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These Things We Note

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This column was in error last week in ascribing the elevation advertising of repossessed cars to a Portland bank. It is done by another outfit using a similar name. We are sorry.

TTWN

Maybe before long we will be sorry we delayed so long in straightening out the Cuban situation. Old Man Monroe wasn't so crazy.

TTWN

The races in both baseball leagues are as close as anyone could desire. As interesting as an election.

TTWN

We have been reading about the new manager of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, a boy from Iowa. He has been in eastern Oregon finding out about our livestock industry and is recommending that the city insist on Oregon beef and has also concluded that location of new industry outside Portland would help that city. It is pleasant to find a man in that position with vision beyond 82nd street.

TTWN

We fear but suppose that unrest in foreign countries means that we will go over and bribe some leaders to keep quiet. Getting expensive.

TTWN

A "liberal" is one who worries if people do not spend all the money they get; a conservative is one who worries if they do.

TTWN

We hope that by next holiday politicians will have found a better way to get in on the safety campaign than urging drivers to turn on lights.

TTWN

The president noted that the constitution was written for an entirely different kind of society than we have at present. That is true. But it was written for people and people are the most unchanging thing on earth.

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Of course, if congress writes the laws with sufficient clarity and in strict accordance with the constitution, the supreme court can't do anything about it.

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Picking huckleberries is on exercise in human psychology. Pickers bounce out of the car expecting and hoping—to find berries so thick they can be pulled from tall bushes by the handful. After some miles of driving and some of walking they compromise on a few berries on a little bush and go to work. It is like a girl with her sights set on a tall, dark, handsome millionaire, who ends up with a pale, blond, peaked, bookkeeper with an uncertain income of \$75 per week.

TTWN

The Air Force is providing a new plane for the president at a cost of nine million dollars. Seems like he gets ill-fair—2c like he gets in less trouble at home.

TTWN

No citizen should vote for any congressman who voted for the bill to give the president almost a billion dollars for his own private pork barrel.

TTWN

The cost of living index is a joke. No family, we are sure, uses all of the items on it and undoubtedly many of them are not necessary to living. Some one had better get it out of the hands of government.

TTWN

We wonder what is going to happen to all the fancy colored slacks when autumn rains make them seem inappropriate. Maybe dust bags.

TTWN

The cities that went for daylight saving are gradually rejoining the rest of the human race.

TTWN

Do not expect much in the way of federal tax reform as long as Senator Kerr is on the committee to protect his 27 1/2% depreciation allowance on oil.

TTWN

Someway we don't think a man would feel very important being known as 543-35-8736 living at 739-6652. He'd ought to be entitled to a name.

Children Bring Home Awards From State Fair Contests

Sherman county children at the State Fair have been winning awards in the classes they entered. Martina Petersen, Karen Tsuibota and Velma Baker, won the food preparation judging contest over all other teams in the state and Jane and Karen won individual blue ribbons in the contest. In clothing judging Katherine Reckman won a blue ribbon.

Susan Eakin was champion in the intermediate A division of knitting with an entry of a white cardigan sweater decorated with a ballet dancer. Patricia Crews won a red ribbon. In Intermediate B, Mona Eakin won a blue and Alice Reckman a red, and Ardine Todd a red.

Jane Baker won a blue in a baking contest. Cathy von Borstel a blue as a cake baker, Karen Tsuibota a blue in the style revue.

Knitting drew many contestants from Sherman county and Christine Cantrall was champion in beginning knitting. Rosalee Eslinger won a red in advanced knitting as did Joy Ann Brady a blue in beginning knitting. Leta Ann Eslinger won a red in the same contest.

The boys got into the act, too, as Gary Brinkert and Robbie Brandner won red ribbons in food preparation and Carsten von Borstel a blue for an easy meal.

In FFA competition Doug Medler was fifth with a Southdown ewe and second with an ewe lamb. Don Mobley was fifth with a Hampshire and Doug Medler third in the medium wool class. Joan Macnab was fourth in showmanship with a Cheviot. Doug Medler was reserve champion with a market lamb being second only to Tom Sawtell of Molalla and J. P. Reckmann took third in swine judging honors.

Gaines Wheat Being Seeded In August

Four operators have reported seeding some acreage to Gaines wheat during the week of August 26. Dick Youcum, Allen Tom, Hall and Belshee and Eben Kee, were those known to have seeded. Youcum was using the new drill opener and Kee an invention of his own using a shovel, double disc and a drag pipe. Others plan on seeding the first part of September.

Gaines Seeding Information

Average yields of growers producing Gaines have been tabulated. Data previously reported by the experiment stations on seeding time have generally been born out by results of Sherman Gaines fields.

Thirteen growers seeding in September had a marked advantage in yield over Omar. September yields averaged 51.8 bushels per acre on Gaines and comparable Omar 45.0 bushels per acre.

October and November seeding of Gaines wheat in comparison showed no advantage as an average. Gaines yielded 46.4 and Omar 47.1. We need to remember, however, October was a poor month last year and that Gaines was light seeded. Heavier later seeding of Gaines in general were superior to Omar.

The advantage, yield wise, for Gaines seems to be the ability to seed in September on deep soils. Shallower soils probably will show no advantage at any date of seeding, yield wise.

Gaines Experimental Results

Results of experimental data from rates and dates of seeding and fertilizer rates was reported to county agents on September 4 at a meeting in Pendleton.

Research results and summary of data from Sherman farmers will reach growers by mail no later than September 10. It was hoped that material could be distributed earlier but due to the late harvest, information could not be collected earlier.

Seed Sources

Gaines wheat is still available for seeding this fall. As of Sept. 4, the following growers reported seed on hand: Lloyd Belshe, Virgil Conlee, Irving Hart, Moro, Tad McCoy and Pat Kaseberg, Wasco, and Charlie Davis, Grass Valley.

WEATHER WARMER

The hot weather the prophets said was coming was late in arriving and somewhat diluted before it reached Sherman county. And the big rain that was due the first of the week didn't get here at all, not even a cloud. It's about even, better weather and poorer prophets.

Pupils Increase Especially In High School

Total number of pupils in Sherman county schools according to first day registrations is 728 which includes 34 kindergarten pupils. This is an increase from 704 at the start of school in 1961. Biggest increase is in high school where 206 youngsters are attending classes whereas there were but 182 at the start last year.

Rufus has 112 in comparison to 108 last year; Wasco 164 compared to 156; Moro 134 down from 138 last year; Grass Valley has 83 instead of 96 last year and Kent has 29 instead of 24.

Last year the seventh grade class had 58 which has grown to 74 eighth graders, the biggest class in the county. There are 34 kindergarten pupils, down from 48 last year, which could possibly indicate a loss of interest in that form of schooling.

There are 62 in the first, 55 in the second, 56 in the third, 60 in the fourth, 66 in the fifth and sixth and 49 in the seventh.

At Sherman High School there are 58 freshmen, 59 sophomores, 48 juniors and 41 seniors.

Enrollment has been gradually increasing as the children born since the war get to school age. Number of school children seems to be leveling off, however.

Meat Animals To Be Sold At Fair

One hundred meat animals will be offered for sale by 4-H and FFA members during the annual Sherman Cattleman's Auction sale 4:00 p. m. Saturday, Sept. 15 during the Sherman County Fair. The event is scheduled for 4:00 p. m. but will be held immediately following the Saturday afternoon rodeo.

Present plans indicate 30 beef, 35 swine and 35 sheep will be offered for sale. The auction provides an opportunity for local people to secure excellent quality locker meat. 4-H and FFA members are not required to sell their animals, but the sale gives them an opportunity to dispose of their market animal project locally.

Animals may be purchased directly for slaughter or on a resale basis. Stock purchased for slaughter will be delivered to Kenny's Market, Grass Valley. Kenny Crews is handling the slaughter house again and is using the new vacuum pack wrapping system.

Resale animals will be taken back by the auction sale committee at a set market price. Buyers pay the difference between his bid and the market price announced at the beginning of the auction. Resale animals are shipped to Portland for sale on the Monday after fair market.

Frank Wink, The Dalles, will cry the sale. Final plans for the event are being readied according to Willard Rolfe and Hans Bardenhagen, auction sale co-chairmen.

Anyone desiring to place a bid on stock, but cannot attend, may make arrangements with auction chairmen, Bardenhagen and Rolfe, or Orville Ruggles, Bill Jefferies, Lloyd Henrichs, Lenoard Fields, Marvin Thomas, Paulen Kaseberg, Marvin Robertson or Tommy Thompson.

Trucks Pay More With More Business

Collections by the state public utility commissioner of weight-mile taxes paid by trucks for use of Oregon highways, on the decrease for the past two months, reached record proportions during August. The PUC reported that \$1,540,750 was received from truck owners during that month. This is more than a 5.4 percent gain over the same month in 1961.

The PUC said a total of \$10,695,933 had been collected during the first eight months of 1962, compared to \$10,080,034 paid in during the same period in 1961.

The PUC said the increase was due more to the method of filing of mileage reports by truckers than to any sudden surge in business activity. Truck owners have until the last day of each month in which to mail their reports to Salem. Fees are reported for the month received rather than for the month the mileage was accumulated resulting at times in sizeable carry overs, the public utility commissioner said.

4-H Kids Ready For Big County Fair

Two hundred fifty 4-H and FFA members will exhibit a variety of projects during the forthcoming Sherman County Fair states T. W. Thompson, county agent.

Activities for 4-H and FFA members will be many and varied, including clothing, food preparation and preservation, electricity, knitting, gun safety, horses, beef, sheep, swine, poultry and rabbits. Besides livestock, farm mechanics will be a special exhibit of the FFA. Special contests and demonstrations will be during the first three days of the fair.

Jay Binder, county agent, Madras, and John Schmid, county agent, Redmond, will judge 4-H, FFA and open class livestock, grain, horticulture, poultry, and rabbits. Open class horse judge will be Ron Davis, of Olex.

Open class exhibits in the pavilion will be judged by Ms. Les Hillman, The Dalles, hobbies; Mrs. Henry R. Smith, The Dalles, home economics; and Mrs. Gula E. Hedgepeth, Madras, flowers. Special cookie and muffin baking contests will be judged by Mrs. Ed Bonham, The Dalles.

The 4-H livestock judging will start the fair activities. General livestock judging will get underway Thursday afternoon.

Republicans Active At Campaign Start

The Republicans are going to have some fun out of the coming election and it appears their method will be to get together, to talk and to eat and any fair friend will tell you, you can't beat eating.

So come next Wednesday at the Wasco School Republican women are going to fry ham and eggs and pancakes and waffles for all who may come. The money they make will go to the Mark Hatfield campaign.

Then Republicans are going to have a booth at the county fair where they can meet people, offer them a seat, some soft music and no doubt a pamphlet or two and odds of conversation. Maybe the Grand Old Party isn't so old; in fact, it's 50 years younger than the next best.

EXPERTS LOOK AT GAINES

Performance of Gaines wheat—the new semidwarf variety—in Oregon during the past year has brought optimistic reports from researchers and county agents who have kept tab on farm field trials and experimental plots.

Yields, planting rates, fertilizer applications and other management practices throughout the state during the past year were reviewed Tuesday at a special meeting in Pendleton.

County agents from eight leading wheat counties of Oregon and research and extension staff members from OSU & its branch stations attended the session.

There was general agreement that the high-yielding, stiff-strawed Gaines had measured up to earlier expectations as a superior variety for Oregon, particularly in those areas where soil moisture is adequate.

County agents all reported a good supply of Gaines seed as a result of high yields on extensive plantings for seed increase during the past year.

Key management practices recommended as a result of farmers' experiences and test plots this year included earlier planting time than has normally been the case for winter varieties.

Since the short, stiff straw resists lodging, there is apparently no hazard in pushing the variety to early, fast growth. Planting time can start now and continue as late as any normally planted winter variety.

Planting rate was recommended to range from as low as 20 pounds of seed per acre for early planting in good soil moisture up to 60 pounds for late seedings.

Fertilizer recommendations call for the same amount of nitrogen as is normally applied for standard varieties with the exception of deep soils where farmers may also want to top dress in the spring if moisture is good with about 20 pounds of actual nitrogen per acre than for other varieties. Sulphur and phosphorus applications should be the same as normally used.

Gaines requires good soil moisture to germinate and emerge from deep seedings made in early fall. It will emerge through 3 to 5 inches of dry soil if the seed is placed in good moisture for germination and no soil crusting occurs.

Farmers Vote Quotas; Sherman Farmers Voie No

Wheat farmers approved marketing quotas for another year but by the smallest vote of the twelve taken since 1941. Required is 66.7 percent of the farmer voters to approve. The vote was 68.4 percent.

In Oregon the vote was 1344 to 356 for a 78.68 percentage. This was largely due to the 290 to 64 vote in Umatilla county and the 255 to 26 vote in Morrow county. Both Sherman and Gilliam counties gave insufficient approval to validate another year of quotas. In Gilliam the vote was 74 to 39 and in Sherman 87 to 49.

By areas the Sherman county vote was:

	YES	NO
Locust Grove	17	6
Moro	21	15
Kent	10	6
Wasco	21	9
Grass Valley	18	13

There were 136 votes including 12 absentee for approximately 66 percent of the eligible voters taking part in the election.

With the marketing quotas in effect a farmer who complies with the 1963 allotment will be able to market all the wheat he produces without penalty and able to get a national average of \$1.82 per bushel.

Bob Brown Dead After Operation

Robert B. Brown, Sherman county farmer whose home was at the head of Jackknife, east of Kent, died in The Dalles Tuesday morning from the effects of a ruptured appendix.

Funeral services will be held Friday morning at 11 o'clock from the Grass Valley Baptist church, the Rev. Melvin E. Erickson of the Kent church officiating. Interment will be in the Grass Valley cemetery.

Mr. Brown was born April 26, 1912 at Tillamook, Oregon, but came to Sherman county when a boy with his parents. He has lived here most of his life. Surviving are his widow, Lena, a son Harold of Grass Valley, a son James at Fort Belvoir, Va., a daughter Mrs. Dorothy Benson of Moro, and a daughter Margaret at home, and six grandchildren; two brothers, James and Max, both of Grass Valley.

Schedule of Fair Events

1962 SHERMAN COUNTY FAIR ACTIVITIES	
Wednesday, September 12	
9:00 a. m.	Pavilion and barns open to receive exhibits
6:00 p. m.	Deadline for 4-H, FFA and Open Class Entries (Including flowers and baked goods)
7:00 p. m.	All 4-H & FFA meat animals off feed for 12 hour shrink
Thursday, September 13	
7:00 a. m.	Weigh 4-H and FFA market animals
9:00 a. m.	4-H Home Economics Exhibits on Display
	4-H Livestock Judging Contest
	Open Class Home Economics Judging begins
11:00 a. m.	4-H FFA & Open Class Grain & Horticultural Judging
1:00 p. m.	4-H Sheep and FFA Swine Judging
	4-H Market Steer Judging
3:00 p. m.	4-H Electricity and Gun Safety Judging
	4-H Market Steer Judging
4:00 p. m.	4-H Swine Judging
	Open Class Sheep and Swine Judging
Friday, September 14	
8:00 a. m.	FFA Beef Showmanship
	4-H Swine Showmanship
9:30 a. m.	Open Class Baked Goods and Flowers in place and judging
8:30 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.	4-H Interview for all 4-H club members
9:00 a. m.	4-H Beef Showmanship
	4-H Cookie Baking Contest
	Open Class Halter Horse Judging
9:30 a. m.	4-H Sheep showmanship
10:30 a. m.	FFA Swine Showmanship
11:00 a. m.	4-H Sheep Showmanship
	4-H Twister Baking Contest
1:00 p. m.	4-H Grand Champion Showman Contest
	Open Class Horse Performance Judging
	4-H Muffin Baking Contest
1:30 p. m.	FFA Grand Champion Showman Contest
	Open Class Beef Judging
	4-H Style Revue Dress Rehearsal
	4-H and Open Class Poultry and Rabbit Judging
3:00 p. m.	4-H Demonstrations
8:00 p. m.	Sherman - Umatilla High Football Game, Moro
Saturday, September 15	
8:30 a. m.	4-H Horse Halter & Showmanship followed by Horseman Contest
9:00 a. m.	FFA Livestock Judging Contest
11:00 a. m.	4-H Public Style Revue - Grandstand
1:15 p. m.	Sherman County Fair Rodeo and Acts - Queen Contest
4:00 p. m.	4-H and FFA Meat Animal Auction Sale (Immediately after Rodeo Program)
Sunday, September 16	
8:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m.	Payment of Premiums to Exhibitors
1:00 p. m.	Livestock Parade
1:30 p. m.	Grand Entry
3:00 p. m.	Sherman County Fair Rodeo and Acts
4:00 p. m.	Pig Scramble (after rodeo)
5:00 p. m. to 6 p. m.	Release of Exhibits
7:30 p. m.	Pavilion Closed

It Was a Wet August Fair Ready For And Cold; Only Good Harvest Helped Next Thursday Opening Date

August brought an unwanted .87 inch of rain, a big .78 inch above the normal and it all came when most of the county was harvesting.

The crop year total was 9.34, low for this county which has an average 2.44 inches above that or 11.58 inches. Only May and August had more than normal rainfall.

The highest temperature was 95 degrees on the 15th and the lowest was 40 on the 29th, during the recent chilly spell. That is about what we can expect, the normals being a top of 97 and a low of 40. But those who thought the month was cold the official weather report gives some assurance. It was 2.5 degrees below the mean normal.

It wasn't windy being 3.5 MPH or 2.3 less than normal and the evaporation was 8.64, also less than normal by 1.14 inches.

New County Agent Here To Start

Margaret Reil, appointed as Sherman county extension agent, has arrived in the county. She will be living in the Reid apartments above the dentist and doctor offices.

The newly appointed agent will be responsible for educational work in home economics, health and safety. She is to spend half time on 4-H work and half on adult work. As all county agents, she is an employee and an off campus representative of OSU, as a part of the educational arm of the USDA.

Miss Reil will be here during the fair and will be pleased to meet Sherman county people.

Goldendale Fair Due This Week

"One of the really good shows in the Northwest," is the way experts describe the rodeo at the Klickitat County Fair at Goldendale, to be held next weekend, September 8 and 9.

This typical western show is held in a magnificent setting, with the Simcoe mountains as a backdrop across the arena from the grandstand, and with Mt. Adams looming high on the northwest horizon.

Another feature of interest is daily flights by a licensed pilot from the adjacent Goldendale air strip. Flights around Mt. Adams and to the John Day dam project have been popular with fairgoers in the past.

The fair program is made. The major things are the exhibits, the kids, the rodeo. But there are new things.

The Rey sisters will sing melodious and calypso song. They are University of Oregon girls with another year of schooling before graduation, then they are going to tour the world with their act. That's something we can see before the Russians do.

There will be a dog act that has played at many state fairs and been on television; there will be a style revue.

A crew of men and women are working at the fair grounds to get things in shape, cleaning, dusting, hammering together and shining up. And on the farms dozens of young folks are washing and currying young animals for the great day of judging and exhibiting.

Howard Johnson will bring his bucking horses, his Brahma bulls and his elusive calves to test the abilities of a group of riders and ropers. The rodeo will be held in the daytime this year so it can be watched with more comfort; the livestock will be paraded; the dancers tired out.

Other things will happen to entertain. Umatilla will come on Friday night to engage the Sherman High football team in the first game of the season and Everett Cantrall will show "The Far Country" Friday and Saturday night and "Mr. Hobbs Takes A Vacation" Sunday and Monday, both featuring James Stewart, assisted by Maurine O'Hara in the latter show.

Healthy Cattle Only Profitable Kind

Healthy cattle usually lead to feedlot profits! Because of this, getting feeder cattle off to a quick start and keeping them on feed and gaining weight fast are among the most important management problems cattle feeders face today.

Rapid low-cost gains are almost a necessity in this day of narrow or minus profit margins. How successful a feeder is in this respect, depends in no small degree on how carefully he selects his feeder cattle and handles them the first days.

In general almost every feedlot operator and veterinarian emphasize these five management "musts".

1. Buy healthy, hardy stock (vaccinated if possible) that comes from herds and areas that have a minimum of disease problems.
2. Start them on a low concentrate ration with a high level of vitamins and antibiotics. Furnish them with plenty of fresh water and above all, do not overfeed.
3. Give the animals a close inspection at least daily, and make sure all of them are eating and drinking.
4. Single out sick or sluggish animals and give individual attention. Call a veterinarian at the first sign of anything unusual. If possible, have a vet check them over the day they arrive.
5. Avoid putting cattle under any unnecessary stress. This is probably the biggest single cause of shipping fever.

U of O Mothers To Have Silver Tea

Sunday, Sept. 9, from two until five p. m., the University of Oregon Mother's Club is holding a silver tea at St. Paul's Episcopal church—1805 Minnesota St., The Dalles, to welcome all parents, new students, active students and alumni from the University of Oregon.

Every year the mother's work toward a scholarship fund and district 10, which includes The Dalles, Hood River, Parkdale, Odell, Mosier, Cascade Locks, Rufus, Tygh Valley, Dufur, Condon, Arlington, Wasco, Moro, Kent and Maupin, is under the leadership of Mrs. Sam Van Vactor, district president and Mrs. Gary Kortge, district vice-president.

Mother's in this district are looking forward to greeting persons interested in the university and sincerely hope they will have a gathering that will surpass their highest anticipation.