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These Things We Note

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We note a sad misuse of the word liberal on political ballots for this month's primary. Most of those using the word are not liberals but beggars for public funds.

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This probably isn't the coldest spring on record; it just feels like it.

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If it is persons over 65 who are advocating free medical care for those on social security they are asking for a gift as the Forand bill would not require them to pay anything for it.

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Politicians are still bragging on the family farm which is as obsolete as a dodo. Furthermore, it isn't any good to but one family. The farm that is important is the one that produces something to sell.

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Legislation passed from here on out will be for political purposes only.

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A story about pay of big executives should interest everyone. The head of general motors gets \$670,350 and has \$172,875 left after taxes. In other words users of general motors products pay \$670,350 so that a man may receive \$172,875. High taxes thus make high prices.

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We do not think citizens should take more from the government than their services are worth nor that the government should take more from citizens than its services are worth. And we think the individual should have more to say about the value of services.

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One reason things cost so much is that many things once done by neighbors for friendliness are now done by professionals for a fee.

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A writer about the ills of society says that today's biggest sin is getting caught. We don't know about it being a sin but it is darned unhandy.

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If a man does any job well the job itself grows (as well as the man) and before long it becomes more important. If a man does a job poorly it decreases in importance until no one wants it and other means are found to get the work done.

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It will be odd if man does not poison himself with all the chemicals he is concocting.

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The postmaster-general is all upset because his department consistently runs in the red. We praise him for thinking it should break even but wonder if time spent investigating management instead of asking for bigger prices wouldn't help.

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Portland papers in publicizing the scenic trip up the Deschutes show a picture of a big horse shoe bend. They say it is at Sinamox but it is the bend between Rattlesnake and Jones canyons. Sinamox is three miles below.

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That Indian girl (or is she Irish) considers Brando a "slob." Her trouble is that she had to marry him to find it out.

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The more we see and hear of primaries the better we like base ball.

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We think the highway commission should have stayed with yellow lines for pavement markers even if the federal government did insist on white. We have to learn sometime that just because some one has the power they do not have the perfection.

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In an election year one can expect anything even the revival of sales tax talk. Some one always thinks it is a panacea.

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Having a lot of wheat is probably a good thing for the nation, but it costs a lot to give it away.

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Registration For Primary Lower

Registration for the primary election in Sherman county does not show much interest in any of the races. There are no local contests to generate interest.

	Rep	Dem	Total
Rufus	65	106	173
Wasco	156	170	331
Moro	194	122	319
G. Valley	118	94	218
Kent	67	52	120
	600	644	

There are indications of some additional Democrats in north end precincts which is probably the fore runner of an influx of workers that will change the political complexion of the county in a few years.

Highway Crew Get Safety Award

Paying close attention to all safety rules earned the state highway section crew at Moro an award of merit for having no preventable vehicle accident or personal injury during 1959, according to I. A. DeFrance, highway department maintenance engineer.

The award, which is made annually to maintenance crews that have maintained spotless records, can only be earned by doing everything possible to avoid accidents or situations that might lead to accidents even if it means giving up one's legal right-of-way at times, DeFrance said.

Cattlemen Bill Expert May 12

The Cull and Dry Cow Trace Back Bang's program will be explained by State and Federal Veterinarians during a general meeting of the Sherman County Cattlemen's Association, Thursday evening, May 12, County Courthouse, Moro, Floyd Rathbun, president has announced. All cattlemen and others interested are asked to attend this meeting.

This new program approved by the State Board of Livestock Auction Markets will be used to recertify and maintain the state of Oregon Bang's status. In order to make the program successful and to avoid costly on the ranch testing programs, cattlemen must cooperate in the tagging program. Ranchers whom have been most opposed to the on the ranch testing should find this program beneficial and should understand and back the success of the operation, Rathbun, stated.

Veterinarians, M. B. Woulfe, assistant state veterinarian, and A. G. Beagle, in charge, Federal Disease Program in Oregon, will attend the meeting to present the operation of the new program. Use of the Bang's vaccination program and how it couples with the Cull and Dry Cow program will likewise be discussed by the veterinarians attending.

President Rathbun, indicates other business of the association will be handled at the meeting as dictated by those attending.

Wheat Men and Women See Pictures of India

A room full of wheat growers and their wives dined on viands prepared by the women of the Wasco Methodist church and gave honor to Mac Hall and Russell Belshee, soil conservation men of the year, and their wives, last Thursday night.

Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg, wheat use chairman, told of the rules for the 1960 cake baking contest and introduced Mrs. Kenneth Hattrup and husband. She was winner for two years in the county and once in the state.

John Shipley, county soil conservation chairman, told of the work done by Hall and Belshee and Herb Johansen, president of Dalmor Equipment presented them with cups for their victory. Mr. Belshee responded with some information about their venture into soil saving in an area where flash floods have been costly in years before.

The crowd then adjourned to the Masonic hall where Frank Tubbs of Adams, past president of the Oregon Wheat Growers league, showed pictures of his trip to India last winter when he helped manage the wheat exhibit at a trade fair at Delhi. Tubbs had been more interested in people than in wheat and his pictures were of the Indian people and how they lived, all of which the crowd found most interesting. The poverty of the people is unbelievable although Tubbs occasionally found a well-fed one.

With Allen Tom as chairman, committee heads reported on what has been going on in wheat production and marketing circles. Allan Pinkerton reported on plans for the Soil Conservation field day at Elgin. Bill Todd for federal programs propounded the question of a western wheat office in Washington D. C., which was further explained by Paul Kaseberg who said it would cost \$30,000 a year. Floyd Root opposed the idea of sending Dick Baum to Washington saying the relations he has built up with grain men in Portland is worth more than he could be in the capital.

Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg said the cake baked this year at the wheat league would be a chocolate cake; that an essay contest was being started and that the women were trying to have Bulghour included in CARE packages.

Larry Kaseberg said the annual wheat league show at The Dalles would be held June 6-7-8 and that many entries are expected. Mac Hall reported that a firm had been hired to look after the public relations of wheat men and John Welbes, wheat league secretary, said the mailing list for "The Wheat Field" was being reviewed.

Paul Kaseberg, who is retiring as member of the Oregon Wheat Commission June 30, told of present difficulties in cooperatives with mid-western growers. Governor Mark Hatfield has requested wheat growers to suggest three names from which to choose a successor and the growers proposed that of Floyd Root as a candidate.

Pee Wee Baseball Starts For Summer

PeeWee baseball has started again and a team or two of contestants for the Moro team were out Tuesday night on the Moro park grounds to try out for positions. Games will be played with Condon, Goldendale, Wasco and Moro when a schedule is arranged. Charles Griggs is coach of the boys so far. The team spent all the funds raised last year and can use donations.

Highway 97 Boosters Stop For Visit

Wilfred Woods, editor and publisher of Wenatchee Daily World, and Chester Kimm, manager of the Okanagon-Cariboo Trail association, stopped in Moro a few minutes Wednesday when on their way to Redmond for a meeting that night and to Bend and Klamath Falls for further boosting of the international road. They had much to say about the Caravan 97 that will start at Bend September 5 and end at Dawson Creek the next Sunday after the convention of trail boosters.

Biggs Bridge Bond Bid Opening Set For May 18 Now

Word from Olympia is that bids for the bonds for the Biggs Rapids bridge will probably be opened May 18 by the Washington Toll Bridge Authority which already has a firm bid of \$2,504,000 for construction of the bridge. The projected bridge will close a ferry broken link in Highway 97, and continuous road from Mexico to Alaska.

It is expected that a year and a half will be required to build the bridge and that work will start early this summer. It will be a high bridge leaving head room for river boats and have a two lane roadway.

Oregon will arrange for the approach on the southern end of the bridge and Washington on the northern end.

Sherman Wins Meet Over Four Schools

Sherman's Huskies made an unexpected win Saturday at Maupin in attending the invitational track meet with that school, Culver, Sisters and Cascade Locks. Sherman had 75 1/2 points to 49 1/2 for Maupin, 38 for Sisters, 23 for Cascade Locks and 22 for Culver.

Taking first were Gary Thompson in the 100 and 220, Elbert Hawkins in the 440, Powell in the mile, Royse in the high hurdles and Kaseberg in the low hurdles. Royse in the broad jump and Andrews in the pole vault.

Fred Cox Painting On Display At Bank

A painting of a harness race hangs in the bank, exhibited by Fred Cox, long time Sherman county wheat grower, now retired to Corvallis where he paints for relaxation and pleasure. All of Fred's acquaintances will find something to criticize about the picture which is a natural expression of human nature. Most will say in serious vein that it is a pretty good painting for a man who spent his life handling plows and draft horses and pitch forks.

Heppner Scene Of BLM Area Meeting

A meeting will be held beginning at 1:00 p. m. Thursday, May 12, 1960 in the County Court Room, Court House, at Heppner, Oregon. The subject on the meeting will be the modification of the boundaries of Grazing District No. 7-Bureau of Land Management. It is proposed to administer those lands, eliminated from the district, under Section 15 of the Taylor Grazing Act by direct lease to the present licensee, insofar as possible.

The meeting will be open to all licensees and other interested parties who desire to present their views on the subject. Bureau of Land Management representatives will be present to explain the boundary modifications and to discuss other pertinent matters.

Charter Committee Starts Consideration of Modern Type Government for County

The Sherman county charter committee held its first meeting for discussion of county charters in general and provisions of a possible one for Sherman county last Friday evening at the court house. Sitting with the committee were Kenneth E. Tollenaar, secretary of the Association of Oregon counties, T. Lester Johnson, district attorney, and Giles French.

Members present were Kenneth Hattrup, chairman, Mrs. Glady's Zell, secretary, J. K. McKean, Frank Ketter, Leroy Belshee, Lloyd Henrichs, Leonard Fields and Gene Reynolds, who has been appointed as the ninth member. Luther Davis was the only absentee.

Mr. Tollenaar told something of the background of the initiative and referendum in Oregon and the provisions for home rule for cities of which the present home rule amendment to the constitution is an extension to county government.

He said five counties had appointed charter committees which were studying different plans for charters. He did not expect any to finish their work this year.

Giles French gave the back-

Women See New Styles; Hear Inspiring Talk

About 175 women heard Mrs. Vera Berney, women's personnel supervisor for Crown-Zellerbach, give a stirring talk on family matters and the raising of children so they will be strong and independent citizens of a responsible country at the spring festival of the extension units of Sherman county.

Mrs. Berney, the mother of three grown sons, said we were developing a child-center family plan instead of a family-centered one; that children were becoming too important for their own good. The reason for this, said the speaker, is that we are getting to be a comfort loving nation whose parents cannot bear to think of their little Johnny or Mary having to suffer any hardships so we baby them to their own detriment.

Every one needs hardships. And we need to teach children some unchanging values in a changing world.

Mrs. Curtis Neal was chairman and after the coffee hour she welcomed the audience which was led in prayer by Rev. Larry Eddings and led in song by Mrs. Harry Pinkerton accompanied by Mrs. Orville Ruggles. Mrs. Neal introduced guests and Mrs. Murle Scales gave a welcome for the extension service.

Mrs. Willard Barnett as narrator and Mrs. David Moore as accompanist, conducted the style show participants as they appeared on a rainbow type stage to show coats and suits made last winter by members of the units. Mrs. J. K. McKean and daughter, Nancy, sang some songs and Miss Armstrong closed the program with her comments.

Responsible for the show were Mrs. Rolland Johnson, Mrs. Willard Barnett, Mrs. Richard Skiles, Mrs. James Brown, Mrs. Larry Kaseberg and Mrs. Kenneth Hattrup with the offices. Elected next year were Mrs. Jack Cushman, chairman, Mrs. Malcolm McKinney, vice chairman and Mrs. Kenneth Fridley, secretary.

Albert Hennagin Buried Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Christianson and his mother, Mrs. Daisy Byers, were in Portland Tuesday to attend the funeral of Albert Hennagin who died there April 30. Mr. Hennagin will be remembered as the eldest of the family of eight who were early settlers on the ridge between Hay and Grass Valley canyons.

He was born at Massena, New York May 6, 1873 and was but a boy when his family removed to Oregon. Surviving are two daughters, one son and six grandchildren all living in Portland, one brother, Fred of Phoenix, Arizona, four sisters, Mrs. Daisy Byers of Moro, Mrs. Eva Rudolph and Mrs. Bessie Johnson of Portland and Maggie of McMinnville.

April Showers Cut Moisture Deficit .23 Inch; Now 3.06

April gained a little on the moisture deficit that has been building up nearly every month since September 1 and it now stands at 3.06 inches. That means that we have received little more than two-thirds of normal moisture in the crop year having 6.77 inches of a normal of 9.83.

April added 1.01 inch which was better than the average of .78. It rained nearly every day to little avail but the 23rd saw .43 inch fall for the biggest rain of the month.

The highest temperature was 74 on the 6th and the lowest was 30 which occurred several times, last on the 25th. We can expect 76 for high and 25 for low. The average maximum was 58.5 degrees and the average minimum was 34.7 for a mean of 46.6 and that is 2.2 degrees below the average and explains the presence of so many overcoats. In 1955 the average mean for April was 41.5 which was the coldest April.

The wind wasn't bad being 4.38 MPH a good 1.8 MPH below normal. On the 9th we had 208 miles of wind.

Old Wasco Pioneer Association Meeting

The Old Wasco County Pioneers are meeting in The Dalles Saturday.

The title is much broader than Wasco county for it is OLD Wasco county and OLD Wasco county stretched from the top of the Cascades to the top of the Rockies so that a good share of Idaho and parts of Wyoming and Montana were once Wasco county. That means that anyone born in the confines (sic) of that vast area can be a member of the association.

The one other requirement is that he be born fifty years ago. Anyone else can attend the meeting, eat the salmon which is traditional for the day, listen to the program which is usually short, and look at the finest collection of pictures of this part of Oregon that will ever be gathered together. He will also meet old friends.

Registration begins at 9:30 in the morning and the first table is seated a little before noon. The program is immediately after all have finished eating and at night there is an old fashioned ball with a grand march and fiddlin' music to excite old fashioned feet. Some 800 are expected.

Howard Belton Invests State Funds

State Treasurer Howard C. Belton has invested more than \$18 million the past few days in United States Treasury Bills and Notes and in Federal Agency paper of various maturities, from October 27, 1960, to February 15, 1962. The earnings that will accrue to the General Fund from these investments will be in excess of \$670,000. Mr. Belton stated that he keeps a vigil watch on all state receipts and disbursements and invests accordingly, to the best interests of the state. Extreme care is maintained and careful consideration of all investments to purchase maturities that coincide with heavy disbursing periods of state moneys, such as basic school distributions, highway distributions to cities and counties, state payroll, and principal and interest payments on state obligations.

Natural Resources Change Possible

The legislative interim committee on natural resources will hold meetings at Bend May 26, at Prineville May 27 and at John Day May 28 to hear opinions about the possibility of combining some of the various agencies into a fewer number and possibly the formation of a natural resources department in the state government.

Governor Hatfield has advocated combining agencies in this field as well as others. Specifically the committee will want to learn opinions on fish and game management, hunter-rancher relations, the multiple use of water, the need of the additional state parks. Representative Frank Weathersford is a member of the committee.

School Elections Change Nothing But Few Faces

School elections in Sherman county were very quiet with almost no contests and the vote corresponding light. Only controversy was at Grass Valley where 137 voter turned out to turn down a proposal to start door to door pupil transportation. The vote was 44 for to 93 against.

Directors elected were Howard Steward at Rufus, Chester Coats re-elected at Wasco; Don Thompson elected to replace Dean Pinkerton at Moro; H. R. Schilling re-elected at Grass Valley; Jay McKay re-elected at Kent. Fred Dormaier was re-elected as a director of the Rural School Board and Robert Tatum of Kent was elected as director of Sherman High School to replace John J. Decker.

In voting on the levy over the six percent limitation Rufus approved the levy for that district 47 to 23; Grass Valley by 86 to 51 and Kent by 33 to 7. These are for local levies.

In voting for the Rural School levy, which is the equalization levy, the vote was Rufus yes 43, no 27; Wasco yes 44, no 15; Moro yes 31, no 7; Grass Valley yes 81, no 54; Kent yes 32, no 8. Total vote was 231 to 111.

Wasco Auxiliary Has Long Session

The Frank E. Brown unit of the American Legion Auxiliary of Wasco met at the home of Mrs. Everett Watkins, The Dalles, May 2. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Paul Patrick. The unit voted to buy an electric floor cleaner. The post donated \$10.00 towards this appliance. A discussion was held regarding the purchase of a resuscitator for the Wasco unit, from the hospital equipment fund. It was tabled for further discussion at the June meeting. Mrs. Will Reid, Mrs. Claude Parrott and Mrs. Harland McDonald were elected as delegates to the state convention to be held at Seaside July 7-8-9. Mrs. Keith McDonald will be a delegate at large. The chairman of the nominating committee, Grace Medler, reported the following recommendation for officers for the coming year. For president, Mrs. Harland McDonald; first vice-president, Mrs. Will Reid and second vice-president, Mrs. Gordon Harper; for secretary Mrs. Paul Patrick. The unit voted to accept the recommendations of the committee.

Mrs. Dewey Thomas, Americanism chairman, reported on the proposed plans for expanding the Willamette National cemetery in Portland.

There will be a coffee hour at the Legion hall in Wasco May 4 at 9 a. m. in honor of Delphine George, department president. Maxine Bigelow, dept. vice-president and Colleen Goger, district 5 president. Grass Valley, and Moro units will be co-hostess for this affair.

A bake sale will be held May 20 from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. and the place will be Patty O'Meara's in Wasco. Poppy day sale will be held the same date.

A memorial was held for two members, Pearl McDonald and Lois Miller, who passed away during the year. Also honored were the Gold Star mothers, Mrs. Bert Watkins, Mrs. Harley Dutton, Mrs. Will Huck and Mrs. Harland McDonald. Each was presented with a corsage.

Mrs. Watkins was assisted in serving by Mrs. James Maddox, Mrs. Cassa Yates, Mrs. Claude Parrott and Mrs. Maude Bagenholt.

Those journeying from Wasco to The Dalles for this meeting were mesdames Robert Bish, Elva Dehler, Grace Medler, Harley Dutton, John Foss, Albert Kaseberg, Keith McDonald, Paul Patrick, Will Reid, Earl Richelderfer, Arthur Sargent, Dewey Thomas, Leona Van Gilder, Bert Watkins, Vinton Watkins, Will Huck and Harland McDonald.

The next meeting of the unit will be held at the little Legion hall June 6, starting with a pot luck luncheon. This will be the final meeting of the current year.