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These Things We Note

by Giles L. French

We have new nomenclature these new and scientific days and the expressions grandpa used are obsolete. The ideas expressed are much the same.

You remember grandpa used to say, "He's got a heart as big as a bucket" when he meant about the same as grandson does when he says that some one is governed by his emotions. There were divisions between folks as to whether the heart or the head made the decisions in grandpa's day.

Bankers were traditionally ruled by their heads (reason) which was the background of the story about the one-eyed banker. It was said that if a prospective borrower detected a glint of compassion in the banker's gaze it came from the glass eye. The Natural one was as hard and cold as a blue diamond. That was the sort of a banker whose blood was used in the first refrigerators.

Heart guided folks went blithely from this to that letting their feelings rule them and the most abandoned of them nowadays would be called "emotionally unstable". It does sound more scientific and this is supposed to be the age of science.

As far as human relationships are concerned we are probably already gone past the age of science. Philosophers used to teach the young to learn to guide themselves by the cold light of reason. Now they are told to give more consideration to their emotions.

Prof. White used to say that he didn't believe those who said that Christianity was a mild religion followed only by the meek. That sort of teaching probably isn't correct.

Some of the sternest souls in history were Christian fathers of the first century who had naught of meekness about them. The early day members who took up arms for their beliefs, the martyrs who left home and country for new lands were not meek by any stretch of the imagination.

No, the ability to perfect a moral code and stay with it is strictly within Christian teaching. Forgiveness is Christian, too, after the erring one repents and repents. As long as he or she stays outside the pale Christians can with historical justification remain stern and unforgiving.

Remark by an elder statesman: Say nothing and your enemies can't answer you.

Jonas Keene in Spoon River Anthology gives in retrospect this reason for his demise:

"Why did Albert Schirlding kill himself?

Trying to be County Superintendent of Schools.

Blest as he was with the means of life

And wonderful children, bringing him honor

Ere he was sixty?

If even one of my boys could have run a news-stand,

Or one of my girls could have married a decent man,

I should not have walked in the rain

And jumped in bed with clothes all wet,

Refusing medical aid."

The downy-faced youth was asking, almost begging, the clerk in a tobacco store for a package of cigarettes. "I'm broke," he said, "I gotta have some smokes. I'll pay ya. Let me have a pack."

"Get along with you," said the clerk. "If you want some one to give you cigarettes go to Europe. We're giving them away over there."

You can't climb the ladder of success with cold feet.

The name of the new prospective heir to the wobbly throne of England is Charles Philip Arthur George and we presume the last name is Windsor. It does seem that either Woodrow or Franklin should have been commemorated since they have contributed so much in money and lives to the welfare of England.

About the County

Surprise house-warming party was held Saturday night at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Spencer. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer and Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wendell, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olson, Mrs. Iris Hettman and honored guests Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Spencer and daughters, Mary and Margaret.

The Turkey Shoot sponsored by the local American Legion post and the Wasco Trap club was enjoyed Sunday, the weather changing from wet to dry especially for the occasion—or so it seemed. A number were up from The Dalles and a crowd shot until dark before ending the event.

Mrs. Harold White is in Felton, California, to be with her father, Jack Cochran, is recovering from a recent operation.

Mrs. Marjorie VanGilder is receiving visitors now after returning home from a long stay in a Portland hospital because of a car collision in October. She is alright again, jaw repaired and everything, but will require some time to regain her vigor.

The Home Economics club had their annual Christmas party when they met Thursday afternoon for a one o'clock luncheon at the home of Mrs. Joe Morris with Mrs. Walter Morris as co-hostess. Seventeen members and two guests were present to enjoy the occasion in spite of snow and muddy roads. The two guests were Mrs. Hazel Engberg and Mrs. Clara White.

A game was played by the ladies after a gift exchange of the members before the business meeting was opened. A review was given on work done by the club during the year, and a discussion followed on projects for next year's work.

Mrs. Joe Morris resigned as chairman of the H. E. C. and Mrs. Richie Dingle was then elected to fill the vacant office.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. George Fox were hosts and hostesses for the grange card party Friday night. Six tables of cards were in play with the following results: In Pinochle high score winners were S. A. Wilson and Mrs. Benton Barnett with Bernard Warner and Mrs. Clara White coming out low.

Those winning high in 500 were Hayland McDonald and Mrs. Ross and in the low bracket were

George Fox and Mrs. Sarah Glanoni.

The supper served at individual card tables carried out the Christmas idea. It consisted of red fruit jello with whipped cream, doughnuts and coffee.

The committee decided to make the next party a "Watch Party" on Dec. 31, and invite the families and any guests they might have. Cards and games will be played and there will be a pot luck lunch.

According to word received in Rufus, Mr. and Mrs. George Jensen are parents of their first son born Sunday, December 12 in the Dalles. The Jensens have a daughter, Sharon, and they used to live here, but now live in The Dalles where George is welder for the State highway department. Grandparents of the child are Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Millard of Rufus who are wheat farmers here and Mrs. Leah Jensen who is employed at Stiles on the Deschutes.

There has been a change of date set for the initiation of grange officers in Sherman county. It was first decided it would be Dec. 14, but will be at Rufus grange hall at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mobley of Eugene have visited friends and relatives here recently. They were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dingle. Mrs. Dingle is the

mother of Mrs. Mobley. They visited Mr. Mobley's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Mid Howell and son, Dave, who live at Kent. Also guests of the Dingles were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Engberg of The Dalles.

The Rufus school children are practicing on plays for the Christmas program which is to be held at the school house Wednesday evening. On Thursday, the rooms will have their party and gift exchange. There will be no school Friday.

There was a school meeting of the Rufus school board Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Claude Coats will be hostess at her home to the Community Sewing club Wednesday afternoon.

Vernon Miller attended a meeting in Arlington Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Hugh Mathieson suffered a broken bone in her foot several weeks ago. When she was in San Francisco, she was running to catch a street car and slipped as she started to get on. The foot is now in a cast and Mrs. Mathieson uses a cane to walk with. The Mathiesons sold their car which was left in San Francisco, and have bought another one to use on their ranch.

This weekend will see most of the college students of this district home for the Christmas vacation.

Early Day Sailor Buried at Wasco.

Carl W. Ruping, father of Mrs. James Maddox of Wasco, was buried at Wasco Tuesday, December 14, at 1:30 p. m. from the Wasco Church of Christ.

Mr. Ruping was born in Elton, Germany, near the River Rhine, in 1866. At the age of 18 he came to America settling in the state of Wisconsin. After several years spent sailing the seven seas he married Matilda Helmig and they came west and settled at Stanfield where they engaged in farming.

Following several years of failing health he passed away December 12. Surviving are his widow, Matilda, and one daughter, Mrs. Maddox.

BY BREAD ALONE . . . Peter M. Schwartz, for whom the sun rises and sets in the yeast, displays assortment of enriched bread and rolls for William Wainsley, principal at American Institute of Baking school, Baker Schwartz just finished 22-week training course.

County authorizes purchase of small adding machine for use of office of Justice of Peace.

County Treasurer directed to repay loan made from Special Road Tax Fund to General County Fund.

No further matters at issue, adjournment ensued.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR NOVEMBER, 1948 AND APPROVED DECEMBER 2, 1948

TERMS OF THE COUNTY COURT GENERAL FUND

C. Messinger, Janitor's salary, \$120.00; R. O. Scott, Justice of Peace salary, \$81.27; James W. Jones, expense of Government trapper, \$50.00; Vernon I. Miller, County Commissioner \$24.00; Joe Peters, County Commissioner, \$57.70; First National Bank, with-holding tax, \$74.70; Public Retirement System, retirement fund, \$130.16; State Tax Commission, state tax \$13.73; National Hospital association, hospital dues, \$10.50; Pacific Power & Light Co., lights courthouse \$25.01; Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephones courthouse, \$36.50; Frank Mullen, labor courthouse, \$12.00; West Coast Printing & Binding Co., election supplies, \$3.35; Clerk's office expense, \$24.35; \$27.70; Charles R. Logan, audit of county books, \$95.00; Department of Agriculture, sealer, weights and measures \$2.56; Dr. W. R. Wells, sealer, autopsy and certificates; re: death of Bertha Mae Uhrich; Norman E. Fields, expenses to Sheriff's convention, \$40.00; stamps for office \$2.00; investigation re: death of Bertha Mae Uhrich, \$48.00; Burroughs Adding Machine Co.; Sheriff's office expense, \$0.90; Geo. A. Potter, rent of hall for election, \$5.00; W. T. Balsiger, insurance on equip., furniture and fixtures, \$260.76; Shepard's Citation, law books, \$12.00; West Publishing Co., law books, \$12.00; J. C. Freeman, P. M., stamps Clerk's office, \$10.00; State Insurance, Accident Commission, peace officer's protection, \$7.80; Marie Hoskinson, expenses to Assessor's school, \$30.00; T. Lester Johnson, expenses to District Attorney's convention,

\$40.00; District Attorney's office expense, \$7.50; Giles L. French, Service Organizations, \$500.00; Sherman County Journal, county printing, \$13.10; Naomi VanGilder, General Assistance, \$450.00; Old Age Assistance, \$450.00; Aid to Dependent Children, \$162.00; Aid to the Blind, \$25.00; \$1,087.00; J. M. Wilson one-half County Judge's expenses, \$125.00; JUDGE'S & CLERK'S FOR NOVEMBER 2, 1948 — GENERAL ELECTION

RUFUS PRECINCT No. 1 S. A. Wilson \$14.09, H. H. Brackett \$7.09, Jean M. Brown \$7.09, Adeline McDonald \$7.09, W. A. Morris \$7.09.

KLONDIKE No. 3 Geo. W. Drinkard, Sr. \$12.63, C. G. Johnson \$6.13, Lena Brock \$6.13, V. W. Dutton \$6.13, Elva Dehler \$6.13.

WONKLAND No. 4 Blaine C. Miller \$6.19, Max K. Belshe, \$16.99, Clarence Higley \$6.19, R. J. Bruckert \$6.19, Harvey Thompson \$6.19.

KENT No. 8 Joe Bibby \$6.43, J. C. Wilson \$13.53, Arthur Justesen \$6.43, Wynona Wilson \$6.43, G. C. Young \$6.43.

GRASS VALLEY No. 9 Roy G. Schilling \$9.85, T. M. Garrett \$20.85, Willard H. Barnett, \$9.85, J. E. Alley \$9.85, Bertha Brinkert \$9.85.

MORO No. 10 Theodore Johnson \$11.11, Truman Strong \$11.11, H. O. Kunsman \$11.11, Clara Houston \$11.11, Lamer H. Sayrs \$11.11.

WASCO No. 11 Idah M. Everett \$11.56, Myrtle M. Funk \$11.56, W. R. Reid \$11.56, Wilma Wilde Maddox \$11.56, Alice G. Barnett \$11.56.

Charles Everett, rent of hall for election, \$5.00; Keneth G. Canvass of vote, \$5.00; Keneth G. Young, canvass of vote \$5.00; Marie Hoskinson, canvass of vote, \$5.00.

ROAD FUND ROAD EMPLOYEES PAY ROLL J. T. Brown, \$261.00; E. McPherson, \$226.00; Frank Bazzel, \$150.31; Frank Bayer, \$236.36; Charles, \$165.41; George H. DeMoss, \$165.41; George H. DeMoss, \$165.41; Charles F. Decker, \$208.

about folks you do know or would enjoy knowing

Storm Dampens Wheat Land Helping Prospect

Storms that flooded some of the low lands along the Willamette brought heavy rains to Sherman county over the week end with the result that the moisture for the crop year is again very high.

Friday there was .27 inch of rain fell and Saturday there was .47 to make it a very wet week. Monday night about four inches of snow fell to protect the earth until it can absorb the heavy rains. The snow has lain on the ground as the weather turned cooler. Roads are icy but not very dangerous. No accidents have been reported. The snow did not reach far below Wasco and at the south line of the county an 11 inch fall was reported.

Farmers are finding the roads very soft and most of them are using chains to get to town. There is no frost in the ground.

Moro Hi Carnival Held a Success

Thanks to the splendid cooperation of the business houses in Sherman county and The Dalles, the Carnival at Grass Valley sponsored by the Moro High School last Saturday was a huge success. Gross receipts totaled about \$650.00 which will realize a probable net income of \$400.00.

The door prize, a \$25.00 electric Cory coffee maker from the Ranch & Home Store of Moro was taken by Mrs. Leader of Kent. The radio donated by J. K. McKean of Moro went to Sharon Martin and the electric blanket from B. C. Baumgartner of Grass Valley went to Fritz Rohwedder. Pillow cases embroidered by Mrs. Dunlap were won by Mrs. Edna Meizer. "Beefo" O'Meara drew the lucky ticket for a breadspread.

Several other prizes of considerable value were donated by Ken Zachary, the Moro Lumber & Fuel Co., Paul May, Arstille Monroe, Doumas, and other business houses in the Sherman county, as well as many merchants from The Dalles. Proceeds will be largely used to wipe out debts incurred for athletics in the past two years.

Boy Scouts Start Cub Den With Ten Members

Activity in Boy Scouting has been active this week with the visit to the county of B. C. Winston, Hood River, field executive. Monday evening a meeting of parents and boys was held to inaugurate a cub scout pack which is to consist of two dens. Edwin Balsiger will be denchief of one with Mrs. LeRoy Wright as den mother and Louis Miller, Nicky Wright, Gary Miller, Roy Cypers and John Gilman as members.

The other den will have Bob Martin as denchief and Mrs. Mike Mulick as den mother and Harold Saxton, James Lamb, Dale Archer, Larry Thompson and Jim Belshe as members.

Rev. W. W. Geurhart will be cub master and work with Bill Hall who is scout master for the older boys. Cubs must be between the age of 9 and 12.

A new Boy Scout troop is being organized at Kent with Rev. Earl Hastings as scout master. It is being sponsored by the George Bell post, American Legion of which Luther Davis is commander. He will be representative to the district and Portland area council.

The troop committee will be J. E. Norton, E. M. Esslinger, Henry Peters, Ted von Borstel and Wallace May.

Rufus Home Ec. Scores 100%

With perfect cooperation, the Home Economics club of Rufus grange turned out 100 per cent to work and also with their food donations for the roast pork dinner the club served for the Sherman county club and its guests Wednesday night. In spite of the stormy night, the Home Economics were prepared to serve twice the number of people who braved the storm to venture out. The snow first began about 5 p. m. that night and several inches were on the ground by 7 p. m. Moro telephoned they were unable to make it, and a number of local people who planned on attending were unable to do so.

Allen Tom, chairman, of the Sherman county club called the meeting to order. Tom first introduced Paul Kaseberg, newly elected president of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League which name was changed at the last meeting to Oregon Wheat Growers League. Kaseberg spoke on ambitions the League hope to carry out, and a ten point program.

Edward G. Harlan, manager of the Walther-Williams Co., in The Dalles, and newly elected head of the Dalles Chamber of Commerce spoke next. Harlan talked on the relation between industry and agriculture. Quote from Harlan speech, "Let a city be destroyed and the farmers would build another city, but let the farmers and the farming land be destroyed and the city would crumble." Harlan also told of some of his experiences working in the Chamber of Commerce in Eugene and at Boise.

Snow and Rain Point Way to Bumper Crop

With the radio reporting snow to the east and north of Sherman county, and flood waters in the west, the county doesn't have too much to kick about with the snow and rain which fell during the week. Chains and nobby gripp tires were needed to get around on the roads. The routine was several inches of snow fell one day, while the next day a wind came along melting most of the snow, but the following day fresh snow would fall again. This went on all of last week. But the extra moisture means money in the pockets of the farmers, as the soil is catching and storing up most of it. Perhaps Sherman county can dream of another bumper crop as they had last year. But Sunday and Monday, old Sol smiled on the countryside giving the moisture a chance to get out of sight.

It is noted that not very many geese remain in this area since the snow storm. There is a marked difference of geese now, what was here in the old times, "Good Old Days". It appears they are getting less in number every year.

Sportsmen Want Own Policing; Higher Fees

About 50 members of the Sherman County Rod and Gun club were hosts last Saturday night at Grass Valley Odd-Fellows hall to the visiting members of the Deschutes River council, game organization that included ten clubs in the area between The Dalles and Bend.

The group had before it the Gabrielson report which is expected to coincide generally with the coming report of the state interim committee on game management.

Recommendations by the club, upon passage by the resolution committee consisting of Wynn Manning of Bend, Harold Ginn of Moro and Henry Busch of Dufur game department and away from were for a transfer of the law enforcement of game laws to the state police. The cost is now some \$550,000 said the committee which is considered high for the value received; establishment of a longer range game program to assure trained men in game management with adequate salaries; more authority over game limits by the game commission; take the game commission out of politics by making the membership bi-partisan, removing the geographical division now in effect; repeal laws diverting game funds to other uses particularly the titling law which takes ten percent of the funds of all state agencies for the general fund to pay for bookkeeping and auditing costs increase. In personnel of the game department.

Curtail production of legal sized fish for lake fishing; increase fund by increasing fees and making appropriations from the general fund; building a road along the Deschutes from the mouth to Madras. Duncan McKay and John Wettle of Bend and Ole Larson and Chet Miller were recommended as candidates for the game commission. Ole Larson was re-elected president, John Wettle, vice-president and A. O. Frate of The Dalles, secretary. B. H. Roberson, president of the Sherman county club presided.

Visitors included Al Prichard, editor of the Northwest Hunter and Angler, of Portland, Senator-elect Ben Musa and Representative-Elect John Sell, both of The Dalles.

Inclement weather and a heavy rain that kept sportsmen who live on dirt roads at home reduced the attendance. Dinner was served by the Rebekah lodge of Grass Valley.

Moro Hoop Schedule Has 15-Games Slated

The schedule for the Moro High school basketball games has already started with a win over The Dalles Paposes and a loss to White Salmon, neither of which is in the conference play.

The remainder of the schedule is as follows:

Dec. 20, Maupin, here.
Jan. 7, Heppner, here.
Jan. 8, Maupin, there.
Jan. 11, Arlington, there.
Jan. 14, Fossil, here.
Jan. 18, Madras, there.
Jan. 21, open date.
Jan. 25, White Salmon, there.
Jan. 28, Wasco, there.
Jan. 29, Condon, here.
Feb. 4, Heppner, there.
Feb. 8, Arlington, here.
Feb. 11, Condon, there.
Feb. 15, The Paposes, here.
Feb. 18, Madras, here.

All the local games will be played on the Grass Valley floor instead of at Moro.

Shaniko

By Mrs. Maude Garrett
The Rev. Dixon and Mrs. Dixon of Prineville were here Sunday to hold services. Rev. E. E. Taylor of The Dalles was also here. Rev. Dixon will come the second Sunday in each month in the future and will hold services. Mr. and Mrs. John Silvertooth and Mrs. Alma Hastings of Antelope attended.

Frank (Doc) Harris was home with his mother, Mrs. Rosa Harris over Sunday.

Charles Lewis and family of Maupin is now superintendent of the Shaniko crew taking the place of the late James Robertson. Melvin Baker is back on the job again after two weeks of sick leave.

Ed Dupree is a new member of the highway crew making six new working. All are putting in long hours to keep this section of the road open as the snow is deep for this time of the year.

Ed Annison went to Redmond Monday morning and found the return trip very difficult.