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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

From some of the things they're teaching adults we wonder what they did in childhood.

T T W N

It's nice to know that citizens react favorably when vice is exposed and a little saddening to know that it often goes on long before exposure.

T T W N

Do you too, get extremely tired of reading how we are getting ahead of Russia for a few months and then reading for a like period how Russia is getting ahead of us?

T T W N

Auto drivers pay two thirds of gasoline cost to make the car go and a third for the road for it to go on.

T T W N

We note that President Eisenhower wore a baseman's glove when throwing out the first ball at the opening of the season. That is an excess of caution.

T T W N

Prognosticators of the election may note that cars have more conservative colors this year.

T T W N

Trying to figure out who will win in November by the results of uncontested primaries is beyond everyone but a natural soothsayer—if any there be.

T T W N

Politically minded Democrats would like the soil bank idea if they could be assured farmers wouldn't get any money from it until after November.

T T W N

Portland Beavers have a new field, a new team and the same old standing in the coast league.

T T W N

Some one or some group always runs a country. The people never do except in theory and perhaps for some general policy. In Russia which boasts of being a proletarian government a tough little oligarchy runs the show. Nations run by small, tightly knit groups often do very well until the leaders get to calling themselves the "upper class" and get booted out by the people. led, of course, by another group anxious to become the upper class.

T T W N

If we don't have a bit of a depression after WW II it will be the first big war to not be followed by one. Wonder what'll happen to the people who can't live on \$5000 a year.

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That new service station sort of closes in the street and removes the wide open look it once had.

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Next Monday is one of our election days, the one on which voters may determine the course of education for present and future children.

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These days the advertisements are for jobs. They used to be for opportunities to work for oneself. How far we can go in working for some one else is not known but there will be an end to it. You can't have employees without employers.

T T W N

A state committee asks that the John Day dam be built above the mouth of that river on behalf of the fish even though fish don't use that river or free will.

T T W N

Having read a lot about the visiting Russians in England we wonder how they were really treated.

T T W N

A voter would be badly handicapped in Oregon this primary if he couldn't write let alone sign his name.

T T W N

A senator asks GM to cut prices with which we agree. Now if GM will ask the government to cut taxes we'll agree with that, too.

T T W N

Some wise guy says smoking cigars is akin to thumb sucking. Bet he couldn't smoke a cigar. And we also must ponder on the direction of a civilization that lets a man make a living saying such things.

T T W N

A sales tax would give the state more money to spend to perform more services to citizens who would be better off looking after themselves.

Moro Huskies Win First League Game From Maupin Nine

By Sterling Gochnauer

Moro defeated the Maupin Red-sides by the score of 6-4 Friday, April 20, on the Huskies home field. The Huskies and Red-sides each collected seven hits. The Huskies were led by third baseman Harry Eakin's big stick when he collected two hits in four trips to the plate. Paul Peck rapped winning pitcher for two hits in four trips also.

Earl Griggs made this victory number two in his three starts this season.

Wheat League To Meet At Wasco

Activities of the Oregon Wheat Growers league will be reviewed by Jack Smith, second vice-president, Mayville, during the spring meeting of association Monday, April 30, Masonic hall, Wasco. Don Thompson, president, reports. All wheat growers, their wives and others interested are invited to participate in the banquet starting at 6:30 p. m. or the general meeting at 8:00 p. m.

A special invitation is extended to ladies with part of the program designed for their interest and their husbands' stomachs. Nydia Whybark, wheat league home economist, will present a baking demonstration during the general meeting. Miss Whybark, employed by the league to promote use of wheat and wheat flour, is located in Portland and conducts advertising by television and other methods.

E. R. Jackman, OSC, will discuss "How the Soil Bank program might fit your farm". Harvey Miller, chairman, state ASC committee, and Dick Baum, league secretary, are also expected at the meeting. Reports from the committee chairmen will be given.

The spring meeting will start with a 6:30 banquet, prepared by the Wasco Eastern Star. The general meeting will begin at 8 p. m.

Study Club Plans Conservation Tour

The Wasco Woman's Study club was called to order recently by the president, Mrs. John Foss at the home of Mrs. Walter Bruckert with Mrs. Vinton Watkins, co-hostess.

The flag salute was given and the club collect read. Fifteen members were present. Mrs. Harry Pinkerton of Moro and Mrs. Leonard of Roosevelt, Wn., were guests.

Mrs. Bruckert reported for the conservation department that the time for the annual tour would be announced later. Students from nearby towns may be invited.

The president announced the Mothers day meeting, May 9, at the Methodist church. All committees were appointed.

Mrs. Hailey plans to attend the General Federation of Womens clubs to be held at Kansas City, May 14-18. All information concerning the convention was given to her.

Mrs. Zell spoke of the different students who avail themselves of the use of the scholarship loan and fellowship fund of the state organization. It requires \$1000.00 for a year for a student from South America. A contribution of \$20 was made to the state scholarship loan and fellowship fund.

Mrs. Foss introduced the new president of the 4th district, Mrs. Harry Pinkerton of Moro. She spoke in detail of the meeting at Pilot Rock. The 4th district is composed of 11 counties. Leadership, good programs and outstanding projects make for a good club. She stressed "Think Big". Mrs. Pinkerton said the aims for her two years in the office would be:

1. Adult Education.
2. Improving our own communities.
3. Prompt Reports.

The state convention of the Federation will be in Portland May 2, 3, 4.

Mrs. Dorothy Leonard spoke of her hobby—painting pictures in oils. She had used local scenes along the Columbia river for her subject matter.

Birthday greetings were sung to Emma Dutton and Betsy Bish. Mrs. Bruckert had decorated a cake elaborately with sprays of daffodils and violets. Ice cream, nuts, candies, tea and coffee were served by the hostesses.

Dated this 25th day of April, 1956.
Attest: Wily W. Knighten
Secretary, Rural School Board
Charles Burnet
Chairman, Rural School Board

Soil Moisture Above Average; Not Soaking Wet

While the percentage of moisture in the soil is above normal it is not so great as could be expected from the large amount that fell during the long winter.

On the station at mid-April there was 14 per cent in six feet, on the Gordon Harper place it was 13.7 in six feet and on Bill Todd's place it was 15 per cent in three feet. The moisture in the fifth and sixth foot is good having increased two per cent since last fall samplings.

On Paulsen Kaseberg's place there was 14.6 per cent in six feet in March. On Orlov Martin's 15.3 in five feet and on Virgil Conlee's 11.8 in six feet.

Some tests showed over 20 per cent in the top foot early in the spring and this has naturally gone down. The grass has headed out short due to cold weather although insufficient moisture may have been a factor.

Grain is growing slowly and winter wheat is often spotty while spring grain barely makes the fields green.

Two Notices of Public Importance

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Notice of meeting of the County Board of Equalization for Sherman County.

To the taxpayers of Sherman County, Oregon.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Equalization for Sherman County, Oregon, did adopt at its last meeting on April 23rd, a ratio of 30 percent of true cash value, for the assessment of all property in Sherman County, Oregon, and the Board of Equalization will be in session at the County Assessor's office of the Sherman County Courthouse, Moro, State of Oregon, on the second Monday of May, or May 14, 1956, and publicly examine the assessment rolls, correct all errors in valuation, description or qualities of lands, lots or other property assessed by such assessors; and it shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed.

Each petition or application for the reduction of a particular assessment shall be made in writing, verified by the oath of the applicant or his attorney, and shall be filed with the Board within the first week it is by law required to be in session; and any petition or application not so made, verified and filed shall not be considered or acted upon by the Board.

Each such petition or application shall state thereon the address to which notice of the action of the Board of Equalization shall be sent.

Clair L. Balzer
Sherman County Assessor
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NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION in the Rural School District of Sherman County, Oregon, upon question of increasing Tax Levy over amount limited by Section 11, Article XI, State Constitution.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held Monday, May 21, 1956, by the Rural School District of Sherman County, State of Oregon, in all component school districts of said Rural School District.

The election will begin at 2:00 p. m. and will be held in the schoolhouse in each of said component districts. The purpose of the election is to submit to the legal voters of the rural school district the question of increasing the tax levy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1956, over the amount limited by Section 11, Article XI of the Constitution.

The reasons for increasing such levy are:

The Rural School District base is too low to permit the raising of sufficient funds for operating the schools.

The amount of tax, in excess of the six per cent limitation proposed to be levied by the rural school district of Sherman County, Oregon, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1956, is \$195,360.51.

Dated this 25th day of April, 1956.

Attest: Wily W. Knighten
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Teachers Hired To Replace Two Moving To Other Schools

New teachers have been hired by the board for the 1956-57 school to succeed Coach Ray Howie who did not wish to return. Beryl Bethke, one-time coach of Pierre, South Dakota high school, and for two years at Trout Lake, Wn., will come to do the coaching and will also teach social science.

Mrs. Beatrice Davis has resigned and accepted a position at Creswell so she can send her children to the University of Oregon. Replacing her will be Miss Joyce Andrews, a graduate of Linfield. Her home is at Seattle where her father is a navy chaplain with duty around Puget Sound.

L. V. (Vannie) Walton

L. V. (Vannie) Walton, 83, long ill and crippled from an auto accident died in a Portland hospital Friday morning.

He was born March 18, 1873 in Indiana and spent the greater part of his life in Sherman county before retiring to The Dalles after selling his ranch east of Kent. Vigorous, red-haired Vannie Walton, was an aggressive citizen and well known in southern Sherman county a few years ago. He accumulated a large wheat farm now owned by George Wilson.

Surviving is his widow, Ora. He was a member of the Masonic lodge which conducted his funeral rites held in The Dalles Monday with interment in the IOOF cemetery there.

Louis J. Gates

Louis J. Gates, former storekeeper at Kent, died in The Dalles Thursday after a long illness. He was 86, having been born January 27, 1870 in Excelsior, Missouri.

He owned stores at Fossil and at Arlington and Kent before becoming a salesman for Sperry with headquarters at The Dalles. He was active in politics although not as a candidate.

He was an Odd-Fellow for 50 years. A man of intense opinions and with ability to express them, he accumulated friends and opponents, all of whom held him in respect.

Funeral services were held Saturday with interment in The Dalles. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Forrest Hunter and Miss Margaret Gates of The Dalles, a brother and a sister and two grandchildren.

Public Business, County Business, Your Business

CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF APRIL 4, 1956
TERM OF COUNTY COURT

Claims presented and allowed against all funds.

Treasurer's financial statement showing all fund balances as of March 31, 1956 presented, approved and ordered filed.

Road Fund Balances presented, approved and ordered filed.

Gasoline consumption for March 1956 presented and ordered filed.

Re: Weed program—County Agent authorized to purchase material for spraying from lowest bidder.

Re: Wasco-Sherman Health Program—Dr. Davidson and Mrs. Lee appear before court and present program and budget for 1956-57.

Re: Budget Date—Budget date set for April 10, 1956.

NO FURTHER MATTERS AT ISSUE ADJOURNMENT ENSUED.

Court met in special session April 10, 1956 with members of budget committee, Judge Miller and D. Thompson elected chairman and secretary respectively of budget committee. Court determine necessity of exceeding 6% limitation and calls for election to be held in conjunction with primary election of May 18, 1956.

Budget for fiscal year 1956-57 prepared: Total budget of \$187,636.00, \$122,209.48 inside 6% and \$65,426.52 outside.

Re: Gravel Mrs. T. von Borstel appears and asks for gravel on road in Kent district—matter taken under advisement.

Re: Home Demonstration—several women appear on behalf of program of Home Demonstration and state satisfaction of program throughout county.

No further matters at issue court adjourned.

Junior Rodeo May 13 Expected To Bring Many

The Sherman Junior Rodeo, May 13, Sherman County Fairgrounds, Moro, will kick-off the Junior Rodeo season in Oregon. Over 100 entries are anticipated from Oregon Junior Rodeo association members for the third annual show.

A full rodeo program with races is planned. Participants will collect points toward an all-around cowboy award determined during the championship show in Madras in August. Show all-around awards will be presented and cash and merchandise prizes in excess of \$1,000.

Excellent participation and competition is expected according to Luther Davis, Kent chairman.

Entries or information about the show should be directed to Max Nogle, Kent. Entry deadline is May 10. The Sherman County Cattlemen's association sponsors the annual event.

Ninety contestants participated last year. Tommy Norton, Ashwood, won the Junior All-around with Cecil Swaggart, Ritter, winning the Senior All-around Cowboy. Boys or girls 9 to 18 are eligible, with Junior division 9-14 and Senior division 15-18. Events planned are break away calf roping, calf riding, barrel race, and ¼ mile stock saddle horse race for the Junior division. Senior division events include tie down calf roping, barrel horse riding, cow riding, steer decorating, cow hide race and ¼ mile stock horse race.

Road Work Getting Done Quickly

Roy Houck moved his road equipment from Pendleton last week and started again on the improvement of the Sherman highway after a lay-off of a month. Grading has gone on rapidly with big machines moving dirt two shifts a day and it is expected that the new work will be rocked and oiled before the heavier travel of the summer.

Ground Observer Corps

Sergeant Ralph Bragg of the Ground Observer Corps was in town Tuesday to organize a unit here. Jack Cushman is to be in charge of plane observation.

Headquarters of the local unit is in Bend and Sgt. Bragg lives in Arlington being in charge of Gillingham, Wheeler and Sherman counties where he is setting up posts with volunteer workers to spot planes.

Moro Women Plan

Mother-Daughter Affair

The Moro Womens club will have its annual Mother-Daughter party Friday evening, April 27 at 8 o'clock in the Masonic hall. Girls in the 4-H sewing classes will model garments they have made. Mothers of the girls participating will be welcome. The next regular club meeting has been postponed due to the state convention.

Dunlap, \$427.62; McPherson, \$388.47; Bayer, \$408.47; Morehouse, \$368.47; Gosson, \$398.47; Shoemaker, \$418.47; Gray, \$397.47; Yocum, \$370.76; Schaumburger, \$313.92; Johnson, \$156.96; Blagg, \$122.90; First National Bank, \$431.90; State Tax Comm., \$87.73; Social Security, \$175.46; State Ind. Acc. Comm., \$88.61

WEED CONTROL: Moro Grain Growers Ass'n, \$13.50; Oregon Agriculture Chemicals, \$44.44

REPAIRS: Smith Auto Parts, \$287.48; Auto Electric Supply Co., \$63.47; O'Meara Supply & Imp. Co., \$16.98; Portland Wire and Steel, \$79.51; Service Motor Co., \$23.44; Moro Motors Garage, \$1.50; Int. Tractor & Equip. Co., \$115.28; Paul's Automotive Service, \$1.25; Dielschneider Equip., \$49.19; Columbia Motor Service, \$23.50; Cushman Equip. Co., \$263.78; GAS & OIL:

Standard Oil Co., \$126.47; Shell Oil Co., \$488.92; Cushman Equip. Co., \$31.30

TIRES & TUBES: Firestone Stores, \$5.48

GENERAL SUPPLIES: Smith Auto Parts, \$92.23; Ranch & Home Store, \$2.88; Portland Wire and Steel, \$13.20; The General Tool Co., \$62.89; McFadden Auto Parts, \$12.01; Moro Lumber & Fuel Co., \$21.08; Int. Tractor & Equip., \$157.68; Woodberry Co., \$14.76

MISCELLANEOUS: State Ind. Acc. Comm., \$83.33; C. L. Gray, \$5.38; Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co., \$24.30; City of Moro, \$1.75; Pac Power & Light Co., \$21.26; Platt's Truck Service, \$2.00; Dunham Printing Co., \$72.05

BRIDGES & CULVERTS: Portland Wire & Steel, \$187.14; Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$21.00; Farmer's Supply Co., \$91.00

QUARRY SITES: Feenaughty Mch. Co., \$700.00

RETIREMENT: \$87.73

SCS Work Going On With Greater Interest Reports Grabenhorst

The Sherman County Soil Conservation District board of supervisors are pleased over the progress being made by the farmers and ranchers of Sherman county in carrying out soil conserving practices on their land.

This spring very little burning of stubble has taken place throughout the district and many farmers are using stubble mulch tillage for the first time. In 1955 trashy fallow fields held up well during the serious runoff season by greatly reducing soil loss and providing protection for fall seedings.

Over the past three years the establishment of permanent sod in man field drainage ways by Sherman county farmers is steadily increasing. This spring nearly 40 acres, or approximately 12 miles of sod waterways have been established on the farms and ranches operated by Bill Todd, George and Pat Macnab, Elton Medler, John DeMoss, John Shipley, Ken Fridley, and Irving Hart.

To combat a serious wind problem, early this spring Elton Medler wind stripped a field totaling 138 acres and 360 acres at Locust Grove was contour stripped last year by Paulsen Kaseberg. This strip cropped field held up so well during the runoff season that Albert and Paulsen Kaseberg have indicated more contour strip cropping will be established on their ranch this coming year.

We have been notified by Theodore von Borstel and Jay McKay that within the next two weeks construction will start on two large state approved dams. These reservoirs are to be utilized for irrigation and provide water for livestock.

Although only a small part of the total conservation work being carried on throughout the district is told here—it will illustrate the work and progress being made by the individual farmer and rancher of Sherman county in carrying out his soil conservation program.

New Building Big

The new building under construction will provide 34,260 square feet of space including the 3000 square feet in the projected shop. It will have eight class rooms without the shop, have a gymnasium 80 x 100 feet, large enough for two basketball courts and will have seating capacity of 950 spectators for games. It is large enough that this county could be hosts to the district basketball playoffs.

It is large enough for 150 pupils according to the rather liberal state standards and is so built that additional class rooms can be added if needed. It is expected that 110 to 120 pupils will occupy it.

The curriculum planned will be both college preparatory including science, mathematics, history and English and of these science and mathematics will be enlarged; for those intending to finish their education with high school there will be adequate instructions in basic skills, home economics, shop and commerce, with of course, college preparatory subjects available.

It is expected that there will be seven teachers of which the music teacher and the superintendent will not carry a full teaching load. The teacher-pupil ratio will be about 1-20, which is well below the state standard of 1-25.

Although school elections usually bring out a good vote the interest in this one seems well suppressed. Neither has there been evidence of a campaign for any prospective member of the board.

OSC Mothers Elect

Mrs. Pat Kaseberg

At a recent meeting of the Oregon State Mothers in The Dalles, Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg of Wasco was elected president; Mrs. Tom Haynes, The Dalles, vice-president and Mrs. Addie Wray, The Dalles, secretary-treasurer.

This chapter includes all mothers of students that are or have been attending Oregon State college, that wish to join from Wasco and Sherman counties. The money from the membership is turned in for scholarships each year.

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Rural Life Sunday

Is April 29

Rural Life Sunday will be observed this week at Moro Community Presbyterian church. At this special worship service at the regular 11 o'clock hour worshippers will be led in considering the privileges and responsibilities of life in an agricultural community.

The sermon will be brought in two parts: "Privileges of Rural Life" by Frank Judah, and "Responsibilities of Rural Life" by Russell Belshee. The service will close with a dedication of seed and soil, with symbolic seed and soil being presented by Don Thompson. The choir will sing the anthem "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem". A special invitation has been extended to members of Harlandview grange to attend this service.