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These Things We Note

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Everybody wonders what to do about so many automobiles where to park 'em, new roads on which to drive 'em. No one dares suggest we make fewer of 'em to solve the problem.

T T W N

It soon will be impossible to tell the size of the town by the size of the telephone number.

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If, as is often said, the object of a journey is not to reach your destination but to have a good time going that new jet plane is out of step.

T T W N

Now the controversy in Portland has gotten around to which smells the best cows or humans. We'll take roast beef.

T T W N

The apparent alliance between Mike DeCicco and Wayne Morse, offers a great deal to a humorist and certainly something to a political philosopher.

T T W N

Now we are importing gas to replace the electricity we haven't got. It's fun to argue, but unprofitable.

T T W N

Maybe with a little help wheat growers could do as much to popularize their product as the toaster makers do or the baking powder makers or the millers.

T T W N

How long will it be before oldsters will object to being treated like children?

T T W N

A weekly newspaper is one that doesn't stick a label over the prettiest picture or the most exciting story on the front page.

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The paint job, we see, is going to be the most startling thing about the new cars.

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If the money holds out Portland will have a new baseball club for 1956 although it may be no better.

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There is a serious problem when farmers are ahead of the eaters and there is a surplus of food, but it is nothing compared to the problem when the eaters are ahead of the farmers and there is a scarcity.

T T W N

Now that the wave of feeling about communists has subsided some of the theorists who favored such thinking back in the thirties can quit worrying.

T T W N

The first car wreck involving fire or water will prove a setback for the seat belt craze.

T T W N

Argument that Bonneville dam was responsible for the great increase in Northwest industry and population overlooks the fact that there was a war on. That did it.

T T W N

What we wonder is: if government can do things better, why the Russians aren't more prosperous than we are?

T T W N

If foreign newspapers play up that story of the two starving boys like American papers did, we will talk about their ignorance of our true conditions.

T T W N

There's about one civilian working for the army for every two soldiers and GIs used to peel their own spuds and keep their own books.

T T W N

Wouldn't it be a joke on the human race if some scientist blew the whole world into kingdom come while playing with atoms?

T T W N

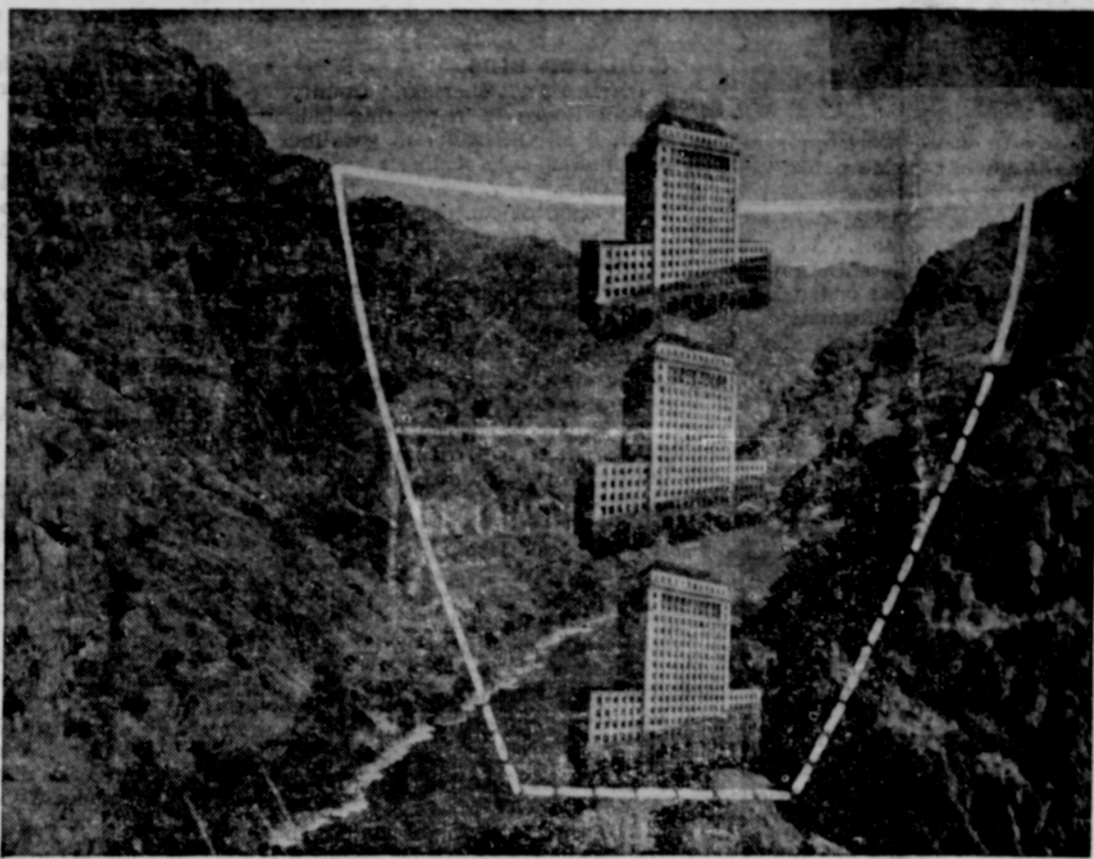
It's getting to be time for the big game between Oregon and Oregon State when bands of boys from one campus are found playing pranks on the other. Such antics pass for patriotism at 20.

T T W N

How to be governed has been a problem of mankind since they elected or were subdued by their first chieftan. It has never been solved for as men grow in intelligence the less government they need for themselves and the more complications they devise to require government for them.

T T W N

Let us not, said the philosopher, examine our vaunted superiority, too closely.



Power Companies Plan Huge Dam on Snake If Permission Given; Would Contain Biggest Generators, Be Among Highest In World

New records in dam building and power plant operations will be established when Pacific Northwest Power company undertakes its gigantic \$210,000,000 hydroelectric project on the Snake river.

E. Robert de Luccia, vice president and chief engineer for Pacific Power & Light company, disclosed today that turbines and generators at the Pleasant Valley and Mountain Sheep dam sites will be the largest in the world, and that the Pleasant Valley dam itself will be one of the two highest arch dams in the United States, ranking third in the entire world.

Pacific Northwest Power company, organized by Pacific Power & Light, Portland General Electric, Washington Water Power and Montana Power companies, filed September 7 with the Federal power commission for a license to build and operate the 1,446,000 kilowatt project on the middle Snake between Oregon and Idaho. Construction schedules call for starts at both developments next March, with first power available in 1959.

Mr. de Luccia said the six hydroelectric generators to be built for Pleasant Valley will be the largest in the world. Forty-nine feet in diameter, they will be capable of producing a maximum of 170,000 kilowatts.

Also a world leader at that site will be the hydraulic turbines driving the big generators. They will be capable of developing 233,600 horsepower each. Together with the largest water wheels ever built in one piece, each complete turbine unit will weigh 683 tons.

The previous record size for such power units was at Grand Coulee where each generator could turn out a maximum of 130,000 kilowatts from turbines producing 175,000 horsepower, de Luccia said.

The four hydraulic turbines at Mountain Sheep, 20 miles down stream from Pleasant Valley, will hang up another world record as the largest in physical size ever built.

Measuring 246 inches in diameter, they will be two inches wider than the previous record size turbines now being manu-

Meat Testing Now Being Tested

Oregon's pilot program on compulsory meat inspection will move into the Portland area next week, M. E. Knickerbocker, animal division chief for the state department of agriculture, announced Friday.

In the Portland area, 12 plants will be under inspection in Canby, Sandy, Oregon City, Rainier, St. Helens, Gaston, North Plains, Sherwood, Carlton, Cornelius, and Gresham.

In addition, several plants along the Tillamook and Clatsop county coast will be tied into this series of inspections. Plants not regularly under voluntary inspection will be under this compulsory check.

The pilot program will continue for three weeks in these plants. The first three-week area work under the pilot program was concluded in the Salem area October 14. Eight plants here were under complete state inspection during this period.

factured for the Noxon Rapids power plant on the Clark Fork river in Montana, and three and a half inches larger than the turbines installed at Dnieprostroy on Russia's Dnieper river.

Permanent cranes, to be used

in handling of the big power units at both of the Pleasant Valley powerhouses, will also be record smashers. One for each power house at that location, they will each lift 700 tons.

Pointing to the tremendous height of the concrete dam to be built at Pleasant Valley, The Pacific Power chief engineer said it would be the third highest true arch dam in the world. Rising 532 feet from the bed of the Snake river, the Pleasant Valley structure will be second to the 590 foot high Tignes arch in France, and third to the 745 foot high Mauvoisin dam in Switzerland. It will be equal in height to Seattle's Ross dam on the Skagit river in Washington.

The Pleasant Valley structure is only 16 feet less than the height of Grand Coulee, which is a "gravity" type dam depending on massive weight for its strength, rather than on the thrust of an arch against canyon walls.

At the same time, de Luccia noted that the near million-and-a-half-kilowatt output of PNP's Snake river project compares with major Federal projects in the Northwest, being nearly three times greater than Bonneville, 28 per cent larger than McNary, and about two thirds as big as Grand Coulee.

Mr and Mrs W. D. Watkins Celebrate 50th of Marriage As Guests of Sons and Family

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Grace Smith and Mrs. James C. Wilson of Portland and Mrs. G. Douma of Moro with whom Mrs. Davis lived, six grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

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Moros Awaken In Time To Whip Redmond JVs

The Moro Huskies were stimulated out of a mood of apparent lethargy when the Redmond JVs scored in the first quarter in the game here last Saturday and went on to win 21 to 6 before the afternoon ended.

Moro fumbled on its own 30 yard line and Redmond recovered and although Redmond could make no yardage on the ground two passes from Peterson to Powell earned them the touchdown.

Kirkelle scored for Moro soon after and made most of it the hard way with runs and bucks by Kirkelle, Rolfe and Rodda although a pass, Miller to Brown aided the march.

With a score 7 to 6 the half ended and while the crowd watched the marches and drills of the girls' teams the boys were talked to by the coaches with good effect on the Moro boys.

Rodda was out of the game with injuries in the second quarter and Rolfe and Kirkelle carried right on down to the goal line with Kirkelle going over. The same pair were largely responsible for the final touchdown although Miller went the final yard on a quarterback sneak. All points were made by passing or running the ball.

Redmond had a fine pair of ends in Brown and Powell and a quarter that tried to carry the ball most of the time, usually without success. Second stringers played in the Moro backfield and Roy Cyphers distinguished himself by intercepting a pass and getting to the Redmond 20 before being caught. Jim Rodda caught Redmond's Reid on the Moro 18 after no one else was close. Harry Eakin did some good defensive work and Arnold Miller, hitherto a sub played the last half of the game. Kirkelle, whose ankle has not been quite well, was able to carry the ball steadily again.

Freshmen and sophomores on the Moro squad played a game against the Maupin second stringers Monday afternoon and won 2-0 in a game marked more by enthusiasm than by finesse.

The next game for Moro is against Goldendale here October 21.

Mrs. Ida Davis Buried In Kent Cemetery

Mrs. Ida Davis died Sunday at a hospital in The Dalles after an illness of several days probably starting from a stroke. Mrs. Davis was born in Shelbyville, Tenn., June 22, 1873, was married there, and came to Oregon in 1913. She lived at Kent for many years until she came to Moro about 15 years ago.

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Jury Releases Man From Assault Charge

A jury composed of Bob Marvin, Hugo Manke, Mrs. W. H. McDonald, Mrs. C. P. Moore, Mrs. Loy Cockran, Mrs. Jean Brown, Mrs. J. E. Norton, Mrs. E. Amundson, Lawrence Kenny, Blaine Miller, Mrs. Stanley Colesch and Leiland Medler brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case of the State of Oregon vs. LaVelle Gardner.

Gardner was charged with assault on Dallas Miller May 1 of this year at Kent in an affair that started at the Kent Tavern and ended in the early morning in front of that place.

Wasco Club Will Hold Election

A meeting was held in the afternoon with Mrs. Harland McDonald, chairman, presiding. Roll call was on hints for the sick room. Mrs. Leo Watkins and Mrs. Floyd Haines were among those present. The club voted to have a rummage sale this fall. The chairman to see about a place in The Dalles. The club will again meet at the hall for the November meeting to continue work on the signs. Election of officers will be held in November. The chairman announced some secret pals are being slighted. Mrs. Sam Brock got the drawing.

4-H Clubbers Get Prizes At Stockshow

Sherman county's high hopes of again topping the Pacific International with a 4-H beef steer were not realized. Sally Field's calf was third in its class, and Fritz Hill of Umatilla county repeated his 1954 triumph and went on to win first place in the entire show with his fat Hereford steer.

In the heavy Angus class Steven Burnet was 4th and also 4th in the medium Angus class. Sally Fields was reserve champion showman and first in beef showmanship.

Lodges Plan Talk On United Nations

Kendall Dale King will speak at the little Legion hall in Wasco Tuesday night, October 25 at 8:00 p. m. under the auspices of the Rebekah and Odd Fellow lodges. He will talk and show pictures taken on his trip to the United Nations.

Everyone is invited to come and hear him give his interesting talk. Refreshments will be served; everyone is invited and there is no admission charge.

Midco Show and Sale Due October 26 at Sherman Fairgrounds

The Midco association show and sale will be held at the Sherman county fair grounds Saturday, October 29 with the show starting at nine o'clock in the morning and the sale at one o'clock the same day. This is the first year both show and sale have been held in one day, a trend followed by other sales.

The consigners are Frank Anderson and Bernard Doherty of Heppner, Elton Eakin, Harry Eakin, Tommy Eakin, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Eakin, Fred Cox & Son, all of Grass Valley, Smith & Cunliffe of Goldendale, Herb Ekstrom of Lone, Ernest Sires of Echo, Roy Robinson of Mt. Vernon and Ralph Eakin of Condon.

A total of 34 bulls and 13 females will be sold and no bull will be allowed to go into the ring unless he grades at least 2. Ellis White will come to auctioneer the cattle again and Herbert Chandler, well known Baker cattleman will be the judge. Information about the sale may be obtained from Bud Tibbets, secretary at Moro.

Wheat League Group To Meet Wednesday

The executive committee of the Sherman association of Oregon Wheat Growers league will meet 8:00 p. m. Wednesday, October 26, John Hilderbrand, president, reports.

Plans for the fall meeting will be made during this committee meeting. Date and place of meeting, along with the agenda will be determined. The general fall meeting will be held prior to the middle of November. The state wheat league meeting will be held at Pendleton, December 8-10.

Other officers of the county association are: Don Thompson, vice president; T. W. Thompson, secretary. Committee chairmen and vice-chairmen are: Howard Ross and LeRoy Belshee, Youth Activities committee; Bob Schilling, Production and Land Use; L. E. Kaseberg, Taxation and Legislation; Norris Gilkinson and Ted Thompson, Wheat Disposal and Transportation; Hildred Zell and Bill Todd, Federal Agricultural programs; and Glaysd Zell, Winnie Wilson and Inez Thompson, Domestic Wheat Utilization committee.

City Officials Asked

City officials of Moro have been invited to attend the annual convention of the League of Oregon Cities in Portland, October 23-26. A wide variety of municipal problems are programmed for discussion at the convention, which will also include an observance of the league's thirtieth anniversary. A special section meeting will deal with the problems of small cities, with the program based on questions and suggestion received from cities with less than 2,000 population.

Rebekah Lodge Has Session At Wasco

The Marion Rebekah lodge met October 12. Christmas cards for this year were ordered and a letter from the state president read, stating she expects to visit this lodge November 17. Mrs. Floyd Haines was named as representative for the United Nations committee. The order voted to have a degree team with Mrs. Haines, captain. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins had visited the Grass Valley lodge and gave a report. A program following the business meeting included readings by Mrs. Haines and Mr. Watkins and a piano solo by Mrs. Vivian Trounce also a quiz game built around a Lincoln head penny conducted by Mrs. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brock served refreshments.

Mrs. Zell Tells Of Trip To Europe

The Wasco Woman's Study club was called to order by the President Mrs. John Foss, at the home of Mrs. B. Estrella Hailey.

The flag salute was given and the club collect was read. Fifteen members answered to roll call.

Mrs. H. M. Zell gave a very interesting, off the record, account of her trip to Europe this summer to attend the world convention of Federated Womens' clubs in Geneva.

Refreshments of candies, cake, tea and coffee were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Foss and Mrs. A. S. Watkins.

Coon Continues Dam Arguments Without Opponent

Sam Coon, second district congressman, said that partnership is not a partisan issue, that of 26 partnership projects authorized in the last 50 years 14 of them had been established under Democratic presidents.

"The Cove project on the Deschutes is a partnership dam between the Reclamation bureau and Pacific Power & Light and it was authorized by President Harry Truman. There are many others," said the congressman.

In citing the need for an immediate start on the John Day dam, Coon said that it would require an investment of a million dollars a day to provide the power for the Northwest needs. At the rate appropriations are being made by the federal government it will require 27 years for enough money to be allotted to this area. There are 1100 projects already authorized at an estimated cost of nine billion dollars.

The congressman accused the Democrat members of congress from Oregon of helping defeat the appropriations for the John Day dam so they could point to a record of no new starts on the part of the Eisenhower administration.

"Oregon's resource and industrial development therefore are held back because certain people would rather play politics than help build Oregon and create new job opportunities for our people" he said.

Mr. Coon told of some of the actions of the congress last year in foreign affairs saying that the adoption of the Formosa resolution had stopped Red China from attacking Formosa and that the president had scored a diplomatic victory at Geneva.

The highway bill was lost because of politics, said the congressman, as the Democrats would not support Eisenhower's bill and could not support their own bill because of its heavy taxation of the truck industry.

Coon said in answer to a question that the cost of power at the damsite under his bill would be 2.5 mills compared to 2.2 at Bonneville. This is about the same as the rate will be at The Dalles and McNary dams. That will be the wholesale rate, comparable to the Bonneville rate. He said that he favored the low John Day dam instead of the high and felt that the engineers would soon change to favor it also.

Coon spoke Tuesday evening at the school house as a guest of the Sherman County club which had invited him and Senator Neuberger to debate the John Day dam bill. Neuberger did not accept.

Patriotic Societies Will Meet October 26

A joint meeting of the Chris Schultz post and the auxiliary will be held October 26 at which time election of new Legion officers will be completed and installation held.

Harvey Crapper of Hood River will be here to do the installing and Mrs. Crapper, district president, will meet with the auxiliary. There are some other plans for the post to be considered at the meeting.

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