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These Things We Note

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The Willamette valley looks as good now as it ever has, green fields and happily no rain.

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The bloom on the locust trees is the richest and the trees are the whitest we have seen in years. Late but lovely.

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Bill Bowerman's distance men come in small sizes and looked like half grown boys among the bigger athletes.

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At Yale the president was quoted as saying: "The myth is that government is big, and bad—and steadily getting bigger and worse—" All OK, except that it isn't a myth.

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We have to be a little happy about the possibility that those three bank robbers escaped from the rock. (Alcatraz). We don't like to think there's anyplace where men can be fully successful at isolating others.

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Some administration followers seem to think that the promise of tax reduction might be a better political attraction than the real thing.

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It is wise to remember that when government—any government—talks about tax change, the citizen can expect to pay more.

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From observation we are sure that when advertising falls off business fall off. We are not sure which comes first but the two come together.

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All learning is history. Economics, medicine, music, depend on rules laid down by experience.

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The nation is making poor headway against labor troubles with the seamen still out, the airlines bothered, Ford nearly shut down and construction workers doing nothing.

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English women, we read, are wearing short skirts—as much as eight inches above the knee. So, English girls are taller than we thought.

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Is it democracy foreign nations covet, or merely crub?

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There are but ten digits and 26 letters. For simplicity we are turning to figures although there is much more variation in the letters. We know of no reason why a person couldn't dial his name on his telephone as well as a long list of numbers.

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One of the things young men learn is that the world wasn't made new just for them, that there were rules found reasonable by men generations ago that will not change.

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A real old time lady was one who put a lock of her hair in the Bible once in a while. Modern ladies have neither.

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We suspect that those who get honorary college degrees are superior to those who go to school for them.

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Mr. Khrushchev says it will not be necessary to take this country by force; that we will adopt communism ourselves. We have some folks that say that over here. If Khrushchev means dictatorship we are getting closer to it right along.

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The agreement between Portland and Rose City Transit looks like a good deal for the city. Maximum earnings allowed are to be 6 1/2 percent. Any private company can pay that much and easily beat public management.

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The United States senate is investigating "call girls," a job that properly belongs to a county district attorney.

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Democrats are in a bad way for the senatorial election this fall. Both candidates have been Republicans and both would be again—if it seemed personally profitable.

Republicans Draw For Ticket; Give It To The Lady

Republicans of Sherman county have formed a pool to which each contributes and the funds are used to buy a ticket to \$100 a plate dinner honoring some famous official. A drawing is made to see who is to go. At the meeting Monday night for the Barry Goldwater dinner in Portland June 29, Irving Hart won the drawing and chose to send Mrs. Marie Hoskinson, county clerk, in his place. Tickets are still available for the dinner which will be at the Sheraton Hotel.

Easy Does It In Cake Baking

Have you ever started to bake a cake for your guests a few minutes before it is time to serve it? Have you ever mixed a cake in the baking pan and popped it into the oven, just using one fork?

That is what Doreen Hall did when she entertained the members of the Moro Tuesday Extension unit at her home May 15, at 1:30 p. m. The subject of the lesson was "Short Cuts to Hot Meals" and the cake in question was "Crazy Cake," one of the culinary delights featured in the lesson. Incidentally, and paradoxically, the cake was delicious!

Drivers Licenses Renewal Warning

If your car license expires at the end of June, you'll be receiving a renewal reminder notice in the mail within the next few days. Don't lose the notice.

That's the advice of the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles. Use of the form in renewing license plates will mean prompter service to car owners and help cut costs and processing time for the department.

If your plates expire in June and you do not receive a renewal notice, this means the address on file with the department is incorrect, and steps should be taken to update the address on your registration card.

The notice received in the mail should be used whether the renewal is mailed to Salem or taken to a local field office.

Eastern Star Has Installation Night

Bethlehem Chapter No. 73 installed officers for 1962-63 Tuesday evening June 19. Mrs. Linda Reed was installed Worthy Matron and Jack Cushman, W.P. Other officers installed were Mrs. Barbara Gray, Assoc. Matron, Donald King, Asso. Patron; Mrs. Gwen Ross, secretary; Mrs. Connie Cushman, conductress; Mrs. Genevieve Powell, chaplain; Mrs. Myrna King, assoc. conductress; Mrs. Edna Paulson, marshal; Mrs. Helen Sayre, organist; Mrs. Dorene Hall, Esther; Mrs. Doris Aley Martha; Mrs. Mary Eva, Elect; Mrs. Nina Pinkerton, warder; Harry Pinkerton, sentinel. Absent were Catherine Thompson, Adah, Ruth Martin, Ruth, and Alice Conlee, treasurer.

The installing officers were Mrs. Naomi Van Gilder; Luther Davis, Mrs. Marie Hoskinson, Mrs. Elsie Jones and Mrs. Alvina Cushman. Mrs. Cora Powell, mother of the worthy matron and Mrs. Alvina Cushman, mother of the worthy patron, were introduced and presented with flowers.

Two duets "The Lord's Prayer" and "Pale Moon" were sung by Velma McKean and Genevieve Powell, accompanied by Helen Sayre.

Visitors from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Cushman and Jessie and Irma Pattee from Condon and Mrs. Cora Powell, Mrs. Dora Thompson and Mrs. Elaine Thompson (aunt and cousin of Linda Reed) from Portland. A number of visitors from Wasco were also present.

An addendum was given in honor of the new worthy matron by the 1961-1962 star points. Mrs. Edna Paulson, junior past matron was escorted and presented with a charm bracelet from the chapter. Her daughter presented her a pin from her father, who was ill and unable to attend.

A potluck dinner preceded the meeting. Refreshments and a reception were held after the meeting.

Crop Considered Fair Despite Threat of Rust

Crop conditions in Sherman county are about as varied as could be.

South of Nigger ridge the wheat looks as good as it ever has and unless something interferes the south end should have a good crop. Rust could interfere or hot winds. Either would be costly, both would be very bad.

North of Nigger ridge there is a large part of the rust of the county and it spreads pretty fast when the weather is damp. Warm days and dry wind have combined to hamper its spread this week. How much it will affect the crop will be known next fall, but early sown wheat in many places is getting very yellow.

North of Gordon ridge the crops are farther along with hay down all over, not nearly as much rust as hurt the crop last year, and conditions good for a satisfactory crop.

Government regulations are reducing the crop from sown acres. Some wheat is being pastured off some plowed up so there will be little more than 80,000 acres harvested. Total crop between 2,500,000 and 3,000,000 is probable with out damage.

Not Much Land Ever Sprayed

Only a small part of Oregon, like the rest of the continental United States, is annually treated with insecticides and much of the land has never received an application of the insect-killing chemicals, reports R. W. Every, OSU extension entomology specialist.

This is one of the points made in a special study which has just been reported by the Entomological Society of America.

The Society's survey showed that less than 5 percent of all the area in the 48 states and less than 1 percent of the enormous acreage usually considered important to wildlife is treated annually with insecticides. Every said. The same percentage, or possibly even less, would hold true in Oregon.

At least 75 percent of the entire U. S. area has never received an application of insecticides in all the years these materials have been used, the report estimates.

Individuals Get Licenses, not Groups

Antelope hunters intending to file applications for this year's hunt scheduled August 25 thru August 29 are advised by the game commission that each hunter must file as an individual applicant. Party applications which were permitted in the past will not be accepted this year.

This regulation became effective following the public hearing and adoption of the final game regulations for 1962 by the game commission on June 5.

Under the new ruling, applications for the 1962 antelope hunts must be on an individual basis. Applications with more than one hunter's name on the application blank will not be accepted.

Soils Map for West Being Prepared

A regional soils map, with both educational and commercial uses, is nearing completion and is expected to be published for Oregon and 10 other western states next year, report two Oregon State soil scientists.

When published, the map will eliminate great gaps in man's knowledge about soil patterns in the West, point out Dr. Ellis Knox and Dr. Gerald Simonson, soil scientists with the OSU agricultural experiment station.

It is anticipated that the map will be used in geography and soil classes. It also will be of assistance in planning agricultural and forestry work as well as in conservation projects, such as watershed development, they note. It may also point out areas where future research is needed.

A "first" for the West, the map, which was compiled by experiment station scientists and Soil Conservation Service technicians in the various states, covers the largest single geographic area to



A funny thing happened on the way to the office," is the lead for this unusual picture which will appear in a national advertisement for Portland General Electric company in the July issue of Fortune magazine and the July 28 issue of Business Week. It's one of many efforts made by PGE's area development department to induce people and industry to "come to Oregon where the market is growing and the living is fun."

Planners Meet; Save Job Will Be Done

Mid-Columbia Planning Council members received Progress Bulletin No. 1 from Ebasco Service, their consultant, at their second regular program meeting today in Arlington. The 47-page bulletin presented facts on the region's population and economy.

C. R. Cavanagh, Ebasco's Project director also cited work conducted by the Planning Council's executive secretary, Mrs. Elaine Esselstyn, and Eldon Hickey of the State's Department of Planning and Development. According to reports Mrs. Esselstyn and Mr. Hickey, basic research on such regional physical development factors as existing land use, traffic circulation patterns and public facilities is nearly complete and ready for mapping and tabulating.

Council members were presented with preliminary outline of the study's final report for review. Next phases of the study were described and plans for the regional agency's next meeting were set for Friday, July 20, 1962 in The Dalles. Judge J. A. Hunt of Wasco county will make arrangements for the meeting.

Moro Grain Growers Plan Annual Meet

The annual meeting of the Moro Grain Growers will be held next Saturday forenoon at 10:30 at the cafeteria in the Sherman High School with Ted Thompson, president, conducting it. Following the meeting a buffet dinner will be served by Beefe's to members of the grain growers and invited guests. The Journal Juniors will present the entertainment for the afternoon program.

Bonneville Power Will Experiment With Transmission

Bonneville Power Administrator Charles F. Luce today announced authorization for a \$1,645,000 test area development program for high voltage direct current power transmission. A budget adjustment permitting use of current 1962 fiscal year funds for the project has been approved by House and Senate Appropriations subcommittees.

Funds up to \$917,000 will be immediately available to initiate construction of a five-mile experimental direct current transmission line, with terminal equipment, from Big Eddy substation near The Dalles, Oregon toward John Day as an extension of the presently approved Big Eddy-Keeler 500,000 volt transmission line.

Luce said material orders for test line, insulators, rectifiers, test electrodes and analog equipment for the intensive development program will be placed in the near future.

"House committee members expressed concern that the United States is behind Russia, Sweden and other European countries in the use of high voltage direct current for transmission of power over long distances," said Luce. Preliminary investigations of Bonneville indicate high voltage direct current transmission is feasible and more economical than alternating current for distances of 500 miles and upward where large blocks of power are involved, Luce explained. In fact, under certain conditions, direct current transmission may be preferable to alternating current at distances of less than 500 miles.

Moro Church Soon 75 Years Old, Ready To Celebrate

On Sunday, July 8, the Community Presbyterian church of Moro will celebrate its 75th birthday and all members, former members and friends are invited to come.

Speakers of the day will be Rev. William Gearhart, who will come from Ojai, California to talk to his old congregation. There will be special music for both morning and afternoon sessions.

There will be a pot luck dinner for which the women of the congregation are already planning. Former ministers have been invited and are expected to be here.

Bugs Can Be Held Down In Wheat

Grain storage facilities are low this year which provides a good opportunity to clean up to prevent farm stored insects prior to harvest.

Good housekeeping is the simplest and best prevention. Clean the storage bins before harvest by removing all old grain and by sweeping the ceilings, walls and floors. An industrial type vacuum sweeper is very effective for this cleaning.

After cleaning the storage bins, treat the interior walls and floors with malathion spray prepared by adding 1 gallon 57 percent Premium Grade malathion emulsifiable concentrate per 25 gallons water or with 2 1/2 percent methoxychlor spray prepared by adding 10 pounds 50 percent methoxychlor wettable powder to 25 gallons of water; or use pyrethrin bin spray according to manufacturer's directions. Apply sprays to the point of runoff. It will usually require about 2 gallons of spray per 1000 square feet of wall or floor surface area, but this is variable depending on the type of surface to which the spray is applied. Allow about a week after spraying before filling the bin.

Store only dry, clean grain containing less than 12 percent moisture. Grain mixed with green weed seeds, broken kernels or dirt will induce conditions favorable to insect development.

Bond Sale Good In Sherman County

Friday of this week marks the end of the Freedom Savings Bond drive that began May 1.

Citizens were asked to buy an extra bond during the drive and from the record it appears that many did for \$4825 worth were bought up to the end of May as compared to \$1685 in 1961.

Insects Cost Money In Forests, Crops

The fact that only a small percentage of the land receives insecticides applications may come as a surprise to persons living in major agricultural areas. Every continued, and in light of the fact that insects annually cost American farmers at least \$1 billion, kill a billion board feet of saw timber, and cause growth loss of another 1.8 billion cubic feet in young timber.

Most insecticides used in Oregon are applied to croplands, with the heaviest uses coming in the Willamette Valley, Medford and Hood River area to control insects on vegetables, small fruits, and tree fruits, Every said. Other uses include mosquito control, fighting grass hoppers and crickets on rangelands and for control of forest insects, mainly the spruce bud worm.

Since much of Oregon's land is in non-agricultural use, even in years of heavy insect outbreaks, insecticide applications would cover only a small part of the state, he pointed out.

Insecticides can be used with a great degree of safety if applicators follow the recommendations issued by OSU and other responsible agencies, the specialist emphasized. Used properly, insecticides offer great benefits to society without danger to humans, fish or wildlife. There is danger if they are misused, he warned.

In addition to misuse, the biggest problems faced in using chemicals are "drift"—when the wind carries the insecticide to a crop in neighboring field resulting in unwanted and undesirable residues—and damage to honey and native bees, he added.

Equalization Men Order Cut In Farm Buildings

The Sherman county Board of Equalization at its meeting late in May passed a motion "reducing assessed value on all improvements on farm land under discussion." It will "reduce all improvements on farms 50 percent of original appraised value in lieu of 20 percent now in effect."

The change that this order would make if it is approved by the state tax commission would be to lower the taxes paid by farm owners on the improvements on the farms. It would not reduce taxes on elevators, nor in Rufus and Kent, which are outside of incorporated towns.

If, for example, a farm owner had improvements appraised at \$10,000. Under the present ruling that is automatically reduced by 20 percent to \$8000. The ratio of 25 percent is then applied so that such an owner would pay taxes on \$2000.

Under the new ruling the \$10,000 would be reduced to \$5000 and then the 25 percent ratio applied so he would pay taxes on \$1250.

The order would help land owners, absentee or local. Last year improvements outside corporate limits were \$1,149,800 and probably less than half of this was in farm improvements. The figure is not available. If \$500,000 is in farm improvements it would be reduced to \$312,500.

Other taxpayers would have their taxes increased to make up the loss. Land would pay more; owners of town property would pay more.

Farmers have long complained that their improvements brought in no income. Owners of homes in town face the same situation as he who wants to live in a fine home must pay the same tax throughout; the county under present ruling; That would be changed under the board of equalization order. Members of the board are L. E. Kaseberg, chairman, J. K. McKean, member from the budget committee, Frank Ketter, member at large.

Two Honored For Journalism Work

Mary Griggs won the Eric W. Allen award and Bonnie Taum won the George Turnbull award for excellence in journalism at Sherman High School for work done last year, according to information received from the University of Oregon where the awards are presented by the Oregon Scholastic press. The girls were editors of the school newspaper and yearbook.

Deadline Soon For Game Hunters

Big game hunters intending to file applications for the various special big game permits and tags are reminded by the game commission that the filing deadline for submitting applications is less than a month away. To be eligible for these tags and permits hunters should file applications as soon as possible.

The first hunt on tap is the antelope season scheduled for August 25 through 29. Filing deadline is set for 5 p. m. July 18. The public drawing is scheduled for 10 a. m. July 25.

Applications for the controlled deer tags must be filed with the game commission by 5 p. m., August 1. The drawing is scheduled for 10 a. m., August 8. Deer hunters have 26 areas for which they may file applications for controlled season tags. A \$5.00 fee must be submitted with the controlled season application.

Applications for the unit deer permits for the taking of either-sex deer must be filed by 5 a. m., August 8. The public drawing will be held at 10 a. m., August 15. Hunters are reminded to include their 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice units in the spaces on the applications.

Elk hunters have a little more time in which to file for elk permits, with the filing deadline set for 5 p. m., August 29. The drawing for elk permits will be held at 10 a. m., September 7.

Big game tags and applications for the various permits and controlled tags are available at all license agencies. Time deadlines and drawing schedules will be on Pacific Daylight time.