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These Things We Note

Giles L. French

The Oregonian has finally got its regional power plan in form to be introduced in congress. It has some advantages, some disadvantages. In a country and a time when it is popular to keep development out of the hands of the people and into hands of government, it may be as good a plan as any.

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Driving carefully and smoking sparingly would prolong life. But whose doing it? Just a few oldsters who haven't much to lose anyway.

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If everyone worked 35 hours a week instead of 40 hours there would be seven-eighths as much production as before and prices would be higher if you assume that it is goods (production) that makes us rich it would be a bad thing to reduce wages; if you assume that leisure makes us rich it would be a good thing.

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The perfect government, according to the socialists, would be one that sent each citizen a check every month, preferably enough to live on.

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Elbert Hubbard said that if you made a better mouse trap customers would beat a path to your door however inaccessible. That is obsolete. If you run a modern government you'll get to trap mice whether you know how or not.

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There's almost none of our present problems that would not be eased if the population of the world was reduced. Some day the injunction to breed and multiply will be obsolete.

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It is possible to train a mind; we doubt if it is possible to train a personality as schools have been trying. They spoil with ease.

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On our desk is a seed catalogue depicting in flaming colors the glories of home grown vegetables. It revives our faith in the eventual coming of spring; it stimulates our appetite; it restoreth our soul.

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How long since anyone has suggested that we pay off the national debt?

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A few years ago a man's biography might note that he was a member of a church or a political party. Now it must report that he belongs to a dozen committees and organizations. Well, organizations have one quality: they prevent individuals from doing anything.

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There's nothing so permanent as the governmentally temporary.

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The average male dies at 67, we note. That gives him two years to enjoy his social security he's paid for over 50 years.

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This is the time of year to sit down (it's safer that way) and take stock of what you've done the past year. Take a long look and get as wide a view of it as possible. How good a job has been done? May be why, but no excuses. Worth while.

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We heard a lot about razors, quite a bit about pens and something about football Wednesday. We liked the football; we saw that willingly.

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Now Sig Under, state treasurer, announces for the Republican side as a candidate for governor. Sig knows his dollars and is careful with them, a trait Oregon could use.

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The Rose Bowl game apparently ended: just right, Ohio happy over winning and Oregon happy over coming close.

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We have a brand new year but the same old habits; a new page to write on but the same old pencil; a fresh start but the same old starter. If we have done well before we will probably continue and if we have done badly we may keep that up, too.

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Taking a holiday on Wednesday would ruin us in a short time and we are glad it is over. We might get to liking it.

Short Stories About People and Events

Tax Expert in The Dalles

The federal government, in order to extend assistance to taxpayers in Oregon during the filing season, will establish an office at the postoffice in The Dalles on January 6 to remain until March 31. It will be open Mondays and in addition will remain open each weekday from April 7 through April 11 and on Monday and Tuesday April 14 and 15.

Veterinarian Moves

Doctor Milton Skov, official county veterinarian, has moved from Goldendale to The Dalles. Dr. Skov is now associated with Dr. Homer Webb in The Dalles and can be reached at CY 6-5059 or CY 6-5862.

Bangs testing or vaccination and T.B. testing is authorized through Dr. Skov. The county agent's office assists in scheduling vet calls. Dr. Skov regularly visits Sherman county on Thursday, but will come by special call any day of the week.

Aliens Must Tell

Ernest J. Hoyer, district director, of the Immigration and Naturalization service estimated today that 20,000 aliens will report their address during January, 1957. The law requires all aliens in the United States, with few exceptions, to report their address during each January. Throughout the United States, almost thirty per cent more applications for naturalization are received during January, February and March than are received during other months. The immigration office attributes this sudden rise to the Alien Address program.

Aliens not required to make this report are diplomats, those accredited to certain international organizations and those who have entered temporarily as agricultural laborers.

Forms for making the reports will be available to aliens at all postoffices and offices of the Immigration and Naturalization service at Portland during January.

State Schools Get Private Donations

Oregon's state-supported colleges and university received nearly \$3,000,000 in gifts and grants during the last six months of 1957, topping the previous record for an entire year.

The State Board of Higher Education reported it accepted \$2,924,651 for the eight campuses and the general extension division during the six months ending December 31. This was \$100,000 more than the previous high received during the 1956-57 fiscal year.

About \$2,750,000 was earmarked for research at the various campuses. Another \$175,000 was for scholarships and fellowships.

Chancellor John R. Richards said the increased rate of donations indicated that non-state funds amounting to \$16,000,000 or perhaps as much as \$20,000,000, may be received during the 1957-58 biennium. Sources of non-state funds are mainly gifts and grants and student income.

During the last six months of this year, Oregon State college received \$1,288,495 of the gift and grant funds. The University of Oregon medical school in Portland received \$1,063,396 and the University of Oregon, \$497,278.

SEW & SEWS SEWING CLUB

By Pat Coats

We have had two meetings in the first year sewing club. On November 26 we elected Pres. Barbara Moore, Vice Pres. Mary Coats, Secretary Sandra Foss, Reporter Pat Coats. The other members of our club are Margaret O'Meara, Linda Hockett, Susan Van Gilder, Linda Van Gilder, Nina Rhinehart, Jannette Long, Vicki Turner, Ann Winegar, and Lynne Walker.

Next meeting we are going to bring our sewing boxes and things we need for sewing.

We closed the meeting with a 4-H yell.

On December 17 we had our second meeting. Pres. Barbara Moore called the meeting to order. Sandra Foss read the minutes of the last meeting.

Jannette Long showed us how to tie a knot in the thread. Mrs. Chet Coats (our leader) showed us how to do the back stitch. We are going to make needle cases for our first project and we need to know this stitch.

We will have our meetings every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

Pamela Winnett has joined our club.

McDermid-Walker

Mrs. Gwendolyn Neal Walker of Salem and Donald McDermid of Wasco were married December 26 at St. Paul's Episcopal church in The Dalles.

Mrs. Walker is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Neal of The Dalles and widow of the late Kenneth Walker. Mr. McDermid is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan McDermid, both deceased. They will live on the John McDermid farm now owned by the groom.

Extension Classes Starting

Education 476, School Law and Organization, will be offered by the General Extension Division, beginning next Monday evening at 7:30 p. m. in the Wasco elementary school. The course carries two hours of either graduate or undergraduate credit. The fee is \$19.00-\$9.00 per credit hour.

The instructor is Lynn Hampton, Sherman County School Superintendent, who taught the course during the past two years for the extension division in the Ontario, Nyssa and Vale area.

Roots Attend Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Root went to Yelm, Washington, this week to attend the wedding of their son, Bill, to Jill Terpenning, daughter of Frank Staples of Seattle. They were married in the Methodist church at Yelm with Bud Root, brother of the groom and Miss Betty Shaw as attendants. Miss Shaw and Bud Root will be married in the spring.

Mrs. M. B. Taylor Dies In Portland

Mrs. Millard B. Taylor (Mattie J. Bailey) died at her home in Portland Wednesday morning after a long illness that has kept her bedfast for many years. Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a. m. Friday at Colonial Mortuary followed by vault entombment. Friends are requested to omit flowers and to contribute to the White Cross Mission of Hinson Memorial.

Martha Bailey was born in Douglas county, a daughter of the Rev. C. P. Bailey, early day Baptist preacher of central Oregon who lived at Prineville during the last two decades of the 19th century. She was an active church worker and Sunday school teacher at Grass Valley before moving to Portland.

Surviving are her widower, Millard B. Taylor, a Portland physician, four sisters, Mrs. W. L. Boldman of Bellevue, Wn., Mrs. Floyd Nichols of Alhambra, Cal., Mrs. Lizzie Hodges of The Dalles and Mrs. S. D. Cole of Portland. Two brothers and one sister of the Bailey family have died previously.

County Agent Has Advice for Stockmen About Feeding, Breeding

Dehorning of cattle is an age old problem that farmers are still wrestling with in Sherman county. Best advice is to break off the horns or dehorn at 7 to 30 days of age. Where horns remain for some time attempts should be made to reduce blood loss when removing. Some farmers are attempting to follow a system to cut down on blood loss. Others might give one of the following a try with the result of dollars in saving by reduced loss in weight. All apply to controlling arterial hemorrhage.

Use of a figure eight loop of binder twine or hay wire, applying it around the base of the horn. One can tie this fairly loose and place a stick between the free ends and twist in tourniquet fashion until the whole loop is tightened. A loop around both horns with a string over the poll for tightening also works satisfactorily. String or wire should not be left over 24 hours.

A scarring iron is also an excellent means of controlling hemorrhage. An electric soldering iron or a heated iron are good. The ends of the vessels must be seared to such an extent that spurting hemorrhage is controlled. Just the blood vessels and not the entire area should be seared.

Medical forceps with a bent point is a fairly new idea, and is being used by veterinarians when dehorning. Most farmers should be able to use this method. The artery forceps are used to pull a section of the exposed arteries. The main artery is on the lower outside part of the horn cavity. The artery can be held and gently pulled and twisted resulting in breaking off 4 to 1 inch and closing the artery. Forceps can be secured at a drug store or veterinarian supply house.

Announcement was made last week of the extension of time for registration for voting on the beef commission. Ranchers have until January 21 to register. Sixty-four Sherman county producers have registered to date. Registration is done through the county agent's office, courthouse, Moro.

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Wheat League Head Hail Rate Reduction Plan

The proposed rate reductions by northwest railroads for grain and grain products could mean additional income to Oregon producers according to Jack Smith, Condon, Oregon Wheat league president.

Smith pointed out that the local market price to the grower should increase by the amount of the rate reduction. In Walla Walla county the rate reduction to Portland would be approximately 4.5 cents per bushel; the Baker county reduction would be about 6.3 cents per bushel from Baker; Union county reduction from Island City would be 9 cents per bushel; and Umatilla county reduction from Pendleton would be 6.3 cents per bushel.

Wheat counties closer to the terminal markets of Portland, Oregon and Vancouver, Washington, would have smaller reductions. Wasco county would have an average of 1.5 cents per bushel; Sherman county would average about 2.1 cents; and Gilliam county approximately 0.9 cents per bushel.

According to Marion Weatherford, Arlington, chairman of the Pacific Northwest Grain and Grain Products association, who attended the rate reduction hearing in Seattle, Washington December 10, the proposed rates are subject to one stop transit privileges between interior points and coast terminals, which brought requests from milling interests for consideration of additional transit privileges. He said that many requests were made at the hearing for adjustments of rate discrepancies within areas.

Weatherford said that it might take approximately two months before the proposed reductions could be put into effect.

George Wilcox's Have Anniversary Reception

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilcox, mostly from Sherman county, met at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Dean Wilcox at The Dalles Sunday afternoon to congratulate George and Marie on 40 years of matrimony at a reception planned by son Dean and daughter, Janet (Mrs. Maynard Nelson) of Salem.

Many relatives were there and many friends who recalled that on Christmas 1917 the pair left the Morrison home and were married the following day at Grass Valley to begin a life of farming, insurance selling and drug store keeping, eventually capped by retirement to a Salem home.

Sherman Wheat Growers league officers will meet January 3 to select committee chairmen and lay plans for the years activities. Bill Todd, Grass Valley, is the '58 president and Mac Hall, Moro, vice-president.

Oregon Wheat league members were selected at a recent meeting of the executive committee. Sherman county members who will handle assignments during the year are: Domestic Wheat Utilization committee, chairman, Mrs. Paulen Kaseberg; Production and Land Use committee, vice-chairman and chairman of the Conservation Man of the Year committee, Don Thompson; Advisory sub-committee on Farm Programs, Paulen Kaseberg and Floyd Root; subcommittee on 44 cents differential for truck freight shipments, L. E. Kaseberg; subcommittee on Columbia River Development, Ken Fridley; Taxation and Legislation committee, secretary, Allen Tom; and Youth Activities committee, vice-chairman, Marvin Thomas.

The executive committee of Oregon Wheat league will meet Tuesday, January 7, at the Memorial Armory, Pendleton. The National Wheat Growers association meeting will be held in the west again this year. Washington will be host and the meeting held February 17, Davenport Hotel, Spokane.

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December Weather Just Right for Stock, for Wheat, for Men

Since last report December 26 the weather man has sent .43 inch of rain to bring the crop year total to 5.06 which is exactly .04 above the normal. December's total was .42 above normal which is about what fell on the 20th when the gauges registered .43 inch.

December was a warm month as winter months go the mean being 38.4 degrees an even 6 degrees above normal. The highest was 60 on the 9th and the lowest a 19 on the 13th. The average maximum was 46.7 and the average minimum was 30.1.

Farm Bureau Has Need For Members

The Oregon Farm Bureau statewide membership drive is set for January 6, at Bend, Oregon. Captains and organization chairman from 30 Oregon counties will meet at the Pilot Butte Inn in Bend for a one day membership meeting.

Clifford Wright, organization director for the Oregon farm organization, reports 250 farmers from counties will attend the meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to plan an organized drive which will fulfill the membership quota of 9240 members by Feb. 1. Oregon was the first state in the nation to make its membership quota last year and, Wright reports, the Oregon Farm Bureau has had a steady increase in membership for the past 16 years.

The statewide captains meeting is held annually prior to the membership kickoff which this year will be held January 13. The membership drive will be carried out by over a thousand volunteer farmers throughout the state.

Power Off Monday Causing Delays

A series of power outages hit the Moro, Wasco and Grass Valley area Monday afternoon as the result of trouble on the Pacific Power & Light company's transmission circuit between The Dalles and Tygh Valley.

Ray Kelso, local manager for the power company, reported the first interruption was at 2:25 p. m. and lasted 17 minutes, and again at 3:11 p. m. for two minutes and at 3:22 p. m. for almost half an hour. The fourth outage at 5:01 lasted but seven minutes.

Service was restored by sectionalizing portions of the facilities, Kelso reported, until a PP&L repair crew located the trouble spot north of Tygh Valley on Monday night.

Brief Notes About News of Last Half of 1957 Tell Some Occurrences

The last half of 1957, the harvest.

July 5: The new Grass Valley postoffice was dedicated in a public program that featured history and congratulations to the town and the postmistress Glendora Smith.

Barley price set at \$1.05 for the year.

Six scouts leave for the Jamboree at Valley Forge, led by Bill Baldwin.

July 12: Assessment finished on farm land for the 1957 tax roll, not many changes made from recommendations.

Experiment station field day draws smaller crowd to see interesting experiments.

Sherman countians give 58 pints of blood.

July 19: Rain comes to delay early starting harvesters.

Biggest tax ever foretold by the budget demands.

July 26: Bids opened for DeMoss-Big Eddy power line, 115,000 volt. Key Construction gets con-

New Savings Plan Starts This Year

A new savings plan called "Firstomatic," and featuring the combination of automatic deduction from personal checking accounts with a new high-interest savings certificate was announced last week by First National of Portland.

The plan, first combination of its kind in the west, allows customers to automatically deduct funds from a checking account and direct them into the new savings certificates which earn 3 per cent interest, compounded semi-annually. Or customers may deduct funds for a regular savings account paying 2 1/2 interest. It was explained by C. B. Stephenson, bank president.

It is common knowledge that the business economy of Oregon and the nation is highly dependent on the ability and the willingness of people to put aside savings," Stephenson said. "We feel that anything we can do to make saving easier and more convenient will benefit not only the savers themselves but the business community as a whole.

The new savings certificate, which is issued in multiples of \$25 may be held to maturity at the 3 per cent rate, or surrendered after a 90-day withdrawal notice, earning 2 1/2 interest.

This dip in the native feed supply comes just before calving and lambing the final one-third of the gestation period when two-thirds of the unborn animals' development is taking place.

Heifers that got supplemental with their hay produced two-thirds more calves than did like heifers getting the same kind of hay but no supplement. Nor did the difference end there. The calves from the heifers that got the supplement feed averaged 8 pounds heavier at birth—45 pounds heavier at weaning. The second-year calves from these heifers average 17 pounds heavier at birth—77 pounds heavier at weaning.

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George Reeds take over Beefe's. Good crop assured from harvesting already done.

August 2: Soil Bank brings nearly \$400,000 to county.

August 9: Taxes will take \$655,394 from Sherman countians this fall.

Rain again halts threshing.

August 6: Funds voted for John Day dam.

Jack Cushman named to city council.

August 23: Grain crop estimated at over four million bushels with harvest ending.

Fire burns barley at Frank Sayrs ranch.

Camera club organized.

August 30: Carol Armstrong appointed as county Home Ec agent.

Hearing on closure of Deschutes river to stockmen held at The Dalles with local men testifying.

Teacher list completed for Sherman county schools.

September 6: County fair plans made for opening next week.

Nitrogen fertilizer helps wheat in some fields, not in all.

Telephone exchanges changed to per nit longer calling for free.

September 13: Judging at fair grounds starts as well groomed livestock is placed in stalls.

Enrollment in schools slightly lower than in 1956.

Two Moro girls win dressmaking award at Salem fair.

September 20: Wilma Gentry has best fat steer at county fair which is a success from exhibitors viewpoint.

Midco sale called off; too few bulls available.

Sale of 4-H beef and hogs top sales of prior years.

September 27: Model club has first local show and draws entries from far away.

Convention for county school reorganization announced.

October 4: Sherman High loses its third game, Stevenson winning.

Rain comes to cheer, not to delay, and farmers happy over seeding prospects.

October 11: Washington governor Rosellini pledged support for Biggs Rapid bridge.

Dogs raid sheep pens in north end of county, killing several.

October 18: Flu kept half the Sherman High student body at home for most of the past week.

The 4-H leaders awarded pins for work during the past year.

October 25: Sherman County club to start study of John Day and its probable effect on county business.

Extension service makes lively presentation of reasons for another county planning conference.

Nine members elected to make up school reorganization group.

November 1: Roger Bounds tells county club the effect of the McNary dam on his town of Umatilla.

Farmers may be able to grow trees on soil bank acres.

November 8: The 4-H clubbers get pins and awards for year's work.

Pole line, Big-Eddy to DeMoss being built by construction crew based in Moro.

November 15: Maupin defeats Sherman in final football game ending unsuccessful season.

ASC announces list of nominees for local agricultural posts.

November 22: FFA chapter inaugurated with initiation at Sherman High.

Wheat leaguers meet to prepare resolutions for state convention. Assessor contemplates change in local rate.

November 29: Football players honored at banquet arranged by mothers.

Wheat league announces convention plans.

December 6: Tax turn-over totals \$604,920 as nearly everyone pays his taxes.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Barnum married 60 years Thanksgiving.

Communities elect ASC officers.

December 13: Many attend wheat league meeting at Pendleton, hear talks and resolve to follow commodity group plan.

Honor roll at school contains over 30 names, a quarter of total.

December 20: Successful year acclaimed by Sherman County Journal in survey.

George Geiser named sheriff to succeed Norman Fields, deceased.

December 27: Big wheat crop estimated by U. S. Department of Agriculture for 1958.