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## These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

He said, "I want someone who will work to make me happy."

She said, "I want someone who will be happy with my work."

The highway department is mad at porcupines because they are eating plywood signs, the glue being tasty. What else can a desert porcupine use to hold body and soul together?

Breathes there a man with soul so dead who doesn't think he could spend his money better than the government does.

We hope the courts do not decide to make those western Oregon railroads continue service if they really are losing money. That could lead to the elimination of private business very quickly.

The government has finally caught up with Rex and reduced the price on it 20 cents a bushel for next year.

Now they're talking about interplanetary travel. We still believe in "See America First."

We are glad that the government has learned how to slow down a business boom. Someday it may learn how to speed up a business slump.

When the people tire of congressmen spending their time investigating this and that, congressmen will turn to some other means of getting publicity. Legislation does not include investigations.

Wonder when they'll let rich men join Negroes, Jews and others in the anti-discrimination program.

A man is rich when he can buy anything he wants. A compromise is often made by reducing the wants.

Oregon's civil defense agency has plans for evacuating Portland in case of an enemy attack. Plans have been made for removal of the entire population without leaving a one to feed the chickens and milk the cows. Sherman county is expected to take care of 1000 and we'll bet they don't stop this side of the Rocky mountains. But if they do we'll feed 'em so good they'll never want to go back.

We note that the farm problem would be partially solved if there were better restaurant cooks.

Governor Paul Patterson is quoted as saying that if the federal government will return to the states the gas and other motor vehicle taxes which amount to \$2,500,000,000 the states will build their own roads. Now the states get a mere \$900,000,000 of the above amount. That strikes us as being most sensible and is excellent evidence of the cost of the policy of central government collecting taxes for subsequent distribution. Money that goes to Washington never gets back.

A California lad has failed to get damages for a spanking he received at school. Fine. He pedaled home standing and missed a TV show, small penalty for the good it must have done him. Ill fares the boy who cannot recall a few good spankings.

Some of us are going to worry about Russia whether the Russians grow or smile.

Weather prophets have been saying that August in these parts would be colder and wetter than usual. The first half hasn't been, in fact was warmer and drier, but then prophesying the weather has never been an exact science.

We have been looking at a little ad about a device to detect the presence of uranium and we're not going to buy it. We don't want to find any uranium. First we'd have to dig it, then we'd have to sell it, then we'd have to worry about the money and then we'd have to pay taxes on it. Ain't worth it.

We think the nation would get along just as well without paying so much attention to the presidential race every four years.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crews and family left Saturday on a vacation trip to San Francisco to visit Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Peters and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. LeBleu and family of Wasco were guests Sunday evening at the John Rust home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lemley and daughter, Mrs. Marguerite Morse arrived Saturday evening from Gresham to visit their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arzell Lemley. They left Monday stopping on their way home to visit Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lemley.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bibby and daughter, Sally Sue, returned home recently from Tacoma where they spent several days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Briedwell.

Pvt. Bud Kock arrived recently from Big Delta, near Anchorage, Alaska to spend his furlough here with his wife at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ruggles and family and Mrs. O. N. Ruggles drove to Portland Sunday where they attended the Sherman county picnic held at Laurelhurst park.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cox and their houseguests Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cratty from California and Sally McDougal drove to Condon Sunday and spent the day visiting the former's son, Warren Morgan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Blagg and family took a drive to Mt. Hood Sunday attending church services at the Chapel of the Hills and enjoying a picnic dinner.

Mrs. Earl Sawtell came up from The Dalles Wednesday and took her mother, Mrs. E. R. Blaylock home with her for a visit bringing her back Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Runkey of Portland spent from Tuesday until Friday visiting at the John Rust and H. O. Dugger homes.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Rust over the weekend were their sons in law and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Raven and son from Longview, Wn., and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Richards from Portland.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and her sister in law, Mrs. Nell Swick drove to Richland Tuesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Haynes and on to Pasco where they will meet the woman Mrs. Swick came out here with, leaving for their homes in Warren, Pa. Mrs. Swick spent the summer here with Mrs. Dunlap.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clodfelter attended the Adams-Barker wedding in Hood River Saturday evening. They were over night guests of their son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Eccles.

Mrs. Harriett Wells arrived Thursday from Roseburg to visit her mother, Mrs. T. M. Rolfe.

Mrs. Clair Adams and son, Ronald, came up Wednesday from Hood River and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clodfelter, leaving Friday with the rest of their household goods.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer were business visitors in The Dalles Saturday stopping at Wasco on their way home and had supper at the Gus Hartmann home.

Miss Cassie Holmes and Miss Mabel Holmes of The Dalles and Miss Madeline Cappa of Portland spent Wednesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Marsh and family left Sunday for their home in Hood River after spending ten days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clodfelter. Mr. Marsh helped with the harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rust had a dinner guests Sunday the Oran Ravens, the Rex Richards and the H. O. Duggers. The occasion was the birthday anniversaries of Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Raven.

Mrs. Donald von Borstel and daughters, Cathy and Joy and son Wayne, drove to The Dalles last Monday where her mother, Mrs. John Jenkins of Portland met them and took the girls to Portland for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perrigo and family left Monday for Emmett, Idaho, to spend a few days visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Perrigo returning here to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Bayer before returning to their home in Astoria. Mr. Perrigo helped Mr. Bayer with the harvesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stark of Bend and Kay Brittain of Parkdale who has been visiting them came down and spent the week end here visiting relatives. They were guests at the home of his father, Sam Stark. Kay stayed to visit her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Bayer and Julia Bayer went home with her aunt and uncle the Curtis Starks.

Mrs. T. M. Rolfe and daughters, Mrs. Frances Matthews, Mrs. Har-

riett Wells and Mrs. C. R. Baker, drove to Friend Tuesday spending the day visiting Mr. and Mrs. Everett Dunlap. The occasion was Everett's birthday anniversary.

Bruce and Niel Hanson of Portland arrived Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Davis for a few weeks visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Davis motored to Hood River Saturday to attend the wedding for Connie Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Adams at the first Christian church of Hood River.

Miss Cecelia Norton was an overnight guest Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Helyer and children Linda and Larry drove to Warm Springs Sunday.

Phillip von Borstel, Fred von Borstel and Amanda von Borstel attended the rodeo at Prineville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel and Mrs. Amanda von Borstel attended a family picnic Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel.

The hostesses of the bridal shower for Miss Carol Norton, met at the Kent Legion hall to discuss plans for the shower and afterward went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton for refreshments Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson and son George and Miss Nancy Wieser motored to Mitchell Saturday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hoskinson of Desert Hot Springs, Calif., were visitors Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Justesen.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin attended the Crooked River Roundup Sunday.

Leroy Martin and Arden Peters motored to Suttle Lake to spend the weekend with some of Leroy's fraternity brothers from Delta Tau Delta.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley McKay were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jeffries.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Earl and son Greg of The Dalles, Mrs. Jay McKay and daughter Peggy, and Mrs. Carl Watkins were visitors Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lyons.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cratty of Napa, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Ben McKay and son Kent of Coquilla, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Byers of Dufur, Mrs. Bob Cooley, E. C. Smith and son Bill Smith, Mrs. May Haines of Bearings, Wash., and Mrs. Emma McKay were visitors Sunday at the Jay McKay home.

Mrs. John Decker and Mrs. Jay McKay and daughter Peggy were business visitors in Portland Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Kluppenger of Portland were visitors at the J. E. Norton home Saturday and returned home with their daughters Cecelia and Nancy Norton.

Warren Norton returned to Monmouth Friday after a visit at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. J. E. Norton.

George Wilson and son George flew Miss Nancy Wieser to Portland Sunday where she will board a plane for her home in California.

Bruce Smith of The Dalles arrived Thursday by bus to visit for a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson and returned to The Dalles Tuesday by bus.

Mrs. Laetitia Wilson was a dinner guest Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson to help celebrate Mrs. Wilson's birthday.

Lester Wilson broke his leg Monday while working on a grain elevator on his ranch. He was taken to The Dalles where his leg was put in a cast. It will take three months to mend.

Mrs. John Engstrom returned home Saturday from Portland where she spent several weeks visiting Mrs. Ina Lund.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arzell Lemley from Tuesday until Saturday were Mrs. Ruth Hillerman and son, David, from Garden Grove, California.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilcox of Salem spent a few days here looking after farming interests.

Guests at the Joe Bibby home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Woolwine and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McNeely from The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Garland and son, Howard, and Mr. and Mrs. Adron Arney and Eva Arney of Silver Lake were dinner guests of Grant Garland in The Dalles Sunday and went to White Salmon in the afternoon to the stock car races.

Mrs. Guy Boyer of John Day was a week end guest of her brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace May. She also attended the family reunion at Bear Springs Sunday.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap was hostess for a party at her home Saturday afternoon honoring her sister in law, Mrs. Nell Swick of Warren, Pa., who spent the summer here with her. Bridge was in play at two tables with Mrs. Arzell Lemley holding high, Mrs. Swick second and Mrs. Joe Bibby low. Others present were Mrs. Herman Peters, Mrs. Alfred Kock, Mrs. Don Smith, Mrs. Walter Davis and Mrs. Kendrick Dunlap from Moro. Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon by the hostess.

About 45 adults and children attended the May family reunion at Bear Springs Sunday August 14. A pot luck dinner was served at 1 o'clock and the afternoon was spent visiting. They came from far and near; from Portland, Salem, Medford, Bend, John Day, Hermiston, Vancouver, Wn., Carmel, Calif., New York, Moro and Grass Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brandt of Long Island, N. Y. arrived Saturday at the home of her brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace May. They attended the family reunion at Bear Springs. Mrs. Brandt is still here visiting while Mr. Brandt is in San Francisco on business.

Mrs. Arzell Lemley was hostess in her home Thursday afternoon at a farewell party for Mrs. Clair Adams, who has moved to Hood River. Cards were in play at three tables with Mrs. Joe Bibby holding high, Mrs. Lemley second and Mrs. Herman Peters low. Mrs. Adams won the traveling prize. Mrs. Adams was presented with a gift from the group. Others present were Mrs. Eben Kee, Mrs. Alfred Kock, Mrs. Donald Clodfelter, Mrs. Ted Kelly, Mrs. Max Brown, Mrs. Harold Eakin, Mrs. Paul Syron and Mrs. A. F. Balzer. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Herman Peters had as dinner guests Thursday evening her niece, Mrs. Rodney Bowdish and a girl friend from Texas, stopping here on their way to California from Newberg where they visited Mrs. Bowdish's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Wilcox.

A family picnic was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel Sunday honoring Mr. and Mrs. Bud Kock, who will be leaving Monday, August 22 for Anchorage, Alaska, after spending his furlough here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Bud Kock, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock, Mrs. Hans Kock, Mr. and Mrs. John Koch from Willard, Wn., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Koch and family from Oregon City, Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel, Billie Karnes from Tacoma, Mr. and Mrs. Carl von Borstel, Carl and John Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. George von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Mrs. A. von Borstel Mrs. Frank Sayrs and son Tony of Moro and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Pinkerton and family from Moro.

The Home Economics club of the Rufus grange met at the home of Mrs. Rolland Johnson Thursday afternoon. A dessert lunch of ice cream, angel cake and punch was served at the dining room table. Mrs. Harland McDonald presided at the business meeting which followed. Mrs. C. W. Johnson of Aloha and Mrs. Lester Gray were guests for the afternoon. Roll call was on freezing time-savers. The women were advised to have their canned fruits and jellies in at the next Pomona grange which will be at Rufus grange hall Saturday August 27 beginning with a dinner at noon. The Pomona dinner was planned. Mrs. Rolland Johnson, chairman of the food booth at the fair, said she needs all available help to put the food over this year. The juvenile camp at Bend advises the grange they need dish towels, children's games, pocket books and magazines. Mrs. Art Smith won the drawing.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilson Foote who have been in Europe the last few months arrived in Rufus Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Macnab and family and friends had a picnic dinner and swimming party at the John Day river last Sunday.

Glen Thompson entered the Wasco county hospital last week and would like to have his friends come in to visit him.

The plasterers were working on Ray Grant's cafe last week. This week a carpenter put counter tops in. The cafe plans to open by the end of the week. They will serve dinners and all fountain drinks. The cafe is located beside the Rufus post office and across the street from the Tavern.

Mrs. Milton Kingsland of Portland joined her husband in Rufus last week. She was in Portland several weeks entertaining company from Kansas.

## Darwin VanGilder Fire Shortens Named Red Hat Barzee Harvest Day Chairman

Local efforts to make future hunting seasons safer, fire-free and easier on both hunters and landowners, will be coordinated by Darwin VanGilder, Moro, whose appointment as Sherman county chairman of Oregon's Red Hat Day campaign was announced today by Governor Paul Patterson.

More than a score of state-wide organizations are listed as sponsors of Red Hat Day, which has been set for September 23. They include sportsman, labor, stockman, agricultural, timber industry and governmental groups concerned with hunting and hunter conduct.

In announcing the appointment, Governor Patterson revealed that hunting season reports of vandalism, firearms accidents, fires and game law violations have increased.

"Perhaps only one in a thousand hunters is to blame for these reports of poor sportsmanship," Patterson said, "but unless we can reach him through the Red Hat Day program, he is jeopardizing the hunting future for all of us."

A meeting was held Wednesday night with boy scout leaders and others to plan on membership of the county committee and time for starting the campaign in Sherman county. Major part of the signing of cards by hunters and fishermen will be done at the county fair and from then until September 23, Red Hat Day.

## Tickets For Shrine "B" Game Available

Ernie Woods has 22 tickets for the "B" Shrine game in Pendleton that are available to Sherman countyans who would like to go up for the game and they can be obtained from him.

Shriners have already disposed of 75 tickets here and the 22 are another lot and as good as can be bought.

Duncan, Miller and Fridley have all been chosen to play on the East team and will attract spectators from this county to the Pendleton game.

## Banks Do Most Lending To Farmers

Oregon farmers and ranchers met their credit needs during 1954 chiefly by loans from their local banks, according to B. C. Pinckney, manager, Sherman county branch, who represents the Oregon Banking association as Sherman county key banker.

On January 1, 1955, Oregon banks had loans outstanding to farmers and ranchers totaling \$45,929,000 including both production and mortgage loans. This compares with a total of \$35,886,000 held by the insurance companies, the second largest lender to Oregon farmers. In addition, Oregon banks held \$56,323,000 in CCC loans under the government's price support program not included in the above figures.

Bearing out Pinckney's statement regarding the use of bank loans to farmers is the fact that of the total farm debt outstanding in banks in Oregon on January 1, \$33,894,000 was in non-real estate or production loans. This compares with \$13,913,000 held by Production Credit associations and \$4,280,000 held by the Farmers Home administration.

## Fishermen Pay Fines For Too Many Fish

Four fishermen paid fines of \$12.50 and costs of \$4.50 in justice court at Wasco for exceeding the steelhead limit and failing to tag their fish. Judge Galloway presided.

The fish were caught in the Deschutes river, entry to the private road being by a key held by Olson, formerly of Kent. All the men were from around Beaverton.

## Rex To Be Worth Less Next Year

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced a discount of 20 cents per bushel in the 1956 price-support rates for 23 wheat varieties designated as undesirable because of inferior baking or milling qualities. USDA officials state that this change in the wheat price-support program for 1956 is designed to encourage production of the more desirable wheat varieties. According to the local ASC office, Rex is the only wheat variety listed for the State of Oregon to be discounted this 20 cents.

## Wheat Crop Not Up To Estimates

We have been wrong about the Sherman county wheat crop. Early returns indicated a crop of 30 to 35 bushels per acre and harvesting in the north end of the county brought such yields on the better land of that area. Close to Moro and on some early cut fields the yield was also up to that mark.

Later returns indicate that such an assumption is wrong for the remainder of the county. The poorer land is not yielding as close to the good land as it has been for the past 15 years and much of it will make 20 bushels or less.

The Sherman Co-op Grain Growers at Wasco has 900,000 bushels of wheat and expects 1,100,000 bushels of barley and more still coming.

The Moro Grain Growers has 700,000 bushels of both grains and may get 900,000 bushels by the end of harvest.

At Grass Valley 450,000 bushels of barley have come in and the total is not expected to exceed 700,000 bushels.

This means that the wheat crop will be approximately 2,250,000 to 2,500,000 bushels and the barley crop 600,000 to 700,000 bushels. No accounting has so far been made of the private storage but it is certain to be reduced in the same proportion as the commercially warehoused grain.

In former years, before 1940, there was a marked difference in the production from land with deep soil and that from shallow soil. Lighter soil did not hold enough moisture to mature a big crop. Recently, heavier supplies of moisture have made all land yield well. This was a drier year and the shallower land failed to produce up to expectations.

## Church Desecration Found At Grass Valley

Small boys, it has been learned from reliable sources, have been breaking out the windows in the Methodist church at Grass Valley, now used by the Lutherans.

The windows in the church are of colored glass and are very hard to replace and very costly.

It is against the law to damage any property and authorities are especially active when damage or molestation is done to a church building, churches being in a class of public buildings.

## Weather Modification Gets Federal Study

A party of men from Eisenhower's Advisory committee on weather modification were in Condon earlier this month, according to the Globe-Times, and met with the Weather Modification Co., while there.

They praised efforts of the locally operating company for using radar in cloud seeding operations and said that this experiment was one of the few hail prevention tests being made in the entire country.

No change has been made recently about continuance of cloud seeding in the tri-county area despite the increased national interest in such experiments and the more general acceptance of the theory.

## Wasco Fair Starts Later This Month

The Wasco county fair starts August 25 at Tygh Valley with judging of exhibits to be done on Thursday. Friday will see an Indian queen contest, wrestling bouts and an open air square dance.

Saturday and Sunday there will be a rodeo and fat stock auction and a dance and Sunday will start with a cowboy breakfast, a rodeo and horse racing.

There will be free parking within the track enclosure and many attractions and interesting exhibits usual to this neighboring county show.

## Weed Control Worries ASC Chairman Here

Frank von Borstel chairman of the Sherman county ASC committee wishes to call the attention of farmers to the weed control practice listed in the committee's agricultural conservation handbook for 1955. This weed control practice is designated by the committee as a county conservation practice because of the large acreage infested with noxious weeds. Operators who have noxious weeds on their fields are urged to sign-up for this practice at the ASC office in Moro before treating them this fall. The federal cost-share is 50 percent of the cost of the chemicals. Payments will be made for the use of sodium chlorate, atrazine, borate chlorate, and carbon bisulphide only. A recent announcement by the Secretary of Agriculture indicates that this will be the last year that any assistance payment can be made for weed control.

## Accident Booth To Be At County Fair

Mrs. Metra Lee and Mrs. Bryce Mullins, accompanied by Miss Janice Westaby, home safety consultant of the state board of health, were here Tuesday to see if it was possible to obtain room for a booth at the county fair to show ways of preventing home accidents.

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## To Get \$100 Best Cake Maker

One hundred dollars cash will be awarded as first prize in a sponge cake bake-off competition by the Oregon Wheat Growers League at their annual meeting in Pendleton December 8, 9, and 10, the contest being for cake bakers who have previously won first place for sponge cake at 1955 county fairs in the nine wheat counties of Oregon.

"The \$100 competition will be limited to the nine 1955 first place winners at county fairs," said Mrs. Raphael Raymond, Helix, state chairman of the league's Domestic Wheat Utilization committee.

"Thus to be eligible for the big bake-off, entrants (men are welcome, as well as women) must first win a first at the various county fairs in Baker, Gilliam, Jefferson, Morrow, Umatilla, Sherman, Wasco, or Walla Walla counties.

"Preliminary contest dates are listed in the respective fair premium books. In the county fair contests, the first prize for sponge cake is \$5; \$3 for second, and \$2 for third. In the event a first place winner is unable to compete, the second place winner will act as alternate."

## Land Banks Can Make Bigger Loans

Credit services of the Federal Land Bank of Spokane have been broadened by legislation passed by the congress on August 1 and signed into law by President Eisenhower on August 11, Fred A. Knutsen, bank president, announced today.

Mr. Knutsen said the farm credit act of 1955 increases the bank's loan limit from \$100,000 to \$200,000; expands the purposes of loans broadens the base on which loans may be made on part-time farms, and permits the extension of credit to family corporations engaged in farming operations.

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