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THE COUNTY FAIR

Along in early fall when days get shorter, stock is being brought home from the mountains and crops are harvested come the county fairs. Small towns where these are to be held start a designated week with every evidence of normality. Except for a little more buzzing on the street corners, a faster step on the part of the managers, there is no indication that there is to be a change.

Then it begins to arrive. A truck load of hay for a horseman's entry to a race, a couple of limber looking horses, numerous booted men who look as if they were used to riding the buckers, brightly painted trucks bearing the innumerable portions of merry-go-round and ferris wheel, a trick horse or two, clowns with a smear of grease paint on their ears, truck loads of monstrous draft horses. The bunting is put on the streets, citizens parade themselves in gorgeous costumes and the surpressed excitement becomes so great no one can stay at home and roam the streets looking and adding to the confusion.

Then, one day, it is here. Crowds gather at the grounds to cheer their entries in the races, small boys tug manfully at the lead lines of their prize winning steers, men, women and children don their bright raiment, and the fair is on. From early morn until near dawn the excitement continues. There is lots to see, plenty to do.

The county is on parade. The best of everything is on display and American-like we indulge in hard competition with neighbors, trying to outshow, out run, outbuck the others.

That's why we get better, by constantly trying, every year, every day. And the county fair is one of the principal adjuncts to that constant struggle for supremacy.

As the contests become closer the rivalry increases. And here in Sherman county the contests are as close as they can be and yet pick a winner. That is why this fair is among the best—regardless of size.

FALL

We've been noticing it for a couple of weeks. The nights seem a little chilly, in the mornings the chill does not pass off until several minutes of sunshine, and through the window the other day, came that unmistakable sign: the smell of damp stubble, pungent and acrid.

And it is fall. The wheat is in the bins or warehouses and the straw that is to be stacked is hauled and piled; the stockmen who buy stuff for winter feeding are bringing them home and the stock that goes to the mountains is feeding down the slopes getting ready to leave the foothils.

And yet it is early in the year and the days are warm with hardly a hint of the cold weather which we know is sure to come before long.

Soon now is the time when a farmer can tell whether the year has been a successful one for him or not. Last year his crop was planted in dry and unfertile ground. Winter rains made it yield fairly well and the harvest was not bad—considering. Now the year would have to be counted as a good one if the 1941 crop could be planted in warm wet earth to insure a good start.

CALLING OUT THE GUARD

The National Guard is being called to training camps for a year of hard work. That probably means the end of the National Guard as it has been known.

Thousands of young men in the smaller cities of Oregon and other states have been urged to join the guard for a little training with the expectancy that they would be called out for a yearly training period and in case of insurrection or invasion.

Now they are called out for training with the stipulation that they may be taken to anyplace on the western hemisphere. Another change in the law that would send them to Europe may be made as easily as was the last one.

Were we at war there could be no complaint against taking men from their business for military duty. There was not in the last war. The point is that the guardsmen are being taken for a duty they did not contemplate at the time of enlistment.

This must mean that hereafter enlistment in the guard will have to be on a different basis, for if they may be called to foreign service, or for training periods of a year when the nation is at peace a different group will have to be made interested in the job.

In Other Days

September 15, 1911

Dr. Marie M. Goffin returned to Moro on the 11th from a brief trip to the Rose City.

Hon. Geo. B. Bourhill, late judge of this county, was a visitor on the 9th from his Rowena home.

Mrs. Maie Nicholson and son, and Grandma Rust, are visiting relatives and friends at Boyd this week, guests of C. J. Nicholson.

George Haskell has made his arrangements to return to the farm he left at DeMoss Springs last spring.

Hon. R. J. Ginn arrived in this city on business Tuesday and will remain in the vicinity several days

Miss Jeanette Rutledge has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Rollins at Seaside covering all summer.

L. W. Ross, jeweler at Wasco, is closing up his business preparatory to moving to Albany, where he has secured a store room and dwelling to move into.

September 16, 1921

With the arrival in Moro this Thursday of the three Barzee families, E. E., E. R., and Art, the summer camp at Camp Sherman may be said to have been closed for the season. Six families—Wm. Henrichs, O. L. Belshe, George Hennagin, W. F. Jackson, Roy Powell and L. L. Peetz—returned earlier this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson on Sunday, September 11, an 8½ pound son. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Mrs. Harry Horner returned this week from The Dalles, where she had been visiting her mother.

J. K. Mesinger and family have moved from Wasco to The Dalles.

Miss Jessie Hoskinson left Thursday for Corvallis where she will attend O. A. C. the current term.

F. L. Burnet's mother, from Howell county, Missouri, is a visitor in the Moro home of the family.

Miss Naomi Young left Thursday for Monmouth, where she will attend school.

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Sheriff Chrisman and editor Ireland were visitors here Monday.

Logan Gentry has bought the L. V. Walton farm outfit and rented the ranch and will try farming for himself.

The public schools of this city opened Monday, September 12, with an enrollment of 30 in the high school and 47 in the grades. This breaks all records for high school attendance on the opening day. Last year's mark was only 18. 11 Freshies have enrolled to date.

Mrs. Frank Irvine has rented her farm north of town, to Arch Russell and brother.

Mrs. Clara Baker returned to The Dalles Sunday to be with her son Elva.

R. C. Atwood of Wasco, and J. C. Harper of Moro, were business visitors in Grass Valley Tuesday morning.

Rev. Poolton and family left here Tuesday morning for their new home in Washington state.

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Statehouse Gossip

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ol officials, especially on one occasion when after Governor had issued a proclamation calling for the display of the flag on all public buildings on flag day it was discovered that there was no place from which to display a flag on the capitol itself. The Board of Control this week sent out a call for bids on not one but two flag poles, one at either end of the building. The proposed poles are not to be of brass as specified by the capitol architects but are to be tall firs, 75 to 80 feet high, cut from Oregon's own forests.

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Oregon patrons of private electric utilities paid out a total of $22,189,107 for electric service during 1939, according to a report compiled by O. R. Bean, public utilities commissioner. The 1,349,474,260 kilowatt hours of electric power consumed in Oregon in 1939 represented an increase of 11.62 percent over the 1938 figures and was 7.79 per cent over the previous high record established in 1937, Commissioner Bean said.

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The industrial boom occasioned by the national defense program and war orders from Europe is being reflected in a substantial increase in employment in Oregon if records of the state unemployment compensation commission can be accepted as an accurate barometer. Only 2445 claims for compensation were filed with the commission during August while benefit payments of $217,225 made during the month were nine per cent below payments made in August, 1939. While benefit payments for the first eight months of the current year totalling $3,310,513 were slightly higher than claims paid out during the same period of 1939 they were far below the $4,728,632 paid out during the first eight months of 1938, the commission pointed out.

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Members of the Oregon national guard will not lose their right to vote through mobilization into federal service, according to Attorney General I. H. VanWinkle. The guardsmen will still retain their Oregon legal residence after their mobilization and departure for concentration camps and will have the right to vote in their own precincts through the use of absentee voter ballots.

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A large delegation of Oregon stationers who called on the Board of Control this week charged that out-of-state bidders for state supplies represented unfair competition in that they bid on merchandise of a quality much inferior to that offered by Oregon dealers. One spokesman for the delegation told the Board that the state should refuse to accept bids from firms outside the state as a measure of protection to local firms which pay taxes in support of the state government. The Board instructed the state purchasing agent to make sure the merchandise offered by the out-of-state bidders was up to state standards and then give the Oregon bidders the benefit of the five per cent differential permitted in home industry.

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The state supreme court, whose members have been on vacation since July, resumed its sittings this week. One of the first appeals to be heard by the court was that of W. R. Osborn of Amity against Peter Zimmerman involving a primary nominating election contest.

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000 kilowatts.

The step is a proposal which has been made by Administrator Raver that the Bonneville administration be vested with authority to buy plants and facilities of private utility companies and re-sell them to public utility districts and municipalties. RFC has already offered to furnish money to PUDs to pay for property purchased for operation by the public.

The pooling of the electrical output of both Bonneville and Grand Coulee is held to be justified in order to encourage the establishing of industries producing materials necessary to national defense, and to the extent that this is true communities in the northwest will benefit. But it is well understood that the underlying purpose is to bring about a situation which ultimately will result in creation of the one contempated central authority for administration of the affairs of both these great projects and federal control of the entire electric industry in the Pacific northwest.

Kent Youth On Road To Join Army Mates

Albert Pluemke of Salem is spending a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Pluemke, before leaving for training with the Oregon Guards, of which he is a member.

Mrs. Wren Hogue and Roy Hogue spent a few days last week at the L. W. Amick home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Purchase and Jesse Helyer attended a show in The Dalles.

Mrs. Grace Gregg and Delores were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Amick Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Helyer returned home Sunday after attending the state fair. Geraldine Norton returned home with them

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cratty who have been visiting relatives here, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cratty and Rose left Wednesday morning for Santa Rosa, California to visit for some time. Donald von Borstel is working in the garage while Mr. Cratty is away.

Warren Norton arrived at Kent Friday to visit his brother, J. E. Norton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schilling took Bobetta to Portland last Tuesday where she was entered at Doernbecher Hospital for treatment. Mr. and Mrs. Schilling returned home Wednesday.

Among those from here shopping and visiting in The Dalles last week included Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson, Hugh Hoskinson, Frank Flint, George Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Koepke, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson, Mrs. John Decker, Mrs. Robert Schilling, Mrs. Jay McKay, Mrs. Allen Bekkedahl.

Mrs. G. L. Hoskinson and Eleanor, Mrs. Charles Purchase, Mrs. Grace Gregg and Delores attended church in Grass Valley Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Wilson and Nellie left last Wednesday morning for Portland and Forest Grove to visit relatives and friends a few days. They returned home Monday.

Gene Van Kleek, who has been working for Jay McKay this summer, left for his home at Beaverton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson attended a show in The Dalles Saturday evening.

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