the path taken by Germany, Poland and the other European countries— inflation. We have salvaged our conscience by naming our particular variety, "Controlled Inflation", but a skunk cabbage by any name would have much the same smell. There has been no time in history that inflation was controlled to a reasonable extent by any government and there is certainly no reason to believe that a government that remains in power by the good will of the people, as ours must, will break that record.

There is a condition in this town that should by all means be changed. There is no reason why anyone should sell intoxicants to school boys for any cause, poverty included. Whenever people decide to stop it they can and it is time they so decided.

It is reported that the new forest workers were doing too much. Older government employees soon slowed them down, however. Boy, page some of the buck privates of fifteen years ago.

This is the season for picking pennant winners. Do it early and there is more chance to find "ifs" and "buts" for excuses.

Whether or not they take Ruth Judd out of this world, we hope they take her off the front page.

Grass Valley

Ex-judge Kruisow has returned from a few days spent in a hospital in The Dalles feeling considerably better.

Mrs. Gus Engstrom was very ill Saturday morning, but has recovered somewhat since then although she is still quite sick.

Earl Perry spent the Easter vacation here from his school activities at Pacific University at Forest Grove.

The beautiful snow returned to this precinct Sunday afternoon for a stay of a few hours after everyone thought that it had been banished until another winter. The ground was covered south of town.

Mrs. Alva Stone has continued to improve until she no longer needs an oxygen tent.

George Wilcox, and daughter Janet, drove to Portland Tuesday for a days business in the city and then the Beaver-Ducks were home that day too.

Mrs. Jack Garrett is very ill with pneumonia and heart trouble here and Mrs. Charles Garrett has been brought from Bend to care for her.

School teachers Davies and Grace Edmonds made a trip to Portland the past week end. Mrs. Davies is still ill at the home of her parents in the city.

All the men who have been polishing their fishing poles and testing their lines had an opportunity to use those implements Saturday when the season opened for all lovers of the sport. This town was deserted even though it wasn't as warm as it might have been.

Mrs. Balzer entertained the bridge club— Wednesday afternoon, at her home.

The roof and trim of the Shepard house has been repainted and presents a bright spring airm appearance.

Dr. Poley and wife drove to Portland Monday for a brief stay in the metropolis.

Harriet Rolfe and family are visiting here from Minneapolis for a few weeks.

GRASS VALLEY SCHOOL NOTES
 Genevieve Beardsley, Editor.

Mildred Alley heads the honor roll for the second six weeks period with all 1's in five subjects. Closely following are Janet Wilcox, Isabelle Fortner, and Vivian Reynolds with all 1's in four subjects. Other members on the honor roll are Lawrence Todd, Earle Shipley, Cora Bayer, Dorothy Fairchild, Norma Garrett, and Genevieve Beardsley.

The double and single tennis tournaments will start Thursday, and all the tennis sharks seem quite enthused over the prospects.

Loren Beardsley is back again after nearly three weeks of illness. What is this Loren coming here, with just a minute till I get my microscope Ah! its a mustache!

The play is progressing famously with Kenneth Todd taking Loren's place. We waited for Loren for over a week, then decided it would be best to give the part to some one else.

The high school baseball team challenged the city business men to a game, and we'll say they are good sports, they accepted. The game will be played Friday afternoon. We just wonder who will win.

Ferd Stark is scientifically working on a new invention which will, when it is patented be quite a help to these "sign on the dotted line" champions; however no more will be said of this experiment, because the inventor of course does not want any of his secrets betrayed—A fair warning to any infringers, Earle, this

means you.

Last week we saw Earl Perry and Snick Vinton at school. It seemed quite natural to see the two old "stand by's" leaning on the radiators doing nothing "in the same old way."

This week we saw: Barbara without Genevieve; Genevieve was sick and of course absent. Hester standing in the window without Elton; children is that natural?

Ellen and Earle leaning on the radiator behind the piano—they shot they were concealed, but—

Helen without Georgia, Georgia working. Miss Edmonds with her new "spectacles"—"all the better to see you with" says she.

The results of the spelling contest has been reported. The one given on March 24 show that 14 received 100. They are as follows: 3rd grade Bobby Zeigler, 4th grade, Dorothy Holmes, Virginia Huhmann, Donald Olds, 5th grade, Robert Eaton and Dolores Simon, 6th grade, Thelma Fortner, 7th grade, Forrest Russell, Agnes Simon, Doris Stradley, 8th grade, Frances Fairchild, Edwin Peters, Greta Russell and William Roth.

The result of the second given April 14 shows that 19 received 100. 3rd grade Billy Eaton, Robert Holmes, Jeanette Huhmann, Bobby Zeigler, 4th grade: Claud Bayer, Dorothy Holmes, Virginia Huhmann, Donald Olds, Lydia Roth. 5th grade: Robert Eaton, Kelly Tiller. 6th grade, Jane Boyer, Willard Olds. 7th grade: Forrest Russell, Wilfred Stone, Doris Stradley. 8th grade: Frances Fairchild, Edwin Peters, Greta Russell.

Kent News

Mrs. Betty Kelly, Lester Wilson and Mrs. I. E. Wilson and daughters Naomi and Billie of Pullman, Wash, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting with relatives and friends in Kent. All returned home Monday except Mrs. Kelly who remained here where she will stay for awhile with her daughter Mrs. J. M. Wilson.

LYONS-WILSON

Miss Hester Lyons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lyons of Kent and Walter Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John K. Wilson of Mountain City, Tennessee were married at Bend on Friday, April 14. They returned to Kent Saturday evening where they will make their home for the present.

Karl Pluemke spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends in Moro.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hansen and Mrs. Soren Hansen of Moro and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stout of Shaniko visi-

ted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dellinger last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Matthes had as guests Sunday Arthur Holt and family of Redmond. Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Matthes are sisters.

Mrs. Wren Hogue and children of Buckley spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Hogue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Amick.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harbin and Earl of Grass Valley were entertained on Sunday at the home of Mrs. Essie Wilson.

Louis Schadewitz of Antelope visited during the week end in Kent.

An Easter program was given Sunday morning by the Sunday school Kenneth Stout recited, and Mrs. Ayres and Mrs. Dellinger sang a duet followed by a pageant given by a group of the young people. Collection \$4.30.

Among those who visited The Dalles last week were. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton, Mrs. Alfred Lyons and Edna, Mrs. J. N. MacInnes and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phelan.

Mrs. Eugene Mann and sons Eugene and Harold of Portland spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Clark.

Kent Grange will hold its regular meeting Saturday April 22. Visitors from Sherars grange and Harlandview are expected.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson made a business trip to Portland this week returning home Thursday afternoon. They were accompanied by their daughter Clarice.

J. L. Davis and family visited Saturday and Sunday with relatives in The Dalles.

Miss Lillian Schassen, who is attending school in The Dalles spent the latter part of the week at her home near here.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lyons and family and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson were entertained Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Gregg.

Frances McCoy of Wapinitia spent the week end at the home of Margaret Dunlap.

An Easter egg hunt was enjoyed by the Sunday school classes of Mrs.

Dr. J. A. BUTLER
 DENTIST

HOME OFFICE, WASCO

In Moro the First Week in Each Month

NEW NEVADA SENATOR



Portrait of Patrick McCarren, the newly elected senator from Nevada.

Monkeys Rob Birds' Nests
 The spider monkeys of South America are fond of birds' eggs and show great cunning in procuring these delicacies. Two of them will work together and when a parent bird leaves the nest one monkey will keep it from returning while the other monkey robs the nest of its eggs.

Young and Della Helyer Saturday afternoon at the Helyer ranch.

Miss Della Helyer has accepted a position teaching in the first and second grades at Tumalo.

John Wilson and family spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Smith of Moro.

The Misses Berna Orr and Della Helyer were visitors in Moro Saturday evening. They were accompanied home by Miss Helen Osborne who spent Sunday at the farm home of Miss Helyer.

Chemistry Prof. Name three articles containing starch.
 Smart student: A shirt and two collars.

Read the ads in the Journal

CAR ADJUSTMENT

Continued from page one.

and many large fleet owners are using the method profitably, though public garages have not yet adopted the idea.

Hanley's studies show that all the leading brands of gasoline sold on the Pacific coast are comparable as to purity and other qualities excepting anti-knock or octane rating, some of the brands being superior in this one respect.

"I hear you broke your arm cranking that old Ford?"

"Yes, and it served me right for fooling with a contraption that's a cross between a bicycle and a mule."

Kent School Notes

In the intermediate room the ones who received one hundred in the last two spelling contests were: Juanita Mitchell, Geraldine Norton, Annie Laurie Haynes, Anita Dunlap, Luther Davis, Charlie Bill Wilson and Nellie Wilson.

A new baseball was ordered for the intermediate room.

Class officers elected at a class meeting in the upper grades room were as follows: Helen Sather, president; Paul Schilling, secretary; Maxine Fluemke, librarian; Helen Wilson, sheriff; Melvin Barnett, manners inspector; Phoebe Lyons, personal property; Phillis Haynes, decorator.

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The JOURNAL is always glad to have people send in news events. The more news the better paper.