

# Sherman County Journal

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## These Things We Note

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Some men have written a book about how to change the minds of others and influence buying and other actions. It is being hailed as something new and, of course, it isn't. In fact, methods of causing others to do as we want them to do are probably the very oldest of our mammalian thought. Neither is anyone in comparatively free America going to get brainwashed without his consent or connivance.

**T T W N**  
The present tendency in government seems to be following the old Calvinistic doctrine that men are utterly vile and that sin must be frustrated by a multitude of laws. Congressmen and state legislators have left no room for moral forces to work and have tacked over every crime and peccadillo as subjects for their own petty brand of reformation. We would rather live with too little law than with too much.

**T T W N**  
The warm days of late May brought the honey locusts to dilatory bloom sweetening the air in our little valley with a scent straight from Olympus. The locust is a stiff, unbecoming tree of conservative habits that permits it to survive in intemperate climates. It is thorny and forbidding. Yet, like some persons of crusty exterior, its works are wonderful.

**T T W N**  
Stewart Holbrook has been writing about his long list of odd characters for the delight of Oregonian readers, a series, we are sure that should not end until someone writes in similar vein about Mr. Holbrook himself.

**T T W N**  
There's been a lot of rebellion and revolution in the world lately most of which has been piously deplored. In another generation or two we will probably be praising it. A people who do not occasionally revolt soon get more government than they can stand.

**T T W N**  
It begins to look as if Brooklyn and New York will get new ball parks for which Los Angeles and San Francisco will supply the incentive.

**T T W N**  
Pity the youngster who will never hear a steam train whistle. The modern blasts from an engine serve as a warning no doubt but lack the incentive to start in search of some far-off adventure.

**T T W N**  
Oregon State college has a microscope that will magnify a milk globule 100,000 times. Quite a wonderful machine no doubt. What we need worse is something to make more milk, per cow.

**T T W N**  
The silence you almost hear is legislators listening to constituents.

**T T W N**  
School is out and Californians are driving our roads again.

**T T W N**  
We read in a financial magazine that bankers are trying to get business. We remember how bad it was for Sherman county years ago when that was common practice.

**T T W N**  
"Don't you read the obituaries," we asked Uncle Emmett, "just down to my name" he said. "If I'm not there I get up and go to work."

**T T W N**  
An old man can let the coming generation take over, can fight against its taking over just as he likes. If he battles hard enough the new generation may wait until he dies. But it takes over.

**T T W N**  
Isn't it a fine thing we have machinery to do the work?

**T T W N**  
A man accepts great odds who gets mad at the public.

**T T W N**  
The Multnomah county graft cases are apparently being tried in the court of public opinion and the testimony is confusing if not confused.

**T T W N**  
If you want to feel sorry for someone, feel sorry for the power company whose electricity falls just as the fight begins.

## Fair Board Calls Work Day; Wants Some One To Come

Wednesday, June 12, has been set by the Fair Board as a day for everyone to pitch in and help get the buildings and improvements at the fairgrounds ready for the 1957 Sherman County Fair.

A POT-LUCK LUNCH will be held at noon with coffee, pop and water furnished by the Fair Board.

It is hoped that everyone will day of their time to help THEIR make an effort to give this one FAIR. Bring your carpenter tools, join your neighbors. The Fair shovels, paint brushes, etc. and Board has planned several improvements which can't be completed without a general effort.

In case your neighbor forgets, remind him!

## Verne Mobley Wins Roping Championship

Verne A. Mobley, participating on Oregon Technical Institute's rodeo team, has won the National Intercollegiate Rodeo association west coast regional team roping championship for 1957.

The NIRA west coast region includes Washington, Idaho, Oregon, California, Nevada and Arizona. Verne has scored wins at Moses Lake and Pomeroy, Wn., and has placed in several others.

The OTI rodeo team has made trips this year to Arizona, California and Washington to participate as a team in collegiate rodeos. - By virtue of his win, Verne has qualified for the National college finals at Colorado Springs, Colorado, June 13-16.

## May Wet and Warm This Year

It was good and wet in May but not wet enough to remove all of the deficiency suffered last fall. May moisture was 1.43 inch which is .62 above the normal. At the first of June mark, however, the county at the experimental station was still 1.83 short of normal. Total to that date was 9.68 inches. Moisture in the soil when tests were made this spring was above normal.

May was a warm month with a 91 degree day, the last one, and no temperature below 38 which was on the 3rd. That is the highest minimum temperature ever recorded here. The average maximum was 69.8 and the average minimum was 45.9 for a mean of 57.8 which is 2.8 above the normal for temperature. Incidentally the last frost this spring was April 18 when 31 degrees was recorded.

## Farmers Wanting To Certify Seed Must Apply by June 20

Sherman county farmers desiring to apply for seed certification need to make applications by June 20. Applications for certification will be made through the county agent's office, Moro. Fields up for certification will be field inspected and a clean grain sample analyzed for purity and germination. All new wheat varieties are eligible for certification. Certification costs are 60c per acre or a minimum of \$5.00.

The Crook County Hereford Breeders association will join with Sherman county breeders in a cattle tour June 15, states T. W. Thompson, county agent.

The tour will start at 9:00 a. m. from the Shell Station at Kent. A visit to the Kenneth Martin, Harold Eakin, Fred E. Cox ranches will be made prior to noon. Following lunch the W. L. May and Bob King herds will be visited. Those attending will take a sack lunch eating at the Harold Eakin home in Grass Valley.

Any Sherman county farmers are invited to participate. The Crook county people will tour several ranches in their county June 14 and an invitation to Sherman county for the day has been received. The tour will start at the McCafferty ranch, Powell Butte at 9:00 a. m. Other visits will be made to the Hudspeth land and livestock purebred cattle pastures, Barrett feed lots, Williams Poiled Hereford, Burns Montgomery, Hopper's and the J. R. Brees ranches.

Bud Tibbets, First National Bank field representative, is in charge of the tour in Sherman county in the absence of Sherman County Agent T. W. Thompson.

## Historical Society Program Ready For Sunday

President Wallace May and vice-president Carroll Sayrs have completed the program for the Historical society picnic to be held at DeMoss Springs park next Sunday.

They have picked those who will sing and play and those who will make talks on the platform. What they have not done is exercise any control over talking that will be done under the trees while residents and former residents meet again to renew acquaintances that may have been originated 40 years ago—or 60.

Their part of the program consists of the flag salute by the Moro Troop, Boy Scouts, led by Mel Parker, invocation by Rev. Goodenberger, welcome by Mr. May, the report of Mrs. Ruggles as secretary, some reports by committeemen, music by Gene Cantrall and some songs by the men's trio from Wasco, "Sweet Oregon" by Tom Fraser and a talk by historian and novelist Ray Palmer Tracy of Condon, whose latest book is serialized in the Oregon Farmer.

The women's part of the program will probably be the most popular. It will consist of baskets of food to be served on the stout tables.

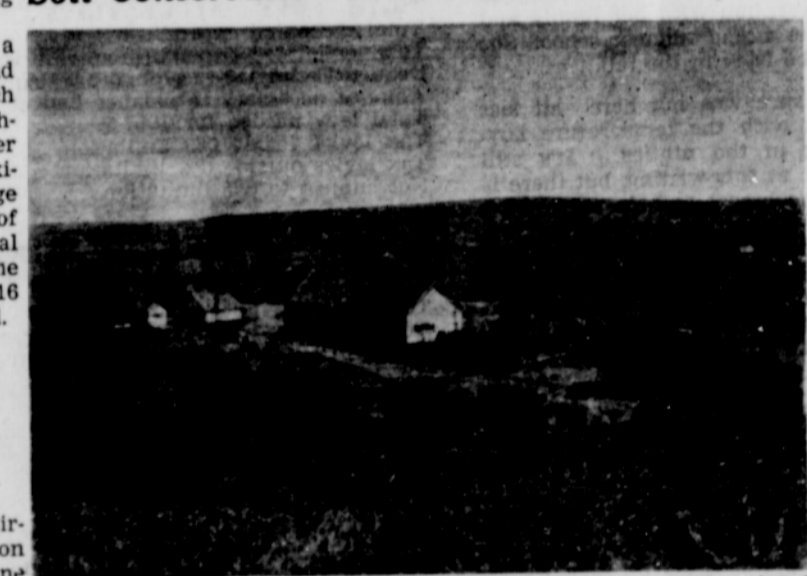
Members will all be gathered by noon and will be fed and contented by shortly after one when the program will begin. Anyone interested in Sherman county, past or present, is invited to come.

## RACES SCHEDULED

An estimated 100 sports cars will run the Maryhill Sports road for the third consecutive year for the Yakima Valley Sports Car club presents the Goldendale Hill Climb June 8-9.

Competition will include motorcycle equipped 500cc Coopers to 160 mph Mercedes 400SL's and Allards. Also MG's Jaguars, Triumphs, Volkswagens, Porsches, Volkovs and Renaults.

## Macnab-Kaseberg Farm Picked For Best Soil Conservation Practices of Year



The buildings of the Pete recent construction, all painted Macnab place are modern and of and kept in shape.

Peter J. Macnab and his father-in-law, Albert C. Kaseberg, were awarded the 1957 title of conservation men of the year by a soil conservation committee this week for their careful treatment of the 1080 acre ranch in Neece canyon owned by Kaseberg and farmed by Macnab.

On the ranch is 355 acres of wheat, 105 acres of barley and 85 acres of Ladak alfalfa, mixed with Crested Wheat grass, just cut with a binder to feed the 27 head of beef cows kept on the place. There is also 305 acres of summer-fallow.

Pete has just acquired an additional place north of Wasco when he bought the lease of Glen Van Gilder who bought a stock ranch at Antelope. It is the 720 acre Mills place. He also farms the Vernon VanGilder place just down the canyon from him for Mrs. Vernon VanGilder where there is 205 acres of summerfallow.

The mere recital of acreages and crops does not tell the story of why the father, son-in-law team won the annual award. For years Albert Kaseberg has been interested in keeping his soil at home, even before it came to be the thing to do and to talk about. Much of the land owned by Kaseberg is steep land. When it became necessary, years back, to take land out of cultivation he took out his steepest—and best—land and put it in grass to build

## Contract On Kent-Grass Valley Section Let Thursday

Thursday of this week bids were received by the state highway commission for 5.88 miles of highway construction between Grass Valley and Kent including improved grade and alignment. An adequate stone base and asphaltic concrete will be laid down to make a 22 foot pavement with eight foot shoulders, four feet of which will be oiled. Work must be done by the fall of 1958.

This contract is for the north unit of the road between the two towns.

## CLUB CHILDREN GOING TO SUMMER SCHOOL

Ina B. Hanson, county extension agent, will be in charge of the group. Willard Leff will drive the school bus to transport the group. All the delegates are to report at the courthouse Monday for a health check. Mrs. Lucy Mullen, will be in the court room from 1 to 2 p. m. to conduct the examinations.

Tuesday June 18, at 12:45 p. m. over KODL part of the group will be heard by means of a special tape recording. Others will be heard on the Farm Hour over KRMW at noon June 19. The group will return on the afternoon of June 21.

## WEED PROGRAM TO HAVE FIELD DAY

Near-perfect chemical control weeds in corn and new promise for controlling quackgrass and Canada thistle can be viewed by the public, June 10, near Corvallis at the annual weed field day sponsored by Oregon State college and the Oregon Weed conference.

Rex Warren, OSC farm crops specialist and conference secretary, says inspection of weed-control plots will start at 9:30 a. m. at the OSC Hyslop experiment farm, midway between Corvallis and Albany at the KOAC radio tower just off Highway 20.

## Wheat League Spring Meeting At Grass Valley

The spring meeting of the Sherman Wheat league will be held at the Grass Valley IOOF hall Tuesday, evening June 11 with a program starting at 8:00 p. m.

Raphael Raymond, president of the Oregon Wheat Growers league will tell about his recent trip to Japan and the chances of selling quantities of wheat to that country.

Kenneth Fridley will tell about his trip to Washington where he appeared as witness before a congressional committee on behalf of funds to develop the Columbia river channel up to The Dalles.

Bob Taylor and Dick Baum will tell about other activities of the wheat league and there will be reports from local and state officers who have worked at some phase of the league for the past few months.

Winners of the Conservation award, Pete Macnab and A. C. Kaseberg will be honored at the meeting.

Those desiring to attend are asked to make reservations as soon as possible with the county agent's office.

## County 4-H Kids Win At The Dalles

The Sherman county team of livestock judges won first place at the Wheat league fat stock show in The Dalles this week with a score of 1937.1 out of a possible 2100. Wilma Gentry, Steven Burnet and Jean Ross were the team. Another Sherman countyman, Lee Kaseberg, was in the first ten top judges.

The Sherman county flock of five sheep was judged best and Jean Ross won second on her medium weight Southdown. Jeannette Belshee won second and third on her light and Jean Ross was first, Fred Hall third and tenth and Ann Hall fourth and sixth on heavy Southdowns.

For swine the Sherman county herd was fourth, David Reid was fourth, Jennie McIntyre fifth, Sterling Gochbauer sixth, Janny McIntyre seventh and Doug Reid eighth with Yorkshire swine; Sally Fields was fifth with a Berkshire and also had fifth place in a pen of three Berks.

Jim Thomas was champion of the Angus breed with a heavy calf and Steven Burnet was second, Gene Fridley fifth and Barbara Fridley seventh. Doug Reid was eighth for light Angus.

In Herefords 880-920 Alice Kaseberg was sixth, in 920-950 Doug Bish was fifth and Terry Kaseberg seventh; in 1035-1125 Virgil Fields was third, Lee Kaseberg fourth and John Fields sixth; in 960-990 class Sally Fields was second and Jean Ross sixth.

For senior showmen Jeannette Belshee won first and Jean Ross was second and also reserve champion. Ann Hall was sixth for junior showman.

Barbara Fridley was sixth and Alice Kaseberg eighth in junior beef showmanship; Terry Kaseberg first, Jim Thomas seventh and John Fields eighth in intermediate showmanship and Sally Fields was fourth, Steven Burnet sixth and Lee Kaseberg seventh in senior beef showmanship.

Sale of stock was conducted Wednesday with prices for most of the animals being four to six cents above market price.

The 86 acres of alfalfa will be plowed up in a few years to make another field mellow and full of nitrates for additional wheat crops. The ranch runs to the top of Gordon ridge where 23 acres of grease wood have been plowed up for sowing to Crested Wheat grass later. Here on 140 acres of native sod the cattle spend the summer, watering at a developed spring. There are 40 new Austrian pine trees growing to furnish shade and windbreak, that the locust trees, planted years ago by original settler Joel Reed, only partially accomplished.

There is little spectacular about the ranch or farming, no dams, (if the soil stays where it belongs they are not needed), no new crops, not even any high hopes of marvelous developments. But there is steady, conservative, practical methods that retain the soil and its fertility to assure that land out of cultivation he took out his steepest—and best—land and put it in grass to build



This is worm's eye view of a setting on the ground in an effort field of Burt wheat damaged or to picture detail of the damage. destroyed on Mackin flat in a The grain, standing 30 inches field farmed by Luther Davis last high, was leveled to no more than last Saturday. The camera was six inches by the sweeping hall.

## Hail Hits South End In Destructive Sweep

### Acres Notices Sent To Wheat Growers

Notices showing the individual farm wheat allotment for 1958 were mailed to all Sherman county farmers this week. New for 1958, and due to the Soil Bank Acreage Reserve requirements, the allotted wheat acres will be shown in acres and tenths acres. According to Frank von Borstel, chairman ASC county committee, the acreage allotted to the county represents a reduction of 38.8 per cent in the wheat normally seeded on each farm. Two years ago on the same farm acreage the reduction was 39.4 per cent.

### Rev. Harold Fowler Reports On Meeting

Rev. Harold Fowler of the Wasco Christian church attended the Youth Preparedness meeting in Portland May 31, heard Dr. Shane McCarthy, and reports that the secretary of the national council is a very positive and vigorous man who says "if we continue to drive and take pills for energy we will become a has-been country", "nations drift from bigness to softness" while urging Oregonians to use their bodies in walking, playing, bicycling with their children as well as formal sports. "Do something" not watch it, was his plea.

The forenoon panel discussed, "What are we doing?", and it was shown that Oregon is making progress in fitness of youth. The afternoon panel discussed, "What can we do?" Our youth is not as muscular as European youth because youth uses the body no more than it has to.

Rev. Fowler, who attended the meeting as a representative of the committee for tuberculosis seals, of which Mrs. John Robinson is chairman, was much impressed with Dr. McCarthy's positive statements.

### Veterans Paying Soldier Loans

Five thousand borrowers under the Oregon veterans' farm and home loan program have paid off their loans in full, Ernest J. Smith, loan manager for the state department of Veterans' Affairs, reported today.

Smith said another 1,000 loans have been retired for other purposes, making a total of 6,000 retired loans since the state veterans loan program started in 1945. This means that nearly one-third of the more than 18,000 loans granted in 12 years have been retired.

The Wasco American Legion, Boy Scouts followed them and behind them were other posts with colors, the school band, Cub Scouts, and Riding club members in what was an impressive parade and well conducted Memorial observance.