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These Things We Note

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Congress has finally adjourned and citizens can breathe a little easier without fear of impending doom. Thanks.

T T W N

Slo Mo, the happy, friendly pointer who made his home with Darwin Van Gilder died Thursday, presumably of poison. It must have been accidental for no normal person could have wished him ill. He treated children like kings and adults like equals and was a friend of all.

T T W N

The University of Oregon lost to a better team and it is quite probable that Oregon State lost to a poorer team by not using their heads.

T T W N

An Englishman writing in Punch has this to say: "Each race seeks its own favorite brand of euphoria. Its own escape hatch from reality." "With the French it is love, with the Germans war, with the Americans work, with the Soviets mysticism. The British, on the other hand, are lazy lovers, reluctant warriors, casual workers, sceptical mystics. Their chosen substitute for all these illusions is gambling." Rather neatly done but easier to say than prove.

T T W N

American firms are noticing the competition. Causing some price drops. Good for consumers but is no cause for expansion.

T T W N

Oddity: the man who made his campaign by statements that the nation was ill-prepared militarily now boasts of the nation's superiority.

T T W N

Now the world series will be the big excitement for a week or so which may help us forget more important things before they become too important to handle.

T T W N

A foreign business man says he doesn't know what the United States is trying to do with foreign aid and doubts if we do either. He is wrong. We are trying to get the votes of immigrants from favored countries and their descendants who are loyal to their place of origin.

T T W N

The government, we read, has decided not to solve all the farm problems at one stroke. Wisdom so often comes with age.

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The United States would presumably suffer from arms reduction because the economy has grown accustomed to big government while Russia might be helped by arms reduction so factories could be used to make something the people want. But neither is going to disarm.

T T W N

We read that the U. S. Government may have to borrow money or quit spending so much. It was bound to come. There is a bottom to every barrel.

T T W N

The dairymen have done it again. Although they lost butter they have taught Americans to drink skim milk which used to be fed to the hogs. But with customers drinking skim milk what will be done with the butterfat if people use margarine?

T T W N

Russia has a good grain crop so they say. Now Khrushchev will brag about solving the farm problem.

T T W N

Anyways the unions are treating Ford as badly as they did GM.

T T W N

Hunters starting fires are merely one example of the trouble that comes when the irresponsible inherit the public domain.

T T W N

Multiple use of public lands apparently means that those who use the lands one day for pleasure will have equal rights with those who use it six months for production.

Rufus School Bid Won By Troutdale Contractor

Harold Moffatt, Inc., of Troutdale was low bidder and apparent contractor of the new addition to Rufus school to be built this winter. His bid was \$49,890. There were five other bidders with bids ranging up to \$59,548. Only local contractor was Mid-State Construction of The Dalles which was third with \$53,300.

The building will add two classrooms to the Rufus grade school to accommodate new pupils brought in by workers on the John Day dam. The federal government is putting up most of the money.

Each room will be 900 sq. ft. each with separate toilet. There will also be a teacher's closet, storage drawers, sink and drinking fountain for each room. The building will be constructed of reinforced concrete with wood framed roof, aluminum sash and plastered walls. Heating will be by electricity and a new septic tank will be needed for the additional children.

Wasco Auxiliary Hears Girls Report

The American Legion Auxiliary No. 91 met Monday, October 2 at the little Legion hall in Wasco. The highlight of the afternoon was the representative to Girls State last June who was Barbara Fridley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fridley of Wasco. She gave a very good report of the weeks activities at Girls State on the Willamette University Campus at Salem. Barbara first gave a review of the history of Girls State, which started in 1940 at Silver Creek Falls, but soon outgrew the accommodations there and in 1948 it was held on the Willamette U. campus where it now takes in around two hundred girls from all the different units in Oregon. Barbara came back with a great deal of enthusiasm from her experiences and said it has given her a better understanding of the workings of our legislative department, which will help her in the years to come.

Mrs. Will Reid, president, opened the business meeting with the salute to the flag. Mrs. Elva Dehler acted as chaplain and Mrs. Paul Patrick was secretary. Mrs. Dewey Thomas on Americanism gave a report on Civil Defense. She read of where fall-out shelters are a racket in some cases, and the public should be on its toes to not be taken. She asked the question "How patriotic are we?" Do we fly the United States flag on special days? A hush fell over the group!

Mrs. Harland McDonald said she will set a date to make up the poppies and flowers for the wheel chair parade. Mrs. Keith McDonald says to be sure to have all veterans gifts for hospital in at the November meeting as she sends them to the hospital the middle of November. She said the hospital wants shirts, and magazines not over one year old. The group voted to send \$5 to Camp White to buy a long playing record for the boys use. The district president wants the unit to help the Heart Fund. Mrs. Reid appointed Mrs. John Foss for chairman for the Wasco area and Mrs. George Fox for the Rufus area.

It was announced there will be a district meeting of the Legion and Auxiliary on October 13 at The Dalles with a cocktail hour between 6 and 7 p. m. and dinner to follow at 7 p. m. The price is \$1.50 per plate and reservations should be in by October 9.

Present besides the regular members were Miss Marion Moore, a friend of Mrs. Alfred Merritt, and Mrs. S. Pearson of Portland, mother of Mrs. Harland McDonald. Other new members present were Mrs. Dorothy Reifsnider and Mrs. Anne Rothery. Mrs. George Fox was on the serving committee, and the other two hostesses couldn't be present. Mrs. Pinky Nisbet made a cake, but fell and sprained her ankle, so she sent her cake. Mrs. Nisbet's sister of The Dalles was in Wasco helping out at the Nisbet home. The president Mrs. Reid helped serve the refreshments and clean up afterwards.

The expected rain hasn't fallen yet in this area, and the farmers are still waiting to seed. A few have deep seeded, but not many. al.

Sherman Loses To Maupin By Missed PATs

Sherman lost to Maupin Friday night by the margin of a couple of missed goal kicks which is not large, but enough. The score was 14 to 12.

Maupin surprised the local lads by running back the first kick-off for a touchdown which gave it an advantage which they never lost. It was an 86 yard run by Gary Miller. Other Maupin score was on a pass to Herb Snodgrass.

Sherman showed improvement in its passing game with its second score being set up by a pass to Byron Bayer, now settled at end. He ran 46 yards and Sather took the ball over for the touchdown. Malcolm Eslinger went across the Maupin goal for the first Sherman score. Neither try for point was successful and that lack of ability to make the extra point has been a factor in the last three games all of which could have been won or tied by a good kicker operating behind a solid line.

Sherman now starts league play, all of the previous four games being with B schools. Grant Union at John Day will be here October 6 and Burns will be here the next week. That ends the season for the local fans as the team goes to Madras October 20 and to Heppner on the 27th to end the season. John Day has not had a good season so far and neither has Heppner but Burns and Madras are doing very well.

Programs Started By Church Group

The Christian Endeavor's had a taco feed in the Wasco church of Christ basement Saturday evening. The room and tables were decorated with Mexican accent. Officers were elected for this quarter and plans were made for the year.

Last Sunday evening Mrs. Ruth Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kaseberg, from The Dalles were guests. The theme of the service was missions. Each guest gave a short talk and then formed a panel answering questions relative to this subject.

Beginning next Tuesday night October 10, at 7:30 in the church auditorium and continuing for five consecutive Tuesday nights there will be a School of Missions. Each week a different missionary will be here to present his work, his field, and bring a message. Frank Rempel of India will be first to come bringing a message on "The Potential of Missions—the World!" He served as head of the India Bible College at Kulpahar, India from 1951 to 1958. He is now working in the field of Christian publication and serving as secretary of the New Testament Publications Association. His tasks include publication of a Hindu language monthly magazine, publication of Christian literature and workbooks, translation, operation of a Bible book store, and evangelism.

Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings.

Health Advisers Talk Civil Defense

The Sherman County Health Advisory Council met at Beef's restaurant Wednesday for lunch and business.

Dr. E. E. Berg and Miss Jane Ruff, health officers were present as also the members of the County Court.

Mrs. Don McDermid presided. The discussion for the meeting centered around civil defense in the county.

It was decided to sponsor a one-day workshop on civil defense of the C. D. chairman of each organization in the county sometime in November, with a state authority conducting and instructing. The Council hopes that this method of action will get the information on protection from fall-out to all residents of the county in the most effective manner.

ESTATE PLANNING COURSE

The United States National Bank will present another in its fall series of state planning forums in The Dalles Thursday, October 12 at 7:30 p. m. This is the 12th consecutive year that these meetings have been held since first inaugurated by U. S. National Bank.



A light plane carrying two men on the way to Portland from an eastern Oregon hunting trip, ran out of gas and dropped to the highway near the school and taxied into town. They stopped near John Gilman's

Blue Ribbon Winners

Exhibitors of wheat and other grains at the county fair were very few for a county that lives from them. Joe Peters, Grace Medler and Elton Medler brought Omar and Mrs. Carl von Borstel some Federation. There were a few exhibits of barley and one of crested wheat.

The women did well by the fair and the judges' sheets for the exhibits in the pavilion have many names of women who brought something to the fair.

Under canned fruits: first place winners were: Apricots, Ruth Leigh; cherries, Thelma Sather; gooseberries, Mrs. Leo Watkins; raspberries, Elin Jean Martin; peaches, Marie Hattrup; pears, Mavis Olson; petite prunes, Inez Thompson; prunes, Mrs. Leo Watkins; rhubarb, Dorene Hall; applesauce, Mavis Olson;

Canned vegetables: carrots, Marie Hattrup; string beans, Gladys Cochran; beets, Marie Hattrup; tomatoes, Adeline McDonald.

Canned meats: chicken, Marie Hattrup; mince meat, Marie Hattrup; salmon, Mrs. Carl von Borstel. Jelly, apple, Mrs. A. F. Balzer; currant, Leona VanGilder; grape, Edith Lyons; blackberry, Mrs. A. F. Balzer; loganberry, Gladys Cochran; plum, Mrs. Bill Broughton; raspberry, Mrs. A. F. Balzer; strawberry, Patty Thompson; boysenberry, Dorene Hall; rhubarb, Mrs. Leo Watkins; crab apple, Edith Lyons.

Jam: grape, Ruth Leigh; blackberry, Ruth Leigh; raspberry, Mrs. Leo Watkins; strawberry, Elin Jean Martin; boysenberry, Ruth Leigh; prune, Mrs. Leo Watkins; peach, Gladys Cochran; pear, Dorene Hall; rhubarb, Dorene Hall; gooseberry, Gladys Cochran; apricot, Katie Wooderson; other jam, Josephine Gentry.

Preserves: prune, Mrs. Leo Watkins; apricot, Mrs. Leo Watkins; Butter: apple, Edith Lyons; peach, Adeline McDonald; pear, Leo Gentry.

Pickles: Dill, Inez Thompson; mixed, Mrs. Leo Watkins; sweet, Mrs. Bill Broughton; pickled beets, Judy Thompson; fruit pickles, Betty White; sweet chunk, Mrs. Leo Watkins. Bread: white, Marion Boynton; dark, Jo Gentry; nut, Jo Gentry; fruit bread, Marie Hattrup; banana nut, Mrs. Leo Watkins; raised rolls, Inez Thompson; sweet rolls, Inez Thompson; muffins, Marie Hattrup.

Cake: sponge, Mrs. C. O. Spencer; white cake, Mrs. Leo Watkins; dark cake, Marie Hattrup; spice (wheat league) Mavis Olson; angel food, Marie Hattrup; chiffon, Marie Hattrup; drop cookies, Mrs. Martin Zimmerman; roll cookies, Marie Hattrup; ice cream.

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HOW TO CARE FOR VENISON TO BE TOLD

Shot a deer? Now what? A county wide meeting on the field care, preparation and preservation of venison will be held Wednesday, October 11, 8:00 p. m., at the Harlandview Grange hall, announces Janet Walker, county extension agent.

This public meeting features Andy Lanforce, wildlife specialist OSU with pointers on the field care of game. Andy will show slides he took on some of his hunting trips.

After Andy's discussion, Janet will prepare some venison dishes and give pointers on preservation and cookery of venison.

September Nothing To Brag About Meteorologically

The month of September was dry, there being .07 inch of moisture instead of the .49 we can expect. For the recently passed crop year we received 13.72 inches of rainfall, a good 1.91 above normal so we are not suffering at present.

The highest temperature was 87 on the 4th and the lowest 33 on the 27th but the monthly mean was 56.8 which is 4.5 degrees below normal. Frost has hit a good share of the county but the experiment station thermometer hasn't been hit.

Evaporation was 8.69 inches for the month, 2.49 above normal and the greatest since 1957 when the record of 8.76 was set. Little rain and high evaporation haven't discouraged the farmers; they are seeding.

Tax Millages Out To Notify Citizen Of Government

Come November 15 the tax collector will be reaching for \$633,943.05 from Sherman County property owners as expense for running their government, their schools and their cities. The base millage will be 41.3 of which 14.2 will go to the county, 18.6 to the rural school board and 8.5 to Sherman High School. Individual districts will pay additional sums.

The total valuation of the county is \$10,795,663 which is the valuation of the rural school and Sherman High. The county levy is \$153,298.41, that of the rural school \$200,799.33 and of Sherman High \$91,763.14. Both schools will spend more as some will come from the state.

The levy for Rufus district is \$23,863.56 and the millage 15.4; for Wasco schools it is \$57,130.11 and the millage 18.2; Kent's levy is \$25,029.85 and the millage 21.1; Moro's levy is \$46,880.22 and the millage 15.5. At Grass Valley the levy is \$14,980.65 and the millage 7.9.

The vector control district, a mosquito fighting area around Rufus, has a levy of \$668.62 and a millage of one.

Total millage, obtained by adding the base millage to that of the various districts is 56.7 for Rufus outside the vector control district and 57.7 inside that area. Rural Wasco will pay 59.5 and urban Wasco 74.5. Rural Moro will pay 56.8 and urban Moro 85.5, the highest in the county. Rural Grass Valley will pay 49.2 mills and urban Grass Valley 66.3. At Kent the millage will be 62.4.

The town taxes:

	Val	Tax	Mil.
Moro	346,131	\$993.96	28.7
Wasco	353,553	\$303.30	15.0
GV	250,988	\$291.89	17.1

Trailer houses will pay \$4761.20 for the privilege of living in this county during the year, considerably more than usual, there being more trailer houses.

Courses Available In Adult Education

An extension course will start here Friday when Merrill E. Wilson of Eastern Oregon college at La Grande will come to teach a course in "Methods and Research Materials in Geography," this being the year geography courses are changed.

Classes will be held from 7:00 to 9:45 p. m. and Saturday from 9:00 to 11:45 a. m. on alternate week ends. Lessons will be given at the Moro Grade school.

Adult classes in welding start at the high school next week one the 9th and one the 12th. Ten classes are to be given by Richard Peters, vocational ag. instructor, who gave classes last year. Fee must be paid before classes begin.

Educators Meeting Date In Condon

Four leaders in Oregon education are going to find out what they think about the public schools making a visit to every county in the state. Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler Counties will meet here Thursday, October 12th at 12:00 at Hotel Condon for a luncheon with Dr. Leon P. Minear, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; James L. Turnbull, Assistant State School Superintendent; Tom Rigby, secretary of the Oregon School Boards Association; and Cecil Posey, secretary of the Oregon Education Association. "By getting grass roots opinions," Dr. Minear said, "we will be better able to prepare our programs for the 1963 legislature. And it will give us a chance to explain our thinking."

Dr. Minear will speak on the role of his department. Mr. Turnbull will talk about proposals to replace the county school superintendents with regional departments. Cecil Posey will speak on the need for getting better teachers and Tom Rigby will deal with school finance. The audience will then get a chance to talk and ask questions. All members of the Rural School Board, High School Board, District School Board, reorganization Board, Superintendents, Administrators and any one interested in helping to formulate educational thinking and policy is urged to attend this no-host affair.

Donors Give 66 Pints of Blood

The fall visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile to Sherman County drew 66 pints, at the Moro Grade School, Tuesday afternoon. This was nine short of the 75 pint quota but there were 14 temporary deferrals. The contributions by districts were Moro 31, Grass Valley 16, Wasco 12, Rufus 4 and Kent 3. The quota of negatives assigned to this county was filled and seven persons were first time donors. Mrs. Myrle Smith and Gordon Lemley received galla pints.

Mr. Ben Ward, principal of the Moro school and Mrs. Darwin Van Gilder, county chairman, conducted students of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades past each step of the drawing and Miss Joan Eckert, RN, answered their many questions.

Assisting the staff from Portland were Mrs. Carroll Sayes, Mrs. Orlow Martin, Mrs. Keith McDonald, Mrs. Chas. Burnet, Mrs. G. Douma, Mrs. William Reid, Mrs. John E. DeMoss, Mrs. Bob Brisbane, Mrs. Willard Barnett, Mrs. L. R. Conlee, Mrs. Colis Moore, Mrs. Ray Sargent, Mrs. George Benson, Mrs. Inez Thompson and Mrs. Earl Gentry.

The committee thanks all the workers and the recruitment chairman in each district: Mrs. George Wilson, Mrs. Willard Barnett, Mrs. Harold Melzer, Mrs. Dewey Thomas and Mrs. Harland McDonald. We are also very grateful for the assistance of Mr. Ward and Mr. Helgeson at the school house.

Soil Survey Plans Finally Made

A bunch of men interested in the soil survey of Sherman County met here for three days this week to decide what to do about it. They were Dr. Charles K. Kellogg, chief, soil survey division, USDA, Washington, D. C., who came west for this meeting, Bill Johnson and Rudie Ulrich, coordinators from Berkeley, Calif., Tom Helseth and Bill Hill, of the state office, John Dennison and Rudie Mayko from the Pendleton SCS office, together with Hank Grabenhorst of the local office, Dr. Horace Cheney, Dr. Ellis Knox, Dr. Charles Paulton, Howard Cushman, Frank Conklin of OSU and Bill Hall and Tommy Thompson of research and extension work here.

How To Write Report Topic

The long argument was about how to write the soil survey of Sherman County which Leo Mayers prepared over a period of years. For political reasons federal men think it necessary to include management practices that is the interpretation that makes the book valuable to farmers. However management constantly changes and statements about it become obsolete. Local men wanted to divide the two subjects but were unsuccessful, however a supplemental report may be written later.

At Least A Year Needed

The Sherman County soil survey is to be out of Oregon by January and ready for the editor of such publication by April 15 after which it will be published including both scientific data about soils and opinion about management.

Livestock Prices Down Slightly

Livestock receipts totaled 240 head. U. S. No. 1 and 2, 180-230 lb. hogs sold 50 cents lower with top hogs bringing \$19.40 to \$19.90. US No. 3 hogs and heavy weights 240 to 300 lbs. sold mainly at \$18.50 to \$19.25. Heavy feeders \$16.40 to \$18.00 with light feeders to \$19.00. Heavy sows \$12.50 to \$15.00 and light sows to \$17.00.

Medium to good steer calves 300 to 500 lbs. \$23.00 to \$25.00 with no choice calves in the offering. Common and medium 500 to 700 lb. steers \$17.00 to \$20.00 with no good or choice offered. Dairy type steers selling down to \$12.00 to \$15.00.

Good and choice heifer calves 300 to 500 lbs. brought \$21.00 to \$24.00 with odd head up to \$26.00. Common and medium over 500 lb. heifers mainly \$17.00 to \$19.00 with light dairy types down to \$12.00.

BANK DEBITS UP IN MID-COLUMBIA

Bank debits for the Upper Columbia River, including Gilliam, Hood River, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler counties, increased in August, 1961, compared to August, 1960, according to the University of Oregon Bureau of Business Research.

Debits for August, 1961, totaled \$30,914,749, for July, 1961, the total was \$29,197,964, and for August, 1960, the total was \$28,722,353.