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These Things We Note

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A magazine publishes an article telling what this nation could spend its money for that now goes for defense. Not a word about what the people could spend it for if not taxed.

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We'd like to see the government let some private contractor handle the mail for a time so we could get lower rates.

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Before shedding many tears over the fate of the unemployed we'd like to know how happy they are and if they planned it that way.

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We read that the northwest is short of wheat. Wouldn't it be funny if we ran out?

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Russia, having finished a long series of atomic tests is now willing to talk about a ban on such things. And the west is there to talk about it, except DeGaulle, who is tough enough to stay away.

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That politicians do not like generals was proven in the General Walker episode. Now a general at Camp Lewis is proving that generals do not like politicians, one having aroused some trouble. Some day it may be the turn of those who like neither.

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Political parties have quite a time with loyalties. Witness the case of Chester Bowles. No one is very happy with Mr. Bowles but do not know how to drop him without explaining why he was picked in the first place.

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Winter habits are different than those of summer. People are slower getting started. Bears are not the only animals that hibernate only they do it a little more completely.

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If something is successful everyone imitates it until it is hard to find anything different anywhere until some one starts a variation which is itself imitated. Thus we go round and round.

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Legionnaires of World War I vintage will be saddened to hear of the death of Carl Moser at 64. He was an active adjutant at the state office for years and knew thousands of veterans all over Oregon, many of whom he helped in some capacity.

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Now the football season is ended with no team having much luck except little Linfield which is going to a bowl. So Oregon achieves prominence in an unexpected place.

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If it be true that humans fear boredom more than danger the idea of bomb shelters will quickly die.

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The state tax commission says it will mail its tax form after Christmas which will only be putting it off, but a tax form does look like a death's head at a feast among a handful of Christmas cards.

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An old timer is one who can remember when a lead pencil contained graphite instead of some gelatinous concoction that fails in the clutch.

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For the 49ers, no little no title.

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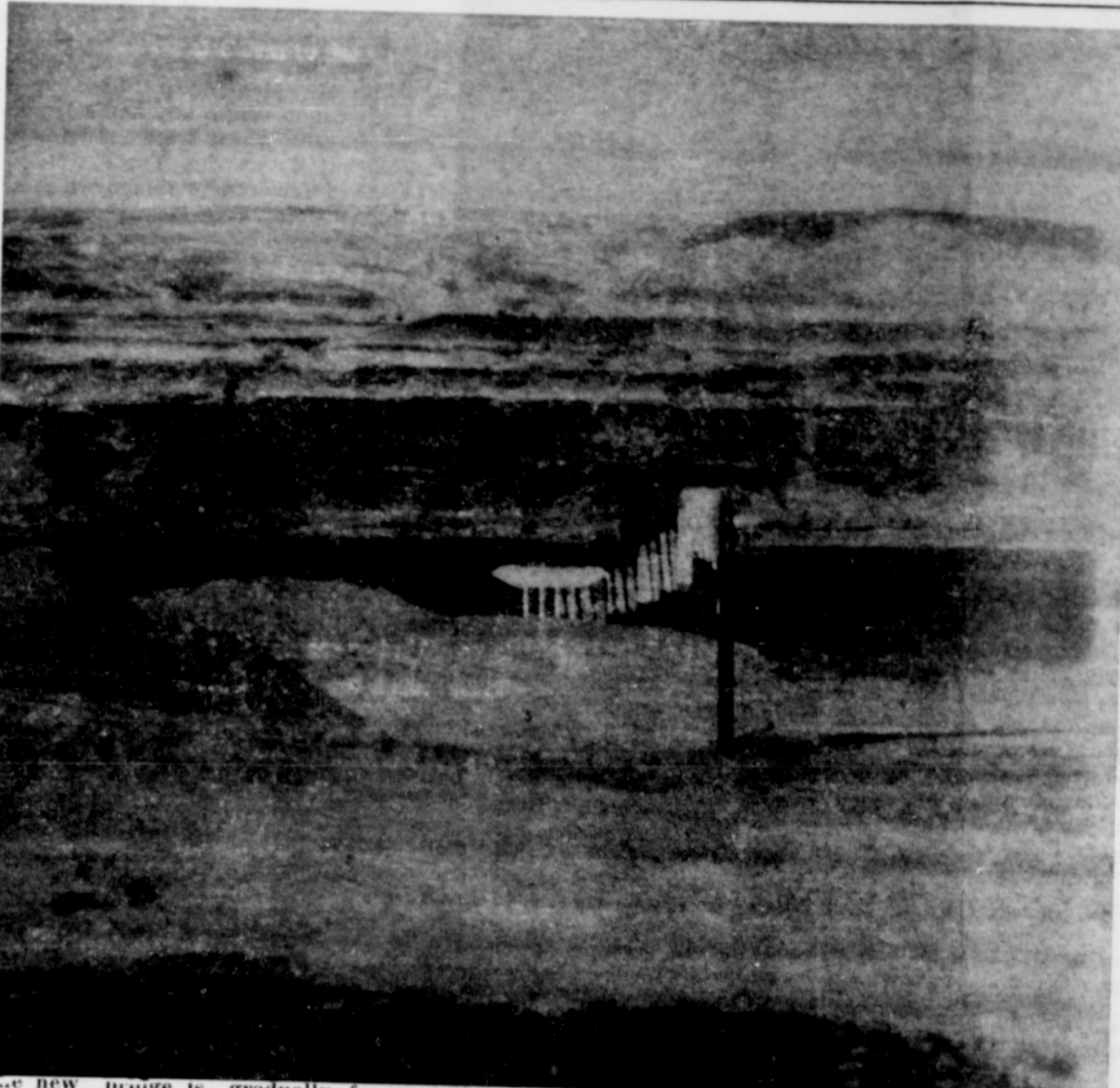
We note that the president got some words in a Russian paper which should be a good start although the idea of pulling punches for acceptance hardly befitted a head of state.

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We suspect that a man in space will have about the same reactions as did the chimp out with more words.

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The federal government may help communities dig shelters and not help individuals do the same. What is so bad about an individual?



The new bridge is gradually pushing across the Columbia looking small against a background of rugged hills. In the foreground is the fill material for the overpass over the Union Pacific railroad tracks. The cloverleaf to permit access to the bridge and the new highway will be built where the photographer was standing.

Year Around School To Be Expanded

Success of the "year-round" school plan introduced last summer at Oregon State University has prompted further expansion of work for 8 to 12 week programs of study during the summer of 1962.

Dr. Franklin R. Zeran, dean of education and director of summer school, said student and staff response to the experimental full-term's work last summer was highly encouraging.

As a result, this year's summer school offerings will be increased in almost all fields of work, he announced.

The 1962 summer school plan will follow the same pattern as 1961 with an 8-week summer session from June 18 to Aug. 10, followed immediately by a 4-week intersession. By putting the two together, a student may earn 18 credit hours, or a full-term's work plus.

Students who go the year around can graduate in three instead of four years and college facilities and faculty are used to greater effectiveness, Dean Zeran pointed out.

The split-session plan is designed in part to meet the needs of public school teachers who take graduate work in the summer but who have to be back on the job in late August, he added.

More than 2000 students were enrolled in summer school last year at OSU and continued rapid increases are seen for years to come, Zeran said.

Elk Permits Gone For 1961 Season

They're all gone! With one exception that is. This was the word today from the Oregon Game Commission regarding permits and tags for controlled big game seasons for 1961. The one exception is the Crabtree controlled deer hunt in Linn county where a limited number of the \$5.00 tags are still available. These tags allow a hunter to take a deer in addition to the one taken on the general season deer tag.

In answer to many inquiries regarding permits for hunting in the Troy elk area, the commission pointed out that the deadline for applications for these permits was in August and the area was oversubscribed at that time. A drawing was held and the successful applicants were issued their tags over two months ago. There are no more elk permits available.

Snow fell last week end and for a day or two it looked as if the county might be in for a good one but there was but a few inches with more farther south. Some estimated it at nine inches and it was wet making the moisture content high, as much as three quarters of an inch. There was no frost in the ground and crop conditions are much better.

Women Want Money For Scholarships

On Thursday, December 7, at 2:00 p. m. the Moro Woman's Club will present a program in the social room of the Moro Community church to which everyone is invited. In fact, everyone is urged to attend as the affair is a benefit for the club's scholarship fund.

For the past three years the club has given a \$100.00 scholarship to some local high school graduate to assist in their freshman year. This is in addition to the contribution that the club makes to the state federation scholarship program for college juniors and seniors.

Dorothy Moore will review the book "Gold and Cattle Country" by Herman Oliver of John Day, a fascinating chronicle and one of particular interest to Eastern Oregonians.

A varied musical program has been arranged also and a tea hour will conclude the afternoon.

Bank Debts Up In Mid-Columbia

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

Debits for October, 1961, totaled \$31,755,113. For September, 1961, the total was \$29,582,709, and for October, 1960 the total was \$31,232,218.

Oregon, with 230 banks reporting, had an increase in bank debts in October, 1961, of 6.7 percent, compared to September. 1961, the total was \$2,054,075,738, and for October, 1960, the total was \$2,106,086,961.

Livestock receipts totaled 285 head for the holiday weekend. Good quality cattle were lacking and bidding slow resulting in a general weak tone to the market compared to the week previous.

U. S. No. 1 and 2 fat hogs were lacking and No. 3 hogs brought \$16.25. Weaner pigs \$6.00 to \$6.75. Medium to good steer calves 400 to 500 lbs. sold at \$23.50 to \$25.00. Yearling steers of medium quality weighing 700 to 900 lbs. sold at \$19.50 to \$22.50. Holstein steers \$17.00 to \$19.75.

Good 500 to 550 lbs. heifers brought \$22.00 to \$23.00 with the common kinds down to \$19.00. Common 400 to 500 lb. heifer calves \$20.00 to \$22.00 with choice kinds to \$24.75. Dairy type heifers down to \$14.00.

Young standard cows \$15.00 to \$16.75, utility \$13.00 to \$15.00 and cutters and canners \$10.00 to \$12.50 with subjects down to \$7.50.

John Day Bridge Contract To Be Let

Contract for the new bridge across the John Day river for the federal highway program will be let by the highway commission on December 6. It will be a big one, 1540 feet long, composed of six 202 foot steel truss spans with two 80 foot 9 inch-steel girder spans at each end. Nearly a half mile of highway will be in the bridge contract.

Also let will be the interchange structure which will be in the same contract. The bridge is expected to be completed by the summer of 1963 by which time it is expected that the new road far up on the hill from the present highway and river will be well along.

Long Active Bond Sale Chairmen Get Kind Word From Treasury Secretary Dillon

Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon today paid tribute to the volunteers of the U. S. Savings Bond program in a special message climaxing the program's 20th anniversary year. The message is the 12th in a monthly series in which the Treasury has expressed appreciation to various volunteer groups and institutions for their service in Savings Bond promotion since 1941. The salute is of particular interest in the State of Oregon where seven of the 36 County Chairmen have served as the heads of their County Savings Bonds Program since World War II Bond days. These include the following: Bob Boyles (Wheeler) appointed 1944; Joe Dyr (Malheur) appointed 1943; Giles French (Sherman) appointed 1941; Walter Gildersleeve (Baker) 1943; Larry Hilaire (Multnomah) 1941; Guy Johnson (Umatilla) 1941; Lo-

Basketball Starts With Two Games Against Burns

The "Hustling Huskies" open the 1961-62 season this Friday and Saturday on the home floor against the strong Burns team. Burns is rated high this year in the league with a veteran team returning. They will have a height advantage over the local players. The Huskies have been working hard in practice for three weeks to develop a fine team work coupled with speed and accurate shooting. A number of the fellows have shown ability to hit the hoop.

The following are varsity squad members at this time: Tom Coats, Gene Eakin, Loren Byrd, Dean Erickson, Pat Jefferies, John Kelly, Ken Maynard, George Miller, Paul Sather, Jack Kellogg, Bill Doolin, Doug Bish and Ron Johnson.

The following are J. V. team members at the present time: Ken Blagg, Roger Cyphers, Ken Dunlap, Gary Irzyk, Erling Jacobsen, Victor Johnson, Mike Lane, Don Mobley, Bill Rayon, Roy Sather, Lowell Smith and J. P. Reckmann.

After the Burns games this week end the squad will play two games with Heppner, one here and one there and then December 15-16 another such series with Madras before taking time off for the Christmas holidays.

Volunteer Workers Do Several Jobs

Volunteer workers have been pretty busy this week around Moro with a crew of Masons putting a four foot covering of light plywood around the meeting room and repairing and painting the room as well.

Legionnaires having all the tile laid for their new hall are busy putting up rafters so the building can be enclosed and protected so that more work can be done on the interior.

Many of the same men are working at the two jobs.

Veterans finished putting plywood on the roof of the new Legion hall Wednesday for sheeting and are ready for the shingles.



Among the principal speakers at the forthcoming Oregon Wheat Growers league meeting in Pendleton will be—with the subjects on which they will speak: top row left to right: John N. Luft, manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corp., Wash., D. C., "Federal Crop Insurance Program" and Clancy Jean, representative of Western Wheat Associates, Wash., D. C., "Western Wheat Associates in Washington."

Lower row, left, James B. Dyess, executive vice-president, NAWG, Wash., D. C., "Problems of NAWG in Washington," and E. J. Bell, European area officer, Foreign Agricultural Service, Wash., D. C., "The Work of an Attache in Foreign Market Development."

Club Speaker Tells What He Heard In Europe

The economics, the politics and something of the geography and history of north and western Europe were explained to members of the Sherman County Club and guests Tuesday night by William Niskanen of Bend, who with his wife and son, recently returned from a visit to Finland, Russia and most of the other countries adjacent thereto.

To begin the story of his travels Mr. Niskanen said that he wanted to be frank and relate what he had seen and particularly what he had heard in the spirit it was told to him. Europeans told him they were sorry for the United States which permitted its state department to be infiltrated by Alger Hiss and his like who permitted Russia to win so much at Yalta, and Teheran. Europe will be a long time recovering from Alger Hiss, Niskanen was told.

Lost Colonies Blamed

By the same influence we aided the movement that caused European nations to lose their colonies which have set up communist nations in Indonesia, Angola and Congo and in Cuba near us. Niskanen sold some buses to Cuba last year and was there several weeks and found no idea of freedom among the people.

Yet Europeans have little fear of Russia and little of a possible war. They consider Russia a weak nation with poor leadership, few tools and many rebellious citizens. Europeans, Niskanen said, are concerned about our weakness and the phony liberalism that causes it. We price ourselves out of world markets and cannot balance our own budget.

Russia Called Capitalist

Ben Gurion, Israel's leader, said that in 20 years Russia would be the great capitalist country and the United States the socialist.

The Niskanens went by bus across Russia from Finland to Leningrad and saw the once fine forests in deplorable shape and farms almost entirely non-productive as there is no pride of ownership. Prices are so high Russians cannot buy enough clothes to appear well. It takes 50 of the average monthly salary of 80 rubles to buy a pair of shoes and a suit of clothes costs 225 rubles. But Russians are completely brain-washed and think they are better off than citizens of any nation.

Swedes Dependent, Immoral

In Sweden he found a welfare state with considerable freedom for private business but with an almost total breakdown of morals, said to be the result of the lack of personal responsibility. The cost of welfare is on individuals in Sweden, not on business.

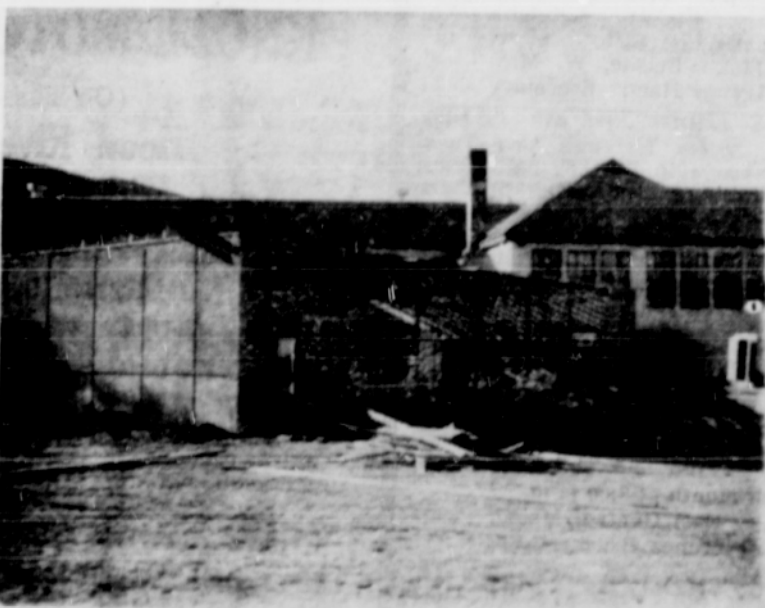
West Germany is tremendously prosperous importing labor from all over the world, and Geneva Switzerland has respect for individual freedom that has kept that country independent through a long history. There the speaker was told that if the allies had "hit the soft underbelly" of Europe as Churchill wanted the communists would never have acquired Roumania, Bulgaria, Austria and Hungary.

West Europe Working

Since Belgium and Holland lost their colonies they have gone to work competing with other nations and are prosperous again, France has turned to freedom instead of communism and English laborers are forgetting their period of socialism. All Europe is anxious to work and compete to achieve economic stability and acquire financial success. They have thrown away the political panaceas we have taken up and are going ahead of us in many ways, said Mr. Niskanen, to conclude his report of what he saw and heard.

There was little club business, some reports of officers and committees but no startling developments.

Farmers who attend the wheat league sessions are in Pendleton this weekend to help out in committee sessions that will determine the course of action of the league during the coming year.



The new addition to the Rufus school is getting to the finishing stage with rafters laid on the pre-formed concrete sidewalks. It is facing a different direction from the old school building.