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These Things We Note

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We can think of nothing that will reduce the standing of professors so much as putting them in charge of the government.

T T W N

We wonder when the new mayor will begin to fill up the holes in the streets made by the departing administration.

T T W N

The place for Governor Hatfield, Senate President Boivin and Speaker Duncan is in Salem, not Washington.

T T W N

A. W. Lafferty reminds us of this from General Douglas MacArthur which needs remembering:

"Youth is not entirely a time of life—it is a state of mind. It is not wholly a matter of red cheeks, red lips or supple knees. It is a temper of the will, a quality of the imagination, a vigor of the emotions, a freshness of the deep springs of life. It means a temperamental predominance of courage over timidity, of an appetite for adventure over love of ease. Nobody grows old merely by living a number of years. . . . In the central place of every heart there is a recording chamber; so long as it receives message of beauty, cheer and courage, so long are you young."

T T W N

It seems natural that the coming administration should be concerned about depressed areas—they are mostly peopled by Democrats. But we think they might consider cause and effect.

T T W N

Get a load of this: "Celilo Park, Public Recreation Area" and then "DEVELOPED" by U. S. Army Engineers. The Engineers are the boys who made a river out of a falls that was a real attraction.

T T W N

Oregon's Morse, Neuberger and Ullman have introduced a capital budget plan in congress. Briefly it means that expenditures for investments will not be counted in the regular budget. But they will cost money just the same. It is a familiar gimmick of the spenders.

T T W N

An American negro, back from Africa, says negroes there hope to do away with the white race. Such bigotry.

T T W N

A tax cut of a few percent would be a useless gesture. Taxes should be increased, expenses cut and the remainder put on the national debt. Any thing else is further babying ourselves.

T T W N

Most of the task forces appointed by Kennedy to come up with an answer to a big problem have failed to do much of a job. Most would merely result in more spending which is what is wrong with us already.

T T W N

Mrs. Darwin Van Gilder came was down town Tuesday morning with a handful of violas, blue, gray and brown that bloomed in her yard since the warm weather started a few days ago. Daffodils are peeping up in several yards enough to make an optimist wonder if this really could be spring.

T T W N

Senator Mansfield of Montana, the new majority leader, doesn't seem to qualify as such. Lyndon Johnson will be boss because he has more of what it takes.

T T W N

From Texas, by way of England, we learn that a manufacturer there has trained chimpanzees to work on an assembly line. They are paid in bananas.

T T W N

A man wrote into a newspaper to say that individuals should not be expected to care for their parents, that is was the state's job. Well, so, certainly parents who raised such trash should not be looked after.

T T W N

We give our sincere thanks to the weather man for a few very fine days over the last week end.

Marvin Thomas Put On County Fair Board By Court

At the special meeting of the county court held Monday Marvin Thomas of Wasco was appointed to the fair board to succeed Phil O'Meara who has served two, three year terms in that capacity. The oldest member in point of service on the board is now Hans Bardenhagen who serves with Lloyd Henrichs who was named last year.

The court also drew 500 names for the jury list, that being the law, although there is no more need of 500 potential jurors in this county than there is fifty county judges or 500 city councilmen.

RUFUS GRANGE MEETS

The Rufus Grange met in regular session with the new master Mrs. Rolland Johnson in charge of the meeting. A six thirty p. m. pot luck dinner preceded the meeting with Mr. and Mrs. Harland McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Huck as hostesses for the dinner.

The demit of John L. Burnett was accepted for membership. On the agriculture report Rolland Johnson told of the proper method of growing flowers and plants for early use. He talked on taking care of the battery for the car in winter weather. The legislative chairman Mrs. Harland McDonald told of the resolution received from North Howell Grange on the Child Labor law. The Home Economics chairman Mrs. Bert Swigart said the members will give a dinner for their husbands at the Grange hall on Jan. 12 at 6:30 p. m. The women on the losing side of the White Satin sugar contest will furnish all the dinner and do all the work.

Atlee Wilson said the next card party will be Jan. 14 at 8 p. m. Bill Huck on insurance said there is a safe driver's plan in insurance now. The secretary Mrs. Atlee Wilson read the report for this last quarter to be sent to the State Grange. The Rufus Grange prepared a resolution pertaining to the tax on non-profit fraternal organizations.

Mrs. Johnson asked that the Grange books be audited by the financial committee before the next meeting. Then she announced her committees for the coming year, and they are as follows: Agriculture: Rolland Johnson, Harland McDonald and Jerry Brackett with the first one named for the chairman. The Legislative: Mrs. Harland McDonald, Bill Huck and Mary Brackett, Finance: Roy Shafer, Joe Morrow and Atlee Wilson, Relief: Mrs. Millard Leigh, Mrs. Bill Huck, and Mrs. Pearl Brackett, Education: George Fox and Art Smith, Juvenile: Mrs. Joe Morrow, Musician: Mrs. Fay Brackett, Home Economics: Mrs. Bert Swigart, Youth Committee: Mrs. Geo. Fox, Mrs. Bob Byrd and Mrs. Harvey Hanson; Safety: Mrs. Otto Petersen, The Food Booth: Mrs. Harland McDonald, the Card Party: Atlee Wilson, Mrs. Dolph Baker and Mrs. Joe Sorrick, Community Service: Mrs. Atlee Wilson, Mrs. Art Smith and Mrs. Trace Fields the degree captains; Rolland Johnson and Jerry Brackett, Entertainment: Bill Doyle Mrs. Jerry Brackett and Mrs. Bill Doyle; the Fair Booth: Mary Brackett, Mrs. Millard Leigh, Fay Brackett and Millard Leigh; the drill captain is Otto Peterson; the resolution and building committee is the executive committee and the secretary and master of the Grange. The welcoming committee is Mr and Mrs Bill Huck and Rolland Johnson.

The master has called an officers meeting at the hall on January 16 at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. George Fox lecturer, had charge of the program which "The More We Get Together" began with two sides singing. Each told of a memorable happening in 1960. A reading by Joe Morrow, skit by Mr and Mrs Roy Shafer; a question and answer discussion about the eve by the lecturer and Mrs. Leigh; a game by two chosen groups ended the program.

It was decided to have a first and second degree team at Rufus Grange. Mrs. Pearl Brackett gave thanks to the Grange for sending Herman Brackett a plant at the Christmas season. Mrs. Millard Leigh gave a report of the chaplains fund on hand. Mrs. Strippling of Gold Hill was a visitor.

Library Board Finds Memorial Books Good Source of Supply When Income Low

The Moro Library Board met Tuesday afternoon to catalog the books. The members worked all afternoon and added 32 memorial books to the shelves.

The memorial books have snowballed from an idea Mrs. Harry Pinkerton had a number of years ago that a lasting memorial to departed loved ones was desirable as well as beneficial by adding valuable books to the library.

Since many people are surprised to learn of this feature of our library the following is an explanation of how the program works. A person wishing to donate a book in memory of someone contacts the secretary of the Library Board, who at present is Mrs. W. E. Hall. If they have a particular book or author in mind, it is ordered provided the library doesn't already have a copy. If the library has a copy, another is chosen from a want list the library keeps. As soon as the book is selected, the library sends an engraved card to the family of the deceased stating the name of the book and who has donated it. The book is ordered and placed on the shelves when it arrives. In the cataloging process a bookplate is affixed to

the inside of the book stating it is a memorial book in memory of the deceased.

The person placing the order is billed for the book in the following month. He receives the library book discount (usually 40 percent) plus 20 cents for postage and card.

When a patron doesn't have a particular book in mind the library selects a book from its want list. Sometimes several months elapse before a book actually gets placed on the shelves. This is due to several things. Many books are on the library want list from advanced publication listings, the wholesale book companies may have a large demand and be awaiting another printing, or we of the Library Board, being active members in other community affairs, may just not find time to act as promptly as we should. However, we do not mean to be slow or lax and do the very best we can when we can.

The library funds are very very limited and this program of memorial books has become our main source of adding current and valuable books. Other supplies have increased in cost over the years so that library funds are at a minimum. But because of the generosity of the friends of the library, we manage to serve the community to the best of our ability.

The library seldom orders a Book Club selection because we have found that through other donations we often receive these books and thus would duplicate books. The limited shelf space will not warrant too many duplications.

U. S. National Bank Has Big Deposits

Deposits totaling \$825,373,253 were reported by the U. S. National Bank of Portland in its December 31 report to the controller of the currency—an increase of more than \$6 million since the year-end 1959 report.

Total deposits of \$17,290,175.38, were shown by The Dalles branch according to James L. Johnson, manager of The Dalles branch and total deposits of \$2,059,202.48 were reported by the Dufur branch, according to G. W. Hertel, manager.

Total loans and discounts for U. S. National's statewide system stood at \$392,328,932 as of the year's end, with The Dalles branch reporting \$7,420,951.59, and Dufur branch \$460,353.74 in that category.

Resources for the banking offices of U. S. National were totaled at \$919,964,676 on the yearend date, an increase of \$10 million during the past year.

FFA Working At Electric Safety

"While very few of us really understand what electricity is, we can accurately predict what it will do under given conditions. A little common sense enables us to use electric power units safely," comments Doug Medler of Sherman FFA chapter which is sponsoring the Safe Farm Power Use Program.

"Every farm home has a number of portable household appliances, ranging from lamps to electric motor driven hand tools. The insulation of these electric cords becomes frayed with use, and the plug may become defective or broken. This situation lends itself to an accident."

"The National Safety Council and the Farm Equipment Institute suggests you go over your electrical power units for a safety inspection."

"When you buy new appliances and hand tools, look for the Underwriters Laboratories label. It guarantees that the product is made with reasonable safety standards."

"Another item of concern is the fact that literally thousands of home circuits are overloaded. If the total load on any ordinary wire exceeds 1,500 watts, it is overloaded. Some householders

steers brought \$17.10 to \$21.00 fuses capable of carrying a larger amount 600 lbs. up to \$22.00. Utility cows sold strong at \$14.00 to \$15.50 with cutters and canners \$11.00 to \$14.00. Good bolog uog safely and efficiently if you na bulls sold up to \$19.00. Bull handle it correctly and with pro-calves 300 to 500 lbs. brought \$18.00 per head.

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Moro Firemen Pick Officers; Set Meeting Days

The Moro Fire Department met Monday night of this week for election of officers with the result that John Buck is the new fire chief and Mel Parker the assistant chief. Roy Sparks is captain and Bill Kramer is lieutenant in which in fire department circles means that he keeps the records. In addition members are Del Friedline, Clair Balzer, Jim Taylor, Bill Hall, Bill Alsop, and Darwin Van Gilder, also mayor.

Recently the fire department has been instrumental in getting the fire alarm box on the city hall put back into service which it had not been since the Moro Gargie fire. Another alarm is on a pole in alley back of Douma's store. These may be used at night and a call to Douma's store between eight in the morning and six at night will make an alarm ring.

The fire boys are to meet every second and fourth Mondays at 7:30 and the next meeting will be with the rural board that has an interest in the old fire truck.

No Ban On Oregon Cattle

Effective January 3, California removed the last of its scabies restrictions on Oregon cattle.

Thus for the first time in almost a year cattle from anywhere in Oregon could enter California without dipping or scab inspection.

Governor Mark Hatfield, who governor for complete freedom state and federal regulatory officials welcomed the word. So did cattlemen.

Dr. J. E. Stuart, California department of agriculture animal division chief, wired the Oregon department of the lifting of restrictions.

Later he told officials the clearance on movement into California was granted due to the thorough manner in which the state and federal veterinarians handled the original scabies outbreak and carried through on inspections to determine freedom from the disease.

The quarantine followed discovery of scabies in a Baker county herd in late January 1960, with the infection traced to another state. The prompt action of officials in Oregon held the outbreak to the one herd.

Federal Income Tax Man Gives Advice

Many Federal income taxpayers each year fail to account for income received during the preceding year from sources not reported on their W-2 withholding tax certificates. District Director A. G. Erickson of the Internal Revenue Service said today.

"Sources of taxable income," he pointed out, "include part-time work, dividends, tips or other gratuities, interest on savings accounts, and several other forms of income."

"Profits on the sale of real or personal property are subject to special rules and must be reported," he added.

"Some dividends, and certain other kinds of income needn't be reported. Taxpayers should check carefully against the instruction booklet or appropriate tax guide to determine whether they should be reported," Mr. Erickson said.

"Three comprehensive tax guides, written in simple and understandable language, also are available to help taxpayers with items not fully covered in the regular instruction booklet," Mr. Erickson said.

"The three guides," Mr. Erickson said, "are: Your Federal Income Tax, 40c; Tax Guide for Small Business, 40c; Farmer's Tax Guide, free."

Each booklet is completely indexed by subject, and chapter headings which affords quick guidance to answers to nearly all Federal tax problems, he pointed out.

Copies of the guides may be obtained from Internal Revenue Service office in Oregon, 820 NE Holladay Street, Portland. The guides may also be purchased at the U. S. Department of Commerce office, 520 SW Morrison St. Portland 4, Oregon.

Legislators From Districts Named To Committee Posts

Appointment of committees in the Oregon senate and house will cause the usual disappointments and with somewhat better season than usual.

Ben Musa, senator from this district will head the taxation committee, because of his support of Harry Boivin, president. Frank Weatherford, in the house, is on four committees as are many other Democrats because politics dictated that Democrats be in a majority on all committees and they are a few more than of the other party. He is on Alcoholic Control, Planning and Development, Agriculture and Fish and Game.

Annals of Hood River is chairman of Elections which will handle any reapportionment bills and that committee is equitably staffed. The fourth congressional district will control any efforts to divide O&C funds as it did last session.

Sherman Splits With Burns Highlanders

Sherman's Huskies split a two game series with Burns last week end winning the first rather easily and losing the second 43 to 33 after having a good lead well into the third quarter when Mobbey was injured.

This week the boys play front running Madras.

First National Has Steady Gain

For the third consecutive year First National Bank of Oregon has recorded new all-time record high deposits, it was revealed when the December 31 statement of condition figures were reported to the comptroller of the currency.

Yearend deposits of \$880,339,688 were reported, topping the record of \$878,642,322 set one year before. The December 31, 1958 record high was \$849,167,094.

Loans for the 84 offices amounted to \$503,484,790, an increase of \$14,526,683 compared to the 1959 yearend figure, but a decrease of \$6,789,415 since the October 10 call figure when a record high \$510,274,206 was reported.

The Sherman County branch of First National reported yearend deposits of \$3,353,596 and loans totaling \$889,686, according to L. Doyn Price, branch manager.

At the same time in released comparable totals for the branch for December 31, 1959. On that date, deposits were \$3,221,904 and loans were \$743,230.

Credit Useful; But Sometimes Costly

By Janet D. Olsen, county agent Consumer Credit daily brings both joy and unhappiness to American families. By utilizing credit, families are able to have the things they want and need earlier in life. However, according to a recent Roper Poll, financial problems are the single most potent cause of anxiety and conflict between married couples.

The biggest users of consumer credit are the young marrieds. Much unhappiness develops because of money problems.

Credit buying is actually obligating future work in exchange for conveniences currently being enjoyed. Sometimes the privilege is more costly than other times. The cost of the privilege, called interest, is usually expressed in percentages. The consumer should shop on the dollar basis. By converting percentages to dollars, he would know total cost.

This is easy to do. Multiply the monthly payments by the number of payments to be made. Add the amount of the down payment. Now subtract the price. You will find the difference between the amount that you could have had for if you paid cash is the amount you are paying for the privilege of charging.

By taking time to do this simple arithmetic, you may save yourself many dollars. Don't be fooled by percentages. For instance, a 3% interest per month is actually 36% for an entire year.

Use credit carefully. If you do get into debt over your head, inform your creditors. They can help you work out something that will be of mutual benefit.

Run-off Costly In Soil Loss As Frost Holds On

Last Friday, January 6, was a very sad day for Sherman County. Enough water ran down the creeks to raise a million bushels of wheat.

Warm winds from the coast brought in a generous supply of rain and the frozen ground kept it from getting into the soil. It ran off and took the top inch of soil with it.

The .31 inch of rain removed the .25 inch of ice and snow in one night.

Muddy water ran out of stubble fields, ran across grassed strips where soil conservation of that type is being practiced. Water ran off snow fields in wide streams that filled every ditch in the county and ran cross roads in many places making travel dangerous. It is doubtful if five percent of the rain penetrated the soil.

Some survey will be necessary before anyone can tell the extent of the damage, but it has been great.

Wasco Methodists Suffer Delay

It has been necessary to postpone the Consecration service planned for the newly remodeled Wasco Methodist church. Due to the TWA strike, Bishop A Raymond Grant, who was to have come, Jan. 15, will not be able to come until Jan. 22. On that date, the potluck dinner will follow the service just as planned for the original date. For the same reason the all church clean-up day planned for Friday, Jan. 13 will be postponed til Friday, Jan. 20.

SAVE THE CHILDREN FEDERATION

by Peggy McKay, F.H.A. reporter The Sherman High School F. H. A. members are holding a clothing drive starting now and ending in March.

If you wish to give old clothes to this cause, please contact the following girls: Vee Busse, Moro; Jaci Hahn, Rufus; Barb Byars, Wasco; Alfa Jean Payne, Grass Valley and Erin Wilson, Kent.

Bank Debits In Mid-Columbia Up

Bank debits for the Upper Columbia river including Sherman, Hood River, Wasco, Gilliam, Wheeler counties increased by 7.3 per cent in November 1960 as compared to October 1960 and increased by 3.7 per cent a year ago.

Debits for November 1960 totaled \$33,521,261 for October 1960 the total was \$31,232,218; and for November 1959 the total amounted to \$32,328,368.

IRRIGATION WATER MORE PLENTIFUL THAN IN 1960

The 1961 irrigation water supply outlook for Hood River Valley and Wasco County area is considerably better than the poor outlook forecast a year ago at this date, according to a report released today by W. T. Frost, snow survey supervisor for U. S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station and State Engineer, State of Oregon. This outlook is based upon current snow surveys and soil moisture measurements.

The water content of the mountain now cover is 4 1/2 times greater than on Jan. 1st a year ago but it is still only 71 percent of the 1943-57 average.

Under average winter conditions there is usually 38 percent of the total winter's "snow crop" on the ground by Jan. 1. This year there is 27 percent of the total already accounted for but the three remaining months can bring a considerable change in the outlook.

Precipitation remained far below average until November when heavy rains really began to penetrate the dust-dry soils of the upper watersheds. Water has now penetrated some of the valley soils more than 48 inches. In contrast with the previous two years, the soil moisture conditions are now favorable to a good runoff from snow melt next spring.