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COMMENT

Some one has recently written a new definition of an educated man. It sounds pretty pat, too, like most of those broad generalizations in which we like to indulge. If you answer "Yes" to all of these questions truthfully, then you are educated:

1. Can you entertain a new idea?

2. Can you entertain another person?

3. Can you entertain yourself?

The natural reaction to a new idea is opposition or doubt, either of which precludes entertainment of it, but rejection of new ideas is one way of discounting what is written title of educated.

Entertaining another person may depend on the person and some require much more application on the part of the entertainer than others.

Perhaps the third question is the hardest one. People have lost much of the ability to entertain themselves in recent years. Advent of the radio, picture magazine and canned music have made self entertainment unnecessary for most of us. Days when men lived alone with no mental or spiritual stimulus other than that found in their own beings are about gone into the limbo of the past. One doesn't need to develop any new ideas to live with comfort, in fact, in this machine age a touch of individualism is as much a handicap as it was a necessity in the day of the pioneer.

Car was stopped at the top of the hill by a courteous Indian who said they were bringing the body of Moses Helton up from the Deschutes where fishermen had found it a few miles below Sherar's where he had been drowned while netting salmon.

Moses Helton, the watchman said, was about 52. His widow sat keening in her grief in another car near the road. Other J- an omen paced about in the sage watching the car come up the grade.

Soon the bark of an army jeep could be heard. It drove into sight, an unapproachable red, occupied by four men who sat bolt upright with the conscious air of heroes for the day. Behind it was towed a small trailer in which lay the canvas wrapped form of the dead Moses Helton flanked on either side by an elder of the tribe kneeling.

On the left as a patriarch of the Warm Springs staring straight ahead, on the right wrinkled crone ringing in slow cadence a small brass bell.

How odd seem the funeral customs of other people.



Walther-Williams Picnic Game Won By Locals

The Walther-Williams party and picnic for Sherman countians last Sunday proved the excellence of Sherman county beef and the open pit method of barbecuing it and the superiority of Sherman countians as soft ball players.

The Sherman county team, captained by George Wilson, had an easy victory by a 15 to 2 score, result of 14 hits against 4 for the Walther-Williams team. Coelch and Paulson were the battery for the locals and Carney, Colcord and Seely for the visitors. On the local team were Dunlap, T. Thompson, 2, Oveson and Bayer right, K. Thompson, left, L. Wilson, middle; K. Searcy; Collis Moore and Ed Eaves first.

The barbecue was prepared by Leroy Wright who had spent the night before hand burning oak wood in the pit. When the coals reached the depth of 18 inches they were covered with a couple inches of sand and the 100 lbs. of heavily wrapped beef placed thereon to roast under the cover of sheet iron until dinner time, a space of 10 hours. It fulfilled all hopes.

More than 300 persons attended the game and partook of the barbecue which was served by white coated servitors. The program of short talks was for the purpose of introducing E. G. Harlan, new manager of the company, to Sherman county. Leonard Cox was master of ceremonies introducing Judge J. M. Wilson who told of his experiences with the company, Harry Walther, retiring head of the company and Mr. Harlan.

Pictures of the game, the winning team and the crowd were taken.

Kent Parents See Son Graduate From Oregon State College

Mr and Mrs Frank von Borstel motored to Corvallis Saturday to attend the graduation of their son, Jack from OSC. They were accompanied from Oregon City by Mr von Borstel's mother, Mrs Margherita von Borstel. They attended the Baccalaureate service Sunday morning and the graduation exercises Sunday evening. Mr and Mrs von Borstel returned to Portland where Mrs von Borstel acted as delegate for Sherman Chapter OES at Grand Chapter of OES. They returned home Wednesday.

Mr and Mrs A A Dunlap and Mr Dunlap's sister, Mrs Homer Swick of Warren, Pa., were Tuesday evening dinner guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Paul Wilson.

Mrs Paul Wilson, left Tuesday for Corvallis with the Sherman county 4-H group to act as official chaperone during the summer school session. Dorothy Wilson, Marie von Borstel and Ed Fritts will attend from the Kent district.

Mrs Emma Davis motored to Portland last Monday with her son in law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Malin Tracewell. Luther Davis drove to Portland Tuesday and stayed at the home of his sister while he attended the Masonic convention. He returned with his mother Friday.

Miss Connie Wilson returned home Saturday after spending the past week at the home of her aunt, Mrs Harry Hooper of The Dalles.

The Kent Legion Post and Auxiliary unit are sponsoring a picnic June 22 at Grass Valley at 1 p. m. All members and those eligible for membership are invited.

Mrs Archie Robertson, accompanied by George Wilson Jr motored to Portland Tuesday to attend the Rose Festival. They returned Friday.

Mrs J. M. Wilson, who has been with her critically ill mother, Mrs Betty Kelly, flew home from Pullman, Washington last Wednesday with her son, George. Thursday evening word was received that Mrs Kelly had suffered a relapse and had been moved to the hospital at Moscow. Friday morning Mrs Wilson was flown to Moscow, Idaho by her son George who returned the same day. Mrs Wilson is staying at the home of her nephew, Dr. and Mrs Joe Wilson.

Mr and Mrs Kenneth Martin have been taking their children, Sharon and Leroy to The Dalles the past two weeks so that they may participate in the swimming classes being held at the natatorium.

Mr and Mrs Roy Powell and grandson, Robert, were dinner guests at the home of their daughter and son in law, Mr and Mrs John Reckman Friday.

Mr and Mrs John Decker and family flew to Portland Sunday to be with Mrs Decker's parents, Mr and Mrs William Mitchell. Word had been received earlier in the week that Mrs Decker's mother was seriously ill.

Mr and Mrs Otto Smith and small daughter, Linda Lou of Walla Walla, Washington were weekend guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Bill Jefferies.

The annual budget meeting and election of directors of the Kent school district was held Monday afternoon. The budget was accepted. Frank von Borstel was elected director of the Sherman county school district.

Lester Mr and Mrs Paul Smith and Wilson was re-elected as local di-familly and Mr and Mrs Allan rector. It was decided that a Bekkedahl and family spent Sunday picnicking at DeMoss Springs.

School Boards Chosen By Voters In Quiet Election

Election of school board members caused little excitement in Sherman county Monday and there were no turnovers of major consequence, although some new men were chosen. Even the election of rural school board members took place with few written votes.

The Moro district had as many problems as any and the dozen or more voters who were present made the decisions after brief explanations by the board. The board admitted that the budget was probably larger than would be required and therefore the levy of \$5226, which was to be raised over the six percent limitation was defeated. The board is in a cash position and the removal of this item will not handicap education. Voters also approved payment of transportation for district residents.

Lloyd Henrichs was re-elected school board member for a two year term and Merrill Oveson was chosen for the three year term to succeed Carroll Sayrs, who did not wish to extend his twelve year service further.

Election of board members has been very well reported. On the new rural school board is Irving Hart, Wallace May, Frank von Borstel, George Fox and W. A. Nisbet. Kenneth Fridley was re-elected as a member of the non-high school board.

It is reported that the voters of the Wasco district decided to not continue to educate pupils from outside that district without pay from the non-high school board.

Elected at Biglow: William Macnab; Rufus, Jewel Lerin; Emigrant, Kenneth Fridley; Locust Grove, Herb Root; Wasco, Marvin Thomas; Kent, Lester Wilson; DeMoss, Ted Thompson; Gordon Ridge, Marvin Howell; Erskine, Ronald Powell; Fairview, Harvey Thompson; Grass Valley, Art Schilling.

Firecrackers Found Illegal By Old Statute

The city council, confronted with a demand for abolition of firecrackers in the city limits, found a provision in a nuisance ordinance passed in the spring of 1899. It is legal to sell crackers and other types of fireworks, but they may not be fired in the city.

An option to purchase the city lots on Main street where the old Moro Hotel stood was asked by Ed Eaves but no agreement on price was reached, nor was the question of adequate title entirely solved.

Sanitary facilities in the city park was discussed with agreement to build when and if material can be obtained.

The committee named to state the duties of the marshal brought in a list of duties which was placed in the minutes and copies made for officers.

The city budget as prepared and printed was adopted.

County Budget Given OK By Board

Just enough officials of the county appeared at the budget meeting last Friday, June 13, to approve the budget and have it placed on the roll.

Information reached the county that it would be possible to cut a few dollars from the welfare budget as expenses will be less for the coming year but the court decided not to change the budget figures without a larger representation and the levy will be made on the basis of the figures published late in May.

Experiment Station Sets Field Day

The annual field day at the experiment station will be held Saturday June 28 beginning at 1:00 p. m. when the tour of the fields will start from the office.

Of principal interest this year are the weed control plots where annual weeds have been treated with various weed killers with success that may be observed by those making the tour.

Trashy fallow will come in for much discussion and explanation of methods by the station officials. An additional experiment in different kinds of drills used on both trashy and moldboard summerfallow will be shown. Drills were the wide Dempster and the regular deep furrow.

In the nursery are several new kinds of wheat that are especially interesting, among them being a Rex-Allice cross that is promising. The alfalfa experiment has another crop of grain grown after alfalfa that shows the result of heavy nitrate concentration.

Grass plots are also to be examined by those making the trip. All farmers and others interested are invited to come and inspect the station, says Merrill Oveson, superintendent.

MORO ITEMS

Hardlandview Grange will hold a flower show at its next meeting, June 27th. Motion pictures on Oregon wild life will be shown at that time. Everyone is invited to attend.

Linden Mersinger returned from OSC last Friday and is now working at the Experiment station.

FOR SALE: 4 broke saddle horses & Palamino stallion (well broke) Ernest Eslinger, Moro.

Mr and Mrs J. K. McKean and daughter, Nancy returned from a trip to Cannon Beach last Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Lamer Sayrs and family returned Saturday from a two weeks vacation on the Oregon coast.

Mrs Eugene Amidon returned from Seattle this week after visiting with her sister and recuperating from a recent operation. Her nephew returned with her to spend a while visiting.

Miss Clara Rader is here visiting Mr and Mrs Rich Bruckert. She is a niece of Mrs Bruckert.

Mrs Wily Knighten is attending a six weeks summer school course at Monmouth.

Dale and Rex Younger and O. J. Greenslitt were in Moro from Oregon City Wednesday.

Mrs Mollie McLachlan went to Boise, Idaho this week to visit her son, Wendell and family and will bring a new car home with her.

Sherman County Club Organized; Officers Elected

Organization of the Sherman county club to promote and protect the economic, social, commercial, educational and agricultural welfare of the county was perfected here Wednesday morning when representatives from all parts of the county came to the Moro Hotel for a breakfast meeting.

Merle Becket, president of the expiring Moro Breakfast club, was chosen president of the new club. A. A. Dunlap was elected vice-president, Carrell Bennet, secretary-treasurer and four others were named to form an executive committee in company with the above named officers. Chosen were George Wilson, Paul Goddard, Kenneth Fridley and Lawrence Kaseberg.

Few changes were made in the proposed by-laws prepared by a group of five a week ago for the meeting. These give authority to the executive committee to manage the affairs of the club, name time and place for all meetings.

Meetings will be held from September until June and officers will be elected in June to serve for one year.

Complete by-laws follow: CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE SHERMAN COUNTY CLUB

1. NAME: The name of this organization shall be the Sherman County Club.

2. PURPOSE: The purpose shall be to promote and protect the interests of Sherman county and its residents in all economic, social, commercial, educational and agricultural matters.

3. MEMBERSHIP: Any resident of Sherman county is eligible to membership. A quorum shall be 15 members. Regular business may be transacted by a majority vote.

4. MEETINGS: Meetings shall be held twice each month beginning in September and ending in June. Time and place of meeting shall be determined by the executive committee, which also has power to call additional or special meetings.

5. OFFICERS: Officers shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary-treasurer and a committee shall make up the executive committee.

6. ELECTIONS: Officers shall be elected and installed for one year at the last meeting for that club year. The president, at a prior meeting, shall appoint a nominating committee of five members which shall report at the time of election, but nominations may be made from the floor before votes are cast for any office.

7. POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS: The duties of the president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers. The executive committee shall have power to conduct the business of the club, to determine the time and place of meetings, and to appoint such special committees as it deems advisable.

8. FINANCES: Dues for membership in this club shall be one dollar per year. (b) Special assessments may be raised by a majority vote of the members present at any regularly called meeting. (c) The executive committee may raise additional funds for special purpose upon a majority vote of the members present at any regularly called meeting.

9. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS: Sponsorship of any activity shall be authorized by a majority vote of the membership present at any regularly called meeting. (b) Political candidates or issues shall not be sponsored. (c) The president shall appoint at each meeting the program and the entertainment committee for the succeeding meeting. (d) Roberts Rules of Order shall be authoritative at all meetings of the club.

10. AMENDMENT: These by-laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the club by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at such meeting provided, however, that notice of such proposed change shall be made in writing at the immediately prior meeting of the club.

Celebration Planned

Grass Valley is going to have a picnic for the county at the park there on the Fourth of July. There will be a baseball game and races and games for the children and the park is being improved to provide adequate places for everyone to eat a picnic dinner. The same committee that was in charge of the clean-up day some time ago is in charge and promise a lively day and plenty of opportunity to meet friends amid pleasant surroundings. Committee members are B. C. Baumgartner, Paul Goddard, C. W. Fields, Sim Duncan and Arch Cantal.

All the county is invited.

LEGION POST INVITES

Hollywood Post No. 105 American Legion of Portland, Oregon will hold its annual picnic Sunday, June 29th at Oaks Park in Portland. This is the Sunday following the closing of the State convention. Legion bands and drum corps have been invited.

The Post hopes to have a drum corps contest and a band contest. The convention completes its work the Saturday of June 28th and therefore many Legionnaires will be able to participate. Hollywood Post invites all Legionnaires and their friends. The guests of honor will be patients from the Veterans hospital in Portland.

The Hollywood Post band which won first prize for community band in the 1947 Rose Festival parade in Portland, will be the official host for the occasion and will not take part in the contest.
