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These Things We Note

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From Texas we hear the opinion that a country that isn't hot enough to grow cotton is too cold for a white man. Recipe for pleasure is 112 degrees, plenty of shade and plenty of juleps.

Which is reminding of the fact that summer right here in Sherman county is showing signs of decay. There's dew on the leaves and the air has a chill about it that could not be found some weeks ago.

Fall seems to come earlier now than in the past when one could sleep out in threshing without being wet by dew until later than this. Maybe, the weather is more constant than memory.

We're sorry that our suggestion regarding the Brannan plan wasn't taken by some one. It was that all food be given free at the cost of government which then could pay the farmers out of tax money as at present. Politically it is a wonderful idea. Think of the problems it would solve: free food without cost to the taxpayers. It may be a little advanced in conception but at the rate we are going toward things of that kind it won't be many years before it will be considered; seriously, we mean.

An Ohio boy won a \$5000 college scholarship by taking the soap box derby. Perhaps the making of another confirmed contest competitor.

Everyone comments on the great change in harvest. There's no excitement about it, like any other job; no men, no extra purchases. Harvest used to be the period when a man reaped the reward for his year's work and perhaps it still is, but there is less interest in that than in other days when the sheriff and the wolf were both at the door.

Everyone used to move faster during harvest, everything had to move. Now the tempo is slower.

A coyote stood calm and unconcerned in the borrow pit along the highway and watched the cars rolling by with the same interest a human might manifest. Perhaps that isn't odd for a coyote was never much afraid of man anyhow.

A young woman who believes in neatness has noted that some people dump their garbage along the state and county roads and that it isn't a nice habit, nor one indicative of good citizenship. And we note that there can't be any argument about it. They should have been spanked more and coddled less when young.

"If" says the old copy writer, "one must speak nothing but good of the dead that guy will have the shortest obituary ever written."

In just three weeks from next Monday the school bells will ring and children of all ages decked out in new dresses and new overalls will come over the roads in busses to start another term of school. We recall that the first day of school was one which every boy had his face clean. Chances are it was a day on which he wore shoes, too, although sometimes it was possible to shed them afterward. Nowadays everyone wears shoes, gravel, we suppose and hot pavements. But the sand was hot in those days and the rocks hard. What compensations, we wonder does the modern boy have to make up for those grand shoeless days of summer, the cool dust of the road running through the toes at dusk, the joy of a friendly mud-puddle?

But shoes and stiff new clothes were mandatory on the first day of school in the fall. The neighbors might have thought business was poor or the crops bad so the little-worn Sunday shirt and the "good" short pants were laid out for the boy of the family. Well, they didn't last long. The job of being a little man always was harder than being a big one.

About the County

Mr and Mrs Don Smith and son, Larry, motored to The Dalles Sunday to spend the day visiting at the home of his parents Mr and Mrs Gus Smith.

Mr and Mrs Jesse Landers and children of Portland visited several days at the home of Mr and Mrs Bert Cox. Mrs. Landers is a cousin of Mrs Cox.

Mr and Mrs Fred Peters, John Peters and Mrs Grover Young went to High Rock Tuesday to spend the day picking huckleberries.

Mr and Mrs Harry Stark and daughter, Lorraine and Irvin Parkhurst were business visitors in The Dalles one day last week.

Mr and Mrs Orville Ruggles and son, Dean, and Mr and Mrs Lester Barnum and sons, Tom and Dick, motored to Warm Springs Sunday where they spent the day picnicking.

Mr and Mrs O. N. Ruggles went to Portland Saturday to attend the Sherman county picnic held there Sunday at Peninsula park.

Miss Anna Schwartz came home Friday evening from Portland where she spent several months with her sister, Mrs O. H. Bucholtz. Miss Schwartz is feeling much better.

Mr and Mrs Millard Ekin had as their guests Sunday Mr and Mrs Warren Reynolds and son, and Mr and Mrs Larry Timmerman and son from Powell Butte.

Mr and Mrs J. J. Bruckert went to Wasco Friday to spend the day visiting his brother, C. R. Bruckert, at the home of Mr and Mrs Gus Hartmann.

Mrs Tommie Barnett returned home Sunday from Spokane, Washington where she spent about a week visiting her daughter, Mrs Bill Johnson and family.

Mr and Mrs Ted Trimble and Mr and Mrs Roy Schilling and son, Gary, motored to Warm Springs Thursday returning Friday.

Mr and Mrs Earl Olds John and Barbara Alley, Luetta Esslinger from Ellensburg and Mr and Mrs Jesse Helyer left Monday on a vacation trip to Gold Beach on the Oregon coast.

Miss Natalie Wassenmiller came up from Portland Saturday to spend a week here with her mother, Mrs Jacob Wassenmiller.

Mr and Mrs Lawrence Todd and Mr and Mrs W. C. Todd were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs John Engstrom.

Mr and Mrs Del Eakin of The Dalles spent Saturday visiting at the home of their son in law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Myrtle Smith.

Mr and Mrs Frank Bayer and children, Julia and Byron, went to Tygh Valley Wednesday to the Willis Brittain home. The Brittains and the Bayers all went to High Rock after huckleberries returning home that evening.

Mrs John Rust and daughters, Geraldine and Phyllis, Mrs Bert Cox, Mrs John Engstrom and Mr and Mrs Bill Brinkert were business visitors in The Dalles Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Frank Bayer were hosts at a dinner Sunday in honor of his mother, Mrs Frank Bayer's birthday anniversary. Present were Frank Bayer, Mr and Mrs Claude Bayer and son, Mr and Mrs Charles Perrigo and daughters and Keith and David Bayer.

Mr and Mrs A. F. Balzer had as their guests Sunday her father, C. R. Bruckert of The Dalles, her uncle and aunt, Mr and Mrs J. J. Bruckert from South Gate, California, Mr and Mrs O. C. Bruckert from Arlington, Mr and Mrs R. J. Bruckert from Moro, Mr and Mrs W. E. Bruckert from Klondike and Mrs Gus Hartmann of Wasco and Mr and Mrs Clair Balzer.

Mr and Mrs J. W. Blagg, Mr and Mrs Ivan Blagg and family and Mr and Mrs Alton Coyle and sons, Jimmy and Douglas, motored to Suttle Lake Sunday where they met Mr and Mrs James Phillips and daughter. Mr and Mrs Harve Cutts and daughter from Albany, Mr and Mrs W. H. Skeels and Mr and Mrs Jerry Coyle, Verna June Coyle and Clark Tucker from Lebanon and Mr and Mrs Henry Blackwell and family from Bend. All enjoyed the day visiting and picnicking. Jimmy and Douglas Coyle went home with their grandparents to visit with relatives and friends.

about folks you do know or would enjoy knowing

The wheat harvest has about ended for another year. Most everywhere you look there is just stubble and the black summer fallow; which incidentally reminds one of a checker board.

There are just a couple of outfits still threshing wheat in this vicinity. Bruce Millard who was taken to the hospital last Monday with an ailment, got out of part of the harvesting. He did the greasing job for the Brackett outfit. Millard is improving at the hospital and expects to be home this week.

The canning peaches are just beginning to ripen, so there's planning to do in order to get the canning done along with a vacation before school starts.

The John Day river is running a very small amount of water at this time; quite a contrast to the amount it ran last year during the summer months.

Mr and Mrs Bill Macnab and daughters, Arlene and Kay and Frank Medler left for the coast Saturday. They planned to stop in Salem that night to visit with their relatives, Mr and Mrs Leo Dumler.

Richie Dingle was taken to the hospital Thursday evening for observation of an ailment. He had just finished his harvesting work and was ready for a vacation when he had to go to the hospital.

Michael Danahey who taught in Rufus school last year, and was the boys coach in athletics, will not come back again to teach as previously planned. A young married man with a small child has been hired to take Danahey's place.

Alta Smith and Clifford Trumbull visited at the Fox home Monday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs James Fox left Monday for a few days stay in Troutdale.

Mr and Mrs D. D. Williams, and sons, Dale, Paul and Mark, of Colton spent the weekend in Rufus visiting friends. They took back some canning peaches from an orchard here as they say the local peaches have it all over the valley ones for flauvering. Sunday they were dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Vernon Miller and family of Moro. The Williams' were accompanied home by George Fox Jr. who will be a houseguest of theirs for a week.

Mr and Mrs Don Macnab and daughters plan to leave this week for a vacation at the beach.

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Mr and Mrs Delbert Rees and family of Fairview and Jack Rees of Washington, D. C. arrived at the senior Rees home Saturday night. Mr and Mrs Harry Rees and family of Seattle, Mr and Mrs James Rees and son John of Portland, Mr and Mrs George Hume and son of Brownsville, cousin of Mrs W. A. Rees Sr., and her two sisters Mrs Jane Hart and Mrs Tila Armstrong, also of Brownsville were Sunday guests at the Rees home. This became a surprise reunion of the Rees family. There were 22 around the home table. Jack Rees remains for a few days while the rest all departed for their homes Sunday evening.

Dewey Lofton, who was in the hospital last week for a back injury, is home again but not feeling very well yet.

Miss Margaret Olsen returned from Grass Valley Saturday, where she had been helping Mrs Fred Cox through harvest.

Mr and Mrs Leo Lang and family were visitors at Mitchell Sunday.

A spark from the flue on the Lang house fell on the roof and started a small blaze. Mrs Lang turned the hose on it and put the fire out before any damage was done. This happened early Monday morning.

Mr and Mrs Chas Lewis were in The Dalles Saturday for dental work for Mr. Lewis. They spent the week end with their children at Maupin.

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Mr and Mrs A. J. Brown purchased the sheep belonging to G. Boen Thursday and removed them to their ranch.

Hymar x Elgin Yields Best; May Be Distributed

Best producing winter wheat at the experimental station this year was a cross between Hymar and Elgin which made 32.3 bushels for an average of three plots on which experiments are made. Actually an Alice x Oro cross made 33.1 but it was recorded on but two plots.

This Hymar x Elgin was developed at Washington state and is to be tested for milling qualities this fall at Island City. It has the yielding ability of Elgin and some of the smut resistance of Hymar, another club wheat.

Another wheat to be given the milling test is Alice x Oro P 10, a Pendleton wheat, that yielded 28.0 bushels here and better on other stations. It has the Oro smut resistant qualities. There are three of these Alice x Oro crosses, the P 10, the P 57 mentioned above and another P 3, that yielded 30.1 bushels at Moro.

The second best wheat on the three test plots was Elgin with 31.9 followed by Hymar with 30.1. Following these were Origo with 28.9, P 10 with 28.0, Rex with 27.3, Golden with 26.7 and then the first turkey type wheat a cross between Blackhall and Oro which made 25.9.

The composite mixture, now mostly Rio made 23.8 and Rio alone made 22.3. This composite mixture was originally composed of Rio, Rex, Triplet and Hybrid 128 but Rio stools best and has crowded out the others.

Mr and Mrs A. T. Striker, with their daughter, Mrs Georgia Kleinworth of Connell, Wn., spent several days exploring the wonders and surroundings of Lake Louise, Glacier park, and other places of interest. Their declaration is "this northern trip was worth the effort."

Kenneth Blau flew to Detroit the other day to return with a new Chevrolet, while his family is vacationing at Seaside.

A. C. Kaseberg is driving a new Buick sedan.

Mrs Norma Everett and her daughter, Lois Ann, recently moved into the Hotel Sherman. In this way in returning from her work, there will always be a warm room awaiting.

Ira Fridley and family are spending a few days at Seaside. Mrs B. E. Halley is at Rockaway, enjoying the sea.

Mrs Ruby McCann, a teacher in the Bend schools has been visiting her brother and family. Mr and Mrs Ora Workman. She is accompanying them on their vacation trip.

August 21 at the Christ of Christ in Wasco "The Goodness of God".

The car of Jacob Weitzel of Ashland went into the ditch near the J. R. Yocum home on the Rufus road just a few yards from the home. Nobody was hurt, nor the car very badly damaged. The party in trouble were on their vacation on their way to Pendleton, and Spokane and Vancouver, B. C. Soft shoulders on narrow road-way seemed to be the trouble.

Elmore J. Gilstrap and wife called at the home of P. Claude Stephens Tuesday afternoon. Mr Gilstrap is from Turner, in behalf of the Turner Memorial Home for aged ministers of the Churches of Christ of the Christian brotherhood.

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Youths Must Keep Draft Office Informed Of Whereabouts

Clarence L. Look, chairman, Local Board No. 26, and Vernon Miller, member, selective service system, The Dalles, Oregon, announced today that hereafter the board office would be open eight hours per week.

"This reduction in the number of hours that it will be possible to have a paid clerk operating the office", said Mr. Look, "was made necessary on account of the drastic cut in the funds allocated the selective service system for the fiscal year." The office will be open each week on Friday from 10:15 a. m. to 6:15 p. m.

"At times when the board office is closed", continued Mr. Look, "arrangements have been made so that young men becoming 18, who are required to register within five days, may be registered at Sherman county sheriff's office, Moro, Oregon."

"The board is very grateful for this volunteer work, which will assist these young men who otherwise might have to make a special trip in order to come in when the office is open."

Mr. Look also confirmed previous news reports that Board No. 26 has been advised to be ready to assume inductions on 60 days notice and reiterated the warning that registrants must keep their local board advised of any change in address, employment and marital status.

"Too many have seemed to conclude", stated Mr. Look, "that because there has been a recess in inductions since last January, their responsibility has ceased. The selective service act is still in force and every registrant should remember this at all times."

Tuesday afternoon, August 16, at the hour of four, in the presence of immediate friends of the contracting parties, James Norman Jensen and Shirley Mae Yocum, exchanged their vows in the home of J. R. Yocum.

The happy couple left shortly following greetings and the cutting of the wedding cake by the enraptured young couple, for a honeymoon trip to the coast.

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Survivors May Have Payments Coming

Widows, children and dependent parents of World War II veterans who died within three years after honorable discharge were reminded this week by the Oregon department of Veterans Affairs that they may be eligible for social security benefits earned as the result of the man's time in active service.

Title II of the social security act provides that such veterans are deemed to have died fully insured, to have received monthly wages of not less than \$160, and to have been paid not less than \$200 in wages in each year in which they had 30 days or more of active service after Sept. 16, 1940, under the act.

The effect of title II, approved in August, 1946, is to assure monthly income payments to a widow with minor children, or to the dependent parents, or a lump sum payment to the unmarried widow without minor children, surviving a World War II veteran discharged without dishonor who died within three years after his discharge.

Payments are not made, however, where survivors are receiving death compensation from the Veterans Administration because of service connected death. Applicants were advised to contact their nearest social security office, county veterans' service officers, or the Portland or Salem offices of the department of Veterans Affairs.

March of Dimes funds are used to help the medically indigent—but this is not the same as "indigent" it includes families of moderate income, who cannot meet the high cost of modern care of this expensive disease. The help is a gift—not a loan. While families that can pay are expected to do so, no family is expected to impoverish itself to meet medical expenses for polio.

Even if you can assume full costs for initial hospitalization, it is a good idea to see your chapter. If yours should be a patient who is severely affected—and this cannot be determined in the first few days—you may need help later on.

Chapters pay for hospitalization, professional services including nursing and physical therapy, transportation to and from hospitals, convalescent centers and clinics, treatment after hospitalization and appliances such as wheelchairs, braces, etc., as needed. There are no hard and fast rules. Each case is decided upon individual medical and financial needs. Assistance is given regardless of age, race, creed or color. More than 110,000 polio patients were directly assisted in full or in part up to the end of 1948.

In addition, your chapter can put you in touch with proper sources for nursing and physical therapy at home, can refer you to rehabilitation and vocational training agencies, will provide literature designed to foster better understanding of infantile paralysis—so you will know what to expect and how to help your polio patient back to a useful life.

Fair Program Includes More Events This Year

The program for the Sherman County Fair has been pretty well completed and is one of the largest ever prepared for the entertainment of Sherman countians and their fair time guests.

This is to be a four day fair with a three day program, one day more than has been the fair fare of late years.

Thursday the 15th there will be judging of 4-H and open classes. These will be larger than usual it is expected. The youngsters will have their usual quota and the fair board is making an effort to have a larger group of horses on hand than before. There are more horses, some of them very good ones, that have not shown before.

Friday the Mid-Columbia Saddle clubs will put on the program which will be complete in itself and will fill the entire afternoon. The program has been arranged so that two events will be going on all the time, a race and an arena event. An effort will be made to keep the show moving and more years experience should make for a livelier show. The contestants will have put on two shows before this one and are expected to have their parts perfected.

Saturday and Sunday program will consist of a complete rodeo with Mack Barber furnishing the stock and there will also be four or five horse races with local stock predominating.

The rodeo will include saddle and bareback bucking, Brahma steer riding and enough other events to make it acceptable to the turtles who are the exhibitors.

The Dalles High School band will play during the afternoon and Jimmy Whetmore and his orchestra will give dances at night.

The pavilion is being remodelled to make room for exhibits in domestic science and a large number of displays of farm and household equipment are expected.

There is enough to make this a fine fair.

JENSEN-YOCUM RITES OBSERVED AT RUFUS

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SCHOOL DUE TO START SEPTEMBER 12 HERE

Lloyd Henrichs, chairman of the local school board, announced that school in Moro would start September 12. It is understood that the other schools of the county would start the same day.

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Moro Thursday, August 25, 1949 at the courthouse between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m.

Although the 1949 official travel survey was just placed underway last week at ports of entry throughout Oregon to determine vacation traffic volume, mid-season reports received thus far by the Oregon state highway commission travel information department substantially heavier out-of-state traffic than in 1948.

What To Do In Case of Polio or Suspicioned Polio Told by National Organization Spokesmen

At the first sign of illness, call your doctor. If he suspects polio he will report the case to the local health department and arrange for hospitalization or home care, as indicated.

If your doctor says it is polio and requires hospitalization, the local chapter of the National Foundation will help arrange for transportation to a treatment center. As soon as the patient goes to the hospital—or if your doctor advises the patient can be treated at home—get in touch with your chapter to arrange for any needed assistance.

Your chapter will get in touch with you as soon as it learns of the case through your physician, the hospital or the health department. However, late reporting or a heavy hospital load may delay this chapter contact. If you do not hear promptly, telephone or visit your chapter representative.

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DRIVERS MUST STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES

School buses stopped along the roadway to load or unload passengers must be regarded as though they were stop signs, reminds the secretary of state's safety division.

This will call for the formation of a new driving habit on the part of Oregon motor vehicle operators when schools reopen next month, safety officials point out.

Under the terms of Oregon's new school bus stopping law adopted by the state legislature early last spring, all vehicles must come to a complete stop when meeting or overtaking a school bus on a two lane highway that has stopped to load or unload children. Vehicles may not proceed, the law declares "if and so long as any school children are leaving the school bus or crossing the highway".

All vehicles must stop except those on the far side of a four-lane highway traveling in the opposite direction. Similar laws are in effect in at least twenty other states including Washington and California.