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These Things We Note

Giles L. French

We were all set to really live it up and whoop it up during the sixties in keeping with year end prophecies. Now the sixties look a lot like the fifties.

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Who should go to college? Anyone who has the will, brains are secondary.

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How to get the support of the minorities without losing the support of the majority is the biggest governmental and political problem in a democracy. Only occasionally is the nation's welfare considered.

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The engineers are saying that when completed the John Day dam will make more electricity than any other Columbia river dam. It will be hard to remain isolated so close to a power plant.

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The heretofore frustrated radical planters had an opportunity to be active last week end and presumably were. We were impetuous early and are now patient.

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There may have been a time when it was enough to be morally right, but nowadays it is handy to have force in addition to it.

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Probably the percentage of families considered well off changes little whether times are good or bad. They tend to spend all they can get.

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A potential king with initials A ACE is appropriate.

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Youth knows how it can be done and age knows why it can't be done. Neither are always right but it indicates age.

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It is probable that the small percentage of white voters is as important to the nation's future as the smaller percentage of black voters.

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We are not so fearful of weather prophecies as before. It is seldom they can prophesy worse than the weather man sends.

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The warm sun and spring air of the first of the week has received a unanimous vote of praise in a personally conducted poll by a reporter for this newspaper. The feeling of satisfaction is so general that even the most timid candidate can safely express an opinion about the beauty of the sun, the warmth of the air, the gleeful croak of the frogs. Only those who were fooled by the warm days of February are doubtful about the weather.

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Listing the wheat farmers who received more than \$50,000 in loans from the government is very misleading. Some are able to divide receipts into several accounts, some sold wheat instead of borrowing, some retired the loan in part before April 30. In any event a restriction on the size of such loans is a poor way to improve the farm law.

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We had a row of daffodils along the sidewalk in front of the office until the city, in an effort at civic improvement, came along and paved the strip with gravel and tar. It looked bad for the daffodils but after a warm day or two the plants bulged the flexible paving and popped up, covered with tar. Such resolution against formidable odds is enough to strengthen any wavering individualist and we hope the plants go ahead and bloom a brilliant yellow to wave defiance at the officialdom that would have destroyed them.

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In the winter time when the sun is low and its rays weak we let our windows get smoky and practically opaque; in the summer when the sun beats in with a burning ferocity we wash the windows. There is something very foolish about this procedure and the only excuse we have is that it is comfortable to wash windows in summer and not in winter.



Some two hundred of the nations leading industrialists heard Governor Mark Hatfield tell about Oregon's advantages for industry at luncheon meetings in New York and Chicago this week. A group of Oregon business leaders accompanied the Governor on the industrial development tour. Governor Hatfield spoke in front of a banner proclaiming that Oregon has "the greenest welcome mat in the U. S. A." for industry.

Bloodmobile Coming Next Monday; Late Hours Set

Remember this date: Monday, March 28, and please make a careful note of the time. Spring was a little late this year so we were in hopes farmers could be in the field by that time. However, it did present a problem. We took it to headquarters and they have agreed to stay until seven o'clock that evening. So the time is: 3:00 p. m. to 7:00 p. m. at the Community Presbyterian church, Moro.

One of our gallon club members, more a veteran donor at every drawing since the program began in this county, cannot give this trip. He has arranged for a replacement. This seems like a very good idea. Another plan for those who are coming why not bring a friend.

The Girl Scouts will again take care of the children in the church nursery and play room.

County Court Considers Claims, Problems, Roads

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS MARCH 2, 1960

RE MINUTES: Minutes of regular meeting of March 2, 1960 and special meeting of March 4, 1960, read and approved.

RE CLAIMS: All claims allowed as presented against general fund and road fund.

RE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: For month of Feb. presented—approved and filed.

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

RE ROAD BALANCES: for month of Feb. presented—approved and filed.

RE BARNUM ROAD: Road Viewer's report on said road read. Remonstrance filed.

RE JOHN DAY DAM: Resolution presented from various organizations re: recreation facilities on pool by John Day Dam.

RE VECTOR CONTROL: Petition presented signed by resident taxpayers of Rufus Area to form a Vector Control Area. Court signs Order calling for hearing on said petition on April 11, 1960 at 8:00 o'clock P. M. at Rufus Grange Hall.

RE PACIFIC GAS TRANSMISSION CO: Application of said company for franchise, etc., under certain portions of county roads. Order signed.

RE T. B. & BRUCELOSIS: Certificates granted to Sherman County as free area of T. B. & Bruceellosis, from State Agricultural Dept.

ADJOURNED

COURT MET IN SPECIAL SESSION MARCH 4, 1960

RE BARNUM ROAD: Report of Road Viewer's read second time Mr. Barnum appears on behalf of petition. Court votes no on said petition.

RE WEED CONTROL: Weed Control for Sherman County appears before court and ask special attention be given to eradication of perennial weeds along county roads. Purchase

Sherman County Club Meets Next Tuesday

The meeting of the Sherman County Club next Tuesday, March 29 will start at Beech's about seven o'clock and dinner will be served at eight at the Masonic hall. Reports on various activities that are going on in the county will be made and the stand of the club expressed. The entertainment committee can be expected to provide something worthy of their inventiveness.

Extension Club Hears of Pests

The Tuesday afternoon Extension club met March 22 at the home of Carrie Belshe with 10 members and one visitor present. The following were appointed to serve on the nominating committee, Mrs. Nina Pinkerton, Mrs. Laura Sather and Mrs. Olea Fraser.

The topic for study was "Insect Pests of Home and Garden" which was given by Mrs. Clarence Spencer of Wasco.

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Recordar Corp., \$602.00

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: T. Lester Johnson, \$33.92

COUNTY COURT: Lester Wilson, \$25.00, L. E. Kaseberg, \$84.20 - Comm. Fee & Mileage; Vernon I. Miller, \$27.80

Judge's expenses, The Dalles Greenhouse, \$10.00 - County Court Admin.

MISCELLANEOUS: First National Bank, \$256.20 - taxes withheld; Oregon State Tax Comm., \$51.30 - state taxes withheld; Social Security, \$149.59; Bankers Life & Casualty Co., \$13.66.

ROAD FUND: WAGES: Dunlap, \$455.41; Bayer, \$368.74; Morehouse, \$323.73; Gosson, \$370.08; Johnson, \$329.41; Griggs, \$385.54; Edwards, \$199.63; State Tax Comm., \$56.90; Social Security, \$176.85; First National Bank, \$276.00; Banker's Life & Casualty Co., \$46.80.

GAS & OIL: Shell Oil Co., \$562.32; Standard Oil Co., \$216.78

REPAIRS: Loggers & Contractors Mch. \$6.35; Feenaughty Mch. Co., \$561.53; Clyde Equip. Co., \$73.70; Auto Electric Co., \$77.79; Cushman Equip. Co., \$466.86; Moro Grain Growers Assn., \$31.02.

WEED CONTROL: Ranch & Home Store, \$2.98

GENERAL SUPPLIES: Kirk's Plumbing & Heating, \$65.44; Ranch & Home Store, \$3.45; Woodbury Co., \$56.38; Smith Auto Parts Co., \$78.20; Stone Ma. Co., \$38.93.

CHINERY CO., \$24.93; Auto Electric Co., \$38.93

TIRES & TUBES: Cushman Equip. Co., \$178.03

ROAD MACHINERY: Bob DePriest, \$1,050.00

MISCELLANEOUS: Platt's Truck Service, \$7.59; Pacific Power & Light Co., \$18.01; City of Moro, \$1.75; Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., \$9.70; State of Oregon, Dept. of Motor Vehicles, \$3.00.

WELFARE FUNDS: State Public Welfare, \$1123.75

PROTECTION OF RECORDS:

Highway Commission To Get Bids on Cottonwood Bridge

The Oregon State Highway commission will open bids March 29 for construction of a new bridge across the John Day river at the mouth of Cottonwood and to be part of the newly built Wasco-Heppner highway.

The new reinforced concrete bridge will be on a new alignment and will be 440 feet long and have a 26 foot roadway.

The contract will also provide for grading and oiling of 0.27 mile of roadway for the bridge connection. The job is slated for completion by next winter and the old bridge will be removed by the summer of 1961 and be used at some other place.

It is possible that if the counties of Sherman and Gilliam were to make an effort the solid center span of the old bridge could be moved to McDonald's ferry site to provide an additional crossing of the John Day river.

Bank Has Record Deposit For Spring

A record high spring bank call deposit was revealed by First National Bank of Oregon when the statewide bank reported its March 15, 1960 statement of condition figures to the comptroller of the currency.

Deposits of \$836,508,545 were reported, which topped the previous spring mark by more than \$2 million set on March 12, 1959. Loans for the 82 First National offices amounted to \$480,316,922, an increase of \$49 million over a year ago.

The Sherman county branch of First National reported March 15 deposits of \$3,143,426 and loans totalling \$777,549, according to R. E. Ferrell, manager.

Carol Hoyer Winner In Auxiliary Contest

Mrs. Alice Conlee, Americanism chairman of Chris Schultz Auxiliary, announces the winners in the junior division in the essay contest held in the schools each year. This year's subject was "Why I Love My Country" and the winners are Carol Hoyer, first, who will receive \$3.00 and have her essay sent in for state competition and Nancy McKean was second and will receive \$1.50 from the local auxiliary.

FFA Boys Get Awards At State Convention

by Don Decker

Terry Kaseberg, the first Sherman Future Farmer to receive the State Farmer degree, received his award at the 32 annual State F.F.A. convention in Pendleton March 19.

Ron Mobley received a \$200 scholarship from the UP during the Friday night award program. Allan Miller placed second in the State Soil and Water Management competition.

Kaseberg was one of 76 Oregon Future Farmers to receive the State Farmer degree. The degree is limited to the top two percent of membership. To qualify a boy must have an outstanding farming program that has earned a minimum of \$500; he must be able to lead a group discussion for 30 minutes and be familiar with local, state and national F.F.A. activities. He must show outstanding leadership.

Kaseberg's project included 8 Herefords, 22 feeder pigs and 9.7 acres of barley.

He was chapter secretary in 1959, a member of the first placed parliamentary team in 1960, and a member of the livestock judging team for the last three years. He placed second in this year's chapter speaking contest.

Mobley was one of twelve boys awarded the UP scholarship. Mobley won the F.F.A. scholarship trophy his freshman year and is leading this year. He has a B plus average.

Ron is president of the F.F.A. chapter and president of the junior class. The scholarship may be used at all agricultural schools in the 11 western states.

Miller's award in Soil and Water management was awarded on the purchase, clearing, seeding and installing of an irrigation system on about 7 acres of bottom land.

Kaseberg was one of the finalists in the State Farm Mechanics competition.

Ron Mobley and Terry Kaseberg were delegates and Allan Miller and Malcolm Eslinger were alternates. Mr. Robertson, F. F. A. advisor accompanied the group.

Youth Rally Planned At Wasco Church

There will be a Youth Rally at the Wasco Church of Christ on the evening of April 1, according to William Jones, pastor, who says that the Saturday Nighters, a choral group from Yakima will be present to sing for the entertainment of Sherman county youth who attend. They will be made welcome.

Mrs. Victor Smith Buried At Hillsboro

Saturday March 19, Gertrude Florence Smith, widow of the late Vic Smith, passed away after an extended illness, in Bellflower, California. Mr. Smith preceded her in 1943.

Mrs. Smith was born in Livermore, California November 4, 1877, to Oliver J. and Rachel Howell Bales, and moved with her family to Oregon in 1880, and to Wasco, Oregon in 1882. She attended Portland University and Oregon State College of Education at Monmouth, graduating in 1897.

She was married to Victor H. Smith, of Gresham, on June 16, 1898, and they both taught school for a time before turning to wheat farming at Wasco, where they lived until 1936, moving from there to Route 1, Hillsboro. Mrs. Smith went to Bellflower in 1947 to live with her son, Lynde C. Smith, where she remained until her death.

Surviving her are her sister, Mrs. Marie Goshorn of Beaverton, her son, Lynde, two daughters, Mrs. Virginia Hershey of Bellflower and Mrs. Bernice Basick of Hillsboro; four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Mrs. Smith was past worthy matron of Annie Fulton chapter OES, of Wasco, and very active in civic affairs during her lifetime, and a member of the Methodist church.

Memorial services were held at White's Funeral Home in Bellflower, and final services were held at Lincoln Memorial chapel, Mt. Scott, Thursday, March 24 at 1:30 p. m. Interment was made in Lincoln Memorial Park.

Honor Roll Changes As Different Pupils Study Hardest

The honor roll for Sherman High for the first six weeks of the second semester is as follows:

Alice Kaseberg, 4.00; Ronda Fraser, Barbara Fridley, Shirley Watkins, 3.96; Arlene Macnab, 3.93; Barbara Hampton, 3.92; Jaquie Bucholtz, Jeanne Macnab, Darlene Miller, Karen Tsubota, 3.83; Peggy Alberty, Margaret Brown, Bill Smith, 3.79; Connie Axtell, Robert Cyphers, Carol Hoyer, Jim Thomas, Patty Zachary, 3.75; Manya Neal, 3.71; Malcolm Eslinger, Rosalee Eslinger, 3.67; Ann Hall, 3.63; Gene Eakin, Mary Griggs, 3.58; Lynn Rathbun, 3.63; Betty Reckman, 3.55; Virginia Todd, 3.54; Larry Helyer, Anne Petersen, 3.50.

On the honorable mention list are: Diana Henrichs, Onalee Miller, Marilyn Smith, John Thomas, Paulette Willis, 3.42; Bonnie Tatum, Nancy Wilson, 3.38; Ron Mobley, 3.35; Katherine Reckman, 3.33; Donna Hanson, Janet Thompson, 3.39; Jim Duncan, Penny Higley, Peggy McKay, Lana Paulson, 3.25; Julia Bayer, Florene Crews, 3.21; Nancy McKean, 3.17; Phyllis Lutje, 3.13; Joyce Edwards, 3.04; Orville Blaylock and Erin Wilson, 3.00.

Use of Nitrogen Studied By State; Surplus Often Left

Use of nitrogen fertilizer adds about \$30,000,000 to Oregon farmers' pocketbooks each year, reports Dr. H. B. Cheney, head of the Oregon State college soils department.

Nitrogen fertilizer continues to be a "best buy" even though farmers practically never get 100 per cent recovery of added nitrogen in the crop to which it's applied, he notes. Research at OSC and in other states indicates that 70 per cent recovery of the nitrogen applied is real good.

What happens to the rest of the nitrogen? Dr. T. L. Jackson, OSC soils specialist, explained that some nitrogen may be lost by leaching; some may escape into the air under certain conditions; and some will be incorporated into soil organic matter.

OSC soil scientists have found little basis for claiming superiority of one kind of nitrogen over another. In 65 field experiments in Oregon, no one nitrogen fertilizer was consistently better than another when the fertilizer was applied properly. Fertilizers compared include: ammonium nitrate, urea, ammonium sulfate, calcium nitrate, anhydrous ammonia, and aqua ammonia.

Regardless of the type of nitrogen fertilizer used, Oregon farmers can expect less than 5 per cent loss of nitrogen to the air when the fertilizer is applied properly to the soil, Jackson said.

He listed three situations when farmers should expect loss to the air: when nitrate nitrogen is applied to soils wet enough to have a poor supply of oxygen; when ammonium forms of nitrogen and urea are left on the surface of soils with a pH above 7.0; and when high rates of urea are left on the surface of acid, sandy-textured, moist soils at high temperatures (vegetative cover will reduce this urea loss).

Losses from urea should not be expected when irrigation or rain immediately follow application.

Cheney suggests farmers consult their county extension agent for detailed information about these factors affecting loss.

Researchers found some experiments where one source of nitrogen gave better results than other sources. But in every case there were other experiments where this source of nitrogen wasn't superior, Cheney pointed out.

On the basis of the study, OSC researchers came to this conclusion—the nitrogen fertilizer that costs the least for each pound of actual nitrogen applied to the soil is usually the best. Costs of transportation, handling, and application should be included in figuring cost.

Of course, there are items other than cost to keep in mind. The value of other plant nutrients—such as sulfur—in some nitrogen fertilizers should be recognized, but only if that plant nutrient is needed in the soil on which the fertilizer is to be applied.

Biggs Bridge Bonds Expected On Market Soon

A news dispatch from Olympia, Washington, dated Tuesday, reported that the Washington Toll Bridge Authority had authorized a bond issue for construction of the Biggs Rapids bridge. Bid for construction of the bridge has been submitted by Paul Jarvis, Inc., of Seattle at a figure of \$2,409,163.

A tentative date for sale of bonds was set for April 20 but may be delayed because appointment of a bond counsel is expected. A restudy of traffic available for the bridge was also asked. Several have been made but are a few months old.

The bridge will be a high bridge to permit passage of ships and barges and will be a two lane structure. If bonds are sold this spring it is expected that the bridge will be completed by summer of 1962. The new ferry company which recently signed agreements with Sherman and Klickitat counties will carry traffic across the Columbia until the opening of the bridge.

Approaches to the bridge will be built by the highway commissions of the two states.

Citizens Rally To Retain Marshal

A group of citizens, the chairs full of women and the staircases full of men, met with the city council of Moro Wednesday night to present a petition asking that a full time maintenance man be retained by the city and verbally asking that Loy Cochran be that man. The conversation was reserved but frank.

After the citizens had gone home the council, in deference to their wishes, voted to rescind the action of a previous meeting and keep Mr. Cochran on the present basis until June 30 which is the date for expiration of the city's budget.

Junior Class Has Play Prepared

by Betty Reckman

The Junior Class will present "Pass The Cream", a farce in three acts by J. Wilbur Fitzpatrick, March 25 at 8:00 p. m. in the Sherman High cafeteria.

The play hinges on the efforts of Mr. Lamb and his secretary, Bennings Dunahay to curb the extravagance of the Lamb family.

The cast consists of Bob Cyphers as Bennings Dunahay, the private secretary; Tom DeMoss as Richard Lamb Sr., a business man; Patti Smith as Helene Lamb, the spoiled daughter; Lana Paulson as Greta Lawrence, a sophisticated young lady; Janet Thompson as Sarah Lattimore, a gay witty lady; Steve Close as John Gibbs, a nice young man who is very fond of polo; Gus Thoele as Clyde Becker, a man of the world; Joan Brackett as Jane Roberts, who fancies herself as an artist; Larry Middleton as Richard Lamb Jr., the pleasure-seeking son; Phyllis Lutje as Rose, the efficient maid; and Betty Reckman as Alice Lamb, the mother.

Oregon-Navy Trade Land; Industry Due

Transfer of the Boardman bombing range to the State of Oregon for development into a "Space Age Industrial Park" will be approved by the Department of Defense. This assurance was given Wednesday by Floyd S. Bryant, assistant secretary of defense, to Gov. Hatfield and to Robert Tarr, director of the Oregon department of planning and development at a meeting in Washington, D. C.

The commitment culminates several months of negotiations between the State of Oregon and federal departments and agencies. Senator Morse, Representatives Ulman and Norblad, other members of Oregon's Congressional delegation, and local officials, including Oscar Peterson, Morrow county judge, assisted in the project.

Tarr and Sam Mallicoate, deputy director, will remain in Washington several days to work out details of the transfer. In exchange for the 96,000 acre Boardman range the State will give the Navy a comparable tract of State-owned land in the southeastern part of the state.