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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

We have noted—and suspect others have—that Democrats are for Democrats and Republicans for Republicans.

T T W N

Fall comes upon us slowly. There is the first rain after the heat of summer, the start of school, the county fair and then the official equinox. The leaves turn yellow and fall, the tomato frosts while still green, the late corn matures and it is fall.

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A Salem wife is suing another woman for \$100,000 for trying to get away with her husband. Reading the news story Uncle Emmett remarked, "I wonder what Martha thinks I'm worth?"

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It sometimes seems that the big arguments of mankind stem directly in noise and importance from monkeys debating in trees.

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What this country needs is more good Democrats by which we mean the strong states-rights Democrat, the economical Democrat, the mind your own business and I'll mind mine Democrat. The belief that the government should take from those who earn and save, and give to those who do neither, is not good Democrat theory; it is socialistic.

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Reduction in dollar value from government spending is a poor path to popularity.

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Labor unions, city people, control the Democratic party; business people, farmers control the Republican party.

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Isn't it possible that the south's objection to the negro is for some other reason than color?

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There seems to be a tendency to make a monopoly of as many things as possible. One must have a license to be a lawyer, a doctor, a dentist and we are used to that. But we must have a license to sell land, sell insurance and some other businesses which we are not so used to. The tendency might get out of hand.

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The Indians got the best of it after all; the best season of the year is named for them.

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We are amused at the protest against police officers arresting an errant motorist without doing it boldly. Hiding behind a billboard is not considered ethical.

T T W N

The price of steel goes up ten dollars a ton and the price of a two ton car goes up \$100.

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Mr. Stevenson would like to stop the draft. Who wouldn't? But we must stop wars first.

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Politicians are talking about "pockets of poverty". That's the ones that have been picked by the government.

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The squeeze is on private utility companies and their customers whenever the rivers run low because they are the first to suffer under the utterly silly performance clause.

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Maybe this being 167 years old isn't a bad gimmick after all.

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It must be quite a struggle for a businessman or farmer to support candidates who get their campaign money from the ADA and huge labor organizations.

Red Hat Pledges At Stores Today

Red Hat day pledges will be found in sporting goods stores and probably in some grocery stores this week end, says Henry Grabenhorst, county chairman.

These pledges are evidence that signers will obey the laws and be careful of property and keep from setting fires. Effort of hunters to be permitted to hunt on private land is involved.

SHS Wins First Football Game of Season 19-0

Sherman High school won its first football game on the local grounds Friday, beating White Swan by a decisive 19 to 0 score. Sherman could as easily have lost as won it. White Swan too often fumbled inside its 20 yard line and seemed unable to make more than one or two good gains in one series of plays. White Swan's big fullback, Campfeld was a hard runner and often a successful pass catcher and might have led them to victory had they been able to score first and get the confidence that comes from a lead.

But Sherman scored first and in the second quarter. White Swan had been held on the Sherman nine yard line and the local boys had rushed back by aid of a pass to the White Swan 20 at the first of the second quarter when Robbie Hastings took a pitchout from Miller and went around his right side to score. The kick was no good.

And that was all of it until late in the third quarter after Hastings had made a first down on the White Swan 20 and Arne Miller had gained and Bob Olson had caught a ground gaining forward pass, quarterback Louis Miller went across on a quarterback sneak play. He did that often during the day as White Swan played with a loose line.

Final score was made on a long run by Miller who from the Sherman 40 yard line broke through on a quarterback sneak and evaded defenders to make it to the goal line. White Swan could not make its pass offense work steadily and were losing at the end of the game. The visitors did have a strong line that gave the local boys a good workout. Tom Higley was hurt and has a knee in a cast and Jim Brown was laid out at the first of the game with a head injury.

Sherman goes to Umatilla Friday night to play that school and can hardly expect as much luck although the steady playing and persistent pressure on the opposition might let them come home the victor.

4-H Livestock Bring \$11,100 At Sale

Thirty-six steers, 14 lambs and 17 swine brought \$11,105.02 during the 5th annual 4-H meat animal auction sale sponsored by the Sherman Cattlemen's association and held in conjunction with the Sherman fair.

Service Motor company of The Dalles paid top price of \$1.10 per pound for the grand champion market lamb owned and exhibited by Jean Ross. Nancy Crews received \$.50 per pound for her grand champion market hog. Florene Crews sold her grand champion 996 pound Hereford steer to the Mid-Columbia Hospital for \$.40 per pound, purchaser, Dr. Dean Wilcox.

The reserve champion Hereford was purchased by M. M. Powell from Allan Miller. Fred Cox purchased Florene Crews' Landrace Cross reserve grand champion market hog. The reserve grand champion market lamb was purchased by Bill Roos from grand daughter, Jean Ross.

The 36 steers sold for \$9,178.92 for an average of \$.264 per lb. The 17 swine average \$.329 per lb. totalling \$1,141.60. The 14 lambs brought \$784.50, averaging \$.619 per lb.

The Weather Modification company will have their cloud seeding operations on display at the Gilliam County Fair in Condon September 21, 22, and 23. They invite all the Sherman county farmers to visit the fair and see first hand how cloud seeding is conducted.

There will be demonstrations of radar, radio and teletype equipment in addition to a demonstration of the first radio controlled seeding generator which will soon replace the conventional type generator. Visitors will see these and other recent advancements in cloud seeding knowledge and techniques.

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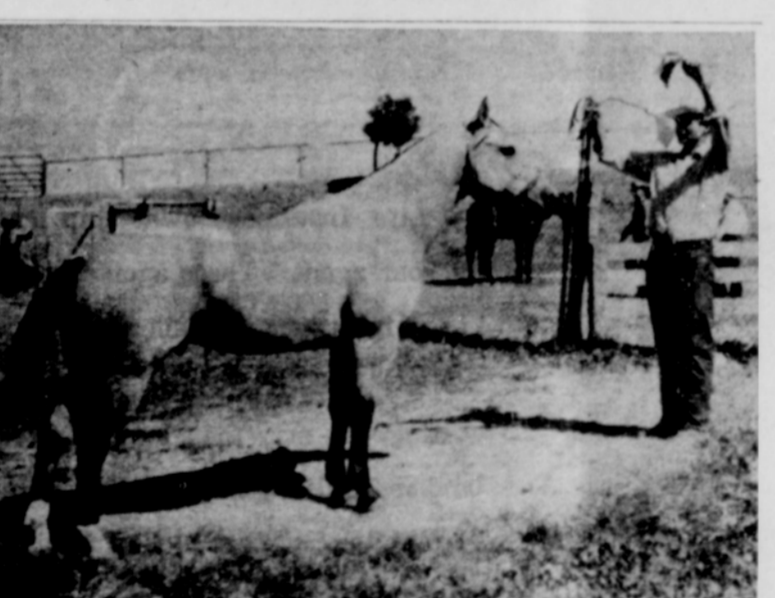
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The grand champion fat steer and cleaned to perfection by Florene Crews, the proud owner, who wide across the body and washed watches the calf instead of the camera as a good herdsman.



Judy MacInnes and Erin Wil putting on a demonstration at the fair are busy with muffins while Sherman Fair.



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Race, Rodeo Part Of Fair Stirring Entertainment

The race and rodeo program went off well both days, the show being ahead of a close schedule much of the time. Five rodeo events and six races together with other entertainment was concluded in little over three hours each day.

The 220 yard dash for quarter horses was won by Dr. Floss, W. A. Wilkinson's horse Saturday in a close race with Dandy Annie, owned by Bob Zimmerman. Dandy Annie won Sunday in as close a race and in a little better time, 10.5 seconds.

The quarter was won by Darcy Hancock, another Wilkinson horse, Saturday and by Cat Clam Sunday, the time being 27.8 the second day. Both races were close.

Sorrel Sammy won the five-eighths Saturday and was second to Booter's Gem Sunday in another fast and furious heat. The second five-eighths race was won by Mack's Treasure. 86 year old A. H. Parkey's horse.

Dennis Sharp's Brotherhood won a five-eighths race Saturday but had to take second to Norman Hucks' Thelma Lynn Sunday in a race that was a thriller all the way. Thelma had been third in a three-quarter race Saturday and displayed her better staying powers the second day.

Gary Miller won the Sherman county saddle horse race Saturday in rather easy style. Sunday, because there were insufficient entries for a kid's pony race the younger riders entered the quarter mile county race and ran off with the honors. John Fields being first, Fred Dormaier second and Jim Coons, third.

Lynn Merrithew and her small brother, Jimmy, did trick riding and roping in front of the grandstand during intervals both afternoons. Gordon Johnson and Kenneth Sather ran a Shetland pony chariot race each day, Helen Sather driving the second day and running away with the race, and also obliged with a four and six horse Shetland driving exhibition.

Mac Barbour's professional rodeo horses and riders were on hand to give a hot contest in saddle bronc riding, bareback riding, bulldogging, calf roping and Brahma bull riding. The horses were better than the riders Saturday and the riders won most of the riding bouts Sunday, few being thrown. Some calf roping time was very good and some very slow and the same can be said for the bulldogging. More riders are learning how to ride the big Brahmas and a surprising number stayed on for the required time instead of being quickly piled in front of the chutes as in former times.

Winner of the belt buckle donated by Mrs. Leta Eslinger in memory of her late husband, Ernest Eslinger, was Buddy Peak of Idaho, a newcomer to the Sherman fair. The award was given for the high point winner.

The horse show presented by the riding clubs of the mid-Columbia Friday afternoon determined these winners: Max Nogle, best calf roper. Phyllis Watkins won the pleasure horse class with Sally Fields second. In junior horsemanship Shirley Watkins won first and Freddie Dormaier second.

In the woman's potato race Marjorie VanGilder was first and Phyllis Watkins second. The Sherman Riders took the Jack Pot pole bending with West Wind Riders second. Freddie Dormaier won the junior scurry on Toby and Shirley Watkins was second on Chief.

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Mrs. Dewey Thompson won the wheat league's cake baking contest with this fine butter cake and Mrs. C. O. Spencer, (back) was second in the contest which drew a large number of contestants. And it was fine cake.

Man Dies At Work On Dam Site

Ralph E. Cherry died about three o'clock Monday afternoon while at work for Miller & Strong, contractors on work along the Columbia west of the John Day river. Cherry, who suffered a heart attack in February was a flagman. Death was thought to be from a heart ailment by Coroner Loy Cochran.

Deceased was 42 years old, a native of Washington, who had a wife and five children living in The Dalles. Spencer & Libby are making funeral arrangements.

About The County

Members of the George Bell Post No. 49 of the Legion and Auxiliary will hold joint installation Tuesday evening September 25 at the Legion hall in Kent starting with a pot luck dinner at 7 p. m. All members and officers are invited to attend. There will be an installing team there from The Dalles.

Mrs. Ted von Borstel, Mrs. Alfred Kock and Miss Cassie Holmes of The Dalles drove to Pendleton to attend the Round-Up Thursday and Friday. Mrs. von Borstel took pictures of the rodeo.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel returned home September 13 from Los Angeles, where they were delegates to the National Legion and Auxiliary convention.

Colleges have again beckoned to the students seeking advanced education. Wally Morris, a freshman at Oregon State, is enrolled in engineering. He left Sunday and will live at Reed Lodge. Jim Franklin, a freshman, at Nampa Nazarene college, expects to get basic training before studying for the ministry. He left last week going with a friend from Mosier who is attending the same school.

George Fox Jr., a junior in mechanical engineering, left Sunday for Oregon State college. He will be a resident at Reed Lodge again. Miss Marlene Wenzel who spent the summer working in Rufus left Sunday for her Portland home. She will enter Oregon State college as a sophomore in business and technology.

Russell Blake is working up at Anchorage, Alaska with his brother Al. The boys expect to be home in a few days as the rainy season has begun in Alaska. Russell and Al both may go to college next term.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Haven and daughters, Mary and Betty, spent their recent vacation in Canada. At Calgary they went out into the country and visited the farming communities, finding the different methods of farming very interesting. At Lake Louise they enjoyed hiking, dancing, and concerts and also the swimming at Radium. In their travels they also visited Banff.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Royses spent several days at Newport, visited relatives in Prineville, Corvallis, and in Portland they visited the O. J. Royses and the Orin Grovos.

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Florene Crews Has Best Fat Steer At Fair; Exhibits Fine

The 1956 Sherman County Fair was held in perfect weather, with fine exhibits in the barns and pavilion and with a lively program of race and rodeo events. It couldn't have been better.

The 1956 fair was the best in one respect; it brought in more money. Gate receipts were \$3200 which is more than \$500 better than ever before. And the fair board made some money on the dances this year, another innovation.

Thursday the 4-H livestock was judged by Jay Binder of Madras and petite Florene Crews of Grass Valley had the finest and fattest steer, a Hereford washed and combed until his hair shone white and red in the bright sun. Florene also had the reserve fat hog taking second to her sister, Nancy.

Paul Sather had the best light Hereford, Florene, the best medium and Allan Miller the best heavy and reserve champion Hereford. Steven Burnet had the best Angus, a heavy one and Mike Lane the best light Angus and reserve champion of that breed.

Harold Eakin exhibited the largest number of Herefords and took most of the prizes although Earl Gentry had the best yearling heifer and placed in some other divisions.

Gene Fridley took the awards in the Angus division.

The Gochnauers, Janny McIntyre, Sally Fields, Wilma Gentry, the Sathers, Alice Kaseberg and the Crews girls took the tops in the swine division. Jean Ross topped the sheep division with Virgil Fields, Karen Macnab and others winning some awards.

Most of the poultry shown were New Hampshire or bantams with 4-H children exhibiting the latter.

There were lots of horses and the judging close. Luther Davis' quarter horse stallion was named grand champion of the show after a long decision over Marjorie VanGilder's Arabian. Shirley Watkins' Arabian mare was called best of the fair with Bill Alsop's palomino second. Jack Jefferies had the best Tennessee walker.

Kenneth Sather had the best stallion and mare in the Shetland class with Gordon Johnson taking second in both events.

More Cooking Exhibits

There was more interest in the canning and cooking classes and especially in the butter cake division which the wheat league sponsored. Winner was Mrs. Inez Thompson with Mrs. C. O. Spencer second and Marjorie VanGilder third. Winners in other classes were more varied than in recent years. The display of jelly, jams, canned fruits and vegetables was very stimulating to appetites.

Mrs. A. F. Balzer won a grand championship on her crocheted tablecloth and the stimulus of a new judge brought out a much greater display of crocheting work.

In photography Chet Coats and Carroll Sayers won first and second for scenery, Chet Coats and Patty Moore 1st & 2nd for people, Margiee Kaseberg & Chet Coats 1st and 2nd for Sherman county scenes and Mrs. Carl vonBorstel first and Mrs. C. O. Spencer, Bill Huck and Gwen Ross seconds in other classes. In painting Allie Ruggles was first and Patty Moore second.

David Conlee won first in junior collections with a display of knives, Jim Coons second on an Indian collection and Patty Zachary third on a collection of perfume bottles. Sandy Zachary was first for a rock collection followed by Sharon Wilson and Loy Cochran. Walter Nichols won first on his creative hobby for Juniors and Mrs. C. O. Spencer and Grace Zevely in the adult class.

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One of Sherman High School's most successful plays shows Robbie Hastings, 11, with the ball going around his own right end after a pitchout led by Rodda, 30, fullback and 14, Fryander, left end, but scored on a similar play Belshe, 12. Hastings was stopped a few minutes later by 32, Campfeld, White Swan