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## These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

Why doesn't the highway commission erect some signs reading: Log Trucks; Look out for Cars. We're tired of being told to look out for the trucks.

TTWN  
Roseburg has the best system of changing lights on street signs. Snapper than most and a shorter time for everyone to wait.

TTWN  
Probably nothing has been looked at as much as the ocean. Summer visitors travel miles just for the opportunity to gaze reflectively at the ocean. Might be an example in it for we are told that the ocean doesn't change much.

TTWN  
One always gets ideas traveling. In Oregon the ideas must be that the state is growing, towns bulging out of their limits, mills roaring and putting out new piles of lumber, new motels and new houses. It is prosperity and it may also be boom—the distinction being that prosperity lasts much longer.

TTWN  
Mr. Peron erred in tackling the Catholic church. It is an old organization and Mr. Peron is limited to a single span of life. Soon he will be dead and the church will go on and on in its chosen path.

TTWN  
Danny Kaye has been criticized for calling Princess Margaret "honey" that not being a term by which the ordinary Englishman addresses her majesty. Some people use it and it means nothing to them. The other day a waitress inquired, "Do you want your coffee warmed dear?" and we recall a determined old lady who said politely, "Honey, if you as much as touch my car I'll bring your damned neck". Endearment is in the eyes and the tone of voice, not the words.

TTWN  
When a man tells you that the new white lines in the middle of the road are about two feet long, he's a fast driver.

TTWN  
Argument is made against advertising "non-fattening beer". Wonder if people drink beer to keep from getting fat.

TTWN  
Announcement of some Democratic senators of both pinkish and purple hue that they would introduce a bill to let women draw full social security at the age of 60 should tickle those who don't believe in work anyway. They could retire with their husbands, is the argument. Retirement is a semi-death that only the lethargic enjoy.

TTWN  
Good times are the times in which everyone gets a little more than he is worth.

TTWN  
We are sorry to lose Army Secretary Stevens, but not sorry enough to cry.

TTWN  
The locust trees, frustrated by cold weather, have broken out in the most glorious bloom. The trees are nearly white.

TTWN  
As long as a man can change his mind he can learn. When he can't he can't.

TTWN  
It is often reported that well educated women do not get married. It may be an error that men do not ask to marry them; maybe they won't marry the men. An education should be worth something.

TTWN  
Let's see. How long has it been since anyone got excited about McCarthy?

TTWN  
We note that a baseball team that finds itself one week gets lost the next.

TTWN  
A few hot days make the cooler ones a little more acceptable. Still, our complaints have been so long and loud this spring it hardly seems sporting to holler about the heat.

TTWN  
The more understanding there is about the federal reapportionment plan the greater the acceptance of it. And it doesn't take long to explain it because everyone knows how the federal government divides its legislative power between house and senate.

## County Courts Convene Here To Hear Talks About New Laws

Members of the county courts of Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties met in Moro Wednesday to hear discussions of the laws passed by the recent legislature and determine the course of county government in relation thereto. Wheeler county was not represented.

In the forenoon Sam Stewart, state tax commissioner in charge of property taxes and Harry Logan, engineer for that department talked about the new tax laws and especially the efforts of the state and the counties to achieve property tax equalization through the reappraisal program.

In the afternoon Judge F. L. Phipps, executive secretary of the Oregon counties association, explained the other new laws and their expected effect on county government.

### Five Counties Represented

The county was host to the delegations at lunch at Beefe's. Present were Judge Ward Webber and commissioners, Jim Hunt and Vernon Obrist of Wasco county, Judge James Burns and commissioners, Leo Barnett and Charles Quinn of Gilliam County, Judge John Sheldrake and commissioners George Krieg and Arvo Hukari of Hood River county, Commissioners Ralph Thompson and Russel Miller of Morrow county and all members of the Sherman county court and T. Lester Johnson, district attorney.

Rex Hartley, president of the state association, was also a guest. He is county judge of Marion county.

## Dick Morgan Buried At Tuesday Service

Richard Thomas Morgan died in a hospital in The Dalles Sunday, June 19, after an illness of several days. He was born in Knox county, Missouri, July 9, 1871 and spent his youth in North Dakota and the Willamette valley before coming to Sherman county in 1896.

He was married to Ivy Sayrs in 1895 and became a farmer, a pursuit that he followed until he grew aged. He was one time active in public affairs, being one of the several sponsors of the first county fair.

Surviving are his widow, four daughters, Mrs. David Ransier, The Dalles, Miss Zora Morgan, Portland, Mrs. Joe Dimmick, Kennewick, Wash., Mrs. Lloyd Johnson, Moro; one son, Ariel, Arlington and sister, Mrs. Jurettie Brown, Hillsboro; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the Moro Community church with Rev. E. E. Taylor presiding and interment in the Moro cemetery.

## Full Field Day Arranged; Strand Luncheon Talker

Visitors at the experimental farm next Monday will find some information about fertilizer that is derived directly from experiments conducted there. The test shows results from 30 pounds of nitrogen applied at plowing and at seeding and on three types of fallow, moldboard, sweep and disk.

Nitrogen has not been used long enough at the station that some results may be expected that will prove accurate over a long period of time. Five years of data is available. In the five years no nitrogen made the best one year, 20 pounds the best two years and 40 pounds and 60 pounds the best other years.

Elimination of summerfallow has been advocated for nearly 60 years for this area and the practice still persists. Evidence that favors this method may be found although insufficient time has been given to this experiment for proof.

Wheats are getting better. The varieties that have been grown for 30 years yield around ten bushels less than those newly developed and grown for about five years. Even considering the favorable weather the wheats must be better.

The apparent necessity for growing barley makes the experiments with that grain of greater importance than usual and the visitors are expected to be curious about them.

The field day will begin at ten o'clock at the station when Miss Naida Whybark will talk about the wheat league program and Dr. J. S. Butts will talk about atomic energy and agriculture.

Dr. A. L. Strand will speak at the luncheon which will be served by the women of Harland's new grange. After lunch the men will go to the field and the women will listen to Miss Whybark and Mrs. Strand. Mrs. Grace Zevely will teach kindergarten in Moro and Wasco, two days at each school.

## Swimmers Start Classes Next Monday

Next Monday children from all over the county will meet at a bus stop already to go to the first Red Cross swimming lesson in The Dalles which will begin at 10:00 a. m. Classes last until noon and are for all children who have completed a year of school.

The Red Cross had paid \$50 for use of the pool and \$200 for the instruction. Formerly it gave each school district \$500 to aid with bus expense. This time it will pay \$50 in Wasco and Rufus, \$60 for Moro, \$70 for Grass Valley and \$88 for Kent. Distribution of the money is up to the district.

Children going should have permission from parent or guardian unless they have made pre-registration.

## McKean to Cushman New Business Change In Machinery Field

A business deal is in process of completion wherein the J. K. McKean company will become the Cushman Equipment company, which means that Jack Cushman, recently returned from a tour of duty in the army as a lieutenant is buying out J. K. (Keck) McKean.

Mr. McKean went into the business on the death of his father in the spring of 1938 and has been in continuous charge except for time spent in the air force during the war. Mr. Cushman, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Cushman, was an instructor in agriculture in veteran classes before going into the army, where he was stationed in Michigan.

No immediate changes will be made in the operation of the business and Mr. McKean will continue to work during the summer season until the new owner learns the details.

## Teaching Force Full For September Term

The school board has chosen its corp of teachers for the next year following the resignations of several from the staff.

Ward Sybouts will be superintendent. He is 25, a graduate of OSC, married with two small daughters, from Butte Falls, Jackson county.

Ray Howie, 26, Lewis & Clark, three years at Jefferson, Oregon, high school, married with three children will be coach.

Beatrice Davis, 45, widow from Northville, South Dakota, will teach biology and Girls PE, has two children in high school.

Lynn Teadke, 22, from Portland, married, will teach music. Other teachers will be Mrs. Shelly Robertson, Cloyd Duncan, Ivan Stewart, Prineville, grade school principal; Edna Paulson, Margaret O'Brien, Mrs. Grace Zevely will teach kindergarten in Moro and Wasco, two days at each school.

## Loan Rates May Not Exist Long

The CCC wheat loan rates for the 1955 crop announced this week by the local ASC committee indicates that farmers will receive 20 cents less a bushel for their wheat going under price support in Sherman county than was received last year. The farm-stored loan rate for number 1 white club, soft wheat and western white will be \$2.08 per bushel. The rate for warehouse wheat is based upon the date that the wheat is delivered to the warehouse. Number 1 wheat deposited in the warehouse to July 25 will have a rate of \$1.97; deposited during the period July 26 to August 24 a rate of \$1.98; and a rate of \$1.99 for wheat delivered during August 25 to September 23. The rate for hard wheat is 2 cents higher than the above rates. A 1 cent discount is made for number 2 wheat. Loans and purchase agreements are available to January 31, 1956 and redeemable to March 31, 1956 at a rate of 3 1/4 per cent.

The CCC loan rate for barley for the 1955 crop stored on the farm will be \$1.06 per bushel or \$44.17 per ton. The date of deposit in the warehouse also determines the rate. Deposited during the period June 26 to July 25; 93 cents per bushel or \$38.75 per ton; July 26 to August 24 a rate of 94 cents per bushel or \$39.16 a ton. The above rates are for number 1 and number 2 barley.

The oats loan rate was also announced for 1955. Number 3 or better stored on the farm is 70 cents a bushel. Deposited in the warehouse during June 26 to August 4 the rate is 61 cents a bushel and during August 5 to September 8 the rate is 62 cents. Loans and purchase agreements are available on the barley and oats to January 31, 1956. Maturity date of the loans is April 30, 1956.

## Republicans Praise Partnership Plan

The members of the executive committee of the Republican party last Saturday in Portland praised Congressman Sam Coon for his practical solution of the northwest power problem in introducing his bill for partnership construction of the John Day dam. Under the Coon bill private and public power concerns will put up 88 percent of the cost of the dam and will receive the power therefrom for 50 years after which the dam will go to the government.

## What To Do For Fair and How Causes Studies

The county fair board met Tuesday night to pass on a number of the details connected with preparation for the 1955 fair, an event of September 8-11.

There will be no prizes offered by a sugar company this year for the best canned fruit, jelly and jam. Therefore the fair board will offer similar prizes to winners in the above divisions. Trophies, probably useable tools, will be found for winners of the 4-H style revue and allied club work.

Some hay was bought, grass at \$22.50, some straw was promised and there was long discussion about the condition of the chutes and catch pens which receive hard usage from mean horses and scared steers. The board concluded that repair would have to be made and it would have to do for this year partly because of time and available labor.

The board voted to buy an eight place starting gate for races for \$2600 which is the only way one can be obtained as the gates for rent have disappeared from the market.

Music was talked about, where to get, what kind and whether or not any entertainers would be included in the band. No final decision was reached.

There was talk of other things: how to get cars parked, who can handle the gates, how to get some work done, all a part of the detailed work that goes into the making of a fair which will—if well planned—delight the citizen for a few days some three months away.

## Polio Vaccine Will Be Given June 30

The Wasco-Sherman Health department received word that the Parke-Davis Salk vaccine for the second inoculation will be ranging the following schedules:

Monday, June 27, 9 to 11 a. m. at the Congregational church, 5th and Court Streets in The Dalles; Petersburg, Colonel Wright, Court Street, Chenoweth.

Wednesday, June 29, 9 to 11 a. m. at the Tygh Valley school; children from Tygh Valley, Maupin, Pine Grove, Smock Prairie, Wamic, Dufur and Wolf Run.

Thursday, June 30, 9 to 11 a. m. at the Sherman county court house in Moro; Clinic center for Wasco, Kent, Grass Valley, Rufus, Moro and Antelope.

Notices are being sent by the Health department to the parents of each child who received their first inoculation, at the May clinic.

No new children will be given the vaccine who have not already received their inoculation, it was emphasized. This is due to the scarcity of the vaccine.

## Price Support Set For 1955; Lower Than Recent Level

A minimum price support for the 1956 wheat crop of not less than \$1.81 a bushel, national average, has been announced by the Department of Agriculture, according to Frank von Borstel, chairman of the Sherman County ASC committee. The announced minimum support rate will be in effect if wheat growers approve marketing quotas in the referendum to be held Saturday, June 25.

The announced minimum support for 1956 reflects 76 percent of the estimated "transitional" wheat parity price of \$2.38 per bushel. The support level is set in accordance with the law which provides for a variable level on the basis of the estimated supply of wheat. The minimum national average rate of \$1.81 per bushel for the 1956 wheat crop will not be reduced but will be increased if a combination of the wheat parity price and the supply percentage on July 1, 1956 indicates a higher minimum level of support. If two-thirds or more of the wheat growers voting in the wheat marketing quota referendum on June 25 approve, marketing quotas will remain in effect for the 1956 crop and price support will average not less than \$1.81 to growers who do not exceed their wheat allotment. When quotas are in effect the producer who exceeds his allotment will be subject to a penalty of 45 percent of parity on the excess production. Wheat from a farm on which the allotment has been exceeded is not eligible for price support. If growers do not approve, marketing quotas will not be in effect and price support will be available at 50 per cent of parity, or about \$1.19 a bushel only for those farmers who stay within their wheat acreage allotment. Those who exceed their acreage allotment will not be eligible for wheat price support.

Voting places in the county for the referendum in the city hall in Wasco, the Courthouse in Moro, and at the Grass Valley Grain Growers office at Grass Valley. Voting hours are from 9 in the morning until 8 in the evening.

## Engineering Firm To Start Survey Soon

B. H. Roberson and Collis Moore, officers of the Highway 97 association, went to Goldendale last Thursday to meet with Klickitat county authorities and Clark Eldridge engineer in charge of the survey to determine the feasibility of a bridge at Maryhill. Mr. Eldridge is a former employee of the Washington Toll bridge authority and is now working with N. W. Haner & Co., the firm in charge of the survey which will be under way shortly. Mr. Roberson reports.

## Jesse Thompson Rites To Be In Portland

Jesse R. Thompson, brother of Dewey, Claud and Mrs. Edna Melzer, died Tuesday in Portland and funeral services will be held Friday from the Colonial Mortuary. He is survived by his widow, Lottie and a daughter, Corrine Bishop and three grandchildren. A son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Thompson, he lived here in his youth before moving to the city.

## County Court Conducts Considerable Business

CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF JUNE 1, 1955, TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT. Claims against General Road Fund and Special Road Fund presented and allowed. Claims against General Fund presented, allowed with exception of one. Treasurer's financial statement showing all fund balances as of May 31, 1955 presented; Statement examined approved and ordered filed. Road Fund Balances and Special Road Balances presented; examined, approved and ordered filed. Gasoline consumption for month of May, 1955 presented, examined and filed. Re: Tax Foreclosed property in Wasco—Bid from Anna Schwenkel et al for tax foreclosed property Wasco, Dunlap's 2nd Addition, fraction of lots 3, 4, and 8 and lot 7 in block 5—Bid accepted and deed ordered. Re: Rock Crusher—representatives of Joplin, Mo., appear before court and offer to fix cracked rock crusher this fall. Court awaits word from Howard-Cooper Co. Re: Beer Renewal—Beer license renewal granted to Fred Smith, Rufus. Re: Resolution—Resolution read from Highway Commission, stop sign removed from Approach of Highway No. 97 to No. 197 in Wasco county. Re: Painting Circuit Court room—J. Brady presents bid to paint Circuit Court room for \$327.00—Bid accepted, work to be done by June 30, 1955. Re: Association of Oregon Counties—Sherman County to be host to Association of Oregon Dist. No. 3 on June 30, 1955.

## Bigger Boards Elected By District Voters Monday

Election of three new members of local school boards, because of a new law that makes five man boards mandatory in all school districts, was done in Sherman county Monday. Candidates must have petitions signed by ten citizens of the district or their names must be written in.

Elected at Moro were Ronald Powell for three years, Ted Thompson for four years and Dean Pinkerton for five years.

Wasco chose Virgil Brock for three years, Jerry Barnett for four years and Glen Van Gilder for five years.

At Grass Valley Ivan Blagg was elected for three years, Gene Reynolds for four years and Robert Schilling for five years.

At Rufus voters chose Curtis Neal for three years, Will Huck for four years and Mrs. Robert Byrd for five years.

At Biglow Mrs. George Fox for three years, Clifford Trumbo for four years and Fay Brackett for five years were elected.

Emigrant district elected Chet Coats for three years, Lloyd McLein for four years and Pearl Drinkard for five years.

Kent chose John Decker for three years, Jefferys for five year terms. Robert Tatum, Kent, was elected as a member of the Non-High school board from Zone 2.

Charles Burnett was re-elected for another term to the Rural School Board.

George Fox was elected to the Rural School Board. Kent also approved a levy over the six percent limit for \$6849.50 to improve the school building. Voting was generally heavier than usual with 47 voting at Rufus, 64 at Wasco, 67 at Moro, 29 at Grass Valley and 31 at Kent.

The Union High school district day, June 27. The terms of office for one man chosen at the election when the district was formed last year only until the next general school election. Luther Davis was the low man and his term will expire. Petitions are out for Mr. Davis and for Lloyd Henrichs and one will be chosen for a five year term.



Congressman Sam Coon (R. Ore.) was on hand to greet representatives of the Oregon State Junior Chamber of Commerce as they passed through Washington, D. C., enroute to Atlanta, Georgia, for the Jaycee National convention. Pictured from left to right, Representative Coon, Wayne McCall, of Cottage Grove, Gerry Rucker, of Park Rose, member of the National Board of Directors of the Jaycee, Representative Walter Norblad (R. Ore.), and Representative Harris Ellsworth, R. Ore., standing beside the gigantic Oregon log which McCall and Rucker are taking across country, and which will be the Oregon float in the Jaycee parade, during the convention at Atlanta, Georgia.

GOV'T TRAPPER: \$65.83  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY: \$16.00  
COUNTY AUDIT: \$110.00  
COUNTY JAIL: Hotel Moro Coffee Shop, \$30.30  
MISCELLANEOUS:  
First National Bank, \$217.00;  
State Tax Com., \$24.48; State Ind. Acci. Com., \$8.54 Social Security \$100.99  
WAGES:  
Dunlap, \$433.20; McPherson, \$193.75; Bayer, \$334.01; Morehouse, \$294.01; Gosson, \$324.01; Hooper, \$103.83; Shoemaker, \$331.81; Gray, \$317.45; Hammond, \$324.01; Wallace, \$201.05; Zachary \$405.52; First National Bank, \$253.50; State Tax Com., \$36.17; Social Security, \$68.37  
REPAIRS:  
Empire Machinery Co., \$103.30  
GAS AND OIL:  
Standard Oil Co. \$383.12  
GENERAL SUPPLIES:  
Moro Motors, \$2.33  
INSURANCE: \$123.76  
MISCELLANEOUS:  
Light Co., \$15.89; Phone Co., \$18.70; water, \$1.75; State Ind. Acci. Com., \$73.40; Sherman County Journal, \$2.50; Tom's Weld & Equip., \$17.98; Moro Lumber & Fuel Co., \$45.14; Smith Auto Parts, \$42.40; Auto Electric Supply Co., \$13.24; Moro Motors, \$2.82; Firestone Stores, \$16.75; O'Meara Supply & Imp. Co., \$13.68;  
RETIREMENT: \$74.64  
SPECIAL ROAD TAX 54-55  
GAS & OIL:  
Standard Oil Co., \$281.35  
MISCELLANEOUS:  
Oregon Sta. Highway Com., \$1219.43  
BRIDGES & CULVERTS:  
Moro Lumber & Fuel Co., \$171.85; Armo Drainage & Metal, \$977.85