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These Things We Note

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In Wisconsin, it appears, dairy farmers prefer a good market to federal control. Lower supports have helped the dairy industry and got rid of much surplus, not, however, until oleo had almost ruined the butter business.

Next Tuesday the Pacific Coast league starts another season's play. Now it is to be spring and the frogs were right in their croaking.

Someway it seems to degrade the job and the nation to have it said that the best handshaker may get the nomination for president.

If congressmen wait to find out what's in the farm bill before voting on it June will be here.

Population estimators say that humans are going to continue to increase rather rapidly. Would someone estimate when it will have to stop?

Everyone looks for relaxation from their daily existence. And it doesn't matter much what they do.

The wind never blows wheat land away fast enough to keep up with the amount that is put in wheat under the present program.

Thomas Jefferson said: "The God who gave us life, gave us liberty at the same time." On second thought, "Thomas, it seems likely that liberty has to be earned."

Whether this is a "od-nothing" congress or not we refuse to judge, but it is entirely possible that a couple do-nothing congressional sessions would save the taxpayer a lot of money.

More and more visitors are saying that a first rate depression would be a fine thing but no one thinks he would enjoy it.

Wish some psychologist would analyze the sentiment for and against Pelton dam. How many opponents are afraid it would spoil their fishing? How many proponents think it would make them money? The latter are usually the most frank.

If it was as easy to measure a candidate's intestinal fortitude as his height we wouldn't be bothered by so many of them. Some of them wouldn't say "boo" to a chicken.

Opposition senators have held the farm bill up so long as to lose much of the effectiveness of the soil bank. They want Eisenhower to veto the bill so the farmers will be mad. Good politics, poor statesmanship, worse government.

"Vice is a monster of so frightful mien, As to be hated needs but to be seen; Yet seen too oft, familiar with her face, We first endure, then pity, then embrace."

So philosophized Alexander Pope. Mary Baker G. Eddy went him one better and expressed the same theory about illness. So, if you want to be well and sinless think about something else.

Farmer's raise your spirits: Men and women are getting bigger and you know it takes more gas to run a big car than a little one.

A subscriber brings us a clipping advocating that to reduce the surplus farmers sleep more, fish more, work less. And speaking of fishing, we read this week that the good Lord covered the earth with three times as much water as land proving that He intended that man should fish three times as much as he plowed.

A political party has a contest for essayists who explain why they belong to that political order. Maybe everyone should have to write their economic and political beliefs and be sorted accordingly. There would be some surprising changes.

Moro Loses Game To Condon 7-3 In Final Inning Rally

Ivan Kirkelle

The Moro Huskies lost their first game at Grass Valley Tuesday afternoon. Getting behind at the top of the 7th after leading for 6 innings.

The Huskies went ahead in the third inning, when Sterling Gochbauer got a walk, then an error by the pitcher moved him to second. Roy Cyphers sacrificed him to third. Then Harry Eakin hit a long fly ball scoring Gochbauer before the side was retired. Moro scored again in the next inning when Ivan Kirkelle got a single and stole two bases and scored on Grigg's fly ball into left field. Condon scored twice in the sixth inning with a single by Bettencourt and Hueman. They both scored on a triple by McIntyre. Griggs had a no hitter up till this time. The side was then retired. Moro scored in the bottom of the sixth with a triple by Harry Eakin who scored on a fly ball by Ivan Kirkelle. The top of the seventh Condon went wild scoring five runs on five hits.

Moro travels to Maupin Friday to play Maupin at 2:30 p. m.

Church Observing College Sunday

Annual Christian college Sunday will be observed this week at Moro Community Presbyterian church. Guest speaker at Sunday's worship service will be Dr. John Anderson, professor of religion and chaplain at Lewis and Clark college. He will speak on Christian higher education in general, and Lewis and Clark college in particular.

Elders Dewey Thompson, Vernon Miller and Russell Belshee will share in the service, and the scripture lesson will be read by Dayne Sayrs, who enters Lewis and Clark next fall as a freshman. Anthem by the choir will be "Sing Praises" by Stanley Glarum, choral director of the college.

Mrs. Bruckert's Art Displayed In Magazine

Every year Mrs. W. E. Bruckert makes and decorates candy Easter eggs. Her unique creations—along with her original recipes and decorating ideas—are featured in the April issue of FARM JOURNAL magazine.

Mrs. Bruckert, wife of a Sherman county rancher, learned how to decorate candies and cake by watching professionals at work, by reading on the subject, and by practice. She makes cup cake baskets with icing handles, animals and cakes, mints and sugar cubes decorated with tiny flowers. Mrs. Bruckert prepared a display of her frosting art work for a state grange convention, and she often gives demonstrations to women's clubs and Girl Scout groups.

Eastern Star Honors Founders

Annie Fulton chapter No. 124 of Wasco honored their charter members at its meeting Tuesday night. Those present for the 40th birthday were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kaseberg, Mrs. Harry Van Gilder, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson, Mrs. Arthur Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Root, Mrs. Marie Barnett Cooper and Mrs. Alice Anderson of Portland.

Mrs. James Cartwright of Umatilla, a member of the Estral committee of the Grand chapter of Oregon spoke on the purpose of the committee. Mrs. Frank von Borstel, worthy matron of Sherman chapter, Grass Valley and Mr. James Cartwright, worthy patron of Umatilla chapter shared honors in the East with worthy matron, Mrs. Lyndon Haven and worthy patron, Hildred Zell.

Mrs. Francis Watkins, historian of Annie Fulton chapter reviewed the history of the chapter. Mrs. Augusta Huckin, asso. matron gave a tribute to the late Mrs. P. G. O'Meara who was one of the charter members.

After the close of chapter, officers and courtesy girls honored charter members with an addenda, "Faith in Our Fathers" and the worthy matron presented the honored members with corsages of red carnations.

The hall was decorated with Easter lilies and baskets, with Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Cartwright pouring. Hostesses were Mrs. Harold White, Mrs. Hugh White, Mrs. Lewis Hastings and Mrs. John Foss.

William Baker Killed By Falling Concrete Bucket

William Earl Baker was instantly killed Tuesday at 2:15 p. m. while at work for Wall, Bartrum & Sanford at the site of the new Sherman High school building.

Henry H. Jasmann, superintendent on the job, said that Baker's job was to fill the loading bucket of the Mixermobile handling sand and gravel with a small tractor. When filled this bucket is hoisted into the machine which mixes it into concrete and carries it to the forms where needed. On the other end is another bucket that the mixed concrete runs into. It can be hoisted about 12 feet and dumped through a spout. This bucket, containing a quarter yard of mixed concrete, stuck and while the operator went to get a prop to hold it up for inspection and repair, Baker stepped under the bucket. At that moment it released dropping and killing him instantly. Total weight was probably 1500 pounds and the fall perhaps ten feet.

Baker was born March 23, 1905 at Ogden, Utah and moved to Moro from Redmond about a year and a half ago, having been employed here on several farm and construction jobs. He is survived by his widow, Pearl of Moro, a daughter in college and three brothers.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Redmond Mormon church Saturday at 2 p. m. and interment made at Redmond.

Easter Seal Drive Needs More Money

Mrs. John Parker, Sherman county chairman, reports the Easter Seal drive a little over the halfway mark (Mar. 10 thru Apr. 10) contributions to date are \$374.10. If you have not yet sent your contribution and plan to do so there is still time.

Last year Sherman county contributed \$450.00 for a total. The smiles and happiness your dollars give to these crippled and handicapped are well worth while.

Dr. Frank Reid At School For Study

Dr. Frank Reid of Moro is attending a postgraduate short course at the University of Oregon Dental school in Portland this week.

He is one of 12 practicing dentists from three states enrolled in the five-day course in endodontics, which deals with treatment of root canals of the teeth. Dr. Reid is a graduate of the state dental school.

Week Ends Bad Time For Highway Travel

State traffic safety division officials took a look at their statistics Friday and then came up with some recommendations: "Stay home on Fridays and Saturdays." Those are the two highest accident-producing days of the week in Oregon. Friday runs ahead of Saturday in cities, probably because of a growing preference for it as a downtown shopping day.

Sunday is a good day for driving in town or country since it produces fewer accidents than any other day of the week. There's only one catch; if you happen to have an accident it's more likely to prove fatal since "Sunday drivers", with 67 fatal accidents, produce the second-highest number of death dealing crashes.

Saturday produced the highest number of fatal accidents, 89.

Farm Group To Meet Monday

Officers of the extension units and the Farm Home and Rural Life committee will meet in the social room of the Moro church at 1:30 Monday, April 9. They will make plans for the coming year's program in the extension units. They will also discuss the possibility of selecting a county committee of the home economics extension council. Miss Viola Hansen, state extension agent of Corvallis, will be here.

There are two more lessons to be given in the extension units for this year. The April lesson will be preparing foods for the freezer. During the month of May the lesson will be on easier ironing. Any homemaker in the area where these unit meetings are held is invited to attend.

New School Designed For 150 Pupils Started On 15 Acre Site



Above is the heat and utility tunnel which will run lengthwise of the new school building, from the heating plant under the gym at the south end to the music room under the stage at the north end. Camera was pointed south.

Work has started on the new Sherman High school and forms are going in for the sides of the heat and utilities tunnel that will run under the middle of the building about the hallway.

Work ground has handicapped Wall Bartrum & Sanford, contractors, but they have some excavation work done, enough that the main parts of the building can be located. At one end is the 80 x 100 foot gym and at the other end the music room that will be under the stage of the multi-purpose room. Between is the tunnel for which the concrete is being poured.

When the building is completed it will be 244 feet 8 inches long and will vary in width from 54 feet to 80 feet. Rooms along the main part of the building will be 22 feet wide and the ten foot hallway will account for the 54 feet.

Teachers Study Testing Methods

Teachers of Sherman county met at the Moro school Monday and Tuesday to take their turn at going to school. Occasion was a series of lessons on testing, called a workshop.

Teachers were Dr. Charles Bursch and Dr. John Plerson of Portland State college and purpose was to acquaint teachers with the methods and advantages of testing children to determine capabilities.

How to give the tests and how to evaluate them were a part of the course, which will be elaborated by a series of extension courses which will begin April 12 and 13 at Moro.

Testing of children is done so that teachers can find out the kind of work children might best do and whether a child is doing his best work or not half trying.

Wasco Auxiliary Plans to Feed Voters

The Wasco American Legion auxiliary met April 2 at the little Legion hall in Wasco. Mrs. Grace Medler, president, opened the business meeting with the salute to the flag. The unit voted to buy a new charter, and have it and the charter roll framed.

The members plan to have a delicatessen food sale on election day May 18 in Wasco. Those appointed to serve on the committee were Mrs. Grace Medler, Mrs. Art Watkins and Mrs. Vinton Watkins. A letter was received from Mrs. Harvey Crapper, district 5 president, residing at Hood River asking if the Wasco and Moro units could have a joint meeting when the state officers will be present.

The junior members of the Wasco unit will be entertained at the May meeting which will be May 7. Mrs. Margaret Blau reported on the district conference held recently in Hood River. Mrs. Medler appointed the following to serve on the nominating committee: Mrs. Lee Dehler, Mrs. Arthur Sargent and Mrs. Dewey Thomas.

The unit voted to make a \$4.00 donation to the National Foundation for child welfare. The members made up the poppy posters. Miss Vivian Trounce, the unit musician played the new song, "Song To the Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag".

District No. 5 was the first to reach membership quota for the state. State vice-president, Mrs. Frances Grund presented the Wasco unit with two ruby colored vases. This makes another ruby for Mrs. Grund for her chain of rubies.

The hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Arthur Sargent and Mrs. Pat Patrick, and they served sandwiches, mints, tea and coffee.

March Cold and Dry Breaking No Records At Either Extreme

March was very much like March usually is and the weather made an honest man out of Krick the weather prophet. It was dry giving up a mere .69 inch of rain, .19 below normal and cold but only .7 degrees below normal.

The most rain fell on March 4 when .26 came down. The month lowered somewhat the surplus of crop year moisture over the normal. Total precipitation now stands at 13.41 inches since September 1 and that is 4.26 above normal.

Highest temperature was 62 on the 23rd and the coldest a 20 on the 11th which is about right for March. Average maximum was 50.5 and average minimum was 31.6 for a mean of 41, just a little colder than usual.

Two Women Killed South of Kent

Two women were instantly killed Friday afternoon about 4:30 when their car hit a bank on Highway 97 about three miles south of the Sherman county line.

Mrs. Jean Louise Reid, 68, and Miss Marian Reid, her sister in law, were headed south when their car, presumably driven by Mrs. Reid, went out of control as it made the turn going down into Buckhollow. It swerved and hit the rock bank breaking the tonneau apart and killing the women.

Police officers of Bend were returning from a school at The Dalles and discovered the wreck.

War Veterans May Get Free Land

War veterans are offered priority in acquiring 194 homestead farms in the Minidoka irrigation project in southern Idaho, it was announced today by Vere A. McCarty, service officer for the Oregon department of Veterans' Affairs.

Veterans' applications must be filed by May 7 with the Bureau of Reclamation, Rupert, Idaho. Forms are available in Oregon from county service officers or the state veterans' department in Salem or Portland.

To qualify, applicants must have had two years of full-time farm experience, must intend to engage in farming, and must possess assets worth at least \$4,500 in excess of liabilities.

The farm units are in Minidoka and Jerome counties, Idaho. The soils and climate of the area are favorable for the efficient production of a wide variety of crops under irrigation, including potatoes, sugar beets, beans, peas, alfalfa, clover, pastures, bean seed, clover and alfalfa seed, wheat, oats and barley. The land is undeveloped and is covered with native grasses and sagebrush.

Wheat Commission Showing Japanese

The growing Japanese appetite for wheat foods will be further stimulated and turned to the benefit of Oregon wheat farmers at an international trade fair at Osaka, Japan the week of Apr. 8.

The Oregon Wheat Growers League will give away more than 100,000 sweet rolls and samples of other foods made from Oregon's famous soft wheat at the grain exhibit it will have at the fair.

The league, which has been working for several years to develop Far Eastern markets for Pacific Northwest wheat, was asked by the U. S. Department of Agriculture to take responsibility for wheat promotion at the trade fair. Expenses will be paid with Japanese currency received by the USDA in Japan's purchase of U. S. wheat under a special trade agreement.

A 75-foot five-unit exhibit built for the league in Japan will be used to show the virtues of wheat to both Japanese homemakers and commercial bakers, according to a report from Joe Spiruta, Pendleton, who is in Japan supervising the project for the league.

One booth will be used to demonstrate making cakes and bread from Pacific Northwest flours. A small demonstration room will show how wheat foods can be prepared in the Japanese home, with its limited kitchen equipment. Wheat products, grain samples and educational material will occupy a display area, and another booth will have bakery product displays and a sampling counter.

Court Sets Day For Budgeting Year's Spending

The county budget committee will meet at the court house at ten o'clock Tuesday, April 10.

That much was decided at the Wednesday meeting of the county court which spent much of the time of members talking about roads. Particularly the road to the rock crusher site at the old Frock place. No delegations appeared but roads and how to build them was the topic of the day.

All this was preparatory to the budget because the demand for roads will have much to do with the size of budget that will be presented to the budgeteers next Tuesday. The court is pretty well agreed to ask for a special election on primary election day for a special road tax similar to that the road program is being operated on this year.

That cannot be done until approved by A. C. Kaseberg, Dewey Thompson, and Wallace May, members of the budget committee.

Any citizen who wants an appropriation included in the budget and any citizen who wants an item removed from the budget or reduced should be on hand Tuesday to speak in behalf of his opinions.

John McClure Dies Suddenly In Portland

John Ernest McClure died suddenly in Portland Tuesday of a heart attack. He had just left a doctor's office where he was advised to go to a hospital.

Mr. McClure was a long time resident of Sherman county having finished high school at Moro in 1910 and later farmed east of Wasco before retiring to Portland and renting his ranch.

Surviving are his widow, Frances, two sons, John and Donald, two daughters, Mrs. Jean McGregor and Mary Ann, a sister, Mrs. Lloyd Robinson and a brother, Andrew.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2:30 p. m. from Finley's in Portland with interment at Riverside cemetery.

Heart Sunday Here Held Successfully

Henry F. G. Andree, state chairman of the Oregon Heart association's February fund-raising campaign, has advised that the campaign was the most successful of the association's history, thanks to the "generous response of the people in Sherman county and other parts of the state."

"Results of the campaign are most gratifying," Andree reported to Mrs. Doris Watkins of Wasco, Wasco Heart Sunday chairman, "and I know that everyone who has worked with us will be happy to learn that the program of the association will be greatly expanded throughout the state."

New Station Started This Week In Moro

Forms were built Monday for the service station building foundation at the corner of First and Main streets which H. C. Miller is erecting for Richfield. Pouring of concrete will be done soon and work of construction start as soon as possible.

The forms are higher than the present street but when the street is leveled it will be at approximately the same height.

Engineer Assistants Can Get Jobs

The state highway department would like to have some more help and has sent applications to many offices around the state including the Sherman County Journal. A high school education is all that is required and arrangements may be made for required examination. Wages start at \$250 a month for 40 hours a week and the work is surveying.

Haven Strikes Good Flow of Water

L. F. Haven struck water at 144 feet on his Sharpstein place just south of Wasco and the well was tested at 376 gallons per minute with very little draw down. Mr. Haven intends to irrigate the 21 acre piece of land on which the well was drilled and raise permanent pasture for his beef cattle.