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These Things We Note

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There's no need to go to a psychiatrist. If you want your character examined just threaten to run against a political incumbent.

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The world has rolled around a quarter turn while we weren't looking and now it is football. We recall, it has happened before.

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"I live for those who love me, For those who know me true; For the Heaven that smiles above me,

And awaits my spirit too; For the cause that lacks assistance, For the wrong that needs resistance.

For the future in the distance, And the good that I can do. —G. Linnaeus Banks

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We cannot get too steamed up over possible postponement of the big highway construction. As a crash program it is costing too much and some of it looks like there was collusion between the engineers and the contractors.

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We ran across the term "partial strike" the other day and recalled that a lot of employees acted to fit the appellation.

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Workmen are being divided into smaller and smaller classes and soon we will have carpenters permitted to wield a saw and carpenters permitted to handle a hammer and nothing else. That will be the day.

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Probably we will have an additional federal tax of one cent on gasoline and it will be for one year. Want to bet?

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We suspect that some of the lesser nations are afraid that if Russia and the United States get together they will no longer be able to play off one against the other.

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Would those prophets who some time ago said that the second term of a president would be anti-climax re-read their prophecies and go bury their head in a bucket of water—or chloroform.

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Congress is reluctant to increase interest rate on E and H bonds but will have to if the government expects to sell many.

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No presidential candidate is without victory in some poll or other.

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We wonder how American headline writers will refer to Khrushchev when he is among us. Putting the full name into big type uses up too much space so may become Khrush, Krussy, Kchev or something else.

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Everybody seems to need money but no need can equal that of a do-gooder in search of funds to keep his works going and expanding.

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Baseball competition is like any other kind. You have to prove you are better every day or some one else will.

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Anthropologists are finding proof that man has lived on this earth for over a half million years but most of us are interested about how long we are going to be here.

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The new deal idea of the nation's responsibility for its citizens security is getting old and discredited since it has been learned that without responsibility for himself the citizen becomes a sponge.

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It may be a little late but we'll bet that if Portland had Dorothy Lee and Charley Pray on duty there would be law and order.

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Secretary of State Howell Appling says the people won't stand for a big budget next biennium and that costs can be cut. That's what you get putting a business man in office, he's got sense.

Schools To Open After Labor Day At Full Speed

Sherman county schools are scheduled to open Tuesday, Sept. 8. All schools have teachers hired, including fourteen new to the county.

Present law requires that all children between the ages of 7 and 18 attend school unless they have completed high school or have been legally excused from attendance. Section 336.070, Oregon School Laws, provide that children between the ages of 6 and 21 residing in the district shall be admitted free of charge to the schools of the district. The section further provides that a child shall be deemed to be six years of age if his sixth birthday occurs on or before November 15. Correspondence from the State Department of Education state that in order to be admitted to the kindergarten, children should be 5 years of age, with the fifth birthday occurring on or before November 15.

Each beginning pupil in the first grade and the ninth grade is required to have a physical examination, with the "goldenrod slip" including the Oregon Medical Record completed by both the parents and the doctor. In most cases children entering the first grade from the kindergarten will have had their physical recorded on the "goldenrod slip."

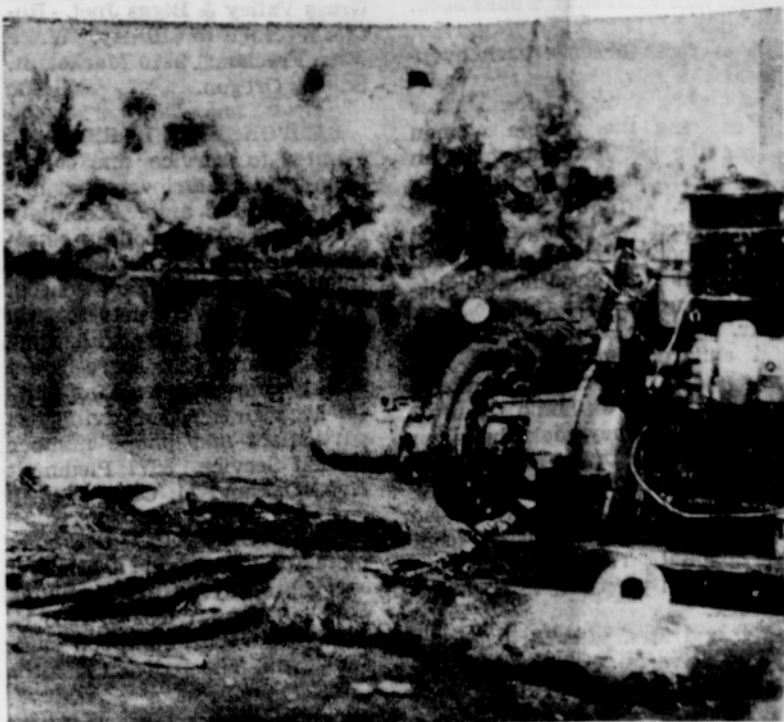
All individuals working in the schools including teachers, secretaries, janitors, bus drivers, custodians, are required to register a health certificate, certifying that the person is free from communicable tuberculosis, with the County School Superintendent before the opening of school.

Grand Opera Will End Centennial

Grand finale of the 100-day Oregon Centennial anniversary celebration will be six performances of grand opera in Portland, featuring the world-renowned, San Francisco Opera Co. Sept. 3-7.

Special renovations are being made to the Paramount theater for the gala birthday party. Red carpets, specially-designed floral decorations and other festive trappings, synonymous with opera in San Francisco and New York, will form the background for opera in Portland.

Dress, however, will be optional, decreed Dr. James S. Hart, chairman of the Centennial Fine Arts committee.



Pump powered by gas motor northwest of the Grass Valley boosts water through eight inch canyon spring that was discovered by road construction job ed recently.

Development of Water Resources May Be Stimulated By Discovery of Big Springs

Water in a weary land is an old ideal. Sherman county is developing its water resources, and its citizens are looking for water and are finding it.

Latest find is in Grass Valley canyon where a good flow was discovered by the contractor grading for the new Wasco-Condon road. A pump was installed to put the water up the hill toward Wasco where it is used to wet the new grade. The report is that 1053 gallons per minute is being pumped out of the water hole which is not being lowered.

Another development is the start of digging out the big seep that has been on the east side of the road running to Nish from Monkland since the memory of the oldest timer runneth not. It is on land now owned by Jack and Eunice Henkle. A big bulldozer dug into the seep and promptly mired down in the black muck of the perpetual spring. It is near the level of the fields and could be used easily for irrigation if it fulfills its apparent potential.

If and when these are developed they will be but another step in the use of water on Sherman county land, long used for semi-arid farming.

The late L. P. Haven irrigated more than 60 acres from wells thereby producing a beauty spot along Highway 97. Irrigated pasture and alfalfa are grown and cattle kept fat on the green grass and green winter feed.

Harold White is irrigating from

Sand Springs and also has permanent pasture on Miller's land in the Columbia where he raises cattle.

There are several smaller irrigation systems for otherwise dry land where stock feed is grown by use of water. Income from irrigated land is much higher than from wheat land even under a guaranteed price system. With current restrictions a full quota of wheat can still be grown. Any careful operator should make at least four times as much from irrigation and save on expenses for the power bill would be less than the tillage costs.

Land owners in the northeastern part of the county have done some planning on pumping water from the John Day dam back water along the John Day river onto their land for irrigation. There are many flats along the John Day that can produce vegetables very early in the year if they were used and transportation was made possible.

There is also the possibility that row crops could be grown to further expand the income from the land. This would entail the importation of a different kind of workmen for old stock Sherman countians are more adept at handling a D8 than a hoe.

For the 80 years of settlement in Sherman county water has been used as a beverage. We are surrounded by streams all with water flowing endlessly. It may become a principal resource.

Wheat Crop Close To 40 Bushels Per Acre for '59

Sherman county's wheat crop was about 40 bushels per acre but not so strong a 40 bushels as it has had before. It is necessary to count seed and feed to reach that figure this year. Crop acreage planted to wheat was about 90,000 and the amount cut did not vary much.

The wheat crop warehoused in commercial elevators was 3,072,207 bushels. To this can be added the greater part of the estimated 450,000 farm storage and with seed and feed the crop approximated the 40 bushels that puts it in the fabulous class of wheat production.

The barley crop was good, too. At Wasco the Sherman Co-op Grain Growers took in 585,000 bushels of the feed grain, the Moro Grain Growers has 428,695 bushels of barley.

The wheat is generally of excellent quality with test weights up to 62 pounds per bushel. The barley is not so good and test weights are below 40 in some cases although the average is probably around 44 pounds per bushel.

Storage of wheat in the Wasco territory was 1,250,000 bushels, 942,207 at Moro and 880,000 at Grass Valley with a few loads still to come in, perhaps enough to bring it up to 900,000 bushels.

There are several large elevators on farms which would include the 80,000 bushel Eakin elevator and the 75,000 bushel storage of L. E. Kaseberg. Others range from 25,000 to 50,000 and every farmer keeps his seed and enough more for some feed or for safety. There are numerous small granaries or elevators that are surely full.

Dress Revue Has Special Feature

"Flight 4-H" is the theme chosen by Sherman county 4-H'ers for their public dress revue. The revue will be presented in front of the grandstand at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, August 29.

Darlene Gochmeyer and Lana Jean Paulson, junior leaders, are co-chairmen of the event. They have headed the committee planning an airline terminal theme.

Connie Cushman, Moro, will be narrator of the show. The public is invited to attend this event, which will be presented immediately following the 4-H auction sale at the county fair.

Other 4-H'ers serving on the committee are: Alice Kaseberg and Jean Hockett, Wasco; Diana Heinrichs, Kay Higley and Vee Busse, Moro.

Teacher List Given

List of Teachers, 1959-60: Rufus: Jack Lloyd, Principal, 8th; Donald Kohlmeier, 6th and 7th; Mary Robinson, 4th and 5th; Betty Brown, 2nd and 3rd; Lyla Hayes, 1st.

Wasco—C. A. Hockett, Principal, 6th; Leland Schwendel, 8th, arts, crafts; Dorothy Smith, 7th, Girl's PE; Irlene Kirkwood, 6th, kindergarten; Carl Ziegler, 5th, boys' PE; Elizabeth Hill, 4th; Grace Zevely, 3rd; Lois Daily, 2nd; Myrthen Grater, 1st.

Moro—Stephen Stivers, Principal, 7th, 8th, Boys' PE; Shelley Robinson, 7th, 8th, kindergarten, music; Shirley Mae Hicks, 6th, Girl's PE; Margarette Christianson, 5th; Frances Jefferies, 4th; Ardeth Trullinger, 3rd; Dorothy Blagg, 2nd; Leona Helgeson, 1st.

Grass Valley—Hans Meves, Principal, 7th, 8th; Elizabeth Bowden, 5th, 6th; Helen Meves, 3rd, 4th; Virginia Sullivan, 1st, 2nd; Bertha Brinkert, kindergarten.

Kent—Eugene Knott, Principal, 6th, 7th, 8th, band; Josephine Parkhurst, 3rd, 4th, 5th; Selish Rooper, 1st, 2nd.

Sherman County High—William Principal; Mary Brackett, Library; English; Dale Christianson, Coach, Physical Education; Delight Frye, Commerce, English; Doris Hampton, English, Journalism; Orward Hoyer, Social Studies; Vernon Mason, Science; Doris Pearson, Home Economics, Girls' PE; Marvin Robertson, Agriculture, Shop; Mary Ann Shumway, Social Studies, French; Douglas Jacox, Chorus, Band.

County Office—Lynn O. Hampton, Superintendent; Douglas Jacox, Music.

Fair Exhibits In Place As Judging Starts Thursday

The fair started Wednesday when 4-H and FFA boys and girls thronged to the grounds to enter their exhibits and open class entries were made. It was a busy day for the children and an equally busy day for parents.

Thursday morning baked goods and flowers were entered and judging began on youth exhibits. Judging will go on until Saturday noon, more than two full days of it including many things.

Anyone can watch this pageant of young people and young animals and anyone will enjoy it. Friday is the big day for judging and the stand will be full, not only of anxious parents, but of interested spectators with no other interest than to watch American youngsters having their try at the great game of competition.

Except for Saturday night and Sunday there will be no entertainment program. Saturday night there will be preliminaries of the cow cutting contest and some contests by the mid-Columbia Saddle clubs and there will be the finals of the 4-H dress revue before the start of the wrestling matches which will include two single matches and a tag contest with four well known Portland grapplers engaged in the grunt and groan show.

Sunday afternoon, after the livestock parade and the presentation of special awards, the saddle clubs will take over the show with 12 events including scurries, barrel races, etc. The finals of the cow cutting will be run off at that time.

There will be a dance at Grass Valley Saturday night after the wrestling bouts.

Wasco PTA Plans Teacher Reception

At a PTA committee meeting held Monday night, plans for the teachers' reception to be held on Thursday, September 17, were made. The welcoming party will be in the nature of a potluck dinner to be held at the school.

The committee members, Mrs. Don McDermid, Health and Safety; Mrs. Vern Dutton, Telephone; Rev. and Mrs. William Jones, Hospitality; Mrs. Roy Shafer, Magazines; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Engberg, Record Book; Mrs. Dewey Thomas, Variety Show; Mrs. Robert Nisbet, Publicity; and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins, Membership, also planned the program for the year.

PTA officers for the year are: Vernon Root, president; Mrs. Vernon Melzer, vice-president; Mrs. Pete Welk, treasurer; and Mrs. Bob Byars, secretary.

Music Instructor Hired

Mr. Douglas Jacox has been hired as Band-Choral instructor for the Sherman County Rural School District, and part time music instructor for Sherman High School. He is a graduate of Parkdale High School and Lewis and Clark College, with a bachelor's degree in Music Education. His student teaching was done at Oswego High School where both the music instructor and principal report he did an outstanding job.

Mr. Jacox is 25 years of age and single.

Roy Harvey To Be Confirmed at G. V.

Monday, August 31, 1959, a council invited by the First Baptist church of Grass Valley, will meet to consider the propriety of setting apart Roy Harvey to the Gospel Ministry. The council will meet at 2:30 p. m. and upon their approval to ordination will be held that evening at 7:30. Dr. Willard Aldrich of Multnomah School of the Bible will be the principal speaker.

Mr. Harvey is a member of the Grass Valley church and has been preparing himself for the ministry for many years. Following his graduation from Moro High school in 1951, Roy attended the Multnomah School of the Bible, from which he graduated in 1954. He has attended Westmont college and Wheaton college and is now a student at Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey will be featured in the Sunday evening services with special music and Mr. Harvey will preach. The service begins at 7:00 p. m.

County Court Business Is Everyone's Business

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS AUGUST 5, 1959

RE MINUTES: Minutes of regular meeting of July 1, 1959, special meeting of July 2, 1959 and special meeting of July 10, 1959 read—approved and signed by members of court.

RE CLAIMS: Claims presented approved and ordered filed.

RE GASOLINE CONSUMPTION: For month of July presented—approved and ordered filed.

RE TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT: Report of receipts and disbursements from July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959 presented, approved and ordered filed.

RE CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT: Report of fees and disbursements for year 1958-59, approved and ordered filed.

RE GRASS VALLEY - RUTLEDGE ROAD: Contract and Bond for Highway construction on Grass Valley-Rutledge road presented—approved and ordered filed.

RE TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTY: County Court signs tax foreclosed deeds.

RE VACATION OF CERTAIN ROADS, STREETS AND ALLEYS: Hearing date of September 8, 1959 at 11 o'clock A. M. set as date for hearing on closing certain streets and alleys in Grants and Rufus.

COURT ADJOURNED.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR JULY 1959 APPROVED AUGUST 5, 1959 TERM OF THE COUNTY COURT

CIRCUIT COURT: John H. Newman, \$88.56 - Cir. Court Reporter.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE: George J. Geiser Jr. \$81.52; Lor-

in E. Winnett, \$67.44 - official cars; Ranch & Home, \$5.07 - supplies; Mel's, \$5.18; Sherman County Journal, \$7.50; State Ind. Acci. Comm. \$8.21.

CLERK'S OFFICE: Dunham Printing Co., \$72.05 - record blanks; Moro Postmaster, \$9.00; Haloid Xerox Inc., \$147.75 - recording supplies.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Clair L. Balzer, \$65.00 - Assessor's convention.

COURTHOUSE: Pacific Power & Light, \$28.37; Pacific Tel. & Tel., \$55.30; City of Moro, \$21.10; Sherman Super Market, \$4.76; Ranch & Home, \$7.58; Douma's, \$0.82; Shell Oil Company, \$147.45.

COUNTY COURT: L. Wilson, \$45.00; L. E. Kaseberg, \$50.80 - Comm. fee & mileage, Sherman County Journal, \$16.00 - Admin.; Moro Postmaster, \$21.88 - Admin.; Dr. Roy E. Buehler, \$75.00 - Juvenile Court.

JUSTICE COURT: City of Wasco, \$10.00 - rent; Dunham Printing Co., \$132.90 - supplies.

COUNTY PRINTING: Sherman Co. Journal, \$102.44

DEMOS PARK: Pacific Power & Light Co., \$0.95; DISTRICT ATTORNEY: T. Lester Johnson, \$15.00

PROTECTION OF RECORDS: Recordak Corp., \$1,520.05 - equipment.

WELFARE: State Public Welfare Comm., \$1,123.75 - proportionate contribution.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: USDA, DENVER FIELD OFFICE, \$9.50 - maps.

EMERGENCY: Carole Brisbane, \$246.65; Laura Grabenhorst, \$246.65; Lee Gunnels, \$18.00 - advertising; Gar Aviation, \$150.00 - Rufus Mosquito Control;

MISCELLANEOUS: First National Bank, \$388.30 - Federal Taxes Withheld; Oregon State Tax Comm., \$81.70 - State Taxes Withheld; Bankers Life & Casualty Co., \$13.66; Social Security, \$161.98.

ROAD FUND WAGES: Dunlap, \$433.90; Bayer, \$366.93; Morehouse \$328.43; Gosson, \$372.32; Johnson, \$327.50; Griggs \$399.48; Mobley, \$42.90; Hattrup, \$101.05; Dawkins, \$23.99; Zimmerman, \$9.77; State Tax Comm., \$53.90; Social Security, \$142.12; First National Bank, \$260.95; Bankers Life & Casualty Co., \$46.80; State Ind. Acci. Comm. \$44.95.

GAS & OIL: Shell Oil Co., \$760.02; Moro Grain Growers, \$54.00

REPAIRS: Smith Auto Parts Co., \$1.06; Cushman Equip. Co., \$83.67; Wentworth & Irwin, Inc., \$450.40; Ranch & Home, \$0.32; Empire Mch Co., (The Dalks), \$416.25; Empire Mch Co. (Moro), \$1.53.

GENERAL SUPPLIES: Wasco Equip Co., \$31.12; Moro Lumber & Fuel, \$1.70.

WEED CONTROL: Moro Grain Growers Ass'n., \$79.05; Empire Mch Co. (Moro), \$22.70; Weed Control Service, Inc. \$65.70; Great Western Chemical Co., \$347.00

TIRES & TUBES: Cushman Equip. Co., \$7.19.

INSURANCE: W. T. Balsiger Ins. Agency, \$1,040.60

MISCELLANEOUS: State of Oregon Dep't of Motor Vehicles, \$15.00; Pacific Tel. & Tel. \$9.40; City of Moro, \$1.75; Pacific Power & Light Co., \$6.94; Dunham Printing Co., \$72.05; Rich Freight Lines, \$161.98 - freight.

K. A. Dunlap, \$22.40 - mileage.