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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

Newlyweds came through town Monday with car decorated by happy friends. One sign read "Just Hitched".

T T W N

In discussions about whether it will be Stevenson or Harrison or Kefauver, we have not heard from the man who will decide: Walter Reuther.

T T W N

There could be a substantial cut in taxes if American taxpayers would make a loud enough roar about subsidizing so many things. They might silence those who think the purpose of government is to subsidize.

T T W N

Bookkeeping will destroy civilization unless it is curtailed. We already keep a quarter of the working force busy with figures.

T T W N

There is a spate of books about alcoholism which is a new name for drunkenness—in spades. When times get tougher and men do likewise there will be fewer such books.

T T W N

Money is going to be spent. If one man doesn't his successors will.

T T W N

"I pay the doctor to keep me from dying," said Uncle Emmet, "and if I pay him too much I'll have to".

T T W N

We wish congress would crawl under the house and be quiet. Now it is investigating religion.

T T W N

Oregon's junior senator feels badly that congress did not pass a school bill, a highway bill or do anything about civil rights. We hope congress leaves the schools to states and local districts, gives states back the tax money it now takes from them so they can build their own roads and quits meddling with civil rights. So, we are happier than the senator and not nearly so expensive.

T T W N

When your luck is bad overhaul your management.

T T W N

Who's going to do the work in an American's idea of heaven?

T T W N

Some day explorers and scientists will have a gay old time digging in our city dump.

T T W N

The Russian farmers (mostly officials) have come and gone, in their mind pictures of the magic of America where motors do the age old work of planting and reaping. They will be more than human if they are not discontented with Russia. Yet, it will take something other than communism to permit men on farms to reach American standards for communism is big government and when there is big government there is nothing but little people without the power to progress.

T T W N

We are not surprised that a woman kissed President Ike. What did surprise us was to read that she jumped over a rope.

T T W N

Clothiers are now going to try to sell men more suits. As we remember it was the clothiers who are responsible for selling them the sloppy slacks and sport stuff they wear now.

T T W N

All over the world there are rebellions against authority in which the fighters say they are trying to obtain freedom and establish their own governments. It may be that they wouldn't know how to govern themselves and also that the only way they can learn is by doing.

T T W N

While the controversy is still going on we'd like to commend the Houston waitress who directed the Indian delegation to a private dining room. It was segregation nicely done and the girl deserves a word of praise instead of so much adverse criticism.

T T W N

Crying over spilt milk certainly does no good but it is kinda tough to have to mop it up.

T T W N

Those femininely named storms can be contemplated more calmly from the Pacific coast than the Atlantic.



Queen of the internationally famous Pendleton Round-Up, 19-year-old Kathryn Wyss, is a real cowgirl. Queen Kathryn has been a competitor in many junior rodeos as a roper and rider and has ridden in many cattle drives in eastern Oregon. Pendleton Round-Up dates are September 15-16-17.

4-H Children Will See Many Contests During Fair Week

Livestock judging, showmanship and herdsman contests are special features of the 4-H livestock section of the Sherman County Fair, County Agent T. W. Thompson said this week.

The livestock judging contest will feature a 1956 4-H club summer school scholarship by the Cushman Equipment Company, Moro, to the winner. All 4-H livestock members are eligible for competition, whether they have animals to exhibit at the county fair or not. Previous winners in this contest have been: Joann Ross and Sterling Gochbauer of Moro. Participants will judge classes of hogs, sheep and beef cattle. The three top judges will constitute a team for participation at the 1955 Pacific International Stock Show, Portland, October 15-22.

Champion 4-H showman in the beef, sheep and swine divisions will be selected during the 1955 Sherman County Fair. Champion showman awards will be presented by the Equitable Savings and Loan Association of Portland. Awards to be presented are: beef, show halter; sheep, wool card; swine, show cane; Thompson said. Each of the champion showmen will compete for grand champion 4-H livestock showman of the fair. The Mountain View Hereford Ranch, Grass Valley, sponsors a plaque for the winner of this contest. Previous winners have been: Joann Ross and Gary Miller, Moro. The showmanship contests are divided into junior and senior divisions participating for the champion showman.

Livestock members will compete individually for cash awards for herdsman contests for sheep, swine and beef. The purpose of the herdsman contest is to develop more knowledge and skill in proper handling and stabling of livestock and in the proper care and use of equipment. The 4-H showmanship contests teach boys and girls courtesy, good grooming, poise, confidence, and how to fit and train and handle animals.

The Sherman County Fair board will again present trophies to the exhibitors of the grand champion 4-H market sheep, swine, and beef. Other awards are available and will be presented to the 4-H club members participating during the Sherman County Fair.

Council Acts To Stop Parking Ills

At the City Council meeting, August 23, action was taken to purchase and erect stop signs at Court, McCoy and Scott Streets at 4th, and on Scott Street at 2nd and 2nd Streets.

Also, to require trucks loading or unloading to use loading zones, to park parallel to curb, zones to be at ramp by Doumas and on 1st Street by Cyphers' Tavern, off the highway. Twenty-five feet of curb space to be reserved on 1st Street as loading zone. Designated Lov V. Cochran, as marshal, to enforce parking regulations and to slow down traffic on highway through town.

OS C Finds Weather Experiment Unjustified In Tri-County Area

Science is still hopeful it can put reality into man's long-nurtured dream to do something about the weather. But Oregon State college meteorologists say much research is needed before such efforts as cloud seeding will give controlled weather changes.

The OSC researchers have just completed a four-year study of commercial cloud seeding in Oregon's dryland wheat area of Sherman, Gilliam, and Morrow counties. Their conclusion: no definite increases in rainfall due to seeding.

The study was made by Russell Lincoln, Fred Decker, and John Day in the 2,642,000 acre Tri-county region where rainmakers have been seeding clouds with silver iodide since 1950. The team of researchers armed themselves with 20-year weather records for the area prior to 1950 before starting their intensive four-year observation.

Average rainfall from 1930 to 1950 had been 10.5 inches during the 10 months, September through June, when cloud seeding is practiced in the Tri-county area. Yearly variations were wide, however, during the 10-month periods: 5.8 inches in 1938 compared to 16.6 inches in 1947.

Reports from regional weather stations, along with actual rainfall measurements in nearby unseeded areas, gave a computed average annual rainfall of slightly under 11 inches for the four test years.

The scientists measured 11 items used to compute natural rainfall allowed statistical margin of error, and figured 12.60 inches of rain must fall before it could be credited to anything but chance. Actually, only 11.58 inches fell during the seeding season—one inch under the total needed to credit it to anything but nature.

It is quite probable, meteorologists say, that weather conditions are rare when man can make clouds release rain or withhold hail. But they believe the Tri-county study has provided a good tool for measuring cloud seeding methods.

County Pays Up For Month of July; Plans To Oil County Roads As Soon As Possible

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR JULY, 1955 APPROVED AUGUST 3 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

GENERAL FUND: SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Dunham print Co., \$429.20; Geiser, \$18.00; Fields, \$112.00

CLERK'S OFFICE: Railway Express Agency, \$1.80; Marie Hoskinson, \$6.40

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Helen Banney, \$146.00

COURTHOUSE: Service Laundry & Cleaners, \$1.75; lights, \$27.98; water, \$10.00; phone, \$47.37

COUNTY COURT: Kuypers, \$146.00; Sather, \$15.00

DEMOSSE PARK, \$0.95

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: \$1016.25

GOVT TRAPPER: \$65.83

COUNTY JAIL: \$33.65

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: \$18.90

U. S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE: \$785.00

EMERGENCY: E. Dick, \$27.80; L. H. Butcher Co., \$36.25

MISCELLANEOUS: First Nat'l Bank, \$197.10; State Tax Com., \$23.93; Social Security, \$92.54; State Ind. Acci. Com., \$8.54

GENERTD ROAD: WEED CONTROL: C. Wallace, \$244.96; Moro Lum. & Fuel Co., \$46.62; Tom's Weld & Equip., \$26.57; Union Oil Co., \$51.80; Ore. Agr. Chemicals, \$45.55

WAGES: Dunlap, \$433.20; McPherson, \$248.80; Bayer, \$316.84; Morehouse, \$281.79; Gosson, \$324.00; Zachary, \$404.69; Shoemaker, \$312.83; Hammond, \$306.84; Gray, \$310.93; First National Bank, \$254.40; State Tax Com., \$35.53; Social Security, \$65.33

REPAIRS: Service Motor Co., \$118.01; O'Meara Supply & Imp. Co., \$107.38; Miller's trk. Parts, \$150.00; Int. Tractor & Equip. Co., \$23.80

GAS & OIL: Standard Oil Co., \$563.49; Shell Oil Co., \$162.99; TIRES & TUBES: Firestone Stores, \$2.95

GENERAL SUPPLIES: Moro Lum. & Fuel Co., \$57.06; McFadden Auto Parts, \$7.31; Auto Electric Supply Co., \$142.16; Smith Auto Parts, \$88.34; Woodbury Co., \$11.21; Moro Motors, \$4.15; Mel Gordon Battery Co., \$66.00; The Dalles Iron Works, \$2.28

MISCELLANEOUS: Sites Freight Lines, \$2.18; water, \$1.75; lights, \$18.46; phone, \$22.86; State Ind. Acci. Com., \$7.24; U. P. R. R. Co., \$1.50

Two Indians Meet Death Within County

Coroner Loy Cochran has been busy this week caring for the remains of two Indians who died or were killed within the county.

First was that of Fred Ross, 47, of Toppenish found about a mile west of Biggs, just off the new cut on the the highway. His body was found lying face down in fine dust on the railroad grade and there was speculation as to whether he had been thrown from the road or had fallen. An autopsy showed that he had died from a heart attack. Friends have said that had been ill with similar symptoms a few days previous to the discovery of his body, which was estimated to be two days after death.

Saturday night Mrs. Daisy Colfax of Celilo was killed when struck by a car driven by Carlisle Daniels of New Mexico as she was crossing the Old Oregon trail toward the Rufus Tavern.

She was with a party of Indians that had stopped on the south side of the highway. A car going east temporarily blinded Daniels, he reported to police, and he did not see the woman on the highway. He threw her 40 feet, breaking and lacerating her right arm, and it is thought that loss of blood was the major cause of her death two hours later in a hospital in The Dalles. No other bones were broken. Daniels was not held.

Surviving are her widower, Fred Colfax and three children, a brother, Charles Teevee of Tacoma and a sister Emmy Telkikh of Spring Hill, Washington.

4-H Auction Sale Authorized Again

Final plans for the annual 4-H meat animal auction sale in conjunction with the Sherman County Fair were completed Tuesday evening during a meeting of the 4-H auction sale committee of the Sherman County Cattlemen's association, sponsoring organization, Howard Ross, chairman, reports.

The 1955 meat animal sale will be held at 4:30 p. m. Saturday, immediately following the rodeo, September 10, in front of the sheep and swine barns at the fair grounds.

Sherman county boys and girls will offer sheep, swine and beef for sale. The auction sale gives the opportunity to secure first rate meat for the home locker from 4-H club animals. The sale allows club members to carry projects and disposes of their project locally without the expense of traveling to out of county shows. Club members are not required to sell their animals at the fair. The auction sale has been a part of the county fair, and contributes materially to the exhibits and interest in the annual county event, Ross stated.

All folks are welcome and invited to participate and buy during the auction sale, Ross comments. Animals may be purchased on a resale or a direct slaughter basis. The resale bid allows a person to purchase an animal and then resell to the sponsoring organization, with the buyer paying only the difference between the bid and resale price. Animals purchased for slaughter are delivered to the C & C Food Store, Grass Valley, where type of cut can be arranged by the buyer.

Cy Williams, Pendleton, will do the auctioneering for the 1955 meat animal auction sale. The 4-H auction sale committee of the livestock association is arranging for the operation of the show. Others serving on the auction sale committee are Johnny Decker, Pal Wallace, Frank Reid and Earl Gentry, and other members of the executive committee of the livestock association.

Anyone desiring to place a bid on stock that can not attend the sale, may do so through the auction or the cattlemen's association executive committee or the county agent's office.

THE DALLES LOSES GAME

The Dalles entry in the semifinals of American Legion baseball lost its game Wednesday night to Tucson, Arizona, by a score of 3 to 1 with Griggs pitching. He allowed eight hits but only one run was earned, errors causing the others.

The Dalles has already beaten Lincoln, the third entry, by a 9 to 6 score and plays that team again Thursday night. All three teams have now lost one and won one and a second loss eliminates a team.

Telephone Company To Build Additions

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company has let contracts to the Mid-State Construction company, lowest bidder, to construct two additions to their plants in Sherman county. One will be at Wasco and the other at Moro.

The Wasco addition will be 17.5 feet by 18 feet, of one story frame construction and will cost \$5804. The new addition at Moro will be 18.5 by 18 feet and the cost will be \$5706. The work will be done by December 1955 and provide for larger dial installations which will be completed in January 1956.

CAROL NORTON HAS BRIDAL SHOWER

Miss Carol Norton was the honored guest at a lovely bridal shower held Saturday afternoon at the Kent Legion hall. Card tables centered with tiny Japanese umbrellas and miniature bouquets of sweet peas were placed down the length of the hall. Occasional bouquets of summer garden flowers were used as additional decoration. The gift table, covered with a lace cloth had an attractive back drop of colored streamers giving the effect of a bower while above the table were suspended the traditional silver wedding bells. Miss Norton, attired in a dark pink print summer dress and wearing a corsage of roses, sweet peas and carnations opened the many beautiful gifts. She was assisted by Miss Martha Bardenhagen and Mrs. Jack Cushman.

Miss Karen Kelly accompanied the piano by Miss Carol Kopp sang "Because". Miss Kopp played a piano solo, "Narcissus". Refreshments of cake, jello, punch and coffee were served by the hostesses Mrs. Helen Banney, Mrs. Marie Balzer, Miss Marlynn Olsen, Mrs. Nell Smith, Mrs. Virginia Cox, Mrs. Sammie Watkins, and Mrs. Floye von Borstel.

BRAND BOOK OUT

The department of agriculture for Oregon has issued the 1955 brand book, an event that often brings out the nostalgic in news writers. There are 11,725 brands, 8,668 cattle brands, 2349 horse brands, 171 sheep brands, 13 poultry brands and three for goats. How they brand poultry we do not know.

The oldest brand is a "D" brand registered from Coos county and first used in 1849 to brand five elk cows, it is said.

Brand owners must register it every five years or lose it and a new book is printed with each registration.

Sherman county has some old brands dating back to the 1860s when stockmen were the only residents in the county except for a few hotel keepers and stage station attendants. The Fulton had an early brand for horses and cattle and Barnum used a JT connected on his first stock. Pearson and Pierre Cutcherrrie used a JP, one connected and one not.

Club Work To Culminate At Fair Time With Exhibits and Demonstrations

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Exhibits in 4-H will include various clothing and cooking projects, homemaking, knitting, vegetable garden, entomology, sheep, swine and beef. A special tractor operator's contest will be held for club members in the tractor maintenance project.

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School To Begin September 12; Teachers Meet 6th

School in Moro will begin Monday morning September 12 when buses will make their first trip of the school year bringing children.

Teachers will meet the 6th and for the remainder of the week to get acquainted and plan for the opening of school.

Head of the school system this year is Ward Sybouts who comes here from Butte Falls where he had taught for five years. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon, although attending Oregon State for the larger part of his higher education period. He will teach mathematics and be superintendent of the high and grade schools.

Ray Howie, formerly of Jefferson is graduate of Lewis & Clark and will be the new coach. He will start his football training August 29, the day he is scheduled to arrive in Moro. He will teach social studies to lower classes.

Lynn Teadtke is here with his wife and child and is getting ready to teach music. He has a special interest in forming a band and will work with adults while teaching both grade and high school music.

Mrs. Beatrice May Davis is coming from South Dakota with three daughters to teach girls physical education and biology. She is a graduate of Milwaukee-Dowder college and North Dakota Agricultural college and the University of Nebraska, as well as the University of Colorado.

Cloyd E. Duncan, now well acquainted, will teach upper grade social studies and science and it is probable that he will continue to give some help to the football team.

Mrs. Shelley Roberson will teach English again this year, having held that position until the memory of child runneth not.

Ivan Stewart will arrive this weekend from Prineville where he has been teaching and will take the place left vacant by the removal of Don Anderson to Silverton as principal of the grade school. He came from Rickreall and graduated from Monmouth.

Three grade teachers remain of the 1954-55 staff: Mrs. Edith Paulson in the primary grades, Mrs. Marshall Jefferies in grades 3 and 4 and Mrs. Marguerite Christianson in grades 5 and 6.

HARVEST ENDING

Harvest is practically over in Sherman county as only a few farmers are still running their combines.

Returns were not as satisfactory on higher land as they have been for the past 15 years but there is little complaint as farmers realize that conditions change and every year cannot bring a bumper crop. Total crop for the county will come close to 2,500,000 bushels of wheat when that kept on farms is added to the commercial warehouse total.

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FAIR GETTING AGED

If the Sherman county fair board wanted to stretch it a little it could celebrate the 50th fair this year, or rather the 50th anniversary of what could be called the first fair.

Actually there have been years in which there was no fair and also actually the fairs with an organized board and an established place to meet did not start until 1908.