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These Things We Note

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It seems odd that Oregonians, even members of the legislature, should judge the legislative session by its length instead of what is accomplished.

T T W N

A Colorado man has arranged his own funeral which is now ready for rebroadcasting when the time arrives and some kindly soul has placed his remains in the copper casket. Well, well, most of us are content if we can arrange our affairs while on this earth and do not worry about what happens after that. Maybe we're short sighted.

T T W N

The nation has burned a record breaking supply of cigarettes, says the news—and no doubt cured a lot of throats.

T T W N

In writing about Asia an author calls attention to the fact that all the nations there are dominated by a city. Rural people have nothing to say about how business, government or manufacture is conducted. That's probably a reason Asia is backward.

T T W N

Next to being vice-president the job of Rose Show princess seems the least distinguished this year.

T T W N

Sales sweeping the country may not be directly caused by the court action on the fair trade act, but they came close enough to it to make further fair trade laws improbable.

T T W N

People do the funniest things with their money. Some use it to get more, never being satiated; some buy things to tickle and torment the flesh; some go in for art; some just save it against the rainy day that seldom comes to the careful and cautious and some, alas, never get any.

T T W N

Why doesn't congress pass a law making every cow have two calves and another law making it rain on all grass pastures. That would be a simple way to solve the beef shortage.

T T W N

Does it seem as if the songs are getting romantic again, that bankers are getting cautious, books have other topics than sex and women's dresses are getting longer? If actual it means the end of our post-war period of passion.

T T W N

The other day a magazine said that in the London Times the fourth editorial was traditionally on some inconsequential subject which seems a rather stiff way to organize a great newspaper although it might suit the English and the Times. Writing editorials is a sort of peculiar means of expression at best. They are something like an essay, an exposition, an argument or a brief and may be instructive, disputatious, entertaining, flippant or many other things. It is hard to have a satirical one read in the mood in which it is written. Like other things it followed a long time one's opinions and knowledge of it become so filled with exceptions as to be valueless. The mother of ten seldom expresses an opinion on the subject of child rearing.

Perhaps the main value of an editorial is to purge the mind of a thoughtful man of an idea that will not be settled until expressed. Some people do—read them, it is said; many do not. Those who read acclaim those with which they agree and wonder what has gone wrong with the editor's head when they disagree. Editorials express a point of view or should, and another point of view will harm no one. The other side of it is that it may do him no good either.

T T W N

We learn from the ever useful press that Mr. Acheson is to be relieved of his position soon because he is a political liability. Apparently nobody in Washington is concerned with the fact that he is a national liability.

Mr Bell Goes To Washington



E. J. BELL

E. J. Bell, administrator of the Oregon wheat commission, flew today to Washington, D.C. as an agricultural consultant for the U. S. state department in its four point program of technical assistance to under developed countries of the world.

Object of the four point program is to help friendly governments fight communism by improving their agriculture, industry and living conditions.

Bell was appointed Friday by the state department as one of a group of experts on international affairs. These experts will be called to Washington two or three times a year to review policy and operational problems.

"The wheat commission unanimously approved Bell's appointment," said Jens Terjeson, commission chairman.

"His duties as consultant will not take much extra time, and he may be able to do a lot of good for Oregon wheat growers. Many activities of the state department in world trade vitally affect growers. For example, the International Wheat agreement and financial and technical assistance to the Far East and Latin America determine the amount of wheat we can sell abroad.

Bell was asked to serve as consultant for the point four program because of his studies of food habits, living conditions, cultural patterns and trade practices in the Orient, said Terjeson. A year and a half ago, Bell led the Far East grain mission to study possible markets for Oregon wheat growers.

"In turn, farming experts from these countries also come to the U. S. to study educational methods and to do research work. They then go home and try to use this knowledge to improve conditions among their own people."

Wrong Boy Named As Award Winner

There was an error in reporting the winner of the outstanding boy award in the high school graduating class in the issue of June 1. Correct name was LeRoy Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin of Kent.

Hyslop Scholarship Won Second Time

The second annual George R. Hyslop Memorial Foundation research scholarship of \$900 has been awarded to George R. Crowley of Corvallis by the foundation's board of directors.

The scholarship is provided from earnings on the trust fund of approximately \$41,000 raised as a memorial to the late George R. Hyslop, for many years head of the OSC farm crops department.

Crowley, a 1951 farm crops graduate, will take advanced study at OSC next fall working with Dr. Richard Cowan on forage breeding research. William E. Hall, first Hyslop scholarship winner, worked on inheritance of milling quality in certain winter wheat crosses this year. He is assistant superintendent of the Sherman county branch experiment station.

H. D. Proudfoot of Portland was re-elected president and Dr. D. D. Hill, head of the OSC farm crops department, secretary-treasurer of the foundation. F. E. Price, dean of agriculture, was named vice-president succeeding W. A. Schoenfeld, Directors are Wade Newbegin, Portland, and Ed Geary, Klamath Falls.

Society Hears Praise of Pioneer Philosophy

The sixth annual picnic of the Sherman County Historical Society was acclaimed successful by visitors at the end of the program at five o'clock and by hard working committeemen who finished putting everything back in place by eight.

Judge Harold J. Warner, justice of the Oregon supreme court, recalled to his listeners many historical occasions in Sherman county and said that the pioneers who had started this county on its way to economic and social success were not afraid, otherwise they would have stayed in the more secure east.

Likewise those who are advocating a doctrine of fear for this nation are not typical of the brave men and women who make up the vast majority of American citizenry, said Judge Warner.

After the crowd had gathered and visited and became hungry the tables were filled from the lunch boxes and the necessities of eating well cared for, the program began in the stand where participants were surrounded by pictures of old scenes and old residents.

Boy-Girl-Scouts Help

Jim Jones brought a troop of boy scouts from Grass Valley to give the salute to the flag, and Mrs. Bob Boynton's girl scouts presented a United Nations flag. Rev. Gearhart gave the invocation.

Jay Price, president of the society, welcomed the members and visitors by telling something of early days and times in which he remembered in his 85 years of life.

Jeryme and Jocyle Blaylock, Jeannie Duncan, Susan Baumgartner, and Deanna Martin and Tommie and Harry Dean Eakin and Orville Blaylock and Larry Easter from Grass Valley tap danced. The Rufus quartet, Mr. and Mrs. James Tate and Mr. and Mrs. Wycliffe Rice sang three numbers and Mrs. Allie Ruggles gave the report of the society's activities for the past year.

Committee reports included that of the historian, a program for betterment of living conditions in the county read by Geo. Mitchell, and the story of the finding, installing and dedicating of the John Day Marker by Mrs. Walter Bruckert and the nominating committee report by Willy Knight, who also led in community singing to end the program.

Donald Martin Elected

Harry Wright came up from Portland to mystify adults and children alike with some tricks of disappearance which lent life to the program.

Elected to office were Donald Martin, president; James Tate, vice-president; Mrs. Allie Ruggles, secretary-treasurer; Dean Reynolds director for two years and Harry Pinkerton, director for five years.

Mrs. E. E. Barnum was presented with a corsage for being the longest resident woman of the county. Mrs. R. C. Byers the woman who had lived continuously in the county, 69 years, and Jay Price and Curt Tom were hailed as the oldest man present who had lived in the county and the oldest continuous resident.

The day was warm and pleasant, the food tasty and plentiful, the program entertaining and instructive, the friends hearty and numerous.

Vivian/Trounce Presents Pianists

Miss Vivian Trounce presented her Wasco pupils in recital May 28. Those participating were: Mary Haven, 1st year, "Song of the Pines"; Darlene Gochbauer, "The Harp"; "Cherry Tree"; Judy Watkins, "Home Sweet Home"; Betty Lou Haven "Flower song"; Carmen Lee Royce, "Chapel in the Woods"; Billy Finley, violin "Cantata"; Joanne Watkins, "Santa Lucia"; Billy & Rettha Finley "Juanita"; Joanne Watkins, duet "Lustspiel"; Betty Lou Haven, duet "Swaying Daffodils"; Miss Vivian Trounce closed with "Polka de la Reine".

Moro Grain Growers To Hear Goldsmith, Co-op Attorney

The annual meeting of the Moro Grain Growers will be held next Tuesday, June 12, at the co-op offices in Moro. Business will include election of officers and other regular business.

What makes the meeting especially important, says Wendell Balsiger, manager, is that Ger-shwin Goldsmith, co-op attorney and son of Arthur Goldsmith, long-time attorney for co-operatives will be here to explain the organization of the local co-op, analyze it in the light of tax laws. He will also answer questions by members.

The meeting will begin at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Fair Board Promises Lunch For Labor

The fair board has decided to make a party out of the work day next Saturday and will furnish lunch for those who come to work on the fair grounds at that time.

Work to be done is shingling, fence repairing, painting and other work necessary to putting the fair grounds and buildings in proper shape to withstand the erosion of weather, time and people.

Five Finish State College From Sherman

Sherman county is represented by five students in the graduating class of 1465 seniors and graduate students to receive degrees at the 82nd annual commencement at Oregon State college June 4.

A total of 1247 bachelors of science and bachelors of arts degrees, representing four full years of study, will also be conferred in addition to doctorates. Advanced degrees will include 135 masters of science, 12 masters of arts, 33 masters of education, three masters of home economics, two masters of forestry and four professional engineering degrees.

Following are the graduates from Sherman county: Master of Science, Robert Ziegler, Grass Valley; Bachelors of Science, Agriculture—David Edmon Bayer, Grass Valley; Joseph Lee Heater, and Allan Robert Pinkerton, Moro; Business and Technology, Eleanor Patricia Fox of Wasco.

CD SCHOOL DUE

Basic civil defense courses for instructors will be given in nine localities in Oregon beginning June 11. It was announced by the Oregon state civil defense agency.

The sessions, put on by two four-man teams from the state CD office, will be of one day duration. Purpose of the courses is to train instructors, who in turn, will teach others.

The Dalles is the site for the regional school for civil defense city personnel of Sherman county and neighboring counties. It will be given June 13.

The regional schools will deal with civil defense orientation and organization, fire fighting in the home and atomic biological and chemical warfare.

FATHERS-SONS TO EAT

The annual Father & Son banquet which is sponsored by the Mariner's club will be held Friday, June 15, at 7:00 p. m. (DST) at the Moro Community church. Mr. C. H. Beard of The Dalles will be guest speaker for the evening. The dinner will feature fried chicken served family style under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jonsson. Get your son or adopt one for the evening and come have a good time with your friends.

CALF FEEDING TESTED

Seventy two calves are being individually fed this year at Corvallis by Oregon State college to test them for efficiency. Bulls are gaining faster than steers and heifers are requiring less feed for each unit of gain. Appearance at the start of the feeding period seems to have no relation to their rate or efficiency to gain during the feeding period. Calves of good conformation on entering the feed lot Daffodils; Miss Vivian Trounce closed with "Polka de la Reine".

Farmers-BPA Adjust Major Route Differences

Tentative agreement between Sherman county farmers and the Bonneville Power administration was reached last Friday in a meeting at the administration offices in Portland regarding the route to be taken across Sherman county by the McNary-Maupin connecting link in the northwest power grid.

The committee representing the farmers of Sherman county whose land would have been crossed by the original survey and D. L. Marlett, deputy administrator all thought that if the line could be routed from the spot where it will cross the John Day to Ferry canyon, thence across the Ragdale land, across the Searcy place, along the N. W. Thompson land farmed by Lloyd Heinrichs thence up Rosebush and thence across Wilcox land to Finnegan it would be acceptable to farmers and to Paul Raver, administrator and to engineers.

Engineers Prefer First Route

S. E. Schultz, chief engineer and W. H. Kansler, deputy, indicated agreement although the proposed route will be 2.6 miles longer than the original survey and will have an estimated cost of \$168,700 more.

The original, and protested, route would have crossed many farms and would have established towers in many wheat fields. It would have been 34.4 miles long and would have cost \$1,338,900. Farmers met and obtained agreement with Bonneville to make other surveys. A committee consisting of Tom Fraser, William Roos, V. B. Eakin, Lloyd Heinrichs and Dale Baker was named to continue working toward satisfactory settlement.

John Day Routes Long

Two routes along the John Day river were suggested both to have turned west just south of Bourbon. Both would have been more expensive and would have crossed wheat fields. A route up Grass Valley canyon was unsatisfactory to both sides, it being 41.8 miles long and costing \$1,692,300.

Aim of the committee to which Bonneville has indicated willingness to agree, was to facilitate crossing the county with the least damage to any farm which means a route whereon towers can be placed on pasture land. It is estimated that only ten or twelve towers will be on wheat land on the proposed route. From the John Day the route will cross tilted land farmed by Drinkard, Roos, Fuller, Ragdale, Searcy, Heinrichs, Stradley, Blags, Rolfe, Baker, Cox, Stark, Wilcox, and Ruggles and will handicap farming operations in a slight degree if towers are placed on waste land when possible.

Cost Figures Given

The route will be 37 miles long and will have an estimated cost of \$1,507,600. Total cost of the line from McNary to Maupin will be \$3,725,000. It will carry 230,000 kilowatts, have an easement of 250 feet with double that possible later. A. B. McPherson, engineer in charge of land procurement, will make agreements with farmers when the route is finally approved. It is not expected that the line will be activated until late in 1952.

City Budget Subject For Booster Club Discussion

Discussion of the proposed city budget by B. H. Roberson was given at the Wednesday morning meeting of the Moro Boosters club resulting in some questions about the proposed expenditures and means of obtaining results without them.

It was explained that the money to be raised would be little more than the difference between the \$15,000 voted by the people last year in a bond issue and the \$8000 it was able to get under the statutory limitation.

There was an attendance of 28 at the meeting.

Farmers Study Wheat Problems In Canada

Nine eastern Oregon wheat farmers are going to make a cost-study of Canadian wheat farming to find out why Canada has become a strong competitor in Far Eastern and Latin American markets. This study is being made with the cooperation of the Canadian government.

Several questions confront Oregon growers: Can Canada produce wheat cheaper than Oregon? Are Canadian wheat farmers paying less for machinery? Are wheat yields higher in Canada? Is income lower than in the United States?

In the last few years, Canada has been a serious competitor in the wheat and flour markets of the Far East and Latin America. Although Canada does not subsidize these exports, the U. S. had found subsidy necessary in order to compete.

Making this cost-study are Don McKinnis, Summerville, Henry Baker, Ione and Nels C. Anderson, Heppner. Morrow county extension agent, Orville Cutsforth, Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. Amos W. Creger, Haines, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schomp, Mayville, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McGoy, Enterprise and D. R. Cook of Helix. A few more growers may join the survey which will start at Cardston, Alberta, June 11.

RAINFALL HALF NORMAL

Rainfall for the first week of June was .35 at the Moro experimental station, according to Geo. Mitchell, superintendent. Reports from places in the county farther east are that more rain fell there and in Gilliam county the report is .91 at Condon and .88 on Shuttler flat. Average for the month of June at the station is .70.

So far this crop year (September 1 to August 31) the rainfall has been 16.17 inches, which may be compared to the average including the entire month of June is 10.92.

AUXILIARY ELECTS

Election of officers was done at the Wednesday meeting of the American Legion auxiliary held at the Legion hall. Named as president for the fourth term was Mrs. Mollie McLachlan. Mrs. Clare Axtell was made vice-president; Mrs. Florence Bruckert, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. J. F. Noonan, chaplain; Mrs. Mac Bull, child welfare chairman; Mrs. Jennie Martin, sergeant at arms and Mrs. Giles French, publicity chairman.

Jean Ross Wins Championship In Sheep Classes

Sherman county's delegation of youngsters that attended the 4-H livestock show and sale at The Dalles the first of the week were amply rewarded with prizes and recompensed with money for their efforts during the past months in feeding and showing their beef, pork and mutton on hoof. The county won one grand championship—for sheep, and its exhibitors placed high in many of the beef classes.

Winner of grand champion in the beef divisions was Brent Horn of Pilot Rock with a Hereford steer that was both wide and deep. Reserve champion was Ingrid Herman of Ione, a slight girl with a perfectly fitted calf although in the smaller Hereford class.

Sherman County Sheep Best

Jean Ross was owner of the grand champion fat sheep with Diane Christianson reserve.

Ronald Baker of Ione was top showman of the show and Malcolm McKinney also of Ione was junior showman. For showmen under 12 years Harry Eakin of Grass Valley was first.

Herefords were classified, winners being: 1000 pounds and up: Brent Horn, Pilot Rock 1st; Diane Christianson, Moro 2nd; Dick Ekstrom, Ione 3rd; Herbert Ekstrom, Ione, 4th; Sally Fields, Wasco 5th; Joann Ross, Moro 6th; Sally Fields, Wasco, 7th; Clyde Noble, Hermiston, 8th; Bill Steen Milton 9th; John Gardner, Canyon City, 10th; Don McIntyre, Wasco, 11th.

Hereford Classes Large

Hereford Class 950 to 995 lbs: Diane Christianson 1st; Malcolm McKinney, Ione, 2nd; Jay Wheelhouse, Olex, 3rd; Leland McKinney, Ione, 4th; Tommy Eakin, Grass Valley, 5th; Joann Ross, 6th; Steven Burnett, Moro 7th; Charles Roach, Kimbberly, 8th; James Hemphill, Dufur, 9th; Larry Fivecoat, Madras, 10th.

Herefords 900 to 945 pounds: Lee Kaseberg, Wasco 1st; Terry Kaseberg Wasco, 2nd; Steven Oveson, Pendleton, 3rd; Joyce Wing, Wamic, 4th; Harry Eakin, Grass Valley, 5th; Walt Hanna, Dufur, 6th; Sharon Olinger, Weston 7th; John Rouse, Baker, 8th; Frank Dyer, Mayville, 9th; Buddy Weatherford, Arlington 10th; Gordon Helyer, Kent, 11th; Frank Dyer, Mayville, 12th; Gordon Helyer, 13th; James Hardin, The Dalles 14th.

Hereford under 900 pounds: Ingrid Herman, 1st; Dean Graves, Heppner 2nd; Duane Baker, Ione 3rd; Donna Smith, Fossil, 4th; Harry Eakin, 5th; Frank McKay, Kent, 6th; Mary Ann Rouse, Baker, 7th; Scott Woodside, Maupin, 8th; Harold Pattee, Condon, 9th; Glen Griener, Mayville, 10th; Don Miller, Moro, 11th; Jerry Sigman, Dufur, 12th; Jasper Olinger, Weston, 13th; Lyle DeFrees, Sumpter, 14th.

Angus: Donald McIntyre, Wasco, 1st; Larry Kaseberg, Wasco, 2nd; Edwin Balsiger, Moro 3rd; Janice Hart, Baker, 4th; Janet McIntyre, Wasco 5th; Jimmy Belsho, Moro, 6th; Milton Fridley, Wasco, 7th; Edwin Balsiger, Moro, 8th; Norman Fridley, Wasco, 9th; Douglas Alley, Wasco, 10th; James Waldorf, Kimbberly, 11th.

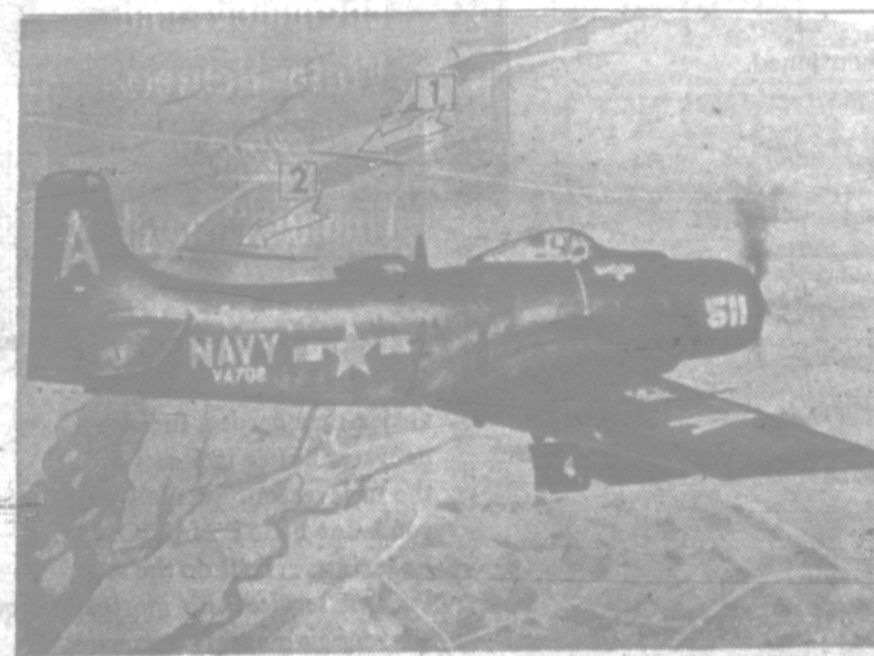
Banquet Large Affair

Shorthorn: Ronald Baker, Ione, 1st; Duane Eakin, Powell Butte, 2nd; Janet Howton, Ione, 3rd; Duane Baker, Ione, 4th; Frank McKay, Kent 5th; Arnold Miller, Moro 6th; Merle Eakin, Powell Butte, 7th; James Younghill, Dufur, 8th; Merle Eakin, 9th.

The annual banquet was enlarged and held in the upstairs of the armory where room was provided for over 300. Winners were introduced and aides introduced. Prof. W. A. Dahlberg of the University of Oregon speech department spoke.

At the sale Wednesday night the top beef sold for 80 cents and all sales were made above 40 cents as that was the starting figure. The price had been pegged at four cents above market and the bidding bested this figure.

Joann Ross' Hereford calf died of pneumonia a short time before the sale but sympathetic spectators raised \$500 for her anyway to pay her for the loss of the animal.



BAD NEWS BELOW . . . Over his left shoulder as he flies looking for targets over Korea, this navy "Skyraider" pilot from the deck of the fast carrier, U.S.S. Boxer, takes an accurate sight on two vital bridges (arrows) spanning the Chugha river, north of Hungnam. He is making ready to unload his load of "bridge busters" upon the two important links in the Reds' supply line, as part of the navy's campaign against these arteries of the foe.