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GETTING ALONG

It was 73 years ago since C. J. Bright and R. B. McMillin put a sheet of newsprint into a hand press, turned down the cover, cranked it into the press and heaved back staunchly to print the first copy of a newspaper to bear a Sherman County date line.

It does well enough to boast but other counties were settled as early. There had been a newspaper in Fossil for two years and one in Pendleton for 12 years and in Heppner for five years.

But we were among the first and have achieved the distinction that comes from long life. That is a peculiar distinction and one winning it need have done anything else but survive which, in itself, induces a certain amount of awe.

The present editor has not guided the Sherman County Journal through all of its years, only for the past 30. When it was the Wasco Observer we knew it not, nor when it was the Moro Observer.

Files are available back to 1894 and there are not many native sons and daughters whose births were not recorded by an aproned typesetter at a smelly case or by a hot metal machine.

That is a minor function of newspapers but an interesting one. This newspaper has recounted the completion of the Rattlesnake grade, the Columbia Southern railway, the incorporation of all the towns, the Sherman Highway, the Sherman High School.

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But even at 74 we see no diminution in the service we perform to the living by printing pertinent information, opinion and ideas, nor to coming generations by preserving in black and white week by week history of a successful farming community slowly expanding its interests to include other things than wheat, cows, money.

END OF GOOD OLD JOE?

The Russians must be a peculiar people or maybe they merely have peculiar bosses. This business of removing the petrified

corpse of Uncle Joe Stalin from the sacred presence of the tomb of Nicolai Lenin to some unannounced site after ten years of dedication is as odd as if the American liberals were to take the body of George Washington from Mt. Vernon because he said we should never get tangled up in European affairs.

We suppose the idea is to show the Russian people who still form long lines to pass by the mummies of long gone leaders that the ideas of Stalin were dissimilar to those of Lenin. Lenin, presumably, was a direct political and ideological descendant of Karl Marx whose philosophy of violence by the incompetent was adopted by Russian revolutionaries.

Maybe it is progress in a way although it seems more like a return to the theories of Lenin which are pretty obsolete. The world has changed a good deal since 1917, the mechanical revolution having transformed the lives of that part of mankind calling themselves civilized.

But the ideological differences are the easiest to understand. The removal of a long dead body as a sort of punishment for the ideas it expressed a decade ago comes from a way of thinking far removed from ours. It is an attempt to obliterate an idea by physical change, like burning books to keep men from absorbing their philosophy.

Stalin was a very cruel man and perhaps his body was placed in a position of honor in some sort of fear of reprisal. It does seem to be the style for Russian leaders to murder so many opponents but as we understand it Stalin's body is not being removed in protest against his cruelties, but to down grade his ideas.

Anyway it appears that it will be a long time before the west can understand the Russians.

IT ALWAYS RAINS

Rain amounting to 40 inch fell last week to end one of the longest dry spells in recent history. Farmers are happy about it, but not as happy as they might have been. They were not worried about their sown wheat. Those who sowed early at great depth had a fairly good stand although somewhat patchy; those who sowed late and shallow were sure that rain would come sometime and bring their grain up. If 40 inch will do that the problem is all over.

Thinking back it must be said that seldom in this country has the fall rain failed entirely. Farmers have been scared and worried and sometimes snow fell before it rained. Now and then the fall crop has a poor stand but other features than rain are often present.

What is a variable crop that can be sown from August to November with pretty good assurance of coming up. What happens to it later is a different matter. Some years the early seeding is best and sometimes the later and no one knows in September as much about the coming crop as he knows by the next September.

Now it has rained and we will now be looking for some more which is the correct pattern of thinking in a farm community.

BEAN SOUP

A Portland sailor has won award for bean soup, thus upholding the navy's reputation as eaters of beans. It is good to have the old traditions sustained which actually still existing or not and we congratulate the navy cook.

But we are not much interested in his recipe for the soup. It contains onions, tomatoes and a lot of other stuff to give a suspicion that the navy liked beans as a vehicle for a soup or an excuse for soup instead of just plain liking beans.

A lot of bean soup has been made with just beans and water with a little salt and pepper if handy and the rind off some bacon. True, the eater must be a little hungrier to like it as well as soups containing more condiments, but it warms in innards and strengthens the muscles. Besides it has the virtue of simplicity and simple foods are often the best.

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Rufus News

by Mrs. George Fox

Linda Wright reporter of the Rufus Cooking II and III club called the Busy Bakers met Oct. 26 at the home of their leader Mrs. Robert Byrd. The club elected the following officers: Robyn Baum as president, Colleen Burnett as vice president, Nancy Stinson as secretary, and Linda Wright as new reporter. The club plans on demonstrating and preparing foods. This group will meet the next time Nov. 16 after

school. Mr. and Mrs. Basil Bains stopped at the Trace Fields home last Friday night on their way home to Portland from a vacation that took them to California, and Reno, Nevada. They stopped to visit Basil's mother and other relatives in Colfax, Wash., and in Pullman, Wn., before coming on to Rufus. Mrs. Bains is a daughter of the Fields, and both she and her husband are employed in Portland where they live.

The Home Extension unit at Rufus met Thursday at the home of Mrs. George Fox. Mrs. Sam Tsubota, chairman, had the business meeting in the morning. She told the group what the year's lessons will be, and the group decided where they would meet each month and who would be project leaders for the lessons.

At noon the group ate a sack lunch then Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Tsubota served pumpkin pie with whipped cream and coffee during the noon hour. After lunch Mrs. Merle Redding and Mrs. Bert Swigart gave the lesson "A Look at a Woman's World", which took life into all the different parts, and which was discussed by the sixteen members present.

The years 1890 and 1958 were taken in comparison and what the changes are in adults and children. The next lesson will be at the home of Mrs. Harland McDonald. You would have thought the spooks were out sure if you had been to the Rufus School square dancing class last Saturday night. Some of the characters were out of this world and even the local people didn't know their neighbors.

The Hi-Yu Horse Club had an exciting and educational time practicing horsemanship and rounding up cattle at the Coelsch Ranch, Saturday, October 21. Monday night, October 23, at a meeting in the Coelsch home, officers of the club were elected as follows: President, Sharon Coelsch; vice president, Floyd Rathbun; secretary, Ann Hall; photographer, Fred Hall; reporter, Randy Lemley.

The Kent Livestock Club held its first meeting at the Kent school October 24 at 7:30. Bob Martin, our leader called the meeting to order. We elected officers as follows: President, J. P. Reckmann, vice president, June Jefferies, secretary and treasurer, Teresa Bardenhagen, new reporter, Krista Mobley, song and game leader, Vicki Bardenhagen. Gary Carlson told us about the P.I. New members are Alice Reckmann and Patti Bardenhagen.

The next meeting will be held at Bill Jefferies, Nov. 14 at 7:30. Krista Mobley, reporter. The How-D Horse Club was called to order by Vice-President Krista Mobley Oct. 19 at Orval Patnode's.

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After our song leader, Paulette Patnode led us in a few rounds of Row-Row Your Boat. Krista Mobley and Jill Nogle led us in a song.

After the meeting our leader told us we were invited to a trail ride at Centerville, Washington. The next meeting will be at Krista Mobley's November 18, at 3:00 p. m. Paulette Patnode, acting reporter.

The Grass Valley 4-H Livestock Club was called to order by Kenney Blagg at the Grass Valley Grade School at 8:00 under leadership of Orville Ruggles Oct. 24.

Fourteen members were present and four visitors. Orval Patnode of Moro, Malcolm Eslinger, J. W. Blagg and Mr. Watkins all of Grass Valley.

We elected officers: President, Dan Rolfe; vice-president, Dean Ruggles; secretary, Sheri Rolfe; news reporter, Paulette Patnode; song leader, Anne Wilson.

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4-H CLUB NEWS

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The Grange members voted to buy twenty new songs books for use at the hall. As Oct. 28 is the regular meeting night of the Past Masters' Club of Hood River, Wasco and Sherman Counties, Rufus Grange will hold its Boosters' night party Nov. 4.

For the literary program Mrs. Swigart read "Walk of the World" Roy Shaffer and Mrs. Rolland Johnson presented a skit. The entire grange played the game of traveling. Skits were given by Art Smith and Joe Morrow, and Clyde Thompson and Otto Petersen.

North Sherman County lost one of its life long members with the passing of Carl Everett last Sunday morning in Rufus. Carl was known by all the old timers as he spent his boyhood at the upper end of Biglow canyon east of Wasco with his parents and nine brothers and sisters.

Carl seemed to enjoy good health during his later years and it was only the afternoon before his death that he was seen visiting in the street beside the local post office.

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The Rufus Grange is having its Boosters' night open house at the Grange hall Saturday night. This is the time of year that everyone is invited so anyone interested in the Grange is welcome to come get acquainted.

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Mrs. Rolland Johnson, master presided. On agriculture Rolland Johnson told of sprayers that may be used for fighting fires. He also told of a new sprinkler with long booms on a trailer that covers a two acre tract at one time. She read a resolution from the Multnomah County Grange on compulsory consolidation of school districts.

Mrs. Bert Swigart, Home Ec. chairman, said the Mode O Day building beside Penny's has been secured for a site for a rummage sale to be held starting Nov. 1 and running through Saturday. A work day is planned at the hall in Rufus to get the clothes sorted and taken to the cleaners or washed as needed.

George Fox and Trace Fields are to see about making clothes racks for use at rummage sale. The group wants something they can easily set up and take down, as it is a problem to have a place to hang all the things. The Grange would appreciate any rummage that anyone in Sherman County wants to donate. If you have rummage telephone Mrs. Rolland Johnson, Wasco or Mrs. Harland McDonald, Rufus.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O.E.M. Meets every second Thurs day each month. Visiting members invited. Moro, Ore Edna Paulson, W. M. Dorothy Heater, Secretary

HARLANDVIEW GRANGE Meets First and Third Saturday each month at 8:00 p. m. Earl Gentry, Master Florence Bruckert, Sec'y.

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 114 Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Mary Brackett, N. G. Helen Martin, Secretary

Taylor Lodge A. F. & A. M. Wasco, Meets the first Tuesday of each month. Visiting brethren welcome. Harland McDonald, W. M. Vernon Root, Secretary

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.F.&A.M. Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us. Max Belshe, W. M. Irving Hart, Secretary

Moro Lodge No. 113 I.O.O.F. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited. Floyd Haines, N. G. Leo Watkins, Secretary

FOR SALE: From Berkshire champion stock, one boar and 2 gilts. Donald Cox ED 3-2315. 1c

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that Mildred Ross Norton, executrix of the estate of James Emmet Norton, deceased, has filed her final accounting and petition to close estate, and that Tuesday, the 12th day of December, 1961, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. on said date in the County Court Room in the County Court House in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, has been fixed as the time and place for the hearing of objections, if any there be, to said final accounting.

Mildred Ross Norton, executrix of the estate of James Emmet Norton, deceased. Brown & Van Vactor The Dalles, Oregon Attorneys for Estate Published: Oct. 27, 1961, Nov. 3, 10, and 17, 1961

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN

In the Matter of the ) No. 665 Estate of Elizabeth M. ) Kuypers, Deceased ) NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as Executor of the estate of Elizabeth M. Kuypers, Deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, and that the 6th day of November, 1961, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. and at the Court Room of said Court have been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections hereto and settlement thereof.

Dated and first published, October 13, 1961. Date of last publication November 3, 1961. CHARLES F. KUYPERS Executor

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR SHERMAN COUNTY

LILLIAN SCHAASSEN; LUTHER DAVIS; EVELYN DAVIS TRACEWELL; ANNA SCHAASSEN CLARK; and MINNIE DORA SCHAASSEN ECK, aka Minna Dora Schassen Eck, plaintiffs, vs. PEARL M. SCHAASSEN, widow, heir-at-law and legatee, and devisee by virtue of the will of John A. Schassen, deceased; GUSTAVE H. SCHAASSEN, unmarried, RO-DELL J. SCHAASSEN, and LILLIAN SCHAASSEN HESS, heirs-at-law and legatees, and devisees by virtue of the will of John A. Schassen, deceased; PEARL M. SCHAASSEN, executrix of the estate of John A. Schassen, deceased, defendants.

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 30, Township 1 South, Range 18 E.W.M., thence North 2,640 feet to the Northeast corner of the SE1/4 of said Section 30; thence West 1,602 feet to the East line of the Hay Canyon Road; thence S. 20° 47' W. 226.7 feet; thence S. 0° 53' W. 451.6 feet; thence S. 10° 41' W. 457.8 feet; thence S. 15° 12' W. 275.4 feet; thence S. 11° 45' W. 432.8 feet; thence S. 3° 42' E. 230.7 feet; thence S. 3° 18' W. 239 feet; thence S. 6° 55' W. 351.2 feet; thence S. 88° 47' E. 1,930 feet to the place of beginning containing 109 acres, except that parcel of land heretofore granted and conveyed to M. E. Church, known as Spaulding Chapel, and also that certain tract heretofore granted and conveyed to said church for a parsonage.

Also, the NE1/4 of Section 31, Township 1 South, Range 18 E.W.M., Sherman County, Oregon. (2) that by said decree it be adjudged and decreed that the defendants and each of them have no estate, right, title nor interest in and to said above described real property, and that the title of the plaintiffs, Lillian Schassen, Evelyn Davis Tracewell, Anna Schassen Clark, aka Minna Dora Schassen Eck, aka Minna Dora Schassen Eck, be decreed to be good, valid and clear; (3) that the defendants and each of them be forever enjoined from asserting or claiming any right whatsoever in and to the above described real property adverse to the plaintiffs, Lillian Schassen, Evelyn Davis Tracewell, Anna Schassen Clark, aka Minna Dora Schassen Eck, and Minnie Dora Schassen Eck, and that the plaintiffs, Lillian Schassen, Evelyn Davis Tracewell, Anna Schassen Clark, and Minnie Dora Schassen Eck, be decreed to be the sole and exclusive owners thereof, equally, as tenants in common; (4) for such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable E. H. Howell, Judge of the above entitled court, made and entered on the 10th day of October, 1961. The date of the first publication of this summons is the 13th day of October 1961.

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