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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

It appears that to some "sportsmen" conservation means that a landowner should take good care of the country for the city hunters.

T T W N
The cost of living used to mean food and shelter. Now it means the cost of everything you want to do and a dozen or so you never do.

T T W N
Six radical senators are going to try to do away with the right to filibuster. Most of them do.

T T W N
We read that there is going to be a great demand for savings aren't many.

T T W N
Citizens who have watched this nation send money abroad for years without worrying much about it will feel differently when we go to sending oil abroad and the price of gasoline goes up.

T T W N
An expert says we are giving about the same amount of education to high schoolers but there are more of them. Each one gets less.

T T W N
Some drivers go as steadily up the slick street as well as in summer when the pavement is dry while some swerve and slide out of control. We wonder if the same ones have trouble with their more important affairs.

T T W N
Overheard: "He's a nice guy; he'd help on old lady across the street or a young one across the state."

T T W N
One definition of a liberal is that he's one who would listen favorably to any proposal because he hasn't enough principle to oppose it.

T T W N
Imagine man kind being afraid of an atomic bomb that winds him up completely and painlessly after he has fought for years with sword and bayonet that leaves him all carved up, neither pretty nor useful.

T T W N
It begins to look as if the state water board should be divided into eastern and western branches. Conditions are not at all the same.

T T W N
Oregonians needn't await breathlessly the anticipated statement of Governor-elect Holmes. He will make many of them once started.

T T W N
Lower price for lumber may cause some permanent loss of mills and reduction in employment. Areas where the pay is less may get the business.

T T W N
We note that Americans nearly always consider the biggest the best. It applies to power dams and we wonder if there isn't another yardstick more applicable.

T T W N
Presumably one of the reasons communists want to get everything in the hands of the federal government is that once power is concentrated it is easy taken over. As long as governmental power is scattered among counties and states, no totalitarian group is apt to get much of it.

T T W N
By the use of the word "working" some very clever propaganda can be spread. Reporters once were wont to refer to the "working" press to cast doubt on the quality of editors and publishers. Now we read of "working" farmers to cast aspersions on farmers who do not agree with those making the propaganda.

T T W N
Do you suppose it is possible that when a change is made in the basic school law the distribution of state funds will depend partly on quality of education as well as financial ability?

T T W N
Some one has discovered that excise taxes hit the poor. Some day there will be a startling discovery that all taxes hit the poor. Then maybe we'll get some place.

Child Fatally Burned In Motel Fire At Dinty's Station

Two and a half year old Michael Raymond Thompson was burned to death Wednesday, November 21 in a fire that completely destroyed a cabin in which he was sleeping at Dinty's station near Biggs. The child had been left asleep while his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Thompson were at work in Dinty's Cafe.

No one knows how the fire started but it was out of control before it was discovered and nothing could be done to save the child. It was reported that when the flames broke out of the cabin they did so with a rush that might have indicated an explosion. Attempts to put it out with garden hoses were unavailing and it was not until the Wasco Fire department arrived that it was put out.

Loy Cochran, county coroner, and Sheriff Norman Fields took charge of the body and investigation.

Returns Slow On ASC Voting

Farmers are reminded that ballots received in the mail for election of ASC Community Committeemen should be returned to the County ASC office by December 3. Each farmer is urged to look over his ballot carefully make his choice and return the ballot on or before this final date. Committeemen elected at this time will assist the county committee in administering the Federal agricultural programs for the county during the 1957 year.

Mrs. Earl Gentry Heads 4-H Leaders

Mrs. Earl Gentry, Moro, was elected president of the Sherman County 4-H Leaders' association at a meeting held at the court house Monday evening. Other officers elected were Pauline Kaseberg, vice-president and Ina B. Hanson, secretary-treasurer. Leonard Fields, retiring president, presided. In the absence of Mrs. Lester Wilson, member of the State Fair Facilities committee, T. W. Thompson reported on the meeting which was held at Arlington last week. The new record books, forms and literature were discussed.

The next meeting will be held in February.

Tax League Gets Start; Information About Taxes Given

A tax league for Sherman county was started into organization at a meeting at the court house Tuesday night when a dozen interested citizens met at the call of Collis Moore, chairman of the wheat league's tax committee. None was present from the south end of the county because of slick roads and this hampered complete organization.

During the meeting there was long discussion of the tax laws of Oregon including the question of ratios as applied to property tax, corporation taxes, the income tax and what might be expected from the new regime in state government. Allen Tom, state representative, said that the 1956-57 budget called for \$220,000,000 and at present it looked as if the 1957-58 budget would call for \$317,000,000 with no additional sources of revenue.

Members seemed of the opinion that taxes could well be reduced all around and will make a study of taxation to see where they think the cutting should start. Members will watch the reappraisal program in this county and look over budgets when published.

Another meeting will be held later to permit directors to be chosen from Grass Valley and Kent and committees will be appointed to study taxation problems leading to whatever action the league may determine.

Elected were Giles French, president; L. E. Kaseberg, vice-president; T. W. Thompson, secretary; Stuart Macnab, Rufus; Pauline Kaseberg, Wasco; Carroll Says, Moro as directors.

Historical Society Meeting Sunday

The fall dinner and meeting of the Sherman County Historical society will be held at the Grass Valley Odd-Fellows hall next Sunday, December 2 at two o'clock in the afternoon. Dinner will be pot luck.

The program will consist of singing of well known airs by a quartet of young men, some business matters and some stories of the county taken from long ago.

Everyone is invited to attend this dinner and meeting.

Basketball Season Starting With Two League Jamborees

The basketball season for Sherman high school students will start this Saturday night when the team will go to Culver for a Jamboree, December 7 it will go to Arlington for another.

Afterward the schedule will be:
Dec. 14—Fri. Fossil there
Dec. 15—Sat. Fossil here
Dec. 21—Fri. Condon there
Jan. 4—Fri. Maupin there
Jan. 5—Sat. Sisters here
Jan. 11—Fri. Culver here
Jan. 12—Sat. Condon there
Jan. 18—Fri. Maupin here
Jan. 19—Sat. Sisters there
Jan. 25—Fri. Culver there
Feb. 1—Fri. Maupin there
Feb. 2—Sat. Sisters here
Feb. 8—Fri. Culver there
Feb. 15—Fri. Maupin here
Feb. 16—Sat. Sisters there
Feb. 22—Fri. Culver here

Cloyd Duncan will coach the first team and Beryl Bethke will coach the JV team which will play in every scheduled set of games listed above. There is yet room for some additional games that may be added later. Coach Duncan reports some tall basketweavers and some with agility.

Wasco Methodists Working Today

The Wasco Methodist church is holding its annual bazaar at 3:00 p. m. Nov. 30. The event is sponsored by the WSCS and will include a dinner to be served starting at 6:30 p. m.

Moro Personals

W. H. Davis had bid in the job as station agent at Ordinance and moved to that location where he says he has nice surroundings and not too much work. The post here has not been definitely filled.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl von Borstel at the Hod McKay ranch Tuesday sometime quicker than expected. The county ambulance was called and Norman Fields, Mrs. Darwin Van Gilder and Mrs. McKay took Mrs. von Borstel and baby to the hospital.

Mrs. Havie Brisabine has returned from Lebanon where she spent some time with her daughter, Mrs. Carol Bennett and son, David.

Sherman Loses Semi-Final Tilt To Stanfield

By Larry Thompson

The Sherman Huskies found the girdiron trail too fast for them and fell to the wayside as the on-rushing Stanfield Tigers raced past with a 28-7 win. There were 1,100 fans that paid their way to see two football powers clash for the right to represent their schools in the state finals.

The Huskies struck first on a 38 yard touchdown pass from Lou Miller to star right end Jim Brown. Jim Brown booted the conversion and things looked great at this point for the Husky eleven. The scoring pass capped a 76 yard drive after the Huskies received the opening kickoff.

The Tigers showed their power by racking back with a 50 yard drive capped by Ben Houks' 13 yard scoring jaunt. Pat Walchli plunged the two yards for the conversion and the ball game was all tied up. The Tigers in this drive showed their power and things began to look bad for the Huskies.

The Tigers scored once again in the first half with Pat Walchli driving into the end zone from two yards out and the Stanfield Tigers lead. Ben Houk raced the conversion good and the Tigers held a 14-7 lead at the half.

The Huskies kicked off in the second half and Stanfield drove 60 yards only to fumble in the end zone and Rob Hastings played Johnny-on-the-spot and recovered the elusive pigskin for the Huskies. The Huskies could not move the ball and were forced to punt. Again Hastings was at the right spot as he intercepted a Tiger pass and the Huskies held the ball at mid-field, but were unable to move against an aggressive Tiger line.

The Stanfield eleven raced for 60-yards shortly after the fourth period started for another TD. The score was made by Bob Florence on a two yard plunge. John Gordon plunged for the conversion and Stanfield held a 21-7 lead early in the fourth quarter.

The final Stanfield tally of the game was scored by Pat Walchli as he rambled 31 yards through the Sherman secondary for the icing to the Stanfield cake. Walchli also dashed in with the conversion and Stanfield ended the fracas with a 28-7 victory under their belts.

Wheat League Program Features Farm Editor

Noted editor of the Farm Journal, Wheeler McMillen, will be the featured speaker for the annual banquet at the 29th annual meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers league to be held December 6-7-8, at the Multnomah hotel in Portland.

McMillen, long time proponent of research to find wider markets in industry for farm commodities, will discuss "Agriculture's Future" at the banquet the evening of December 7.

B. N. Nanda, consul general of the Indian government stationed in San Francisco, will speak at the men's luncheon at noon that same day.

Gordon Fraser, for many years secretary of the International Wheat Council in London, and now assistant administrator of the Foreign Agricultural Service, will report December 7 on the work which the U. S. Department of Agriculture is doing to reduce wheat surpluses thru exports.

Don Moos, president of the Washington Association of Wheat Growers, will review the progress made by his organization. Frank McCartney, manager of the Federal Crop Insurance corporation, Washington, D. C., is scheduled for a discussion of what federal crop insurance offers the farmer.

An entertaining travelogue is in store on December 8 when Ed Seeborg, milling chemist at the Western Wheat Quality laboratory in Pullman, Wn., describes the experiences which he and his wife enjoyed during a trip this past summer to Finland.

In addition to the nationally known speakers, the program includes committee sessions during which resolutions from the county associations will be debated, and entertainment of high quality sponsored by groups associated with the wheat industry.

About The County

Glen McLachlan came over from Heppner for a days visit with his mother and to look after some business in Sherman county.

Mayor W. E. Hall has appointed with the advice and consent of the council, B. H. Roberson, mayor-elect to serve out the remainder of the Hall term which expires January 1. Mr. Hall after attending the wheat league meeting and the annual conference at OSC will fly to Hawaii to join his family that has been in the Islands with her parents since October.

Mr. and Mrs. A. von Borstel and son, Fred, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel were dinner guests Thanksgiving day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Says at Moro.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dugger had as weekend guests Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ashley of Klamath Falls, who arrived Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arzell Lemley had as holiday weekend guests their daughter Carolyn and her fiancé, Dave Stump from Monmouth. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lemley and family had dinner with them Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Jessie Brander left last Tuesday for her home in Harrington, Wn., after spending about two weeks with her son, Alex Brander and family.

Among the students home from their colleges to spend the holiday and weekend with their parents, were Gene Knott and Carol Kopp from EOCE at La Grande; Ross Norton, Verne Mobley, Arthur and Gertrude Buether from OSC; Gary Schilling and Harold Duncan from the U. of O.; Ronald Rolfe, Larry Smith, Keith Barnett, Arthur Decker and Frank McKay from OTI at Klamath Falls.

Billy McDonald of the U. S. Navy called his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McDonald from Long Beach, Calif., last Sunday saying he had just returned to the States from duty in Japan. He will be home on leave during January and will then return to Japan where he will be stationed for the next two years.

The surveyors are working along the Columbia river highway going through Rufus now for the past few days. They are working towards a new highway location through this area.

Mrs. Eugene Spencer and a friends, Mrs. Cordes, arrived Friday night from Seattle and spent the weekend at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Blacklock.



Wheeler McMillen, editor of the Farm Journal, will be banquet speaker at the meeting of the Oregon Wheat League in Portland next Friday night.

Mrs. Marie Baker Buried Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Jane Baker were held in The Dalles Saturday following her death in her home there Wednesday after a long illness.

Mrs. Baker was born in 1884, Mary Jane Smith, and married Roy J. Baker, October 11, 1903 in Grass Valley. She had lived with Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Heath before her marriage. They lived in Grass Valley until retiring to The Dalles where Mr. Baker died several years ago. He was the Grass Valley banker most of his life.

Surviving are three grandchildren, Carol of Oregon City and Gary and Stewart of Waterbury, Connecticut and one sister, Mrs. J. T. Reinhardt of Los Angeles. Mrs. Baker was a member of the Baptist church and Rebekah lodge which conducted the services. Interment was in the Grass Valley IOOF cemetery at Grass Valley.

More Sell Food Than Raise It

Farmers are doing much to solve their own problems, believes Mrs. Elvera Horrell, extension agricultural economist at OSC.

They are applying know-how gained through research and are shifting crops and emphasizing livestock in their effort to balance production against the needs being expressed by city people in the markets of the nation, she points out.

Farmers know that prosperity cannot be legislated, Mrs. Horrell says. But they do ask for understanding through sound farm programs and sound farm policies—for farmers and their city customers.

The city stake in the farm problem is larger than many people realize, Mrs. Horrell believes. Farmers are heavy users of industrial products to produce the food and fiber used by the nation, and much of this food and fiber is used as raw materials by industry.

Farm products create many jobs for city people other than in industry, the economist explains. Figures show that there are more people working at marketing farm products than there are people growing them.

Oregon people are especially close to the land, Mrs. Horrell says. Farming is the second greatest source of Oregon's primary income, even though only about one person out of every seven in the state lives on a farm. Oregon counties rank high in the agriculture of the nation, with counties listed in at least one farm product among the top 10 in the nation.

But many of the state's farmers have been having a nip and tuck battle with buying power in recent years, Mrs. Horrell reports. Prices that farmers receive have gone down while prices of goods and services they buy have stayed high.

Health Department Announces Program

The Health Department is making plans for the organization in January of a health advisory council.

Measles, according to the Oregon State Board of Health bulletin, appears to be increasing, particularly in Clatsop and Columbia counties. Scarlet fever and streptococcal sore throat also showed a marked increase, particularly in Grant county.

The twenty-two cases of food poisoning reported from Harney county were apparently metallic from the consumption of an acid drink which had been stored for several days in a chipped enamel ware container.

Nationally the reported incidence of polio continued to drop.

County Grants Permit To BPA For Big Eddy-DeMoss Power Line

CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF NOVEMBER 7, 1956 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

Claims presented and allowed against all funds.

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

Gasoline consumption for month of October, 1956, presented and ordered filed.

Re: Road Improvement—Rufus area and Moro area citizens appear before court and ask for road improvement—matter taken under advisement.

Re: Rural Fire Patrol District—G. Moon appears before court and asks a definite date be set for hearing on forming such a district. December 17, 1956 at 2:00 o'clock p. m. set as date at Rufus Grange hall.

Re: Monkland road No. 665—V. R. Jones, city and county relations field engineer meets with court and outlines program for Sherman county and state to grade and surface said road F.A.S. funds to be used.

J. Buether et al appears before court and applied for easement for telephone line in Liberty area—matter held in abeyance pending formal petition.

Re: BPA—Court transmission line from Big Eddy to DeMoss Springs.

Re: Ambulance service—Citizens to pay flat fee of \$15.00 for use of ambulance to nearest hospital; 25c per mile beyond nearest hospital. Non-residents charged \$15.00 plus 25c per mile. Two persons to accompany ambulance, one of whom shall have a current recognized First Aid Card.

NO FURTHER MATTERS AT ISSUE COURT ADJOURNED.

COURT MET IN SPECIAL SESSION NOVEMBER 9, 1956

Re: DeMoss Park—Buildings to be roofed and old shingles to be removed.

Re: Re-appraisal program com-

mittee's appointed and first meeting to be November 20, 1956 and to continue next week.

Re: Bridge at Biggs Rapid—New survey to be made soon. County to make funds available as share of a four-way agreement when needed.

Re: Cattleguards at Balsiger ranch—Cattleguards to be moved onto new road.

Re: Re-modeling Jury room in Circuit Court room—Matter taken under advisement.

Re: Tax Foreclosed property—George Bell Post No. 91 of Kent makes bid on tax foreclosed property in Grass Valley—Lot 6, Block 4 Original town of G. V. COURT ADJOURNED.

COURT MET IN SPECIAL SESSION NOVEMBER 21, 1956.

Re: Purchase of Road Machinery—Grid Roller purchased.

Re: Bang's diseased cattle—A. J. Sharp presents petition to court re: compulsory testing of cattle—states he does not wish to comply—no definite action taken.

NO FURTHER MATTERS AT ISSUE ADJOURNMENT ENSUED.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON, GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR OCTOBER, 1956 APPROVED NOVEMBER 7 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

GENERAL FUND: ELECTIONS: H. D. Peters, \$36.00; Dunham Printing Co., \$130.20.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE: N. Fields, \$70.00; Ronald Benson, \$47.08; Mid-Columbia Typewriter Co., \$33.50; Dunham Printing Co., \$61.20; N. Fields, \$21.50; George Geiser, \$30.48.

CLERK'S OFFICE: Dunham Printing Co., \$42.00; Sherman County Journal, \$1.00; Moro Postmaster, \$10.00; Marie Hoskins, \$65.00-convention expense.

TREASURER'S OFFICE: Sherman County Journal, \$18.00; Naomi Van Gilder, \$65-con-

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Dunham Printing Co., \$117.00.

COURTHOUSE: Pacific Power & Light Co., \$50.25; Pacific Tel. & Tel., \$60.80; Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$20.90; Shell Oil Co., \$225.12; City of Moro \$5.85.

CIRCUIT COURT: John H. Newman, \$49.15-reporter's expense.

COUNTY COURT: Oregon Voter, \$4.00; C. F. Kuypers, \$43.80; C. F. Kuypers, \$65.00 convention expense.

JUSTICE COURT: City of Wasco, \$10.00-rent.

INSANITY: The Dalles Clinic, \$5.00; Mid-Columbia Hospital, \$15.00.

COUNTY JAIL: Board of Prisoners, Mrs. Allen Kramer-\$26.50; George Geiser, \$5.35.

DEMOSSE PARK: Pacific Power & Light Co., \$3.99.

INDEMNITY: Bang's Diseased Cattle: A. B. & Bon Christianson, \$16.00.

COUNTY PRINTING: Sherman County Journal, \$2.80.

PREMIUM OFFICER'S BOND: Fair Board Member Philip O'Meara—John A. Foss, Insurance, \$5.00.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: \$20.00.

MISCELLANEOUS: First National Bank, \$212.30; State Tax Commission, \$46.19; Social Security, \$92.38; State Ind. Acci. Comm. \$8.70.

ROAD FUND: DUNLAP, \$445.74; McPherson, \$344.93; Bayer, \$376.35; Gosson, \$333.22; Morehouse, \$336.35; Yocom, \$346.57; Gray, \$365.54; Johnson, \$336.35; Hammond, \$346.84; Griggs, \$365.28; Turner, \$301.94; Axtell, \$29.14.

MISCELLANEOUS: Union Pac. R.R. Co., \$4.64; Union Pac. R.R. Co., \$5.40; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$84.81; Dunham Print. Co., \$1.00; Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co., \$18.50; City of Moro, \$1.75; Pac. Power & Light Co.,

\$19.67; Flatt's Truck Service, \$10.18; K. A. Dunlap, \$65.00.

WEED CONTROL: Gordon Mitchell, \$87.48; First National Bank, \$7.60; State Tax Comm., \$1.98; Social Security, \$1.98; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$1.16; Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$8.19; Moro Grain Growers' Assn., \$162.00.

GENERAL SUPPLIES: O'Meara Sup. & Imp., \$41.04; Nic-L Silver Battery Co., \$93.75; Wesco Steel Co., \$153.99; Woodbury & Co., \$10.17; Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$46.09; Moon Equip. Co., \$22.06; Ranch & Home Store, \$4.59; J. E. Hazeltine & Co., \$101.68; Firestone Stores, \$236.40; Smith Auto Parts, \$294.34; The General Tool Co., \$30.09.

REPAIRS: Anderson Bros., \$35.00; Industrial Motor Parts, \$69.69; Cushman Equip., Co., \$146.81; Transmission Exchange, \$75.00; Rudy's Auto Service, \$4.72; Dalles Iron Works, \$51.69; Virgil's Weld & Repair, \$3.71; Auto Electric Sup. Co., \$23.94; Wear Prevention Alloys Co., \$169.50; Service Motor Co., \$18.64; Smith Auto Parts, \$172.49; Empire Machy. Co., \$302.44; Moro Motors, \$5.24.

TIRES & TUBES: Cushman Equip., \$225.63; Firestone Stores, \$998.26.

MACADAM MAINTENANCE: Interstate Paving Co., \$287.00.

BRIDGES & CULVERTS: Beall Pipe & Tank Corp., \$4092.66; Moro Lumber & Fuel \$555.50; Tygh Valley Sand & Gravel, \$332.50; Richfield Oil Corp., \$27.56.

INSURANCE: W. T. Balsiger Ins. Agency, \$66.06.

RETIREMENT: P.E.R. Bd., Soc. Sec. Fund, \$2.73.

GAS & OIL: Standard Oil Co., \$194.99; Shell Oil Co., \$642.37.

MISCELLANEOUS: State Tax Commission \$90.92- State tax withheld; First National Bank, \$439.70; Federal Taxes withheld; Social Security, \$80.75; State Ind Acci Comm., \$5.56.