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These Things We Note

By Gile L. French

Every stockman has had the experience of cows in good pasture reaching through the fence after a bite of weeds. Now we read that people all over the western world are unhappy, are mad about this or that, and naturally mad at government instead of themselves. Residents of the west have more than they ever had, have more than any people, any where on earth ever had. They are fat and bored by property and inclined to reach for some weeds.

Perhaps the worst things about atomic tests is the excuse they give those who like to worry about their health.

The report is that 65 million Americans are "gainfully employed". Wonder how many it would take to do the work.

President Eisenhower makes sense when he asks governors to plan to take over some federal programs and thus save taxes. It could lead to a program going back to the individual.

Christine Keith comments on our recent remark about affectionate girls marrying men who like dogs and others preferring men who like cats by inquiring what to expect from men who like parakeets. We didn't intend to publish the entire glossary all at once, but since inquiry has been made would presume that men who like parakeets are radio announcers and you don't marry them, you can listen to them for free.

Two weather prophets say the northwest is going to be wet and cool for a spell and one says it will be dry and warm. Democracy doesn't rule in science and the majority isn't always right.

Isn't it odd that private electric utilities that give more for a dollar than almost anything else should be in competition with government that gives the least?

The sun is nice to take pictures by this year but it is a heating element it is a joke.

In the polite argument between Secretary Humphrey and Senator Byrd the nation has an opportunity to learn much about the economics of money. Neither, thankfully, is an inflationist. What experts are?

Getting the government into an industry isn't so hard these days, but getting it out is a terrific process.

Sale of the A. M. Williams company removes another pioneer business landmark from The Dalles. It is getting to be a chain store town.

The state legislature passed 727 bills and the governor vetoed seven. Of the remaining 720 it is possible that twenty were important, appropriation bills excepted, and some of them might better have been tabled.

He who makes two jobs where one would do shall be elected a labor leader.

We parted with an old friend last week when we had the locust tree in front of the office cut down. The biennial frustration power company crews dealt out heart and we decided to put it out of its misery.

The report of the unemployment commission shows 7,000 fewer loggers working, 1,000 fewer in construction and 700 fewer in plywood mills. There are 3900 more in government and 2800 more in service industries. No comment needed.

The economy drive seems to have lost steam. When it was impossible (or seemed so) to cut foreign aid congressmen lost interest in cutting domestic aid, which is what should have been done.

Bloodmobile Unit Due Tuesday; Many Give Regularly

Remember the Red Cross Bloodmobile Tuesday July 2, 1957 at the Moro Community church.

This will be the ninth trip since the first made November 8, 1950. Three persons have donated a pint of blood at each visit and are now members of the gallon club, David Richelderfer, Wasco, Charles Burnet, Moro, Donald von Borstel, Grass Valley. Three have given seven pints, Mrs. Emma Jean Smith, Grass Valley, Mrs. Lena Brown, Kent and Ralph Busse, Moro. Those credited with six pints make up a long list. Two families are tied in number of members donating. The Macnabs and the Van Gilders, with six in each.

There is a correction on the time published last week. The hours will be from 2:30 to 6:30 p. m.

Grass Valley Postoffice To Be Dedicated Saturday Afternoon

Programs for the dedication of the new Grass Valley postoffice have been distributed by Mrs. Don Smith, postmaster, telling what is going to happen Saturday, June 29 in both afternoon and evening.

At two o'clock the boy scouts will raise the flag and Rev. Don Leach will give the invocation and Don Acton, assistant district manager, of Portland will speak.

At 6:30 there will be a potluck dinner at the Odd-Fellows hall which, the program says, will start on time. Orville Ruggles will be master of ceremonies, representing the lodge, Sherman chapter will present "The Wilson Sisters" a musical skit, Gile French will tell something of the history of the Grass Valley postoffice. The Rebekahs will present a skit, Mrs. O. N. Ruggles will give a history of the Baptist church, Norris Gilkison will speak for the Masonic lodge and Don Acton will speak about postoffice affairs. Retired postmasters will be honored.

Range Management Tour To Be Held July 1-2 at Burns

The regular annual summer tour of the Pacific Northwest section of the American Society of Range Management will be held July 1 and 2 at Burns, Oregon. The program is under the direction of John Scharff, chairman of the field tour committee. The first day of the tour will be on the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge, 32 miles south of Burns and on nearby range improvement areas administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The second day of the tour will be on the Squaw Butte-Harney Experiment Station.

On the refuge the first stop will be at the headquarters where the museum may be visited. A discussion will follow concerning some of the high points such as the refuge establishment, objectives, flyway importance, and economic use being made on the area. The forty-mile-long Blitzen valley will be seen, stops being made to discuss developments, game use, etc. A buffet lunch will be served at the Frenchglen Hotel at a nominal charge. BLM grass plantings will be visited during the p. m. A banquet is being planned for at Burns the evening of July 1.

On July 2, at the section five unit of the Experiment Station, the group will see the results of research work that has made two stacks of hay in fields where there was only one before.

On the Squaw Butte unit of the station the group will see a forage improvement program that has resulted in more than tripling forage yields on sagebrush-type land. At both places will be shown some of the research in progress. Of special interest will be a first time showing of a new type range seeding implement. Lunch will be served at Squaw Butte.

All members of the society and others interested in land use, management and improvement, and in wildlife management are urged to attend this meeting. Those attending will headquarter at Burns. The program begins at 8:00 a. m. July 1. at the headquarters of the refuge.

Moro Grain Growers Schedule Annual Meeting Saturday

The Moro Grain Growers is going to make something special of its 1957 meeting.

It will be held at the new Sherman high school building south of town starting at 10:30 a. m. next Saturday morning with the annual business meeting.

At noon there will be a luncheon for members and their families engineered by Lloyd Johnson.

In the afternoon the party will be entertained by the Young Oregonians, 37 strong, who will come by bus from Portland for the meeting.

Balsiger Elected Head of Grain Dealers

Several members of the board of directors of the Moro Grain Growers were in Spokane last week to attend the meeting of the Pacific Northwest Grain Dealers association. Wendell Balsiger, manager of the local grain growers, was elected president at the meeting which was held Thursday and Friday. He also made the response to the Spokane mayor's welcome.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Irving Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brisbine and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Balsiger.

Special Services Held At Grass Valley

The Rev. James Braga and the Rev. Vern R. Hodges, both of the faculty of the Multnomah School of the Bible in Portland, Oregon, will speak in special services to be conducted at the Grass Valley Baptist church June 27-30.

Mr. Braga, instructor in Christian life and English Bible exposition at the Portland school, has had wide pastoral experience and has spoken at various Bible conference grounds in the Northwest.

Mr. Hodges, instructor in Christian education subjects and Dean of Men, is well known among the conservative Baptist churches of Oregon, having served as pastor in Enterprise just prior to his coming to the school in 1953.

The proposed meetings are part of a new program in the summer calendar of the Multnomah School of the Bible whereby members of the school's faculty are conducting short Bible conferences in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and British Columbia, during the months of June and July. Some twelve to fifteen four-day conferences are planned in churches which have requested them.

County Court Pays Claims; Decides To Have State Audit Books

CONDENSED REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT JUNE 5, 1957

RE: Claims against all funds presented—all allowed.

RE: Treasurer's Financial statement showing all fund balances as of May 31, 1957 presented—examined, approved and ordered filed.

RE: Gasoline Consumption for month of May, 1957 presented—ordered filed.

RE: Road Fund balances as of May 31, 1957 presented—examined approved and ordered filed.

RE: Mosquito Control—Delegation from Rufus, Ore., appear before court and ask for aid in spraying area around Rufus for extermination of mosquitoes—Court agrees to finance first application.

RE: Audit 1957-58—Hiring of an auditor for year 1957-58 discussed. Motion made and seconded a state auditor be hired for aforementioned years.

RE: C. G. Hansens from Corps of Engineers office in Walla Walla, Wn., appears before court and discusses the probable effect on the road program for Sherman county, when John Day Dam is built.

RE: Insurance W. T. Balsiger appears before court and explains amendment to be made to present insurance policy—court accepts such amendment.

RE: Budget for 1957-58—Hearing held on budget as published for fiscal year—no objections, accepted as published, no changes made.

RE: Tax fore closed property—E. C. Smith bids on tax foreclosed property in Kent, Ore. Court accepts bid and orders deed

Public Health Plan Summer Service In Sherman County

Mrs. Metra Lee, Wasco-Sherman Public Health Nurse, will be in Moro at the courthouse every Wednesday from 1 to 3 p. m. Messages for Mrs. Lee may be left with Mrs. Marie Hoskinson, county clerk. Persons needing mailing bottles for water samples may obtain these thru Mrs. Lee's office in the courthouse. She will be in Grass Valley every Wednesday a. m. from 10 to 12. Rufus every Thursday morning and Wasco every Thursday afternoon. Her offices in these towns are to be announced later.

Joyce Andrews Says Marriage Planned

Commander and Mrs. E. W. Andrews of Seattle, announced the engagement of their daughter, Joyce Elaine, to Jules A. Christ, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Christ of Seattle. The engagement was announced at a celebration in honor of her parents 25th wedding anniversary.

Commander Andrews is a chaplain in the United States Navy, and at present is serving aboard the USS Princeton, CVS-37. Miss Andrews and Mr. Christ are both graduates of Linfield college.

During the past year Miss Andrews taught home economics, physical education and American problems at Sherman high school, Moro. She also coached the girls' volleyball team, was supervisor of the school cafeteria, senior class adviser and pep club adviser.

The wedding is to take place in the early part of 1958.

Careful Driving On Fourth Hoped For

Oregon safety officials expressed concern today over what might happen to the state's traffic death record over the Fourth of July. Their concern stemmed from the fact that over Memorial day holiday weekend, not generally considered a major travel holiday, 11 people met death in Oregon traffic accidents.

Those planning trips over the Fourth, the division said, should follow these four suggestions for a safe holiday:

1. Don't attempt to drive too many miles when time is limited.
2. Stay alert for mistakes of other drivers who may have been drinking.
3. Drive at a reasonable speed, remembering that traffic will be heavy.
4. Avoid becoming over-tired before starting home since a tired driver fails to react quickly to unexpected hazards.

Farmers Show Little Interest In Quota Vote Which Carried

Not many farmers bothered to vote in the election to determine the continuance of the present farm program. In Sherman county the vote was 128 to 29. Thus 18.7 per cent were opposed to the plan and 81.3 favored it.

The program was favored in the nation by a percentage equally as high and wheat farmers will get the full 75 per cent of parity for another year and will be restricted in acres by the full amount.

The Wasco and Locust Grove communities voted 65 to 13 for the plan, Moro voted 25 to 12 and Grass Valley-Kent 32 to 4.

Employment Down In Private Industry

Employment in Oregon's non agricultural activities increased more than 9,000 last month but the 489,600 jobs listed were 2,800 below a year before, according to preliminary estimates made by the State Unemployment Compensation Commission and based on reports from nearly 2,000 representative firms. The figures were prepared with the co-operation of the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Failure of seasonal operations, particularly lumbering and construction, to make their usual April-May gains cut down the number of workers noticeably, while food processing, machinery manufacturing and paper mills also fell short of the 1956 totals.

Loggers and sawmills reported 58,700 jobs, 7,000 fewer than a year ago, while construction was off 1,000 at 23,900 and plywood mills had 13,500 employees or 700 less than last year. Paper plants with 7,000 in 1956 and the same number last January. Machinery manufacturing, employing 4,900, was lower than during the winter and 500 under last May. Ship repairing and some durable goods industries fell off somewhat but electronic and a few small manufacturing groups reported increases.

Best gains over comparable periods were recorded in service lines and governmental activities. Public state and local groups increased 3,900 over last year to reach 64,800, while service was 2,800 higher with 60,800. The latter increased 1,700 in April.

Retail trade had more employees, reporting 84,000, while utilities and finance also were slightly higher. Transportation and warehousing stayed about the same as the previous month, a thousand lower than in May, 1956.

Little Leaguers Win From Fossil Sunday By 12 to 5 Score

The Sherman Junior leaguers won a game with Fossil Sunday by a score of 12 to 5 on the Fossil field and followers of the club say the locals played a good game and showed improvement over previous games.

Brown pitched most of the game being relieved by Charles Griggs in latter innings. Hockman was on third, Tommy Eakin catcher, Duncan, Holloway, Kirkelle, and two Kasebergs making up the team. Darby, Thomas, Zachary and Jimmy Duncan also played.

Milan Smith Speaker At Station Tour

A high-ranking aide to Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson is scheduled to address Oregon wheat farmers, July 2, at the annual Pendleton branch experimental station field day.

Milan Smith, executive assistant to Secretary Benson, will speak at the noon lunch at branch station headquarters, 14 miles northeast of Pendleton on the Walla Walla highway.

Reports of the station's research findings during the past year will start at 9 a. m. and continue through the afternoon, according to Merrill Oveson, superintendent.

A crop spraying demonstration by helicopter, tours of greenhouses where winter-hardiness of grubs and other research problems are tested, and demonstration of a new 4-bottom 2-way plow and an experimental grain drill are scheduled for the morning program.

Research Reports Due

The afternoon field day program will include reports on chemical removal of cheatgrass from fall-seeded wheat with Simazin, a chemical import from Switzerland. The material was applied just before wheat emerged last fall. Simazin also shows promise for chemical summer fallow of wheatlands.

Wheat seeding trials with the new Omar and Burt varieties, spring wheat and barley fertilizer trials, weed control in peas, and small grain variety trials will be seen during the tour. Trials with such special crops as safflower, carrots, sweet corn, and lima beans will be reported. Stubble mulch tillage and drill trials are also scheduled.

EXAMINER COMING

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Moro Wednesday, July 3 at the courthouse between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Field Day Date Is July 9: Station Tour In Morning

The annual field day at the Sherman Branch Experiment Station, Moro, Oregon, will be July 9. The program is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a. m. with a "buck-a-plate" luncheon served on the station lawn at noon.

The tour of the station's experimental plots will occur in the morning. It is hoped this will escape the summer heat or strong wind so often present in the afternoon. A 4-H tractor driving contest with contestants from Gilliam, Wasco and Sherman counties will be held in the afternoon in the shelter of the station buildings.

The station tour will feature plots fertilized fall and spring with anhydrous and aqua ammonia, rates and dates of seeding wheat and safflower, annual cropping of wheat, oats and barley, and wheat rotary hoed in the spring.

Board of Agriculture Recommends Changes

The state board of agriculture, holding on June 19 what members termed their last meeting, left several recommendations for general welfare of Oregon agriculture with Robert J. Steward, director of agriculture.

The members urged that the state board of agriculture conduct studies to coordinate operations and management programs for the 3500 acres of state farm lands. This plea was based on studies previously made by chairman S. B. Hall, Troutdale, of the Pennsylvania system of coordinating farm land management for state institutions.

Fred Cockell, Milwaukie, veteran board member, urged that the day-to-day operational job of farm market reporting be removed from the state college extension service and placed in the state department of agriculture. He said this work does not fall within either the research or extension fields of the college. No vote was called on this proposal but no opposition was voiced. Hall, a former county agent, pointed out, however, that the college is set up for education and research as opposed to operation functions. Hall urged strengthening the department's division of market development.

The board agreed unanimously on motion of Lee Holliday, Klamath Falls, that the position of director of agriculture should be removed from political considerations "for the protection of agriculture as a whole". Holliday, who is vice-chairman of the board, said the director of the department of agriculture should be removed only for cause and not with switches in governors or political parties.

Under a new law, the governor may appoint an entire new board of agriculture on July 1, with service thereafter limited to two terms of four years each.

Those Steelhead Go A Long Way

The Oregon fish commission is positive of the final disposition of at least two steelhead that entered the Columbia river last year.

The fish were "tagged" by the fish commission at Bonneville dam last July and were released to continue their trip to the spawning grounds. But these two particular fish failed to reach their intended destination.

This month, the numbered plastic discs that had been attached to the steelhead at Bonneville were returned to the fish commission, accompanied by a letter written in French. A translation of the letter by Dr. Roger Oske, Reed college language professor, disclosed that the tags had been removed from the fish by a Roumanian dishwasher at the La Reine - Pedaque, an exclusive Paris restaurant.

John I. Hodges, acting director of the fish commission, said the tagged steelhead were probably among the last fish taken commercially by Indians at Celilo falls. Completion of The Dalles dam last winter flooded out historic fishing sites at Celilo.

Dr. Oske said he had a little difficulty translating the letter because the dishwasher had used phonetic French spelling in his letter. The name of the writer was illegible, but his curious final passage was clear.

"I hope this information helps you to cure these fish of their polygamy and the cruelty of gobbling one another."

Service, \$2.00; Assessment & Tax-	20; State Tax Comm., \$107.71; So-
cial County Fund, \$4000.00; Kil-	cial Security Revolving Fund, \$
ham Stationery & Printing, \$5.97;	\$121.15; State Ind. Acci. Comm.,
Clair L. Balzer \$49.10; Moro Post-	\$6.58
master, \$10.00—brd of equaliza-	
tion Albert Kaseberg \$47.20; Roy	
Schilling, \$52.00	
COURTHOUSE:	
City of Moro, \$6.20; Pacific Tel.	
& Tel., \$53.00; Pacific Power &	
Light Co., \$29.02; Moro Lumber	
& Fuel, \$3.03; Ranch & Home	
Store, \$1.00	
CIRCUIT COURT:	
John H. Newman \$9.25 - reporter's	
expense.	
COUNTY COURT:	
Vernon I. Miller, \$47.04 - judges	
expense; Lester Wilson, \$30.00;	
C. F. Kuypers, \$30.00	
JUSTICE COURT:	
City of Wasco, \$10.00 Rent	
MENTALLY DISEASED CASES:	
Mid-Columbia Hospital \$15.00;	
COUNTY JAIL:	
Moro Coffee Shop, \$98.80 - brd.	
of prisoners.	
DEMOS PARK:	
Pacific Power & Light Co., \$0.95	
COUNTY PRINTING:	
Sherman County Journal, \$37.18	
DISTRICT ATTORNEY:	
T. Lester Johnson, \$16.75	
COUNTY AUDIT:	
Charles R. Logan, \$425.00	
MISCELLANEOUS:	
First National Bank, \$280.50;	
State Tax Commission, \$51.06;	
Social Security Revolving Fund,	
\$120.60; State Ind. Acci. Comm.,	
\$8.70	
ROAD FUND:	
WAGES: Axtell, \$317.08; Dunlap,	
\$434.30; McPherson, \$336.67; Bay-	
er, \$348.43; Morehouse, \$319.11;	
Gosson, \$337.39; Gray, \$337.61; Yo-	
cum, \$338.43; Johnson, \$308.43;	
Hammond, \$270.48; Griggs, \$358-	
43; Rodda, \$296.37; Wilson, \$348-	
43; Brock, \$348.43; Grabenhorst,	
\$21.10; First National Bank, \$429-	