

Sherman County Journal
Published Every Friday at
Moro, Oregon

Giles L. French, Editor
Entered as second class matter at the
Postoffice at Moro, Oregon under Act of
Congress of March 3, 1879.

OREGON PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION
1947 **Active Member**
OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER
SUBSCRIPTION RATES
ONE YEAR \$2.00
SEPTEMBER 3, 1947

MERLE CHESSMAN

Oregon lost one of its finest sons when Merle Chessman succumbed Monday morning to a brain ailment. He was probably the leader among Oregon publishers in the performance of valuable deeds for his community and his state. Not only was his attitude fine but he was exceedingly able in getting things done.

Merle Chessman's life was devoted to public service. When a young man in Pendleton and since his editorship of the Astor Budget he has used his personal and editorial abilities for the benefit of the general welfare. He has been an ideal newspaperman to those of his profession whose interest was unselfish.

A list of the accomplishments Chessman obtained for Astoria would be very long. Included would be the navy base at Tongue point, a workable city government after the fire, acceptance of conservation measures by fishermen, both unions and packers. The present scientific approach to Oregon's commercial fish problem came from Chessman.

What he favored and thought for the public benefit he helped with rare organizational ability, with pen and voice; what was bad he opposed just as vigorously. He wasn't afraid.

He entered politics reluctantly and only a few years ago and made an enviable record as highway commissioner and state senator. He would laugh as requests that he run for senator from Oregon although he could have been elected.

Oregon can ill afford to lose one of the best of its really public spirited men, a group that is always too small.

SALES TAX

It is just a little over a month before Oregon voters will pass on the sales tax bill. The pamphlets have been sent out to voters here and study may be said to have begun, although proponents have been working with type-writer and speech since June.

It will not be possible to completely cover the sales tax arguments in one editorial.

Voters will be guided probably, by first, how the tax will affect them; second how it will affect their town, school, county and state.

On the first count the bill will receive few votes. History of sales taxes are that they are a new tax that raises lots of money for government. But the long time result is a sales tax plus equally large taxes of the type the sales tax was to relieve. Large property owners in districts with high millages will be helped by the sales tax. The reason they will be helped is that schools and cities that are to receive money from the sales tax will get it on a per capita basis and to relieve present property taxes.

Sherman county will not benefit because this county has a high income and a high spending quotient and few people. It would pay heavy and draw light. The same applies to nearly all eastern Oregon counties.

The effect on the state and smaller subdivisions of government will be varied. Counties, cities and school districts will get a sixth of the money each. This must be used to offset property taxes. No new money would be available except by an election to raise more than six percent over the budget, the same as now. Every taxpayer knows what has happened to federal taxes because of the theory of collection by a central agency and distribution to other taxing agencies for expenditure. Every unit of government should be allowed to expend only such sums as it takes the responsibility of raising.

There seems to be a general feeling that there is no chance for the sales tax bill to pass and this is justified by the history of such measures. As a bill, this one is perhaps the most complicated, the least well written of any of the previously defeated four bills.

There seems no reason for increasing state expenditures.

State income taxes are providing a surplus. The principle of central collection and subdivision is wrong and expensive. The tax is inequitable in that a much higher percentage is paid by those with small incomes.

NO. NO.

Representative Stockman might have been talking for publicity or for fun when he suggested that General Eisenhower would be the Republican nominee and the next president. If for publicity it was successful for the papers used it; if for fun it should have caused a laugh.

It has been more than a generation ago since Americans have fallen for the glamor that used to make generals into presidents by the simple solvent of an election. Except for George Washington the experiment has resulted in failure.

The training that results in success as a mighty man is not the sort of training a man should have to be the president of a democratic nation and the information and knowledge that goes into the making of a successful general would be of little use in the president's chair.

Representative Stockman may think that GI Joe, now searching a home and a steady job, would rally to the brass in an election. There are others who think the brass well tarnished in the eyes of the former soldier.

As between President Truman and General Eisenhower the former has made as distinguished a success as the latter. It has been partly by luck, no doubt, but it has been in a field much better trained for political leadership than is the army.

The general will be doing the nation another service by remaining as president of Columbia university, a job, in one opinion, for which he is just as poorly fitted as he would be for the presidency, but not so important to the nation.

Ex-president Hoover is not the first informed citizen to come to the conclusion that our entrance into World War II was unnecessary and costly. To go back even farther, our entrance into the first world war was not necessary either. No one can show that our dabbling into European affairs has done Europe or Europeans any good and it has made us poor indeed. Our self named "statesmen" who have fallen for British propaganda and spent American lives and American resources for no gain have been able to make their position barely tenable only by suppression of information from the American people. Until the idea of interventionism is beaten every American boy is endangered by every quarrel in Europe. We will be doing well to fight our own battles, not those of others.

Does any reasonable person consider it a handicap on labor unions that they must file a declaration that no officers are communists? Surely communism would do more to damage the laboring man than almost any one else, and therefore, the unions should be the first to cast them aside.

In Other Days

From the Observer, Sept. 4, 1908
Dolph Heydt is up from the Rose City assisting his brother, Louie, in a rush of work.

J. H. and Ora Elliott finished their threshing and hauled the machine in last Saturday. Besides their own crops they headed and threshed the crop for Drs. Goffin.

Miss Lillian Stanley, Mrs. Brash and Mrs. Strahl have returned from their outings.

From the G. V. J. Sept. 6, 1918
All males of the age of 18 to 45, inclusive, must register on Thursday, September 12, for military duty. The penalty for not registering is very severe.

Lester Nahouse and wife left Freewater last week for New York.

While dealers under the new regulations are required to keep barley flour, corn flour and corn meal on hand to sell in the 20-80 combination with wheat, they are permitted in case they have potatoes, rice flour or oat flour in stock, to sell these flours to their customers as substitutes, if the customers prefer to have the latter.

From the Observer, Sept. 7, 1923
Construction work on the new school building at Rufus was to have begun this week according to H. H. Brackett.

Miss Viola Hansen returned Sunday from a weeks outing spent at Crater Lake lodge as guest of the management, in company with three other girls and boys who won special distinction in club work at the state fair last year.

R. C. Byers is rebuilding the John Thogerson farm home by the addition of three rooms, a kitchen, dining room and bathroom.

Californians Guests At Wasco Home

Guests at the home of Mr and Mrs J. T. Johnson during the past week were their son in law and daughter, Mr and Mrs V. L. Larson and son of Medford, Mr and Mrs W. B. Fisher of Los Angeles and Mr and Mrs F. Richmond Smith of Seattle. Mrs Fisher is Mrs Johnson's sister and Mr Smith is her brother. Mrs Belle Clothier returned home Wednesday after three months spent in Portland and Seattle. While in Seattle an event of interest was a visit to the home and surroundings of the author of "The Egg and I" which is exactly as depicted in the book. Wayne Darby of Portland was a Thursday overnight guest at the home of his mother, Mrs Lydia Darby.

Mr and Mrs Orville Yocum returned Monday from an overnight trip to Bainbridge Island, Wn., where they visited their son in law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Glenn Blossom, who are parents of a daughter, Vicki Ann, born August 27 at the Maynard hospital in Seattle.

Mr and Mrs Ted Everett and daughter, Lois Ann, Glenna Wallace, Mrs Wilma Wilde and James Maddox enjoyed an outing at Bear Springs over the Labor day weekend.

Mr and Mrs L. L. Funk and Mr and Mrs W. A. Nisbet spent the Labor day week end at Taft. Mr and Mrs F. M. Crews spent the week end visiting their son and daughter in law, Mr and Mrs Marion Crews at Stevenson, Wn. Mrs Augusta Huckin spent the Labor day weekend at the home of Mrs Ella Mae Hislop in The Dalles.

Mrs Ilene Callaway of Portland spent the week end here visiting friends.

Mrs Guy Weedman of Multnomah spent several days last

week visiting at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs A. B. Potter, Anne. Mr and Mrs Elvis Rich and sons returned home Saturday after spending a week in Portland. Mr and Mrs Frank Lamborn returned home the first of the week after spending a week in Portland.

Andy Shearer of The Dalles was a Saturday overnight visitor here.

Miss Gladys Moore returned home recently after spending a week visiting at the home of Miss Anne Clothier in Seattle, Wn.

Mr and Mrs G. G. Wolcott of Ashland accompanied from Portland by Mrs Wolcott's mother, Mrs Charles Everett, who has spent the Labor day weekend at the Everett home.

Mrs A. Shearer and grandson, Billie Williams, left Sunday for Umatilla to spend a week at the home of her niece, Mrs Charles Shannon.

Mr and Mrs H. A. White spent the weekend in Hermiston visiting at the home of Mr and Mrs

CHURCHES

Wasco Methodist Church
10:00 a. m. Church School
Classes for all ages.
11 a. m. Worship Service
Topic: "The Tragedy of Uselessness"
7:00 Youth Fellowship
MORO COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday School 10 P. M.
J. MacFarlane, pastor.

Wasco Church of Christ
You are welcome!
F. Claude Stephens, minister.

Grass Valley Baptist Church
Sunday school 10 a. m., morning Promotion and Rally day.
worship 11 a. m.
Dr. F. W. Starring, state executive secretary of the Oregon State Baptist convention, speaker.
Bible Study, Wednesday 8 p. m.
Choir Rehearsal, Thursday 8 p. m.
Howard Schilling, pastor

People's Column

To the Citizens of Sherman County:

The heart of any school is its library. At present the Moro school libraries are quite small. We will be borrowing four sets of about 25 books each from the Oregon State Library. These sets will be held for a couple of months and will then be exchanged for new books. We are interested in increasing the number of permanent books in the present library.

The use of pictures displayed on bulletin boards and projected on screens is becoming one of the most effective methods of teaching. I own a projector which will be used in this manner. We wish to obtain magazines and books which contain good pictures on geography, science, travel, art, etc. For this purpose, binding or covers need not be good for they will be torn apart anyway.

The Moro schools would welcome receipt of any books and magazines which answer the above description (we can discard those that are not suitable). We are especially interested in obtaining copies of the following magazines old issues inclosed: The National Geographic, Life, Reader's Digest, Coronet, Fortune.

Charity begins at home. Charity of this nature will cost you nothing and will increase the effectiveness of our schools with no expense to the taxpayers. One of the best presents we could have from our students on the opening day of school, September 8, would be an armload of books or magazines. Let's all search our attics and basements to help make the coming year the best school year possible.

Yours Sincerely,
Kenneth G. Young, Supt.

Moro Lodge No. 113, I.O.O.F.
Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

John Lawrence N.G.
A. R. Kessinger, Secretary

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78, O.E.S.
Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursdays in each month. Visiting Members Invited—Moro, Oregon.
Genevieve Powell, W. M. and Edna Melzer, Secretary

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome.
Irma Johnson, N.G.
Clara Houston, Sec.

Fureka Lodge No. 131 A.F. & A.M.
Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members are cordially invited to meet with us.
E. E. Barzee, W. M.
H. B. Pinkerton, Secretary

Walter Maffel and daughter, Mrs. Jerrold Morehouse left Sunday evening for Texas, called by death of a relative.

Mrs Wayne Bartram left for LaGrande where she has a position teaching in the Junior high school.

Mr and Mrs B. W. Guy of Portland are visiting friends and relatives here this week.

Janice McIntyre has left for LaPine to visit at the home of Mr and Mrs Carlton Mell while her parents, Mr and Mrs Afton McIntyre are spending two week in Denver visiting Mrs McIntyre's aunt, Mrs Sanford Smith.

Mr and Mrs Steve McMullin, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs Dana Watkins, Stanley Gordh, both of Portland, and Mrs B. Estelle Hailey spent several days on the coast at Taft, returning home Tuesday.

Want Ads

FOR SALE: 10" burner, fireside circulating heater. Carrel S. Bennett, Moro. 44c

ESTRAY NOTICE A three year old Guernsey cow, no brands or earmarks, colored tan and white, has been taken up at the W. E. Nichols ranch, Norman E. Fields, sheriff.

FOR SALE: Thor washing machine and detachable mangle; collapsible baby buggy. Mrs Robert Marvin Moro. 43c

STANLEY SWETT

North turn at WASCO
Wasco, Oregon

AutoRepairing

Atlas Tires

Atlas Batteries

CHEVRON

GAS STATION

Mac's Welding & Machine Shop
PORTABLE WELDER
Go Anywhere
Sew Me For Steel
Bring Your Troubles to Mac
A. D. McConaughy
Wasco Oregon
Shop Phone 332
Home 331

next to nothing next to you!—Nylon

Two-way stretch GIRDLES and PANTY GIRDLES

For Your Convenience Open to 6:00

GRETA

309 E. Second Street
The Dalles, Oregon

Mr and Mrs Jim Riskosky arrived here recently to make their home where Mr Riskosky is to be superintendent of Wasco school.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of **Blanche Lovelace Savage**, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of **Blanche Lovelace Savage**, deceased, at the office of **T. Lester Johnson**, Attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: September 5, 1947.

Fred Cole, Administrator
T. Lester Johnson, Attorney for Administrator
Wasco, Oregon.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
All persons having claims against the Estate of **Henry I. Savage**, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of **Henry I. Savage**, deceased, at the office of **T. Lester Johnson**, Attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: September 5, 1947.

Fred Cole, Administrator
T. Lester Johnson, Attorney for Administrator
Wasco, Oregon.

T. Lester Johnson
LAWYER
WASCO MORO

Lewis Keith
HASTINGS & McDONALD
STANDARD OIL PRODUCTS
WASCO, OREGON
Phone 552 or 681

GAS AND OIL
Tires—Accessories
B. H. McKEAN and SON
INSURANCE
Grain, Feed, Flour, Fuel
Farm Implements, Bags, Twine
BARBED WIRE—GOOD POSTS
PHONES
Feedstore Office Residence
163 162 182
WASCO OREGON

The Gay Shop
Famous Truzette Lingerie - Gowns
and Pajamas New Dresses
Large Sizes Silk Housecoats - Hand
Made Gifts
Wasco, Oregon

"HOW'D YOU LIKE TO CUT DIESEL REPAIRS 50%?"

Folks using RPM DELO, the Diesel Engine Lubricating Oil that stretches time between overhauls, say it cuts repairs as much as 50%. And that's right, neighbors—RPM DELO Oil protects your Diesel, gives it longer life. Compounds in RPM DELO Oil make it stop ring-sticking and corrosion, cut carbon and sludge, stick to hot spots. The Navy uses it, too. Try it today!

HASTINGS and McDONALD
Wasco, Phone 552
C. R. ANDERSON
Grass Valley, Phone 232

RPM DELO
LUBRICATING OIL

A STANDARD OF CALIFORNIA PRODUCT

Will YOU lose your home?

If your property has passed through many hands, title to it becomes a complicated matter. You could even lose your home. Take the case of Mr. Jones. Shortly after his family was settled in a new home he found a deed to the property had previously been recorded by another party. Jones had to go to court to save his home. A Commonwealth Insured Title search would have revealed this double claim to ownership and probably prevented a costly lawsuit. Your deed alone is no assurance that property is yours. If a Commonwealth Insured Title shows you own the property, you are protected against such claims. Avoid fear of loss. Have full protection of ownership. Ask your experienced realtor, attorney or banker about Commonwealth Insured Title.

A true story except for the name.

Sherman County Abstract Co.
Moro
Commonwealth Insured Title