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These Things We Note

Giles L. French

We hope that in time Governor Holmes attains the wisdom to realize that the littleness he is showing in the matter of the secretary of state appointment is one of the reasons he will be a short time governor.

TTWN
One nice result of Saturday's football games is that we will be forever relieved from having to read that Tommy Prothro has lost no game at home.

TTWN
Less than a month until Christmas and then a new year which is no longer a joyous occasion, not since the government made income taxes due then.

TTWN
One weather prophecy is that December will be warm and dry and January warm and wet. That leaves nothing but February and March which we should be able to stand.

TTWN
"Times fatal wings do ever forward fly; To every day we live, a day we die."

—Campton

TTWN
"We are in a fight and nobody is going to quit that fight," said James R. Hoffa to his teamsters. As a means of obtaining loyalty those words are excellent and everyone who aspires to be a dictator should never forget them. However, men who want to be members of a successful democracy (which must be based on independent thought) cannot heed them.

TTWN
U. S. Senators are now saying that it will cost 42 billion dollars to defend this country next year. We wish these men would sit down and explain to us just what it is we are being defended against.

TTWN
Senator Neuberger's assumption that taxes will go up pre-supposes that the government, federal and state, will arrogate to itself more authority over the people's money and the right to decide what it is spent for. There are persons who would like more food and clothing, more rest and relaxation, even more beer and skittles than more government.

TTWN
Newspapers advertisers have learned to put their ads where they can be seen but are not obtrusive. They are never in the middle of a story or just as the bad man is drawing a bead on the good man. And TV advertisers may profit from that example.

TTWN
The beginning of wisdom is the realization that people are going to go on being people despite attempts at reform or change. Being a reformer is a job for the young and the not-yet-wise.

TTWN
Some argue that there's no such thing as an accident; that it is merely an unexpected result of pre-determined conditions. But they can be very surprising.

TTWN
If you want to get rich—assuming that getting rich will be possible—do something with people. The world will soon be as full of people as a brush is full of bristles.

TTWN
The ability to tell the make of any car was an easy accomplishment as American makes became less numerous. Now, with foreign cars all over the place it requires an expert—and half the names mean nothing to the reader.

TTWN
Parole of Hugh D'Aurmont will create controversy but citizens may consider that 31 years in so forbidding a place as the Oregon State Penitentiary is a long time.

TTWN
If the proposed Columbia River Development corporation will stop the arguing and fighting over northwest power and water it will be a fine thing; if it merely gives an excuse for more battling it will be bad.

Near East Shown, Described By Traveling Workers

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Workinger of Shedd were at the Moro Community Presbyterian church Sunday night to show pictures of the Near East to a group that gathered for a family night and potluck dinner.

Shown were pictures of Palestine and the Sudan for the most part although the Workingers have pictures of other countries as well. The scenes shown of the detention camps of Arabs ousted from Israel and the strong and proud Sudanese were favorably received by the local people who attended the meeting.

"Mac" Alsop Dies Wednesday Morning

William McKinley Alsop, proprietor of the Tavern in Moro, died Tuesday night in a hospital in The Dalles after suffering a heart attack about two o'clock. He was given oxygen at home and taken to the hospital. He had been in for an examination Monday but returned home with some instructions and medicine.

Mr. Alsop was born in Missouri, December 23, 1897 and came to Sherman county when a small boy with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lincoln Alsop. He was a veteran of World War I, serving in the navy. Most of his life has been spent in Sherman and Wasco counties where he was a farmer and horseman, being a well known jockey in his younger days.

Survivors are his widow, Dorothy, two daughters, Mrs. Lavin Wing, Wame, Mrs. Auden Wagner, Fullerton, Calif.; three sons, William of Moro, Keith, Stockton, Calif., and Jack of Wame; two brothers, Noble of Ukiah, Calif., and Bernard of Los Angeles and one sister, Mrs. Wava Ash of Coos Bay.

Funeral services are tentatively planned for Saturday afternoon at Grass Valley with interment in the cemetery there. The family requests no flowers. Contributions may be made to the heart fund.

Schools Get Cash From State Fund

The county school superintendent has just received and distributed checks from the State Treasurer totaling \$21,080.00, \$18,463 for the Basic School Support Fund and \$2617 for tax offset. The amount from the treasurer to each district was as follows:

District	Basic	Offset	Total
No. 3 Rufus	\$1248	\$215	\$1463
No. 7 Wasco	3168	524	3692
No. 9J Kent	1222	195	1417
No. 17 Moro	3090	496	3586
No. 23 G. V.	2989	449	3438
Sherman High			
District 1	6746	738	7484
Total	\$18,463	\$2617	\$21,080

Grange Sets Policy At National Meet

Grand Rapids, Michigan, November 18, 1958.—The National Grange, at the 92nd annual convention, offered a 10-point program including:

1. Emphasis on the development of self-help, farmer-man programs to assure farmers a fair return and consumers ample supplies at reasonable prices.
2. Use of referendum by producers of each commodity in choosing the type of program best suited to their particular commodity.
3. Expanded research in agricultural production and marketing, with additional emphasis on industrial use of agricultural products.
4. Expansion of cooperative purchasing, marketing, credit and crop insurance programs.
5. Expansion of foreign and domestic markets by every practical means.
6. Credit, educational and other aids to help maintain and strengthen family farms.
7. Special assistance to farmers and part-time farmers, earning sub-standard income, through such programs as the Rural Development Program.
8. Effective and continued programs for the conservation and development of our land, water and related resources.
9. Effective tools with which to retard the accumulation of excessive supplies and prevent unreasonably low prices.
10. An information program to create understanding and cooperation between all segments of agriculture, and between farmers and urban consumers.

Sherrie Fraser On Way To 4-H National Meeting

Sherrie Fraser with 24 other Oregon 4-H club members will eat Thanksgiving dinner aboard a streamliner en route to Chicago where they'll attend the 37th National 4-H Club Congress, November 30 to December 4.

Most of the delegation will board the train in Portland at 3 p. m. Thanksgiving day. Other 4-Hers will board the train at Hood River, The Dalles, LaGrande and Ontario. Burton Hutton, state 4-H club extension leader, and Miss Grace Workman, City of Portland extension agent, will accompany the group.

The youths will attend the 4-H Congress with all expenses paid, in recognition of over-all achievement in club, community, school and church work, Hutton said.

Records of 265 4-H club members were examined in judging earlier this month by a committee of county extension agents at OSC. From these, 35 youngsters were chosen to represent certain project areas as state winners. Twenty-one of these received trips to Chicago as state awards. Others received awards such as watches, fountain pen sets, certificates, or plaques.

In Chicago, the 25 Oregonians will stay at the Conrad Hilton hotel with 1,300 other 4-Hers from all states, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. Among the week's highlights are tours of the city, including visits to the museum of natural history and the museum of science and industry.

They will also attend the International Exposition, the largest open class livestock show for 4-H and FFA members in the world.

Grain Fire Stopped At Hay Canyon

A fire in the Hay Canyon elevator where barley caught fire from an exposed light bulb started a few days ago and was discovered Saturday morning. It took the remainder of that day to remove enough grain to put out the fire. Damage of around \$1200 was done about five tons of barley being burned and some other damaged enough to make it suitable only for feed.

Legion Thanksgiving Attracts A Hundred

About 100 people attended the Thanksgiving dinner at the Kent Legion hall Sunday, sponsored by the American Legion and Auxiliary of the George Bell Post No. 49. The hall was beautifully decorated with fall colors and fall flowers. The head table was centered with a bowl of fall flowers flanked by candles and autumn leaves.

The Thanksgiving prayer was given by Mrs. Donald von Borstel chaplain pro tem. Vernon Berry entertained with songs; Mary Mobley and Peggy Reckman, delegates to Girls' State in June gave their reports; piano solo, "White Sport Coat" by Cathy von Borstel; flute solo, "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" by Joy von Borstel; piano solo, "Blue Danube" by Terri Bardenhagen; piano solo "Rose Petals" by Patty Knott.

Clair Balzer acted as toastmaster and introduced the distinguished guests, who responded with brief talks: Mrs. Harold Leach, member of department rehabilitation commission from Bonneville, Mrs. Denny McClary, district president; Denny McClary, past post commander from Cascade Locks; Mrs. Keith McDonald, district rehabilitation chairman, she is also president of the Wasco unit; Mrs. Frank von Borstel, past department president and Frank von Borstel on the national commission of conservation; closing with more music by Mr. Berry.

Mrs. Harold Owens was chairman of the dinner committee and among those assisting were Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Mrs. C. W. Fields, Mrs. A. von Borstel, Mrs. Gerald Blagg, Mrs. Clair Balzer, Mrs. J. E. Norton and Mrs. Kenneth Hattrup. Other out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel and the Misses Cassie and Mabel Holmes of The Dalles and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Reckman and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Berry and children.

Convoy Overtakes Wrecking New Cars; Driver Escapes

A driver of a car convoy spilled his load completely upside down and barely escaped death Sunday morning on the turn near the Haven place. The convoy, loaded with six bright new Fords, apparently swung to the outside of the turn (perhaps from too much speed) and overturned at the edge of the road below a bank of about four feet.

The driver had stayed at the Moro Hotel the night before and should not have been sleepy. His truck cab was smashed down so that there was little more than six inches left for the driver to crawl out of on the right side and he was able to do so with no more than minor cuts.

The cars were apparently total wrecks with nothing undamaged but some tires and perhaps motors or transmissions.

W. C. Helyer Buried In The Dalles

Funeral services for Wilbur C. Helyer were held in The Dalles Monday following his death at his home there Friday evening after an illness of several weeks.

Mr. Helyer was born at McMinnville, December 17, 1886 and came to Sherman county in 1909, by boat to The Dalles. His family took up land which he still owns. "Slim" Helyer was well known in Sherman county where he was baseball player and in his later years a raiser of horses. He exhibited his horses at county fairs, singly and in six-horse hitched. Since moving to The Dalles he has grown padominos and exhibited a team of them at the Portland Rose Festival and at other shows.

Surviving are his widow, Turia Brooks Helyer, two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Daniel of Eugene and Mrs. Della Ullman of Sisters; two sons, Durward of The Dalles and Robert of Kent, a sister, Mrs. Minnie Page of Corvallis and 11 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

He was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge at The Dalles, the Old Wasco Pioneers association and the Kent Christian church. Interment was made in the Parklawn Memorial Gardens near The Dalles.

County Court Starts Microfilming

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS REGULAR TERM NOVEMBER 5, 1958

RE CLAIMS. Claims presented against general fund, all ordered paid with exception of two. Claims presented against road fund, all ordered paid with exception of one.

RE TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Statement presented showing all fund balances as of October 31, 1958—ordered filed.

RE GASOLINE CONSUMPTION: Road Supervisor presents report of gasoline consumption for Month of October—ordered filed.

RE ROAD BALANCES: Statement presented showing road fund balances—ordered filed.

RE SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Sheriff Geiser appears before court and asked for \$50.00 from general fund to establish petty cash fund during tax collection time—Court to draw warrant on emergency fund.

RE AUDITS—Special Audit of Sheriff and Tax Collector as of December 10, 1957 and Audit of Sherman County for July 1, 1957 - June 30, 1958 presented. Audits approved and ordered filed.

RE ABANDONMENT AND RESOLUTION NO. 344 presented - Abandoning Hay Canyon - John Day River Section of the Wasco-Hepner Secondary Highway No. 300 in Sherman County—ordered filed.

RE ROAD IMPROVEMENT: I. Hart appears before court and requests permission to haul crushed rock on road from Gochnaier's to Hart's mail box.

RE PROTECTION OF COUNTY RECORDS: Microfilm machine purchased for purpose of microfilming all records for County.

RE ROAD IMPROVEMENT: Road Supervisor authorized to repair bridge in Blau Canyon.

NO FURTHER MATTERS AT ISSUE ADJOURNMENT ENSUED.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAIN.

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Farmer Getting Smaller Part of Consumer's Dollar As Marketing Costs Increase

It costs more to fill today's market basket, although the share of the paycheck shoppers spend for food has not changed much since pre-war years. And we're buying better quality foods with more variety, reports Mrs. Elvera Horrell, Oregon State college extension economist.

The big push on retail food prices has come largely from increased marketing costs. The retail bill for farm-produced foods has gone up 38 per cent since 1947, but marketing costs have increased twice as fast. Marketing costs jumped from \$17.8 billion in 1947 to \$30.9 in 1957—an increase of 74 percent. Marketing costs include all of the charges made by marketing agencies for assembling, processing, transporting and distributing the foods in the market basket.

Last year, consumers paid at retail prices a total of \$50.4 billion for foods grown on U. S. Farms. Restaurant meals valued at retail store prices were included in this bill, but not such nonfarm goods as fish and other seafoods, nor imported foods—such as coffee and bananas. More than three-fifths of this grocery bill was accounted for in getting the raw food product to the family table after it left the farm, Mrs. Horrell reported.

The homemaker feels these high costs when she shops for food, she noted. However, higher incomes have cushioned the impact of higher prices. Families have more money to spend. Before the war, consumers spent

about 23 per cent of their take-home pay for food. Last year, with food prices up and with more foods, including more expensive ones in the diet, per capita food expenditures amounted to only 22 percent of spendable income. If shoppers bought only the same kinds and amounts of foods that they bought before the war, the food bill would have added up to less than 16 per cent of last year's per capita spendable income.

Tin Cans Useful For Gadgets

Tin cans, normally a disposal problem, are finding a bright and shiny new use as a result of an OSC extension bulletin. The bulletin, which tells how to fashion tin cans into Christmas angels, sparking medallions, stars, bells, and other decorative items, has received unexpected response throughout the U. S. and in several foreign countries.

More than 30,000 copies were requested by Oregon hobbyists when the bulletin was first issued last year—nearly six times the normal demand for a new publication.

The November issue of a national magazine, Farm Journal, featured two pages of photos from the bulletin, and the college continues to receive hundreds of requests daily for it. Requests have come from all states, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and some South American countries.

Wheat League Meet In Portland Next Week

Members of the Oregon Wheat Growers league will meet in Portland next week, starting Thursday and continuing until Saturday noon, to make a program for the next year for wheat growers of the state.

The lobby of the Multnomah hotel will be the scene of registration and meetings will be held upstairs. Frank Tubbs, vice-president, will open the meeting Thursday morning and hear the address of welcome and introduce Senator Richard Neuberger who will talk on Foreign policy in its relation to wheat. President Jack Smith, of Condon, who is getting ready to go to South America for the Nebraska wheat growers, will give his address before lunch.

In the afternoon members of the six committees that do the league's work will convene and start going over the recommendations made by the county groups that have already met for that purpose.

Friday morning committees will meet again to finish their resolutions and at noon the group will listen to a talk by Ed Bell agricultural attaché at Athens, Greece and former administrator for the Oregon Wheat commission, who will talk about "Export Markets for Wheat" based on his wide experience in foreign trade.

Don Hill, ex-officio member of the wheat commission and head of the farm crops department at OSC, will report on the work of the commission and Floyd Root, Wasco, president of the national wheat growers, will report on the national scene.

C. L. Rassmussen, of the wheat utilization laboratory at Albany, California, will talk on "Increasing Food Use of Wheat," a matter in which the laboratory has done considerable work.

After a reception for members E. R. Jackman, farm crops specialist at OSC and one of the best known men in Oregon, will be toastmaster at the annual banquet.

Committee reports will be given when completed and all will be in Saturday morning when the convention will end with a general session at which officers will be elected for another year.

Sherman county is host at this year's meeting and is expected to attend in large enough numbers to play host to visitors.

Farm Plate Owners Must Re-apply

All owners of the approximate 28,000 Oregon vehicles currently bearing "farm plates" will be required to complete new applications for farm vehicle registration before 1959 license plates will be issued, James F. Johnson, department of Motor Vehicles director, said today.

The required application form, No. 230, may be obtained at any branch office of the department or through the headquarters office in the Capitol in Salem. The form must be filled out for all new and renewal registrations, Johnson said.

"It is not our desire to delay valid applications," Johnson said, "but the violators using farm plates unlawfully must be detected in order to protect interests of farmers lawfully entitled to farm vehicle registration."

Form 230 is designed to establish clearly the applicant's eligibility for farm plates and each application must be signed by the applicant under penalties for false swearing.

Nurses To Hold Initiation Tuesday

The annual initiation of the Future Nurses will be held Tuesday, December 2, in the Little Theater at The Dalles High school at 8:00 p. m.

Included in the program will be Mrs. Jean Boyle, director of nurses at the University Medical School of Nursing in Portland. She will speak on "The Future of Future Nurses." Mrs. Boyle will probably be remembered as being connected with The Dalles General hospital when it was a training school.

Those also performing will be the girls' sextet from The Dalles High choir. The master of ceremonies will be Miss Jo Morast.

Refreshments will be served after the program by the Medical Auxiliary, the sponsors of Future Nurses.