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These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

Governor Holmes statement to the teachers in conclave assembled was somewhat reminiscent of Governor Martin's advice to grangers who were told to go home and sloop the hogs. Not that we are confusing Mr. Holmes with Mr. Martin. What Holmes said needed saying and badly. Oregon education is being seriously damaged by constant emphasis on money instead of on education. Actually Oregon's education compares with other states very well.

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We note that the poorest buy anyone makes is the purchase of more government.

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Criticism of methods of the senate investigation committee is being made by friends of the most guilty sounding witnesses. Those who spoke up freely and honestly needed no protection.

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It isn't defense Portland needs but a lot more wisdom about voting.

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Any similarity between the Oregonian and the magazine Confidential is, we hope, purely temporary.

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Basketball, with its tall and angular players, is about done and baseball and its agile athletes will take its place, one of the rewards for living through a long, cold winter.

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Private and parochial schools may eventually rue the day they took free text books and got under the state supervision.

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The Washington legislature passed less than one bill of four introduced. And that was probably too many.

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We'd like to know whether a teamster who does not "willingly" contribute to Beck's defense fund will lose his job.

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Any attempt to make a monopoly of the state industrial accident commission is another one of the unwarranted bits of meddling with private affairs. If the state can't stand competition it should quit entirely.

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The defense department has ordered reduction of civilian employees by 12 per cent. Getting too crowded, no doubt.

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Oregon's per capita income is not growing very fast. It may be that people won't work to get into a higher income bracket.

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The bearer of bad news (in this case the senate committee) is in as much danger in civilized America as in the most savage tribe.

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A magazine article is headed "The Decline and Fall of Britain" It talks about the loss of territory and the increase of debt. What really caused the fall of Britain was the refusal of men to work.

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We wouldn't think of offering advice but we note that the Washington legislature has gone home and the Idaho legislature adjourned.

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Deer herds with good feed and no predators soon die off. A deer herd that has to struggle for existence increases.

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When we had dirt roads and poor cars mileage was figured at three cents a mile. Now we have fine roads and cars and mileage is ten cents.

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A good deal of the American drive that made the country great was lost when men quit working for themselves.

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The bar association recommends higher pay for judges. The pay has been getting bigger and the judges farther behind for years so maybe a reversal might work better.

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It requires little imagination and no ability to propose a state law to cure some local ill.

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Now it is officially spring and climatically winter again.



Linfield College a cappella Choir Coming Next Tuesday To SHS Auditorium

Famed 45-voice Linfield college a cappella choir from McMinnville will be in concert at Sherman High school auditorium at Moro, March 26, at 8 p. m. The concert is open to the public, according to Ernest C. Goodenberger, pastor, of Community Presbyterian church.

The choir is on a 12-day, five-state tour which sees it singing before 12 different congregations and numerous high school and other student groups.

Featured work for the concert will be a cantata for mezzo-soprano and choir, "In The Beginning" by Aaron Copland. It is taken from the opening portion of the Book of Genesis in the Bible and concerns the creation of the world and of man.

"Hymn to King Stephen" by Zoltan Kodaly, contemporary Hungarian composer and patriot, also will be sung. The hymn, written in honor of the patron saint of Hungary, will be dedicated by the choir at each concert to Hungarian refugees in this country and to the spirit of the Hungarian people.

Also on the choir program are numerous hymns, folk, popular

County Court Conducts March Business for Public

CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT, MARCH 6, 1957

Re: Claims presented and allowed against all funds.

Re: Treasurer's financial statement showing all fund balances as of Feb. 28, 1957 presented—approved and ordered filed.

Re: Gasoline consumption for month of February—statement examined and ordered filed.

Re: Road Fund balances as of Feb. 28, 1957 presented—statement examined, approved and ordered filed.

Re: C. Coats appears before court and makes request for gravel in his neighborhood—no definite action taken.

Re: Budget date discussed—Tentative dates of April 2, 1957 or April 15, 1957 set.

Re: County Veterinarian—Dr. Beagle, Deputy State Veterinarian, appears before court and asks that Mr. Milton Skov, of Goldendale, Wn., be appointed as county veterinarian—Dr. Marugg, title as such to be revoked—Court signs said order.

Re: Representatives of B.P.A. appear before court and discuss location of proposed transmission line along base line road—property owners to be contacted as to location of poles.

Re: Rock pit—motion made and seconded 10,000 yards of gravel to be shot from pit on Gordon Butte.

Re: Telephone line—Petition and Order presented to county court re: Location of telephone line on certain county roads by Liberty Telephone Cooperative, Inc.—Order signed.

NO FURTHER MATTERS AT ISSUE COURT ADJOURNED.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR FEBRUARY, 1957.

APPROVED MARCH 6 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

GENERAL FUND: ELECTIONS:

Election Board for Fire District \$24.00; Rufus Grange, \$10.00; Sherman County Journal, \$4.00; SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

Norman E. Fields, \$70.00; Geo. J. Geiser Jr., \$13.84; Norman E. Fields, \$73.55—mileage outside county.

CLERK'S OFFICE: Moro Postmaster, \$10.00; J. L. Murray, \$107.50—checkwriter.

TERESAURER'S OFFICE: J. L. Murray, \$75.00—checkwriter.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Waunda L. Shaver, \$158.23—office help; Hayden's Capital City Printers, \$6.55; Addressograph-Multigraph Corp., \$10.80; Clair L. Balzer, \$38.75—appraisal & field work.

COURTHOUSE: City of Moro, \$3.00; Pacific Tel. & Tel., \$74.69; Pacific Power & Light Co., \$29.58; Standard Oil Co., \$55.74; Ranch & Home Store, \$8.55; Moro Grain Growers, \$9.95; Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$17.50; George J. Geiser Jr., \$2.25—keys; Smith Bros., \$60.00; Glenn Wallace, \$100.00—repair of sewer; John Milne & Sons, \$19.75; Shell Oil Co., \$216.76; W. R. Reid & Son, \$241.18.

COUNTY COURT: Lester Wilson, \$30.00; C. F. Kuypers, \$29.20.

JUSTICE COURT: Dunham Printing Co., \$142.70; City of Wasco, \$10.00—rent.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: State Public Welfare Commission, \$1539.25—turnover of funds.

COUNTY JAIL: The Tavern, \$13.60—board of prisoner.

INSTITUTE FUND: W. D. Baldwin, \$250.00.

DEMOSSE PARK: Pacific Power & Light Co. \$95; INDEMNITY: Bang's Diseased cattle: Robert A. Boynton, \$8.00.

COUNTY PRINTING: Sherman County Journal, \$87.88.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Oregon District Attorney's Ass'n., \$10.00—dues for '56-'57; T. Lester Johnson, \$17.45.

Harley Dutton Buried At Wasco Wednesday

Harley Douglas Dutton, 77, long time resident of Wasco died at his home there Monday after a long illness.

Mr. Dutton was born December 18, 1879 in Hillsboro, Ohio, moving later to Kansas before coming to Oregon. He farmed in this county for years and owned a store in Fossil for several years.

Surviving is his widow, Emma (Richelderfer) a son, Harold, and a daughter, Mrs. Kathryn Peterson of Seattle, a brother, Roy of Yakima, two grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at one o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the Wasco Methodist church of which he was a member. The Rev. Richard Bruner officiated. Interment was made in Sunnyside cemetery under the direction of T.M. Callaway.

TAX MEN COMING

A representative of the federal bureau of internal revenue will be in The Dalles at the postoffice building on Mondays March 18 and 25 and from April 1 to 15th except Saturday and Sunday.

A representative of the Oregon Tax commission will be in Moro March 26 from 10:30 until 3:30 to help income tax payers.

PREMIUM ON OFFICER'S BONDS

T. Lester Johnson, \$25.00—Deputy Clerk's Bond; Frank J. Ketter, \$65.00—John Rolfe's bond—Fair Board.

MISCELLANEOUS:

First National Bank, \$289.20; State Tax Commission, \$55.98; Social Security, \$131.22; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$8.52.

ROAD FUND:

WAGES: Dunlap, \$434.36; McPherson, \$315.78; Bayer \$335.78; Morehouse \$314.93; Gosson, \$344.93; Gray, \$345.88; Yocum, \$325.78; Johnson, \$295.78; Hammond, \$325.78; Ax-tell, \$286.81; Griggs, \$345.78; Rod-da, \$116.51; Wilson, \$98.52; First National Bank, \$352.10; State Tax Commission, \$88.67; Social Security, \$99.74; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$5.30.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Union Pacific R. R. Co., \$1.59; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$82.07; Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co., \$16.51; City of Moro, \$1.75; Pac. Power & Light Co., \$22.91; Flatt's Truck Service, \$4.00; The Tavern, \$6.93.

RETIREMENT:

Social Security Revolving Fund \$105.02.

GENERAL SUPPLIES:

Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$87.63; Moon Equip. Co., \$7.35; Smith Auto Parts, \$79.61; Loggers & Contractors, \$16.28; Ranch & Home Store, \$2.95; Empire Mch Co., \$68.69; Dalles Iron Works, \$103.12; Woodbury & Co., \$49.11; Auto Electric Supply Co., \$43.70; Gen. Tool Co., \$13.44.

REPAIRS:

Cushman Equip. Co., \$42.46; Smith Auto Parts, \$5.98; Loggers & Contractors, \$110.12; Schetky Equip. Corp., \$5.55; Empire Mch Co., \$22.91; Service Motor, \$45.95; Dalles Iron Works, \$35.90; Auto Electric Supply Co., \$79.01; Moro Motors, \$1.60; Dodson, \$13.02.

GAS & OIL:

Standard Oil Co., \$378.39; Shell Oil Co., \$1287.17; Moro Grain Growers, \$21.30.

NEW MACHINERY:

Valley Auto Repair, \$95.00.

Road Programs Delayed By Lack Of Match Money

The county road crew has been working on the Monkland road west of Hay Canyon since the weather permitted work to be done and has straightened out many of the curves on that road.

This is a part of the general road program for this year that includes three federal aid jobs. The Hay Canyon job is a county Federal Aid project under which the county puts up 20 per cent, the state 20 per cent and the federal government 60 per cent. The reason why the county is working now is in the hope that the contract can be made to finish the work this year. Without the county work it would require two years. Expected cost is \$125,000.

Another job that is expected to be let this summer, after July 1, when federal money becomes available, is the improvement of the Cottonwood grade. It is a Federal Aid project with the state putting up 40 per cent and the federal government 60 per cent. Estimated cost is \$515,000. This road will go through Hay Canyon on its way from Cottonwood to Wasco, and it now is expected that it will go in a direct line.

Contract for the Grass Valley-Kent section (or part thereof) of Highway 97 improvement is expected to be let in July when federal money is available. This has been on the 1957 program for several years although the late contract delay was not originally contemplated.

Boy Scout Court Honors Winners

Boy Scout Troop 351 held its first Court of Honor Tuesday night at the Community church, making it a concise and colorful ceremony. Mel Parker, committee chairman, conducted the court, introducing Bill Baldwin to handle the investiture ceremony. Walter Nichols, Robert Parker and Victor Chipman were admitted as tenderfeet. Rev. Harold Fowler of Wasco gave the invocation which was followed by the investiture ceremony and a candlelight ceremony of lighting 12 candles representing scout laws.

Court proceedings advancing Tommy DeMoss to second class scout by Bob Ferrel. Gene Yeager, Gary Thompson and Bob Cyphers were advanced to first class scouts by Vernon Miller who commended the boys on their achievement. One merit badge for swimming was given. Gene Yeager by Ira Hill, district executive. Commissioner Paul Cyphers presented the troop with an award plaque earned in a "Get Out the Vote" campaign.

New committee members introduced were Ted Thompson, advancement chairman Virgil Archer, finance chairman, Harold Halley, transportation chairman, Mac Hall, institutional representative, Dean Shaver, activity chairman, and John Gilman property chairman.

SCS Coordination Unit Working Here

The job of coordinating all the information that has been gathered about Sherman county soils during the period the local soil conservation district has been in operation begun seriously last week when a crew of nine men moved in. First the soil surveys are being checked and soil tested to determine its final classification. Also to be included in the final report on Sherman county soil is its possible production, and erosion treatment.

Here are Ellis Knox, OSC, Bill Anderson, range man, Stan McCaleb, Rudy Mako, Elmer Hill, Bob Mitchell, Leo Mayers, Chuck Polton and John Dennison who are working with Henry Grabenhorst and Roy Bransky of the local office. The final report is scheduled for December 1958.

Mrs. Bruckert To Entertain

March 26, 1:30 p. m., Mrs. Walter Bruckert will entertain the Wasco extension unit. Mrs. Ina B. Hanson, county agent, will give the lesson "Color and Texture for Individual Types". The group will give suggestions for next year's programs and talk about plans for the Homemaker's Festival.

The Grass Valley unit will meet at the school house lunch room in Grass Valley Wednesday, Mar. 27 starting at 1:30. Mrs. Hanson will present the same lesson. Homemakers in these areas are invited to attend.

Fishermen Plan For Coming Season By Re-electing Officers

Members of the Sherman County Rod & Gun club met in jovial mood Monday night at the court house and reelected all the officers for another year. This means that Joe Bibby will remain as president. T. Lester Johnson as secretary-treasurer and ten directors.

Fee for key ownership will remain at ten dollars during 1957 and those with ten dollars quickly possessed one. New locks are to be installed immediately.

Kendrick Dunlap was made head of a committee to look over the road and do such work as is needed to put it in shape. The winter was not considered bad on roads and less expense is contemplated for the season.

A party is being organized to go down to the river Sunday and see what is required to make the trail passable.

Home Ec. Lessons Being Held

Friday, March 29, Mrs. Ina B. Hanson, county agent, will train project leaders for the lesson "Herbs and Other Seasonings". The training meeting will be in the basement of the Moro Community church starting at 10:30. Leaders who are expected to attend are: Hazel Pierson and Adria White—Wasco unit; Beth Reid, and Edna Macnab—Rufus unit; Nan Wilson and Annice Nogle—Kent unit; Marguerite and Mary Eakin—Grass Valley unit; Darlene Harrison and Dorene Hall—Moro Tuesday unit; Perk Rodda and Annabelle Kelso—Moro Wednesday unit; Tillie Geiser and Annabelle Kelso—Nitehawk unit.

No Brucellosis In Sherman County

Fourteen counties, including Sherman came through the February testing for brucellosis without a single reactor being discovered.

A total of 3456 cattle were tested. Baker county in 72 herds and many others were tested in Marion and Malheur counties. Altogether 31,780 cattle received the test. Percentage of infection was lower than in January when 8% were found infected. In February the percentage was .667.

Wasco Study Club Hears of Conservation

The Wasco Women's Study club was called to order by the president, Mrs. Vinton Watkins at the home of Mrs. Gordon Walker.

The club collect was read in unison. Roll call was answered by 23 members. Guests were Mrs. Marion T. Weatherford, Mrs. Geo. Shane and Mrs. Fortner, a charter member and former president.

An invitation was read from Mrs. Douma, president of Moro Woman's club to be their guests, April 4, 2 p. m. at the Moro Community church.

Mrs. Zell introduced the speaker for the afternoon, Mrs. Weatherford of Arlington, general chairman of conservation, Federation of Women's clubs, Mrs. Weatherford had just returned from Washington, D. C., having attended a meeting of the National Resources Council of America. This council is made up of all conservation committees, clubs, etc., who are interested in the conservation of our wild life. The meetings were concluded with a banquet attended by over 400 persons.

Mrs. Weatherford stressed the importance and power of organized action. She then spoke of the importance of clean streams and urged us to write our members in Congress to support all pollution control programs.

She mentioned the necessity of zoning highways to set up some limitations on road side advertising at the state level.

She mentioned the editorial in the Oregonian, March 12 in regard to "Timber in Politics". She talked of the importance of timber to Oregon and the legislation to give the Klamath Falls Indians freedom from supervision. As a bird nesting and resting place for wild life, the region is important to every one of us.

Her talk was interesting and very informative. Our thanks to Mrs. Weatherford were graciously expressed by our president.

The hostesses served a St. Patrick day salad, wafers, tea, coffee and candy.

River Traffic Starts As Public Inspects New Dam

A well managed tour of The Dalles dam took visitors over that just completed project Saturday in a sort of formal opening before the lock dedication Sunday when the governors of two states attended.

The tour started on the Washington side where a stop was made while the bus traveling guests looked at the 86 by 675 foot lock channel and heard Col. H. B. Elder, dam engineer, explain some of its features.

Then the buses rolled slowly over the spillway then dumping six or seven feet of muddy water onto the tailrace to create a riffle akin to that of flooded Cello and stopped to look at the fish ladders that will not go into operation until an auxiliary turbine is installed.

Down into the power house the visitors disembarked at the 111 foot above sea level. There the 34 ft. rotor with four foot shafts are being assembled and the big six bladed turbines put together to be dropped into 85 foot holes in the concrete to make the power that is the main reason for the dam. Clearance between rotor and stators will be an eighth of an inch. The whole unit will be hung from a frame to rest on the concrete floor instead of setting on a bearing at the foot of the shaft. When all the 22 units have been installed the dam will produce almost 1,500,000 kw.

After a nautical hour that turned out as expected the group went to the junior high school for a banquet and program which consisted of introductions of politicians from two states and a showing of pictures while a narrator read a story about the river in history.

Sunday the first barges went through the locks into the calm upper river now devoid of rapids to Rufus and pleasure boats crowded the lock in its second lift as owners appeared to commemorate the day.

The railroad grade settled a short distance above the dam causing delay in train service and the highway settled near old Cape Horn all because of water seeping into the grades.

Service Groups Will Initiate

On March 23 there will be held at Pendleton Junior High school a joint installation of the American Legion and Auxiliary from districts 5, 6 and 7 beginning at 7:45. A parade starting at 6:30 will precede the ceremony.

All posts and units are requested to bring candidates for membership to be initiated at this tri-district ceremony which will be attended by state and district officers.

Women Attend Club Session At Boardman

A group of ladies from Sherman county motored to Boardman March 18 where Mrs. H. B. Pinkerton, president of the district, presided at a board meeting. The presidents of the clubs of the district were invited to attend and gain information to be passed on to the department heads in their own clubs.

The morning session opened by singing "Oregon, My Oregon," followed by a prayer by Mrs. Frank Ritchey from Milton-Freewater.

Mrs. Pinkerton gave a brief review of her recent visit to a O.F.W.C. board meeting in Portland. She also suggested means of constructing a more organized district.

Plans were discussed regarding the district convention to be held April 15 at Stanfield with that club as hostess.

Following group singing of "get acquainted" songs set to familiar tunes, a delicious "no-host" luncheon was served in the Boardman Saddle room where the meeting was held.

The afternoon session opened by singing "God Bless America". Reports of the district chairman of each department was given, stating what they had done and what is expected of each club department chairman.

Those attending from Sherman county were Mrs. Harry Pinkerton, Mrs. Eugene Amidon, parliamentarian, Mrs. W. E. Bruckert, adult education chairman and a member of the Wasco Study club and Mrs. A. Douma, president of Moro Woman's club.