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## These Things We Note

By Giles L. French

The governor says he thinks the legislature did a good job. Nice that some one thinks so.

T T W N

The experts now say that there may be budget cutting but no cut of spending, that we are on the high road to socialism (called social use of government power) and nothing will stop us. Mebbe so, mebbe not. We have learned that a sure thing is often a poor bet.

T T W N

One nice thing about newspapers. When you see a story you want to read you don't have to read six others and like lumber of ads before reading it.

T T W N

Secretary Humphrey has resigned leaving a hole in the cabinet not likely to be so capably filled.

T T W N

When you stop to think of it congress is the final word on the budget. And congress has proven more spendthrift than the executive.

T T W N

The air has been cleared about permission for major league teams coming to the coast. Now all they have to do is come. We doubt if they will forsake the big population centers of the nation's metropolis for the small crowds that watch baseball in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

T T W N

The government is now getting around to stopping loans made at a lower rate than the government itself can borrow. Good business but it may be poor politics.

T T W N

Making \$30,000 worth of whiskey in three weeks, as was estimated done by Oregon moonshiners, will certainly encourage others to try such a lucrative business.

T T W N

We have all sorts of organizations to aid recreation; why not a few to aid working?

T T W N

For the next month Sherman county is going to present a beautiful sight with high, thick wheat and barley ripening on every hill.

T T W N

Robert Anderson, the soon to be Secretary of the Treasury, was a Texas Democrat and is now a Connecticut Republican. And without changing his governmental theories a bit.

T T W N

Of course, there is reason for everything and searching for that reason is called science. Learning to get along with or without the reason is called philosophy.

T T W N

There is to be an institute for parents of visually handicapped children on the campus of the state blind school in Salem June 5 to 9 to which those interested are invited.

T T W N

Americans celebrate Memorial day with a big auto race and many highway accidents. The many patriotic observances are of proper form.

T T W N

An otherwise estimable lady drives 70 miles an hour in all kinds of traffic and worries about atomic fallout.

T T W N

Schools are out and we can exchange the roar of school buses for shouts of children who will enjoy their long awaited freedom for a time until they begin to get lonesome for all the other children.

T T W N

Several books have been written by aging men telling of the delights of their boyhood of the old swimming hole, keeps, pegging tops, etc., and all of them decry the present tendency of boys to let others plan their fun instead of making it themselves right off the cuff.

T T W N

Democrats are said to be concerned about the story that Edith Green may run against Neuberger next senatorial election. Why worry. Neuberger is proving himself a fairly conservative senator despite all his fulminations against that political attitude.

## Memorial Day Parade And Services Held By Legion Posts

Led by the Sherman High school band veterans of two wars paraded up a Moro street Memorial day, some grimly marching with pride behind the colors of nation and Legion posts, some strutting proudly to the strains of patriotic music.

In a line of march were Boy Scouts, studying, perhaps, the veterans which they may become, booster girls in costume, flag bearers. Host for the service was Frank Brown Post of Wasco of which John Hilderbrand is commander, assisted by George Bell Post of Kent and Chris Schultz Post of Moro.

### Program Given

On the lawn in front of the Memorial on which are the names of Sherman county men who served in World War II the company dispersed to listen to a program of appropriate music, a talk by State Senator Ben Musa and the doleful playing of taps.

Out of town visitors later picked at parks in the county with local members of their families and visited cemeteries of the county and the graves of ancestors.

## Auction Sale Group Calls Meeting

The 4-H Auction Sale committee of the Sherman County Cattlemen's association will meet at 8:00 p. m. Friday, May 31, courthouse, Moro, Howard Ross, chairman has reported. Anyone interested in the operation of this year's auction is welcome to attend and assist in the planning.

Securing a new scales for the fairgrounds is a big problem for the fair board and the cattlemen's committee. Number of animals to be sold, auctioneer, marketing and resale program, time of event are part of the items for which plans need to be made.

The committee will also give consideration to awards to be given by the cattlemen's association for the years 4-H club activities.

## Jim Weatherwood Seriously Injured

Jim H. Weatherwood, 24, was taken to a hospital in The Dalles Saturday following an accident a mile southeast of Kent where his car missed the road. He suffered internal injuries including, it is reported, a collapsed lung, cuts and bruises. He was alone at the time.

Weatherford lives at Myrtle Creek, Oregon and had been visiting relatives at Kent including the Hod McKay family.

## Twenty Four Children Going To Stock Show

Twenty-four Sherman County 4-H Livestock club members will exhibit 42 head of stock at the forthcoming Oregon Wheat Growers League 4-H and FFA Fat Stock Show and Sale June 3-5, The Dalles, T. W. Thompson, county agent has announced.

Program of events are: June 3-Livestock judging contest and preparation of animals for showing; June 4-8-10 a. m. 4-H swine judging; 10-12 a. m. 4-H sheep judging and 1-5 p. m. 4-H beef judging. Wednesday, June 5-the showmanship judging will start at 8 p. m. The sheep and swine auction will start at 2 p. m. and the beef auction at 7 p. m. A good many others participate beside exhibitors from Sherman county and will compete in the livestock judging contest Monday.

Sherman county 4-H club members plan on exhibiting 14 steers, 12 sheep and 16 swine. Boys and girls exhibiting will be: Jeannette Belshie, Doug Bish, Steven Burnett, Mary Anne Coats, Tom Coats, John Fields, Sally Fields, Virgil Fields, Barbara Fridley, Gene Fridley, Sterling Gochbauer, Ann Hall, Fred Hall, Mary Haven, Alice Kaseberg, Lee Kaseberg, Terry Kaseberg, Janny McIntyre, Doug Medler, David Reid, Douglas Reid, Jean Ross, James and John Thomas.

The auction sale will be the highlight of the event. Sherman countians are invited to view the show at the Seufert Cannery, The Dalles and participate in the auction sale.

## Budget Approved, New Barn Loses In County Election

Voters who went to the election held on the county budget were about equally divided on the question of approving the county budget of \$230,403, which was done by passing upon the \$75,880.95 excess appropriation above the six percent limitation.

The vote was 195 for and 162 against. County employees probably made up the difference between those favoring and those opposed.

By precincts the vote was:

| PCT          | For        | Against    |
|--------------|------------|------------|
| Rufus        | 14         | 24         |
| Kent         | 24         | 18         |
| Grass Valley | 38         | 16         |
| Moro         | 69         | 42         |
| Wasco        | 50         | 62         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>195</b> | <b>162</b> |

There was no such doubt about the proposal to build a new barn at the fair grounds and appropriate \$5000 therefore. Voters were against that in every precinct with those at Rufus opposing almost unanimously.

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| Rufus        | 1         | 38         |
| Kent         | 12        | 29         |
| Grass Valley | 12        | 41         |
| Moro         | 19        | 88         |
| Wasco        | 25        | 87         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>69</b> | <b>283</b> |

## District Attorney Picked For Program

T. Lester Johnson, district attorney of Sherman county, has accepted an invitation to participate in the fifth annual District Attorneys Conference and Institute in Salem June 20-22, it was announced by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton, conference director. Johnson will join district attorneys from four other counties in a forum on prosecutor's problems to discuss "Uniform Plan for Handling Hot Checks" and "Everyday Problems in the District Attorney's Office."

Guest speaker at the banquet planned for Friday evening is the Honorable William C. Perry, Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court.

## George Fox Jr. Going To California

George L. Fox Jr. a third year engineering student at Oregon State college was elected president for this year of Pi Tau Sigma, the mechanical engineer honor society. With this honor goes an all expense trip back to Massachusetts Institute of Technology which is in Boston. This will be the National Pi Tau Sigma convention in October.

George who is a high school graduate of Rufus high school is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fox Sr. of Rufus.

## Court Starts Program of Weed Eradication

### CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT MAY 1, 1957

Re: Claims - against all funds presented - all allowed.

Re: Treasurer's financial statement showing all fund balances as of April 30, 1957 presented - examined, approved and ordered filed.

Re: Road Fund balances as of April 30, 1957 presented - examined, approved and ordered filed.

Re: Gasoline consumption for month of April, 1957 presented - examined and ordered filed.

Re: Weed program - Ore. Agr. Chem. lowest bidders on weed spray at price of \$2.47 1/2 per gal. Weed spraying program under supervision of County Agent, and to be done as soon as possible.

Re: Road Improvement - I. Hart appears before court and discusses road improvement in his area - no definite action taken.

Re: Contribution for "Keep Oregon Green" - Clerk to notify no fund available for such contribution at this time.

Re: Lawn Mower at courthouse - mower at DeMoss Springs to be used at courthouse until July 1, 1957.

NO FURTHER MATTERS AT ISSUE ADJOURNMENT ENDED.

### ROAD FUND WAGES:

H. C. Grabenhorst, \$47.75; Dunlap, \$43.42; J. E. Pherson, \$35.23; Beyer, \$35.97; Morehouse, \$33.23; Gosson, \$34.10; Gray, \$34.87; Yocum, \$36.23; Johnson, \$33.23; Hamond, \$34.05; Griggs, \$36.87; Axtel, \$34.10; Rodda,

## Rav Palmer Tracy To Speak Before Historical Society

Ray Palmer Tracy, novelist and historian of Condon, will be the speaker at the annual meeting of the Sherman County Historical society at its meeting at DeMoss Springs Sunday, June 9.

Mr. Tracy, born in California, came to Condon when a boy and worked in sheep camps, and on farms. He learned to write and spent several years in the east writing short stories for well known magazines until he returned to Condon to care for relatives who were ill. He has made it his home for the last few years and does his writing there.

He is the author of "Fighting Sheepman" which was published as a book and later serialized in the Oregon Farmer, the same magazine that will soon begin his autobiography entitled "Wild and Woolly and Full of Fleas". He knows the history of this area probably better than any living person having lived through a most interesting part of it.

## 4-H'ers Going To Summer School

A delegation of 20 4-H'ers will leave June 11 for a ten day summer school session at Corvallis. This is an annual event and each county is given a quota according to enrollment. Members must be 12 years of age in order to attend and must have a health check before leaving. Mrs. Lucy Mullens, county health nurse, will be at the courthouse June 11 between 1:00 and 2:00 p. m., to check those who are attending.

Local business firms, organizations and friends of 4-H provide \$20 scholarships and \$5 must be paid by the member attending. Those who will be attending this year and the scholarship donors are: Steven Burnett-Cushman Equipment; Ronda Fraser-J. C. Penney Company; Sherrie Fraser-State Fair; Jean Ross-Sherman County Cattlemen's Association; Phyllis Watkins and Susan Woods - Sherman County 4-H Leader's Association; John Fields-Safeway Stores, Inc.; Diana Henrichs-Moro Grain Growers; Keith Mobley-Grass Valley Grain Growers; Janie McIntyre-Sherman County Branch, First National Bank; Sterling Gochbauer and Lana Jean Paulson-The Dalles Branch, United States National Bank; Arlene Macnab-Alex Marshall's Food Store; Ila Jean Macnab-James Weir Memorial Fund; Penny Higley-Sherman County Rod and Gun Club; David Reid-Rufus Grange; Mary Mobley-Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bruckert; Darlene Gochbauer-Pomona Grange.

They will be transported in a school bus. Ina B. Hanson, extension agent, will accompany the group.

### THE COUNTY COURT

#### GENERAL FUND:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

Auto Electric Supply Co., \$2.40;

Monroe Calculating Co., \$34.00;

Norman E. Fields, \$70.00; George J. Geiser Jr., \$18.48

CLERK'S OFFICE:

Dunham Printing Co., \$52.60 -

printing; Kilham Stationery & Printing, \$26.71

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE:

Moro Postmaster, \$41.00; Clair

L. Balzer, \$41.70 - field work;

Dunham Printing, \$75.20; Roy G.

Schilling, \$12.00 - bird of equaliza-

tion; A. C. Kaseberg, \$11.90 - bird

of equalization; Sherman County

Journal, \$9.66

ELECTIONS:

Moro Postmaster, \$10.00 - post-

age; Sherman County Journal, \$46.00;

COURTHOUSE:

Pacific Tel & Tel Co., \$60.45;

Pacific Power & Light Co., \$32.10;

Shell Oil Co., \$108.38; Pacific

Paint & Chemical, \$41.50; Glenn

Wallace, \$10.00; City of Moro, \$2.60

COUNTY COURT:

C. F. Kuypers, \$30.00; Lester

Wilson, \$30.00.

JUSTICE COURT:

City of Wasco, 10.00 - rent

DEMOSS PARK:

Pacific Power & Light Co., \$ .95

COUNTY PRINTING:

Sherman County Journal, \$106.05

DISTRICT ATTORNEY:

T. Lester Johnson, \$16.50

MISCELLANEOUS:

First National Bank, \$280.50;

State Tax Commission, \$51.57;

Social Security Revolving Fund, \$116.02; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$8.64

## Sherman High Has First Class Of Graduates

Thirty-one young men and women ended their high school work at the first graduation ceremony at Sherman High school Tuesday night and were congratulated by hundreds of parents and friends who filled the school auditorium beyond capacity and stood along the walls to hear the brief and appropriate program.

Dale Archer was valedictorian and Keith Mobley salutatorian with talks that emphasized the importance of making some contribution to the community in which the graduates may live. Francis Nickerson, secretary of the high school-college relations committee, talked at high school level to the class and the crowd, pointing out the certainty of a life of work. There was no way to get out of it, he said, and those who tried only succeeded in getting into more of it.

### Awards Given

The school band and chorus furnished the music. Rev. Von Leach and Rev. Harold Fowler gave the invocation and benediction, respectively, and Harold Eakin, chairman of the high school board, gave the diplomas to the graduates. Ward Sybouts presented awards, the Vernon Miller scholarship going to Dale Archer on a basis of 50 per cent for scholarship, 25 per cent for activities and 25 per cent for church work. Keith Mobley and Susan Woods received cups for leadership by a vote of the student body and scholarship pins were given to Larry Helyer, freshman, Sherrie Fraser, sophomore and Valerie Liacus, junior.

## Judge Pondering Park Proposal

Judge Vernon Miller has a letter from the U. S. Engineers telling of two possible sites for public parks along the Columbia river above The Dalles dam and inquiring whether or not the county wishes to participate in development.

One of the sites is near Maryhill ferry landing which lacks tree cover and may be subject to flood. The other is at Biggs where there are some trees. It would not qualify for a state park but might be made into a local park if there was sufficient interest.

It would be necessary for the county to maintain such a park if developed by the federal government. Inquiries made by the judge indicate little interest and unless some organization volunteers for the job of maintenance the judge will probably decline.

## Walter Bruckert Shoots Bear On Farm Near Klondike

Every school boy remembers one of the bright spots in American history, the inscription on a tree in Kentucky, "D. Boon killed a bear" with date. It put a little life into the text.

It is not often that a "bar" is killed in Sherman county but Walter Bruckert did that very thing Monday when he killed a 143 pound black bear in a draw between the old Mathias place and Hay canyon. Vern Dutton had been to the Bruckert place with a wheeled tractor and on the way home saw the bear. He gave chase and the bear went south, past the Mathias place buildings. Bruckert, who owns the land, was called and he and Dutton followed the bear to a spring and dispatched him with one bullet.

Previously we have heard of a bear being killed at Kent and another at DeMoss but predators of that nature seldom wander into the county. This one was thin, having not been able to kill any calves or sheep during his stay.

## Mariners Prepare Fathers-Sons Banquet

The Mariners club of the Moro Community church is sponsoring a Father-Son banquet at the church basement at 8:30 the evening of June 6, which is next Thursday. Fathers and sons are invited to see Rev. E. C. Goodenberger to make reservations for the event. Pictures will be shown that will be interesting.

## OSC To Graduate Four From County

Four seniors from Sherman county will receive degrees June 3 at the 88th annual commencement exercises at Oregon State college, where approximately 1250 degrees will be conferred.

They include: Bachelor of science in agriculture - Arthur Claus Buether and Joseph Scott Fritts, Grass Valley; Larry Kaseberg, Wasco; and Leroy Sommer, Martin, Kent.

## County Agent Tells of Many Meetings of Interest To Wheat Growers and Stockmen

Sherman countians concerned with sleeping sickness of horses need to continue their vaccination program again this year. Horses that were shot for sleeping sickness last year need only a booster for this year. Those horses that did not have vaccinations last year need two shots ten days apart.

The spring meeting of the Sherman County Wheat Growers association will be held at the Odd Fellow hall, Grass Valley, starting with a 6:30 p. m. dinner, Tuesday evening, June 11. We hope that many Sherman countians plan on attending this event.

The Crook County Hereford Breeder's association will visit Sherman county June 15 to visit several of the purebred Hereford breeders in the southern part of Sherman county. Arrangements are being made to visit five or six ranches and Sherman county folks can join the Crook county group in visiting and inspecting the cattle operations on these farms. Announcement of the time and the farms to be visited will be at a later date.

Oregon county agents recently received their 1957 insect control handbook prepared by the Oregon State college department of Entomology staff. A small supply of the handbooks have been prepared to sell to commercial spray applicators, processor field men, chemical company representatives and interested farmers. For any Sherman countians that would like to secure a copy of this we can order a copy or they may secure one through the Co-op Book Store, Memorial Union Bldg. OSC, Corvallis. Price is \$1.50 per copy.

Several farmers around the county have had good success with the rain gauges secured through the county agent's office. We have an extra supply of measuring sticks for anyone who has broken or misplaced theirs. Some folks are having trouble placing the stick in a location where it won't break or get lost. We have cut an inch or two off the top of the rain sticks here in the office, and they fit nicely inside the rain gauge. You might try this if you are having trouble keeping track of your rain gauge stick.

The Sherman county agent's office keeps a supply of Oregon

## Stan Coelsch and Guest Escape Death in River

Stan Coelsch, Moro wheat grower, and George Albright, state livestock inspector, narrowly escaped death about 9:45 Wednesday morning when the Coelsch's Cessna 170 plane, struck the unused REA power line across the Deschutes river about two miles from its mouth and pancaked into the river within an estimated 175 feet. The accident was close to the Wasco county side of the river which saved the two men from drowning. The plane was facing upstream when it hit.

Coelsch, a strong man, pushed the damaged cowl from his legs and swam to shore. Albright remained atop the plane, which was partly out of water, until rescued by state police. Robert Williams was first to the scene, having heard the crash while he was herding cattle. His horse broke a leg going for help and Horace Carlisle went to the highway and Celilo to call officials.

Coelsch sustained severe cuts about his face and a badly cut nose; Albright has a broken jaw and other injuries. Both were severely shocked from the accident and the cold water. They remained in the hospital overnight to permit full examination.

Mrs. Albright was at the Coelsch home and both she and Mrs. Coelsch were called by police shortly after the accident. Coelsch is an experienced flyer and had flown down the Deschutes many times without accident and has no explanation of how he happened to hit the power line, all of the four wires of which were broken.

It is estimated that the plane was going at about 120 miles per hour when it hit the wires as that is about the usual cruising speed. Curly DeMoss, a flyer himself, is in charge of getting the plane out of the river. It is thought that it will be a total loss except for a few parts.

transportation certificates on hand. The transportation certificate should be used on transporting all livestock off the farm. Wheat marketing quotas have been proclaimed for the 1958 crop, as is required by law under the present supply situation. The wheat marketing quota referendum will be held June 20 when wheat growers throughout the United States will make the final decision on whether the quotas will be in effect next year. At least two-thirds of those who vote must favor quotas if they are to be in operation.

Price support at a national average of \$1.78 a bushel will be available to producers who do not exceed their farm acreage allotment, if quotas are approved. The 1957 wheat support price will be around \$1.99 per bushel in commercial warehouses. The final support price has not been received, but will average around the same as for 1956.

Some changes were recently made in the official standards for grading wheat. These changes will become effective June 15, 1957. Some of changes may call for more careful harvesting of reduce cracked and broken kernels and more roguing fields for rye. All farmers will want to become acquainted with these changes, else they may get docked and have a reduced wheat grade.

Briefly the main changes will reduce the limits of rye to .05%, 1%, 2% and 3% in grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 respectively compared with 1, 2, 3, and 5% from a previous 10% tolerance.

We need three or four farmers interested in commercial hog production and feeding to attend a swine field day in Umatilla county. Program of the Federated Livestock ranch, south of Ordinance, will be inspected and operations explained. Opportunities and problems of commercial hog production will be reviewed with a few farmers over the Columbia Basin, college representatives and representatives of the Pendleton Grain Growers Federated Livestock Co. Goal in Umatilla county is to feed out 200,000 hogs by 1960.

What can Sherman county do? We would appreciate anyone particularly interested to contact us soon.