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These Things We Note

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A very gracious lady is the guest of America and whether we like her or her nation, good manners dictate that we shall speak well of her while she is a guest. The Saturday Evening Post is wrong in publishing an article criticizing her at this time. We do not think she is dowdy and if she is banal it is the fault of her advisers. We are happy that the head of a nation does not imitate Marilyn Monroe. Americans might better watch their manners when they have company.

TTWN

The Deschutes river is entirely different in the fall than it is in the summer. The wind does not come off the super-heated rocks but apparently from the river itself and it is fresh and bracing, not wilting as in summer. The early fall rains have started the grass making it as green as in spring; it gives the impression—as does all green grass—of some new venture started by nature. It is that, of course, but the plans follow an old course. Along the hillsides where the moisture is sufficient the sumac leaves have turned crimson and are already falling. The willows have yellow in their foliage. But the water still boils up in unexpected places as it flows over the rocks blown into it by men building a railroad, all of whose works are gone.

TTWN

This is the time when car makers brag about the fine cars they will produce. They might better apologize. European cars have air suspension, disc brakes, front wheel drive, gasoline economy and greater and better controlled speed. Our car makers are far behind, something that might worry us as much as Sputnik.

TTWN

Oregon football fans are having lots of fun this fall with two teams at the top of the heap. And it is fun to have a year now and then in which neither side apologizes for weakness of their team as is the normal condition in Oregon.

TTWN

The governor's former car brought \$3600 in an auction so maybe it wasn't such a bad heap as his excellency said it was. Couldn't expect him to be economical about such things.

TTWN

Got a letter the other day from a gal who wrote a nice vertical hand; maybe it is inaccurate to label vertical writers as gals anymore, but anyway there was a big hassle about teaching the neat, round vertical scrip to papas and mamas brought up on spencerian. And sure enough the conservatives won and vertical was banished, although it was clear and distinct. Now kids can't write at all.

TTWN

It is our opinion that Edith Green will lose at least one vote every time she parks where others cannot or longer than others can. Her request for favoritism is an example of governmental arrogance we do not need.

TTWN

Robbing the postoffice in little Paisley turned out to be a poor venture for a couple of drunks. Hitting a big city bank is a better deal.

TTWN

Now its brand inspectors who are starting uniforms. That fellow Hitler might have been a fool about economics, art and military strategy, but he was smart about people, realizing that humans will go a long way to live up to a uniform. Not only "as a man thinketh, so is he," but as a man is dressed so is he.

TTWN

Maybe Marlon Brando didn't even ask the lady's nationality. Come to think of it, it isn't customary.

TTWN

Southerners have a good idea in planning to start a new political party. They know that minorities can get almost anything in America with a little log-rolling.

TTWN

Too bad Secretary Benson couldn't catch those eggs thrown at him. They are high enough to make a grab for.

Wheat Situation Simply Shown

UNITED STATES WHEAT: ITEM	SUPPLY & DISTRIBUTION		
	1951-55 average	1956-57 preliminary	1957-58 preliminary
Carryover stocks, July 1	646.2	1,033.4	905.2
Production	1,077.3	997.2	927.3
Total supply	1,723.5	2,030.6	1,832.5
Estimated quantity for feed, seed and industrial use for season	160.0	120.0	130.0
Quantity remaining for milling, export or carryover	1,563.5	1,910.6	1,702.5
Disappearance July 1 thru Sept. 30	131.6	133.7	139.2
Milled for flour	66.1	105.9	82.0
Exported as grain	197.7	239.6	221.2
Total milled and exported	1,365.8	1,671.0	1,481.3
Balance on Oct. 1 for milling, export or carryover			

Sherman County Club 4-H Leaders Get Meeting Friday Night Pins For Labor

The Sherman County club meeting will be held Friday night, October 18 at the court house notwithstanding the prevalence of flu, which so far has attacked more high school students than adults. Several public meetings have been seriously curtailed because of illness or fear of contacting those who may be ill.

It is probable that many of those who will attend the Friday meeting will have a primary interest in recreation and that that subject will dominate the meeting. There are other matters of importance the club could discuss if those interested in them would appear.

Fourth Dist. Women Meet At Moro

The fall-board meeting of the 4th district, Oregon Federation of Women's clubs, was held at the home of Mrs. Harry Pinkerton, Monday, October 14.

Coffee and rolls were served at 10 o'clock, as the guests arrived from Milton-Freewater, Weston, Pendleton, Boardman, Fossil, Arlington and Wasco. The current flu epidemic prevented three clubs from being represented. Business pertaining to club work occupied the day. At noon, the hostess served a buffet luncheon to the 30 guests.

County Agent Reports on Problems of Farming and What To Do About Them

The most recent research for stillbirth implants for cattle has established that smaller dosages of 30 to 36 mg. are more desirable under most feeding conditions than larger dosages. Implants in lambs is under the early experimental stage, but the findings in cattle seem to run true with lambs in that lower dosages near the 12 milligram level may give the most desirable results with lambs. Some work with lambs has shown increased rate of gain, but has often resulted in somewhat lower dressing percentage and carcass grade. This condition probably existed due to high dosages of stillbirth.

Kenny Crews, Grass Valley, indicates that the best meat that he hangs on the rail comes from animals fed a balanced ration. Kenny explains this as a more uniform finish and less fat wastage result. Protein is the little magic formula for success in livestock feeding and Kenny has pointed out its value in making good meat.

Wilbur Plager, secretary of Iowa Swine Growers association, judged open class swine at the 1957 Oregon State Fair. Mr. Plager is considered a swine authority and offers the following pointers in meat type hog selection.

Selecting the meat type hogs one should look for considerable length, a wide spring of rib, a wide back and a wide chest floor, a long wide rump and a heavily muscled ham are important because about 1/4 of the carcass value is in ham. A trim middle, a trim jowl and freedom from flabbiness are other points to consider in market hogs. Mr. Plager criticized the Landrace breed for being narrow in the chest floor and pinched in the heart girth.

Breeding swine should have the same general requisites as market hogs and in addition should have ample bone and stand up well on their feet. Breeding swine should have at least six teat placements on each side and the nipples should not be inverted. He also emphasized leg placement and stated that width between front legs indicates strength of constitution and width between rear legs as meatiness.

Brand Inspectors "Branded"



Have trouble locating the livestock brand inspector? To make it easier for you, this unit of the state department of agriculture personnel has adopted a special jacket and automobile seal. A tan whipcord jacket with a blue and gold insignia on the left shoulder has been adopted as the official uniform, and the inspectors' cars will bear their title on the door right above the state seal. Pictured by his car is Irving S. Hangar, Jr., livestock brand inspector in the Woodburn district, modeling the new jacket.

Tax League To Start Meetings

The Sherman Tax League will hold its first meeting Monday night, October 21 at the court house.

It was agreed last spring when the league ended its meetings that it would start them again in the fall if there was sufficient interest. That has been manifested by inquiries about meetings this fall. It is considered important that the league meet before the special session of the legislature goes into session so the opinions of the group can be made more effective than if expressed later.

There is a proposal to eliminate the state property tax at the special session and that is one of the matters on which the Sherman Tax League took most positive action last spring.

Anyone interested in any phase of taxation is invited to attend the meetings and take part in the round table discussions.

Flu Keeps Half Of Sherman High Students At Home

Flu, or something resembling it, caused 65 absences out of a total of 130 pupils at Sherman High Wednesday afternoon. Four went home at noon after 61 failed to report in the morning. The day before there were 55 absences.

There are many absences at elementary schools throughout the county but not so large as in the high school whose pupils have had a better chance to contact others that may have the ailment by football games over the state.

Very few are seriously ill although at least three have been taken to hospitals with a very high fever, among them being Deanna Martin, Bill Edwards and Gene Yaeger. The illness seems to require but two or three days for sufficient recovery to resume classes.

More Wheat Acreage Foretold For 1958

Oregon wheat farmers are increasing their 1958 average despite prospects of lower wheat prices, says M. D. Thomas, Oregon State college agricultural economist.

Thousands of Columbia Basin acres planted to barley last year are coming back into wheat following changes in the 1958 Soil Bank program, the economist reports. Farmers can no longer increase barley plantings equal to their reduced wheat plantings under the "banks" acreage reserve program.

The result has been a sharp drop in Soil Bank participation by Oregon's Columbia Basin wheat farmers. Arnold Bodtke, Portland, chairman of the state agricultural stabilization and conservation committee, reports only 22,000 wheatland acres signed into the acreage reserve for 1958 compared to 112,000 acres for 1957.

More Wheat Acreage Possible

Wheat acreage may also be increased by a new aspect of the government allotment program. Farmers may now grow up to 30 acres of wheat providing all this wheat is used on the farm where produced. None of it may be sold or traded. Deadline for signing such an agreement was October 15.

As in the past, farmers with allotments of less than 15 acres may harvest up to 15 acres and sell the wheat without penalty. Meanwhile, the national average support price for wheat can go as low as \$1.78 a bushel compared to \$2 for the last two crops, according to the U. S. department of agriculture.

Possibilities of Pacific Northwest wheat selling above support prices have also dimmed with prospects of decreased exports in 1958. Indications are that Public Law 480 which permits acceptance of foreign currencies for wheat will be discontinued next June, Thomas says.

Fall Historical Dinner Farm Conference November 17 Planned To Get Start Tuesday Night

The annual fall meeting of the Sherman County Historical society will be held at Grass Valley, in the Odd-Fellows hall, at two o'clock Sunday, November 17. There will be a potluck dinner. Plans were made at a board meeting held Tuesday night at the Moro hotel.

A speaker for the occasion has not been obtained by the committee of Wallace May, V. B. Eakin and Giles French is looking for one. Some county history will be a part of the program, Mr. May said, after the meeting, as this has become a popular part of the fall session.

Mrs. Alta May, Mrs. Dorothy Dunlap and Mrs. Dean Reynolds will be asked to do the preliminary work in the hall Saturday and Sunday arrangements will be in charge of Mrs. Myrtle Barnum, Mrs. Clara Kock, Mrs. Nellie Fields and Mrs. Cleora Spencer. School teachers will be invited to attend and get some acquaintance with the county's history.

Mrs. Maude Lawrence Buried In The Dalles

Funeral services for Mrs. Maude Lawrence were held at Smith Callaway Chapel in The Dalles, Monday, October 14, following her death, Wednesday, October 9 at the age of 56. Rev. Ernest Goodenberger of Moro officiated and interment was in Parklawn cemetery at The Dalles.

Survivors of the long time Moro resident were her widower, John, two daughter, Mrs. Ted Thompson, Moro and Mrs. Burdette Lite, Portland, brothers, George Beardsley, Minneapolis, Minn., sisters, Mrs. Davis Swenson, Erskine, Minn., Mrs. William Konkleritz, Minneapolis, Minn., Mrs. Beattie Saunders, Big Rapids, Michigan, a daughter in law, Mrs. Shirley Lawrence of The Dalles, six grand children.

She was a member of the Presbyterian church of Moro, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

TWO AT LINFIELD

Norman Fridley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fridley, Wasco, and Rodney P. Rolfe, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Rolfe, Grass Valley are among 775 students enrolled at Linfield college, McMinnville, Oregon for the 1957-58 academic year.

Fridley is a junior studying business administration, Rolfe is a junior in physical education.

Stock Control Districts Started

The first five orders under the new livestock district law have been issued by the state department of agriculture. The legislation makes the department headquarters at Salem the depository for official orders and descriptions of every livestock district in the state.

The new law directed the department to make specific determinations in four counties. These are covered in the first four official orders:

Hood River—all the county except for federal land is a livestock district.

Umatilla—no livestock districts exist.

Wasco—all public roads and an area in the northwest section of the county are livestock districts.

Multnomah—all the county is a livestock district.

Also, the department has determined that no livestock districts exist in Polk county. However, in this county the department says, for informational purposes, that the part of the Salmon River Highway, State Highway No. 39, from Valley Junction, in Polk county, to a connection with the Oregon Coast Highway at or near Otis in Lincoln county, is an area established by Oregon law as a livestock district.

Livestock districts are created areas in which cattle, horses, mules, asses, sheep, goats and swine cannot legally run at large.

Hearings will be held in other Oregon counties to establish what districts exist and the boundaries. Chester B. Litchy, Salem, will carry out field work and conduct the hearings. In addition, the department will study state laws, county records and other evidence bearing on existing districts. The deadline set for these determinations is August 20, 1958.

Kickoff meeting for the 1958 Sherman County Farm and Home Planning conference is set for 8:00 p. m., Tuesday, October 22, County Courthouse, Moro. The event will start the fourth long time planning conference held in Sherman county. The system was initiated in 1924 in the county with similar programs held in 1938 and 1948.

W. L. May, Grass Valley, 1948 conference chairman will continue to serve for the 1958 event. Two hundred Sherman countians have been asked to assist on six planning conference committees. Six committees to handle planning in agriculture and rural living selected with chairmen are Crop Production and Marketing, Elton Medler, Wasco; Livestock Production and Marketing, Bernard Martin, Grass Valley; Land Use, Don Thompson, Moro; Weed Control, Joe Heater, Moro; Public Affairs, Kenneth Fridley, Wasco; and Home and Community Living, Mrs. Lester Wilson, Kent.

Fall and winter committee meetings will follow next Tuesday's kickoff event, W. L. May, conference chairman states. The conference will be concluded around February 1, 1958 with reports of committees. The necessary work of the conference and its reports will be done by committee members. Chairman May indicates the success of the long time look ahead depends on the support and participation of those asked to serve on committees. May also indicates all county organizations are encouraged to lend support to this planning endeavor.

The Sherman County Rural Advisory Council and the Sherman County Extension Service are sponsoring the conference. The council consists of representatives of the county wheat league, cattle-men's association, 4-H leaders association, home extension unit council, soil conservation district, weed control committee, Sherman county court and Sherman Pomona Grange.

A stable agriculture, improved use of natural resources and improvement in family and community living are basic objectives of conference. Immediate aims are to set some long time objectives for agricultural and community living, provide over all plans for community improvement, guide for individual, organizations and government agencies, and direct changes that are going to happen in a favorable way.

Vernon Miller, vice-chairman, 1948 conference, and present Sherman county judge, will review previous conference and accomplishments since. E. R. Jackson and Clifford Smith, state extension agents and T. W. Thompson, Sherman county agent, will present a story on "Changing Conditions" over a 10-20 year period in Sherman county, and agriculture on a state and national level. Those attending will have an opportunity to designate particular neighborhood, community or county problems or opportunities for improvement, states Chairman May.

W. H. McDonald Jr. To Be Buried Friday

Funeral services will be held Friday at Smith Callaway for William Harland McDonald Jr., 27 who died while on naval service in Japan after an inoculation.

Mr. McDonald graduated from Rufus High school in 1948 and joined the navy that year, remaining there since that time. In addition to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harland McDonald of Rufus, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Alton Christianson in Portland and two grandmothers.

Rev. Richard Bruner of Wasco will officiate and interment will be made in the IOOF cemetery in The Dalles.

Rebekah Convention To Be October 29

On October 8 the Rebekahs had a social evening consisting of cards and refreshments. The convention will be at Wasco October 29 instead of October 31. As many members of Lupine lodge No. 116 as is possible are urged to attend lodge October 22 in order to complete arrangements for the convention. A count on all who wish to attend the banquet at Wasco is desired.