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These Things We Note

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The movement to give each income tax payer a number has interesting possibilities. It may eventually dispense with names altogether so that when a child is born the government will assign a number and one could go through life duly tagged for automatic bookkeeping as 424-13-93-16. Try to be an individual with that start.

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Perhaps if there is enough fall out we may all soon have to fall in.

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We were grateful to the San Francisco Forty-niners for opening up professional football for the spectators but it apparently isn't an open game so far.

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We suspect that the craze for fall out shelters is waning when a couple is imprisoned in one for public show. It reminds us of the couple who were married at a dance marathon.

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The administration, we read, has turned careful about money and orders have been issued to spend less than appropriated. We do not think it is a change of heart, merely, that the nation is about out of money and credit. A drunken sailor never sobers up on a full purse.

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It will be very surprising if the federal supreme court tries to force apportionment of state legislators on any plan other than that used by the federal government.

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Goblins were not destructive in Moro Halloween night although there was evidence of their annual carousel. Some youngsters had to prove they were adult enough to know some bad words and childish enough to write them on walls and windows.

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A doctor says that smoking will do more damage to youth than atomic fallout. Tish, Tish, doctor, one has control of smoking.

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Teachers hope to obtain a starting salary of \$5400 for a nine month term. Like others who aspire to bigger pay we suggest a better product.

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Government management of farm products produces some wonderful results. Right now the government has enough milk to drown all the congressmen and it pours in every day. But the price to consumers goes up.

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A part of Kennedy's campaign was in scaring the daylight out of Americans because they were defenseless in the face of danger which wasn't true. Kennedy should have known it. Now he boasts about how strong the nation is which is more sensible but a little late to reassure the world. And certainly too late to restore confidence in Kennedy.

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The wind of Wednesday morning cleaned the leaves from the locust trees and gave them a wintry appearance. A locust is an ugly tree but its performance is good and its durability wonderful.

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The state being short of money, wants to give college teachers more students per class. Whether that is sufficiently efficient teaching or not we do not know and in deciding we will be guided very little by "educators".

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The daughter of Queen Marie came back to Maryhill castle Wednesday to recall an event of 1926 when every citizen of this area who had wheels under him went to see the Queen of Romania, legitimate royalty, no less, who came to visit Sam Hill, country boy grown rich.

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We don't know whether marching protest will do any good or not but the exercise is surely beneficial.

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Seems like a football team never wins until it is out of the championship.

Drouth Abated Little In Cold October

October was dry and cold. Everybody knew it was dry but the cold that showed up in the statistics surprised Bill Hall who ascribes it to some cold nights. Rainfall totaled .44 inch most of which came on the 27th and was thought to be enough to bring up the shallow sown wheat although winds may evaporate a lot of it. We are short .71 from the average and the crop total is but .51 and that is 1.13 short.

Highest temperature was 83 and the lowest 23 degrees to make a monthly mean of 48, 2.8 degrees below normal. Evaporation was greater than normal.

The first frost of the season occurred October 8, six days later than the average. Last spring frost was May 4 so we had 157 frost free days, longer than the average by 11 days.

Weeds Expensive, Says Zimmerman

Weeds cost money. It is reported that weeds cost the American people \$5 billion annually.

We have learned a lot about farm chemicals and control of weeds in the past 15 years. Time of application, safe use, and formulation, all contribute to successful use of these chemicals.

Dr. Virgil Freid, OSU agricultural chemist will discuss these and other factors involved in "Getting the most from our weed chemicals" at the 10th annual Weed Conference. The Dalles will host this annual meeting at the Civic Auditorium, November 13th and 14th. Other topics of interest at this 2-day session will be "Sterilants and their use" and "Range Weed Control Studies."

Kent Church To Hear Wendy Collins

Tuesday night, Nov 7 at 7:30 in the Kent Community Baptist church, Wendy Collins will speak at the Mt-Columbia Youth for Christ Rally.

Mr. Collins is widely known as a youth director and exceptional speaker. He is international staff member for Youth for Christ and has been director and Bible club director, director of National Life Line for Youth, Overseas director for Teen Teams. Mr. Collins is Youth for Christ director for the continent of Europe and has just returned from Europe with the Youth for Christ international president, Ted Engstrom.

Sherman OEA Unit Gets Organized

The Sherman County Unit of the OEA met at Kent, Thursday, October 19 for the second regular meeting of the year. Twenty-five teachers turned out. The Kent teachers served doughnuts and coffee.

Plans for the year were discussed and standing committees were appointed. Carl Ziegler, of Wasco, was elected alternate delegate to the Representative Council meeting of the association in Portland in March.

The following standing committees were appointed: Economic Welfare: Carl Ziegler, chairman; Ben Ward, co-chairman; Mrs. Parkhurst, Shirley Ricks, Mrs. Sullivan, Lila Hayes, and Gary Nichols.

Social: Aldeth Trullinger, chairman; Lee Robinson, Alice McCroskey and Vadas Koonst.

Public Relations: Mary Brackett, chairman; Don Murray and Leona Helgeson.

Plans for an OEA banquet honoring school board members, past presidents of the association, veteran teachers in the county, and an education citizen of the year were discussed and committees assigned to the various tasks pertaining to such an event.

Campaign materials from candidates for vice-president and secretary of the Department of Classroom Teachers were read, but Lila Hayes, delegate to the conference of the Department of Classroom Teachers, was not instructed to vote for any special candidate; although it was suggested she might favor Eastern Oregon candidates.

Proposed changes in the office of county superintendent were noted and the group decided to draw up a resolution of protest to be sent to the proper sources.

Kent kept the attendance bell for the third straight meeting. Let's get out one hundred percent next time too.

Wheat Leaguers To Plan Program At Local Meeting

Development of new farm program legislation and consideration for proper representation for Eastern Oregon in the Oregon legislature will be major topics during the fall meeting of the Sherman Wheat Growers' Association scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 9, County Courthouse, Moro, 9:30 a. m. All wheat growers and their wives are invited to participate, states Marvin Thomas, president.

A free luncheon - featuring Ala - will be served by wheat league women at 12:00 noon, Moro Presbyterian Church. The lunch is under the direction of Mrs. L. E. Kaseberg, chairman, County Domestic Wheat Utilization. The Wheat League women's committee will meet at 9:30 a. m. in the social room of the church. A special invitation is extended to wheat league women to attend this session, states Mrs. Kaseberg.

Four possibilities exist for 1962 congressional action on the wheat program. Presently outlined they are a continuation of the 1962 program, the Bushel Management Program (Senate Bill 2535 introduced by Neuberger of Oregon and Carlson of Kansas), a 25 to 30 percent additional acreage reduction with 85 percent of parity loan, and a new department of agriculture proposal. These programs will be reviewed by Allen Tom, first vice-president of the Oregon Wheat League, who returned in mid-October after a meeting of representative wheat growers with the Department of Agriculture.

Six committees will operate during the fall meeting session. Committee and chairman are: Taxation & Legislation, Charles Burnett; Production & Land Use, Alvin Pinkerton; Marketing and Transportation, Max Barzee; Youth Activities, Larry Kaseberg; Federal Agriculture Programs, Bill Todd; and Public Relations, Mac Hall, in addition with Domestic Wheat Utilization committee will meet in the social room of the Moro Community Church. Committee sessions will get underway at 9:30 a. m. in the County Courthouse. Earlier arrivals will receive coffee and a special bread treat. The general session will convene at 2:00 p. m. with committee reports, speakers and election of officers for 1962.

Recommendations developed at the county level will be passed on to the Oregon Wheat Growers League for their consideration at the annual meeting November 30 and December 1 and 2 at Pendleton.

Tax Judge Visits

Here Tuesday was Peter Gunnar, new judge of Oregon's new tax court, and John Bryan who will be the administrator of the small claims court. He will hold court here in cases involving citizens of this county and will advise claimants.

County Judge Vernon Miller, Clair Balzer and T. Lester Johnson, district attorney, will serve as an advisory committee on rules of the new court.

Roads Raise Weeds

A survey of Sherman County farm and roads indicates that over 20,000 acres of cropland is infested with rye according to Martin Zimmerman, county extension agent. An estimated 500 miles of fence rows and 100 miles of roadways are lined with this weed. An additional several thousand acres of wasteland and draws are growing rye.

It is essential to eliminate rye from these fences, roadways and waste areas to prevent rye from infesting and reinfesting fields.

Atrazine, one of agriculture's modern chemicals, has been proven to be very effective on rye. 2 - 4 lbs. of this material with 1-2 lbs. of 50% amitrole per acre will eliminate all annual growth for a period of one year. Atrazine is a wettable powder and must have mechanical agitation.

This spray mixture should be applied during the winter months; November 15th - February 15th. Atrazine cannot be used on cropland.

Rye must be controlled in the field by spring cropping, clipping, roguing or fall discing; or a combination of these. No chemical method is yet available to control rye in grain crops.



Representing Sherman County at annual meeting of Oregon Division of American Cancer Society October 13 at Village Green Motor Hotel near Cottage Grove was Mrs. Frank von Borstel of Grass Valley, chairman of the Sherman County unit, shown here with John W. Cline, M.D., San Francisco, national president of the society. Dr. Cline, associate clinical professor of surgery at Stanford University School of Medicine, was keynote speaker for meeting which attracted record attendance of some 200 volunteer workers.

Bank Debits Down Here As Elsewhere

Bank debits for the Upper Columbia River area, including Gilliam, Hood River, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler Counties, decreased in September, 1961, compared to September, 1960, according to the University of Oregon Bureau of Business Research. Debits for September, 1961, totaled \$29,582,709. For August, 1961, the total was \$30,914,749, and for September, 1960, the total was \$31,634,183.

Oregon, with 230 banks reporting, had a decrease in bank debits in September, 1961, of 7.3 per cent, compared to August, 1961, and a decrease of 3.4 per cent from September, 1960.

Total debits for Oregon in September, 1961, came to \$2,054,075,738. For August, 1961, the total was \$2,215,401,357, and for September, 1960, the total was \$2,126,363,186.

LOCAL STORE BOUGHT

Lloyd Paschall, formerly of the Western Automotive store in The Dalles, has bought the Ranch and Home Store in Moro from Rogers, who with his clerk, Mrs. Morgan, have gone to Portland.

Moro Library Has 2000 Books To Lend

The Moro library, through its secretary, Mrs. W. E. Hall, has sent its report to the city council noting that it contains over 2000 volumes and would be more if shelf space were available. Of these 113 are new books, 99 of which were donated as memorial books and only 14 bought.

Increase was noted in the use of children's books. Circulation is 4.5 books per capita when the average should be 10. More reference books for use by high school students would increase circulation.

The report states that the \$100 given by the city is all that keeps the library open out that the donated time and labor of dedicated women make it possible to exist on so small a budget which is 25 cents per capita when \$1.50 is standard.

RUFUS KUMMAGE DATED

The Rufus Grange has taken its rummage to the old Mode O Day building beside Penny's Store and will be open Wednesday thru Saturday. Each day there will be different women to take charge of the selling.

Paulen Kaseberg To Represent Sherman In Conservation Man of the Year Contest



for his father believes it should be compulsory and once with Paulen and once with Pete Macnab, a son in law, won county conservation awards.

The things that interested the committee are contour seeding, some of which can be seen from the Fulton canyon road on the Locust Grove place and some that can be seen from the road along Gordon ridge; grass waterways are used where there is danger of washing; summerfallow is carefully made to prevent erosion by water. Perhaps the most controversial part of the program is the grass and legume strips alternated with wheat on the Locust Grove farm which sometimes look ragged although performing the desired function.

There are three dams to control run off on the ranches and some crested wheat seedlings in conformity with federal programs and also some alfalfa near the house which can be used for pasture for the small herd of Hereford cows.

Paulen's family consists of wife, Margie, an active citizen in her own right, son Lee, a senior at the University of Oregon, Terry, a sophomore at Eastern Oregon college and Alice, a junior at Sherman High School. He has been president of the Wheat League, trustee of The Dalles General Hospital, pastmaster of the local Masonic lodge and a long time 4-H leader, in addition to being currently president of the Sherman County Club.

Banquet Interrupted By Lack of Light, Spoiling Host's Time

Mother Nature threw a tantrum last Thursday night that couldn't have been timed better to let representatives of Pacific Power & Light Company in for a king-sized ribbing, that is.

At 7:20 p. m. some 70 people were just sitting down to dinner at the annual Sherman County 4-H Leadership banquet in Grass Valley—sponsored by the PP&L Co.—when the lights went out. High winds, gusting to an estimated 50 mph, and rain squalls resulted in an interruption of electric power service to the Moro-Grass Valley-Wasco areas.

Subsequent confusion at the banquet was short-lived, however. Dinner was eaten by candlelight and, as one guest observed, "Some places you pay extra for the atmosphere."

The tap-dancing group booked found itself without a record player, but made out just fine dancing to audience humming. Lee Hansen, PP&L's director of agricultural sales and featured speaker for the evening, was unable to deliver the talk he'd planned because it involved blackboard illustration, but got his message across quite adequately in off-the-cuff style.

Guests at the banquet all agreed that only one individual failed to have a rousing good time. That was Del Freidline, PP&L line-man-agent. He bolted for Erskine Junction, where rain and dust caused an insulator flashover that started the whole business, and worked with other PP&L linemen until service was fully restored just after midnight—all without his dinner.

Volleyball Starts Monday

Goldendale, Lyle and The Dalles will be the competing teams against Sherman when the women's volleyball teams of this area start season's play at the Wasco school gym next Monday.

Blouse sponsors were not fully reported previously, and are: Union Oil, Fields Confectionery of Grass Valley, Tavern, Beefe's, Moro Floor Covering, Dale's Richfield, Cushman Equipment, Moro Lumber & Fuel, Douma's Market of Moro, Miller Motors, Chuck's Chevron and Sherman Market of Wasco. Players are June Alsop, captain; Sherry Kaseberg, publicity, Sally Brown secretary-treasurer, Connie Cushman, Carrie Belshe, Betty Owens, Georgia Hadley, Shirley Richelderfer, co-captain, Rose Nichols, Darlene Gochnauer and Peggy Alberty.

Rufus To Get Numbers

All telephone numbers in Rufus will be brand new after 11 p. m., Saturday, (Nov. 18) when an enlarged Pacific Northwest Bell central office goes into service there, according to C. P. Horn, local manager for the company.

The \$58,000 project will provide Rufus with a seven-digit, letterless phone numbering system. It will also allow long distance calls to be dialed directly to Rufus phones from anywhere in the nation.

"Present three-digit numbers there will expand to seven and change completely," Horn said. "A typical number will read 739-4567. The last four digits will vary for each customer but all phones will have the same prefix, 739."

A similar numbering system is now used in Arlington and several other communities in Oregon. Every phone in the nation will have letterless numbers by approximately 1965.

Designated All Number Calling (ANC), the system has become a necessity for the nation because of population growth. By adopting numerals only, rather than letters and numerals in combination, there will be about 50 percent more usable prefixes available on a phone dial.

"Telephone service capacity in Rufus will be doubled with completion of the equipment installation. There will be room in the endangered building for further expansion, probably in a couple of years," Horn said.

Western Electric installers started work on the job Monday, Oct. 16. They will spend about 10 man weeks there, completing in time for the Nov. 18 cutover.

Customers will be informed of their new phone numbers soon and a special phone directory will be mailed to each Rufus subscriber shortly before the change.

Club Hears About Dams From Idea To Catch of Fish

Henry Grabenhorst carefully detailed the steps necessary in the construction of a dam to members of the Sherman County Club Tuesday night at Beefe's.

First the feasibility of the dam must be determined and this includes a study of the run off area, the slopes, the type of soil and sub-structure of the dam sight, the quality of the land that is to be irrigated. A geologist must pass on the foundation to make sure that no faults are present to let water run away. The state engineer must finally make his determination.

The material from which the dam is to be constructed must be suitable with not too much rock. The area from where the fill is to be taken must be stripped of brush and grass to a depth of six inches to a foot and there must be enough core material to pack into the base.

The Joe Bibby dam, recently constructed, cost \$15,130 which is \$96 per acre foot. If estimates are over \$150 per acre foot the dam is not considered feasible. It is thought that it will be filled half of the years. It is 34 feet high, 461 feet long and 158 feet wide and is the biggest in the county. From it he expects to irrigate 20 acres of land for hay to prevent buying the 150 tons he now must purchase. There are a few acres below the dam that will also be irrigated by flood. The game commission bought a third of the water and paid some of the cost. It will plant bass and blue gill and perhaps some other warm water fish.

Since the SCS came to the county 171 dams have been built, 175 acres of grass waterways planted, 1200 acres of strip cropping done, 9000 acres, brush controlled and 32,000 acres, of 62 operators, farmed by stubble mulch.

Business of the club consisted of committee reports and passage of a resolution favoring the federal plan of apportionment of legislators and a reading of the correspondence in the Flatt Truck case.

Mrs. Lillian Flatt has informed the Journal that the Flatt Truck Service will renew its contract with the Union Pacific railroad for hauling of less than car load freight in the counties of Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow, but on a somewhat different basis than at present, but satisfactory for continuance of service here.

Health Ass'n Meets

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

Mrs. Don McDermid presided. Dr. E. E. Berg, Miss Jane Ruff, Mrs. William Reid and the County Court were present, as well as six members of the Council.

Plans were made to hold a workshop on Civil Defense in December. Letters will be mailed to presidents or chairmen of all organizations, requesting that they, and a civil defense chairman of their group, attend the workshop.

Representatives of the Council plan to attend a similar workshop in Madras Nov. 16.

Wasco Christian Church Bills Missionary

Bernel Getter of India will be the missionary speaker Tuesday evening, Nov. 7 at 7:30 at the Wasco Church of Christ. Mr. Getter has worked since 1948 among the tribes people of northern India. He labors with the Central Provinces India Mission, Bilaspur, which was established in 1928 by Harry Schaefer Sr. This mission now carries on a program consisting of 144 native preachers, a children's home, the Central India Bible Seminary, the Schaefer Memorial Christian High School, and a day school system. Mr. Getter's message will be "The Purpose of Missions—Evangelism."

Sunday morning Nov. 5 at 11 o'clock we will open a Life Assurance Crusade, Glen Ballard will be bringing the messages during this series of meetings. By request several sermons will deal with prophecy. You will not want to miss a single meeting. Everybody is welcome.