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These Things We Note

Giles L. French

We note that legislators are trying to find some new taxes, saying the old are about used up and getting onerous. They are and the new ones would soon be. Why not spend less money?

The government considers experience of little value. Requests for civil service personnel specify so much schooling.

Badger Clark was an old cow man who could write poetry like this:

"When my old soul hunts range and rest
Beyond the last divide,
Just plant me in some stretch of west
That's sunny, lone and wide.
Let cattle rub my tombstone down
And coyotes mourn their kin,
Let horses paw and tramp the moun'
But don't you fence it in."

We accuse the Russians of being materialistic and they are, but a nation that tries to cure all ills with money should not be pointing a finger at the Russians.

When Jack Noonan returned from a visit to his relatives in Nebraska early this spring he brought some clippings of one of which contains this prize winning story by his sister.

"A man awoke in the night and felt hungry and as he could find nothing in the refrigerator he ate some dog biscuit. He liked it and asked his wife to lay in a supply. When she bought the grocer said: 'You don't need so many biscuits for the little dog you have.'"

"They're for my husband," she told him.

"These biscuits are for dogs," he said. They'll kill your husband."

Six months later the wife admitted that her husband was dead.

"I told you those biscuits would kill him," reminded the grocer.

"He didn't die from eating the biscuits," the wife replied. "He was killed chasing cars."

Now we are going to import Russian crabmeat. If it sells for the same price as the home grown kind it will pay the Russian national debt and perhaps everyone ordering a crab salad will have to stand examination by the FBI.

Us common folk have a bad time. The priests and the preachers tell us what to do and how to act and enforce it with a promise of heaven or the threat of hell which is bad enough but now the government comes along to take over or supplement the heavenly appointed guys and tell us some more do's and don'ts. That is worse. The orders from heaven were comparatively cheap and the contributions voluntary but the government charges for its advice at a pretty rate. You could postpone the preachers until the somewhat doubtful hereafter but not the government. We'll take religion.

If the senate concurs the elders can get delay on taxes on their homes and the county can collect later plus eight percent. Counties will soon have houses for sale.

The idea of building a bridge across the Columbia at Astoria where the ferry has consistently lost money is utterly foolish.

When the sun does get out it has some strength to it—getting closer.

Isn't it too bad the blacksmith and the corset maker didn't last a little longer so they could have gotten federal help as a distressed industry?

Of one thing you can be sure: as long as there is unemployment compensation to pay people for not working there will be people to take it.

School Election Procedure Told By Superintendent

by Lynn Hampton

Directors in each of the five elementary districts, the County High School District (from Zone 3, Moro), and in the Rural School District from Zones 1 (Rufus), 3 (Moro), and the County at large, will be elected on Monday, May 1, 1961. The time set by law for the Annual Meeting election is from 2 until 8 p. m. in each of the five elementary school buildings.

Candidates are nominated by petition, which together with acceptance of nomination must be filed with the clerk of the district at least 30 days prior to May 1. Petition forms are available from the County School Superintendent or from any of the school district clerks.

The nominating petition for the elementary school district requires signatures from not less than 3% of the number of people who voted at the last Annual Meeting or in any case not less than 10. The petition for the rural school district from the zones require 25 signatures; from the County at large, 50 signatures.

Nomination for director from Zone 3, Moro, for the County High School District, is made by declaration filed with the County Clerk at least 15 days prior to May 1.

Section 331.020, Oregon Laws Relating to the Oregon Public School System, provides as follows:

"Any person who is a registered voter in a precinct or a part of a precinct within a school district 30 days prior to a school meeting or election and has continuously resided in the school district six months immediately prior to the meeting or election and who is actually present at the meeting or election shall be entitled to vote on any matter before the meeting or election shall be entitled to vote on any matter before the meeting or election. A registered voter is defined as one who has registered under the General election laws with the County Clerk 30 days before a school district meeting or election."

Visiting Young People Coming To Oregon

The state of Oregon will be visited by about nine International Farm Youth Exchanges this spring and summer, announces Janet D. Olsen, county extension agent. These I.F.Y.E.'s came from various countries around the globe, and while they visit in Oregon, they live with "host" families. While with the family they are treated as a member of the family.

Each exchange needs about four host families. If any Sherman County families are interested in acting as a host family, applications are available at the Sherman County Extension Agent's office, phone JO 5-3230.

Junior Class Prepares Play For April 7

The Junior class of Sherman High will present its class play "The Death and Life of Larry Benson" April 7, at 8 p. m. in the high school cafeteria.

The play centers around a boy missing in military action for three years, who come home to his family.

Cast of main characters: John Thomas as Larry Benson; Mary Griggs as Freda Benson; Gene Eakin as Sam Benson; and Paul-cite Willis as Jessie Benson.

Slave Market To Be Revived Here

by Doug Medler

The principal money making activity of the Sherman FFA chapter this year is the slave auction. The idea of the slave auction is for every member of the chapter to be bought for one day work with the wages going to the chapter. Money made by the auction will be used to finance the annual banquet, send delegates to the national and state conventions and for general chapter expenses.

The auction will be a sealed bid auction. It is asked that the bids be sent to the Sherman High School in care of Marvin Robertson by the first of April. There will be a prize for the lucky person who bids the highest for our adviser, Mr. Robertson.

About the County being news about people you know or know about

Mrs. Bill Pausch was hostess at a party at her home Friday afternoon. A St. Patrick's day motif was carried out on the individual tables from which dessert was served. Spring flowers were used about the room. Bridge was in play at four tables with scoring honors held by Mrs. Art Christianson of Moro and Mrs. A. F. Balzer. Mrs. Balzer also won the traveling prize. Others enjoying the afternoon were Mrs. F. L. Sarsfield and Mrs. Ted von Borstel of The Dalles, Mrs. Carroll Sayrs and Mrs. Alfred Kock of Moro and Mrs. Kenneth Hattrop, Mrs. Dell Olds, Mrs. Earl Olds, Mrs. Eben Kee, Mrs. Herman Peters, Mrs. Jack Adams, Mrs. Donald Clodfelter, Mrs. D. L. Reynolds, Mrs. Gene Reynolds and Arzell Lemley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gatewood spent the weekend in Wenatche, Wash., visiting relatives.

Mrs. Kenneth Crews and Patty were business visitor in The Dalles Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Griffith of San Jose, Calif., spent several weeks here visiting their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Andersen.

Mrs. Amelia Peterson had dinner with Mrs. W. F. Schilling Sunday March 19, honoring Mrs. Schilling on her 81st birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Schilling were callers in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Balzer and family of Portland spent from Monday till Wednesday last week here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Garland and Cathy of The Dalles, came Saturday and spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Len Garland. Mrs. A. von Borstel and Phil had dinner with them Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel made a business trip to Portland Friday.

Mrs. Frank Sayrs and children of Moro spent Saturday visiting her mother, Mrs. A. von Borstel. Mrs. Frank von Borstel spent the afternoon there visiting.

Mrs. Bruce Eccles and son Stevie of Hood River spent Wednesday visiting her aunt Mrs. Frank von Borstel.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Macnab and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Harper were among those attending the annual western dance at the Elks Club Saturday evening.

About sixty were present for the potluck dinner at the Wasco Methodist church Saturday evening. The special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crofts and their four children. The Crofts, whose home is in Sydney, Australia, have spent the school year at Corvallis, where Mr. Crofts is doing research work in agriculture. He is a lecturer at Sydney University, studying at OSC under a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation. Those present for the affair thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity of meeting this nice family, and also the slides and talk given by Mr. Crofts at the close of the meal. The Crofts were houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Broughton. Sunday, the visitors were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg and during the afternoon Mr. Crofts was taken on a tour of the surrounding countryside by Mr. Kaseberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Broughton were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Derr, who have moved to the community from a ranch near Dayville. Mr. Derr is employed by the game commission.

Mrs. Florence Root of Boardman arrived Tuesday for a few days visit with her son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Root and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Winegar Ann, Cathy and Patti Sue, spent Thursday and Friday at Walla Walla as guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Mayers and family. Saturday the Winegars drove to Kennewick, where they visited the V. P. Brock family before returning to Wasco on Sunday.

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Sherman County Club Meeting Next Tuesday

The Sherman County Club will meet Tuesday evening, March 28, according to the program chairman, Irving Hart, who says that Sergeant U'Ren of the Oregon state police at The Dalles will bring a film of pictures and tell about the necessity of driver training and traffic safety in this time and place of increasing good roads.

Dinner will be served by Beefe's at the Masonic hall. The usual business of the club will be conducted with President Paulen Kaseberg in the chair.

WHEAT LEAGUE MEETING

The Sherman Wheat Growers executive committee will meet at 8 p. m. Monday, March 27, at the court house says Marvin Thomas, president.

Plans for the spring meeting, conservation field day and the annual wheat league meeting in Pendleton for which Sherman is to be host are on the agenda. There will be discussion of legislation. Another hearing will be held on HB 1391, the herbicide restriction bill, on March 30 at 3:00 p. m. in Salem and some will go down for it.

All executive committee members are urged to attend.

BANKERS MOVING

Roy Sparks, assistant manager of the Sherman county branch First National bank, will be transferred to the Lakeview branch soon. He will go to Portland for a couple weeks training before making the change. This week and next Doyn Price, the manager, is in Portland for a school and while he is gone Harold Bond of The Dalles is here to help out.

WOMEN SEE FASHIONS

A gala event took place Tuesday afternoon at the Sherman High cafeteria, when the girls of the homemaking department held their annual style-show. About 150 women and girls enjoyed the affair. Miss Doris Pearson, instructor, was the general chairwoman. The stage and tables were festive with spring flowers and Easter decorations.

Assisting and sponsoring part of the show, were Wasco Women's Study Club and the Moro Women's Club, both a part of the Oregon Federation. Their sponsorship concerned the 14 girls who had made outfits by Vogue patterns, thus entitling them to enter State and National contests presented by the General Federation of Women's Clubs and Vogue Pattern company.

Winning the chance to enter the Fourth District contest Friday at Milton-Freewater, against other high school entrants were Miss Lee Kaseberg, Wasco, and Miss Patty Miller, Moro. A gift of cash was presented to each winner by their sponsoring club. Miss Carol Hoyer, president of the FHA group narrated the style show. Music from records furnished the background.

Nine girls modelled garments made from McCall's, Butterick, Simplicity and Advance patterns. The Vogue's contest for club women was entered by three ladies from the Wasco club, who modelled their outfits for the pleasure of the audience. Miss Pearson narrated their showing. Mrs. Frank Reid, Rufus, won the chance to compete at the district level. She was presented a gift from her club.

Judges of the style show were Mrs. Martin Zimmerman, Moro, a former teacher of Home Ec and adult sewing classes, Mrs. Frances Baker of the Singer Sewing machine service, and Mrs. Marg Smith of The Dalles.

Welcoming the guests at the door were the presidents of the two clubs, Mrs. T. L. Fields, Rufus, and Mrs. W. Roy Belshee, Moro.

Assisting Miss Pearson on the arrangements committee were Mrs. William Reid, Mrs. Durward Kaseberg, Mrs. Vernon Miller, Mrs. A. Douma and Mrs. Belshee.

The 8th grade girls of the five grade schools of the County were special guests of the Homemaking department, many of whom were present accompanied by their mothers.

The tea table was arranged by the members of the two clubs, Mrs. William Bieker and Mrs. Lynn Hampton pouring. The lime punch was furnished by the Home making department, Mrs. William Reid serving.

Speakers highlighting the convention included Governor Mark Hatfield, National FFA President Lyle Carpenter from Colorado, Pacific Vice President of FFA John Creir of Utah, and Dorothy Waas of Hermiston, who is state president of Future Homemakers of America.

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Rain Holds Over Another Week; Fields Soaked

Rain has continued for another week and Wednesday was as wet a day as the county has seen for a long time with the rain peppering down steadily and heavy enough to bring the creeks up. Water is standing in many stubble fields. Rain for the day was .30 inch and it was cut off at five o'clock for the reading and more fell after that.

Total for the month of March is now 1.67 inch a good deal more than the normal .98 inch we can expect. The .58 inch fell this week makes a total of 1.09 inch more than the normal for the crop year. Crop year rainfall stands (Thursday morning) at 10.12 inches.

Plowing has been a hit or miss affair this week with no one getting more than a few hours work in the field and some days none at all. No one is unhappy about it, but it is getting late for spring seeding.

MRS. VERA HUNTLEY

Mrs. Verna Huntley died at a hospital in Portland Monday night after a brief illness. Mrs. Huntley was the mother of Mrs. Collis Moore and had visited in Sherman County often and was well known in Moro as was her late husband who died last year. Other survivors are daughters, Janet Graue of Portland and Betty Grant of Long Beach, California and four grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Friday at one o'clock from Kenilworth Presbyterian church with private interment at Riverview.

PRUNING DEMONSTRATION

A fruit tree grafting demonstration will be held Monday, March 27, 2:00 p. m. at the Earl Ruchelderfer Ranch, Wasco, T. W. Thompson, county agent, has announced.

Jack Thienes, county extension agent, The Dalles will assist in the demonstration. Any Sherman County residents interested in the details of performing grafting are encouraged to attend.

FFA STATE CONVENTION MEETS AT SALEM

by George Miller, reporter

The Sherman FFA chapter has received a superior award in the National chapter contest and a Master rating in state competition. Awards were given at the state FFA convention held at the South Salem High School, Mar. 17, 18, 19. Master rating is the highest award given at the state level. The awards are based on activities of the past year including speaking, parliamentary, farming programs, community activities, crops and soils, fairs and livestock judging, farm mechanics, and FFA leadership.

Malcolm Eslinger received a \$200.00 scholarship from Union Pacific railroad. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of scholastic standing and participation in FFA activities. It may be used at any school of agriculture west of the Mississippi.

Allen Miller was interviewed as a finalist in the state competition for soil and water management. Allen has cleared and seeded seven acres to irrigated alfalfa. He uses stubble mulch on his barley land and encouraged his father to switch to deep furrow seeding.

Delegates to the convention from Sherman were John Fields and Malcolm Eslinger with alternates Allen Miller, Doug Reid, and Ryan Johnson. Adviser Marvin Robertson accompanied the delegates.

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