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These Things We Note

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Pollsters are now saying that the time lag caused their errors. That's right. You can't tell who won until the day after election.

This is a week of big games. California plays Stanford; Oregon plays Oregon State and Moro plays Henley. The first two are traditional games and no one knows who will win and there may be some upsets of the kind for which the month is already famous. Certainly Stanford and Oregon State will do their level best to bump their traditional foes out of the Rose Bowl contest. Moro will likewise do its best to keep Henley from the playoffs.

There used to be an announcer in the days before loud speakers who announced all the big fights. His final remark was "And may the best man win" and he said it so loudly and fervently that it almost made the victor officially the best man whether or no. Well, may the best teams win.

Chaplain John Beard and his charming wife entertained a group of the women of the county Saturday night with his kindly philosophy and easy way of expressing it. He was not amused over the tendency in America of milking the government instead of the cows, holding to an older and more rugged theory of relations between the people and the government. But the trend is away from such individualistic thinking and the country may have to go down into the shadows before it finds the falsity of government aid, too politically followed.

Lou Peetz had his riches in his friends and they were many. Probably every family in the county has received favors from his hand. As a citizen he gave of his time and money and knowledge for the benefit of his community and county. That is good citizenship. To have friends is evidence of good living.

A writer in the Moro school paper reports on the laxity of present day conduct and compares attitudes toward public kissing with those of grandma's day. Right as rain, too. Kissing in public would have outraged the old girl. Such changes often follow wars which is one of the most effective loosener of morals. Granddaughter may be as careful of her conduct as her grandma, so certain is change.

That little presumptive heir to the British throne is also heir to as many repressions as perogatives. There may be no crown to put on his head by the time it is his turn unless the government changes and after all a crown must feel somewhat like a derby hat, only harder.

We think him not to be envied. The ruling family is the symbol of the might of England, without much power in itself. And England, since the Atlee government disposed of India and is losing respect in other territories isn't near so mighty a nation of which to be the symbol.

He'll probably get along alright—unless he gets mixed up with some American woman.

It must be very difficult for anyone to ever learn much about people without having taught a few calves to drink out of a bucket. Animals are so much alike, bovine or human.

You remember. It is best to just wait until the calf wants to drink. If he waits too long, you get another calf. But they don't don't. A day of heavy bawline and the most stiff-necked calf is ready to keep his head down. Eating with his head down is unnatural for a calf and he has to learn.

It takes patience. And patience is a virtue hard to learn.

"Gather ye rosebuds while ye may.

Old Time is still a flying.

And this same flower that smiles today

Tomorrow will be dying."

Lou Peetz Dies Wednesday After Short Illness; Funeral Saturday

Louis L. Peetz, 71, died at The Dalles Wednesday morning after an illness of one day caused from a stroke which grew increasingly worse until his death.

Mr. Peetz was born near Tacoma, Washington, January 30, 1877 and came to Sherman county with his family in the middle eighties. He did some freighting when a boy and later took over the management of his father's farm southwest of town, which he increased in size steadily until he retired from it after World War I.

He was married to Miss Ora Barnum December 31, 1901.

He was always interested in the betterment of his community. He kept his roads in good condition, built new buildings. Together with the late Art Barnum he built the present fair ground track. He moved to a new house in Moro in the early twenties and also built a summer home at Camp Sherman.

He was elected county commissioner in 1920 and served 16 years in that capacity being in office when the Sherman Highway was built and when most of the county road program was planned.

During the depression he took the job as county roadmaster and served in that capacity until an accident made him quit. He lost one leg and then the other without losing his cheerfulness. For two years he has received visitors from all over at his home.

He became ill Tuesday morning with a fainting spell and was taken to the hospital that night. He failed to rally and died Wednesday morning. Surviving are his widow, Ora, a daughter, Mrs. Karl Landstrom, of Portland, a son, Byron in Hawaii, two granddaughters, one grandson and



one brother, Ben, of Portland.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Moro Community church with Rev. W. W. Gearhart officiating. The funeral will be held at 10 a. m. with interment in the Odd Fellows cemetery in The Dalles.

Bids Rejected For Wasco Bonds

When the city of Wasco council opened the bids for the \$15,000 bond issue Monday night there was but one. The interest rate asked was 4 1/2 percent which was rejected by the council.

A new notice of bond sale will be published and bids called for at a later date. It is understood that the city of Arlington rejected a bid of 3 1/2 percent on \$15,000 of bonds. Local investors are expected to buy the bonds although it is reported that the market for municipal bonds is better now.

New Elevator Voted By Grass Valley Growers

A new 205,000 bushel grain elevator will be constructed at Grass Valley by the Grass Valley Grain Growers following a decision made by the stockholders at the annual meeting held at the Odd-Fellows hall last Thursday night. Directors are studying construction.

The meeting was held in the hall because wives were invited to come with their husbands and dinner was served by the Rebekahs. A program consisting of violin solos by Arnold Hanson, a song by Orville Ruggles with Mrs. Ruggles as accompanist for both. She also played a piano solo.

Archie M. Camp, public relations officer and vice-president of the North Pacific Grain Growers spoke of the future of grain growers cooperatives and wheat marketing.

Roy J. Baker presided at the meeting which in addition to voting for the construction of an elevator approved change in the number required for a quorum. Elected were William Holmes, Norris Gilkison and Lester Wilson for three year terms and Roy J. Baker and John J. Decker for two year terms. At a board meeting held after the general meeting Roy J. Baker was elected president; John J. Decker, vice president; Norris Gilkison secretary; A. A. Dunlap, treasurer and manager and Herman Peters, warehouseman.

Rev. W. W. Gearhart of Moro talked on the need for support of the Christian Rural Overseas Program (CROP) and the grain growers voted to provide a car of wheat for it in conjunction with other similar agencies in the county.

Chaplain Beard Tells Of Horseback Trip Over Oregon Trail

Chaplain Beard, former pastor of Mt. Tabor Presbyterian church, now retired told assembled wives and husbands of the Moro Women's club Saturday night about his trip over the route of the Oregon trail from The Dalles to Independence, Missouri.

The Beards, for Mrs. Beard accompanied her husband, rode from Portland to the eastern terminus of the route last summer using three black horses. People met enroute greeted them royally, he said, and they enjoyed the personal relations greatly.

The trip was made, said the chaplain of the old 91st division, in a search of three things. They wanted to find the spirit of America and see if it was weakened or if it still followed and revered the fine independence of the pioneers; they wanted to find romance and spent their 40th wedding anniversary near Fort Bridger, Wyoming, and also found it in talking to shepherders, chance acquaintances and others encountered; they looked for beauty and it was all about them in frosty hillside, majestic mountains, productive farms.

With his sons he had followed the Lewis & Clark route and the trail of the fur traders and with Mrs. Beard had ridden the Barlow route. It had been his dream to cover them all and he had at last succeeded, an example that others too, could, make their dreams come true to applying the proper effort.

Mrs. Collis Moore was chairman of the meeting; Mrs. Darwin VanGilder welcomed the guests and Merrill Oveson responded for the husbands. Mr. Rose favored with two songs.

PP&L PAYS TAX

Real and personal taxes for 1948 amounting to \$8,288.91, were turned over this week to Sherman county by Pacific Power & Light company, according to L. Kirby, local manager here for the company. The payment represents an increase of 24 per cent over the county's levy on the power company last year.

Kirby said that real and personal property taxes alone paid to 15 Oregon counties by Pacific this year total \$807,676, a boost of 13 per cent over 1947. This is an all-time high for this part of the company's annual tax bill.

MRS ANNABELL PACKARD

Mrs. Annabell Packard, mother of Willy Knight, died Monday morning at Longview, Wash., and was buried Wednesday in the family plot at Wamie. She was born in 1864 and came with her parents, the Magills, to San Francisco in 1874. From there they came to Portland by boat and over the Barlow trail to settle near Wamie.

She married W. G. Knighten and of their family seven survive: Bert of Harper, Henry and John of Baker, Willy of Moro; Janie Venable of Boise, Idaho; Grace Rutherford of Hereford and Lella Surrier of Lyndin, Washington.

She lived in Grass Valley from 1900 to 1912 and will be remembered by old timers of that town.

SEAL SALE STARTS

Official opening of the annual Christmas seal sale will be next Monday, November 22, according to Mrs. A. F. McIntyre, county chairman, who says that letters will be sent out to every family by that time.

Local chairmen are Mrs. Stuart Macnab for Rufus; Mrs. Ted Everett for Wasco; Mrs. Paul May for Moro; Mrs. Wallace May for Grass Valley and Mrs. James Matthes for Kent.

MANESS SENTENCED

Judge D. N. Mackay sentenced Lawrence Homer Maness, who was charged with larceny of the John Buehner automobile, to five years in the penitentiary and suspended the sentence on the condition that Maness repay the damages caused, amounting to \$1700, and indemnify the county for costs and report to Sheriff Fields twice a month. Usual conditions of parole are also imposed: abstaining from drinking, bad companions, that he shall work steadily and be law abiding.

Moro Plays Henley Here In 'B' Quarterfinals

Moro won its way into the quarter finals of the state "B" schools here Friday when its football team triumphed over a fast and surprised Madras team by an 18 to 6 score.

Moro scored early in the game when Knighten went off tackle for 21 yards without feeling the restraining hand of a Madras man and repeated the task again in the first quarter as

Lane and Knighten bucked the line for first downs and Thompson passed to Nelson on the 20 yard line. From there Knighten made 6, Lane made 5, Knighten 6 again and Thompson pushed it over in two quick line plays. The half ended 12 to 0 as neither conversion was made.

In the second quarter the Madras boys began to realize they had caught a tartar and held although having to kick repeatedly after making one or two first downs. It ended with Madras trying unsuccessfully to score by the pass route in the final minutes. Lane intercepted a pass as the half ended.

Moro's third touchdown came early in the third quarter on a pass to Harvey and a run by Lane after Madras had again tried passes which were knocked down.

Madras scored in the third when Loren Greenwood went over from the six yard line after his team had been penalized five yards when on the one, a long pass and a run by Loren Corwin, quarterback, set up the play that scored for Madras.

The final quarter was a see saw affair with Moro holding and Madras trying to score by any method. Passes were not effective and the single wing razzle-dazzle didn't fool the Moro linemen at that stage of the game. Not a single goal kick was made by either team.

Henley Team Has Good Record With Big Scores

Henley high school, winner of District 5 championship, will play here Friday against the Moro team, winner of the District 6 championship by virtue of its victory over Madras.

Little is known of the 1948 Henley team. In 1946 it won the state "B" championship at the end of a series of easy victories. In 1947 it played in the championship game but lost to Amity, a team not so highly rated.

Henley is a country school southeast of Klamath Falls with an average daily attendance of 91.8, about twice the size of Moro school. It is in the potato and stock raising district.

The team is reported to be large and slow although appraisals of visiting teams is not often something on which to rely with complete faith.

The Henley team has beaten Lakeview 25-6; Merrill 31-0; Chilquin 32-7; Malin 21-7; Klamath Falls JV 18-14; Sacred Heart 46-0; Bonanza 7-0 and Eagle Point 45-0 for an unbeaten season, Max Marvin is the coach.

On the bear side Norval Lane's injuries may keep him out of the play, at least at top speed. Ronnie May has an injured arm and Scott Fritts a sore nose.

The game will start at 2 p. m. on the Moro field and local school officials are hoping that spectators will vindicate their judgment in having the game brought here. The cost will be at least \$700 as the rate of travel pay is set by the state athletic board.

MOISTURE ABOUT AVERAGE

The rains came earlier this year and the wheat went into the ground in a more reasonable time but the rains have not been so plentiful as last year when the fall was ushered in with a cloud burst.

Normal rainfall for the first three months of the crop year is 3.25 and to date 2.90 has fallen at the station. It came 1.36 in September, .56 in October and so far 1.08 in November.

MORE CARS HERE

The motor vehicle division has compiled figures showing the number of motor vehicles now registered in each county and makes a comparison with last year.

In that time Sherman county has increased its number by 123 or 9.3 percent which gives a total of 1441 or almost two to the family. The state has bought 84,298 motor vehicles in the year for a 12 percent increase.

About the County about folks you do know or would enjoy knowing

Mrs. Vernon Miller took her son, Don, to Portland Friday where he had minor surgery at St. Vincent's hospital. They returned home Sunday evening. But Don is to remain out of school until Wednesday or longer until the danger of catching cold is past.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Miller and daughter of Arlington were guests last weekend at the home of Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wilson.

Visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kuypers last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Left of The Dalles. Willard is a nephew of Mrs. Kuypers.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Engberg will move up to Allen Tom's ranch. Engberg is employed as carpenter working on the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tom that is under construction.

Fleck Orchard looks like quite a city now that the construction company has moved in to work on the state highway. There hasn't been so much activity around since the army engineers moved into Rufus in December of 1944.

George Fox left by bus from Rufus Sunday evening for a few days business trip in Portland. He returned home the same way Monday evening.

Mrs. James Fox has returned home from visiting relatives in Portland and Troutdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Millard of Portland spent the week end with Ed's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Millard. It was reported that Ed and family had moved to The Dalles, but that was just for a short duration. Ed was just driving a milk truck for a week for one of the drivers who was ill.

Leland Medler and George Fox have each completed a stock crossing last week. McConaughy was out Thursday welding the rails together for the deck. The deck is set on cement walls.

The Rufus grade school boys will go to Moro Monday night for a game of basketball.

Mrs. Pearl Jones celebrated a birthday anniversary Monday. She received many gifts and cards.

Rufus school is selling magazines in the upper grade room. There is a contest on, and the losing side watches the winning side get their fill of ice cream. Alta Smith and Clifford Trumbo are seen driving a new DeSota. Quite a few of the farmers have purchased new trucks and several tractors have been bought.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Olds went to Portland last Tuesday on business returning home Friday with

a new Ford.

Quite a number of Grass Valley people went to Moro Thursday to the football game between Madras and Moro.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Baumgartner had as Sunday night supper guests Mr. and Mrs. Gene Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel and daughter Joy, and the Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Taylor of The Dalles.

Vernon Miller and Eugene Eaton took the Boy Scouts on a hike and a weiner roast Saturday afternoon and evening. The afternoon was spent hiking near the mouth of the John Day river, and a huge bon fire was built at dark on which the boys roasted their weiners. This was the Scouts first field trip this fall. The scouts have been having weekly meetings at the school house with their leader Michael Danahey in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McIntyre are leaving Friday for Portland to be gone over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Coats are in Portland for a part of this week on a shopping trip. They spent last week end at Moro with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Says.

Mrs. B. Estelle Halley is visiting in the east this month and part of next and expects to get to New York City before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sargent are expected home soon from a trip east.

Willamette Youth To Visit Wasco

A group of Willamette University students will be entertained in Wasco over this coming weekend. On Saturday evening they will conduct a social time for the young people of the community. The time is 7:30 p. m. and the place is the Wasco Methodist church. On Sunday morning they will take over the worship service at the Methodist church. Dr. Withey, a professor at the university will speak. Saturday night they will be entertained in several homes in the community.

The occasion for their presence is the observance of Willamette University Day in the Wasco Methodist church. Everyone is cordially invited to attend the service at 11 a. m.



WOMAN MAYOR . . . Mrs. Dorothy McCullough Lee, who soon will become the first woman mayor of the city of Portland, Ore., finds much interest in studying the intricate working of New York City. Here Chief Inspector Martin Brown, with the aid of a policeman, shows her on a miniature street model the route taken by presidents, kings and heroes when they visit the biggest city on the continent.