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These Things We Note

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This is the first year in memory we have to complain about winter clothes getting thin in June.

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High priced money will encourage saving while low priced money will encourage spending. We like the former.

T T W N

Congress is willing to make appropriations but unwilling to raise the debt limit. Likes to eat but hates to cook.

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The new little cars will go as fast as one ought to not as fast as one wishes. But what will?

T T W N

If the cherries were ripe we might have some rain, hay is down and the Rose Festival is on.

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It was Herbert Spencer who said that progress was movement from heterogeneity to homogeneity. If that be so we're agin it.

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Probably the hardest blow suffered by education was when schooling was made compulsory.

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The price of eggs being low the government is buying them to dry and freeze. Helping out the poultry producer is one thing but spoiling all those eggs is too bad.

T T W N

Do you remember those high temporary income tax rates we paid to finance the Korean war? They are here yet and will be for another year.

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Don't worry. There have been colder springs. But they were in Siberia.

T T W N

Who would have thought that the proud Cadillac owner of one year would become the mere victim of conspicuous consumption the next?

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Portland's rain queens seem more appropriate than the Rose queen in such a year.

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In some ways we are imitating Russia, not opposing her.

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Texas is to be complimented for putting Louisiana Governor Long under restraint. That is more than Louisiana could ever do.

T T W N

Money has made fools out of more people than poverty.

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Early in the morning a mourning dove sounds her awakening note and we hope she does not suffer the fate of another one who lived near us a few years ago.

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Summers are always a sort of silly season and this one seems destined to exceed the normal with citizens sprouting beards, shooting guns, driving around in wagons and other such goings on. The centennial is partly responsible but not all.

T T W N

Man attempts to perpetuate that at which he is successful including a way of life. If he has no success he may always remain a radical.

T T W N

Minor league baseball leagues will find taking money from the top is no way to become independent.

T T W N

There are several plans to carve up Portland with north-south highways which make us wonder if it wouldn't be better to just by-pass that city as is done with others.

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It appears that not all the mayhem in the fight business is done in the ring.

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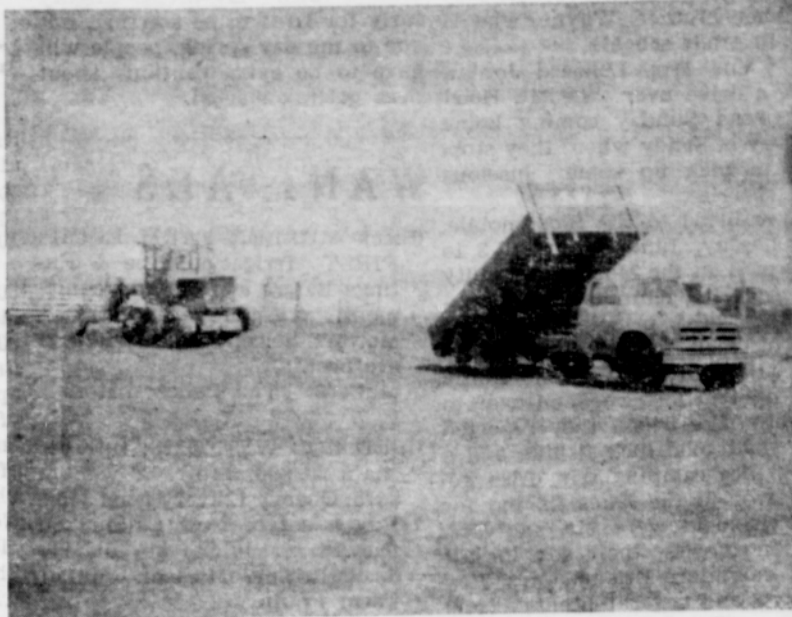
If you don't like the commercials you can spend the time reading the ads in the newspapers.

T T W N

We note that the tax spenders are already making a pitch for more of the taxpayers' dollars.

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Of giving advice there is no end.



Citizens Haul New Dirt To Arena To Help Fair Board Soften Cowboy Landing Field

About 40 Sherman countians, mostly farmers, brought their dump trucks and their ambition Saturday morning and hauled enough dirt from above a dam on the Henn place, owned by Chas. Burnet to cover the fair ground's arena with five to eight inches of new earth.

The project has been in contemplation for some time but was entirely beyond the abillay of the fair board. So the county rallied to its aid.

Reason for the new dirt is that the clover grows to a height of five or six inches and gets slick for the feet of a bucking horse causing some falls. Then, too, the ground will be softer for the unfortunate who lands on it from the back of a bawling buck.

It is expected that when the dirt is wet down the grass will come up through it while the clover will not and the turf will then be clean and not inclined to blow and yet be safe for horses and riders.

This community effort is typical of Sherman county where many of the public grounds have been built by volunteer labor.

The job was done at a fast pace and sometimes four and five trucks were dumping at one time so that the county maintainer was kept busy smoothing it out. Two loaders were at the dam to

fill the trucks which barely stopped all day in completing the job. The volunteers were from all over the county.

Bloodmobile Due Here June 17

The Bloodmobile will be in Sherman County Wednesday, June 17 to collect blood for the use of patients in need of it. It is a Red Cross project and dozens of volunteer workers will assist the nurses in the operation.

Operations will be set up at the Moro Community Presbyterian church by three o'clock in the afternoon and blood taking will continue until 6:30 that evening.

In connection with this Mr. and Mrs. Roy Belshee have made a statement regarding the value of blood to those hospitalized. They say: "Often we find some one who has a problem o which you may hold the answer. 'Blood', Red Cross blood was the answer given by some one who carde enough to take time to give blood to the Red Cross that was so vital in saving the life of Mr. Belshee during his recent serious illness. We shall ever be grateful to those who agree of their blood to save the lives of others where 'little is so much.'"

Hay Cutting Time Stimulates Agent To Give Advice

The support rate for 1959 crop barley has been set at \$1.03 a bushel or about \$43.00 a ton, Portland terminal.

This is fully \$7.00 a ton less than at present. The rate is based on the national average support price of 77 cents a bushel announced in February. County rates reflect the terminal rate less freight and handling charges from the county to Portland.

'59 Hay Outlook

What will hay be worth this fall? Many are beginning to predict prices. Present indications are—strictly unofficial—alfalfa hay will run \$35 to \$40 this fall. Early buying seems desirable or plans to supply similar nutrients by other means than alfalfa need be made.

Prospects of higher hay prices are based on several factors (1) carry over hay is low; (2) early hay crop prospects are poor; (3) upper country cattlemen were still feeding the last week of May; (4) native grass is short and dried up in some areas; (5) increased livestock feeding and hay demand and; (6) shortage of irrigation water in some areas.

Farmers depending upon alfalfa may want to make early arrangements for hay. Additional grain hay may be cut or chaff and straw may be a valuable asset with a protein concentrate and a few pounds of alfalfa meal.

Grain Hay Cutting Time

Grain hay should be cut before the green coloring begins to disappear, as the color is associated with the palatability and nutritional value of the hay. If one waits until grain is formed it simply means that the protein is taken out of the straw or hay and concentrated in the grain.

A recommended time to cut grain hay is after the bloom and before the grain starts to form. At this stage a near maximum tonnage is obtained and you have a nice, green-colored hay relished by the cows. In feed value it is also superior to older hay, although not so high in protein as

younger hay.

If the hay is to be fed to dairy cows, to fattening steers, or to ewes, the higher protein in the early hay will offset the increased tonnage. In other words, for those uses, cut grain hay very early.

If the hay is for horses, or for maintaining weights on beef cattle, it is better to cut as the kernel is forming. Protein down to 5% is getting toward the danger point, and if low protein hay is fed to dairy cows, ewes, or fattening stock it must be supplemented with some higher protein feed. Protein is usually the highest priced article on the feed list and if you can grow it at home, your pocketbook will be grateful.

Bearded grains should always be cut early and so should rye. It is important to cut rye before the stems get too much like broom straw. In the case of bearded grains, the beards begin to get bothersome if the grain is past the early milk stage.

There is very little gain in hay weight if any of the cereals are cut beyond the kernel forming stage, because the lower leaves start dropping.

Palatability of Grain Hay

Stock of all kinds almost seem to know protein is good for them. Other things being equal, they will always eat the earlier cut hay first. If all cereals are cut at the same maturity, livestock usually will choose hay of oats, barley, wheat and rye in that order.

When grain is being fed, the stock will usually prefer a grain hay of a different cereal. Thus, if the stock is getting barley for grain they will choose wheat or oat hay; if they are getting oats, they will prefer barley or wheat hay.

Salt Plays Dual Role on Ranges

Cattle gain better on the range if they have plenty of salt. They consume much more salt in the spring and early summer when forage is abundant and succulent than when it is mature and dry. Providing granulated rock salt in each pasture is good management.

Wasco Library Festival Parade To Have Many Entries

The Wasco Library Festival will be held July 13, next Saturday. Some years ago it was a fall affair but has recently been held in the summer.

There will be a parade, an activity at which Wasco is especially adept and well practiced. The parade will start at 11:00 o'clock at the grade school building and all entries are asked to be there by 10:30. The school band will play and most of the business houses will have a float.

In the afternoon the Wasco and Moro little leaguers will play a game of baseball and at night there will be a dance. Food will be served at several booths during the day.

Money will go to the city library.

Farm Prices Erratic

Oregon farm prices were a mixture of ups and downs in May but averaged 1 percent above May 1958, reports Mrs. Elvera Horrell, OSC extension agricultural economist.

In contrast to the Oregon trend, national farm prices are still 4% below a year ago.

Prices in Oregon for poultry and dairy products continued to slip. Hogs, calves, and hay prices were also lower. On the upturn, however, were prices for potatoes, wheat, corn, beef cattle, lambs, and wool, the economist noted.

Bonneville Prices To Remain Steady

Secretary of the Interior Fred A. Seaton announced today that he has submitted a rate schedule to the Federal Power commission that continues the Bonneville Power Administration's present \$17.50 per kilowatt year rate which was established in 1933. "As of June 30, 1958, the pay out of Columbia River Power system was \$76,000,000 ahead of annually stated amortization schedule," The secretary said, "This surplus together with established revenues over the next five years, makes a rate increase unnecessary at this time."

Centennial Rodeo Program Includes Two Clowns

America's leading cowboys competing in five-events for one of the Northwest's top rodeo purses and the West's most daring bull-fighting rodeo clowns combine to assure spectators of "a rodeo to remember" at the Sherman County Fair Centennial Rodeo June 26-27.

Performances will be held both Friday and Saturday nights with the final performance Sunday afternoon. Other Centennial celebration events to be held in conjunction with the rodeo are the "old time country dance" Saturday night in near-by Grass Valley and the Cowboy Breakfast at the Sherman fair grounds Sunday morning.

"Taking the bull by the horns, so to speak, Sherman County Fair Board members voted to present their annual rodeo, as an attraction separate from the Sherman County Fair this year," announced J. A. Cushman, fair board president.

"We are prepared to present a rodeo that folks will not soon forget," Cushman added. "We have offered one of the top Northwest purses — \$3,500 for five events, bareback, saddlebronc, calf roping, steer wrestling and bull riding. This top purse assures us that many of America's leading cowboys will be among our contestants. We have secured the services of Dodo Earls and Munk Pierce, El Centro, Calif., as rodeo clowns, bull fighters and entertainers, with their dozens of specialty acts."

Rodeo stock is being provided by Harley Tucker, Joseph, America's largest individual rodeo stock contractor. Among other outstanding bulls and bucking broncs, the famed and feared Brahma bull, Atomic Power, will test the skill of cowboy and clown alike.

Red Cross Making Lessons Possible

Red Cross swimming lessons for children in Sherman County will start Monday, June 15. Lessons will begin at 10 o'clock at The Dalles city natatorium, and will be for one hour each day for ten days.

Reports indicate that about 300 children have signed up with the local chairman in the five towns in the county.

A slight change has been made this year in that each child must have his card each day in order to get into the pool. A child without a card will not be admitted to the pool for swimming instruction.

For those who have not signed up for the lessons, they may contact the chairman for each town. They are: Mrs. Harley McKay, Kent, Mrs. Frank Bayer, Grass Valley, Mrs. Paul Cyphers, Moro, Mrs. Marvin Thomas, Wasco and Mrs. Leonard Jordan, Rufus.

Crippled Children Aided By Society

The Oregon Society for Crippled Children and Adults has announced its opening dates for camp sessions for 1959, under the able direction of Lee Zumwalt. First session: June 28 - July 7, age 7-10 years; second: July 11 - July 20, age 11-14; third: July 24 - Aug. 2, age 15-18; fourth: Aug. 6 - Aug. 15, age 19 and older.

Camp Easter Seal is located at Lakeside between North Bend and Reedsport. It is built and designed especially for crippled children and young people. It provides a beautiful launch for rides on the lake. Has a dormitory and recreation and dining hall.

Mr. Zumwalt will be assisted by therapists, counselors, registered nurses, practical nurses and volunteer assistants in addition to the essential cook, caretaker and general helpers.

Camp Easter Seal had its beginning in March 1953 and has expanded and developed each year and operates full capacity through the season.

All crippled are eligible who are of normal mentality and OKed by their physicians. The campship fee is \$25.00, if the parent can afford it. The society will help if necessary. Application may be made direct to the society or Mrs. John Parker, Moro, county chairman.



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Historical Society Ready For Sunday

DeMoss Springs park has been cleaned and mowed, the program has been made, committees are ready to report, the women have their old time dresses pressed which makes about everything prepared for the annual picnic of the Sherman County Historical society except the fryingofchicken and the frosting of the cakes.

The crowd will gather shortly before noon and register by paying for membership, annual or life, and the visiting will begin. Groups will inspect the pictures which Theodore and Florence Johnston will have put up and recognize old friends or old flames. There will be many questions put to oldsters; maps will be examined. The odor of food will stop all this for a more elemental pleasure.

The program will be held shortly after dinner and the business and pleasure of the society for the occasion will be conducted. Speaker for the day is Russell Hudson who has a family interest in muhc of the early transportation of the county and area.

Former Resident Dies At Corvallis

Emile Jensen, 87, was buried at Corvallis Tuesday following his death there Saturday. He was once a resident of Sherman county having come here in 1897 with Howard Conlee. They started farming together on the Stars place in 1900 and Jensen later farmed and as a carpenter built several homes on farms before going back to Newberg. He spent his last 17 years at Corvallis.

Rutledge Paving Job Up For Bids

At a meeting in Salem June 10, the Oregon State Highway Commission will receive bids for the surfacing of 5.87 miles of the Grass Valley-Rutledge county road in Sherman county. The plans call for replacing of a leveling course and oil mat wearing surface on a stone base previously placed by the county. This section was recently graded under another contract. The oiling is to be completed this fall.

Divorce Gaining On Marriage

Five Oregon counties had more divorces than marriages during the first four months this year, according to statistics released Thursday by the State Board of Health.

The five counties were Multnomah, Curry, Harney, Jackson and Malheur. Multnomah recorded 840 divorces, 30% more than the 641 marriages performed in the county during the four-months.

State health board statisticians said it is a rare occurrence for any county to report more divorces than marriages over such a comparatively-long period in Oregon.

Marriages for the state as a whole increased six percent over the same period of 1958 to a total of 2,445. Divorces increased 23% to a four-month total of 2,116.

Oregon had 92 divorces for each 100 marriages during the month of April, according to the board.

Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer, blamed most of the poor record on the fact that many Oregon couples are married in Washington or Nevada, which require no pre-marital physical examinations.

Sherman County Contestants Place In Show

Sherman county lads and lassies won some prizes at the wheat league stock show that ended in The Dalles Wednesday night with an auction sale.

Steven Burnet had the reserve champion Angus in the FFA part of the show. The Sherman chapter was third in swine herdsmanhip and Malcolm Eslinger was second with his Landrace fat hog and Alan Miller was first with his Minnesota and also with a pen of three. The chapter was second for swine herd.

In 4-H Terry Kaseberg was 7th for heavy Herefords and Doug Bish was 7th for light Herefords. Jimmy Wilson took 5th in light Angus.

Wins In Sheep

In the sheep classes Kenneth Thompson was first and reserve for heavy Hampshire and Doug Medler was 8th.

For Whiteface Ann Hall was first, Fred Hall 2nd and 3rd and Ann was 6th. Her first winner was also champion of the breed. Joe Thomas was 3rd and Delores Belshee 2nd for light Southdown and Delores Belshee was 9th with her heavy Southdown. The county was 3rd for sheep flock and first in herdsmanhip.

In swine classes: Mary Ann Haven was 7th in light Yorkshires. Cliff Brown was first and champion with his Tamworth; Alice Kaseberg was 3rd for Hampshires and 5th for Landrace; Clifford Brown was first for Montana and Danny Rolfe 3rd, Virgil Fields was 7th for Berkshire and also 11th. Doug Reid had the best pen of three.

Showmanship Places Won

In showmanship of beef, intermediate, Doug Bish was 7th; senior, Terry Kaseberg was 4th; Sheep: intermediate, Ann Hall 4th, Doug Medler 5th; Junior, Ken Thompson 3rd, Delores Belshee 8th, Joe Thomas 11th and Fred Hall 12th. Swine: Junior, Jimmy Wilson 6th, intermediate: Alice Kaseberg 1st, Virgil Fields 3rd, Doug Reid 9th.

John Fields was 10th in individual judging. In herdsmanhip the county won a blue award for sheep, a white for swine and a red for beef.

More Workmen Now Under State Law

Employers in over 20 occupational groups newly subject to the Oregon Workmen's Compensation law must be registered with the Industrial Accident Commission before July 1, 1959, the agency warned today.

Effective July 1, 1959, an employer whose business involves employment in the following occupations subject to the Workmen's Compensation law: service stations, garages, auto wrecking yards, junk and scrap dealers, restaurants, lumber loading, tree surgery, fence erection, well digging, machinery installation and dismantling, woodcutting, window cleaning, mechanical amusements, garbage collectors, forest fire fighting, exterior building cleaning, and all land clearing. Also, if power driven machinery is used, bowling alleys and shops for the repair of cycles, boats and motors are also subject to the law.

An employer engaged in any of these occupations must register with the Commission and either accept or reject the Act prior to July 1, 1959. No additional action is required of employers who are now registered with the Commission for the above occupations.

James Griggs Gets OSC Degree Monday

James D. Griggs of Moro was one of 106 Oregon State college graduates commissioned as officers in the armed forces last week at the college's 90th annual commencement program.

The 106 men had completed the advanced ROTC course as a part of their college work. Griggs was commissioned as an army second lieutenant in the infantry.

Oregon State college is one of only 35 colleges in the country that offers ROTC work in all branches of the service—army, navy, marine corps and air force. The new officers will go on active duty in the next few months.