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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

Speaking of pictures: If you can see the whites of their teeth, they're politicians.

T T W N

Overheard: "I was never very happy," said the old wife, "as long as I figured he belonged to me. When I thought I belonged to him I liked it better."

T T W N

Taxation is a means of making everyone pay for what a few want.

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If you can't make it better you may have to compromise by making it bigger.

T T W N

Ain't it wonderful and astounding. We like the cigarette with the least nicotine, the drink with the least alcohol, the shoe with the most holes, the education with the least training.

T T W N

Oregon license plates are going to be blue and gold. Gold, you remember, gold. It was once the color of money, good solid money, pretty money, jingling money and 20 bucks was the size of a four bit piece only somehow softer and it was good for 20 bucks.

T T W N

We know of a man who has made a business deal that will make a Democrat out of him. If the Democrats were in power it would make a Republican out of him. You see, the party in power has to take the responsibility for much personal poor judgement.

T T W N

We have grown accustomed to March going out like a lamb or a lion and are not disturbed until this year when it went out like a polar bear.

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So now the utility commission can't fix minimum rail rates. Think of all the trouble that would have saved had that been known years ago.

T T W N

Small towns are a study in anarchy. They abide by no laws except public opinion which can be the strictest of all.

T T W N

Headline: "McCarthy Doesn't Stir Women". But think what he does to eggheads. Oh, well, a guy has to have some handicaps.

T T W N

Portland police are holding a stripper for being out after hours. But, officer, how's she going to earn a living in the daytime?

T T W N

"I think," said Uncle Emmett last St. Patrick's day, "that if I was getting married, which I ain't, I'd insist the girl be part Irish. She'd be meaner when she was mean and maybe better when she was good but never any one long enough to get tiresome."

T T W N

April first was no April Fool's day this year, not with excise tax drops that should cut household equipment prices.

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It does not appear likely that Washington can get power that should go to Oregon if organization is equal in each state.

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If you are tempted to reveal a tale to you someone has told about another, make it pass. Before you speak, three gates of gold.

These narrow gates: First "Is it true?" Then, "Is it useful?" In your mind. Give truthful answer. And the next.

Is last and narrowest, "Is it kind?"

And if to reach your lips at last it passes thru these gateways three,

Then you may tell the tale, nor fear.

What the result of the speech may be.

—From the Arabian

T T W N

This sunshine may not be any warmer for having been delayed but it does seem warmer. And what else have we to judge it on?

T T W N

The man who can't get along with anyone else often considers himself an iconoclast destined to lead the world to a higher state. A few good digestion pills would have prevented many foolish philosophies.

School Sending Squad To Relay Meet In Salem

The largest turn out for track greeted Coach Jerry Disch this spring that the school has known since the generation old era of the county field meets.

The weather has not cooperated, not being spring-like enough for even hot blooded youth to run long in track clothes. Yet, the coach is taking 19 lads to Willamette Saturday, the bus load of them being scheduled for a six o'clock start.

At Salem that day will be the annual Willamette university relay carnival which six boys attended last year, five of whom placed. Entries have been made in nearly every event. There will be sprint relays, sprint medley and distance medley relays in addition to field events including discus, shot, javelin and the jumps.

Going on the trip are Larry Sayrs, Don Miller, Dewayne Duncan, Vern Mobley, John Gilman, Jerry Adams, Rodney Rolfe, Ivan Kirkelie, Gary Miller, Harold Duncan, Jim Griggs, Norman Fridley, Jim Belshe, Bob Olson, George Kelley, Roy Cyphers, Dan Duncan, Art Decker and Gene Knott.

The first baseball game of the scheduled season will be played at Dufur Friday and the coach hopes that the weaknesses of last year have been strengthened to make the team good. Batteries of Dan Duncan, pitcher and Dewayne Duncan, catcher and Earl Griggs, pitcher and Butch Heller, catcher will change off. Others in the line-up are Harold Brown at first, Harold Duncan or Rodney Rolfe at second, Jim Griggs at short, Larry Smith at third, Norman Fridley and Ivan Kirkelie in the outfield and the alternate pitcher.

4-H Winners For State Announced

Richard Harms of Route 2, Canby, has won the 1953 \$100 college scholarship offered for the highest scoring 4-H livestock breeding project in the state.

Alternates are Robert Barnes of Monroe and Betty Ann Cline of Independence. The awards, sponsored by Safeway Stores, were announced by Cal Moore, state 4-H club agent.

The firm also awarded \$25 4-H summer school scholarships to county winners in the livestock project. Included was Gary Ferguson and Judy Henderson, Albany; Charles Elmore, Applegate; Mary Jane Kamm, Astoria; Gary Turner, Bend; Ruth Ann Hotchkiss, Burns; George Ann Fairchild, Dallas; Izetta Combes, Dilley; Glenn Standley, Elgin; Gary Lozier, Enterprise; Walter Beeler, Fairview; Donna Smith, Fossil; Billie Oliver, Halfway; Lurlyn McKenny, Harper; Anita Linder, Hood River; Mardine Baker, Ione; Irvy McCord, Junction City; Joyce Dunham, Lakeview; Jimmy Monroe, Madras; Peggy Cruickshank, McMinnville; Jack Berry, Merrill; John Linn, Molalla; Kenneth Schrier, Mt. Vernon; Jean Ross, Moro; Duane Smith, Murphy; Douglas Dyer, Myrtle Creek; Rae McKinley, Myrtle Point; Eddie Palmer, Olex; LaDonna Howdy Portland; Mary Sigman, Prineville; Tommy Stennick, Rainier; Darrell Stafek, Salem; Jake Goss, Miller, The Dalles; LaVerne Loop, Toledo; Robin A. Flecher, Ukiah.

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Wasco Turns To Parallel Parking To Reduce Danger

Parking regulations in Wasco had a distinct change on April 1 when a new ordinance making parallel parking official went into effect.

This new law, passed unanimously by the city council, is expected to reduce the danger from traffic in Wasco by giving more room for vehicles on the highway. The ordinance says that parking on Clark street, the main one, shall be parallel with the curbs, which is the rule in nearly every city transversed by a state highway.

There will also be a two hour limit on parking in Wasco from 8 a. m. until 6 p. m. and signs will be erected soon to so inform drivers.

PTA Eats Spaghetti Hears Orientals

The spaghetti dinner served Friday evening by the Moro PTA added over a \$100 to the lawn fund which is to be used to prepare for, plant and care for a lawn around the Moro school.

In charge of the dinner was Mrs. Paul May, with others helping in the kitchen as follows: Mesdames Gwen Matteson, Doris Ellis, L. E. Kaseberg, Elmer Goehler, E. L. Woods, Virgil Archer, Ted Thompson and Miss Dorothy Beachler. Mrs. Paul Fraser and Miss Edith Paulson took tickets and the posters were made in grade school art class.

The regular monthly PTA meeting was held following the dinner. President, Mrs. Paul May, presided. A report from the lawn committee was read and questions answered. A door prize drawn from preceding dinner tickets was presented to Mrs. Russell Belshe.

The program included two numbers by the high school mixed chorus with their director, Miss Dorothy Beachler, at the piano. They sang "Stout Hearted Men" and "Deep Purple".

Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg presented Willy Knight, who introduced Larry Durrig, a student in education from Portland State. Larry was acting as moderator for the four foreign exchange students whose talks concluded the evening program.

Two youths were from Athens, Greece, where they had been schoolmates. They were Anthony Syriotis and Anthony Perpenias. Both are 22 years of age and seniors in engineering at Oregon State. The former student discussed domestic life in Greece and the latter, the geographical and governmental affairs.

Kozuo Homma, a former Japanese teacher, spoke on education in his homeland. He is 28 years old and a freshman in business and technology at Oregon State.

The fourth student was Alexander Huang, Chinese born in Nanking, but now from the island of Formosa. He is 22 and a sophomore in business and technology. He gave a summary of life, government and many aspects of conditions in Formosa.

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Red Cross Has Financial Trouble To This Date

Volunteers of Sherman county chapter, American Red Cross, are making final contacts in annual campaign for members and funds, according to Mr. Vernon Miller, 1954 campaign chairman. Altho only \$1290 on a total goal of \$2220 has been turned in, Mr. Miller expressed hope that late additional returns would raise the figure. To date, residents of different communities have contributed the following amounts: Moro, \$506; Wasco, \$433; Grass Valley, \$279; Rufus, \$72. There has been no report from Kent, and reports from other sections are not believed complete.

Mr. Miller pointed out that 60 per cent of funds raised are to support local Red Cross services including the Blood Program, Summer Swin Campaign, First Aid Training, Home Nursing, and the Home Service program of assistance to servicemen, veterans, and dependents of these two groups. The remaining 40 percent will go to the national organization as this county's share of major disaster expenses and to support Red Cross services to the Armed Forces in the United States and abroad, wherever our men are assigned.

According to figures released by the Portland Regional Blood Center, residents of Sherman county last year used 60 pints of blood for which no charge was made, although hospitals did charge their own fees for cross-matching and administering transfusions. The failure of some hospitals in the past to use specially provided Red Cross stamps on hospital statements has led some persons to the erroneous conclusion that they were being charged for blood previously donated thru the Red Cross. Most hospitals are now using the stamps on statements, making it clear that no charge for the blood itself is involved.

The Portland Blood Center also explained that in areas not participating in a regional blood program, the cost of blood to residents averages \$35 per pint in addition to the hospital fees for cross matching and administering transfusions. Because of voluntary blood donation and other voluntary participation, it costs the Red Cross only slightly more than \$5 to make one pint of blood available for use. The blood program is never-the-less one of the most expensive Red Cross programs and is dependent entirely on the annual fund campaign for its continuation in any region.

Mrs. Naomi Van Gilder, Red Cross Blood Program chairman for Sherman county chapter, expressed hope that a large number of donors will present themselves at the Moro Community church on Monday, April 12, when the bloodmobile from Portland will visit the county. The entire region of 34 counties is dependent on a successful bloodmobile drawing to meet the region's need for blood for that particular day.

Both Mr. Miller and Mr. James Tate of Rufus, county chairman, for the local chapter, urged all workers to complete solicitation and to turn in reports and funds as soon as possible. They also urged all residents not previously contacted, or those who wish to make additional or more generous contributions, to send them to Mrs. Leta Eslinger, Red Cross treasurer at the Moro Hotel in Moro.

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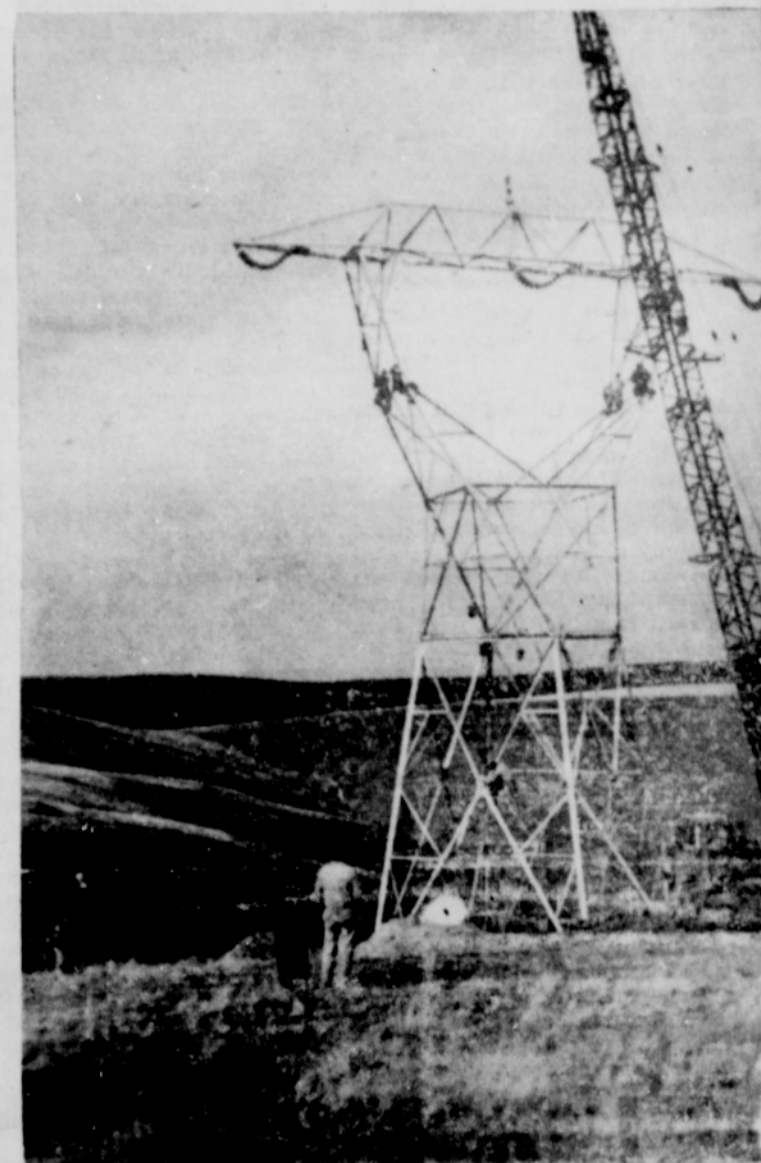
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Towers For High Line Getting Built Across County By High Climbing Erecton Crews

High on a windy hill an erection crew of the Western Line Construction company brace themselves on the thin, cold skeleton

while the crown is dropped into place by the crane man.

Within minutes the lower framework had been hoisted into place and bolted together. It came up in chunks, already assembled and went together with a surprisingly small amount of work with lining pins. These things are made to fit.

Last act is to place the big frame that holds the insulators, three of them. It is bolted at four corners and a lineman directs the crane operator as it is lowered into place. Crane men cannot thread needles with the long booms but it almost seems to watch them moving a heavy load inches at a time.

This particular tower is back of the Bruckert place and little more than a mile from the John Day river. The next tower to the north is across a canyon that must be driven around.

The second section of the tower makes a 90 degree turn, for strength and better bracing and the third section is open to permit some swaying of the wires that will be fastened to one insulator inside the frame of the tower.

This is not a high tower, rather, one of the small ones. Men working carry kit of tools strapped to their waists and a sack of the 5/8 bolts with which the tower is put together. This is Sid Woodward's crew and watching, with hands deep in comfortable pockets are Stan Drew, superintendent, and Lew Box, inspector.

A crew will be string wire soon and the line is scheduled to start in use sometime in June. Tower construction is nearly done.

Pilaf, New Wheat Product, Made From Bulgur, Used In Armenia and Turkey

Bulgur, or processed, wheat has been prepared by Armenians, or Turkish people for hundreds of years. Since it is inexpensive to prepare, stores exceptionally well and can be used in a wide variety of dishes, it has long been used as a basic food in their diet. It also is high in nutritional qualities.

The cost of Bulgur per pound is less than half the cost of rice, yet it has a higher nutritional content. Since it has been used primarily by races of people in Southern Europe, the product is not too well known in the United States—in fact, there are only three plants in the country which produce it in small quantities.

The closest one to our area is the Sunnyland Bulgur company in Fresno, Calif. The George Perch family runs a small operation there, and seems to base their processing more on taste and feel, rather than any scientific methods. In general terms, the wheat is processed by slightly milling, or pearling it, then cooking it until it is just right, then drying it—in the sun, when possible—until it is very dry and hard. It is then cracked into three sizes, the coarse size being the most popular, and being the processed wheat which is used mostly in the Pilaf dish.

It is incorrect to call Bulgur wheat by the name of Pilaf, since Pilaf is a specific type of dish which is made from Bulgur. There are many recipes which can be used, but generally speaking, it will substitute for rice in most recipes. The Pendleton Hotel has been serving Pilaf dishes for the past year, and their customers like it very much. The Oregon Wheat commission is now preparing Pilaf recipes which will soon be available upon request.

TOMATO WHEAT CASSEROLE
Suggested by Mrs. Raphael Raymond

1 cup processed wheat (coarse)
2 1/2 cups canned tomatoes
1 tablespoon chili powder
1 teaspoon sugar
1 small onion, 1/2 bell pepper
4 tablespoons butter, salt and pepper to taste.

Brown lightly onion and pepper in butter; add wheat and tomatoes. Stir well. Add chili powder, sugar, salt and pepper. Simmer on low heat or in casserole in oven for one hour. Top with grated cheese the last 15 minutes.

Refreshments of cake, tea, coffee and mints were served. Spring flowers of daffodils, carnations and sweet peas made the table especially attractive.

The door prize was a potted rose bush. A plant exchange completed the afternoon's activities.

Cold Night Cuts Fruit Crop; Trees In Full Bloom

A heavy frost and temperature down to ten degrees above zero on Sunday night, March 28, probably destroyed the apricots, peaches and perhaps the cherries in this county. Fruit growers all feel that the year's crop is gone although hoping that they may be wrong. Similar reports come from all the Columbia river fruit areas from Milton to The Dalles.

Peaches and apricots were in full bloom Sunday, making entire orchards pink or white. Monday morning they were the remains of a forlorn hope.

Whether the freeze damaged the barley or not is still being debated. Some of those competent to judge say that a ten above freeze should kill spring barley and reports are that the barley looks good yet whether frozen or not.

Winter sown spring wheat, like Federation, on the station was black Monday morning and may be a total loss. Flynn barley and true winter barleys are looking good there but may die yet.

It was a cold month, this March of 1954, but not quite the coldest ever recorded at the station. That was in 1951 when the average mean temperature was 37.1. This year it was 37.9. In 1948 the average mean was 38 degrees. The warmest days were the 8th and 9th of the month when the mercury went up to 62 and the coldest was the 10 above on the night of the 28th. Even this failed to break a record for in 1913 the temperature dropped to 9 above on the 24th and in 1945 it got down to seven, but that was on the 5th. It was, however, a cold month being 4.1 degrees below the average mean temperature.

Neither was it good for moisture only .76 inch falling whereas we usually get .88 inch. For the crop year the rainfall has been 10.21 inches a good 1.33 inches above the normal despite March not doing well by the precipitation.

Herman Peters Weds Kelso, Wash., Girl

Miss Alice Lary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Lary of Kelso, Wn., became the bride of Herman Peters Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Peters of Grass Valley at the Presbyterian church in Kelso Saturday, March 27.

Those attending from here were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Peters and Mr. Arden, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Olan Stark, Mrs. Art Bibby, Mrs. Eben Kee and Mrs. Loy Cochran of Moro.

Wasco Study Club Has Regular Meeting

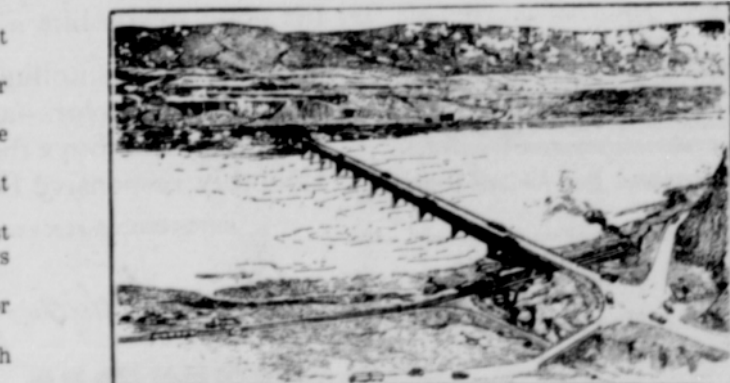
The Wasco Woman's Study club was called to order by the president, Mrs. Robert Bish at the home of Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg. Mrs. Hildred Zell was co-hostess. Twenty-three members answered to roll call. Guests were Mrs. Curtis from Portland, Mrs. Ed Kaseberg from The Dalles, Mrs. John Foss son and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Watkins, Mrs. Afton McIntyre and Mrs. Gus Hartmann from Wasco. The flag salute was given and collect was read.

Mrs. Walter Bruckert, chairman of the Farm Home and Rural Life Planning committee gave a detailed report of their endeavor to obtain a home extension agent for Sherman county. Mrs. John Foss read the "Bill of Rights" and the preamble of the Constitution.

At the conclusion of the business meeting, the ladies gathered in the playroom where a demonstration table was set up to show the fundamental principles of cake decorating. Mrs. Bruckert gave the demonstration with her many interesting experiences in learning the art. The Hudson House in Portland was the source of her materials, "Simplified Cake Decorating" by Ateco, was the text. A cake was decorated with pink roses, green leaves and white garlands. Mrs. Bruckert could surely "squeeze and release" with finesse and artistry. We were fascinated with the results.

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A Bridge At Marvhill, Improvement On Highway 97, Object of New Organization

A group interested in Highway 97 and a bridge at Marvhill got together Tuesday night and unanimously decided to form an organization to work with similar local groups toward development of the through Federal Highway from Canada to Mexico.

The Highway 97 association has long been organized but the Sherman county part of it has been inactive for some time.

B. H. Roberson was named president and Collis Moore secretary.

treasurer. They expect to attend meetings at Bend and Yakima and see what funds the highway commission can expend on improvement of the through road.

Building of a bridge at Marvhill is becoming more feasible with every one of the development projects of the northwest including dams, new irrigation projects, increased populations, was a sentiment expressed, and the Marvhill bridge should be a part of that development.

He has worked in Coos Bay and has been in Portland for five or six years in the service department of the company. Several others, he said, were after the local but he got it because of seniority.

In addition to the smaller daughter the Kelsoes have a daughter in school. They found no house.