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Sherman County Earliest Headed Boys Sweep Wheat Lowest Fair 4-H Prizes In Yield

Sherman county beef club members at the state fair gathered a flock of ribbons in the judging in the fat steer classes. Ed Fritts had the grand champion fat steer, the champion Hereford, and won the prize for champion showman of beef cattle. Harry Hartley won first with his medium-sized Hereford and first on his Shorthorn. Ed Fritts took first in the heavy Hereford class.

Other boys whose calves won places at the state fair are Lee Martin, Terry Duchois, Edwin Belsiger, David Wright, Fred von Hagen, and Oleson. They are tending the fair as assistants to Millard Eakin.

Breakfast Club To Entertain Kiwanians

The executive committee of the Moro Breakfast Club will hold a meeting next week to make plans for the first meeting of the fall which will be held September 18. The Dallas Kiwanis club will be guests at that time but the responsibility of the program will be that of the local club.

Making that program and decision as to how to help the fair and the success of the Midco show will also be under discussion by the committee when it is called together.

Sheriff's Posse Will Get Back To Work

The Sherman County Sheriff's posse will meet again Sunday at two o'clock to perfect the drill which has been simplified until it can be done more easily, according to members.

The sleeping sickness scare seems to have abated as no other cases have broken out. Most of the horses in the immediate area have been vaccinated and the veterinarian considers that horses already inoculated are safe from attack.

Only three Sundays remain until the show at which the posse is to appear.

Information Center Plan of DVA

An information center to keep Oregon World War II veterans posted on educational and housing facilities in all state and independent colleges and universities in Oregon will soon be set up in the Department of Veterans' Affairs in Salem, it is announced.

At a meeting in Salem last week of officials of the majority of Oregon's colleges called by Supt. of Public Instruction, Rex Putnam, it was decided that such an information center should be established. Edward T. Taggart, education officer for the Department of Veterans' Affairs, was named coordinator.

All schools of higher learning will fill out forms and return them to the Department of Veterans' Affairs office, listing the housing facilities available and the types of courses and instruction which can be offered incoming students.

When the information is compiled, it will be sent back to all the schools, and also to every veterans' guidance center in the state, so that veterans can be informed at all times as to their chances of getting college entry.

Putnam said it is expected that the states adjacent to Oregon will adopt the same plan, and an interchange of information will be maintained so that if all colleges in Oregon are filled, for example, it may be possible to direct local veterans to school openings in Idaho or Washington or other states.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Women's Missionary Society of the Moro Community church will hold its September meeting in the park at two o'clock September 11. Members and friends are invited. Mrs. Martin Miller will be in charge of the program.

A drivers license examiner is scheduled to be in Moro, Thursday September 12, 1946, at the court-house between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m.

WAA Has 800 Trucks To Sell; Vets First

The Portland War Assets office will sell approximately 800 trucks and 400 trailers, to certified veterans of the Portland region, which is comprised of Oregon and southwestern Washington, this week. They will go out under WAA's new policy of filling orders chronologically, and sending personal notification to each veteran as his turn comes up. All who have been issued priority certificates need only to stay home and wait for the mailman.

As all the vehicles are used, each veteran who is notified will be asked to go to the Mt. Rainier Ordnance depot to make his own inspection. He can pay for the truck or trailer on the spot, however, and not be required to return to Portland to complete purchase before taking possession of it.

WAA is introducing a new national allotment plan whereby the "have" regions share with the "have not" regions according to the veteran population of each state.

The Portland office has far more than enough certificates on hand to absorb immediate allotments, but non-certified vets may apply for certificates at their local draft board or at the Portland Swan Island office and wait their turn.

New allotments are to be made monthly, according to WAA.

Crop Insurance Made Incomes

Not all farmers shared in Oregon's bumper wheat harvest, according to a report from Muri E. Cummings, state director of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation. Indemnities will be paid for crop losses on at least 67 of the state's 3,000 insured farms.

Principal causes of loss reported so far include frost, Russian fly and excessive heat in western Oregon; frost, weeds and wind in southern Oregon; and drought in some areas of eastern Oregon. One Unadilla farmer will collect on his insurance because of damage by pheasants.

Insurance on 1947 winter wheat will be available until September 28 at county agricultural conservation offices.

Haldane Duff Talking At Local Church

Haldane Duff, a member of the original Duff Irish Trio, is to continue services in Moro this week and next.

The boys and girls booster band choir is a nightly feature of the meetings. It is composed of Sherman county boys and girls.

Mr. Duff has travelled throughout the European continent. Just previous to the outbreak of the war, while traveling in Germany he was thrown in jail by the Nazis but later escaped. His sermons are filled with telling illustrations of his travels abroad.

Friday is young peoples night and the entire service is planned for youth. Saturday there will be shown a sound motion picture on the wonders of television. Sunday night Mr. Duff speaks on the topic "The 364 Question." Monday is Irish night and the subject will be, "The Five Most Interesting Things I Saw in Ireland."

Next Saturday September 14 the 55 minute sound motion picture, "The Power of God" will be shown. Mr. DeVry of motion picture fame said that this was one of the best religious pictures ever produced. The services continue each night at 8 p. m. at the Community church.

New Rat Trap Made; Needed In Moro

A homemade rat trap, built on an entirely different principle from conventional types, is described in a circular of information N. 385 issued by the O.S.C. experiment station. The original model was built by E. V. Lindros carpenter in the college physical plant shops, from his memory of one used effectively in his native Finland.

The trap resembles a shallow box open on all four sides, but containing a "trigger plate" in the bottom which releases a crushing weight from above when it is touched by the rat. The fact that the rat can see that the box is open all around makes it make him less wary of entering to get bait placed within it.

Complete measurements and directions for constructing the device are contained in the circular, available free from any county extension office.

He that does good for good's sake, seeks neither praise nor reward, but he is sure of both in the end.

—William Penn

Complete Rodeo Program Planned For County Fair

Mac Barbour To Bring Horses, Steers and Calves For Western Show

Mac Barbour came through town Wednesday on his way to Klamath Falls for a day or two before the start of the Pendleton Round-Up at which he is furnishing a part of the horses.

Mac's outfit, consisting of 80 head of stock, was at Walla Walla for Labor day, moved to Pendleton for the Round-Up, will go from there to Redmond for the Deschutes county fair and will return to Moro for the Sherman county fair the following week.

Rodeo performance will be increased for the 1946 show, as Barbour is bringing 20 roping sized calves, and 15 Mexican bull-dogging steers in addition to 25 bucking horses. Among the horses are such well known outlaws as Tornado, War Paint, Kickapoo, Nevada, Long Tom, Tango Susie, Black Widow, Red Devil, Yellow Fever and Bally Down.

Riders who are expected to come to the Moro show as a part of Barbour's outfit are the locally known Jeff Ambler (leading rodeo performer), Jack Sherman, Ross Dollarhide (who recently won the Lakeview show), Buck Davis, Tom Bride, Merle Hansen, Ray Boss and others whose names appear as winners in every rodeo resume.

Additional chutes are being built at the fair grounds in preparation for the new attractions. They will be in much the same place which assumes a good view of all events as the action transpires just across the track from the grandstand.

Traveler Takes Railing Off DeMoss Curve

Last Tuesday Marvin Wilson of Connell, Washington cleared a track out of the highway on the DeMoss hill curve but landed his car in the ditch with a badly damaged front end in the doing.

One set of the guard rails was completely removed by the car, and the fence broken. Neither Wilson or the hitch-hiker with him were seriously injured although the hitch-hiker lost a couple of teeth in the jam. Wilson paid property damage incurred, had his car towed to a garage and departed.

Many Elk Hunters Get Few Animals

During the special three-day elk season held August 31, September 1 and 2 in the Muddy Creek area of Baker county, 15 bull elk were killed by the 641 hunters participating in the early hunt, it is announced by the Oregon State Game Commission.

This area of approximately 20 sections was opened to hunting by the Commission at the behest of Baker county ranchers, because of crop damage. Although it was known that only a small herd was in the area at this time and that reduction of numbers will be accomplished better by the later season, an immediate alleviation of the potential crop damage was accomplished as a result of the hunting.

While the Commission has issued warnings in advance that the hunter success in the area would not be high and discouraged those having to make long trips to the area, 70 per cent of the hunters checked in were from west of the Cascades.

Rains improved hunting conditions and reduced fire hazards, and the elk killed were in excellent condition. Hunters also observed the rules of safety for no accidents were reported although there were approximately 32 hunters per section concentrated in the area.

Veterans Advised About Problems

Q. I signed a statement before my discharge that my disability existed prior to enlistment. Does this bar me from receiving compensation A. No. Under Title I, Sec. 105, Public Law 346, 78th Congress, any statement of this nature which you may have made at discharge is considered null and void.

Q. I have been collecting readjustment allowance since my discharge two months ago. I plan now to move to another state as I believe I will have more opportunity in my line of work. Will I be able to collect compensation there until I find employment?

A. Your claim for readjustment allowance may be transferred to the Unemployment Compensation Agency of the state to which you are moving or cleared through the agency in the state where you now reside. You are allowed your full entitlement subject to the regulations governing readjustment allowances, regardless of your place of residence.

Q. I am a widow of a World War II veteran. Am I eligible to obtain a loan guaranty under the G. I. Bill?

A. No. The privilege is limited to veterans. A guaranty on a loan may continue, however, after the veteran's death.

Q. Is a veteran who has been granted compensation entitled to an increase if he suffers an increase in the severity of disability?

A. Yes. The rate of increase in compensation depends upon the increase of disability.

Q. If a lender turns down a veteran's application for a loan, what should the veteran do?

A. He should see another lender. The fact that one lender is not interested does not indicate that another may not be. One lender may not wish to make the type of loan the veteran wants.

"Drawing of subsistence allowances and unemployment compensation for the same period constitutes a violation of the law," stated Joeger. "Several veterans who either do not realize they are committing an overt act or do it intentionally have run afoul of the law in the Northwest each month."

Rattlesnake Road Petition Deferred, Memorial Vote Up

Grade Argument Long; Vote on Memorial Satisfies Few Groups

Long discussion of the proposal to close the Rattlesnake road resulted in deferment of the decision. When the question was finally put as a part of the discussion Joe Peters said he was "still of the same opinion" and he having been one of the original petitioners for closing the road meant his assent to that. Miller said he was not in favor of closing and Judge Wilson said the matter would be deferred. The closing petition was not granted.

A. J. Sharp was present to give side of the case. He held that the road along the top of the hill to the actual Rattlesnake grade was now closed and that the lower half mile of the road was never opened.

The court, backed by county attorney Lester Johnson, held that inasmuch as the road had been used by the public for over ten years it was a public road through easement by consent. Whether these differing contentions are ever aired in court depends on the intensity of feeling that may arise from fishermen going down the grade.

Few were on hand to speak for or against the proposal to put a measure on the ballot in November to raise \$25,000 for a war memorial. The court decided to put the matter on the ballot but did so without enthusiasm after hearing the arguments and considering the evidence concerning it.

As written the measure provides that the county court, believing the matter important, gives the people the right to vote to exceed the six percent limitation by voting for the extra appropriation.

It was contended that Wasco wants a part of the money spent there and that Kent would like to have a part of it spent there. Under the resolution the memorial will be one unit and constructed where a group of citizens desire. The group would represent veteran organizations, the court and other citizens. No plans are on hand for the memorial, no location for it, no decision as to purpose or use. The committee would decide on those matters.

Food Care Needed To Insure Plenty

Record harvests in this country have not eliminated the need for making the best possible use of the nations food supplies, members of the state Food for Farmine Relief committee were told in a letter from E. Harvey Miller, state FMA director and emergency food program manager for Oregon.

"It can be said now that the famine is over only in the sense that mass starvation has been averted," Miller informed the famine committee members. "Millions of people still are experiencing mass malnutrition, evidenced by greatly increased death rates of children, higher disease rates, and a sheer inability of adults to do a day's work."

Thanking the committee members for their help in promoting conservation of wheat and fats and oils during the famine emergency period, Miller pointed out that although an organized conservation campaign no longer would be carried out, continued observance is urged of this five-point program: (1) avoid food waste, (2) consume foods in seasonal abundance, (3) keep victory gardens producing, (4) can and preserve, and (5) salvage and re-use fats and oils.

More Taxes Collected

A supplemental report on tax collections made by Sheriff Fields as of August 31 shows additional collections of \$113,552.

Of the amount received \$79,633 was on the current tax roll which reduces the delinquency in that roll at the end of the period to practically nothing, the total being less than \$2000 and made of that on property with tax delinquencies.

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The federal and state legislatures have not been in session for a long time, according to the Sherman County Journal, and the beginning of the session, the prefabricated houses have been turned out at the rate of 1000 a month and the quality have gone slightly better. It is reported that the manufacturers of these prefabricated houses will not be in full production until the fall, and that some times the local building code is the bottleneck, and in some places, the building trades interpose objections, and the National House Administration has held up others.

For the first time since the United States was formed, this country is submitting its will to foreigners. The International Court of Justice is the supervisory government and in the closing days of congress the senate voted to join with other United Nations in establishing this tribunal. Mr. Associate Justice Felix Frankfurter has had his eye on that international court since it was first conceived, and Frankfurter might have had this ambition gratified had F. D. Roosevelt lived. It is not so certain that President Truman will offer the name of Frankfurter as the United States contribution to the court.

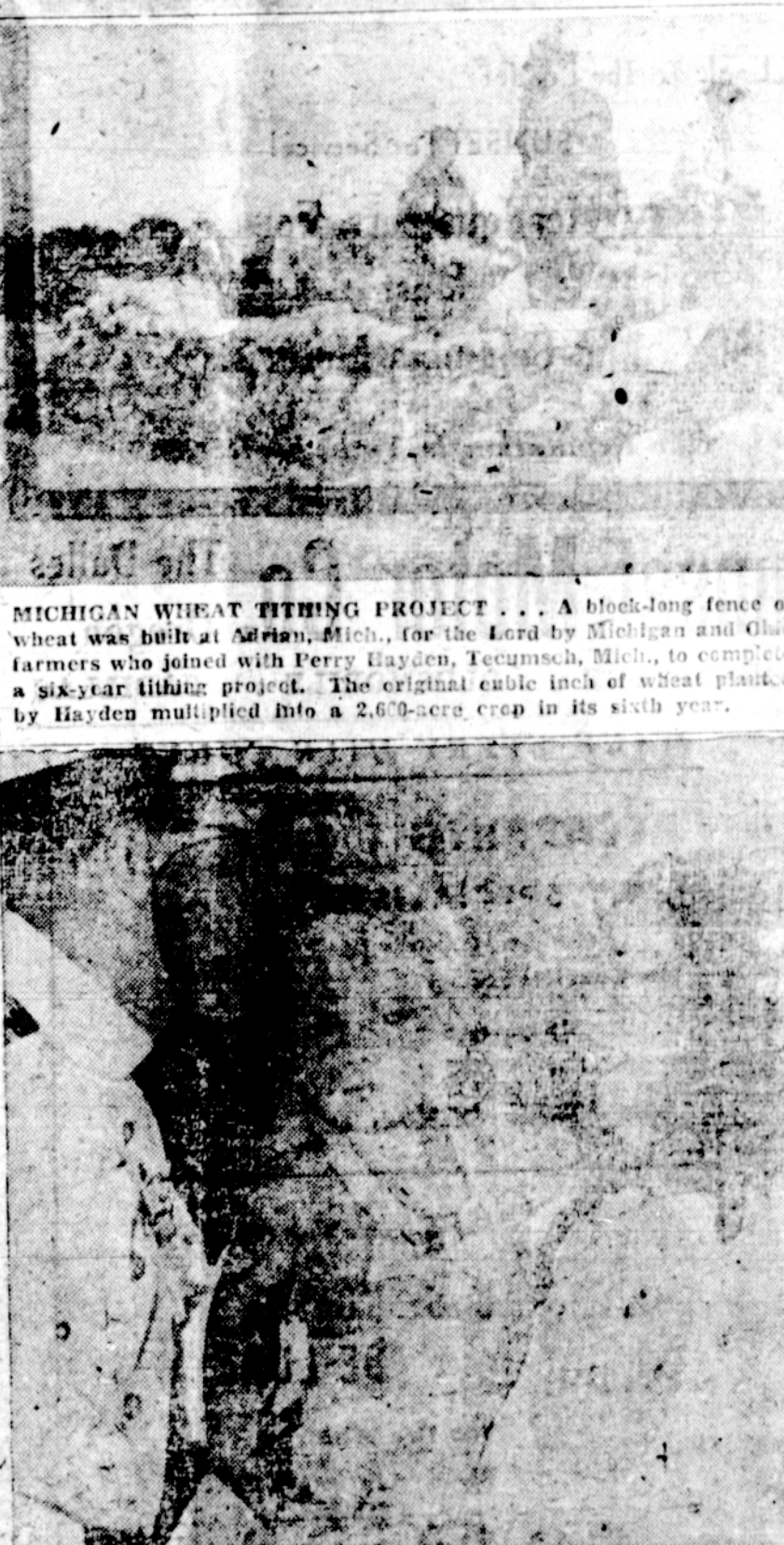
Members of the International Court of Justice will have more power than any other group in the world—if everything goes as planned. Mr. Frankfurter is not the powerful influence now that he was during the Roosevelt regime, when he was showing President Roosevelt with little notes, giving his ideas on appointments and everything else. Mr. Frankfurter enjoyed screening aspirants for federal appointments and weeding out any who did not measure up to his standards. Before the days of Roosevelt, however, Frankfurter was still potent and back in the times of Woodrow Wilson, he went to the Pacific Northwest and forced the lumber operators to deal with the I.W.W. Whenever there was a change of president, Frankfurter was on hand to give advice to the incumbent and he filled Washington with young law graduates from his school.

The rush war-time money making boom shot up jewelry sales in the United States to an all-time high according to the annual report on precious gem stones released in 1945. Jewelry sales came to a record of one billion, two hundred million. The jewelers prosperity came in large amounts from war workers and their savings, especially the women war workers who went to town in a big way, and its a safe bet that half or more of this jewelry will wind up in Uncle Ike's stock shop in a year or so from now.

Prices on all types of precious stones are fluctuating. Diamonds which account for 95% of the world's gemstone sales came into the United States in greater numbers last year than in the year of 1920. World production jumped to 14 million carats—20% more than 1944. The diamond trading company, which sells 95% of rough diamonds, made an all-time high sales record of close to 125 million carats in 1945. Sales of rough diamonds are twice their former price. Cut diamonds have never been so high and large stones bring an even higher price. The 20% commission on jewelry sales brought in almost two hundred million dollars to Uncle Sam. However, this price tax according to some sources, will be cut in half in the black market.

The world in precious stone production—chiefly diamonds. The British Empire, notably South Africa's great mines accounted for the world's production.

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MEDAL FOR FATHER . . . Little William B. Collins, 2 years old, never saw his father, and he never will. L.A. Jarden-B. Collins, USMC, died in action. In lieu of a third air medal, a gold star was presented to his son.