County Ramblin's

County Agricultural Agent

Pruning is not difficult, a delegation of Sherman Countians learned last week. Jack Thienes, Wasco county agent, handled the pruning demonstration, sponsored by the grange and extension service.

Pruning is preferably done in late February in the Rufus area and through March in the upper part of the county. Pruning will encourage new growth on shrubs, fruit trees, and vines. In spite of the fact that pruning stimulates new growth, it is actually a dwarfing process. Pruning not only reduces the size of the top, but causes a corresponding reduction of root system.

General pruning rules for ornamentals are: keep shrubs and trees in natural form, keep flowering ornamentals blooming well, pruning can have some control over growth, remove dead and unsightly material each year, and cut weak growth heavily and strong growth lightly.

Fruit trees, except cherries and walnuts, should be cut back to 18 to 24 inches when they are planted. Cut cherry trees back to 30 inches and walnuts to from 5 to 6 feet. Cut all side shoots to stubs 2 inches long. If the side shoots are vigorous and larger than a pencil, select 3 or 4 well spaced ones and cut back roots. Additional pruning needs be done the second and third years to get them in proper shape for fruit production.

Tentative plans, by the Grange is to hold a pruning tour again next spring.

Squaw Butte Field Day

The Oregon State College Squaw Butte experiment station near Burns in Harney County, will hold its livestock field day Mar. 28, starting at 10 a. m. Highlights of the field day will be experimental results with Cancer Eye in cattle, pelleting (2nd year work for rate of gain and digestability comparison), antibiotics supplementation, shelter for wintering calves vs. no shelter, winter grains ofcalves in relation to summer grains on grass, trace elements and feed additives.

The Squaw Butte station is initiating a cross breeding program using a Charolasis Bull. In past years, they had had experimental work using a Brahma as a cross. All Oregon ranchers are welcome.

Liquid Nitrogen As 2,4-D Carrier

Use of liquid nitrogen as a carrier of 2,4-D has created a great deal of talk in the past two or three years. Some use of the material has been made by different Sherman county farmers. The farmers that have used the material for a 2,4-D carrier have varied in response to it—some good, some indifferent.

The Pendleton branch experiment station conducted trials in 1957 and 58 testing the use of a liquid fertilizer with and without 2,4-D. In two years of the tests, they did not conclude that a liquid fertilizer with 2,4-D increased or decreased the control of annual weeds. In 1957 using a urea ammonium nitrate solution at 10 gallons per acre plus one pound of 2,4-D, the tarweed control was similar to the use of 2,4-D with water. In 1958, rates of the same solution were applied with 2,4-D and this was compared to 2,4-D application in water. Tarweed control was similar in all cases where 2,4-D was applied regardless of carrier. These rates were with 1, 2 and 4 gallons of the nitrogen solution.

Dean Swan, agronomist, indicates that unless liquid fertilizer is applied in higher gallonages to obtain some nitrogen benefits, there is no advantage in using it as a carrier for 2,4-D.

Buy Lawn Seed Carefully

Home owners hoping to save money when they seed their new lawns may find higher priced grass seed more of a bargain than seed with a low price tag.

So-called "bargain" lots of seed often are sold at reduced prices. But if seed is cheap there's probably a reason—poor growth rate, a lot of weeds, a small amount of pure grass seed, or perhaps it's a variety not adapted to the area.

We certainly urge buyers to be extra careful about buying grass seed with much weed seed. A seed bag containing one-quarter of one percent weeds has enough to sow five or more weeds per square foot.

Buyers can compare labels on different lots of grass seed to make sure they are getting the bargain they think they are. Labels are required to tell percentage of pure seed, germination rate, percentage of weed seeds, other crop seeds, and inert matter.

Extension leaflets are available at your county agent's office on starting a new lawn, care and maintenance, and pests and problems.

Wheat League Executive Com.

The Sherman Wheat Growers Association executive committee will meet next Wednesday, Mar. 23, at 8:00 p. m. at the courthouse. All executive committee members are asked to attend and anyone else interested is welcome.

Bang's Vaccination

General increased interest over the state has been shown in Bang's vaccination of replacement heifers. Some counties have over 50% of the replacement heifers vaccinated. Sherman county has had fewer heifers vaccinated than any other Eastern Oregon county with only 6%. In 1955 23 herds had 521 vaccinated. In 1959 25 herds had 445 replacement heifers vaccinated. Additional farmers may want to give this program consideration for use on their farms.

4-H Club News

The Kitchen Kookies met with Reatha Coats March 8 at 3:20 in the Wasco grade school. The model meeting will be the first Thursday in April. There were six in attendance.

Pat Coats made a fruit salad. Nina Rhinehart made a wheat dish. We played a game and did a yell.

Ann Winegar, reporter

The fifth meeting of the Kent Livestock club was held at the home of Erin and James Wilson, February 2. Reports were given by Krista and Don Mobley, Erin and James Wilson and J. P. Reckmann. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Wilson. The sixth meeting of our club was held at the school house March 4. County Agent T. W. Thompson brought two interestings films to show and discuss. Our leader Bob Martin furnished the refreshments.

J. P. Reckmann, reporter

The Short Circuits under leadership of Don von Borstel met from 4:15 to 6:00 Tuesday March 8 in the 7th and 8th grade room of Grass Valley school. Don passed books out. We started to make an electric meter.

Ronald C. Eakin, reporter

The Golden Thread 4-H club held a meeting at the Grass Valley school March 8. We mainly worked on our national 4-H club display. Melva brought bananas, ice cream and punch for refreshments. Lorraine Stark will bring refreshments for next meeting.

Melba Alberty, reporter

The Top Hatters met with their leader Mrs. Donald von Borstel at her home. Cathy, Janice and Lorraine gave reports on menus for meals. Lou Ann will give a report next meeting on how to set a table. The next meeting will be held March 17 with Mrs. von Borstel. We are going to have a cook day March 17.

Sheri Rolfe, reporter

The Busy Bees sewing club met March 14 and the 1st year class worked on bean bags and the 2nd worked on oven mitts. Pamela Ketter served refreshments.

Jessie Brander was absent on account of sickness.

Jerry Alberty, reporter

SHERMAN THEATER

Kiddie Matinee Saturday, March 19

2:00 P. M.

"The Legend of Tom Dooley"
Michael Landon — Jo Morrow

ALSO

"Have Rocket Will Travel"
The Three Stooges

Personal Property Returns are now DELINQUENT

File Before April 1st to AVOID PENALTY

Clair Balzer, Assessor

Smith Callaway Chapel FUNERAL SERVICE
Leonard R. Smith
Phone CY 6-3135
The Dalles, Oregon

Dr Otis G. Perkins
Optometrist
40. E. 2nd St.
Tel. CY6-5362 The Dalles, Ore.

TIMBER LAMINATED STRUCTURES

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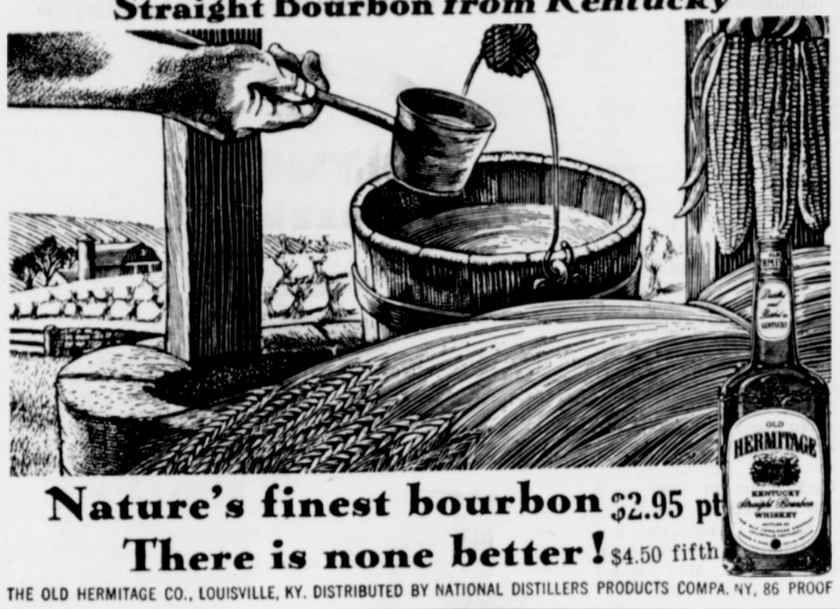

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of Moro school district No. 17 of Sherman County, State of Oregon, that a SCHOOL MEETING of the said district will be held at the School House on the 31st day of March, 1960, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of discussing the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1960 and ending June 30, 1961, hereinafter set forth.

Schedule I — **BUDGET—FISCAL YEAR 1960—1961**

Summary of Estimated Expenditures, Receipts and Available Cash Balances, and Tax Levies

Estimation of Tax Levy	Total All Funds	General Fund	School Lunch Fund	Teacherage Fund
1. a. Total Estimated Expenditures	$ 104,164.67	$ 99,211.00	$ 4,653.67	$ 300.00
b. Total Reserved for Expenditure in Future Years	520.00		200.00	320.00
c. Total Estimated Expenditures and Reserve	104,684.67	99,211.00	4,853.67	620.00
DEDUCT:				
2. Total Estimated Receipts and Available Cash Balances	28,868.91	23,395.24	4,853.67	620.00
3. Amount Necessary to Balance the Budget	75,815.76	75,815.76		
ADD:				
4. Estimated Amount of Taxes That Will Not Be Collected During the Fiscal Year For Which This Budget Is Made, Including Estimated Rebate on Taxes	2,274.47	2,274.47		
5. Total Estimated Tax Levies for Ensuing Fiscal Year	78,090.23	78,090.23		
6. Analysis of Estimated Tax Levies: (a) Amount Inside 6% Limitation	78,090.23	78,090.23		

INDEBTEDNESS

1. Amount of bonded indebtedness (include all negotiable interest-bearing warrants issued under ORS 328.205)	None
2. Amount of warrant indebtedness on warrants issued and endorsed "not paid for want of funds"	None
3. Amount of other indebtedness	None
4. Total indebtedness (sum of items 1, 2, 3)	None

Adopted by District School Board
Dated February 29, 1960
Signed: Clara E. Houston, District Clerk
Dean Pinkerton, Dist. Sch. Board Chr.

Approved by Budget Committee
Approved February 29, 1960
Signed: J. A. Cushman, Secretary Budget Com.
Dean Pinkerton, Chr. Budget Com.

Schedule II — **GENERAL FUND ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING CASH BALANCE** — **District No. Seventeen (17) County Sherman July 1, 1960 to June 30, 1961**

Actual Receipts for Two Fiscal Years Next Preceding Current School Year: Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1958	Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1959	Budget Allowance Current Fiscal Year	ITEM	Estimated Receipts Ensuing Fiscal Year
			10. Revenue from Local Sources	
	$ 31,120.76	$ 40,455.29	11.1 District Tax rec'd in year levied	
1.39	2.16		11.2 District Tax—Prior Years' Levies	
10.27	708.03		15.0 Other	
			20. Revenue from Intermediate Sources	
1,822.54	1,935.82	2,470.00	County School Fund	$ 2,180.00
54,280.06	30,269.03	34,360.72	22.1 Apportionment	
848.61	2,277.76		22.2 Prior Years' Levies (Rural)	
			30. Revenue from or Through State Sources	
12,679.71	13,142.59	12,622.77	31.0 Basic School Support Fund	12,518.83
	992.75	183.99	31.1 Off-set Against Tax Levy	
			32.0 Common (Irreducible) School Fund	185.30
170.43	156.62	177.94	39.0 Other (Transfer to School Lunch)	
		850.00		
			50. Receipts From Other School Districts	
2,500.00	4,536.32	4,500.00	52.0 Transportation	3,500.00
	2,418.18		**70. Transfers From Other Funds**	
$ 73,313.01	$ 87,559.02	$ 95,620.71	**TOTAL RECEIPTS**	$ 18,384.13
			Beginning Net Cash Balance (or Deficit) Less Cash Working Fund	5,011.11
840.27	2,818.93		**TOTAL BUDGET RESOURCES GENERAL FUND**	$ 23,395.24
$ 73,153.28	$ 90,378.95	$ 95,620.71		

Schedule III — **GENERAL FUND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES** — **District No. Seventeen (17) July 1, 1960 to June 30, 1961**

			ADMINISTRATION 100 Series	
			Salaries	
1,250.00	1,750.00	2,300.00	114 Clerk	$ 600.00
			115 Principal	1,220.00
188.92	96.68	150.00	120 Supplies	110.00
119.91	70.64	125.00	141 Elections and Publicity	125.00
105.00	105.00	125.00	143 Legal Service	125.00
315.69	247.69	250.00	144 Audit	250.00
			145 Principals Expense	125.00
			146 P. O. Box & Postage	50.00
			199 Other Expenses of Administration	50.00
192.05	241.33	200.00		
$ 2,171.57	$ 2,511.34	$ 3,150.00	**Total Administration Expenses**	$ 2,655.00
			INSTRUCTION 200 Series	
			210 Salaries	
5,500.00	6,360.00	6,960.00	211 Principals	6,100.00
22,829.13	30,438.70	37,025.00	213 Teachers	36,435.00
			Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	1,700.00
141.60	506.25	350.00	216 Substitute Teachers	300.00
46.42	17.43	50.00	219 Guidance & Counseling	75.00
1,106.20	1,449.42	1,200.00	220 Teaching Supplies	1,000.00
700.83	850.20	860.00	226 Textbooks	600.00
123.45	96.31	90.00	227 Library Books, Periodicals, Audiovisual Aids	90.00
463.49	81.00		228 Physical Education Equipment	150.00
51.48	67.52	75.00	229 Other Expense of Instruction	75.00
$ 30,962.60	$ 39,866.83	$ 46,610.00	**Total Expense of Instruction**	$ 46,525.00
			ATTENDANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES 300-400 Series	
			400 Health Services	
27.02	5.13	25.00	420 Supplies and Other Expense	25.00
$ 27.02	$ 5.13	$ 25.00	**Total Attendance and Health Services**	$ 25.00
			PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES 500 Series	
11,038.85	11,423.01	11,710.00	Salaries	10,100.00
2,864.88	3,696.25	3,500.00	520 Supplies and Repairs	3,140.00
	5,614.00	5,500.00	535 Replacement of Vehicles	
483.74	538.75	600.00	552 Transportation Insurance	575.00
341.75	97.20		563 Payment in lieu of Transportation	75.00
$ 14,729.22	$ 21,369.21	$ 21,310.00	**Total Pupil Transportation Services**	$ 13,890.00
			OPERATION OF PLANT 600 Series	
4,158.50	4,276.00	4,400.00	610 Salaries	2,850.00
1,151.74	805.17	750.00	620 Supplies	400.00
660.76	1,225.68	1,500.00	628 Fuel for Heat	1,900.00
1,144.78	1,438.82	1,050.00	630 Utilities except Fuel	1,525.00
276.52	250.00	250.00	631 Other Expense	350.00
$ 7,392.30	$ 7,995.67	$ 7,950.00	**Total Operation of Plant**	$ 7,025.00
			MAINTENANCE OF PLANT 700 Series	
			710 Salaries	3,695.00
5,962.31	4,680.14	2,300.00	720 Materials and Supplies	550.00
2,167.59	967.63	1,000.00	735 Replacement of Equipment	480.00
51.00	249.36	200.00	737 Other Expense	200.00
$ 8,180.90	$ 5,897.13	$ 3,500.00	**Total Maintenance of Plant**	$ 4,925.00
			FIXED CHARGES 800 Series	
2,696.64	3,159.68	5,230.00	851 Retirement and Social Security Expense	5,000.00
1,048.70	399.90	360.00	852 Insurance and Judgments	520.00
100.19	185.10	200.00	855 Interest on Current Loans	200.00
	540.22	554.00	856 Industrial Accident Insurance	700.00
$ 3,845.53	$ 4,284.90	$ 6,344.00	**Total Fixed Charges**	$ 6,420.00
			FOOD SERVICES AND STUDENT-BODY ACTIVITIES 900-1000 Series	
			900 Food Services	
2,335.00	2,261.76	3,195.00	910 Salaries	3,385.00
50.00	150.00	150.00	920 Supplies and Other Expense	250.00
		850.00	966 Tranfer to School Lunch	
			1066 To Cover Deficit in S-B Activities Account	50.00
$ 2,385.00	$ 2,411.76	$ 4,195.00	**Total Food Services and Student-Body Activities**	$ 3,685.00
			COMMUNITY SERVICES 1100 Series	
			1169 Expense of Civic Activities	35.00
			Total Community Services	$ 35.00
			CAPITAY OUTLAY 1200 Series	
			1277 Remodeling	11,771.00
395.60	600.97	315.00	1278 Equipment	855.00
244.61	424.90	100.00	1227 Library Books	400.00
$ 640.21	$ 1,025.87	$ 415.00	**Total Capital Outlay**	$13,026.00
		1,000.00	EMERGENCY	1,000.00
$ 70,334.35	$ 85,367.84	$ 94,449.00	**TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES**	$ 99,211.00

Schedule V — **SCHOOL LUNCH AND MILK FUND**

			ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING CASH BALANCE	
735.16	924.90	850.00	36 Federal Money Received Through Through State	815.00
3,235.48	3,747.20	3,987.50	66 Sale of Lunches	3,750.00
	42.00		71 Student Help	42.00
			72 Other	75.00
4,069.42	4,781.31	4,837.50	**Total Receipts**	$ 4,682.00
399.80	204.33	204.33	Beginning Net Cash Balance (or Deficit)	171.67
$ 4,469.22	$ 4,781.31	$ 5,041.83	**Total Budget Resources**	$ 4,853.67
			ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES AND RESERVE	
	42.00		910 Labor—Student Help	42.00
3,761.54	4,371.91	4,841.83	921 Food	4,313.67
261.46	211.98		978 Equipment	100.00
241.89	193.08		999 Other	198.00
4,264.89	4,818.97	4,841.83	**Total Estimated Expenditures**	$ 4,653.67
204.33	166.67	200.00	Reserved for Expenditure in Future Years	200.00
$ 4,469.22	$ 4,985.64	$ 5,041.83	**Total Expenditures and Reserve**	$ 4,853.67

Schedule VIII — **TEACHERAGE FUND**

			ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING CASH BALANCE	
350.00	420.00	420.00	Rent	
350.00	420.00	420.00	**Total Receipts**	420.00
379.07	58.56	58.56	Beginning Net Cash Balance (or Deficit)	200.00
$ 729.07	$ 478.56	$ 478.56	**Total Budget Resources**	620.00
			ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES AND CASH BALANCE	
	420.00	478.56	Maintenance of house	
333.75			Maintenance of house	300.00
336.76				
670.51	420.00	478.56	**Total Estimated Expenditures**	300.00
			Reserved for Expenditures in Future Years	320.00
58.56	58.56			
$ 729.07	$ 478.56	$ 478.56	**Total Expenditures and Reserve**	$ 620.00