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These Things We Note

Giles L. French

A Democratic senator from back east is critical of Ike for playing golf and fishing. Anyway such sports are better than playing amateur almighty and giving away territory to Russia as was done at Yalta.

T T W N

Those who proclaim our great needs too often expect some one else to provide the ways and means.

T T W N

Teenage boys in Portland have had a fight over a girl. Even spring has its drawbacks.

T T W N

Churchill, it is again reported, is going to retire. It is time. This nation could always get along without him easier than he could get along without us.

T T W N

The new Pontiac looks like it was wearing suspenders.

T T W N

Up near Umatilla humans have dug up the bones of some mammoth animal. How long will it be before some mammoths will dig up human bones and be similarly impressed?

T T W N

The legislature is debating a bill to grant up to \$200,000 to restrict alcohol drinking, which is thought by some to be a proper subject of reform. The tax committee's proposal to boost the price by \$6,000,000 is a more practical solution—and cheaper.

T T W N

It says here that we're going to have hustle by order in the Pacific coast league this year. Hustle by disposition and interest will be faster.

T T W N

It is reported that Malenkov is on tour, but it isn't certain whether he is traveling in this world or the next.

T T W N

Putting higher taxes on insurance premiums seems a sort of round-about way to get the citizen to pay more taxes.

T T W N

A farm magazine reports the wheat situation as worse than ever; too much and growing, poor quality, price driving it out of markets. And it also mentions that legitimate wheat area farmers are being driven out of business by Johnny-come-latelies who grow poor wheat on poor land for good prices—federal aid which is our favorite objection to the wheat program.

T T W N

Young men stand around machinery with their hands in their pockets, a practice that contained an element of danger when around livestock.

T T W N

Any tax can be evaded. Some easier than others. One can quit cigarettes, liquor, stop driving a car, sell his property, make no income. Then one can live on taxes instead of paying them. The thought is not original, lots of people are doing it.

T T W N

On behalf of equality of assessments this county should follow the lead of Gilliam county and do the needed job of reappraisal by itself. It would be cheaper than having the state do it and this county has the men with required experience to do it well.

COON FOR WATERWAYS

Sam Coon this week supported an increase of a million dollars in the fund for developing small watersheds and declared that public response to the watershed program "is a vote of confidence in the Eisenhower policies."

Speaking in support of the 1955 Agricultural Appropriation bill, Coon supported the increase, recommended last week by the House Appropriations committee. The total recommended for development is \$12,000,000.

Under the small watershed program, local groups work with the federal government in financing and operating upstream watershed work. There is a limit of 5000 acre-feet in programs that can be undertaken under the Hope-Aiken small watershed act.

Rep. Coon declared that the success of the watershed program "gives a clear indication of the willingness of the people to follow the lead of the federal government when it presents them with a simple program of giving the government back to the people."

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

The Home Economics club cordially invites everyone interested in the new materials to their next meeting to be held April 14 at 1:30 p. m. at the Rufus grange hall. Miss Muriel Scates, extension clothing specialist, OSC, will speak on "Identification and Care of New Fabrics". Miss Scates has developed all of the 4-H clothing projects and works with home demonstration agents throughout Oregon on various clothing projects.

The Camp Fire Girls are busy this week with their candy sale and doing very well.

The first year group in 4-H sewing have finished their head scarves and are starting to make stuffed toys. The second year girls are making padded pot holders to match their aprons. The fourth year girls have finished very attractive blouses.

The American Legion Auxiliary at Wasco is getting ready for the quick bread demonstration at the Legion hall in Wasco April 4 at 2 p. m. Rose Ellen Schmid, home economist from the Oregon Wheat league who lives at Pendleton, will have charge of the work. She will also give some recipes for the new wheat products, such as how to use "Pillaf".

The Wasco and Moro Legion Auxiliaries will have a joint meeting at Wasco April 18 at which time the state officers of the Auxiliary plan to be present. A 1:30 luncheon is planned. The unit will have definite arrangements made at the next meeting.

Blinking our eyes twice Friday morning made us realize two inches of snow had fallen during the night. The snow fell on warm ground, and most of it was melted away by that evening. The sun shown Saturday, but the east wind made the air chilly.

The Rufus grange dance Saturday night was well attended and everyone seemed to have a good time. The three piece orchestra from Goldendale, Wn., furnished the music. The instruments were piano, guitar and violin.

The Home Ec. club made \$21 on the supper which was served by Mr. and Mrs. Will Huck.

A homesick boy in Japan who is hungry for some of his mothers delicious dinners, sent his mother a twelve piece, green leaf design with gold edges, set of dishes last week. The boy, Al Blake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blake of Rufus is serving time in Japan for Uncle Sam.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Finley held open house last Sunday in their new home here by entertaining 45 guests who had a look through the house and were served refreshments.

A meeting of Cub Scout pack No. 362 was held at the school Friday evening with Cubmaster, Bill Rolfe, presiding. He presented bobcat pins, neckerchiefs and slides to Dean Ruggles and David Eakin. Vernon Eakin awarded wolf badge and a gold arrow to Terry Eakin; Ivan Blagg awarded a lion badge to Danny Rolfe and a lion badge and a gold arrow to Gene Eakin; Elton Eakin awarded a gold arrow to Gail Stradley. Den 2 led in the opening ceremony and Den 3 followed with Scout yell led by Den Chief Orville Blaylock; Den 1 closed with the Scout song led by Larry Middleton, all the Scouts sang "Little Chick" and the crowd sang "God Bless America". Refreshments of cake, punch and coffee were served in the cafeteria by Mrs. Elton Eakin, Mrs. Lester Barnum and Mrs. Bill Rolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young and children of Portland stopped here last Tuesday and were overnight guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Young, on their way home from a trip to Burbank, California where they visited his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Young.

Mrs. Sadie Alley went to the Dalles Friday to spend a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Block. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hartmann of Wasco were Sunday visitors of the A. F. Balzers.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Marsh and family of Hood River were dinner guests Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clodfelter. Mrs. Marsh and children stayed to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel are the parents of a son born Sunday March 27 at the Dalles hospital. The baby weighed 10 lbs 2 oz and was named Wayne. He has two sisters and one brother.

Mrs. Myrtle Smith and son Gordon and Mrs. Boyce Blaylock were business visitors in Portland recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Olds and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds and son, Robin drove to Portland Sunday and

spent the day visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dean Olds and family. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Nahouse of McCoy came up and spent the day there also.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Eslinger and family were dinner guests Sunday of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eslinger to celebrate his mother's birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Olds and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Eakin were in the Dalles Saturday to visit Mrs. Mary J. Baker at the hospital where she is confined with a broken hip when she fell in the basement of her home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Raven and son of Longview, Wn., and Miss Phyllis Rust and Rex Richards of Portland arrived here Friday night and spent the weekend at the home of the girls parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rust.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cox went to Condon Sunday, to take their grand daughter home and spend the day with their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Bayer and daughter, Helen, were dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Olan Stark in Kent.

Mrs. Marcus Eslinger and daughter, Leta Ann, spent most of last week in the Dalles with her aunt Gertrude Hogue.

Fred Cox went to Portland Sunday and spent the day visiting his uncle, Frank Augee.

Leroy Martin of Kent was home from OSC to spend spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin. During the past winter term he was elected vice-president of his fraternity house, Delta Tau Delta. He had a minor role in the play "Sabrina Fair", which was presented by the OSC speech department.

Tuesday Study club met recently at Mrs. Raymond Van Gilders with members Mesdames Leo Watkins and Judy, Merlin Shields, Oral Gosson, Roe Decker, Ed Dutton, Tom Striker, Bill White, Cliff Fridley, W. D. Watkins, Bertha Moon present. Plans for guest day were discussed. A report was given on a visit to the Moro club at which Mrs. Knowlson of Oswego talked on her trip around the world. Refreshments were served. The county church choir will present Easter music to the public in the little gym of the Wasco school Sunday evening April 3.

Sunrise services and breakfast are being planned by the Wasco Church of Christ. It will be open to the public and Sunday will bring the announcement of place and time.

The monthly movie night will be Friday April 1 this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Watkins celebrated Art's birthday recently with a dinner to which Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins and family and Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Watkins were invited.

Dinner guests recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Buck to help her celebrate her birthday were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Virtue and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Buck and son Johnny of Moro. Also Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Van Gilder and family and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Roberts.

Little Johnny Buck celebrated his first birthday with dinner at his grandparents' home Mr. and

Mrs. Leo Watkins. Other guests were his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Buck of Moro and his other grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Buck.

The Wasco Tilicum club met at the home of Mrs. Paul Patrick Thursday afternoon March 17. Mrs. L. L. Funk, Mrs. W. A. Nisbet, Mrs. James Maddox, Mrs. Anna Lee, Mrs. Lee Dehler and Mrs. H. A. Van Gilder were club members present and Mrs. Keith McDonald a guest. High and low scores went to Mrs. Funk and Mrs. Maddox. Mrs. Lee had been ill for sometime and was welcomed back by the group.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott and daughter Jeanette were here Sunday. They called at the H. A. Van Gilder home.

Micky and Jimmy O'Meara were here from Condon for the weekend with their father Jim O'Meara and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Meara.

Mrs. Mid Howell and sons Randy and David of Moro and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Howell, Kathie, Linda and Mark called on Mrs. Joe Drinkard Friday afternoon. Kathie and Linda remained overnight and Saturday Mid Howell and Mrs. Drinkard and family took the girls to Hood River and brought Mrs. Howell and sons home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dunn spent the weekend at Walla Walla, Wn. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hastings were away several days last week, in their absence Mr. and Mrs. James Maddox of The Dalles were here taking care of their home and Mr. Maddox helped out at the store.

There was a pack meeting at the little Legion hall the evening of March 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence O'Dell are to move into the P. D. O'Meara house late this week.

Accident Injures Two South of Grass Valley

A collision between a car and a pick-up sent two persons to the hospital Wednesday afternoon at 2:35 when a Chevrolet car driven by Ben Reeves, 25, of Escalon, Calif., with his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Anderson, also of Escalon, as passengers collided with a Dodge pick-up truck driven by L. J. Robbs, a railroad engineer of La Grande.

The pick-up was turned completely over as the two cars met on the turn at the Schilling place a little over a mile south of Grass Valley. The pick-up had to be piled apart before Mrs. Robbs could be taken from it.

Omer C. Luttrell Dies At Pendleton

Omer C. Luttrell, one-time Sherman county resident, died at Pendleton last week at the age of 71. He was a native of Tennessee who came to Oregon in early life to farm.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Lois Snively of Hermiston, Miss Edna Luttrell of Los Angeles, Mrs. Ruth Vanderwood of Libby, Montana, Mrs. Faye Munkers of Lexington and Mrs. Fern Boyer of Pendleton. Funeral services were held in Pendleton.

News of Sherman County's Official Government and Its Activities

CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF MARCH 2, 1955 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

Claims against General Road Fund and Special Road Fund, presented, all claims allowed.

Claims against General Fund presented, allowed with exception of one claim to Chemical Supply Co. for janitor's supplies.

Treasurer's financial statement showing all fund balances as of Feb. 28, 1955 presented, approved and filed.

Road Fund balances and Special Road Fund balances presented, approved and filed. Gasoline report presented, approved and filed.

Re: Application read from Chas. Logan for auditor for Sherman county at same rate as previous years, application accepted, and Clerk to notify Mr. Logan. Letter of thanks read from J. M. Wilson Sr. family for flowers.

C O'Dell of Wasco appears before court re: insulating and weather stripping windows in courthouse; matter deferred.

D. Helyer & J. Helyer appear before court with road viewers re: road to J. Helyer's place through D. Helyer's property; advised J. Helyer to petition County Court to establish County road for 1 1/2 mi. south to his place.

D. Helyer agrees to give right of way for one mile if fenced.

County Court signs three resolutions vacating certain roads in S. R. 17 E. & 4S 17 E. Court adjourned until March 8, 1955.

MARCH 8, 1955 Special meeting. Weed-control program under discussion. Gravel truck to be converted to weed-spray truck, tanks to be installed and made to specifications. County Agent T. W. Thompson to act in an advisory capacity as to noxious weeds and to purchase of spray for such. To advertise for sale spray tank on hand.

MARCH 14, 1955 County Court and Burget committee members met in special session. Re: Survey for bridge across Columbia under discussion; agreed by all present to leave commitment of \$6000.00 for Sherman county as previously stated. \$9000.00 for 1954-55 and \$3000.00 for 1955-56.

Re: Veterinarian for Sherman county, decided not to hire part-time one. Adjournment ensued.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR FEBRUARY, 1955 APPROVED MARCH 2, TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

Miller, Brown On OSH Commissioner Coming For Talk To County Club

Although no definite date has been set, Charles Reynolds, member of the state highway commission and newly appointed for a three year term, will speak in this county as a guest of the Sherman County club sometime this month. It is expected that the meeting will be held in Wasco if arrangements can be made.

Mr. Reynolds' appearance here has been delayed because he wanted to obtain a better perspective of the president's highway program before talking. Now that that program is being held up in congress and may be drastically changed, Mr. Reynolds will speak on some other subjects of interest to this county: Highway 97 improvement and the Maryhill bridge as examples.

Owing to a tie for the last two places, seven men were selected for the first squad. John McCormick of St. Mary's received all six votes for a total of 12 points. Don Miller of Moro received five first string votes and one second for 11 points, while Gary Nichols of Cascade Locks got five first string votes for a total of 10. The four tied for the other two positions each had a total of nine points. Harold Brown of Moro received four first place votes and one second. Don Niswender and Rob Paulson both of Maupin and Bob Cumiford had three first place and three second place votes apiece.

The voting for the second team found R. Youngs of Culver and Bucky Underhill of Dufur leading with seven points each, closely followed by Norman Fridley of Moro and V. Youngs of Culver, each with five points and Harold Duncan of Moro with four.

Those awarded with honorable mention were Larry Smith of Moro, Ziegenhagen and Cheek of Maupin and Walker and McDonald of St. Mary's.

Coaches voting were Ed Ball of Cascade Locks, Rick Cantrell of Dufur, Jerry Disch of Moro, Jack Grieg of Mosier, Buck Monroe of Culver, Father Leo Stupfel of St. Mary's and Ernie White of Maupin.

The weather hasn't been favorable for baseball practice, but the Moro Huskies play their first game of the season with St. Mary's in The Dalles today.

WATER MEETING DUE NEXT WEDNESDAY

A Water Forecast and Water Stretching meeting will be held Wednesday, April 6, County Court room, county courthouse The Dalles. County Agent T. W. Thompson reports. Farmers interested in the availability of irrigation water for the area and possible adjustments to conserve and stretch water on irrigated and dry land operations are welcome.

The program for the all day meeting is as follows:

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon—Water Forecast for the Area—Jack Frost, Soil Conservation Service.

1:30 p. m. to 2:00 p. m.—Soils in Relation to Water—Robert Mitchell, Soil Conservation Service

2:00 p. m. to 2:30 p. m.—Water Management—Marvin Shearer, Irrigation Specialist, OSC Extension Service

Richard A. King, Soil Conservation Service

2:30 p. m. to 3:30 p. m.—Possible Crop Adjustments—Including some on range and dry-land crops—

E. R. Jackman, Range Crops Specialist, OSC, Extension Service

Wasco School Sees Legislature Work At Salem

Betty Haven At 4:45 a. m. March 25, 24 anxious people crawled into cars and started for Salem. The day was beautiful, everything one could wish for in a day. There was a blizzard, so we couldn't travel over 40 MPH at the most. We were doing fine until three carloads of us were stopped by a large empty cattle truck that had slid sideways across the road. We stayed there around 45 minutes and then were on our way again. When almost to Portland the weather cleared up to just a nice steady downpour of rain. We headed out 82nd street after every car stopped at a different place to eat. We went through Woodburn and saw in the distance the home for boys. Some of the girls wanted to visit but that idea was discouraged by our chaperones.

Finally about ten we reached Salem. Our appointment was for nine, but we were a bit late. Then we were rushed into the House of Representatives, and from there to the Senate Chamber. We wondered why many of the senators had their feet propped up on their desks reading newspapers while the reading clerk rambled on about the different bills and why most of the men voted aye without even glancing up from their paper. There was usually one or two nos so we figured they were the only ones listening, however, we were corrected on our hasty judgment and were told the senators who weren't paying attention had already studied the bill and knew what it was all about.

Then we were escorted to the cafeteria to eat. We all enjoyed a very good meal, and some of us even got a glimpse of Governor Patterson! Then we continued on our journey into the capitol. We saw the beautiful table in the governor's waiting room that is inlaid with some 2000 pieces of fine wood. Then we sat in the personal business office of the governor where they allow very few people to go. After that we walked up what was supposed to have been 129 stairs but I think somebody miscounted because I'm sure I counted 600 as we went around and around to the top of the building. From there if we perched ourselves up on the railing, we could see all of Salem. We saw the beautiful gold colored statue on top of the dome. From where we were we were told it was an optical illusion because the statue didn't appear as large as it did from the ground. Finally we climbed down the stairs and the freshman-sophomore classes were escorted to the Fish-Game commission, while the junior-senior classes were escorted to the Educational commission. Both we found very interesting.

We then went to the Chemawa Indian school where every student has to be at least one-fourth Indian to enroll. Most of the Indians there are at least a part Navajo but one year they found that there were 60 different tribes among 160 students. They had farms right there at the school. We visited several classes including the gym where they were practicing baseball. I'll say one thing, I'm sure glad we don't play them in baseball.

Finally we headed for the hotel Marion where we were to spend the night. We were assigned to our rooms and after checking out with Mrs. Nelson we went out to eat and see a show. We had a twelve o'clock curfew but I fear most of us didn't get to sleep until after that.

The next morning we awoke refreshed after a four or five hour nap and hurried down to breakfast. After breakfast we met in the lobby and headed for the forestry building, a building in which there is every kind of wood on the walls and ceiling that you can think of. All Oregon native woods.

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Home Demonstration Agent Coming

"Identification and Care of New Fabrics" will be the theme of a series of demonstration and information meetings throughout the county April 13, 14, 15, County Extension Agent Thompson has announced.

Miss Muriel Scates, extension clothing specialist, OSC, will conduct the demonstration meetings. Miss Scates works with home extension units and county extension agents in home economics throughout the state on clothing information and techniques. She has developed the 4-H clothing projects that are so popular locally and throughout the state.

Final arrangements for all the meetings have not been made to date but will be announced next week. She will meet at the Rufus grange hall, Thursday afternoon April 14. Plans are for meetings in the other communities during her visit.

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NEW PRESS INSTALLED FOR MORE WORK

A new piece of equipment has been added to the machinery in the Sherman County Journal office, an automatic press, which does its own feeding and its own taking away. That is after it has been adjusted to do those things. It will print faster and we hope better than has been possible before which means that it will require more job work to keep us busy and to keep us fed and clothed inasmuch as it cost money. Anyone who would like to watch it run can bring it some printing for us to do on it.

TIRES & TUBES: Firestone Stores, \$203.68
GAS & OIL: Standard Oil Co., \$121.57
BRIDGES & CULVERTS: Moro Lumber & Fuel Co., \$393.65
GENERAL SUPPLIES: Moon Equip. Co., \$6.96
MISCELLANEOUS: B. & B. Wrecking Co., \$28.00; lights, \$8.20; water, \$1.75; phone, \$16.30; Ranch & Home Store, \$5.30; Moro Lumber & Fuel Co., \$25.31; Sandy's Union Station, \$2.00; Moro Motors, \$4.99; Dunlap, \$8.80; Kuypers, \$144.00
SPECIAL ROAD TAX 1953-1954 MISCELLANEOUS Draper & Adams, \$600.00
SPECIAL ROAD TAX 1954-1955 WAGES: Dunlap, \$433.20; MePherson, \$267.82; Bayer, \$322.50; Morehouse, \$311.93; Gosson, \$317.42; Zachary, \$406.63; Hooper, \$260.51; Shoemaker, \$346.37; Gray, \$322.39; Grant, \$330.90; Hammond, \$312.50; First National Bank, \$282.60; State Tax Com., \$40.61; Retire., \$74.59; Social Security, \$28.76
GAS & OIL: Standard Oil Co., \$625.29
MISCELLANEOUS: Draper & Adams, \$2600.00; State Ind. Accl. Com., \$79.60
RETIREMENT: \$100.56