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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

A general or even a sergeant can make a man stick out his chest. Those not given that authority can do the same by patting him on the back.

TTWN
A sign read: Manure 95 cents a sack. "Think of the millions I've handled", thought the passer-by.

TTWN
Voting for president is nothing compared to the necessity of Russians deciding on being a Stalinist or no.

TTWN
If congress finally approves high price supports it will have to further reduce acreage doing further damage to established wheat farmers.

TTWN
In this nation's most prosperous times more persons are dependent on government than ever before. Does that prove that socialism is the way to prosperity or that we're going bust.

TTWN
We seem to have reached the stage of civilization when a fish or a deer is worth more than a man.

TTWN
It is good for you to make a mistake now and then and bad for you to make too many.

TTWN
The Oregon Voter has published its biennial funny section—the campaign slogans of candidates.

TTWN
In schools we class pupils by age almost entirely. It is time we found a better way of determining the questions.

TTWN
Don't it beat all. Here we live in the only country in the world with plenty of food and we're afraid to eat.

TTWN
A writer criticizes hamburger and it is about time. Some of it tastes more like a product of the forest than the product of a cow, however poor.

TTWN
We have a page of pictures of some 1895 shoes found by Marvin Judah. The highest cost \$2.50 and shoes made of good kid leather. Now for ten times that amount a woman can buy a few straps and a paper-thin sole. Progress, Eh?

TTWN
It is sort of comforting to know that with all the new gadgets and inventions people remain the same, the only thing not subject to improvement by the scientists.

TTWN
If those men who are making a rocket to send to the moon will just wait until November 7 we will give them the names of some likely volunteers for passengers.

TTWN
If a modern man could arrange to live as cheaply as grandpa did he could certainly get some federal agency to pay the total cost. Working isn't necessary for food and shelter, only for drink and dancing.

TTWN
All those little cars you see on the road are foreign cars, each one a proof that someone would like to own a smaller car that is fast enough for travel and cheap enough to use.

TTWN
Everyone will have a chance to catch up on his knowledge of the geography of Monaco next month, all 370 acres of it, perhaps the best break the little kingdom has had since the invention of the roulette wheel.

TTWN
So the Communist newspaper didn't pay taxes. If we could evade taxes by writing a few communist editorials we'd be tempted although it would probably be cheaper in the long run not to.

TTWN
Well bet that Portland man with ten daughters is glad we don't follow the dowry system in this country.

TTWN
Eugene voters have decided they prefer to look at trees and fish by day rather than read at night.

New Kent Church Dedicated Sunday With Big Audience

The dedication of the new Kent Community Baptist church was held Sunday with Rev. James Howard of Prineville giving the address before 156 members of the community, enough for an overflow crowd in the basement. The new church has been built during the previous winter by members of the church who have donated their time and effort to getting a new church. Total cost including materials sufficient to build sidewalks and paint parts of the exterior has been \$3806.51. Nearly all has been paid, the church being \$500 in debt which is not due for a year.

The men who worked on the building made their own plans and laid out the work as they went along. A basement was dug and then by laying the cement blocks of which the building is made. Interior is of knotty pine with walls of a restful green. There is a hardwood floor and a maroon aisle carpet. The local men built their own pews and pulpit furniture.

The new church not only adds to the welfare of Kent but the co-operation necessary to construct it has knitted the congregation together in a spiritual bond.

Conference Billed By G. V. Baptists

A missionary conference will begin Sunday evening with Richard Falconer and feature a different speaker each evening from Tuesday through Friday, will be held by the Baptist church in Grass Valley next week. Other fields represented will be Brazil, Belgian Congo, new church work of the state association, Japan, and work among the Negroes of Portland.

These meetings will begin at 7:30 and pictures will be shown most evenings. Those who wish will have an opportunity to speak with the missionaries following the services.

4-H Leaders Meet For Organization

The Sherman county 4-H Leaders association met at the court house the evening of March 26. There were 14 leaders and two guests, T. W. Thompson and Ina B. Hanson, present. President Leonard Fields, chairman of the group, presided.

A number of coming events were discussed. The main discussion centered around 4-H Summer School which will be held in Corvallis from June 12 to the 22. Sherman county's quota will be twenty 4-H boys and girls. It was decided that the scholarship committee, consisting of Howard Ross, Thelma Sather, and B. C. Pinckney, would be asked to select the delegates from the applications which are to be returned to the agent's office by April 6. The premium lists and events at the Sherman county fair were discussed.

Other dates which were called to the leaders' attention were: Eastern Oregon 4-H Leaders meeting at Enterprise, April 24 and 25; Livestock Judging Field day at the Fred E. Cox ranch, May 19; Oregon Wheat League Fat Stock Show and Sale, The Dalles, June 5, 6, and 7; and Tri-County 4-H Summer Camp, Suttle Lake, July 8 to 13.

What Makes Best Flour Examined

Experimental work is underway at Oregon State college to test high protein soft-wheat flour for use in home baking.

Twenty-four soft-wheat flour samples within a 5 to 13 percent protein range are being used in testing muffins, biscuits, pancakes, pie crust and yeast rolls, according to Andrea Mackey, OSC home economist.

Differences in growing conditions cause variance in protein content of soft-wheat flours. Soft wheat, commonly marketed as cake flour, has a low (6 to 7 percent) protein content. The OSC researchers hope that tests now being conducted will show effects and possible uses for higher protein soft wheat in home-baked goods.

All flour being used in OSC experiments is Elmar wheat variety from farms in the Columbia basin.

Baseball Starting At High School Condon Opponent

By Ivan Kirkelle

The defending district 6B baseball champions, the Moro Huskies open their 1956 season at Grass Valley field, April 3, at 2:30 p. m., with expectation of a good season.

The Huskies who had a 10-2 record last year feel confident of a better season this year as their star pitcher Earl Griggs, who won ten games last year, is back. In addition to him there are ten returning lettermen. Ivan Kirkelle, catcher; Roy Cyphers, first base; Huck Rofe, short stop; Harry Eakin, third base; Jim Rodda, Jim Brown and Sterling Gochbauer as outfielders. Louis Miller is at second and doing a good job as this is his first year out. With a total of 22 boys out there will be plenty of competition as well as a good JV team who play their first game April 2, at Grass Valley 2:30 p. m.

The schedule for the baseball season is as follows:

April 2 J. V.	Maupin	here
April 3 Var.	Condon	here
April 6 Var.	Maupin	here
April 10 Var.	Sisters	there
April 14 Var.	Wishram	here
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April 20 Var.	Maupin	here
April 27 Var.	Cas. Locks	here
May 4 Var.	Condon	there

Sherman Riders Plan Play Day

The Sherman County Riders club met at the home of Stan Coelsch, Monday evening.

A report was given by the president, Bill Alsop, concerning the MSCA meeting March 11, at the Fort Dalles Riders club.

The 4-H horse club has been organized in the Wasco-Rufus area under the leadership of Fritz Watkins with Helen Watkins as assistant leader. Eleven members and their horses met at the Watkins home, March 17. Bill Wharton, horse trainer, explained and demonstrated, with his excellently trained half-Arab gelding, "Ko-Ko", the fundamentals of grooming, saddling, mounting and dismounting. Bill gave the "why and wherefores" of the proper methods of these fundamentals to insure safety for the youngsters as well as for showmanship.

Eleven youngsters are interested in joining the 4-H horse club in the Grass-Valley-Kent area and at least five in the Moro area. The organization of these two clubs has been temporarily postponed because of the field work demands. If any more youngsters between 9 and 21 desire to join, please contact Bill Alsop in the G.V.-Kent area and Stan Coelsch in the Moro area, as soon as possible.

It was announced that this county's riding clubs will sponsor a Play Day at the fairgrounds, May 6 at 1:00 p. m. This club's 30.06 Remington automatic rifle will be raffled off at this function. The various "fun games" played by saddle clubs on their horses is thrilling and exciting to watch and is open to the public.

A get-together practice day for this club is tentatively set for April 15.

Marjory Van Gilder is transporting her Arabian mare, Tahara for stud services to Chico, Cal., this week.

President Bill Alsop's mare has a brand new sorrel filly with four matched white socks and a white forehead blaze.

Refreshments were served by the hostess, Doris Coelsch.

Easter To Start With Breakfast

Easter will begin early for the folks of the Baptist church in Grass Valley when the young people will meet for breakfast at 8.

During the Sunday school hour the children will present an Easter program with recitations, special music and a chalk drawing.

During the morning worship the young people and the choir will present several special musical numbers and the pastor will bring an Easter message.

A Baptism service will highlight the evening service and the speaker will be Rev. Richard Falconer, office manager of the Conservation Baptist Home Mission.

Red Cross Drive Going On; Hope Is For Quick Ending

The drive for Red Cross funds is going on in Sherman county and the national organization is asking for more money because of the bad winter that made heavier demands on it. Instead of \$690 it requested \$850.

Half of the money raised will be kept in the county to help with the local program which consists of 1) the learn to swim program, 2) aid to indigents who are given food and gasoline, 3) a project of giving good first aid kits to each fire department in the county and to sponsor the first aid classes now going on, 4) the blood bank.

Chairmen for the drive, says Dr. Frank Reid, county chairman, are Mrs. George Wilson, Kent; Mrs. Harry Hooper, Grass Valley; Mrs. John Buck, Moro; Mrs. John Foss, Wasco; Mrs. Harry Hanson, Rufus.

State Slowly Paying Bonded Debt

State Treasurer Sig Unander has announced retirement of \$1,250,000 in state highway bonds and payment of \$469,687.50 in interest on highway bonds. The payments were made on March 1.

On April 1 Unander said the state of Oregon will retire \$100,000 in state highway bonds, and on September 1, 1956, \$2,000,000 of state highway bonds will be retired.

The total outstanding bonded indebtedness of the state as of March 1, after reduction by retirement of the highway bonds on that date, was \$170,007,000 consisting of the following bonds:

State highway bonds, \$61,225,000; Oregon veterans' loan bonds, \$52,000,000; Oregon district interest bonds, \$75,000; Oregon veterans' bonus bonds, \$45,500,000; reforestation bonds, \$3,800,000; higher education bonds \$7,407,000 for a total of \$170,007,000.

Republicans Hear Word From Leaders Monday

Republicans of the several central committees met at the Collins Moore home Monday night to hear a telephone message from President Eisenhower, Governor Smith and State Chairman Wendell Wyatt, all of whom urged the central committeemen and women to speed their efforts to get all party members registered in time to vote.

County Court Changes Date of Special School Election To April 30

CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF MARCH 7, 1956 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

Claims against all funds presented and allowed.

Treasurer's financial statement showing all fund balances as of February 29, 1956 presented, approved and ordered filed.

Road Fund Balances presented, approved and ordered filed.

Gasoline consumption for February presented and filed.

D. Pinkerton, I. Hart, F. Dorra, C. Morrison, M. Barzee, D. Barnes, F. Cox, appear before court and ask for gravel and road improvement in respective districts—matter taken under advisement.

Re: Street closing in Grant—A. Wilson appears before court and objects to closure of Caron Street—matter to be taken under advisement April term of court.

Re: Budget—Budget members meet with county court to discuss exceeding 6% limitation on 1956-57 budget—matter to be submitted to voters primary election.

Re: non-resident registered voters must be residents of the precinct in which they are registered.

Re: purchase of tires by county.

Re: Douglas of Goodyear Co. appears before court and asks for some of county's tire business—matter referred to road supt.

Re: Road labor pay—motion made and seconded road laborers receive time and one-half for short week of pay period.

Re: County Court met with State Highway commission to request improvement on State Secondary 206 from Wasco east and south to Conlee's corner; also improvement of Highway 97 from Moro to river.

Re: crossing of railroad track, Erskine district, crossing granted for 32' wide.

Re: County Agents annual report, Oct. 1, 1954 to September 30, 1955, incl. presented, approved and ordered filed.

Re: Audit for Sherman county for year ended June 30, 1956 presented, approved and ordered filed.

Re: Bond of Deputy County Clerk presented, approved and ordered filed.

Re: Application for janitor at courthouse made—matter deferred.

Re: Application for auditor for 1956-57 received—matter deferred.

Re: Ambulance—motion made seconded ambulance matter be deferred until preparation of budget for fiscal year.

Panel, Audience Talk Schools, Ask Questions

The meeting at the school house for a discussion of school matters stemming from the White House conference gave many persons an opportunity to ask questions they wanted to know about schools and panel members gave much information in their talks.

B. C. Pinckney told of the large and growing cost of schools although he had no solution for it other than new or increased taxes. Neither did any in the audience propose a solution.

Allen Tom told of proposed legislation for Oregon's school problems made acute by the 20,000 pupils annually added to the 330,000 on hand. Bills to add distressed districts, change the apportionment under the basic school law and keep pupils in school after 16 were discussed.

Paulen Kaseberg gave a set of rules for better school relations between teachers, parents and school boards as a means of getting more understanding between schools and the public.

Leland Schwendel spoke for teachers and enunciated methods that would keep good teachers, praised the new salary schedule, and mentioned the "junk" in teacher training.

Mrs. Lester Wilson wanted more training for college in high schools and more home economics for girls who don't go to college and shop work for boys who don't go away to school.

Mrs. J. W. Staggs, state president of the PTA, also asked for more training for college saying that there was no place for those with no more than high school education and that the nations badly needed more college trained men and women.

Then the crowd asked questions covering nearly all phases of the educational field. After an hour the group adjourned to the dining room and continued the discussion over coffee and cookies. Mrs. Allen Tom was county chairman for the meeting.

City Library To Be In Barnum Building

Harry Kunsman is remodeling a room in the Barnum building so it will be suitable for the city library which will have to be moved from the Ellsworth building, sold recently to Don King who will tear it down. The Woman's club is sponsor of the library.

Farm Work Under Way As Weather Turns Favorable

There has been little frost nights and while the days have not been warm it is a relief from colder weather. Rain fell Sunday to soften the crust where it has not been previously broken by machinery.

Farmers are seeding, probably more of them re-seeding than had expected to earlier. Much of the Grass Valley country is being re-seeded and probably less of the Wasco country. Where wheat is coming the stands are often uneven.

Supplies of spring wheat seem ample and there is a surplus of barley seed. The lateness of the spring will make field crops late which is often a reason for lighter yields. This year, however, may be exceptional in that regard as well as many others.

Mrs. P. G. O'Meara Buried Thursday

Mrs. Ruby May O'Meara, 70, wife of Patrick G. O'Meara of Wasco died in a Portland hospital Monday evening after a long confinement there.

Mrs. O'Meara was born Ruby Yates March 20, 1886 near Elmira, Oregon where her family had moved from Illinois. She was a sister of the late State Senator Phil Yates.

Surviving are her widower, five sons, James Y., Philip G., Stephen R., Richard H. and Patrick E., all of Wasco and a brother, Richard Yates and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Wasco Christian church with the Rev. Merlin Shields officiating. Interment will be in The Dalles IOOF cemetery.

NEW CRESTED WHEAT

Nordan created wheatgrass, a new variety from North Dakota, is eligible for certification in Oregon this year. Seed was secured for planting this past year here in Sherman county. L. E. Kaseberg planted 160 acres for seed on the Klondike half-section. Small plantings were also made by Hildred Zell and W. L. Blau.

Sod-waterways have really done a job during this past winter. How about trying one or two on your place? Federal-cost sharing is available under the ACP program through the county ASC office. Assistance includes shaping, seeding, fertilizer, seed bed preparation and seed. Hank Grubenhurst has become quite a grader boss and can give you some real help in shaping your ditch.

April 30 Is New School Election Day

The special school election will be held April 30. Because of legal difficulties the election date has been changed to April 30 from April 25.

Limited time for posting according to strict interpretation of the law made it seem advisable to change the date of the school election to April 30 instead of April 25 and by order of the county court this was done.

The new date is on Monday. The change in date of election also changes the date of the close of registration. Voters may register until 8 p. m. March 30. The registration lists will not open again until after the primary election, May 18.

Truck Breaks Wire; Wasco Out of Juice

Electric service to Wasco was interrupted for 6 hours and 24 minutes Sunday when a freight truck broke a transmission line pole south of the city, according to Ray Kelso, lineman-agent for Pacific Power & Light company.

The accident occurred at 3 p. m. and caused a blinking of the lights in Moro and Grass Valley. A line crew was sent from The Dalles to set a new pole and repair the broken conductor.

Partnership Bill Hearing Set

The John Day partnership bill, introduced into congress by Representative Sam Cono (R-Ore.), has been endorsed by Local Union Number 125 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

A majority action of the Local Union in Portland, Oregon, and its units located in more than 20 cities in Oregon and Washington adopted a resolution calling on the legislative delegations from these states to give favorable consideration to the John Day partnership bill.

According to W. L. Vinson, business manager of this American Federation of Labor Union, "It is the opinion of the Local Union that such legislation would speed the construction of the aforementioned project and would be consistent with the best interests of the region and the comprehensive development of the Columbia River."

ST. SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR FEBRUARY, 1956, APPROVED MARCH 7, TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

GENERAL FUND: SHERIFF'S OFFICE, N. Fields, \$70.00; Dunham Printing Co., \$31.25

CLERK'S OFFICE: County Clerk Association Dues 1956, \$15.00

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Oregon State College-Field Wk \$32.50; R. Hoskinson, \$150.00; Benton L. Perdue, \$276.94; Catherine Monroe, \$43.50

COURT HOUSE: Lights, \$29.02; phone, \$66.70; water, \$2.55; Geo. Helms, \$18.15; Standard Oil Co., \$93.53; Shell Oil Co., \$57.50

JUSTICE COURT: City of Wasco, \$10.00

CIRCUIT COURT: John H. Newman, \$25.65; Judges expense, \$100.00

COUNTY JAIL: Paul Cyphers, \$4.05

COUNTY COURT: Filing fee for 1955 Audit \$20.00

ELECTIONS: Dunham Printing, \$3.35

GENERAL ASSISTANCE: Welfare Comm., \$207.75

REN: Welfare Comm., \$190.75

GOVT TRAPPER: \$65.83

PREMIUM ON OFFICER'S BONDS: C. Balzer \$15.00; John Rolfe, \$10.00

DEMOSSE PARK: \$0.95

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: \$18.00

INDEMNITY (Bang's disease): Fay H. Brackett, \$800

COUNTY PRINTING: \$69.42

MISCELLANEOUS: First National Bank, \$204.10; State Tax Comm., \$54.58; Social Security, \$115.92; State Ind. Tax Com., \$8.42

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE: \$617.75

ROAD FUND: WAGES:

Dunlap, \$427.62; McPherson, \$310.65; Bayer, \$331.62; Morehouse, \$290.65; Gosson, \$308.52; Shoemaker, \$340.65; Gray, \$320.65; Yocum, \$310.65; First National Bank, \$239.00; State Tax Comm., \$60.07; Social Security, \$60.07; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$60.86

REPAIRS: The Dalles Iron Works, \$172.04; Smith Auto Parts, \$176.13; Cushman Repairs, \$58.43; Virgil's Weld & Repair, \$8.15; Service Motor Co., \$96.99; Columbia Motor Service, \$10.00; J. P. Wilder Co., \$308.76; Mel Gordon Batt Co., \$49.92; Auto Electric Supply Co., \$149.77; Ind. Motor Parts, \$149.37; Interstate Tractor & Equip., \$191.56; Electric Steel Foundry, \$91.80; Service Garage, \$5.42; A. H. Arstall Repair Shop, \$2.00

GAS & OIL: Standard Oil Co., \$58.68; Shell Oil Co., \$296.45

TIRES & TUBES: Firestone Stores, \$896.23

RETIREMENT: \$64.75

MISCELLANEOUS: Sec of State, \$3.00; State Ind. Acci. Com., \$60.86; Sherman Co. Journal, \$21.00; Pacific Power & Light, \$19.30; water, \$1.75; phone, \$16.20; Steelman-Bonn Hdwe., \$13.30; Morrison Supply Co., \$85.88; Platt's Truck Service, \$20.84; Howard Cooper Corp., \$20.84; Union Pacific R.R., \$25.02; Kenneth Sather, \$25.00

GENERAL SUPPLIES: Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$130.53; Ranch & Home Store, \$7.38; Moon Equip. Co., \$37.11; J. E. Hazeltine & Co., \$14.28; McFadden Auto Parts, \$31.69; Moro Motors, \$3.70

QUARRY SITES: \$208.70

ROAD MACHINERY: Oregon State Hwy. Comm., \$17.60; Oregon State Hwy. Comm., \$83.40; Service Motor Co., \$1588.60; Moon Equip. Co., \$125.00; C. Red Bennett, \$750.00