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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

The truth of the statement: "Legislatures never change, only the names and the faces", is apparent again this biennium.

T T W N

People crave and need attention and most of them are too well trained to rub against the legs like a cat or muzzle the hand like a colt, but there might be fewer frustrations if they did.

T T W N

It looks from this hill as if Oregon would be wise to get rid of Mr. O'Malley before something really bad happens in the state penitentiary.

T T W N

Educators don't know what they are trying to make of children but are sure the pay is too low for the job; parents know what they want their children to be and are sure it is costing too much for the results. Too much of the discussion is about money; too little about education.

T T W N

Anyone who gets taken in by the proposal to put a limit on federal taxes at 25 percent should have his arithmetic examined.

T T W N

If the weather man is influenced by appreciation we could have this kind of weather every winter.

T T W N

Perfume for men was under discussion and the frank female characterized: "he smells like a deodorized man".

T T W N

The more government people ask for the more taxes they have to pay. There is much more difficulty in reversing the process. Rubber balloons most often burst from too much growth.

T T W N

Liquor licenses have not expanded with the inflation. It used to cost \$1000 a year to sell whiskey in a small town.

T T W N

The city boy watched a cowboy roll a cigarette. "I can see where they got the bull in the name of that tobacco, but where did they get the durham?", he asked.

T T W N

In Oregon there is a step toward syndicalism although we suspicion that if it was called by such a foreign title it would be denied. We give industrial and especially agricultural groups the authority of the state to manage themselves. Doctors, lawyers, wheat farmers, cosmeticians and dozens of others have their own organization, collect their own fees, manage their own affairs. This is most often done without the democratic procedure of voting. This is not to say the program is bad; it is to say that it could be overdone.

T T W N

When Pope wrote, "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing, drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring", he unwittingly established a fine source of conceit.

T T W N

A Chicago woman "sweet-talked" a burglar out of a robbery. Nothing new to that story but the adjective; women have been talking men out of and into things for a long, long time. And, you know, the surprising thing about it is that they don't do more of it.

T T W N

It is quite likely that accidents will increase when angle parking begins in Moro.

T T W N

Canadian natural gas will probably be no more exciting than the brand released biennially in Salem.

T T W N

You didn't think those radishes would come up this time of year did you?

T T W N

Fellow came in the other day and he says, "I remember when I just had to learn to smoke to be a man; and now I gotta quit to remain one."

T T W N

Those who worry about Oregon's dependence on the income tax for so large a part of its revenue might remember that the United States does the same thing.

T T W N

"Local boy makes good" is always material for headline in the press and Oregon is getting a fine opportunity to use it.

T T W N

When the nation drops controls we can tell what things are worth.

About This One and That Any Place In Sherman County

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
The 1953 local observance of the "World Day of Prayer" will be held on Friday, February 20 at 2:00 p. m. The churches of Sherman county have been invited to participate. Women of the Moro Missionary society will sponsor the service to be held at the Moro church.

This is the 66th year of the observance nationally. In 1927 the observance became a World Day of Prayer. The services are traditionally held the first Friday of Lent. In 1952 over 17,000 communities in the U.S.A. held services. One hundred thirteen countries held services the same day. The offering is used for interdenominational projects both in this country and abroad.

The 1953 program theme is "Walk as Children of Light" and features a program stemming from Africa. A film strip which shows observances held last year in various countries will be shown. A women's choir and trio will provide appropriate music. Many lovely prayers from Africa will be presented during the service.

All county residents are invited.

A card party held at the Kent Legion hall Monday night sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary was well attended. Four tables of straight pinocle were in play with high scores held by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fields and low by Mrs. John Reckman and Claus Bardenhagen. Five tables of racheorse pinocle were in play with high scores held by Mrs. V. Manning and Bill Pausch and low by Mrs. Ernest Eslinger and Mrs. Foster. Mr. Donald con Borstel was general chairman. Refreshments of jello dessert, cake and coffee were served at the close of the party. The auxiliary is sponsoring another party at this hall February 23 at 7:30. Mrs. Glenn Perry will be general chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. Loy Cochran of Moro and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Peters took a drive to Madras, Prineville and Redmond Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Barnett and son, Keith, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kelly and son, John, spent Saturday evening visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ruggles.

Alfa Jean Payne celebrated her 10th birthday Tuesday February 3 when her mother, Mrs. Alfred Payne invited the girls in her class, Julia Bayer, Florene Crews, Alice Eslinger and Jeanie Baumgartner and their teacher, Mrs. Alta Crowley for dinner that evening. Games were played and Alfa Jean opened her gifts and dinner was served.

Quite a number of people attended Episcopal church services held at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon including Scoutmaster Jim Jones and assistant Scoutmaster Harold Eakni and some of the boy scouts. The Rev. E. Ernest Taylor of The Dalles delivered the sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. von Borstel Saturday evening. Mr. von Borstel returned home from the hospital in The Dalles Thursday where he spent about ten days for medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Rust made a short business trip to Portland last week. Saturday they brought their grand daughter Judy home from The Dalles with them. Sunday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Peterson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Peterson and daughters came up for dinner and to take Judy home.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Elliott and

family of Portland spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Reynolds, who arrived Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Reynolds and daughter, Julie and Deborah, were dinner guests there Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel left Friday on a trip to Arizona. Mrs. Bernard Martin went to Corvallis Wednesday to attend a grange school of instruction returning home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson and children and Mrs. Edgar Alley went to Portland Sunday to visit their mother, Mrs. Tommie Barnett at the hospital. She will leave the hospital Monday and go to the home of her sister, Mrs. Walter Thornton, for several days.

The Carl Everetts have been moving cattle, assisted by Harry Van Gilder, Joe Drinkard Jr. and Sr. George Drinkard Jr. Mr. Thompson, Glen Van Gilder and Gus Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Fridley spent a few days in Portland this week. Their daughter Joan visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Thomas while they were in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Afton McIntyre have been in Portland almost two weeks attending business and visiting their daughter, Shirley.

After the dinner was cleared away the 35 Rufus grangers were called to order by Master Rolland Johnson. Mrs. W. T. Little played for the marches and songs in place of Mrs. William O'Brien who has been ill. Curtis Neal, agriculture chairman, reported he had kept a rain gauge on his ranch which registered 10.75 inches of rain for the season. Also that on January 5 the temperature was 32 degrees, which was the lowest during the month of January.

George Fox, legislative chairman, gave a summary of some of the bills which had been introduced at the Salem legislature.

William Huck on behalf of the grange mutual insurance presented the master and grange with a large electric clock. This was won by making grange hall improvements last year.

Eugene Eaton, manager of the Sky Watch in Rufus said the air force officials would like to show their Sky Watch film to the grange. It was decided to have a six o'clock pot luck dinner at the hall February 19, then have the picture shown before grange takes up. Because after the meeting Dick Smith will conduct the square dancing lessons.

A letter was received from Mrs. Ritchie Dingle in The Dalles. She says Ritchie was able to receive and appreciate visitors. He is now at the Wasco county hospital.

Board members of the Moro library will meet Friday afternoon to further plans and ready the library for the open house benefit to be held February 19, 7:00 to 9:00 p. m.

Three new books placed on the Memorial shelf the past week are: "Stories of the Bible by Hurlbut, in memory of Nana Barzee; "Giant" by Ferber, in memory of Mary Roos; "The Shape of Suning-day" by Lloyd Douglas' biography, in memory of Cora Peake White.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Cantrall took her mother, Mrs. Leo Everett to Portland Wednesday to spend a week with her son, Kenneth Everett and family. They were called back to Portland Saturday and took her mother to the Portland Sanitarium for medical attention. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ketter and family returned Friday from Tacoma, Wn., where they spent a week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Ketter.

Club Speaker Has Wills and Trusts For Subject

Robert Ronald, trust officer of the First National Bank, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Moro Boosters club to be held at the hotel next Wednesday night at 6:30. His subject will be "Wills and Trusts", a topic which the program committee feels is a very important one to Sherman countyans.

Members of the club and others who wish to come are urged to make their reservations as early as possible.

Chris Schultz Auxiliary Has Lots of Business

Chris Schultz Unit met February 6 with 11 members and two guests present.

The plan for adding books to the library instead of flowers for those who have passed on, was discussed. Laura Sather presented "The Silver Chalice" to be added to the library honoring Mrs. Dewey Thompson's mother, Mrs. Cora Peake White.

As no junior girl in Moro is interested in going to Girls State, a plan was discussed to go 50-50 in costs with the Legion which is \$30 in all and send a senior boy to Boys State.

Marjorie Marvin gave some information concerning the advancement of the library and of the silver tea to be given February 19. Our meetings are to be held the first Friday of each month at the Legion hall when weather is favorable.

District 5 conference for Legion and its auxiliaries will be held in The Dalles Saturday, February 14 at Civic Auditorium. All members are invited. The afternoon meeting is at 2 p. m. A no-host banquet in Gold room in The Dalles hotel will be served at 6:30 p. m., \$2.10 per plate. The Legion will not hold an afternoon meeting but will go into conference immediately following the banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dyer Honored at 50 Years

A very pretty golden wedding was celebrated at the Moro Presbyterian Community church Sunday afternoon when 140 friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Dyer called to congratulate them on 50 years of matrimony. Of these guests 51 were from outside the county, indicative of the regard for Mr. and Mrs. Dyer in other places they have lived.

They were married in Prineville February 11, 1903. She was Zella Knighten and a native of the Prineville area and he was from Corvallis where he was born. They had lived in The Dalles 16 years and Ceilo 22 years before retiring to Moro in 1949.

Here from Salem was Mrs. Dyer's aunt, Mrs. Alice Scott, 95, and her two daughters, Mrs. Lela Archbold and Mrs. Minnie Jenks and Mrs. Will Cellars, a cousin, came from Clarkston, Wn. Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Bailey of Prineville, who attended the wedding 50 years ago, were present.

The Dyers are parents of a son, Alden, who came from Salem, and a daughter, Mrs. J. W. Coons. They have two grandchildren, Sharon and Jimmy Coons, all of whom were present.

Mrs. Ronald Powell cut the huge wedding cake decorated with a 50 in gold to correspond with the gold spring flowers used in the floral arrangement. Serving coffee were Mrs. Lela Archbold, Mrs. Martin Nickelson, Mrs. Gatch Bolton and Mrs. Viv Bolton of The Dalles. Vivette Sparling, Carolyn Lemley and Joann Ross served and Sharon Coons kept the guest book.

After two appropriate songs by Mrs. Ronald Powell, the couple seated themselves at the table and opened their many lovely presents most of which were trimmed appropriately in gold.

CHURCH NEWS
A guest minister will occupy the pulpit Sunday at Moro Community Presbyterian church. He is the Reverend Harold Fisher, who graduated recently from San Francisco Theological Seminary, at San Anselmo, California. Mr. Fisher has been doing advanced work in radio production, prior to leaving with his wife for the country of Lebanon. The Fishers are under appointment of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher will also speak to the Sunday School and Westminister Fellowship groups.

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Moro Tuesday, February 17, 1953 at the courthouse between the hours of 9 a. m. and 3 p. m.

Oveson Says Stubble Mulch Saves Most Soil

"Stubble mulch fallow is the one most effective erosion control practice farmers can employ", Merrill Oveson, superintendent, Pendleton branch experiment station told farmers assembled for the Sherman county soil conservation district annual meeting, Monday, February 9.

Mr. Oveson, applied the saying "Wrong side up" to black-fallow in regard to holding soil and retaining water by better penetration. The use of sweep type implements by leaving stubble residues on the surface gives immediate effect toward correcting erosion. The former Sherman countyan indicated other practices such as strip cropping, contour seeding, diversion terraces with proper outlets, and seeded waterways should be employed to assist the stubble mulch practice.

W. E. Anderson, soil conservation service, cited seven factors to consider in selecting forage plants for farms. These factors are climatic condition, soil, seedbed, use of seeding, management, seed availability, and cost. Farmers are able only to control the factors relative to seedbed, use of seeding, and management.

Other speakers included T. P. Helseth, soil conservation service, and Zeke Maddon, Oregon state game commission. A film titled "The Heritage We Guard" was shown. W. L. May was re-elected for a three year term on the board of supervisors and the annual report of the district was presented to those in attendance.

Experimental work being conducted on the Pendleton station and pilot farms relating to tillage and use of nitrogen fertilizer were covered by Mr. Oveson. Collected soil and water run-off from various tillage plots clearly indicate the effectiveness of sweep type implements in controlling erosion. Previous work at Moro showed a lack of 19 tons of soil by moulboard plowing or discing, but only a fraction of a ton from sweep type tillage.

The sweep type tillage has 50% less water run-off and this being clear. Duplicate results have been obtained at the Pullman station.

Moro Council Plans Angle Parking Try
The city council made some changes in city management at its meeting Tuesday night and planned some others. Fred Greer was hired by the month instead of by the hour and his salary set at \$250. He agreed to act as marshal if the judicial officers of the city would give him the necessary support.

Arrangements to have the city siren whine at noon were started, a plan for containing the ditch discussed and a rural fire protection district proposed.

The city agreed to buy rock from Barney Helser and to grade some streets as a part of the street paving program paid for from state funds. Total money now on hand is \$7129 which must be used to build streets. Grading and rocking will be done this year and oiling also if the money holds out.

Mayor Platt pursued his intention to change to angle parking on the upper side of Main street and an ordinance will be written to enable that. It will take some weeks to make the change legal. Without argument the council forgave a disputed water bill for Clair Balzer.

Farm Trees Found Valuable To Home
"We would not attempt to put a dollar value on our windbreak, but if we did, it would be up in the thousands," is the opinion of farm folks who know the value of good farmstead windbreaks, indicates County Agent Thomas W. Thompson.

Sherman county farm people have shown increased interest in farm windbreak protection for more comfortable working and living adds materially to the value of the farmstead. Cattle likewise do better when protected during winter months by windbreaks.

Trees available for the 1953 year adaptable to Sherman county are Ponderosa and Scotch Pine, Black Locust, Russian Olive, Caragana and Chinese Elm. They must be ordered by March 1.

Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Solomon return Friday from Portland and the Salem. Mr. Solomon has been attending a conference of Presbyterian ministers at Salem. Enroute they were guests of friends at Oswego and Aurora.

Eagle Scout Court of Honor Arranged For Nine Boys

An Eagle Scout Court of Honor will be held at Kent the evening of February 28, announces James Jones scoutmaster for the Grass Valley-Kent district.

Nine boys will become Eagle Scouts, a larger number than has raised to that rank in Oregon. Scout officials from Portland area council will be in Kent for the ceremony and Mr. Jones was in Salem Monday with Harold Eakin to ask Governor Patterson to attend. The governor, long a scout, promised to come if possible, and to send a representative if not possible.

Some 30 boys will receive advancement awards during the evening which will be ended with a dance.

The nine boys to receive the top degree in scouting are Rodney Rolfe, Harold Duncan, Dewayne Duncan, Danny Duncan, Keith Barnett, George Kelley, Ross Norton, Larry Smith and Bucky Brady.

Ellis' Get Award For Deceased Son
Mr. and Mrs. Lin Ellis and son, Evan, went to Moscow, January 24 where Mr. Ellis received a posthumous award of the Bronze Star for heroism in action for the Idaho boxing star, who was killed in Korea.

Young Ellis was a member of the Idaho national intercollegiate boxing team in 1950. He was killed last June 13 in an attempt to save the life of a wounded radio man. Lt. Col. Blewett presented the award.

Crippled Children Fund Drive Due March 15
The middle of March you will be receiving Easter Seal letters. The monies from these seals go to the Society for Handicapped & Crippled Children and Adults. The society aims to help as many as possible, not one is considered hopeless—if all known medical aid fails, they are given an education, taught a trade, and to live with their handicap. The work is costly as it requires expert medical care and supervision.

On March 5 at 2 p. m. at the Moro Community church, the Moro Womens club is showing films on this work with Mrs. William B. Chandlice of Hillsboro as guest speaker. Mrs. Chandlice is a gifted speaker.

Wasco and Grass Valley clubs are invited and anyone else in Sherman county who gives to this cause is corditly invited to come. Following the program will be a silver tea in the social room, proceeds, designated from Sherman countyans, to be given to Mrs. Chandlice for the phase of work she feels most needs it.

Hostesses for the occasion will be Mrs. A. Douma, Mrs. James Dyer, Mrs. Truman Strong, Mrs. Ralph Busse. Directors will be Mrs. Leonard Fields, vice chairman and Mrs. John Parker, chairman.

Wasco Council May Accept Recreation Spot
The city council held its regular monthly meeting Monday, February 2. A discussion was held on fixing tubes for proper drainage of the streets to prevent a recurrence of the storm damage suffered by the town the past month.

Mayor T. Lester Johnson reported Mrs. Marie Barnett Cooper had very generously offered the big Barnett house on the hill as a recreation center for the young people and for the local clubs.

After investigating work needed to be done the council members will report their findings and decide what they will do at the next meeting March 2.

The Dalles C of C Coming February 25
Vern Arstall president of the Moro Boosters club, said Thursday that he had extended an invitation to The Dalles Chamber of Commerce to meet with the local club here the evening of February 25. The meeting will be held at the school gymnasium and be preceded by a dinner.

An executive committee meeting held Wednesday night resulted in the appointment of B. H. Roberson, Wendell Balsiger and George Frantz as a committee to arrange for the dinner.

The trip to Moro will be one of a series of visits made by The Dalles Chamber of Commerce to tell about the possibilities that Enroute may come to The Dalles with the production of a million kilowatts of electricity from the new dam.

School Board Re-elected By Aroused Voters

Although 141 persons turned out for the school election Tuesday afternoon and all were interested, a half dozen could have done the job just the same.

Purpose of the meeting, and the only business it could legally perform, was the election of three directors for the Moro school district, No. 17. Lloyd Henrichs, Charles Burnett and Arthur Bucholtz, had all resigned because of a blot cast upon their official escutcheon by a complaint charging that they were illegally elected.

There was nothing personal in the suit but there was a very great urge to halt the school board in its efforts to build a new high school building.

So the voters rallied and elected Willy Knighten, district school superintendent, as chairman by both acclamation and ballot and proceeded to nominate and elect the three men to the office they had so recently resigned from.

There was a slight bit of confusion which caused some voters to vote for the men in the wrong order although the total votes counted showed 130 for Bucholtz, 131 for Henrichs and 133 for Burnett.

A meeting was held Tuesday night which resulted in the election of Lloyd Henrichs as chairman—he was chairman—and the payment of the bills accumulated by the district in the absence of anyone to pay them. Teachers were paid their salaries and the annual budget was made up. Future course of school board action is still in the future.

Moro Drops Two; In Third Place
By Jim Briggs

Mosier was the winner in a very close basketball game played at Mosier, February 6. The final score was 47-45. Danny Duncan was high point man for Moro with 11 points.

Arlington won a basketball game over Moro, Saturday night 73-46. This game was a practice game played at Arlington. The Moro "B" squad won, by a score of 39-24 over the Arlington "B" squad.

Doug Alley, Rodney Rolfe, Harold Duncan and Edwin Balsiger have had the flu and Don Miller is having trouble with a bad knee.

Moro is now in third place in the Cascade League standings and has three games yet to play. Moro plays Dufur Friday night, February 13, at Grass Valley.

If Moro wins two of the three games they will be in second place and have a trophy. Moro is going all-out the rest of the way.

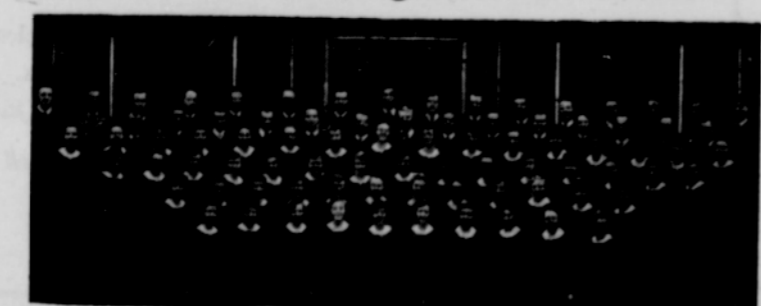
John T. Johnsons Married 50 years Ago
Annie Fulton Chapter No. 124 held a stated communication January 27. A musical program was held after the meeting in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Johnson's golden wedding anniversary and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hilderbrand's silver wedding anniversary. Two baskets of flowers and a gold covered money tree was presented to the Johnsons and a sterling silver dish to the Hilderbrands.

Mrs. Lois Hilderbrand dedicated her vocal solos "I Love You Truly" to Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and "Because" to Mr. and Mrs. Hilderbrand. Miss Vivian Trounce played a piano solo. Everyone present sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart", in honor of the two couples.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were married at the home of her parents in Bement, Illinois, by the pastor of the First Presbyterian church where she had been organized. Her brother, F. Richard Smith and Miss Maude Bennett, later Mrs. Richard Johnson, were attendants.

There were several out of town guests. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Proudfoot Sr., Mrs. May Michael, Mrs. Nettie Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Chub Johnson. The two buffet tables were elaborately decorated by the refreshment committee, Gladys Zell, Rosalee White and Ethel Van Gilder. Mrs. May Michael and Mrs. Nettie Johnson poured at the tables and Mrs. Esther Proudfoot and Mrs. Grace Mbdler served the ice cream and cake. There were two large cakes, one decorated with silver and one with gold. Mrs. Keith McDonald and Mrs. Margaret Blau served the nuts and mints.

Cappella Choir Coming To Grass Valley



On February 15 at 3:15 p. m. the Cappella Choir of the Multnomah School of the Bible, Portland, Oregon, will give a program of sacred music at the school house in Grass Valley.

The program is designed for the listening pleasure of all lovers of choral music, and will include favorites of the classics, romantic and modern schools. A special arrangement by George W. Kemmer of New York is "Were You There" dedicated to the women of the Multnomah School of the Bible Choir will also be included.

Lauren B. Sykes, director of the

group, is a member of the American Guild of Organists in which he holds the associateship and choirmaster degrees and has, also, the distinction of being its Northwest regional chairman. He is associate conductor and organist for the Portland Symphonic choir and as organist for the Portland Symphony orchestra will appear as its guest artist this season.

The three featured soloists this year are Dick Asakawa, tenor, and Virginia Salzelder, soprano, both of Stockton, California, and Evan Skerries, tenor of Eugene.

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