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DALLES CITY OR THE DALLES

Recently the officials of The Dalles had occasion to send out some notices and it was observed that the letterheads of that city give its name as Dalles City.

Not that it makes any material difference what a few officers may call a town as long as the general public calls it by an understood title. Yet it would be interesting to know why a town should be called The Dalles when its true name is Dalles City. Maybe the letterheads should state Dalles City alias The Dalles.

The Indians, it has been said, called the encampment near the dalles by that name and hence the town derived its name. A dalle (pronounced, dal) is, according to the Oxford dictionary: rapids where the rivers are compressed into long narrow troughlike channels. Reason enough for the name The Dalles.

Perhaps it would be called Dalles City or merely Dalles if it were not for the town of Dalles in Polk county.

This winter while there is nothing to worry about but the war, national defense, the coal shortage, Japan, taxes, cold weather, the high cost of living, the lack of needed material through priority, the changeability of government it might be a good time to have a light subject like this to talk about. Why is Dalles City called The Dalles?

SAVE PAPER

The government is asking that everyone make an effort to save paper is overlooking the Biblical injunction about the mote and the beam. Remember, "Thou hypocrite, first cast the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."

The best information available here is that the government itself is using ten per cent of the paper made in this country.

There may be some doubt on the part of the average man about the government using this much of the paper. There wouldn't be if he were to have the job of filling a newspaper wastebasket every day with bureaucratic reports about everything from national defense to the keeping of bees.

Now information about government is of importance to the citizens of a democracy, especially when government becomes so great and all embracing. If the information is made available to its citizens so they may take what they are interested in they will get a better idea than if they read the material sent out by the government, which is subject to criticism as propaganda on many occasions.

IT GROWS COLD

For the last few days Sherman countians have had the weather brought to their attention. Heretofore this fall there has been no need to pay attention to the weather, except for an occasional rain. It was not too warm, nor was it cold, just the kind of weather one may live in easily without having it come to your attention through discomfort.

Now the leaves are off the trees, making the buildings down town look strangely undressed. There is ice on the rain made pool in the yard and frost covers the ground in early morning. The wind chills instead of invigorates; winter will soon come rushing over the eastern hills with snow behind it.

Well, winter in Sherman county is seldom a very bad time. There is some snow, a bit of rain, some very hard frozen ground and a few nights when it is better to keep the fires burning brightly. Every forty years or so there is a winter with snow deep enough to block the roads and cause real discomfort but that sort of winter is not due for a long time yet.

STRIKE

The percentage of American citizens who feel that strikes against defense industries are in

had form to say the least must be very large. John Lewis is becoming very unpopular.

He is showing that he is more interested in providing for a union shop for his followers than for safety for the nation and those nations it has promised to aid. Lewis has never been much of an interventionist and probably feels that the welfare of his workmen is of more importance than that of the Europeans. In that he is in the minority.

The world has become used to ruthless tactics on the part of its leaders. There isn't a world known figure who is not a hard-boiled sort of guy. Probably there will be little progress in civilization until we have less toughness in our leaders.

What seems to be going on is a social revolution. Out of it is likely to come an increased power for the workers and a destruction of the power of the ruling classes, economically and socially and politically. The closed shop would serve to transfer the power over the men from the bosses to the union leaders and it cannot be shown, so far, that the ultimate welfare of workmen in general would be bettered by the victory of Lewis.

Getting rid of this strike is easy enough. Getting rid of the idea of following leaders until they become dictators may not be so easy.

THANKSGIVING

When the Pilgrims or Puritans had made their first harvest Governor Bradford proclaimed a thanksgiving day to give the little colony of the first white settlers on American shores an opportunity to thank their God for the blessings bestowed upon them.

On the Mayflower they had brought seeds of various kinds. With the aid of friendly Indians they had circled trees and made a sort of clearing in which to grow corn. The first crop was a good one although the soil of the colony was not of the best.

The younger men of the company went into the woods and caught wild turkeys or shot them with the muzzle loading blunderbusses of that time. Fruits and nuts common to that northern climate were gathered.

The feast was cooked on open fires or before fireplaces; there were no stoves. They met under some trees and gathered about a long table hewn out of logs and ate and were thankful.

The 1941 American Thanksgiving dinner is cooked on an electric stove with almost automatic heat. It consists of well fed turkey and whatever accompanying viands suit the taste of the diners. It is eaten in well heated rooms to the accompaniment of radio music or the noise of a football game.

We have much to be thankful for that the Pilgrims never dreamed of but our blessings are not so equally distributed and some share better than others. Thankfulness is not so spontaneous.

In Other Days

From the Observer Oct. 24, 1922 The members of the county court and Homer Wall met with the highway commission and learned that both the Sherman highway and the road through Wasco county would be put on the road map and constructed.

The case of the State of Oregon vs Walter Givens was heard before Judge Campbell at Oregon City who directed the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty.

The girls of Moro have organized a campfire club under the leadership of Bessie Anderson.

Dr. Poley, Jack Noonan and C. W. McKinney brought home 13 geese from the feeding grounds near Biglow early Wednesday.

From the Observer Nov. 22, 1912 Hugh Shull pulled in and helped the farmers in the northwest part of the county get their grain threshed.

Sunday evening at the home of the bride's parents Oscar Ruggles and Allis S. Huls were united in marriage.

Mrs. J. C. McKean entertained the very little ones in honor of the first year anniversary of her baby boy Kenneth.

When Carl McKean takes over the duties of the sheriff's office Ross Ornduff will be his deputy.

From the Observer Nov. 21, 1902 Isaac and Harrison Maxwell have sold their farms, the former to M. L. Van Gilder for \$4800 and the latter 320 acres to Dave Fulton for \$5500. Now the question arises—where can they invest the money to pay as well as a well stocked Sherman county farm?

Eon. R. J. Ginn has set a good example by hanging a street lamp at his corner. By the way what become of the Moro street lights? Curt Tom has bought the Persian quarter section near Grant for \$2000.

Kelly's Column

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point that will not meet with favor in several parts of Oregon. The secretary would like to "freeze" reclamation projects and not initiate any new ones until peace comes. The secretary suggests that the reclamation engineers and the army engineers resurvey various projects and determine which can wait. This applies also to flood control, such as the Willamette valley project, and every river and harbor project, from one end of Oregon to the other.

It is certain, however, that retrenchment on non-defense agencies and activities will soon be started, but before a slash is made the special joint committee of house and senate will find every agency protesting against a cut in its funds and arguing that the work it does is in some fashion connected with national defense. Oregon is an exception, but the sale of defense bonds has fallen down and it is this loss of revenue that is worrying Secretary Morgenthau.

Statehouse Gossip

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Oregon farmers will be more dependent upon women for the harvesting of their crops next year than ever before, it was revealed at a conference in Salem this week between representatives of grower organizations and officials of the state employment service.

With the nation's armed forces and the defense industries absorbing more and more of the available man power women will be expected to take up the burden on the home front, employment service officials pointed out. A committee of growers was appointed to investigate the problem of transporting helpers to the harvest fields and plans were made for a survey of women who will be available for work next year.

Old age, alcoholism and syphilis are the three principal contributing factors to insanity according to records of the Oregon State hospital. Approximately one-fifth of the institution's male patients are here because of too much drink. Syphilis which is the principal contributing cause in approximately 7 per cent of the hospital's cases has shown a decrease of approximately 50 per cent in the past decade. While between 800 and 1000 new patients are being admitted to the institution each year, population of the hospital shows only a small gain each year due to rapid cure of many of the patients.

Representatives of the cooperative flax processing plants at Canby, Mount Angel, St. Paul and Springfield conferred with members of the state board of control this week relative to the establishment of a uniform price for flax fibre. While No. 1 fibre which a few years ago was bringing only 27 cents a pound is now selling at 60 cents a pound some of the cooperatives felt that Oregon processors, including the state prison plant, should take advantage of the present emergency to boost the price still higher. Board of Control members expressed the fear that higher prices might result in the use of flax substitutes and kill the market which has been built up for this commodity on which Oregon has a virtual monopoly in the United States.

While architects continue to push the plans for the new treatment hospital at the state institution for mentally diseased, board of control members are fearful that construction of this much needed improvement may have to be postponed until labor and material prices recede from their present high level. Construction costs have advanced substantially since the legislature authorized the expenditure of \$325,000 for this improvement. Only last week the board rejected all bids on a garage building for the eastern Oregon hospital at Pendleton when these were found to exceed estimated costs and a few weeks ago bids on a new cottage at the school for the blind were thrown out for the same reason.

Members of the state legislature will find the ventilating systems in the House and Senate chambers greatly improved when they return to the capitol for their next session. An engineer employed by the board of control to investigate the condition about which the lawmakers have complained loudly ever since their first session in the new building found that the fault lay in the type of valve used in the system. Instead of holding the temperature at a uniform level this valve now in use throws alternate currents of hot and cold air into the rooms to the great discomfort of the legislators and their assistants. The remedy, the engineer has reported, is simple and inexpensive.

MOVIE STAR JOINS U.S. NAVY



Ensign Wayne Morris Seeks Wings

Wayne Morris, recent star of "I Wanted Wings," became a member of Uncle Sam's Navy in May, 1941, when he was appointed to the rank of Ensign. When asked what he thought of the United States Navy, Morris said, "I think every man who is considering joining a military service should look into the 'chance of a lifetime' which the Navy and Naval Reserve offer to get into the big-pay field of the future—aviation. In the Navy you can attend the finest flight training schools in the world, and receive instruction from Navy pilots who introduced dive bombing, aircraft carriers and catapult take-offs to the rest of the world. Also, there are opportunities in Naval Aviation for men who don't want to fly. They can be trained as aviation machinists, metalsmiths, photographers, observers, or they can receive instruction in many other trades. It's a great life in the Navy."

Kent Community Thankful For Good Rains of This Month

There has been a considerable amount of rainfall in this vicinity during the past week which makes the farmers feel that they may have another good crop next year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Decker and family returned here Tuesday after spending several days in Portland visiting Mrs. Elma Decker, mother of Mr. Decker and Juanita Mitchell, sister of Mrs. Decker who is attending the Northwestern School of Commerce.

G. L. Hoskinson and son Eugene were business visitors at Goldendale, Wn., Monday.

Jack McKay of Port Orford and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Thatcher of Lebanon were visitors at the G. F. McKay home Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Schilling and daughter Bobetta were business visitors in The Dalles Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Barnett and son Melvin and granddaughter Johnetta Jennings of Cow Canyon stopped at the Carl Schadewitz home Monday en route to The Dalles. Mrs. Schadewitz accompanied them.

Dolores Gregg, who has been attending the Northwestern School of Commerce in Portland is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Grace Gregg.

W. P. Jefferies made a trip to Hermiston Wednesday to get the household goods of Allen Bekkedahl, who is moving his family to the Ireland ranch south of Kent.

Mrs. Arthur Holt, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. J. L. Matthews, spent Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Barnett of Cow Canyon before going on to her home at Redmond Tuesday.

Lawrence Bauer and Alfred Payne of Grass Valley were visitors at the L. W. Amick home Saturday.

Mrs. B. A. Hogue and daughter Gertrude returned home Monday evening after spending the week end in The Dalles visiting the former's brother, Frank Bennett.

Those attending the dance at Antelope Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Amandus von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes, Mr. and Mrs. Verne Mobley and Miss Shirley Braat.

Mrs. Tate Justesen of Juniper Flatt and Mrs. Lane Johnson and daughter, June Marie of Wanic were visitors at Kent Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Mrs. Carsten von Borstel and Mrs. Max Pluemke attended the Legion and Auxiliary meeting at Grass Valley Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Wilson entertained with a party at their home Thursday evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Jefferies. The occasion being the birthday anniversary of Robert Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson were visitors at the J. S. Fritts home near Grass Valley Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Bothwell and son Charles of Hood River are visiting at the J. M. Wilson home this week.

EOCE Has Students From 19 Counties

Eastern Oregon College of Education, La Grande, Oct. 30. (Special) Nineteen counties of Oregon and four states other than Oregon are represented in the fall term registration at Eastern Oregon College of Education. Enrollment figures total 323, which is much larger than had been predicted, and only a 7 per cent decrease over last year, according to Dr. Roben J. Maaske, president of the college.

Women students show a 3.3 per cent gain, while men students, with a total of 189, show an 18 per cent drop over last year, due probably to the availability of good paying jobs and service in the defense forces.

Five Sherman county students are enrolled at the Eastern Oregon College of Education this fall. They are:

Jane French, Moro, who will graduate at the end of the fall quarter; Catherine Tom, Rufus, who is taking the junior college course; Helen Blau, Catherine Fridley and Margaret McDermid, Wasco, who are enrolled in the teacher training division.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Whitehead and P. K. Pope visited at Pilot Rock Sunday.

Dolores Gregg is employed in a CCC office at Warm Springs.

Visitor—Well, young man, just what do you do on this submarine? Fed-up Sailor—Madam, it's my duty to run forward and hold her nose whenever we dive.

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