

# Sherman County Journal

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## These Things We Note

by Giles L. French

Well, that's over. No great amount of emotional strain was indicated during the campaign in these parts and everyone will be able to get back to other topics of conversation easily enough.

The Dewey-Stassen battle held the spot light and lesser candidates had little opportunity to be heard. Who would walk across the street to meet a candidate for state office when a presidential candidate would drop into his small town every day or so?

It may be that it was politics that was keeping the weather so dark and dismal. Evidence to that effect is that the sky has been blue and the sun bright ever since election day.

Constable: Hey, miss, no swimmin' allowed in this here lake.  
Fair Young Bather: "Then why didn't you tell me before I undressed?"  
Constable: "There ain't no law agin undressin'."

There is talk of a grass economy instead of a tilled land economy for Sherman county, which, of course, won't happen with wheat at its present price. Cattle, however, are also high. Springs like this one when the grass springs up 18 inches high all over the hills, and the cattle grow sleek and fat by June and the calves grow like weeds, the man with a field of grass can take things pretty easy. The farmer has to plow and sow and reap in icy wind or molten sun while the follower of a grass economy can potter around.

In this generally tilled area we have been led to believe that working the land is the proper way to make a living but the problem of soil conservation may change that. Tilled land erodes away and grass land builds up. New practices may slow the erosion process although in the long run the plow destroys the land.

Older countries often times follow a grass economy more than do we in a much newer land. The Herefords and Short-horns of England and the Angus of Scotland became established breeds on sown pasture lands that could have been plowed. Not that there is likely to be much change in the minds of those actively engaged in either industry. A farmer must have his plow, and the stockman must have his cow.

Public spirited citizens around Wasco have done a fine job on the hall park by coming in with tractors and bull dozers and making an open-air theater effect on the parking area. Two tiers were made so that many more passengers in many more cars can see the game from the ease of car seats. The machines dug down so deep into the sub-soil that it may be years before there are many weeds to handle.

Such actions are the things that make small towns possible. No one ever hears of larger towns turning out to participate in a movement of general benefit. There are no clean-up days, no get-togethers for public improvement.

Wasco's work on the ball park is the latest example of the civic mindedness of Sherman county. Others that come to mind are the fishing road, the Moro football field, the Grass Valley auditorium, the Rufus grange hall, the Kent Legion hall, trees along the highway. Such things are the reason Sherman countians retain their loyalty long after they have moved away.

Titled "Mandy Say" Evantha Caldwell wrote:  
Mandy say de best o'men  
Will try whut love can stan'  
But de hardest woman will crade hit  
In de hollow uv her han'.  
An' wrop it sof' in lamm's wool,  
Definest she can card  
'Cause she know love is casy kilt  
Hit's pride dat dies so hard."

## About the County

being personal items about people you know

Mesdames Ernie Moore, Collis Moore, Eugene Amidon, and Harry Pinkerton left Tuesday for Portland to attend the meeting of federated women's clubs of the nation whose convention is being held in Portland this week. Mrs. Pinkerton is delegate from the local club. Fourth district clubs, Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler counties, are decorating one of the tables at the banquet Wednesday night and Mrs. Carl Tuggle of Wasco and Mrs. Collis Moore have prepared a wheat scene with elevators, miniature farm machinery and fans and corsages of wheat heads for decorations.

Mr and Mrs Hildred Zell and Mrs B. E. Halley of Wasco were visitors of Sherman Chapter OES last Tuesday evening when they met at the Masonic hall for their regular meeting. Mrs Zell is Grand Electa of the Grand chapter of Oregon. The evening was spent informally with visiting and celebrating the birthday anniversaries of chapter members. Birthday cake, fresh strawberries whipped cream and coffee were served by Mrs Ted Ball and Mrs Wallace May, the committee in charge.

Mr and Mrs Matt Simon and daughter, Helen, and Arnold Sharpe motored to The Dalles Sunday where they were dinner guests at the Gus Koepke home and after dinner all went out to The Dalles Trap and Skeet club range to watch the exhibition in trick and fancy shooting.

Mrs Howard Schilling, Mrs John Engstrom and Mrs Amelia Peterson were Friday, afternoon visitors at the home of Mrs W. F. Schilling.

Mrs Stanley Swett entertained with a birthday party May 15 honoring her son, Carl. The table was centered with a large lighted cake, punch and ice cream were served. The afternoon was spent in playing games. Guests were Merry Drinkard, Larry Smith, Gene Fridley, Gary Fields, Dickie Tuggle, David and Jimmy Wallace, Donald Swett and D. Decker.

Miss Jordan and Miss Spies of KODL in The Dalles will be guest speakers at the Rufus church this Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

The Rufus Sunday School picnic held at Dufur park was well attended and everyone had a fine time. A track meet was held in the morning followed by a baseball game after dinner. Grass Valley was invited to join the group, but because of sickness were unable to attend.

Mr and Mrs Wayne Nelson and daughter, Linda, came last week to visit for awhile with his father, Elmer Nelson and children. The visiting Nelsons have recently sold an auto court and are on their way back to Kansas for a visit. Elmer Nelson's children, Carrie and Keith are going to Kansas for a vacation as soon as school is out.

Mr and Mrs Bill Haynes left Sunday for their home in Cherry Grove after spending several days here at the home of his brother in law and sister, Mr and Mrs A. A. Dunlap. Mrs Dunlap accompanied them to The Dalles where she spent the day with her daughter, Mrs Harry Hooper. Mrs Dunlap went to The Dalles after the ball game at Wasco to bring her home.

The Tetter club entertained their husbands Saturday night at the home of Mrs Floyd Root. An 8 o'clock dessert luncheon was served followed by an evening of cards. High scores were held by Mrs Francis Watkins and James Riskowsky, low scores by T. Lester Johnson and Mrs A. J. Foss. Door prizes were held by Paul McCoy and Mrs T. Lester Johnson and a prize for the best book going to Mrs James Riskowsky.

Mrs Karl Landstrom and daughter, Maris Lou, came Friday to spend the week end with her parents, Mr and Mrs L. L. Peetz. Mr. Landstrom came Saturday and all returned home to Portland Sunday.

Fred Cox motored to The Dalles Saturday and brought his brother in law Charlie Anderson, home after spending several months in the hospital and at the home of a friend. His wife and daughter who were with him came home and his daughter will take care of him.

Mr and Mrs Millard Eakin went to Baker last Tuesday on business returning home Wednesday night.

A heavy rain storm passed over the county Wednesday leaving nearly two inches of rain at Kent and smaller amounts all over. Little damage has been reported to the roads although several places report a very heavy rainfall for a few minutes.

The W.S.C.S. of the Methodist ladies held its class party Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs L. P. Haven. Mrs O.G. Hilderbrand had charge of the business meeting. Eighteen members were present, refreshments were served in the late afternoon.

The Tuesday Study club held its last meeting with a pot luck luncheon at 1:30 in the Christian church basement.

Mr and Mrs Albert Kaseberg returned from a weeks visit to Portland Friday.

Mr and Mrs Art Johnson stopped here Friday when on their way home to Salem after a vacation trip to Colorado to visit some of his relatives. Their daughter, Imogene and Mrs J.K. Pearly accompanied them on their trip.

Mrs Herman Schilling came up from The Dalles Friday to vote and to visit at the J. S. Newcomb home. She also visited her daughter, Mrs Jesse Elyer where she stayed all night.

Mr and Mrs Eben Kee left Sunday for Wheeler to spend several days visiting at the home of her brother in law and sister, Mr and Mrs Arden Squire and family.

Dr. and Mrs Winslow of Bend attended church services at the Baptist church here Sunday morning.

As a result of the magazine selling campaign in which the upper grades of the Rufus school participated for the Curtis Publishing Company they received approximately \$60. The pupils decided to use the money for a trip to Bend, and left in a school bus early Friday morning with Luther Steward driving, accompanied by their teacher Mrs D. D. Williams and Mrs Vernon Miller one of the mothers. After a stop at Crooked River bridge they proceeded to the Peterson rock gardens near Redmond, where an hour was spent admiring the handwork of Mr. Peterson, listening to a lecture on mineral rocks whose natural colors were brought out by ultra violet and black lamps. The numerous penwork were subjects for many snapshots. After some time on the lake in pedaloats the group continued on to Bend for lunch. In the afternoon they were taken on a conducted tour of a large sawmill which was in operation, and returned home that evening.

Mrs B. H. Roberson was hostess to the Past Matrons club of the Eastern Star last Thursday evening when three tables of bridge were in play.

Collis Moore, accompanied by son, David, drove to Eugene Friday to attend a meeting of the alumni council for the University of Oregon, of which Mr. Moore is a member.

Among those attending commencement program Friday night were Mr and Mrs Fitzpatrick of Parkdale, Mr and Mrs Joe Mee, Mrs Maude Morrow, Mrs Marion Lester of The Dalles, Mr and Mrs John Foss of Moro, Mr and Mrs Ed Kaseberg and Robert Mills of Portland.

Mr and Mrs Gordon Lemley are the parents of a daughter, Janice Doreen, born Saturday, May 22, at The Dalles hospital. The baby weighed 5 lbs and 4 oz.

Mr and Mrs C. P. Adams of The Dalles and Mr and Mrs Art Futler of Centralia, Wn., spent Thursday visiting at the home of Mr and Mrs Donald Clodfelter.

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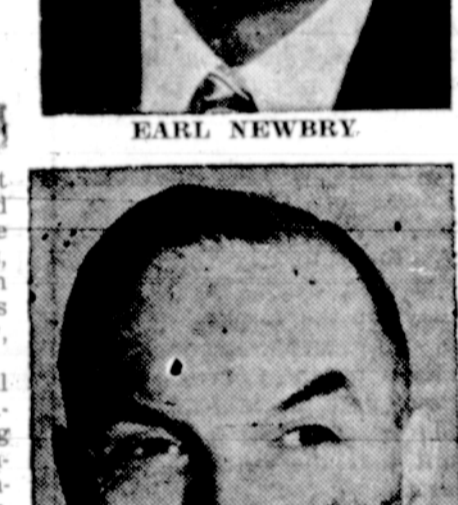
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HOWARD BELTON

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Mrs Howard Conlee, Republican county chairman, and candidate for presidential elector, received 398 votes to top the list of seven. Late returns indicate that she was elected over the state.

For delegate to the national Republican convention at large the count favored Farrell, Metchan and Toozie who were elected as was Elliot.

For district delegates William Steiwer and Clyde McKay were favored here and McKay and Travis were elected over the district.

Democrats chose Aiken, Mahoney, Greene and Friede for the state at large and Strayer and Wilkins for the district, following the state trend.

R. O. Scott was nominated as Justice of Peace at Wasco.

## BIBLE SCHOOL STARTS

Bible school classes will begin Monday, May 31 at the Moro Community church says Rev. W. W. Gearhart who also announces that classes will be held from 8 a. m. until noon five days each week.

Assisting in giving instruction will be Mrs Andy Paulson, Mrs John Lamb, Mrs Keneth Young, Mrs Wm. Hayes. These women will be helped by Mrs Glen Virtue, Mrs Bill Hall, Mrs Lamer Sayers, Mrs Vernon Melzer and Verna June Coyle.

All children are welcome to attend the school.

## PRECINCT COUNT

State Senator		
	Fatland	Hardie
Rufus	19	26
Klondike	10	29
Monkland	11	22
Kent	10	22
Grass Valley	61	43
Moro	80	25
Wasco	30	83
<b>Total</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>259</b>

State Representative			
	French	Peterson	Wilson
Rufus	16	29	35
Klondike	20	22	21
Monkland	19	21	23
Kent	16	18	42
G. Valley	80	42	50
Moro	88	53	36
Wasco	50	63	71
<b>Total</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>278</b>

County Judge		
	Peters	Tom
Rufus	5	43
Klondike	11	26
Monkland	21	10
Kent	13	32
G. Valley	65	32
Moro	47	53
Wasco	26	87
<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>283</b>

County Commissioner		
	Eakin	Wilson
Rufus	2	35
Klondike	3	22
Monkland	9	19
Kent	3	46
G. Valley	40	58
Moro	30	52
Wasco	14	72
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>304</b>

Complete but partly unofficial returns give:			
	French	Peterson	Wilson
Gilliam	323	438	324
Morrow	436	850	310
Sherman	289	248	278
Wheeler	216	223	207
<b>Total</b>	<b>1264</b>	<b>1759</b>	<b>1119</b>

## CITY BONDS WIN

The city election resulted in a vote of 115 to 6 on the water bonds and 112 to 10 on the street and drain bonds, both passing by very decisive majorities.

The city council will meet Friday night to canvass the ballots and take further steps to issue the authorized bonds. They will be sold as soon as possible and the work done.