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These Things We Note

by Giles L. French

The Dalles is concerned about rebuilding of the Columbia river highway saying that the delays curtail traffic. The Dalles might also consider its stories about the prevalence of rattlesnakes or the ambitious police at Cascade Locks.

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A statesman is one who considers the propriety of his place at the table; an ordinary man considers the menu.

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If stockmen of Lake county can find a way to supplant sage with grass it will do more to increase agricultural production than any other project now at hand. And how old fashioned, they are doing it themselves.

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A magazine tells of a way to barbecue steaks which includes one pound of sirloin steak and a whole list of condiments, seasoning, wine, oil and mushrooms. When steers were slaughtered at four years old and were almost as tough as they looked it might have been possible to improve the taste and texture by addition of condiments, etc., but in these days where a steer has to be lost to live over 18 months and when he goes to market by waddling to a railroad car it shouldn't be necessary to doctor the meat. That is, unless one doesn't like steak anyhow.

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Someway it seems that unemployment compensation has made more people unemployed than before. It beats time what will be done for a few payments.

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It sulpha and other such "cure-all" drugs were a little more fully perfected anyone could be a doctor.

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The average consumption of cigarettes in the United States is 2360 or 118 packs a year.

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There's some nothings about the snakes hereabouts. They crawl and they rattle.

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Some persons, down Klamath Falls way, were caught with well up to 100 fish apiece and the fish and presumably the persons are on ice. Someway we don't care if the persons are kept on ice a long time.

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One may judge a man fairly well by whether he thinks right makes might or might makes right.

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Trains loaded with war material go by and men and women watch solemn faced while troop trains roar to the west. And American boys are dying at places called Chinju and Umyong which may be better than at Portland and Moro, but it all seems so senseless. We are almost solely trying to stop a war started among two branches of Koreans after we have backed out of China with something less than honor or intelligence. We are fighting over a thumb after giving away the body.

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A woman stopping at Dinty's should not feel elated upon hearing a whistle. It might be the parrot.

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The weather is unhappy about something. Every day of so the sky gets cloudy, there is lightning and thunder, it feels like rain. Then perhaps being not quite ready; perhaps being generous toward harvesting farmers, the cloud moves on.

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Now we've got the channel swim over for a time perhaps we can get down to less essential things like war or peace.

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The president wants a law to make deportable aliens register. If deportable, Harry, there's a simpler way.

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Vacationing is the only job that wears people out in two weeks.

Moro Council Passes Bond Ordinance

Moro's city council Tuesday night passed an ordinance with an emergency clause which puts it into immediate effect. The ordinance calls for the issuance of \$8000 in street and drainage bonds in accordance with the election held June 3 empowering the issuance of \$15,000 in bonds for the same purpose.

Reason for the decrease is the state law which limits bonds for the above purpose to five percent of the valuation of the municipality. The city already has \$3500 in street and drainage bonds which made \$8321 the limit. Because of advice that buyers do not like small unit bonds the city will issue but \$8000.

Bids for the bonds will be opened September 5 at the council rooms. Present city bonds bear 3 3/4 percent interest but city officials hope that a lower rate may be obtained for the coming issue.

The council agreed to pay for the wiring of the pump house used by the school district in the flat. The big well will have a new roof put on it soon also although the job of cementing it up may be delayed.

Public Utility Value Higher This Year

Full cash value of public utilities in Sherman county has been increased \$169,515 to \$2,883,545 from the 1949 figure of \$2,714,030. The assessed valuation is \$1,787,798 increased \$77,959 from \$1,709,839 a year ago. For the state, full cash value of utility properties is \$480,204,605, upped \$29,346,128, as of July 30, reports the state tax commission. The assessed value is \$294,163,863, an increase of \$17,928,857 from the \$246,235,006 of last year.

The law requires the commission to determine the true cash value of utilities each year and also determine the percentage the assessed value in each county is to the true value, which then becomes the ratio for that county. The ratio is then applied to the full cash value of utility properties to equalize the assessed value with other property.

Miss Connie Wilson has been away from her desk at the county agent's office this week because of illness.

Court Claims Paid and Delegations Appeared

CONDENSED PROCEEDINGS OF AUGUST TERM OF COUNTY COURT

All claims allowed as presented. Monthly financial report of County Treasurer presented and filed. Semi-annual report of Treasurer presented and filed. Annual report of County Clerk presented and filed. Treasurer authorized to transfer Malt Beverage fund balance and Law Library fund balance to County General fund. Court directs that stock guards be installed on the T. S. Reese and M. V. Miller road. Commissioner Wilson and Road Foreman, Bazzel, to investigate and direct needed improvement to Donald MacInnes road. Clerk directed to pay for crushing rock upon receipt of verification of measurement as stated in statement therefor. Mayors of Grass Valley, Moro and Wasco met with and cooperated with the Court in setting up of Civilian Defense Organization and appointed Sheriff Norman E. Fields as general director for County, coordinating with mayors of Grass Valley, Moro and Wasco. No further matters being at issue adjournment ensued. CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR JULY, 1950, APPROVED AUGUST 2 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT. GENERAL FUND: SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Elsie Jones, P.M. \$5.00 Mahon-

About the County

Friends of Mrs. Marie Smith will be glad to know she is out of the hospital and is at the L. K. Smith home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Ruggles, Mrs. Ted von Borstel and daughter, Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barnum and family met friends on the John Day Sunday for a picnic and a wonderful time.

Dean Hughes of Salem was a dinner guest Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schilling.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Blagg and son Kenneth, and J. W. Blagg motored to Portland Sunday on business returning home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz of Kent had as dinner guests last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson and sons of The Dalles, Roy Harbin of Portland and Arthur Buether and Frank McKay.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Bayles and daughter of Kent were dinner guests Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz.

Mrs. Bill Jeffries and children and Miss Martha Bardenhagen were in The Dalles Thursday to spend the day visiting Mrs. Jeffries parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson of Kent were over night guests in The Dalles recently.

Kenneth Crews, Edwin Peters, John Peters and Frank Ketter were fishing in the Deschutes near Maupin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bullard and daughter, Miss Florence Brown of Moro were callers Thursday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schilling. Miss Anna Schwartz' address is Meadeisens Convalescent hospital, 5826 S.E. 103 Ave., Portland, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Peters and family of San Francisco, who have been visiting relatives here left Monday for Seattle to visit Mrs. Peters' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roth, and her brothers and families before returning to their home in California.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beach and Mrs. Mary Hayes of Portland spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dugger and Shirley Beach spent the time with Mr. and Mrs. John Rust.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morgan and daughter, Vicki, of Condon were over night guests Saturday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cox.

Mrs. Lou Fischer and daughter, Wanda, returned here with

her sister, Mrs. Orville Ruggles last Monday from Portland where they spent the week end visiting their mother, Mrs. S. L. Boyce and other relatives. Mrs. Fischer and daughter left Tuesday evening for their home in Prineville.

About thirty-five relatives and friends attended the party at IOOF hall Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Payne. They received many lovely gifts. The rest of the evening was spent dancing. Refreshments were served later with Mrs. C. A. Rust and Mrs. Bob Williams of The Dalles in charge.

Mrs. Arzell Lemley was hostess at a party at her home Monday afternoon honoring her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Gordon Lemley. Other guests were her children, Kenneth and Janice, Mrs. Max Brown, Mrs. Don Smith, Mrs. Art Schilling and son, Gene, Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. Ralph Rust, Mrs. Donald Clodfelter and Miss Carolyn Lemley. Pinocchio was in play at two tables with Mrs. Smith holding high score and Mrs. Clodfelter low. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Eben Kee and Mrs. Herman Peters went to Portland Sunday to visit friends and on to Gresham where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lemley and to bring Sandra Squire back with them; after she spent a week with her mother, Mrs. Arden Squire at Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fields were in The Dalles Saturday and Sunday to the ball games. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz and son, John, of Kent spent Saturday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Rhode at Mosier.

Mrs. Durward Helyer and children of Kent were Sunday afternoon visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz. Mrs. Bill Jeffries and children and Miss Martha Bardenhagen were in Antelope last Thursday to a birthday party for Mrs. John Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hartmann of Wasco spent Sunday at the A. F. Balzer home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dugger were hosts at a birthday dinner at their home Sunday honoring her daughter, Mrs. John Rust. Other guests included John Rust and daughters, Geraldine and Phyllis, Art and Mortiz Allieger, Mr. and Mrs. George Beach and daughter, Shirley, and Mrs. Mary Hayes of Portland.

about folks you do know or would enjoy knowing

Invitations have been received to a bridal shower in honor of Miss Carole Smith. The shower will be Thursday afternoon at the grange hall and is given by Mrs. Bill Huck. Carole is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, and her wedding to Keith Thompson of Moro will be an event of August 20 at the Moro church.

There are a couple harvesting crews already finished with their threshing. This weekend will see a good many fields harvested. The weather was good last week for harvest. Saturday night was really chilly here, and the first feel of fall this community has felt.

Mrs. Ardie Jordan was contacting the children in Rufus last week to see how many were able to go for the Red Cross swimming classes which began in The Dalles Monday.

The Rufus grange is sponsoring a dance Saturday, August 12 at the grange hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Rickels of Condon were overnight guests Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benton Barnett. Also guests of the Barnetts last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Thompsons. The Thompsons left Monday for the coast and valley points. Just where depended on the health of Mrs. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Brackett and Benton Barnett went to Bend Sunday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Chub Johnson of Aloha spent last weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland McDonald had a telephone call last week from their son Bill who is in the navy and was located on the east coast. Bill said his outfit was to be shipped out right away to an undisclosed destination.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Huck have as their house guest, Bill Day, who lives in The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Engberg of The Dalles have moved into the house on the farm owned by Richie Dingle.

Mr. and Mrs. William Meyers and son are now at home on the Glen Thompson place which they recently bought.

Mr. and Mrs. Trace Fields spent the week end in Portland.

Mrs. Clara White of Portland visited with Mrs. Elizabeth Kuyper last week, and stayed over to help her cousin Mrs. Charles Kuyper with the harvest cooking.

Mrs. Gordon Lemley and son, Kenneth and her mother, Mrs. Edith Sayrs of Moro returned home last Sunday from Portland after spending a week there and on the coast.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ernest Buell of Roseburg are with their son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Alley again for harvest. This is the seventh year for Mr. Buell in the field—the fifth as engine driver.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ferguson and son Johnny spent Sunday with the Paul Alley family.

Rev. H. Gravenor sends word from Port Angeles, Wash., that there will be church service at the Wasco Methodist church, Sunday August 13, at 10:30 a. m. and that he will give the sermon.

Men Born After Aug. 30, 1922 Needed

Oregon State Headquarters, Selective Service System, announced today that the local boards of the state were receiving information in connection with changes of address, marital status, etc., from men who were registered under the 1940 Act but who were too old to register under the 1948 Act. "It is a rather healthy sign," Colonel Francis W. Mason, deputy state director, said today, "as it indicates that the general public is gradually awaking to the fact that registrants under the Selective Service Act must keep their local boards advised of all changes." Colonel Mason continued that the only men in whom Selective Service is now interested are those born after 30 August 1922. "Until such time as the Congress enacts legislation raising the age for registration," he concluded, "these older men have no responsibility under the existing statute."

Wheat Yields Vary But Average Well

Wheat rolled into the elevators at the rate of over a 100,000 bushels per day last week as harvest reached the full work period for everyone. Yields are spotty with some very low ones and some very good ones. The south end of the county is reaching 30 bushels in many fields, especially where a June rain hit.

Farmers who have light land are getting done while the south end's spring grain harvest is just starting.

Complaint is that deeper soil and sandy soil did not retain nitrates after the hard winter and wheat did not produce well.

Wasco Representative Resigns To Be Banker

John I. Sell will join The Dalles branch of the First National Bank of Portland shortly as an assistant vice president, it was announced today by F. N. Belgrano Jr., First National president. Sell will be in direct charge of public relations and bank services at The Dalles branch. He is withdrawing from the state legislature and from his position as office manager for Seufert Bros. Company.

"Mr. Sell has demonstrated his ability in many ways to serve the people of this area," Belgrano said. "His banking experience and broad acquaintance with the financial needs of Wasco and Sherman counties especially qualify him to carry on our bank's expanded services to meet the growing needs of the city and its trade territory."

"Mr. Sell's appointment is another step to substantiate our slogan, 'Let's Build Oregon Together,'" Belgrano added. "In recent months we have raised our interest rate on savings deposits by 50 percent and have instituted all-day banking, 10 a. m. to 5 p. m., including Saturday, at The Dalles branch."

Sell has just completed a one-year study of Oregon's fiscal problems as a member of the Interim Tax Study committee of the House of Representatives.

Since coming to The Dalles, Sell has risen from city chairman of the Wasco county Community Chest to state secretary and member of the executive board of the Oregon Community Chest, which position he holds today. He is also presently a member of the boards of directors of the American Red Cross, the Salvation Army and the Wasco county Health and Tuberculosis Association.

He is a past president of The Dalles Breakfast Club and The Dalles Kiwanis club and a past Exalted Ruler and a present trustee of The Dalles lodge, B.P.O.E.

New Scout Executive Visiting Field

Ben N. Graham, field scout executive, recently employed by the Portland area council was in Sherman county this week. He has been employed during the past four years by the Blue Mountain council and during that time served the Walla Walla district and additional territory in southeastern Washington and northeastern Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham are both graduates of the University of Nebraska. He served as high school principal in Palmyra, Nebraska in 1940 and in Nelson, Nebraska the following two years. During the war he worked as a chemist in military explosives in the Kankakee Ordnance Works near Joliet, Illinois and was later transferred to the Manhattan Atomic project at the Hanford Engineering Works near Richland, Washington.

The location of field executive in The Dalles is part of a program sponsored by Hood River B.P.O.E. lodge No. 1507 and The Dalles B.P.O.E. No. 303 to bring additional field service to an increasing scout and cub population in The Dalles and Hood River districts. Graham will do all the unit service work in The Dalles district, which includes Sherman county, with Bruce Winston of Hood River in giving service to both the Hood River and The Dalles districts.

School Opening September 11 Decided By Board

George H. Koehler, superintendent of schools for Moro for the coming year, spent the greater part of this week here meeting with the school board, planning the program and getting acquainted with the job. He is a major in the air corps, the 405th Troop Carrier Wing, and may be called into service again. He expects to return August 22 to move permanently.

The new superintendent announced that school would start September 11 and that a work shop for all teachers of the county would be held at the Moro school house September 5 and 6. This will be to acquaint all teachers with the particular problems of the schools they are to serve.

Teachers in the Moro high school in addition to Mr. Koehler, who will teach four classes himself, are Mrs. B. H. Roberson, Mrs. Dale Moore, James Johnson, Archie McCrae and Francis Keyes.

"Jimmy" Johnson who will do the coaching has asked that prospective football players be at the school at 2 p. m. September 5 to get acquainted with the coach and start football instruction and practice.

Rufus News

By Mrs. George L. Fox

Relatives and friends gathered Sunday at the Rufus grange hall to honor Mr. and Mrs. Glen Thompson who are moving away. More than seventy five places were set at the table for the pot luck dinner which was served by the women of the Rufus grange. Mrs. Glen Thompson was presented with a red rosebud corsage, and a carnation for Glen Thompson. The two honor guests were seated at the table on each side of the Rufus grange master, Atlee Wilson. Rev. Adrian Roberts asked the blessing. After the bountiful dinner was over, Mrs. Harland McDonald gave an address of welcome, and told of the neighborliness of the Thompsons who have lived here since before the turn of the century. A song, "Auld Lang Sine", was sung by the trio, Donna Wilson, Vaneta Peck and Dottie Steward, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Wilson on the piano. William Huck presented the Thompsons with a gift from the community. A song, "When You And I Were Young Maggie", was sung by Mrs. Sadie Rich with Mrs. Charles Wilson at the piano. The program ended with a recitation by Mrs. Harland McDonald. The afternoon was spent visiting and recalling old times. Among those present were, of the relatives, Mr. and Mrs. John Mathieson, Mrs. Benton Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kuyper, Mrs. Margaret Leff and son Willard Leff, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hydron and family, Ernie Engles and family, Benny Brooke, Raymond Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson and children, Barbara and Dick, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Thompson and children Joan and Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Clark and son George Mr. and Mrs. Clark Van Gaasbeck and children Betty and Gary, Mrs. Jim Thompson and children Patty Lynn and Jimmie; friends at the dinner who bid the Thompsons farewell were Mr. and Mrs. David Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Wirth Tate of The Dalles, Mr. and Mrs. William Huck, Mr. and Mrs. Harland McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Engberg, Mrs. Harold Engberg, Bill Day, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and daughter Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brock, Mrs. Luther Steward and daughter Dottie, Mr. and Mrs. Wilt Morris, Mrs. Sadie Rich, Miss Vaneta Peck, Mrs. E. C. Eaton, Mrs. Elizabeth Kuyper, Frank Bartholomew, Mrs. George Van Gaasbeck, Rev. and Mrs. Adrian Roberts, Mrs. Clara White, Mr. and Mrs. George Fox, Mrs. Alta Smith and daughters, Donna and Darlene.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell were in Portland last week to visit W. H. Ragsdale who is in St. Vincent's hospital with a serious illness.