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These Things We Note

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It is evident that Mr. Stevenson is not the name-calling Democrat demanded by Harry Truman, or if he does call names he does it in Greek, which doesn't hurt so bad.

The price of machinery is so high that a man cannot afford to farm a single section of wheat land. But a man could make money with 12 mules.

The other night at a show the young usher had the most scrubbed looking face we have seen in years, real soap and water shiny. And she looked as fresh and bright as a new radish.

We went to see the Chrysler are exhibit this week and found that modern artists are able to hide their impressions very effectively.

Love of security is what keeps a man at a little job instead of taking a chance on something bigger.

Portland is toying with the idea of engaging in the transportation business which will eventually mean some sort of subsidization of trolley riders at the partial expense of auto drivers. It was de Touqueville, a Frenchman, who said over a hundred years ago, that our government would last until the many learned that by their votes they could obtain the savings of the few.

A researcher after magazine articles about Benito Mussolini should visit his doctor's and dentist's offices.

The Blitz-Weinhard brewery is 100 years old, older than the state, older than any but a very few businesses in Oregon. A 100 years is a long time and any firm that exists a full century must have done a great many things right to have survived, for in any one of those years a few things done wrong could have ended its career.

This is the time of year when the rookies with the biggest build-ups fall flattest on their faces. Big build-ups are dangerous.

Wonder if it would be too sensible to restrict future irrigation projects to other crops than wheat.

Teenagers feel that it's a long, hard pull to get to be an adult. It's a longer road back.

One sunny day doesn't make a spring but it sure helps the peas and radishes.

Any honest man will admit that he is thankful he didn't always get his way about everything.

It is entirely possible that the Democrats charge that Eisenhower is a "do-nothing" president stems from a wish he would do less.

Now that they know who's boss in Washington maybe they'll go ahead and pass a suitable farm bill.

The way the water has been running down the Columbia there may not be enough left to make a big June flood.

The Oregonian's articles and editorial against possible rack-tearing in Portland will find a response everywhere in the state where there has been suspicion of it for a long time.

Maybe it would work better if Oregon's tax makers would quit trying to please everyone and wrote their own ticket, win, lose or draw.

"Kissless" bride, forsooth and tish-tish. It's neither American, Hollywood nor European and may a contractor's daughter has done better.

It is now possible to picture United States money which never used to be done. And it is nice to see a picture of it now and then, it sort of puts us in a reminiscent mood.

Democrats Outgain Republicans In New Voter Registration

At the close of registration in Sherman county for the May primaries the result showed that while both parties had gained in numbers the Democrats had gained the most. Largest gain was at Rufus where there is an influx of laborers on federal projects.

By Precincts, Reps	1954-1956	1954-1956
Rufus	78	82
Kent	60	70
G. Valley	142	139
Moro	196	199
Wasco	198	203
	674	693
Dems.	1954-1956	1954-1956
Rufus	75	99
Kent	42	47
G. Valley	86	101
Moro	143	144
Wasco	188	209
	534	600

In addition to the party members five others have registered making a total of 1298 residents eligible to vote in May.

Bull Grading Will Get Attention

A two day bull grading demonstration field tour will be held in the southern part of Sherman and Wasco counties next Tuesday and Wednesday, April 24 and 25. County Agent T. W. Thompson has announced. All Sherman countians are welcome to participate in one or both days and get in some bull grading practice. The first will start at the Paul Muller ranch near Whamie in Wasco county at 8:30 a. m., April 24. Two new Canadian bulls will be inspected and the proflometer, a dwarf indicating instrument, will be demonstrated. Other ranches that will be visited are: Ted Ball, Lloyd Woodside, Lester Crabtree, Clarence Hunt, A. J. Conley, Hinton & Ward, Ernest Patjens, Eldon Borthwick and Roy Foreman. Those touring will eat lunch at Mawpin.

April 25 will be Sherman county day starting from the Standby Station at Kent at 9:00 a. m. Plans are to visit the Bill Jeffries, Hans Bardenhagen, Bibby Brothers, Orville Ruggie, and John Buether ranches before lunch at Grass Valley. During the afternoon, stops will be made and bulls graded at the Fred Cox and Son, W. L. May, Bernard Martin, and Harold D. Eakin ranches.

Harry Lindgren and John Landers, livestock extension specialists, OSC, will accompany the group. The event is an educational tour with everyone participating in the grading. It is hoped that a few Sherman countians can participate in the event. A few more stops could be made if grades on their bulls are desired.

Middle Aged Also Drive Carelessly

Drivers 15 to 24 years old had more traffic accidents than any other age group in Oregon last year. But before someone points the finger of blame at the so-called "teen-age" group, drivers in the 30-39 age group ran a close second for most frequent accident involvement.

Of the 116,677 drivers involved in 1955 traffic accidents, 24,833 were under 25, while 23,997 drivers were between 30 and 39 years old. Fatal smash-ups involved 124 drivers under 25 and 121 in the 30-39 age span.

These figures, the state traffic safety division said, do not necessarily prove that teen-agers or drivers 30-39 are the worst on the road. It could indicate only that there are more drivers in these age groups or that they drive more and thus are "exposed" more often to the hazards of traffic.

Other accident drivers included 19,742 in the 40-49 age span; 13,414, 50-59 years old; 12,499, 25-29 years old; 5,080, 60-64 years old; 7,043, 65 and older. More than 9,000 accident drivers failed to indicate their ages on reports.

Seniors Going To Visit Oregon State

Twelve seniors from Moro, Rufus, and Wasco high schools have registered with Oregon State college to participate in the senior weekend program April 20 to 22.

They are Roy Cyphers, Earl Griggs, Ivan Kirkle Jr., Gary Miller, Tonal Miller, Verne Mobley, Gary Rodda and Dayanne Sayers from Moro high; Russell Blake and Wally Morris from Rufus high; and Dwayne Carroll, Stan Moore from Wasco high.

Others may be included since all high school seniors have an opportunity to make the week end visits to colleges in the state system of higher education.

About the County

A drivers license examiner will be no duty in Moro Tuesday, April 24, at the court house between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m.

The Home Ec. club met April 12 at the home of Mrs. Rolland Johnson with Mrs. Sam Brock co-hostess. A dessert lunch of salad, crackers and coffee was served at one large white linen covered table and one small table. Daffodils, tulips, and hyacinths made up the centerpiece and were used for flowers about the rooms.

Mrs. Robert Byrd presided at the business meeting. Roll call was on what plant or flower is easiest for them to raise. Mrs. Byrd reported on the luncheon sold at the grange dances. She said three cakes were auctioned off bringing in \$6.50. She also reminded all to save and collect rummage for the club's sale which is the latter part of June. The chairman showed the card which the district Home Ec. chairman sent her for getting her quarterly report in on time.

Mrs. Joe Morris won the drawing prize. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Trace Fields. The members present were Mrs. Sam Brock, Mrs. Trace Fields, Mrs. George Fox, Mrs. Will Huck, Mrs. Harland McDonald, Mrs. Joe Morris, Mrs. Walter Morris, Mrs. Alta Smith, Mrs. Atlee Wilson, Mrs. Robert Byrd, Mrs. Art Smith, Mrs. Grace Medler, Mrs. Harold Baker, Mrs. George Macnab, Mrs. Al Dornmaier, Mrs. Joe Drinkard and two guests Mrs. Bob Brisbane and Mrs. Lester Gray.

A group of people from the Rufus area met April 12 at the Rufus grange hall to discuss the possibility of bringing the wires into Rufus for a television hook-up. Trace Fields submitted a figure to those present and will see others who were unable to attend the meeting. The people may form a corporation. Those owning the 46 telephones can get good reception; so television may come to Rufus via phone line. There are a number of sets in Rufus at this time.

The Home Ec. club and Rufus grange sponsored a town cleanup April 14. Mrs. Trace Fields was appointed chairman with Harland McDonald, George Fox and Atlee Wilson helping her. Trace Fields brought his hoist to life large rocks and haul them away in trucks. He also used the hoist to pull dead trees which were cut up and hauled away. A scrumptious dinner was served in the grange hall. At the dinner all signed a birthday card for Mrs. Field's brother, Richie Dingle, who is in a rest home at Hood River. Richie was a former good worker for any community or grange event and is interested in what the town is doing. He has been bedfast the last few years.

Mr. and Mrs. Atlee Wilson have their grand daughter, Jerry Lou Wilson of Portland making her home with them and attending school in Rufus. Jerry Lou is in the 7th grade.

Mrs. Al Cazier and her son, Russell left April for Bend where she accepted a position. Al who works on the John Day drilling crew took her and Russell to Bend, but won't join her until later.

The senior students accompanied Larry Cagle, teacher at Rufus high on a trip to see Linfield college last weekend.

The Rufus high pupils are decorating for their spring formal dance at the school gym.

The farmers say the ground is fast drying out the moisture where they are plowing. Even the coming crop would enjoy a rain. Otto Peterson who has been on the sick list and unable to work has resumed his job working for Chester Coats. The Petersons live at the Jim Tate house just south of Rufus.

Mr. and Mrs. Chares Blake were away from Rufus several days attending the funeral of a near relative. Mrs. Bob Byrd ran the grocery and service station while they were away.

Mrs. Charlotte Taylor returned home from the hospital April 12. Her infant daughter, Susan, born April 9, 6 lb. 10 oz., remained in the hospital until April 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Myers left April 12 for Portland where Bill operated a Veterans hospital for an operation. Mrs. Walter Morris grandmother will care for the three boys while their mother is away.

Dolph Baker and Raymond Curtis flew their plane to Bend on

business April 5. The two men have gotten in quite a little flying time since the nice weather.

Last week was so cold and windy, which was so different from the week before when no fires were needed in the houses. By April 17 it appeared another nice spell is coming along. The crops are growing and the grass growing. In some places the grass has begun to head out.

The regular election boards have gotten their notices to work at the polls for the coming school election which is April 30. The voting is 2 to 8 p. m. on that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. Theo von Borstel, Mrs. Ruth Hofner, Mrs. Alfred Kock, Mr. and Mrs. A. von Borstel and Fred, Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel and family and Mrs. Carl von Borstel and Karen, attended a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Koch in Oregon City Sunday, a week ago held in honor of the birthdays of Mrs. C. von Borstel of Oregon City and Mrs. Elizabeth Stinner of Roseburg. The latter flew up from Roseburg with Frank von Borstel. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Patjens of Sandy and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hatrup of Seattle were also present.

U. S. Bank Makes Gains In Year

Figures just released by the United States bank show a deposit total of \$759,288,322 as of April 10. This is an increase of 12 1/2 million dollars over the April 11, 1955, report.

The Dalles branch reported deposits of \$16,878,315.01, according to C. A. Reynolds, manager.

Loans and discounts for the home-owned statewide banking system increased more than 43 million dollars during the past year. The 12 month gain gives U. S. National a loans and discounts total of \$320,952,997. This represents an increase of better than 11 million dollars since the end of December.

Loans and discounts for The Dalles branch now total \$5,721,191.28 Reynolds stated.

WHEAT LEAGUE PLANS SPRING MEETING AT WASCO

The Sherman association of the Oregon Wheat Grower league will hold a spring meeting for all interested wheat growers Monday evening, April 30, Masonic hall, Wasco. Don Thompson, president has announced.

A banquet to honor last year's conservation winners A. C. Kaseberg and Paulen W. Kaseberg will precede the evening meeting. Hilfred Zell and Elton Medler are handling arrangements for the banquet and meeting.

John Hilderbrand, past president, will review the conservation practices on the Kaseberg farm. A special award will be presented by George Lindsay, The Dalles. All are welcome but those planning on attending are asked to notify the county agent's office for banquet reservations.

The general evening meeting will include speakers to review activities of the league. Nydia Wybark, wheat league home economist, will present a demonstration with wheat foods. County allocation of new wheat varieties will be discussed by T. W. Thompson, county agent. Full program will be announced next week.

African Is Speaker For Moro PTA

Speaker for the Moro PTA Monday, April 23 will be Carl Van Aarde from Kenya in Africa. He will tell the group about his arrangements through the Farm Bureau to be here to study farming for a year; and also the differences in farm methods of raising wheat in Africa and Oregon. Election of officers for next year will take place during the evening.

Everyone is invited to come to the meeting and bring questions they would like to ask.

Wasco Methodists To Eat Waffles

Wasco Methodist Youth Fellowship will serve a waffle dinner, Sunday evening, April 22 in the church. Serving will begin at 5:30 and continue until 7:30 p. m.

The proceeds will be given to the Methodist Youth fund which is the national MYF missionary fund, promoting both home and world missions.

The entire community is invited to attend this dinner and bring the family.

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Fair Board Sets Work Day Date

The Sherman county fair board held a meeting Tuesday and finished a little business, mostly having to do with planning a work day to be held at the fairgrounds May 2 when those able and willing to work can come and help repair the chutes, the fences and corral and the ladies can come and bring food for the workers at noon.

The board decided to buy buttons, 2000 of them, to be sold for a dollar each as a means of advertising the fair. Buttons will admit to the grounds so the buyer will not lose. Glen Van Gilder and Pal Wallace were named as stewards for the races during the fair.

Riders Practice For Coming Play Day

The West Wind Riders and Sherman County Riders held a practice Sunday April 15 at the fairgrounds for their Play Day which will be held May 6. Spectators are invited. Admission will be \$1.00 for adults and 50c for junior, children under 6 free.

Members present at the Play day practice were Mr. and Mrs. John Kellogg, Jack and Bill Alsup, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Winnett, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Watkins and daughters, Phyllis and Shirley, Leo Watkins and children Judy and Donny, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fields and children, Sally, John and Virgil, Mrs. Art Van Gilder and Mrs. Merlin Shields.

4-H Leaders To Meet At Enterprise

Eastern Oregon 4-H leaders will meet at Enterprise at noon April 24-25. Cal Monroe and Rosalee Mueller of the state 4-H club of office will discuss subject matter.

Mrs. Ina B. Hanson, Sherman county agent, and Beverly Bradshaw, Morrow county agent, will explain the use of demonstrations and assist the group in developing suitable demonstrations. Other agents will also assist in developing the program. The meeting will end Wednesday evening with a banquet sponsored by Sears Roebuck & Company.

Any Sherman county 4-H leaders who plan to attend should notify the local extension office.

Program Up To Those Who Vote

Howard Ross, Mrs. Kenneth Sather, B. C. Pinckney, the scholarship committee of the Sherman County 4-H Leaders association, met at the courthouse April 11. They selected the delegates for 4-H Summer school from the list of applications which had been received in the extension office.

Sherman county will have 21 delegates going to Corvallis June 12. Those who had previously won 12 scholarships are: Diana Hendrix, alternate livestock records, 4-H Leaders Association; Susan Woods, home ec. records, 4-H Leaders Association; Jean Ross, outstanding stock club member, Sherman County Cattleman; Sally Fields, PI showmanship contest, Oregon Cattleman; Mavis Miller, outstanding clothing club member, J. C. Penny Company; Wilma Gentry, breeding contest, Safeway Stores; Jeannette Belashee, livestock judging contest, Cushman Equipment; Karen Wilson, bread baking contest, Sears Roebuck & Company; Nancy Wilson, sponge cake contest, Oregon Wheat Commission.

Those who were selected according to the records they had made and their leader's recommendations were: Helene Sather, Florene Crews, Keith Mobley, Ila Jean Macnab, Julie Woods, James Thomas, Ronda Fraser, David J. Reid, Shirley Sather, David Conlee, Terry Kaseberg, and Ronnie Mobley. Alternates chosen were: Darlene Gochauer, Gene Fridley, Darlene Miller and Arlene Macnab.

Ila Jean Macnab of Rufus received the James Weir Memorial scholarship given to a resident of the former Emigrant Springs and Biglow school districts.

Members are not eligible to attend unless they are twelve years old or older, had completed a project in 1955, and had not attended summer school the two previous years.

First Aiders Finish Course, Will All Be Certified

Twenty-eight Sherman countians have completed the 18 hour course in first aid given by Harry Lewis, a Red Cross instructor employed by the state industrial accident commission.

Those finishing the course will receive their certificates from the Salem office and are Charlotte Barnett, Anita Hooper, Norma Ketter, and Ann Rolfe from Grass Valley; Kendrick Dunlap, Bill Hall, Beatrice Davis, George Geiser, Lloyd Wooderson, Andy Paulson, Alberta Benson, Jack Cushman, Clair Balzer, Loy Cochran, Mrs. Ina Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rodda, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Busse, Mr. and Mrs. John Gilman from Moro; Juanita Glenon, Merlin Shields and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Winegar of Wasco.

Merrill Sather Gets Job With Grain Trade

Merrill D. Sather, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sather, has left the Pacific Northwest Crop Improvement association of which he has been executive secretary and has taken a similar job with the Northwest Grain Dealers association with headquarters at Spokane.

Sather has been on his present job a little over two years and has lived in Walla Walla. He is a graduate of Moro High school and Oregon State college.

Moro Defeats Sisters By 3-1

The Moro Huskies defeated the Sisters Outlaws on the Sisters' Diamond Tuesday April 10 by a score of 3 to 1. Earl Griggs went all the way on the mound for the Huskies giving up four hits. Willie Winkie was the losing pitcher. Those getting hits for Moro were Ivan Kirkelle, Ronald Rolfe, Jim Rodda and Earl Griggs. This was the Huskies second win of the season.

Kasebergs Hear Exchange Students

Mr. and Mrs. Paulen Kaseberg, Alice and Terry, and Mrs. Ina B. Hanson, attended an IFYE orientation dinner at the Old Mill in The Dalles April 10. This was a joint meeting with Wasco county.

The Kasebergs will be a host family for an international foreign youth from India. Three Wasco county families will also have delegates from India.

Mrs. Winnifred Gillen, state 4-H agent of Corvallis, and Mr. Gaylord of the Federal office, were present to explain to the host families and the extension agents about the purpose of the program, the religion of the visitors, and what is expected of hosts.

Two of these foreign visitors will arrive in May to live from three to four weeks with an American family. The other two will come later in the summer.

Selection Committee Picks Winners

Members of the extension units will be given a chance to vote on the program for next year. Officers of the units and the Farm Home and Rural Life committee met in Moro Apr. 9 to discuss the extension program and to select projects and workshops for the coming year. Miss Viola Hansen, state agent of Corvallis, explained the projects as set up by the specialists. Mrs. Ona B. Hanson, Sherman county extension agent, reviewed the program for the past seven months. Mrs. Walt Bruckert, chairman, called for election of officers which was delayed until the next meeting at which time they will discuss the organization of an advisory committee.

Mrs. Walt Bruckert, Mrs. Ted Thompson and Mrs. Ina B. Hanson served tea following the meeting.

Ballots have been mailed to the unit members and should be returned to the extension office by May 10. This committee will meet again May 14 to make the final selections for the program and to designate the months in which the various projects and work-shops will be held.

Nine Candidates File For Director Of County H.S.

Nine candidates have filed for the five positions on the County High school board to be elected April 30, providing that the proposition to establish a county high school is approved.

The election will be held from two until eight in the afternoon at five duly announced voting places which are the school house in Rufus, the City Hall in Wasco, the Court House in Moro, the City Hall in Grass Valley and the American Legion Hall in Kent.

The Sherman County Journal has talked to the candidates and endeavored to obtain from them a statement of policy each would favor if the county high school was approved and they were elected. At Kent, John Decker, already a member of the Union High school board that is planning the new high school, says he favors going right ahead with plans for the present building and with one high school in the county.

Grass Valley

Ivan Blagg, member of the Union High school board and candidate from Grass Valley, wants to carry on as planned by that board and concentrate on one high school for the entire county.

Harold Eakin has been a Grass Valley member of the Union High board and is very positive that one school would bring better education and at a more economical cost than any other plan.

Moro

Charles Burnet, Moro is the only candidate from that zone. He has been a member of the school board and is a member of the Union High school board. He says that he thinks pupils can be educated better and cheaper in one high school and that the present plans are good and the building adequate for any foreseen needs.

Wasco

David Richelderfer of Wasco, member of the Wasco school board, says that he is not familiar with the county high school law and is running at the request of friends. He would attempt to follow the wishes of the majority if elected.

Marvin Thomas, candidate from Wasco, was one of those who started the petition for a county High school. He says he wouldn't have started had he not felt a single high school better for pupils and taxpayers.

Rufus

George Fox, member of the Rural school board and candidate from Rufus wants the best education for pupils at the least cost. He expressed himself as being doubtful if it would be possible to establish more than one high school.

William Huck wants the best education first and tax economy second. He prefers to keep control of education at the local level and hoped to consolidate Wasco and Rufus high schools. He is doubtful about the county high school law.

Leland Medler, candidate from Rufus, wants to go right ahead with the present plans for one high school for the county. He was among those who circulated petitions for the coming election.

The county school law which the county will operate if the voters approve it was passed in 1951, being a major amendment to a law that has been in effect many years. Gilliam and Wheeler counties use the plan which is adapted to smaller counties.

It is possible to have more than one high school under the law but only after a vote on it by the people. The five man board manages the school, hires the teachers, provide transportation. Directors are chosen for five years and choose their terms by lot after election.

Passage of the measure would give Sherman county high schools taxable property sufficient to assure high school pupils any educational facilities needed. The building now being constructed is large enough for 150 pupils and can be added onto in case a greater number apply for admission, which is not expected unless someone discovers oil in the county.