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These Things We Note

Giles L. French

"They ain't pretty, but I like 'em" said the man at the bar, speaking of the new sack dresses. "They're democratic, that's what they are. Here we've had the women with everything, you know, strutting around showing it off. Now they all look the same whether they've got anything or not. I think it's fair to give the flat ones a chance."

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The little row of daffodils along our sidewalk are in bloom after an early winter and a late spring.

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A little serious thinking might have made the blow on unemployment compensation payers a bit easier. When the fund dropped below \$30,000,000 the rates went clear to the top when a small raise would have restored it.

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High wages and high prices have made it impossible for private industry to do many things. Government then does them. And it cannot afford it either. But tax dollars are easy dollars.

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Giving a man a bad name may be dangerous. He may get to believing it himself and lose interest in being good.

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The job is important but how well the job is done is of more importance.

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Weather prophets say there will be more of the same in April and the same is cool and wet. That is fine wet weather.

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People who wouldn't think of decorating their house with the kind of filligree work favored in the nineties pay big prices for fancy gadgets on their automobiles and appliances. It is a matter of style.

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The Russians are said to be planning to overtake Americans in the production of living standards. Wonder if they can build a level sidewalk, or cure a "common" cold, or if their refrigerators have chrome handles. They do seem to have the sack dress.

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Every American should read the history of Rome and see what happened to a nation that overlooked the moral values.

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The senate investigation committee was much more certain about Portland's vice condition than Portland juries. Portland needs a bath.

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We note the protest of conference schools over the success of schools with low scholastic limits for athletes and think it well justified. Education should be the first aim of colleges even if it eliminates some good, tall jumpers. In other lines, too, we are providing opportunity for education to many who do not take it very seriously.

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We are now in a period of political campaigning and we wonder how much good it does. Voters may make up their minds on entirely different issues than the candidates talk about.

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Legislative candidates have received a questionnaire from the state labor council that will put them on a very hot spot if they try to answer it to the satisfaction of labor.

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A wagon train will make a trek across the western plains to advertise the Oregon centennial. It will be like it was over 100 years ago except that wagons will be drawn by horses instead of oxen, the road will be paved instead of dirt, meat will be bought instead of shot, it will not be necessary to carry provisions or medicine, no Indians will threaten and water holes will be plentiful, there will be enough available maps. Outside of the above—and some other matters—the trip will be just like 1843.

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There are signs that Americans are getting over the post-war era of feeling rich by driving a bigger car, wearing fancier clothes, talking bigger. Better standards are due.

ASC Has Money For Conservation Work on Farms

Nearly \$1,000,000 is still available to help Oregon farmers place conservation reserve contracts on their farms, according to Robert T. Lister, chairman of the Oregon agricultural stabilization and conservation (ASC) committee.

The conservation reserve program of the soil bank gives farmers a chance to shift cropland into conservation uses—and get paid for it—Lister explained. Farmers in the state can still sign contracts totalling \$1,000,000 worth of help if they act soon. Deadline for signing contracts under the conservation reserve has been set for April 15.

This part of the soil bank program pays up to 80 per cent of the cost of establishing a conservation practice, Lister said. Annual per-acre rental payments are then made each year the land remains under a soil bank contract.

Under the conservation reserve farmers or other landowners sign contracts under which they agree to take a designated acreage out of crop production and devote the land to conservation uses. The 1958 program allows landowners to put part of all of their cropland in the program.

Acceptable practices include establishing a protective cover of grasses and legumes or trees on cropland, water conservation through the building of dams and ponds, and development of cover and food for wildlife. Specific practices for local areas are approved through county ASC offices.

Application forms, and more information about the 1958 conservation reserve program, are available at county ASC offices. Since it takes time to complete a contract, Lister advises interested persons to contact their local ASC office soon.

Young Adults To Study At Wasco

A Young Adult Fellowship was organized Monday evening in the Wasco Methodist church. The meeting consisted of recreation and a program led by Rev. Bruner to discover the purpose of a young adult fellowship and needs for such a group. After a purpose was established they began planning the next meeting, which is to be held Monday, April 21 at 8:00 p. m. This fellowship group will meet the last Monday night of every month. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Clyde Fridley and Mrs. Richard Bruner. There will be a panel presentation and group discussion next time on "What is the Christian Person?"

March 29 the Wasco Methodist church will hold a 12-hour Lenten prayer vigil from 12 noon to midnight. Those wishing to participate should contact Mrs. Clyde Fridley, as chairman of the commission on Evangelism.

Easter Seal Sale Held Satisfactory

To date, with the Easter seal campaign at the half way mark, March 6 to April 6, the amount contributed is \$401.25 which is pleasing to the committee, composed of Mrs. John Parker, Mrs. Cecil Hockman and R. E. Ferrell who wish to thank citizens for their response to the needs of the handicapped and crippled.

Kent Women Meet To Cook

The Kent Home Extension unit met at the home of Mrs. Juanita Ruggles with the subject for the day being Yeast Rolls. There were 10 members and three visitors, Mrs. Paula Bueher, Mrs. Len Garland and Mrs. Allie Ruggles present. During the afternoon, leaders, Juanita Ruggles and Frances Bardenhagen demonstrated various methods for making rolls and some different ways of shaping and preparing them. At noon we enjoyed a buffet luncheon including some tasty rolls. The afternoon included further demonstrations by our leaders and the business meeting was held. A report on the spring festival to be held April 30 at Moro was given by Nan Wilson and suggestions sheets were passed out and a discussion was held on next year's program.

The next meeting will be at Dorothy Stark's home Apr. 10 and the subject will be Ready Mixes.

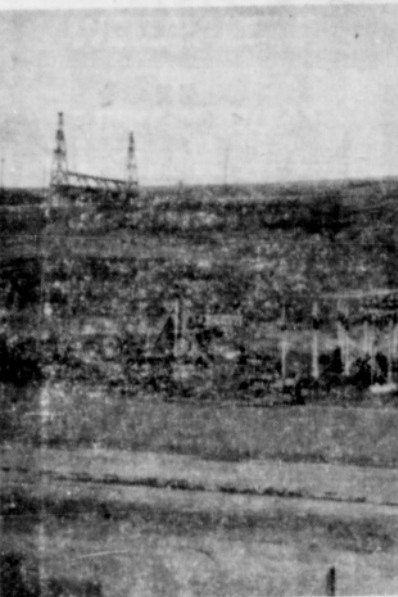
Welded Steel Elevator Going Up At Erskine

The new addition to the Erskine elevator will be nearly finished this week except for the roof. A crew of no more than five men are putting it together from 8 x 35 foot sheets of steel. Each joint is lapped about two inches and welded on both sides. A row of steel loops is welded inside the top of each row and the next piece of steel set on them and pulled into place. Then it is spot welded and later completely welded into place.

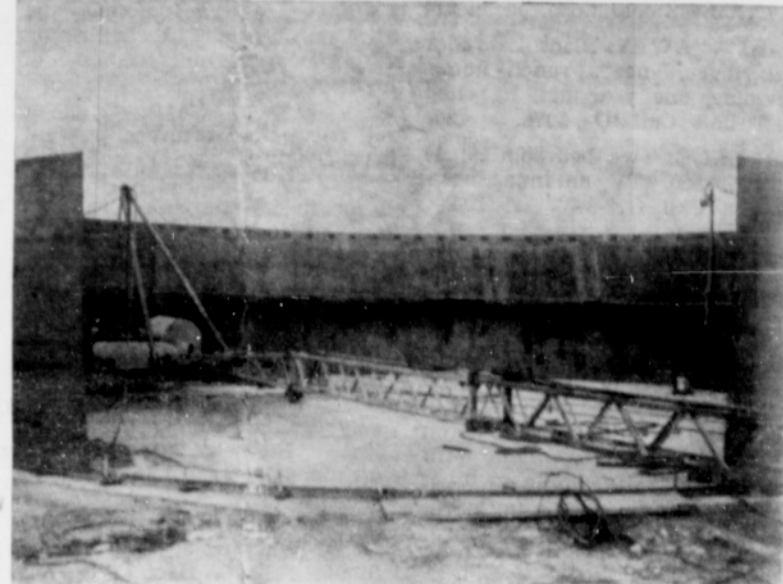
Each row of steel is slightly flared so that the next row can be started inside. When done the steel loops are burned off to give a smooth interior surface. The new addition is 38 feet in diameter and will hold 60,000 bushels when completed.

HAMMOND CATCHES COONS

Joseph P. Hammond, federal state hunter, caught 12 predatory animals in Sherman county from January 12 to February 8. These figures were just released by Mel E. Smith, district agent for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and M. E. Knickerbacker, animal industry division chief for the Oregon department of agriculture. Raccoons topped the list with six caught by Hammond; one coyote, one bobcat, and four porcupines were also taken.



The King Construction company is completing work on the new DeMoss Substation for Bonneville Power. The area is underlaid with a mat of copper ground wires



The new Erskine steel elevator is going up this week. Built on a concrete slab laid some weeks ago the entire structure is composed of quarter inch sheets of steel 8 x 35 feet which are bent to conform to the 38 foot diameter.

BOYS ATTEND TOUR

Sherman county was well represented at the annual 4-H Tractor tour being held in Portland March 20 and 21. Tommy Higley, Dave Reid, and David Conlee, 4-H Tractor members were accompanied to Portland with their leader Doug Alley. The tour has been held for 4 or 5 years and has proven to be very successful. The boys will visit various industrial and agricultural concerns.

Wet Weather Slows Farming In Busy Season

Weather has delayed and is delaying farm work over much of the county. The ground is too wet. Earlier many farmers spring toothed their land to be seeded and then it started to rain again. While much of the plowing is done in the north end the ground is still very wet.

Weeds have been a big problem for they grow fine with all the rain and it is too wet to get into the fields with spray rigs. Spraying has been going on for both weeds and fertilizer but the planes cannot get around to every one.

Yet farmers are busy and the towns are quiet. Tractor drivers come in and get jobs and go out to roar around the fields day after day pulling the plows.

In the south end where spring comes a little later there is a greater haste for the fields are still too wet for weed killing that should be done before seeding.

Prophecies that April will be another wet month bring little solace to wheat farmers usually anxious for wet weather almost any time but in harvest. Some have even been so frustrated as to wish it would quit raining.

County Court Gets Reports From Several Agencies

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS REGULAR TERM MARCH 5, 1958

RE CLAIMS: All claims allowed as presented against General Fund and General Road Fund.

RE TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Statement presented showing all fund balances as of Feb. 28, 1958—statement examined, approved and ordered filed.

RE GASOLINE CONSUMPTION: Road Supervisor represents court with report of gasoline consumption for month of Feb., 1958—examined and ordered filed.

RE ROAD BALANCES—Clerk presents court with road balances as of Feb. 28, 1958—examined, approved and ordered filed.

RE AUDIT—Report of Audit for Sherman county, year ended June 30, 1957 presented—Audit approved and filing fee instructed be paid Secretary of State.

RE COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT: Annual report of Extension staff covering period 10-1-56 to 9-30-57 received—approved and ordered filed.

RE FISH & WILDLIFE—representative of Fish & Wildlife commission appears before court and explains funds to be used for Sherman County's proportionate share of funds.

RE DOG TAX: Officers of incorporated city asked to aid county in checking unlicensed dogs. City to receive 80% of tax when application made to county.

RE SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Sheriff Geiser appears before court and states police school to be held in The Dalles in March—Sheriff & Deputy instructed to attend.

RE AMBULANCE: Outstanding ambulance bills discussed—Court instructs Clerk to cancel certain charges. Also those who are called out on ambulance to be reimbursed for lunch, etc.

RE BUDGET: Date of April 3, 1958 at 10 o'clock a. m. set for preparing budget for 1958-59.

RE WEED PROGRAM: Notice of meeting in The Dalles, March 10, 1958 for those who partici-

pate in weed spraying—Weed Spray man to attend.

RE GORDON BUTTE ROAD: C. Sayrs and H. Manke, B.P.A. representative, appear before court and discuss right-of-way.

RE ESTABLISHING COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING: An Ordinance providing for the establishment of a county planning commission in Sherman County, Oregon signed.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR FEBRUARY, 1958, APPROVED MARCH 5, 1958

TERM OF COUNTY COURT CIRCUIT COURT:

John H. Newman, \$88.78 - Circuit Court Reporter.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE: George J. Geiser, \$70.00 - official car; Kilham Stationery & Printing, \$3.16; Cushman Equip., \$8.90; Ranch & Home Store, \$55.25; State Industrial, \$5.78; George F. Cake Co., \$36.83.

CLERK'S OFFICE: County Clerk's & Recorder's Asso., \$15.00 - Association dues.

TREASURER'S OFFICE: Dunham Printing Co., \$162.10.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Joan C. Gilman, \$164.40 - office help; Clair L. Balzer, Appraisal and Field Work, \$33.76; Oregon Assol of County Assessors, \$25.00 - Assessor's dues.

COURTHOUSE: Pacific Tel. & Tel., \$55.45 - court house phones; Pacific Power & Light, \$41.49 - courthouse lights; City of Moro, \$23.35 - water; Sherman Super Market, \$4.98 - court house supplies.

COUNTY COURT: Kuypers, \$15.00; Wilson, \$30.00; Secretary of State - Mark O. Hatfield, \$20.00 - filing fee for County Audit.

ELECTIONS: Dunham Printing Co., \$18.00 - election supplies.

JUSTICE COURT: City of Wasco, \$10.00; Dunham Printing Co., \$129.10.

BANDS INDEMNITY: Luther W. Davis, \$8.00.

EMERGENCY: Oregon Juvenile Judges Asso., \$10.00 - Juvenile registration fee.

COUNTY PRINTING:

Sherman County Journal, \$23.08.

DEMOSSE PARK: Pacific Power & Light Co., \$95.

BONDS: United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co., \$15.00 - bond for Assessor.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: T. Lester Johnson, \$15.00.

COURTHOUSE IMPROVEMENT: Lamer H. Sayrs, \$140.76; Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$115.35; Kirk's Plumbing & Heating, \$472.30.

WELFARE: State Public Welfare Comm., \$1,306.25.

FEDERAL TAXES WITHHELD: First National Bank, \$248.70.

STATE TAXES WITHHELD: Oregon State Tax Comm., \$47.40.

SOCIAL SECURITY: Public Employees Retirement Board, \$123.72.

ROAD FUND: WAGES: Dunlap, \$435.23; Bayer, \$340.46; Morehouse, \$279.95; Gosson, \$314.22; Johnson, \$285.63; Griggs, \$357.64; Rodda, \$291.99; Wilson, \$316.34; Brock, \$328.10; Drinkard, \$356.74; Griggs, \$295.84; First National Bank, \$345.90; State Tax Comm., \$68.80; Social Security, \$192.54; State Ind. Acci. Comm., \$88.02; Bankers Life & Casualty Co., \$60.46.

REPAIRS: Cushman Equip. Co., \$1.00; Loggers & Contractors Mch. Co., \$24.66; Muller Farm Equip. Co., \$1.80; Ranch & Home Store, \$3.40; Wear Prevention Alloys Co., \$172.66; Empire Mch. Co., (Moro), \$1,126.19; Empire Mch. Co., (The Dalles), \$116.79; Moro Motors, \$3.00.

BRIDGES & CULVERTS: Gibson Pipe Co., \$3,463.73.

GAS & OIL: Shell Oil Co., \$656.27; Standard Oil Co. of Calif., \$4.42; Moro Grain Growers Assn., \$22.80.

BLASTING QUARRY SITES: English & Co., \$1,895.20.

GENERAL SUPPLIES: Daugherty Supply, \$35.00; Moro Lumber & Fuel Co., \$7.41; Moro Grain Growers Assn., \$47.50; Wasco Equip. Co., \$9.85.

MISCELLANEOUS: Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., \$19.70; City of Moro, \$1.75; Pacific Power & Light Co., \$19.72; Platt's Truck Service, \$7.08; Adelia Douma, \$200.00; Moro Postmaster, \$10.00.

High School Budget Within Limitation And Agreement

The Sherman County Journal was in error last week when it said that the Sherman high school budget was in excess of the six percent limitation. Although it will require \$157,000 for the school, \$32,000 of that amount is for debt service and over \$24,000 is in income from other sources than direct property taxes. The budget is for \$105,000, the exact amount possible under the base voted last year. Some building is contemplated and the hiring of another teacher to reduce the size of some mandatory classes.

Arthur J. Bucholtz Buried Wednesday

Funeral services for Arthur John Bucholtz, 52, who died of a heart attack Sunday evening, were held from the Moro Community church Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 followed by interment at Parklawn cemetery in The Dalles.

Art Bucholtz was tending his sheep about dark Sunday and was alone when stricken and although it was but a short time before he was found by his wife and son, nothing could be done for him. Death was probably instantaneous.

Mr. Bucholtz was born at Minneapolis, Minnesota June 30, 1905, a son of Otto and Mary Bucholtz, who moved to Grass Valley shortly after. He attended school at Grass Valley. For years he was owner of a confectionery in Moro until he started farming about ten years ago. He was very successful and surrounded himself with livestock to expand his wheat income.

Surviving are his widow, Gladys, a daughter Jacque, a son Terry, one grand daughter Terria of Moro, his father, two sisters, Mrs. Eunice Moran and Mrs. Gertrude Solle and a brother, Lester, of Portland.

He was an ex-president of the Sherman county fair board, ex-school board chairman, and president of the Moro Grain Growers, a member of the Masonic lodge and the Elks.

Rev. Ernest Goodeberger officiated at the services which were under direction of Spencer & Libby with the Masons conducting graveside rites.

Root Boys Home For House Warming

Friday March 28, after 4 o'clock p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Root are having a reception for Mr. and Mrs. William Root of Great Falls Montana; Miss Betty Shaw of The Dalles and Robert F. Root; and an Open House for their new home near Wasco.

William (Bill) Root is in the air force and is stationed at this time at Malmstrom air force base, Montana but is being transferred to Germany in May. Mr. and Mrs. William Root were married January 1 of this year.

Miss Betty Shaw and Robert (Bud) Root announced their engagement this last Christmas, wedding being planned for August. Bud Root is a sophomore at Oregon State college.

The new Floyd Root home was completed this February, after tearing down the old G. H. Root homestead which was built in 1877. The new home is on exactly the same site as the original.

Big Rain Hits North End

Rufus vicinity was spared the cloud burst of rain or whatever it was called Friday night. A torrent of rain hit at Watchman's Dip about half way between Rufus and Arlington. Hail also came down. Your correspondent happened to be in this spot when the storm hit. It appeared as if an inch of water covered the highway, and there wasn't even a glimpse of the yellow line. The windshield wipers couldn't keep the water from clouding the windshield. The passing cars poured water over others as they plowed through the torrent of rain. Some motorists thought it would be best to park along the highway until the fury of the storm had subsided. However, it was just in spots as we drove out of the path and into additional storm areas before reaching Rufus. The natives said it was the worst storm they had seen for the short period it lasted.

FFA Boys Attend First Convention; Obtain Charter

By New Reporter Jim Duncan

Five members of the Sherman FFA chapter attended the 30th State FFA convention in Bend March 19-24 with their adviser, Marvin Robertson, and returned with the charter for the local chapter. Those attending were Lynn Thoele and Ron Mobley, delegates, Doug McKay, Jim Duncan and John Duncan, alternates.

Raphael Raymond, immediate past president of the Oregon Wheat league, was awarded an Honorary State Farmer degree during the convention. Mr. Raymond was recognized for his help in starting the Mid-Columbia Livestock show at The Dalles and taking a lead in the Youth Activities committee of the Oregon Wheat league.

The Sherman chapter delegation attended the finals of the public speaking contest Wednesday, March 19. First place went to David Mack of Crater with the topic "The Curse of Bigness"—a discussion of contract farming. The awards in the public speaking contest are provided by the Oregon State Grange. Mack will represent Oregon at the western regional speaking contest at Helena, Montana. Last year the Oregon man, Adin Hester, went on to become Oregon's first national winner.

Sherman countians will be interested to know that Athena, winner of the parliamentary contest held in Moro, February 1, placed 5th in the state contest at Bend. The contest was won by Enterprise for the third time in the last seven years. Enterprise won permanent possession of the rotating plaque provided by the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation. The plaque and gavel for each member of the team were presented by a former FFA member, George Dewey, present executive secretary of the Farm Bureau.

Most of the awards were presented Friday evening during the banquet program with Frank Yraguen, state vice-president presiding. During the evening Ed Cameron of the Sears Foundation presented the annual contribution of \$4,950 to the state president, Adin Hester. This money is used to establish livestock chains. The Sherman chapter received money from this fund last fall to purchase the Hereford heifer given to Larry Middleton.

Establishment in farming awards were the highlight of the Friday evening session. Winners were announced in farm mechanics, rural electrification, soil and water management, dairy farming, and star farmer of Oregon. The Star Farmer was Dave Williams of Baker who has a one-third interest in a 420 head range beef operation, 40 milking Holstein cows, and 1200 acres of bottom land in the Baker valley. He is a senior at Baker high school.

Wasco News

The next meeting of the Wasco Rural PTA will be a celebration of the organization's tenth birthday and a novel program is planned. Bring your birthday pennies one for each year of your age, and add to the money in the treasury.

A large family get-together and potluck dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Nisbet last Sunday in honor of Mr. Nisbet's father, Archie Nisbet, who has been visiting from Rupert, Idaho. Those present included four grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Nisbet and three children from Ephrata, Wn. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gosson and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Nisbet and four children and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nisbet and five children.

Edwin L. Neasham, Fort Bragg high school senior, son of Eldon Neasham of Ft. Bragg and Mrs. Dessie Neasham Brown of Vacaville, Calif., and grandson of Jennie Hearing of Wasco has been commended by the National Merit scholarship corporation for his outstanding performance on a nationwide college aptitude test according to the principal. Neasham was California runner-up in the 1957-58 merit scholarship competition and as such qualifies in the top two percent of the nation's high school seniors. The annual competition is open to all high school seniors in the United States and its possessions, and this year over 1000 four year scholarships will be awarded about May 1.