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These Things We Note

Giles L. French

There are 26 letters in our alphabet and there are ten digits in our numerical system. Would you think it possible to get as much public debt and publish so many books with so few characters?

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We go to school partly to learn about erosion and the changes it makes on the surface of the earth. If we would watch nature supplies some fine examples, like Ecola park, for instance.

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We doubt if that moonlighting bill is constitutional; anyway it shouldn't be. A law restricting the work a man can do is poor legislation.

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The Communists came along at an unfortunate time, just when we were being told that we could not be prejudiced against Negroes, Jews, Irishmen, or against Catholics, Protestants, or Zen Buddhists, but you can hate the Communists and still be one of those popular "liberals".

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The legislature has gotten around to the sales tax stage. May be it can get done faster after that has passed.

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Look who's calling animals predators.

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Pictures of baseball players in the papers must inspire the weatherman to greater efforts for he must know that it is going to be spring whether he likes it or not.

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So far Mr. Kennedy has been about like previous presidents doing some good and some bad, seeking publicity a bit more than usual, promising with a free hand but not insisting that congress follow his orders. He will probably continue the liquidation of the United States started in 1932.

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A magazine has an argument going about whether or not a woman should play dumb. Just do what comes naturally, sister.

TTWN

In a daily newspaper you can learn how to cook a shrimp, win a hand of bridge, determine your fortune for the day, solve a puzzle and can catch up on the latest murder.

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We note that taxpayers are wise to the legislator's gimmick of passing a new tax so the old ones can be reduced.

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How long has it been since you signed your name with a steel pen held in a pen holder with a cork protector for your fingers?

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When you're young and fresh you think that only young and fresh ideas are good; when you're old and experienced you think only those ideas old and tested are good. The test for ideas isn't their age.

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Now that Oregon State has become a university in name we hope it improves enough to be one in fact.

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Overheard: "Why should I go to the bother of learning, I ain't gonna change?"

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Some folks distrust strangers; some distrust their friends.

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We read that more government action is to be tried as a cure for the recession which was certainly caused, in part, by too much government action.

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We get a little closer to having a royal family every year. Now employees at the White House cannot write about the occupants. There is an inevitable answer to arrogance.

TTWN

Theodore Roosevelt had a name for those who were always digging up dirt, it was "muck-rakers" and maybe it should be remembered.

Charter Committees Get Attention of State TV Station

There will be telecast over the state's educational TV station at Corvallis, KOAC with re-broadcast over a Portland station at 8:30 next Friday evening on the subject of county charters which will have some historical background, some discussion of the problems of counties, the value of home rule and the progress of the Benton county charter committee which will be presented by Erwin B. Lemon, former Sherman countyman, now retired OSC registrar.

Others on the program will be Mrs. Barbara Wilcox, county commissioner of Washington county, Orville Etter, of the municipal government department at the University of Oregon and Giles French, whose bill twenty years ago started the movement for reform in county government, M. Schwab, of Station KOAC will moderate the program.

Health Advisors Hear Health Plans

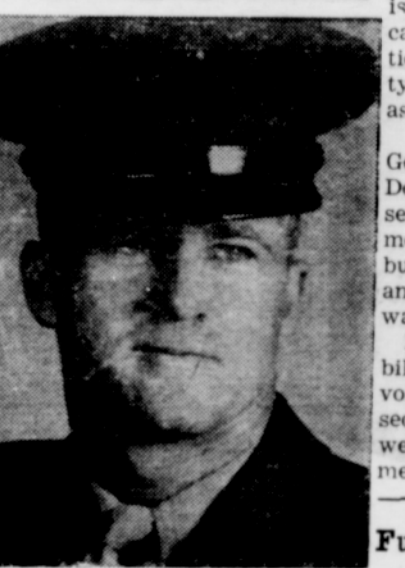
The Sherman County Health Advisory Council met March 1, at Beefe's for lunch and business. Mrs. Lester Wilson presided.

The County Court was present, as well as Dr. E. E. Berg, Miss Jane Ruff, Mrs. Hilve Shuey and Miss Mary Lou Milhase.

Dr. Frank Reid resigned as vice-chairman. Mrs. Donald McDermid was elected to succeed him.

Dr. Berg reported that he had shown a film on Social Hygiene education to the pupils of the 6th 7th and 8th grade boys and girls, separately at the Wasco grade school. He stated that this service would be offered to any grade school in the county upon request. Films which are supplied by the E. C. Brown Trust are "Human Beginnings" and "Human Heredity."

A discussion was held on Civil Defense and various aspects of the problem were considered. The Council will meet on April 5.



Marine Private Billy Mooney of Rufus was graduated, Feb. 17 from the Aviation Familiarization school at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tennessee.

McKays' Given Big Farewell Party

Ninety six persons attended the farewell dinner honoring Mr. and Mrs. Harley "Hod" McKay held in the Kent Legion hall Sunday Feb. 26. The head table was covered with a white cloth and held an arrangement of lovely red carnations and greenery. Robert Tatum presented the McKays with gifts from the community. Rev. Melvin Erickson read a humorous poem he composed on the life of the McKays while living in Kent. The rest of the afternoon was spent visiting. The McKays are moving to the Okanogan country.

First Aid Class Starting Next Week

An advanced First Aid class will be held in Moro starting Tuesday evening, March 7, at the courthouse.

Anyone holding a current Standard First Aid card or an Advanced First Aid card dated within the last five years will be eligible to participate. The course consists of 16 hours and will be completed by the last of March. Classes start at 7:30. Clair Balzer will be the instructor.

Weed Control Growing More Positive Now

by Martin Zimmerman
Farmers attending Sherman County's Annual Weed Council meeting Feb. 23 heard Rex Warren, OSC farm crops specialist, discuss field trials on morning glory control plots. Three pounds of 2,4-D ester applied annually gave the best control of morning glory with corresponding highest yields of grain. The fields are cultivated until late June and the morning glory sprayed 4 to 6 weeks after the last cultivation. Morning glory should be treated immediately after harvest on stubble field for best results. It is important that morning glory be sprayed every year.

Warren also discussed and showed slides of new methods of cheatgrass and rye control. He pointed out that the chemical winterfallow looks good for cheatgrass control in stubble. Over 1,000 acres of Sherman County farmlands have been treated this fall and winter. This program calls for 2 pounds of 50% amirone product with 2 pounds of active 2,4-D ester applied as soon as good germination occurs.

Cheatgrass and rye may be controlled in fence rows, roadways and wastelands with 4 pounds of 80% atrazine with 2 pounds of 50% amirone. This second program cannot be used on cropland.

County Judge Vernon Miller spoke briefly to the group on the County's stake in weed control. He believes threat of uncontrolled weeds on Sherman County farms is second only to soil erosion.

WEED CONTROL REVIEWED

Martin Zimmerman, extension agent, reviewed weed control activities of 1960. He pointed out that 40 demonstrations and experimental plots have been established throughout Sherman County. Many of these are to be labeled so passers by may observe them. The extension service, in cooperation with the county court is continuing its program to locate and eradicate new infestations of perennial weeds on county, state and railway lands as well as privately owned lands.

During the business meeting George Wilson was elected and Don Macnab was re-elected to serve on the Weed Council. Zimmerman presented the 1960 weed budget summary to the group and explained how the money was utilized.

House Bill 1391, a proposed bill to restrict the use of high volatile herbicides, was discussed at the meeting. The group went on record as opposing the measure.

Future Homemakers Visit

Sherman High School's Future Homemakers prize winner, Carol Hove and Home Ec teacher Miss Doris Pearson will be in Corvallis Friday to attend the state meeting of the organization. Accompanying them will be Paullette Willis, of the local chapter and her mother, Mrs. Don Cox.

County Agent Finds Words For Cattleman Problems Of Feeding and Fattening

The Oregon State college agricultural experiment station is carrying out an active beef cattle feeding research program. Dr. A. T. Ralston, in charge of beef cattle, dairy and animal husbandry, recently summarized the work now underway. This weeks County Rambler is thus devoted to this important subject.

Feeding Philosophy Changes
"Beef cattle feeding is, undergoing revolutionary changes and make it impossible to prove or even partially test these changes as they take place. The philosophy of the old time cattle feeder

"prove it to me beyond a shadow of a doubt and perhaps I will accept it" is being rapidly discarded. The modern feeder asks: Has this ever been done before? Do you believe it will work here? and finally: If you were doing this, what would be your decision? Now this means that many of the ideas that are derived from such an approach are not based upon fact but upon educated guesses."

TV Club Elects Virtue President; Plans Wider Coverage

The Moro TV club met Monday night at the court house and elected new officers who are Glenn Virtue, president; George Geiser vice-president; John Buck, secretary-treasurer; B. H. Robertson was elected director for three years and Harry Benson director for two years to serve with Lloyd Wooderson who still has a year to serve.

A budget committee of Clyde Gilmor, G. Douma and Jack Cushman met Wednesday to make a plan for expenditures for the year including payment to the North Sherman TV Co-op that has the tower on top of the hills in Washington that directs some beams to viewers in Sherman county.

Cancer Society Meeting Attended

The annual District VI meeting of the American Cancer Society will be held in The Dalles Thursday March 9 at the Elks Club from 9:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. with a no-host luncheon. All interested are invited and the volunteer workers are urged to attend.

Make luncheon reservations with Mrs. Wm. Sievers, 408 E. 11th in The Dalles. If more convenient call one of the following AT ONCE: Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Grass Valley, Mrs. Leta Eslinger, Moro, Mrs. Keith McDonald, Wasco, Mrs. Eben Kee Grass Valley or Mrs. Earl Gentry, Moro.

The proposed agenda, subject to change, will begin with registration and coffee at 9 a. m. and will be called to order by Mrs. H. M. Zell, district director at 10 a. m. The business and crusade workshop will be held in the morning. After luncheon, the doctors will speak on "Let's Talk About the Cancer Problem", until 2:00 p. m. Then Mrs. Gloda Falloon, state executive director, will speak on the mass showings of film, "Time and Two Women."

In Sherman county this film on uterine cancer will be shown in Wasco at the Methodist church rooms at 1:30 p. m. Monday, March 13 and at the Sherman Theater in Moro at 1:30 p. m. on Tuesday, March 14.

Bill Todds Adopt Korean Girl

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Todd drove to Seattle Monday, accompanied by their two children, and on their return they had three children. While there they received a five months Korean girl which they adopted some time ago and have been awaiting her arrival in the states. She was brought over by a Korean nurse Randy Sue Yu who came to America to attend college.

The new daughter is Donna Kay, half American, half Korean, who was abandoned and sent to a hospital where she was discovered by a friend of the Todds. Todd's elder children are a girl 14 and a boy 10 and all are overjoyed with the cute newcomer.

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"Crash Approach" to Problems
"The Oregon State Experiment station system has made some rapid and major adjustments in its research approach in an attempt to cope with these drastic changes in agriculture. To provide the greatest number of facts in the shortest period of time on subjects of primary interest to the greatest number of people in Oregon might summarize its objectives. It is hoped this will reduce the number of guesses or at least add a basis of fact upon which enterprise can be founded."

Corvallis Station Trials
Dr. D. C. Church is at present conducting a feeding trial with forty head of grade Hereford calves to determine the effect of (1) barley preparation (ground vs. steam rolled) (2) various levels of barley, (3) time of implant of diethylstilbestrol and (4) the use of linear programming in the formulation of beef fattening. From this trial will come answers to such questions:

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Farmers Become Lobbyists For Day; Protest Bill

A party of Sherman countymen fifteen strong went to Salem Tuesday and met with smaller delegations from other wheat growing counties to protest the passage of HB 1391 which would restrict spraying with volatile esters for weed killing and make some restrictions on use of the lower volatile amines.

The bill was introduced by the Umatilla delegation at the request of orchardists in the northern end of the county who think that the use of sprays reduced the yield of their fruit crops. It is understood that no proof has been made of this theory, but the orchardists are convinced.

The hearing the farmers went to attend was before the house committee on agriculture. No decision was made but most of those who went down had an opportunity to express themselves about the value of weed-killing for wheat and its minor danger to more delicate crops if usual care is taken.

Order To Be Taught By HE Instructor

Mrs. Homemaker, do you feel you work all day and still never finish your many tasks? Are your kitchen storage cupboards frequently disarranged? How much time do you waste looking for a certain can of spice? Or is your problem one of being unable to find what you need from a bedroom drawer? Maybe you feel your laundry and ironing is always far ahead of you, it's hopeless to even try to catch up.

If you have any of these difficulties, plan to attend the Home Management series workshop being held in the Moro Presbyterian church. The workshop is open to all women. The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, March 14-7:30, Kitchen management.

Wednesday, March 15, 1:00, Kitchen management.

Tuesday, March 21, 7:30, Kitchen Storage.

Wednesday, March 22, 1:00 Kitchen storage.

Tuesday, March 28, 7:30, Bedroom storage.

Wednesday, March 29, 1:00 Bedroom storage.

Tuesday, April 4, 7:30 Laundry management.

Wednesday, April 5, 1:00 Laundry management.

All times p.m. and all classes two hours.

Dave Grant Talking To YFC Group

Recording artist, Dave Grant, will be featured guest at a Youth for Christ rally Monday night, March 6 at 7:30 in the Sherman High School cafeteria.

The Rev. Dave Grant, staff evangelist for Youth for Christ International, has traveled over 100,000 miles in 15 different countries.

A well known youth speaker Grant is also a recording artist, combining the talents of his accomplished baritone voice, trombone and dramatic readings.

For two years he was with Campus Crusade for Christ in southern California. While at UCLA Grant worked in many meetings with noted Christian athletes including Bob Davenport and Rafer Johnson.

Known as the "World's Ambassador to Teens" his experience with young people in trouble with the law includes being the regular speaker at the Los Angeles County juvenile hall.

All are invited to attend.

Junior Ladies To Bring Cup of Tea

The Junior Ladies are planning their annual Silver Tea for Tuesday, March 7, 1961 from 2:30 to 5:30. It will be held in the social room of the Moro Presbyterian church.

A program has been planned for entertainment. A baby sitter will be provided and everyone is welcome.



Arthur Sherwood Flemming, former cabinet officer in the Eisenhower cabinet in charge of Health, Education & Welfare, will become the next president of the University of Oregon on July 1. The decision was made by the board of higher education this week.

Overpasses Approved For Highway 97

Jonel C. Hill, state public utilities commissioner, has approved a plan submitted by the Union Pacific railroad for construction of two overhead crossings over Union Pacific tracks near the mouth of Spanish Hollow. Plans have been sent to Omaha by Union Pacific attorney for final approval before contract is let.

One crossing will be above the main line on the Oregon side of the Columbia River to pass over the railroad tracks. The second will be a little more than a quarter of a mile above Highway 30 at Biggs (about where the locust trees stand) and will cross over the railroad tracks down in Spanish Hollow.

It is expected that final consent will be given in about a month and the highway commission will let the contract for the Biggs-Wasco relocation and rebuilding section of Highway 97 by then. The commission has long promised to have Highway 97 improved and straightened by the time the Biggs bridge is completed, a project that is scheduled for completion in June of 1962.

WWI Veterans To Meet Mondays

Veterans of World War I, dissatisfied with the lack of action of the older veteran organizations have formed a new one. The first meeting for the Sherman Baracks was held at the court house a week ago last Friday night when Loy Cochran was elected commander, C. W. Fields was chosen senior vice commander, J. T. Jones, junior vice commander, W. A. Nisbet quartermaster, Roy Shafer, chaplain, Earl Rich-elderfer, Jack Rothery and William Andrews trustees for one to three year terms, respectively.

Members from Bend and The Dalles were here for the first meeting as was George Caldwell, district commander and Roy Duval, membership chairman. Orville (Curley) Miller of Bend was down, now no longer deserving the nickname.

The Veterans of World War I will meet the first Monday in each month at 7:30 p. m. at the court house and therefore the first meeting will be held next Monday, March 6.

Cub Scouts Banquet

The annual Cub Scout Blue and Gold banquet was held last Friday night at the Wasco school cafeteria. The members of the Wasco Brownie Troop were invited to assist with the program and other details.

Pack 571 members were hosts to more than 100 Cubs, Brownies and parents. After the potluck dinner, which was served from tables decorated with blue and gold streamers, members of Den 3 presented the colors, and the Brownie troop sang. Den 1 walked away with the honor flag for the "most proper appearance" and also received the totem pole for having the most parents present.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of a plaque to outgoing Cubmaster Eldon Lane, given in appreciation for his outstanding service. Pat Macnab made the presentation. The program closed with the Scout song and the Living Circle.

February Not Wettest But Was Warmest of All

February of 1961 made a valiant effort to break the precipitation record for that month but ended with a total of 3.31 a bare .07 below the record of 3.38 set in 1940. Anyway it was 2.08 above normal. Biggest rain was on the 10th when the skies let loose of 1.14 inches. It was not even second.

Total for the crop year is now 8.45 which is .38 above normal. The highest temperature was 61 on the 21st and the lowest was 28 on the 7th. Averages were 57 for high and 41 for low. The average maximum was 57 degrees and the average minimum was 35 for a monthly mean of 42.6 and that a whopping 7.7 degrees above normal. And that is a record the previous best being in 1958 when the monthly mean was 42.3.

Average wind was 4 miles an hour which is a little below normal.

And then to show that rain wasn't going to desert us just because it wasn't February the first day of March brought a nice shower to end a windy night. There was .14 inch in that one.

Beef Experiment Going

"A beef cattle feeding trial on 48 Hereford yearling steers is in progress under the supervision of Superintendent E. N. Hoffman. The main objectives of this trial are to determine the effects of (1) various types of fiber, (2) varying levels of corn, barley, and dried beef pulp, and (3) the addition of pea vine silage pellets as the fiber source. A control of a standard corn and alfalfa ration is used as one treatment so that a partial comparison of the current gains may be made with those of previous year. The beef cattle research at this station is coordinated with Idaho's Caldwell Station as well as with other Oregon stations."

Accidents Let Up

Traffic accidents and injuries declined ever so slightly last year in Oregon with the final count showing 62,276 accidents and 18,939 injuries, the Department of Motor Vehicles reported.

The death toll, previously announced was 461.

On the average, traffic accidents killed someone in Oregon every 19 hours and injured about 52 people per day.

The 1960 tolls compare with 63,464 accidents, 20,425 injuries and 492 deaths in 1959.

The department said 108,728 drivers were involved in last year accidents or, put another way, about one out of nine licensed drivers.

Electricians Note

The Hood River Apprenticeship committee will hold a special meeting Tuesday, March 7 to discuss electrician training problems of the mid-Columbia area. It will be held at 7 p. m. in the Hood River county courthouse.

The meeting has been called at the request of the area's electrical industry to consider the necessary apprenticeship and extension training for all personnel licensed to handle electrical installations. Several occupations are included. All persons concerned with electrical work in Hood River, Wasco and Sherman counties are urged to attend, also local school authorities.

Market Report

Livestock receipts totaled 385 head. U.S. No. 1 and 2 180-230 lb. butcher hogs sold steady at \$18.70 to \$19.40. Feeder hogs over 100 lbs sold at \$17.00 to \$18.75 a cwt. Weaner pigs were in strong demand at \$7.50 to \$15.00 a head. Sows were in good demand at \$13.60 to \$15.90 a cwt.

The stocker steer calf market was stronger with 400 to 500 lb. steer calves at \$26.75 to \$27.25. Good 550 to 650 steers brought \$25.50 to \$26.50. Good 700 to 850 lb. steers \$21.50 to \$23.50. Plain and medium cattle sold down to \$18.00 to \$22.00 on yearlings.

Good 550 to 650 lb. heifers sold at \$21.25 to \$23.40. Medium kinds sold down to \$17.00 with good Holstein heifers 450 to 550 lbs. at \$17.50 to \$19.00.