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These Things We Note

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Virtue is its own reward—and the lack of it its own punishment.

Once there was a man and his name was Uncle Sam and he was pretty prosperous and had a large family. He sent his boys to school and they wanted automobiles and fancy clothes and soon skin coats and wanted to travel with the bathtub gin bunch and Uncle Sam thought it was fine to have his boys have things he'd never had and Aunt Samantha prided herself that her daughters weren't going to have to wash dishes and they didn't learn to do anything else, either, except, wear nice clothes and go places. And the relatives came in looking seedy and Uncle Sam had to make them presentable and he loaned their sons money which he didn't get back. And pretty soon the income from Uncle Sam's farms wasn't enough to pay the bills so he borrowed and signed mortgages and then the costs kept on growing and the interest did too and when the market dropped off Uncle Sam went broke and lost his farms and his boys couldn't work because they didn't either know how or want to and the girls were mad because they couldn't have any more fine clothes and the relatives became disrespectful and Uncle Sam and Aunt Samantha spent their last years in a most unhappy and repentant mood. But there was no telling them at the time. The boys don't amount to much and the girls to less so a one-time fine family has gone into oblivion that hides incompetents. And we've just been reading the national budget.

Well, what'd you expect in the winter time anyhow? Maybe we're aiming too low. In a campaign against communism we must capture the minds of the people; we are working on their stomachs. The moral force would secure to us if we stood resolutely for freedom of the individual is being lost.

Reports have it that 4.9 inches of rain fell in 24 hours around Coos Bay. To us that sounds like consolidating six months into one.

Portland pastors are inclined to criticize church goers for sneezes and yawns. Well. Anyhow it does seem that the congregation might be given a chance to answer back once in a while instead of just sitting there soaking up the pastor's views Sunday after Sunday.

John Maragon has been indicted for lying to senators. Man bites dog? When front page characters get mixed up in some sort of matrimonial mess it's just as bad as if they were bowery characters. If you ain't got any decency you ain't got any, that's all.

Churchill is reported to have written that children who had a happy childhood seldom amounted to anything in later life. Be that as it may there are certainly some things that should be learned in childhood and not all of them pleasant. One who achieves maturity without learning them is ill prepared for life.

"There is moderation even in excess." —Disraeli.

Cousin Freddie has just come home from spending New Years in the city and he's full of new ideas. He says he thinks he might get used to communism but he'll never take another drink of vodka if Stalin takes the whole world.

"For this is the law and the law shall run Till the earth in its course is still That whoo eateth another's bread Shall do the other's will."

PMA Group Changes Top Payment Limit

The county and community PMA committeemen met Tuesday, January 10 to write the Sherman county 1950 conservation practice handbook.

Farmers present were unanimously in favor of limiting the maximum soil conservation practice payment per farm to \$1,000.00 to enable the available monies to be spread evenly over the county. This payment is \$250.00 more than last year's limit of \$750.00 but far less than the possible maximum of \$2500 as allowed by recent congressional action.

To encourage increased efforts for perennial weed control namely, Morning Glory, White Top, and Russian Knapweed, the committee agreed to pay the full cost of controlling these weeds up to the \$1,000.00 limit. This includes 2,4-D at two applications if necessary and the chlorates.

The use of moldboard plows to establish a stubble mulch was eliminated from the handbook as an approved practice. Other types of trashy fallow implements may be used and a practice payment obtained in relation to the pounds of stubble on the surface soil rather than the yield in bushels.

The 1950 handbook of conservation practices will be completed and forwarded to all operators in the county. These handbooks will not be available until March.

Wasco Women Meet And Here Scouts

The Wasco Woman's club met Friday January 6 at the home of Mrs. Lamborn with Mrs. Carl Tuggle as co-hostess.

Roll call was answered by each telling of an event which had occurred in childhood days. Following roll call the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Paulen Kaseberg, leader for the day, who discussed Girl Scout training, work and awards. After school a number of Girl Scouts from two troops led by Mrs. Kaseberg attended the club meeting. They favored with several scout songs and showed awards won by them.

Dainty refreshments were served at the conclusion of the afternoon by the hostesses.

Extra Toys Needed For Europeans

Those who have toys or other playthings for children may bring them to the American Legion in Moro where they will be repaired for shipment to gathering place at Portland on their way to Europe where means of distributing them to children in zones where children get few presents have been established. This is not a Christmas project but one to aid the poorer children of Europe and give them a more normal outlook. The post will also aid the infantile paralysis drive this month, says Commander Johnson.

More Damage From Smut Recently

Oregon and the Pacific Northwest seem well on the way to regaining the dubious distinction of being the nation's number one wheat smut disease sore spot.

During 1949, 20.3 per cent of nearly 19,000 farmer owned lots of wheat graded smutty, a rise of 6 per cent from the preceding year. It was reported recently to the Pacific Northwest Smut Control committee by R. E. White, PMA grain supervisor, Portland, who handles federal grain inspections for the three north-west states.

Total smut infestation after being reduced to just 2.8 per cent of the crop in 1942-43, has been climbing for seven straight years. Swing to non-smut resistant varieties such as Elgin and Golden, and failure on the part of farmers to take proper seed treatment precautions, are listed as the principal reasons for the increase.

O. H. Rowland Has Wrecked Car After Shaniko Mishap

O. H. Rowland of Biggs was coming home Monday night when he got stuck in a snowdrift about four miles west of Shaniko. David Peterson of Erwin, Tenn., and wife came along and parked across the road. While they were working a truck driven by R. A. Korth of Yakima came along and hit both cars wrecking the Rowland car badly. No one was seriously hurt, although the truck went into the ditch. Rowland was accompanied by N. W. Rice and Mary Garrett of Biggs. Sheriff Fields was called to the site of the wreck and aided in getting traffic started and the damaged cars out of the way.

Rebekahs Install For Two Lodges

Joint installation of Rebekah officers for the Marion (Wasco) and Lupine (Moro) lodges was held at the Moro hall Tuesday night with a goodly crowd present. Installing officer was Bertha Belshie, district deputy president assisted by Helen Martin as marshal.

New officers for Lupine are Helen Kruger, noble grand; Gladys Morrison, vice-grand; Lucille May, secretary; Clara Houston, treasurer; Marie Peters, RSN; Maggie Barnum, LSN; Helen Martin RSVG; Florence Thompson, LSVG; Mollie McLachlan, OG; Gene Bennett, IG; Jo Gentry, chaplain.

For Marion lodge Sadie Rich noble grand; Selma Watkins secretary and Leo Watkins, treasurer.

Smut Chairman Chosen From Oregon

Rex Warren, OSC extension farm crops specialist, will serve as chairman of the Pacific Northwest Smut Control committee for the coming year. It was announced recently at the conclusion of the committee's annual meeting held in Walla Walla, Washington.

R. O. Fletcher, Walla Walla, secretary, Northwest Crop Improvement association, was re-elected secretary.

The committee, composed of grain trade representatives, farmers, experiment station, and extension service personnel, is concerned with reducing the amount of wheat smut disease which is prevalent throughout the Oregon, Washington, and Idaho grain belt.

PTA To Hear About Fair Employment

The meeting of the South Sherman County P-T-A scheduled for Friday night at 8 p. m. at the school house will give an opportunity to hear William VanNeter, deputy labor commissioner, who is also an Episcopal minister of the Corvallis church.

Mr. VanNeter will talk about the Fair Employment Practices act passed in Oregon at the last legislative session and the cases that have been brought before the commission since it went into effect. Some pictures will be shown.



REMUNERATION . . . William Lewan, Jr., 16, Chicago, will receive \$125,000 from the Liquid Carbonic corporation under a court settlement for brain injuries received from a gas hose which flew from a truck operated by the corporation.

Republicans Talk About Program; Decide Questions

Sherman county Republicans met at the court house Monday afternoon to talk about the policies they wished the party to adopt for the 1950 campaign. The opening statement indicated that they were of the fortunate party in that regard for the opposition party will get its policy from the top. Mrs. Howard Conlee, county chairman acted as chairman of the meeting.

Major points were discussed individually and a decision reached about them. As to agriculture it was said that the present plan was failing and that the Brannan plan would be unsatisfactory to Sherman county. A committee consisting of Collis Moore, Harold Eakin and Lee Dehler brought in a resolution recommending agreement with the certificate plan which was adopted.

The committee on government costs, Lester Wilson, Carl Melzer and E. D. McKee, ask for a balanced budget and a two percent reduction in the budget. It also ask for continued appropriations for Pacific northwest because of the influx of people to this area. The general assembly, however, voted to remove the request for northwest funds and approved the main resolution.

The group did not like CVA, federal aid to education, socialized medicine and did like the Taft-Hartley law well enough to approve a resolution for its continuation.

A committee on reapportionment consisting of Mrs. Collis Moore, Mrs. Lester Wilson and Paul Fraser approved the federal plan of reapportionment which was later approved by the general assembly.

A meeting will be held later in the winter in The Dalles with other counties to which Ralph Calk, national committeeman, has been invited. Policies will be discussed there also.

Al Gust, district commander of the American Legion, was here Tuesday from Maupin to visit local Commander Lloyd Johnson and aid in signing up more members.

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

In the north end of Sherman county the freezing weather let up Friday and it began to thaw a bit. Several inches of frost were in the ground. By Friday evening the roads were getting muddy. The farmers who went into town Saturday, said the traveling was pretty rough owing to the softened condition of the roads. The weather took a different turn Sunday morning when the sky let down a couple more inches of snow. This snow was more welcome on account of it had a chance to do some good in putting moisture in the earth. The ground is short of moisture, and the hopes are that enough moisture can be stored away to make good crops for 1950.

Chicken pox is making more progress in the community with new cases sprouting up. Arlene Macnab returned to school again Tuesday.

Arnold Lampert of Troutdale arrived last week for a visit with his brother in law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. James Fox.

The Airplane club met last Tuesday at the home of Vincent Rice. Five boys were present and had an enjoyable evening.

Chicken pox and snowy weather had cut into the attendance of the Rufus Sunday school but the average attendance is still larger than it was a year ago, and the teachers want to keep it that way. They say they'd like the opportunity to invite everyone to attend the next Sunday school class at 10 o'clock Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Adrian Roberts were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fly Brackett.

A new daughter has arrived at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Macnab. The baby girl, born Tuesday in The Dalles has been named Nancy Carol and weighed in at 8 1/2 oz. The Macnabs have two other daughters, Arlene and Kay. Mrs. Macnab and baby are expected to be



REPAIRING THE DAMAGE . . . Mrs. Vicki La Motta tenderly ministers to the battered eye of the family breadwinner, world's middle-weight champion Jake La Motta. The champ ran into a Frenchman name of Robert Villema at Madison Square Garden. Jake, who won his title from another Frenchman, the late Marcel Cerdan, was hurt well against the second Frenchman, and took a Shellacking. He retained his title, because it was not at stake in the bout.

Planning Committees Meeting; Listening To Voices of Advisors; Planning More

The Crops, Farm Home and Rural Life and Weed committees of the Sherman County Agriculture Planning conference will meet this coming week at the courthouse in Moro.

The Crops committee will meet Monday, January 16 at 9:00 a. m. with Dewey Thompson as chairman. E. R. Jackman, farm crops extension specialist will attend the meeting. The Farm Home and Rural Life committee will meet at 9:30 a. m., Friday, January 20. Mrs. W. E. Bruckert is chairman of this committee and Miss Frances Clinton, home economic specialist will attend this meeting.

Several very important items will be considered when the Weed committee meets at 9:30 a. m. Saturday, January 21. The need for enforcement of the weed law and the use of

diesel oil in place of water as a carrier for 2,4-D will be two of the important items discussed. Allen Tom is serving as chairman of the Weed committee.

Arrangements were made at the recent County Planning Council meeting for the various subcommittees of the conference to meet this winter.

The members of each of the committees will review earlier recommendations and bring them up to date if necessary. Through the recommendations as planned by committee members, an educational extension program may be formulated for the county for the coming year. All committee members are urged to attend their individual committees with all county folks encouraged to attend one or all of the committee meetings.

Hearing on School Separation May Result In Peace

The hearing before the county boundary board (county court members) to consider the application of the Locust Grove and Gordon Ridge areas for separation from the Wasco district consumed the time of the court last Thursday and resulted in the appointment of a committee by County Judge Tom to endeavor to settle the argument. Named were Mrs. B. Estrelle Halley and Mrs. Paulen Kaseberg. They may name a third.

Filing of a petition by the residents of the areas named above and which formerly had two districts started the controversy over a month ago. Both sides presented their arguments and both were well represented with the circuit court room being well filled by participants and the curious. No time was set for a decision by the committee and apparently no understanding as to whether the decision of the committee will be taken as final.

The first day of the January session found the court naming election boards, who were all reappointed, with one exception, Harold Eakin was placed on the fair board replacing Ernest Eslinger. Don DeMoss was named as caretaker of DeMoss park replacing his father. Joe Peters, J. M. Wilson and Dick Yocum were named as roadviewers. Sheriff Fields was made truant officer, the dog board is to be W. E. Bruckert, T. M. Garrett and Kenneth Sather, the official newspaper will be the Sherman County Journal. Frank Bazel was made road foreman for the year and a list of 200 names were drawn for possible jury duty.

Bank Deposits Climb Say Statements

In answer to the year-old call of the comptroller of the currency, the Sherman County Moro branch of the First National Bank of Portland reports deposits of \$1,893,685; and loans of \$162,648. In charge of the local banking office is Carrel S. Bennett, manager.

On December 31, 1948, the figures were: deposits \$2,374,101; and loans \$2,419,357.

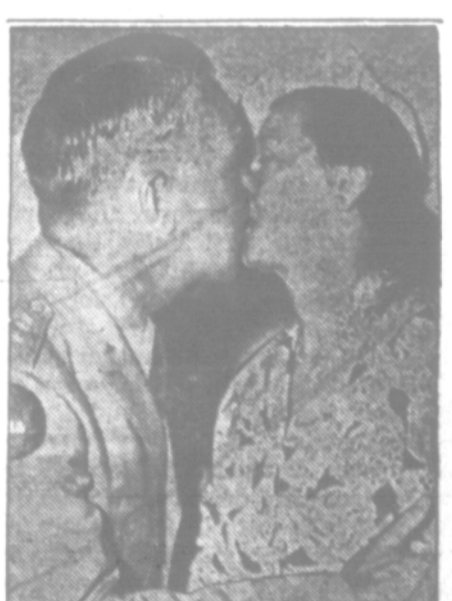
The First National Bank of Portland, with 45 branches, reports deposits of \$476,427,181; and loans of \$151,055,062.

The United States National Bank again leads the state in total deposits as revealed by its year-end statement just issued.

With deposits of \$527,181,823, the United States National Bank has marked up a deposit increase of \$21,590,224 during the past six months. Total deposits for the The Dalles branch are \$12,118,551.84, and loans and discounts \$4,753,193.12 according to C. A. Reynolds, manager.

CHILDREN TO SEE PLAY

The high school pupils, or part of them, are going to The Dalles Friday to attend the "Taming of the Shrew", Shakespearean comedy given by the University of Washington players, and will play The Dalles teams at basketball after the show.



CONGRATS, HUBBY . . . Gen. J. Lawton Collins, former vice chief of staff, US Army, gets kiss from his wife after being sworn in as chief of staff. Collins succeeds Gen. Omar Bradley, who is now chairman of the US joint chiefs of staff.