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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

Perhaps the greatest error the human race has made in all its thinking is that anything can aid the individual but himself.

Maybe a good way to judge men is whether they work best for someone who looks down their neck or for someone who leaves them alone.

Well anyway, 3D is an easier title than stereopticon, even if it does mean the same thing.

Women are going to be worth six bits an hour after October 13 says the state labor commissioner. Funny how he knows so much.

Someone has figured out the average family income of Americans and it's about like we estimated: Sherman countians get almost as much per capita as others do per family. Unfortunately that's an average, too.

Politicians are going to argue for a long time about who was responsible for stopping the inflation when and if that occurs. Maybe they take themselves too seriously and it happened by economics, not politics.

We were glad to see a picture of Duncan Hines and find that he is really plump. A man who spends his time talking about food, eating food, judging food, should be plump—or even fat.

Mr. Rhee is going to be very angry—mad may be a better word—when he finds out that we don't expect to fight in Korea.

Some university students have been studying the ways Indians have changed in the last 100 years. To us that's more funny than expensive, which is probably saying a lot.

It's a strange world: the same administration that worked for congressional permission to admit 214,000 European refugees is trying to keep Mexican laborers out.

Constitutions, ours and those of other nations written during that period of history when men most desired to be free from the oppressions of government and religion, were written by individualists, by actual liberals who put into them the tenets of freedom. If rewritten now it would be difficult to retain the same personal rights.

Every now and then a man—or a nation—has to make the choice between following a leader who is wrong or a punk who is right.

The less people have to worry about the better job they do of it.

Russia can afford to have the United States win the debates in the UN assembly. It is getting to be of less importance who wins there.

When a depression is threatened the big fight will be whether industry should lower prices to keep business going or whether consumers should buy anyway for the same purpose.

Great organizers, these Americans, it costs more money to get food to consumers than it is worth to begin with.

As we recall the insurance commissioner of Oregon refused to permit a reduction in auto insurance. Wonder what he'll do about the proposed increase.

Being good is good and being good for something is better.

Being mad isn't a bad thing as long as you're mad at something. When you are just mad it's time to eat a different kind of breakfast.

Speeders caught by radar are getting some public sympathy which if followed to its logical conclusion might give lawbreakers the benefit of inventions and restrict the law to obsolete methods.

The troubles of this nation come from too much concentration of power. Support of small governmental units and small business would help.

About the County being news about people you know or know about

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Liptrap of San Diego, Calif., visited her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Brock and family on their way to Seattle where he will attend school.

Word was received from Chuck Wallace by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wallace that he had sailed for Korea.

Mrs. Steve McMillin got a badly cut finger as the result of a freak accident recently. A steel blade broke off the fan at the confectionery and flew clear across the room narrowly missing Mrs. Everett Watkins' head and hitting Mrs. McMillin's finger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pierce and children Vonnie, Glen and Lila Lee and Mrs. Antonie Kuhnhausen of Glenwood, Wn., brought Judy Watkins home from a week visit and stayed for Sunday dinner at the Leo Watkins' home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins took their children to Poplar Grove to see the zoo operated by Mr. and Mrs. Archie Brand.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kellogg and children Shirley and Jack left Monday for a two weeks vacation trip back to South Dakota.

Miss Harriet Doherty of Seattle is a houseguest of her cousins Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fulton. Visitors of the Fultons last week were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown and daughter Nancy of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Watkins left Monday for California taking with them Mrs. Nell Matteson, who has been here visiting the past two months. Mrs. Hazel Simpson of Portland accompanied them also.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gordh and daughter Sherry of Portland are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Steve McMillin. Monday Mrs. Gordh called on Mrs. John Foss. Wasco residents attending the Saturday, August 15 wedding of Barbara Joy Kaseberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Kenneth Kaseberg at the church of the Madeline in Portland were Mr. and Mrs. Everett Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Watkins, and daughters Phyllis and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. John Foss and daughter Sandy, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg and son Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kaseberg and daughter Mrs. Pete Macnab, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Root, Mr. and Mrs. Paulen Kaseberg and daughter Alice and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Skiles who were usher and matron of honor, respectively.

Weekend houseguests recently of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fulton were Mr. and Mrs. George Schwind of Portland.

Mrs. Marion McKee and son Gordon of Portland and Nancy Shelton of Hood River visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Ed McKee. Gordon has recently been discharged from the service. On his arrival here Mr. and Mrs. McKee presented their grandson with a surprise gift of a new hard top convertible chevrolet.

Mrs. Alice Lamborn of The Dalles spent a week here helping cook for harvesters at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Dormaier. Al had crushed his hand in the chain of the combine and Mrs. Dormaier was helping out by driving a wheat truck.

Mrs. R. M. Johnson and Mrs. George W. Drinkard drove to Echo Wednesday to bring Mrs. Johnson's daughter in law, Mrs. C. L. Gray and daughter Cheryl here for a visit.

Mrs. Ida Everett is home again after spending the past two and a half months visiting friends and relatives in various parts of Oregon.

Mrs. Claire Axtell of Moro helped her niece Mrs. Chet Coats in harvest.

Chub Johnson arrived Thursday to see how harvest was going for his sons and their families who are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Johnson.

Directors of the Wasco cemetery association have announced that the well driller H. M. Leonard of Roosevelt, Washington, moved in to begin work August 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Steinbach of Spokane, Wn., are at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dormaier where Carl is helping his cousin with harvest. Helping Mrs. Dormaier in the house is her niece Miss Joy Halverson of Shelton, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scribner of Olympia, Wn., are here while he works in harvest. Mrs. Scribner is visiting her brother in law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tuglie.

Last weeks work on the new Catholic church between the Lewis Hastings and Jack Rothey residences went ahead rapidly and it begins to look like a building.

Margaret O'Meara is visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs.

William Booth at Gresham. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Winkler of San Francisco recently surprised her sister Mrs. Norma Everett with a visit. With them to fascinate the local small fry was a two and a half year old monkey named, Dude, which the Winkler's son sent them while he was serving at Subic Bay in the Philippine Islands.

It was fairly warm here last week, especially on Tuesday. A cool west wind came up Saturday and made the climate more moderate. However, it was good harvesting weather in general during the week. A couple outfits finished harvesting and put their combines away for another season. Elton Medler was one who finished when he got his mother's field (Grace Medler) cut Thursday. This week will see a whole area looking as if the harvesting is in the last stages.

The farmers who finished harvesting have gotten at the weeds on their summer fallow of which there was a rank growth of weeds this year on account of the wet season.

Mrs. Malcolm Guy who lives at Yamhill is cooking for Mrs. George Dinkard during harvest. Malcolm is taking in the harvest here too.

Sunday Glen Adams of Hood River and Wally Dumlum of Salem were dinner guests of George Fox jr. and brother Jimmy. After dinner they swam in the John Day river. The boys are here working in the harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. William O'Brien and children Mike, Patty, Kathy, Timmy and Randy of Biggs left Saturday for a two weeks vacation in Portland and the Oregon Coast. O'Brien is a signal maintainer for the railroad.

Last Sunday the O'Briens joined the Don Macnabs and they all went to the John Day river to swim together. Later they went to the Macnabs for supper.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fox are spending a few days at their place at Corbett.

Mr. and Mrs. John Addington of Dufur came over Thursday to the Don Macnab place to bring Karen home after a week spent visiting her grandparents.

Phyllis Jean Saladore of Portland is here visiting at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. James Easter.

Charley Kenny was born near Moro, April 8, 1888 and had spent his entire life here until his retirement. He raised wheat and cattle since adulthood.

Surviving are his widow, Minnie; one daughter, Anita Drake of Malin; one son, Lawrence, Moro; two brothers, Patrick of Vay, Idaho, John of Pendleton; three sisters, Mrs. Clarence Ruckinger, Moro, Mrs. Fred Ruckinger, Coos Bay, Miss Addie Kenney, Lyle, Washington; seven grandchildren and 13 nieces and nephews.

He was a member of the Masonic lodge of Moro, the Cattleman's association and was a Wasco county pioneer. Services were conducted from Spencer & Libby's with William Roos, Dewey Thompson, Ralph Eakin, Alex Marshall, G. Douma and Bernie Rice as pallbearers. Interment was in The Dalles cemetery.

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The serving table was presided over by Mrs. Ivan Kirkelle, mother of the bride to be, pouring the punch and Mrs. Herman Ziegler, mother of the groom to be, pouring the coffee.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clair Adams and sons Jerry and Ronald and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Forbes of Maupin spent Sunday at Timberline. Tom Dycke of Fort Klamath was an overnight guest Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Eslinger.

Miss Kathryn Kuhn of Vancouver and Miss Nita Skiles of Oakland, Calif., came Saturday and spent the weekend as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fritts at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Fritts. Miss Kuhn will teach the first and second grades in the Grass Valley school this school year.

Mrs. Roland Johnson accompanied by her mother Mrs. George Drinkard drove up to Echo Wednesday to see her son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Gray and daughter, Cheryl. After staying all night with the Grays, they returned Thursday evening.

Mrs. T. M. Rolfe and daughter, Mrs. W. B. Mathews arrived home last Tuesday from Roseburg where they visited another daughter, Mrs. Roy Wells. While there they all attended the Shakespearean plays at Ashland. Mrs. Wells came up and will spend until September 1 with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Gadoway and daughters moved into the teacherage last week from Linfield. He will be the principal and Mrs. Gadoway will teach the fifth and sixth grades.

Mrs. A. F. McGinnis returned to her home in Nyssa Monday after spending a week here visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cantrall and her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Dunlap and family at Moro.

Jack Brazeal of Bend stopped here Monday and visited a while with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cantrall. Mr. Brazeal is a nephew of Mrs. Cantrall.

Mrs. Leo Dumlum of Salem brought Kay Macnab home Friday after spending several weeks with her. Mrs. Dumlum and Frank Medler, her father, took Kay and went to Breitenbush Springs where they all had mineral baths.

While here Mrs. Dumlum was a houseguest of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Macnab and visited other relatives. Sunday the relatives gathered at the Leland Medler place.

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Action On School Case Possible After Hearing

Latest action filed in the case of C. L. Powell vs School Dist. 17 is a petition for judicial examination by the board.

Judge Howell has set September 25, at 10 a. m. for a hearing on the petition.

In the petition the directors of the school district state the actions taken since February as to calling for an election to decide if the people wanted a new school building built. A review of these actions is given.

Because, the petition states, action was started against a previous action for a school building and is threatened against this one, the board asks the circuit judge to determine whether or not the actions taken so far are legal.

The last legislature validated all the actions of all school districts in all matters and the law went into effect May 7 of this year. The former action against the validity of school board action would be handicapped, if not entirely stopped, by the passage of this legislative act.

The action is brought under a 1951 statute which permits judicial examination in cases affecting municipal corporations including school districts and is for the purpose of establishing regularity and legality. The court may approve or disapprove or may approve in part. Either side may appeal to the supreme court.

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Lightning, Thunder, Rain Stops Harvest, Burns Light Poles

Nature provided a fine display of lightning and accompanying thunder Wednesday night that put the transmission of electricity on a hit and miss basis. The towns were without lights from 1:15 a. m. until 8:30 a. m. and were finally connected with power from the east after a pole that had been burned off was repaired.

Damage to the line between this county and Dufur was not known early Thursday.

The electric storm brought a .38 inch rainfall at the station which stopped harvesting. Rain was not even throughout the county.

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Vote 421 to 36 Puts County In Line With Nation

Farmers of Sherman county, Oregon, and the United States last Friday expressed in decisive terms their desire for continued supports of the wheat price at the present rate.

The vote in the nation was 361,392 to 53,252, about seven to one; in the state it was 2411 to 251 or better than nine to one, in Sherman county the vote was 421 to 36 about 12 to one.

The last time allotments and their accompanying price guarantee were voted on Sherman countians voted 533 to 8.

Gilliam county voted 285 to 20, Morrow 461 to 9, Umatilla 1268 to 57, Wasco 311 to 23, Jefferson 280 to 19 and Union 315 to 18. Other counties, although producing a much smaller percentage of the crop, voted heavily for continued support.

The three polling places in Sherman county voted as follows: Wasco 155 for and 7 against; Moro 103 for and 20 against; Grass Valley 100 for and 6 against; mail votes 63 for and 3 against.

This assures wheat growers of a price equal to 90% of parity for the 1954 crop which by the same vote will be on reduced acreage varying from one state to another, one county to another and probably one farm to another. The national average cut is 20%, average for Oregon is 26% and for Sherman county is 32.8%.

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