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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

Frankly, we are not impressed with the kind of pants the women are wearing this summer.

T T W N
The scheme to stop construction at Pelton dam by making a retroactive law shows a lack of constitution reading.

T T W N
The ten cent loaf of bread now costs 22 cents. The farmer gets less for his wheat and the consumer pays more. Labor does very well.

T T W N
We hope we never become so important that belly-aches makes the headlines.

T T W N
Radiation from atomic bombs of one kind or another may wipe out the entire race of civilized man, scientists say. Tish, Tish, Eve never should have eaten that apple.

T T W N
The peoples that have the best reputation for making money are those who have few advantages of either national resources or educational opportunities: the Jews started from a barren strip between the Mediterranean and the Red sea, the Chinese are handicapped by too much population, the Greeks have a barren soil and few resources, the Scotch a rocky, unresponsive country. Those raised in ease and trained to expect it cannot compete with them in material things.

T T W N
In the long run it is easier to tell the truth than to remember the lies.

T T W N
If the newspapers in Portland oppose one another instead of opposing crime it will help no one but the racketeers.

T T W N
This year we had one of the biggest blooms on the locusts we remember. So the locusts had a big crop anyway.

T T W N
The taxes other people pay serves them just right.

T T W N
Some of the people who worry about the cost of elections will never need to.

T T W N
Stores are really making a play for Father's Day business this year so dad may have a bigger bill come July 1.

T T W N
We can think of nothing more reactionary than Harriman's attempt to run for president on a new deal platform. The new deal was reactionary when originally conceived because it was a long step toward centralization of governmental power and a reduction in the liberty of the individual.

T T W N
Those who try to "hold the line" are always defeated. There is always change. Wise leaders will try to bring about changes in their favor, not resist all change.

T T W N
We probably will never get our agricultural production to fit our needs until the farmers, themselves are interested in it.

T T W N
Chief Joseph dam was dedicated the other day. It will generate nearly three times as much electricity as Bonneville which has a lot more water behind it. It appears to us that probably engineering of dams has become more efficient and maybe these huge dam structures are not going to be so important in the future. Idaho Power is going to get almost as much power from three little, and comparatively inexpensive dams, as the government would get from a great big one. And the little dams can be increased later to make more.

T T W N
Success isn't worth the work necessary; freedom isn't worth the effort, is the creed of the natural slave who shouldn't have been raised to man's estate in the first place.

T T W N
One of the best things about the fluoridation issue is that it taught persons how to spell the word.

T T W N
The only thing that will stop higher prices is to stop buying and that may stop some other things as well.

About the County being news about people you know or know about

Mrs. Kenneth Crews was hostess at a party at her home Sunday afternoon honoring her daughter, Nancy, on her 10th birthday anniversary. Those present included her sisters, Florene and Patty, Carol Owens, Peggy Riggs, Sally Sue Bibby, and Nancy Albery. Games were played under the direction of Florene. After Nancy opened her gifts angel cake, ice cream and punch were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Eben Kee entertained the bridge club at her home Thursday with dessert luncheon followed by cards at three tables. Mrs. Loy Cochran held high score. Mrs. Herman Peters second, and Mrs. Paul Syron low. Others present were Mrs. Alfred Kook, Mrs. Arzell Lemley, Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. Ted Kelly, Mrs. Harold Eakin, Mrs. Anna Moore and Mrs. A. F. Balzer.

Mrs. Paul Syron was hostess to the bridge club at her home the evening of June 5 with two tables in play. Mrs. Robert Schilling held high, Mrs. Kendrick Dunlap second and Mrs. John Rust low. Mrs. Dunlap also won the traveling prize. Others present were Mrs. Don Smith, Mrs. Frank Ketter, Mrs. Alex Brandner, Mrs. Bob Marvin, and Mrs. Arzell Lemley. Refreshments were served.

The Grass Valley Rebekah lodge No. 118 met at the IOOF hall Wednesday evening for their regular meeting. Mrs. Kenneth Crews, noble grand presided with eight members present. Mrs. Willard Barnett gave part of her report on her trip to Grand lodge at Tillamook.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beaty of Portland were overnight guests Saturday at the Earl Olds home. Mrs. Beaty will be remembered here as Mrs. J. J. Wiley.

Among those going to The Dalles Saturday to attend the Yeager-Eakin wedding at the Congregational church were Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. A. von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kook, Fritz Rohwedder, Arthur and Gertrude Buether, Mr. and Mrs. John Reckman and family, Mary Ann McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Reckman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Eakin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Eakin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Martin and Deanna, Mrs. Estel Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Blaylock and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Peters and son, Arden.

Gary Schilling came home Friday from Eugene having completed his freshman year at the University of Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Duncan went to Eugene Thursday and brought their son, Harold, home from the University of Oregon where he completed his freshman year. Arthur and Gertrude Buether came home Saturday from Corvallis where they were students at Oregon State college. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schilling of Cottage Grove were business visitors here Thursday and Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Olan Stark and family went to Portland Friday for the Rose Festival and were over night guests of Mrs. Harry Young.

Herman Peters left Sunday for Dayton, Wn., where he is employed after spending a week here. Dell Squire of Rockaway is here working on the highway construction job and staying with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Eben Kee.

Mrs. Eben Kee drove to Rockaway recently to visit her sister, Mrs. Pete Watts and family and to bring her niece, Sandra Squire back with her for the summer. Florene Crews and Nancy Wilson of Kent left Tuesday with a group of 4-H clubbers for Corvallis and summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Peterson and son, Bud, and their daughter and family of Los Angeles left Friday after spending a week visiting his mother, Mrs. Amelia Peterson.

Mrs. Hilda Johnson of Seaside is here visiting Mrs. John Engstrom. Mrs. Harriett Wells left Thursday for her home in Glendale after spending a week here with her mother, Mrs. T. M. Rolfe. Mrs. Wells will attend summer school at Ashland again this year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rolfe and son, Ronald, and Mrs. T. M. Rolfe went to Seattle Saturday to the home of the latter's daughter, Mrs. Frances Mathews and to attend the high school graduation

Sunday when Teddy Mathews was among the graduates. He has joined the Marines and will be leaving sometime in August for training.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. LeBlau and family of Terrebonne and Lynn LeBlau home on furlough from the army stationed in Kansas and Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dugger were dinner guests Sunday at the John Rust home.

Among those attending the Sherman County Historical picnic in Moro Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Wallace May, Mrs. O. N. Ruggles, Orville Ruggles, Mrs. Alfred Kook, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barnum and sons, Don Leach, Bill Todd, Mrs. Elton Eakin and Mrs. Dick Reckman and Peggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brinkert went to The Dalles Saturday and brought Mrs. John Engstrom home from the hospital where she spent a few days for medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. George von Borstel and daughter and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson of Portage, Penn., were dinner guests recently at the Donald von stel home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Riggs went to Portland June 3 and brought their daughter, Marjorie, home from the Shrine hospital where she spent four months for medical attention.

Elaine Eaton was honored at a bridal shower June 8, given at the Rufus grange hall by Mrs. Joe Morris, Mrs. Luther Steward and Mrs. Dottie Turley.

The gifts were placed on a lace covered table with a floral centerpiece surrounded by miniature umbrellas. Floral arrangements about the room made it attractive.

The Misses Carol Grant, Nadine Griggs sang a number accompanied on the piano by Grace Franklin. The girls are classmates of Elaine. They then assisted her in opening her many prettily wrapped gifts. The hostesses served cake, jello, coffee and punch from linen covered individual card tables. Elaine's wedding date is set for June 16 in Rufus.

Harland McDonald arrived home after most of last week spent taking in the state grange proceedings at Pendleton. Harland was fortunate to win the door prize which was a sunbeam electric frying pan. Mrs. Grace Medler's pillow cases took fifth place for the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Trace Fields recently enjoyed several days together with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Bains at a hot springs resort.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baker and daughters, Marilyn and Margaret spent last weekend at Newberg visiting Harold's folks. They returned via North Santiam by Detroit dam where they had a picnic dinner with relatives.

George Fox Jr. arrived home June 10 after finishing his studies at Oregon State. He expects to spend the summer helping his folks and working in harvest.

Consolidations Made Of Two Districts

School District No. 1, Biglow, was consolidated with Rufus and School District No. 4, Emigrant, was consolidated with Wasco as of June 6 on order by the district boundary board. This is in conformity with a recently passed state law that made consolidation of non-operating districts compulsory.

Red Cross To Have

The Sherman county chapter, American Red Cross, will hold a meeting at the Moro Hotel Friday night, June 15 at eight o'clock announces Dr. F. D. Reid, chairman.

Weather Study Extensive in Local Area

Pictured is Neal Barr, Condon manager of the Weather Modification company that is trying to influence the weather in the tri-county area of Sherman, Gilliam, and Morrow. Headquarters for the research office is on a hill near a power line about three miles east of Condon.

In a refitted trailer house the company has installed a radar that pictures the surrounding country and shows where the clouds are and any rainstorms. Operator can call by telephone to operators of the silver iodide dispensers and, in theory, cause rain to fall from heavy clouds.

An 11 man committee of the federal government has said that it is possible to cause clouds to rain. Oregon State scientists are

not convinced, saying that the extra rainfall is an accident. Complete records of weather data are kept at the trailer house office and a teletype machine keeps the operator informed about the movement of clouds and storm fronts all over the northwest. For work nearby and for direction for starting the generators the radar is used.

Mr. Barr does not make the flat statement that his company makes it rain, but says that the experiments indicate that it is possible to affect the weather. After the first of June the rain contract will end but the company will have a contract to try to prevent hailstorms from reaching the dangerous stage during the three summer months.

Historical Society Meets Inside To Evade Storm

When officers of the Sherman County Historical society awoke early Sunday morning to the sound of rolling thunder and the flash of lightning they were immediately convinced that no picnic would be at DeMoss park. Water in the creek in Barnum canyon would have prevented access to the park and threatening rain would have prevented a crowd.

Arrangements were made to meet in the Masonic hall. There the women gathered with their loads of food and the day proved pleasant despite the storm. There was, of course, lots of food.

The Wasco Boy Scouts led the salute to the flag and Rev. Don Leach gave the invocation to start the program before Willy Knight as president welcomed the members and visitors. Three girls sang, Mrs. Allie Ruggles gave her report as secretary-treasurer, Tom Fraser sang "Sweet Oregon" and some 50 year history was recounted, the Grass Valley male quartet sang. All music and accompaniments were by Mrs. Elton Eakin.

Senator John Hounsell of this district was speaker for the occasion. He spoke of some aspects of the county's history and told of Fremont who came across the country as head of a surveying party in 1843 and gave an account of his trip in an official report. Hounsell also told of the Aurora colony that came across the plans in 1855 to settle the town of Aurora, made famous for its communistic practices and its sturdy descendants.

Mrs. Tracy Fields read the betterment report and suggested that the society might well try to obtain a building for a museum to collect and preserve the artifacts of pioneer times.

Chosen as officers were Wallace May, president; Carroll Sayrs, vice-president and Harry Pinkerton for five-year term as director. Other officers are hold overs.

New Dentist Here For Summer Stay

Robert Bradshaw, a recent graduate from the University of Oregon dental school, is here to take the place of Dr. F. D. Reid until July 20 when he has to report to the air force at March Field, Riverside, California.

Dr. Bradshaw is married and has a daughter, all here in the county. He is a native of Milton-Freewater. By obtaining Dr. Bradshaw it is possible for the dental office to remain open during the summer.

Homer Townsends Coming Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Townsends will be pulpist guests at Moro Community Presbyterian church this Sunday, bringing the morning sermon telling of work at Menaul school, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Formerly school superintendent at Moro, Mr. Townsends left his position here in 1953 to become superintendent of Menaul school, a boarding high school owned and operated by the Presbyterian board of National Missions.

Following the morning service, the Mariner's club invites people of the congregation to a picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lamer Sayrs. Here further opportunity will be found for friends to greet Mr. and Mrs. Townsends, and meet their children, Cindy and Douglas.

About The County

Bobby Archer and Marvin Judah are spending this week at Camp Menucha, representing youth of the Moro church at the Presbyterian High School Summer conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Balsiger and Edwin left Tuesday morning for Spokane to attend three grain growers meetings.

Miss Betty Haven, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haven and Miss Carmen Royse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Royse, of Wasco are among the girls attending Girls State at Willamette university.

Miss Joana Brandon of Portland was a guest of the Balsigers last week end, coming up with Edwin as he returned home from his third year at the university.

Agreement Signed To Authorize Hiring of Financial Agent

The county court Tuesday signed resolution expressing their confidence in a broker to handle the financial details of the engineering and construction of the Biggs Rapids bridge and requested the Washington Toll Bridge authority to go ahead with the broker toward building the bridge. Klickitat county did the same.

The broker is Paul D. Speer, who has performed similar services for many of the bridges built in the northwest recently including The Dalles bridge and the Umatilla bridges.

As of now the preliminary engineering has been done and accepted. Engineering of the bridge itself will require an expenditure of at least \$150,000 and bonds must be sold. Action of the Klickitat and Sherman county courts puts authority to act on these matters in the hands of the toll bridge authority which will proceed with details.

Another step has been taken toward successful completion of the new highway bridge across the Columbia to connect Highway 97 and make possible a still faster and shorter route between Canada and California.

Legion Baseball Gets Start In County

The American Legion baseball season is on with the local team playing at John Day last week end, losing one under the unaccustomed lights and winning one in daylight. Harvey Thompson and Stan Coelsch are managers and coaches of the team although others have helped with the coaching.

The Friday night game at John Day was lost by a substantial score with Larry Thompson doing the chucking. Saturday Jim Brown took over the pitching and the game was won by 5 to 0. Brown and Thompson alternate at pitching and first base. Other boys playing are Rob Hastings, catcher; Butch Kirkelle, 2nd; Lou Miller, short; Harry Eakin, 3rd; Gene Cantrall, Sterling Gochnauer, Lee and Terry Kaseberg, outfield. The team could use some more players if any can get out to practice and play.

Next Sunday the boys will play with Condon on Grass Valley diamond at two o'clock in a regular league game. The local team has entered a league composed of Fossil, Condon and Mitchell as other teams.

Bible School Class

The Kent Community Bible church concluded its vacation Bible school June 8 after four days of instruction with 26 enrolled. Teachers and assistants were Helene Sather, Carol Kopp, Thelma Sather, Gerladine Tatum, Hazel Helyer and Larry Helyer.

The concluding program was held Sunday, June 10, when teachers were honored for their work and new Testaments given to Gary Carlson, Byron Carlson, Jill Nogle, Pat Nogle, Krista Mobley, June Jefferies, Colleen Jefferies, Johnny Garlet, Linda Helyer, Paul Sather, Roy Sather, Johnny Hodges, Alice Reckman and Bonnie Tatum for perfect attendance. Seventy six were present.

Moro To Have Clean-up Day

WHEREAS the abundant precipitation this year has caused a large amount of grass and weed growth; and WHEREAS the whitewash has been washed from the poles and trees; and WHEREAS there has been a years accumulation of excess material around lots and buildings; and WHEREAS the cleanliness and beauty of the city are dependent upon the efforts of the citizens of the city; and WHEREAS the citizens of Moro are justly proud of their city; and

WHEREAS the American Legion, always a civic minded organization, has agreed to sponsor a city clean up day,

THEREFORE be it proclaimed by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city that WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 1956 will be CITY SPRING CLEANING DAY and all citizens of Moro are urged to contribute their efforts in making the city bright.

William E. Hall
MAYOR OF MORO

Storm Brings 1.21 Inches of Rain; Big Run-off Loss

About midnight Saturday, an hour when lightning may strike anywhere, a storm came up over Sherman county that left over an inch of rain and did much damage to fields and roads.

At the station 1.21 inches of rain fell although some with gauges claimed more. There was .65 at Hay Canyon and 1.16 at Wasco and as much at Grass Valley as at Moro. In nine hours it was over and the creeks were full of muddy water rolling to the sea. Probably little more than half the rainfall remained in the fields.

Damaged were newly seeded sod waterways, fields in crop and roads where the culverts were washed or filled with silt. Rains in which an inch falls in 24 hours are rare in this county although it has occurred five times since 1938. Big rains in June are infrequent although there have been seven Junes when the rainfall exceeded the 1.54 this year has brought. In 1916 we had 1.98; in 1937 2.63 and in 1952 2.27.

The general effect should be beneficial as the large acreage of spring grain can only be expected to make a big crop with lots of rain. This it has received.

Fire Insurance Rates Reduced on Stores

Announcement has been made of a reduction in fire insurance rates on commercial establishments throughout Oregon and that applies to Sherman county. Not all commercial establishments are included but most of those in this county will qualify.

The Oregon Rating Bureau made announcement and insurance agents have been notified says W. T. Balsiger. The reduction is 25 percent, and is due, no doubt, to better fire prevention and quelling methods.

Warning About Polio

The public is reminded that we are coming upon the polio season and that vacation activities increase children's exposure to illness. Those who have not begun polio immunization of their children, if between the ages 1 and 15 years, should commence injections now.

Picnic At Kasebergs

The Oregon State mothers club of Beta Theta Pi fraternity held their annual picnic for active members, their families, alumni, and friends at the L. E. Kaseberg ranch home near Wasco Sunday June 10.

The active and alumni members and families of University of Oregon Beta chapter from Sherman county were also guests. Attending the picnic were over 70 from Portland, Salem, Beaverton, Bend, Corvallis, The Dalles, Moro and Wasco.

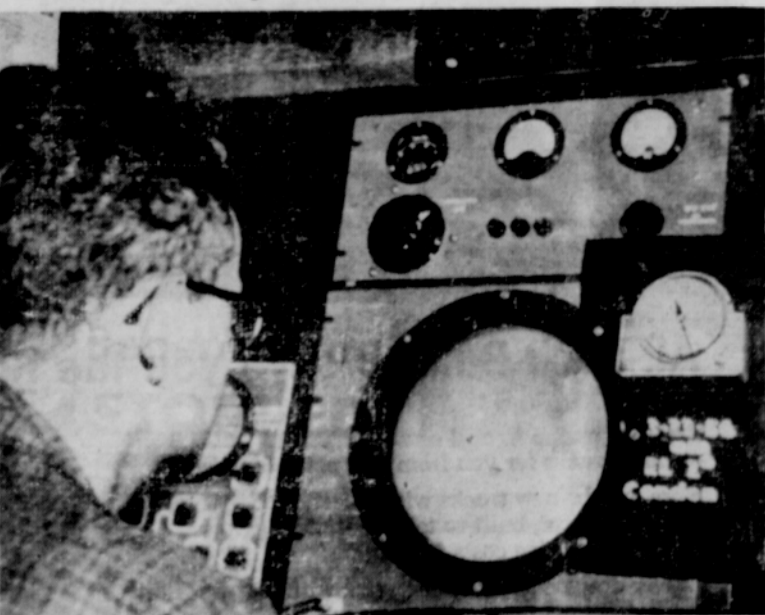
Imogene Johnson Weds Harold Hailey Here

Imogene Delight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnson was married Saturday, June 9, at the Moro Community church, to Harold Hailey before a group of assembled friends and relatives. Rev. Alfred Solomon read the rites of the Presbyterian church.

The candles were lighted by Dayanne Sayrs, niece of the bride and George Hailey, son of the groom as Mrs. Carroll Sayrs played introductory music. Alvin Hailey another son of the groom sang a solo and Mrs. Alfred Solomon sang "The Lord's Prayer, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Balzer were attendants.

A reception in the church brought together many of the Hampton family who had not visited here for years and gave them a chance to meet local people. The couple went to Tillamook for a few days wedding trip, returning Wednesday.

Here for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. George Beattie of Portland, Mrs. Lorraine McWilliams of Los Angeles, Mrs. Claud Hampton and mother, Mrs. Gulliford, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. Krug Owens of Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. Heep Johnson of The Dalles, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Perley and family of Milwaukie, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stamey of Myrtle Point, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Reed of Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stamey of Tillamook and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Legg of Seaside.



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