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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

One of the major functions of a campaign manager is to claim a sweeping victory a couple weeks before the election.

After reading a bunch of patent medicine ads we've come to the conclusion they are all wrong. It isn't lack of laxatives, lack of vitamins, it's living that makes you old.

Trouble with most of the "liberals" is, in the words of our favorite fight manager, they're a sucker for a left hook.

We do wish Oregon had a radio station. We admit less interest in California, Washington and Idaho murders than in our own.

What is this stuff "gum-munt" the radio announcers talk about?

Remember you McCarthy haters. You don't hunt skunks in your best clothes, nor with a powder puff.

We understand that it is not true that the postoffice department is going to make stamps with a white space in them for the address so that they can be made as large as an envelope.

A writing woman who has been all around the world says that at home a woman should be a woman. Logical, say we.

Gene Autry has received a threat that he will be blown up in his car. Terrible. Why not on his horse?

Forest fires make us remember a story we recently read about northern Californians who are burning brush and dross in forests to help the grass and kill the brush. It also keeps dross from piling up until everything is killed when a fire gets out of control. It sounded sensible to the Indians but modern foresters have insisted on letting the forest floor get thick with leaves. Wonder how long the theory will last.

In Oregon a little over 15 per cent of the population are farmers according to a magazine. Efficiency on the farm has resulted in removing many from it and has reduced the political potency of farmers.

Saying that Ike is following the line of Red thinking by saying that our prosperity is a product of war and the fear of war may be good campaign material. But, nevertheless, that is the reason for our prosperity and every thinking person knows it.

The market for many things is weakening and prices are getting lower to prove it. No great drop, no panic, just a leveling off. It might not be a bad thing if it can be handled by level headed men, but there is always the chance that it will go too far. We aren't going to like it, of course, no more than we like inflation.

Pity the poor thermometer. It gets it both winter and summer.

Trying to win a football game with nothing but passing is like the traditional fighting with one hand tied behind your back.

It is but natural that Portland papers should like the population plan of reapportionment. They represent the city.

Odd as it may seem illegal gambling is better than legal gambling. Gambling doesn't change, when it is mixed with government, government changes and grows worse. It is a combination that cannot result in benefit to the average citizen.

District Attorney Warns Against Deer Hunting

T. Lester Johnson, district attorney, calls attention to the fact that the "hunters' choice", deer season does not apply in Sherman county. This means that the so called deer season of three days, from October 18 to 20, will not affect this county.

The open season on does was inaugurated in some areas where feed was short so that the number of deer could be reduced. It has now been closed in Lake and Klamath counties. Hunters should be aware that the deer season in Sherman county closes October 17, Friday.

Hospital Plan Salesmen Covering the County

An important announcement on another page of this issue of the paper gives detailed information concerning the Hospital & Surgical protection which will soon be available to residents of this county.

The National Benefit Insurance Company, with the Home Office in Des Moines is the author of the Hospital & Surgical program to be introduced to the residents of the county.

This plan of protection against the expense of hospital and doctor bills has benefited residents of many other communities. National Benefit is now in its 47th year of service and this county has been selected as one of the counties to participate in this Hospital & Surgical program.

The protection has been widely endorsed for its liberal coverage for hospital and surgical bills. Many residents of this state have received benefits for hospital and doctor bills incurred because of operations.

Since a high percentage of residents require hospitalization every year, a need for a better plan of hospital & surgical protection is indicated. It is expected that participation in the program here will be extensive. The National Benefit plan is well known and has achieved popularity.

One of the most effective means of combating socialized medicine is the ever-increasing number of families who are protecting themselves by participating in a voluntary plan of hospital and surgical protection. Many authorities believe that the American people, most especially those in the Pacific Northwest, want to choose their own plan of protection against hospital and doctor expenses, rather than be forced into a system of government controlled medical or hospital care.

Moro Buys Pump For New Well; Park Aid Set

The city of Moro bought a pump for the new well at the Tuesday night council meeting. It is a submersible pump that will throw 126 gallons to the cistern against the 610 foot head. There will be no pump house or other installation at the well except a switch box. The 30 HP motor will have a speed of 3550 rpm with 15 stages or impellers. The cost installed will be about \$3800. The city has already bought 570 foot of pipe to lay from the well to the connection with the mains near the old pump house and also bought 430 foot of pipe to put in the well.

Installation will be completed in November if plans proceed as expected.

Mrs. Darwin Van Gilder and Mrs. Homer Townsend asked the council to take steps toward improving the park and the council agreed to seed the part of the park near the highway this fall if moisture conditions were favorable. A motion was also carried to fence that part of the park.

Church Part of Evangelistic Campaign

"Christ For America" sponsors are promoting a gigantic evangelistic campaign that will envelop the nation.

They have in their cooperation 15,000 churches in the United States and Canada, which will conduct a nation-wide simultaneous revival for the benefit of everyone, during the month of October.

The First Baptist church, of Grass Valley is sponsoring "Christ For Everyone" for Sherman county. October 12-25 are days designated for home visitation and evangelism to be conducted by the church. October 27 through November 2 will be a week of special meetings at the church, starting at 7:30 each evening.

The speaker for the week will feature Crandall I. Willson, formerly in the Canadian army and later in the U. S. marine medical corps, during the last war. Rev. Willson, who recently came from Arizona, now pastors the First Baptist church in Redmond, Oregon.

Delegations will be welcomed from different churches, from as far away as Redmond and The Dalles.

The Grass Valley church will furnish good music each evening with a five piece orchestra, solos, duets, and choir numbers.

Moro Wins From Wy'east 19-13, Coming From Behind

By James Griggs

Moro played a football game with Wy'east at Wy'east, winning by a score of 19-13. Moro started the game by kicking off to Wy'east. Don Miller did the kicking. Wy'east fumbled early in the first quarter. Although Moro got the ball from a fumble, Moro was forced to kick a short time later. Wy'east intercepted a pass from Moro but Moro a short time later intercepted a pass from Wy'east. With a series of runs and a good pass by Rodney Rolfe, DeWayne Duncan went over for a touchdown for Moro. Moro got two tries at an extra point because Wy'east was offside. The last try Larry Kaseberg kicked the extra point. The first half ended with the score Moro 7-Wy'east 0.

Wy'east kicked off to Moro to start the second half but Moro couldn't get going. Danny got away a poor kick and a few plays later Wy'east made a touchdown. Wy'east really got going and soon had another touchdown. They made the conversion point and the score stood Wy'east 13-Moro 7. Rodney Rolfe made a wonderful run back and a few plays later he went over for a Moro touchdown. Wy'east made another touchdown but it was called off because of an offside penalty. Bucky Brady recovered a Wy'east fumble and Moro went all the way for another touchdown. This made the final score Moro 19-Wy'east 13.

Moro plays the Hood River JV's on the Moro field Saturday at 2:00 o'clock. The Hood River, The Dalles and other teams that play their JV's against Moro and Maupin have decided to field a better bunch of boys than they have in the past. Hood River will play all but the first team against Moro so a good game should be in prospect.

Bill Smith is out for the season with an injured knee and Max Saxton is out of school. Both are figured to weaken Moro to some extent.

NEW MOTOR INVENTED

A new automatically controlled-compression automobile engine that will give the same gasoline efficiency for driving in town as it does on the open road has been under study in the Oregon State college automotive engineering laboratory.

Controlled-compression is obtained by changing the compression ratio. A high ratio produces greater power and economy in automotive engines, according to W. H. Paul, OSC automotive engineering professor.

First tried on a one-cylinder engine, the idea was developed until it finally was used on a six-cylinder 1949 Oldsmobile. This car has traveled more than 45,000 miles, over all types of terrain, from near sea level to the top of 14,000-foot Pikes Peak.

Gasoline consumption at the various altitudes and seasonal temperature variations has remained nearly 30 percent lower than the original Olds without the conversion. Under similar conditions, the test car obtained 26 miles a gallon as compared to 18 miles a gallon for an average auto.

Paul and I. B. Humphreys, Denver, Colo., inventor, achieved this controlled-compression principle by installing a set of smaller cylinders and pistons above the regular cylinders.

This extra-cylinder set is used to open the gap between the top of the power cylinders and the head of the engine when the maximum fuel-knocking mixture is in the cylinder and while the car is operating at lower speeds. Oil pressure from the regular lubricating system is used to operate the auxiliary cylinders, Paul said.

When the car is at wide open throttle with the engine turning over about 4000 revolutions a minute, the extra cylinders boost the compression ratio to 12 to 1. An ordinary auto has a 7 to 1 fixed compression ratio.

The horsepower is increased from 15 to 20 percent above that of conventional engines at that speed—and without knock or ping. The first public announcement of the engine was made at the annual meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers in Chicago last October.

Measures Talked At Boosters Club Breakfast

Discussion of the measures on the ballot provided the program for the Moro Boosters club Wednesday morning with Willy Knighten and Giles French giving information about the bills, mixed with opinion.

Knighten spoke on the school reorganization bill first saying that under it the school boards of the county would nominate men from five zones in the county, five of whom would be elected and empowered to restrict the school districts. After the job was done the voters of each district would vote to reject or approve the plan. If defeated no change would be made; if it carried the districts would begin operation. Purpose is to bring schools into a more efficient organization and it is hoped that eventually there will be unified districts having a high school and any number of elementary schools.

He also touched on the measure to appoint a school superintendent and the one to permit change in the six percent limitation so that people could vote a change when desired.

French briefly discussed the other measures saying that this election more "Yes" votes were needed than "No" votes. He favored the measure to put the remainder of the World War I fund to use by voting 302 X Yes, said that there was some reason for a domiciliary home for aged persons although it would probably cost four to five million dollars; approved the bill to give Korean veterans the same privileges as those of World War II; thought that the state needed an emergency board and that legislative terms should run to the first of the year instead of ending at election which means that there is no legislature for two months.

He spoke in favor of the bill to permit greater change in bills within the titles and said that every property owner in the state should be sure to vote for the six mill limitation inasmuch as property is now called upon to pay all expenditures above the amounts raised by income taxes.

A vote of 318 X Yes and of 331 X No was advocated on the truck measures because both attempt to establish the weight-distance method of truck taxation which is a fairer method than any heretofore devised. An increase in percentage of truck taxes from 28 to 33 was involved which the speaker held to be insufficient but better.

No positive stand was taken on the cigarette tax, or the time measure as, French said, every one had their own opinion on these measures. Liquor by the drink was in the same category, he said. He favored the pari-mutuel bill to eliminate governmentally sponsored gambling in Oregon because of the bad effect on all state government. On milk bill amendment he was undecided.

French said that no one in Sherman county could vote for reapportionment unless through error inasmuch as it would reduce the number of legislators from this district by exactly one-half. Rural Oregon must not come under the domination of the city if Oregon is to progress he said.

Committee Calls Rural Leaders

The Farm Home and Rural Life committee of the Sherman County Agricultural Planning Council is reorganizing to include representatives from various business, social, and community organizations in the county. The purpose of the committee is to coordinate planning for community betterment and assist the extension service in aiding rural people. Letters were mailed this week to presidents of various organizations throughout the county. Organizations should submit their representatives for the Farm Home and Rural Life committee this month. Increased interest has been shown in the use of extension specialists in the Home Ec field to meet with Sherman county people for subject matter meetings. Let's get your representative to the committee in early.

Stockmen Plan Meeting; Want County Veterinarian

Annual meeting plans were laid by the Sherman county cattlemen's executive committee for earlier January during a meeting Monday evening in Moro.

Business meeting with election of officers and program will be held in the afternoon and a dance during the evening are planned for the cattlemen get-together. A drive for increased membership will be tied to the annual program.

A successful 4-H fat stock auction sale at the county fair was acclaimed by the committee. Total sales amounted to over \$7,000 with livestock averaging, beef 42c, sheep 52c and swine 37c per pound.

Increased sales by more club members with limitations as to number each could sell were tentative plans for next years sale.

Ed Fallon, secretary, Oregon Cattlemen's association, attended the executive meeting. Mr. Fallon asked for support of Sherman county cattlemen in the feeder sale, November 12, in Corvallis sponsored by the state association. Feeder calves and breed heifers of good quality are desired. Consignment must be made by October 20. Good demand and prices were anticipated with this new venture to supply valley farmers with quality stock, Fallon indicated.

Securing a county veterinarian with partial support from the county was brought before the group. Financial support from the county would cover T.B. and Bangs testing work for all wishing this service. Representatives from the cattlemen's association were designed to contact the county court on the proposed program.

Farm Forecast

Figures Expected

Only a few days remain for Oregon farmers to return the special fall crop report forms mailed to them earlier this month, according to Marion D. Thomas, market specialist at Oregon State college.

More than 14,000 farmers of the state received the forms from Niels I. Nielsen of the crop reporting service in Portland, Thomas said. Many completed forms have been returned to Nielsen's office, he added, and the others should be mailed within the next few days in order to be included in state averages.

Careful and prompt attention to the forms will benefit all the specialist said. These findings will help Oregon farmers decide when to buy and sell and what to plant next year, he explained.

It's money in the pocket for Oregon farmers to know where they fit into the nation's demand for farm goods," Thomas said. Totals for Oregon and other states will be available to all farmers and can be used to plan the farm business.

Earlier estimates made this year were based upon information obtained from trade people, county agents, farmers, and others who are familiar with local conditions, he pointed out. Now that harvest is nearly completed there is need for a more thorough check on what happened this year.

"Shifts in earlier crop plans or expected yields have probably changed the picture," the OSC specialist noted.

Thomas said that accurate reports are needed to supply farmers with necessary market information. He explained that "high estimates" can slow down trade and may cause low prices, and that "low estimates" can stimulate a false market and result in over-production.

Morelli Wins Award

Joe Morelli of Shaniko won an award from the Standard Oil company this week for submitting a tip about irrigating. It will be used in a company ad next month.

Morelli said that old hose could be used to soak a garden or could be cut at distances to irrigate down the rows of a garden thus saving water and making used hose useful.

Midco Cattlemen Selling 60 Head Of Herefords

The seventh annual sale of purebred livestock sponsored by the stockmen of the mid-Columbia area will be held at the fairgrounds Monday beginning at noon. Ellis White, Ontario, will cry the sale as he has done for the two previous years.

A show of the stock to be sold will be held Sunday afternoon with the start scheduled for one o'clock. Feature of the sale will be a grading contest in which spectators, buyers and sellers may compete. Prizes have been offered for the best man and women judge of the stock.

This will be the first graded sale for the Midco association. Stock will be graded by Herman Oliver, John Day, famed Oregon cowman, who will also judge the show. Stock, especially bulls, not conforming to certain standards will be excluded from the sale. Other shows have been following this policy this year with the result that as many as a dozen animals have been excluded from a sale. It assures buyers of better quality bulls.

Les Marks, county agent for Wheeler county, will be here to help with the grading contest Sunday afternoon.

There are 60 animals offered at the sale of which 40 are bulls, coming from the well known herds of this area which have been producing Hereford cattle for years and have an established reputation.

A banquet in honor of the visitors and buyers will be held Sunday night at the Moro hotel which is expected to bring the stockmen together socially and give them a chance to hear some of the well informed visitors who will attend the show and sale.

PMA Has New Plan For Conservation

A new procedure which farmers must follow in signing up for conservation practice payments for 1953 has been ordered by the U. S. department of agriculture, according to J. R. Beck, Oregon State college extension representative of the state production marketing association.

The change, Beck said, requires a new step in filing for next year payments and must be completed before the end of December. He advised all Oregon farmers wishing to file for payments to begin now in setting up their 1953 programs.

In order for a farmer to qualify for agricultural conservation program practice payments during 1953, he must file a list before December 31, 1952 of the practices he wishes to follow next year. This list should be submitted to the county PMA committee and must show the practices in order of their priority, Beck explained.

To aid farmers in meeting this deadline the PMA has asked community committeemen to visit farms in their area.

Government Bureau Wants Customers

Many people think of old-age and survivors insurance as insurance against old age only. They forget it is also survivors insurance and as such widows, children and aged parents may receive benefits. Not knowing this is like forgetting to read the fine print on any other insurance policy. Did you know that in case of your death, your wife might be able to draw as much as \$168.90 per month as long as your children are under 18, or that your parents over 65 might be able to draw over \$60 each if they were dependent on you? This makes old-age and survivors insurance a young person's insurance too—family protection at any age. If you want to know more about the meaning of old-age and survivors insurance as it relates to you and your future, see your social security representative from the La Grande social security office who will be at the City Hall in Heppner on Thursday, October 23, from 9:00 a. m. until noon.

