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These Things We Note

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Surely one of the things to be considered in trying to find someone to blame for the action of the 21 who did not originally return to the United States after being in Communist hands is the governmental philosophy prevailing when they were young. A parental government can keep youth from assuming its proper responsibilities.

Some one is always worrying about being paid too little. That's not so bad. It's the ones who are paid too much who should worry.

Pacific Coast baseball is on the rocks. We've thought it might do better if less news attention was given to the majors and more to the local teams.

The Oregon Journal's sesquicentennial issue of last Sunday was full of information about Oregon, its forest, water, fields, machines, horizons, hearth and history. Oregon doesn't seem too excited about 150 years having elapsed since Lewis & Clark came across the mountains to find the state. Maybe they think it was here all the time.

This session of congress may become more memorable for what it put off than for what it did.

Politics makes strange bedfellows and strange other things, too. Here in Oregon the attorney general is suing the state.

Television wasn't necessary; radio was enough. Radio presented a contest between what one could hear and what one could think or read. Radio won. Even without television it had been proven that mankind would rather hear than think.

Those who "do something for the people" too often do so in the hope the people will do something for them.

"There are three things," she said "about which I make no effort to be honest, my age, the number of fish I caught, and how I vote."

Wouldn't it be tough to be married to a modern wife and have to eat the stuff the published recipes involve?

Do you ever think about what will eventually happen to a government that takes over private business and distributes tax money freely. It is burning the candle at both ends, reducing the source of taxes and raising taxes higher.

We had some interest in the recent Sunday magazine feature in which McKay talked about Northwest power and Neuberger talked about McKay.

A man who's prejudiced on the other side is sure a pain in the neck, Eh, Wayne?

Talk of aiding mental illness by means of a survey proves the necessity for it.

This was found on a navy waiting room wall. For those whose ego is always in bloom, those in public life and without, we recommend it.

Sometime when your ego's in bloom, Sometime when you take it for granted, You're the best qualified in the room;

Sometime when you feel that your going, Would leave an unfillable hole; Just follow these simple instructions, And see how they humble your soul.

Take a bucket and fill it with water, Put your hand in it up to the wrist, Pull it out, and the hole that's remaining, Is the measure of how you'll be missed, You can splash all you wish when you're stir up the water, But stop and you'll find that in no time, It looks quite the same as before.

Sheep Owners Can Vote On Marketing Scheme This Month

Frank von Borstel, chairman of the Sherman County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee, said today that all Sherman county wool growers will have an opportunity to vote in a referendum to decide whether or not deductions will be made from wool payments to provide a means of financing the wool marketing development program.

In the referendum wool growers will have an opportunity to vote for against putting into effect an agreement recently made between the Secretary of Agriculture and the American Sheep Producers Council under Section 708 of the National Wool Act of 1954. The agreement provides for deductions from wool incentive and lamb and yearling sheep (pulled wool compensating) payments made to producers under the National Wool Act of 1954. These deductions will provide for advertising, and other promotional activities to enlarge and improve the market for wool and lambs. Before the agreement can be put into effect, producers owning at least two-thirds of the sheep and lambs represented by those voting in the referendum must vote their approval.

Producers who have owned sheep, six months of age or older, for at least 30 days since January 1, 1955, will be eligible to vote. Volume of production will be based on the number of sheep six months of age or older owned for at least 30 days since the January 1 date. The number of sheep will be noted on the ballot.

If the referendum is approved, deduction from payments of the 1955 incentive program to be made the summer of 1956 will be one cent per hundred from wool payments, and at the rate of 5 cents per one hundred pounds live weight from lamb and yearling payments.

The county ASC office will mail ballots to all known wool producers in the county and chairman von Borstel assures any producer who does not receive a ballot that he can get one by writing or calling at the ASC county office.

Ballots must be returned to the ASC office not later than August 19th. Since the results of the referendum will be based on the number of sheep represented by the growers, the outcome of the referendum will not be available until about September 1st.

Local Boys Play On The Dalles Team

The Dalles Legion baseball team which includes Kirkelie and Griggs, from the Moro High school team, has won two games out of three from the Roseburg team for the state championship. Two more games are to be played before the district finals which will be held at Billings, Montana. Kirkelie has been playing left field and Griggs won the third game as pitcher.

County Agent Thompson Helps Harvest Fertilizer Experiment Plots

Several folks have inquired about securing rain gauges a little more substantial than the plastic tube gauges. Bob Chesney, soil research assistant, Sherman Branch Experiment station, has dug up a company from which we can secure rain gauges similar to those used by the weather bureau, but on a smaller scale. The rain gauges are available at \$7 each when six or more people order them together. Folks interested in securing a good copper tube rain gauge, with a measuring stick similar to those used by the weather bureau should contact Chesney or my office and if sufficient farmers are interested we can order a supply of them.

We have received calls about burning permits or restricting burning on farm lands. We have inquired of the state fire marshal and state forestry department about what protection is available here in Sherman county. Since there are no fire districts within the county we are not covered along this line, also since we do not have forest land within any of the forest protection area, burning permits are not required. The owner or persons in possession of land on which fire originates is responsible for the suppression of a fire and may be held liable for damages to adjacent property should it escape his land.

Mrs. Bill Coons, secretary of Sherman county fair board, advises us that Fred Hill, Helix, will judge horses at the coming Sherman county fair, September 8-11. Mrs. Henry Smith, The Dalles, will

Wasco-Sherman Recreation Area Sought on River

W. S. Nelson, manager of The Dalles Chamber of Commerce, R. A. Brouhard, of The Dalles Yacht club and L. E. Emerson, of the Isaac Walton league were in Moro Wednesday to talk to the Sherman county court about the proposal to establish a park at the mouth of the Deschutes river when waters from The Dalles dam flood that area.

Planned is a moorage for small boats, camping facilities and other recreational adjuncts. The highway and railroad bridges have been relocated higher upstream and when the water is raised there will be some land available for the purpose intended, the sponsors stated.

A meeting between the state highway commission and the official and sponsoring bodies is planned for August 12 in Portland and at that time some official action is expected. It will be necessary to obtain title to some privately owned land; the remainder may be obtained from the government which has already been condemned.

Rufus Personals

Mrs. George Fox

The rain which fell the first of last week kept the wheat farmers from harvesting all last week. The cloudy skies and cold weather kept the moisture content high in the grain. Monday afternoon some barley began flowing into the elevators, and it was still mostly barley that was coming in Tuesday.

Several people from Rufus attended the past master's dinner and meeting at Hood River Saturday night at Rockford grange.

James Tate who rented his farm out last fall to Chet Coats is now working for the Wasco Cooperative Grain Growers.

Randall Pearson who has been making his home with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Harland McDonald and who had been a student at the Rufus high school last year, recently joined the U. S. Marine Corp. and is now in basic training at San Diego. Randall is the son of Stan Pearson of The Dalles.

The Home Ec. club of the Rufus grange will meet at the home of Mrs. Roland Johnson Thursday afternoon August 11 at 1:30 p. m. Roll call will be freezer short cuts.

Mrs. W. G. McDonald of Portland was a recent guest at the home of her son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Harland McDonald.

Latest word received from the Wilson Foote's who have been touring Europe is that they landed in New York July 29. They are having some repairs done on their car before heading for home and expect to be in Rufus about the middle of the month of August.

Residents of Wasco Busy With Harvest; But Find Time For Visiting, Traveling

Mr. and Mrs. Keith McDonald visited his brother, Harry, at the Veterans hospital at Roseburg a few days. Mrs. McDonald, who is worthy matron of Annie Fulton chapter No. 124 of the OES, attended a reception for the worthy grand matron, Carlotta Wiseman, and grand organist, Cloyd Riffe, at Grants Pass and a reception at Eugene for worthy grand patron, A. Ray Martin and Irma Martin, grand Ruth.

Mrs. Vleda Van Gaasbeck is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ed McKee at Hood River. The women are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brock plan to spend the latter part of August at Great Falls, Montana, visiting their son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Brock and family.

Frank Zaniker Jr., a brother of Mrs. Elton Medler, was a week end guest of the Medlers. He is attending summer school at Corvallis.

Mrs. Frank Zankiker Sr. is expected Wednesday to pick up Mr. Zaniker, who has been helping out at the ranch operated by their son in law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Elton Medler.

Vaughna Rothery is helping Mr. and Mrs. Pat Pahigoda during harvest.

Dick Martin of Portland spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Royse and children, Carmen and Everett.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rothery were their son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moss and children Jerry, Jackie, Keith and Gary.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kellogg and son, Jack, went to Hood River Sunday to pick cherries and to visit Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Royse and Mrs. Augusta Royse were business visitors in The Dalles Friday.

Lynn Rathbun, Marilyn Smith and Rebecca Rhinehart attended a week of Girl Scout camping at Camp Yallan.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Kellogg were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Herman and Mr. and Mrs. Milo Herman of Aberdeen, South Dakota and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herman of Hood River.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wilson are staying at the Malcolm McDermid ranch where he is employed. Mrs. Berg is helping Mrs. McDermid during harvest.

Mrs. M. Fassbender of Junction City is at the home of her son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Kellogg. She is recovering slowly from a light stroke.

The tiling on the floor of the new Sunday school addition has been put on and the rooms are being used.

Mrs. Paul Patrick was a business visitor in The Dalles Monday. While down she called on Mrs. Maddox at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. David Engle of Puget Sound, Mrs. Jo McNeely of The Dalles and Leston Wright and son of Portland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dell Wright last week. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen were Sunday dinner guests also.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sargent and Miss Lynn Rathbun spent the weekend at Camp Sherman visiting Mrs. Cliff Wynkoop and daughter, Frances.

Mrs. Astrid Lahmann of Tacoma, Wn., arrived Sunday for a visit with her son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tuggle.

The Rev. Mr. Richard Bruner is at Suttle lake where he is one of the instructors of the Methodist Youth Camp.

Mrs. Elizabeth Potter was taken from the Mid-Columbia hospital to the home of her son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Weedman in Portland.

Mrs. Hazel Boyd, who is in a hospital in Portland is at last reported not doing too well.

Sunday guests for TV and cards of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brock were Mrs. Sadie Rich, Mr. and Mrs. Art Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brock and baby daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Brock, Karen and Joe.

The new Chronicle carriers replacing the Rhinehart boys are Bob Drinkard and John Capael.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dutton and Ronald arrived Sunday evening to spend their vacation with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dutton and other relatives. The young Duttons now live in Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Idah Everett is to leave this week for Portland and then on to Salem to visit her son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G. Wolcott.

Mrs. Mary Rehr is now working at the Dinty Cafe at Biggs Junction.

Mrs. Mary O'Dell is cooking at Beefe's at Moro.

KNIGHTEN APPOINTED

Wily Knighten, county school superintendent, was appointed as a member of the representative council at the meeting of the superintendents in Eugene last week. The council passes on proposed legislation offered by superintendents.

Mrs. Estella Boyer, Grant county superintendent, was elected president for the coming year.

Discussion at the meeting was largely about a new bill to change the apportionment for basic school funds within counties and consideration of the resolution for an intercom committee to study education for the next 18 months.

FAIR BOOKS READY

Premium lists for the Sherman County Fair have been printed and are ready for distribution to 4-H clubbers and fair exhibitors who will want to know what changes have been made in the books this year.

It is a larger book than before having 70 pages and the 4-H section has been entirely made over to conform to desires of Tommy Thompson, 4-H leader. The form has been changed more than the content but it is all new.

Changes have been made in the cattle section and some in the farm crops pages so that exhibitors will find something new to read in the list.

July Temperature Shows Extremes

The weather for July was exceptional, reports Bill Hall who is in charge of weather recording at the station.

It was down to a low of 34 on the night of the second and up to 100 on both the 13 and 14. It was the first 100 degree temperature since 1946 which is quite a record in itself for a country that is ordinarily presumed to be torrid in summer.

The average maximum temperature was 79.9 and the average low was 49.6 with the average mean being 64.2 which is 4.5 degrees lower than the normal. Lowest July ever recorded here was 62.33 back in rainy 1916.

The rainfall was high, too, for July there being 43 inch of rain to make the crop year total to date a 8.60 inch. That is 2.74 below the normal and for July was 25 over normal. Biggest rain was .17 on the 9th.

If You Grew Carrots, Here's How To Keep

Many vegetable crops—home-grown or good seasonal buys—can be kept fresh for several weeks or throughout the winter with proper storage practices outlined in a new pocket-size circular published by Oregon State college extension service.

The circular contains illustrations for simple construction of small mound or pit-type storage, discussion of other suitable storage places, and instructions for handling specific vegetables.

Copies of extension circular 592, "Vegetable Storage", are available on request from local county extension agents or the OSC bulletin clerk.

New Water Code Now In Effect In Oregon

Chapter 708, Oregon Laws 1955, (House Bill No. 26), which provides a new code covering the appropriation and use of ground water in all Oregon, became effective August 3, 1955. It repeals ORS 537.510 to 537.600 which was the ground water law effective in that part of Oregon east of the summit of the Cascade mountains since 1927.

The provisions of this new law are of interest to and of particular immediate importance to the holders of so-called vested ground water rights. All such persons have a period of three years or until August 3, 1958, within which to file registration statements in the office of the State Engineer presenting their claims for these vested rights. The term "vested" distinguishes rights by reason of actual appropriation and use of ground water in the area west of the summit of the Cascade mountains prior to August 3, 1955 and in the area east of the summit of the Cascade mountains prior to May 28, 1927. Any person or public agency who desires to claim such a vested right may secure the form for a registration statement. Upon receipt of such statement, in proper form, the State Engineer will issue a registration certificate which will be prima facie evidence of the right claimed, but not a final determination of the right.

All new appropriations of ground water must be covered by permits issued by the State Engineer. Forms for making application for permit will be supplied by the State Engineer on request.

With respect to registration statements covering vested rights and applications for permits, the law exempts wells for stock watering purposes, for watering any lawn or noncommercial garden not exceeding one-half acre in area, for single or group domestic purposes in an amount not exceeding 15,000 gallons per day or for any single industrial or commercial purpose in an amount not exceeding 5,000 gallons per day.

The new law also provides for licensing of well drillers in Oregon. After the effective date of the law, all persons or corporations who contract for the drilling of wells must be licensed. Information and application forms will be supplied by the State Engineer on request.

LUTHERAN SERVICES

The Lutheran church of Grass Valley will hold its regular service this Sunday at 3 p. m. in the Methodist church. During the service Holy Communion will be celebrated. This will be the only service this month since Rev. Mann will leave on the 14th for his vacation. All are cordially invited to attend the service.

Harvest Delayed; Yield Believed Better Than Good

Harvest delay because of the rain of Monday, July 25, lasted until this week and, in fact, it was Wednesday before there was much threshing done in the county. Elevator men tested every load of wheat that came in and for days found it to contain wheat with more than 11 percent moisture, sometimes 14 or 15.

But reports on the wheat crop are good. Dewey Thompson, who claims that he has average land which produces a crop close to the county average in most years, says his land will make around 35 bushels. Some of it was fertilized which has increased the yield but if he gets 35 bushel the county should average 30 or more.

Around Wasco reports are even better with 35 to 40 bushels being common. Experience teaches that final returns are often lower than first returns but indications for a good crop are fine.

It is not likely that harvesting will be general in the middle of the county until next week. While the days are sunny and warm the nights have been cool and the grain is not ripening very fast. Farmers, on the contrary are faster than usual, because it is so late and they are anxious to get the good crop into the elevators before it rains again.

Paul Goddard Dies Suddenly In Portland

Paul V. Goddard, 45, died after a brief illness at his home in Portland Saturday morning at 1:30 of acute leukemia. He did not know he had it and had attended a baseball game Friday night becoming ill while at the park.

Mr. Goddard was born at Reedsport, Oregon, and came to Moro in 1935 to teach in the grade school. He married Gayle Amidon while here, taught at Grass Valley and owned a store there before moving away. He taught later in Condon and Portland.

Surviving are his widow, three children, Karen Marie, Paul V. Jr., and Orval Eugene, two brothers, O. J. and Curtis and one sister, Mrs. Ardis Cunningham.

Funeral services were held Monday from Finley's Rose chapel with interment in Skyline Memorial cemetery.

PREDATORS KILL STOCK ALL OVER STATE

Livestock losses in Oregon due to predatory animals in the second quarter of 1955 totaled 994 farm or range animals and 312 chickens, turkeys and other poultry. This is the report from predatory hunters, working under the joint sponsorship of the state department of agriculture, and the federal Fish and Wildlife service. M. E. Knickerbocker, animal division chief for the department, released the reports this week.

A second report, covering predatory animals taken in June, shows these hunters disposed of 173 coyotes, 107 bobcats, 60 bears and 34 foxes—a total of 374 predatory animals. The 40 hunters on the job in 32 counties also took 64 badgers, 11 skunks, 58 raccoons, 213 porcupines and 6 wild horses.

Forty-eight predatory animals were taken in June in Lake county, the most for a single county. The predatory kill in Malheur county was 34, Marion 26, Jackson 24, and Tillamook 22. Predators taken in other counties ranged downward from these figures.

Stocks and poultry losses in the second quarter included 925 sheep, 17 goats, 52 calves, 192 chickens, 30 geese, 75 turkeys and 15 ducks. Also hunters found evidence that predatory animals had killed 1 antelope, 15 deer and 17 pheasants.

The livestock losses are those noted by the hunters in the regular course of their duties. Sheep losses were heaviest in Malheur county where 223 were killed—most of them by coyotes. In Douglas county, sheep killed by predatory animals, again mostly coyotes totaled 102; in Lane county, 88; Coos county, 664; Klamath county, 62; Harney county, 56; Gilliam county, 62; Wheeler county, 49; Lake county, 41; and Baker county, 38.

Sheep losses in other counties were under 30. Forty-six of the 52 calf losses due to predatory animals—in this instance, coyotes—occurred in Harney county.

WORK PROGRESSING

Stan Drew, supervisor of the construction of the second McNary-Maupin electric line through Sherman county, reports that work is getting along well and some towers are up. Wire stringing is expected to start soon.