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## These Things We Note

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We often hear that as the world gets more people it becomes more necessary that we have socialism as a form of government. History does not indicate any such thing. Small countries may have communism or socialism, but these may not be big, heavily populated nations. A big, heavily populated nation will have some form of dictatorship or absolutism. No other means of exercising the necessary discipline is possible.

T T W N

The length of the Oregon legislative session is certainly partly due to the expense accounts vote at the first of the session. We said then that a salary raise was proper but that expense accounts were a bad step. Our contention has been proven.

T T W N

We're glad that the Oregonian has taken up our complaint against social security by looking at the receipts and disbursements of it. Any private insurance company would write a better policy.

T T W N

Over the past 15 years we have accumulated a number of pictures in the process of publishing them. We are sure they have more interest to the persons pictured than to us or the Journal. Anyone who would like to have the pictures taken of them may come in and see us.

T T W N

Inflation will soon be with us again. The policy of spending more than is taken in requires it. The selfishness of present day politics demands it. Even though it will tickle Khrushchev it will be done.

T T W N

In the old Roman days a defeated army was marched under the yoke, (an ox yoke) which signified their entrance into slavery. No man, in those days, went willingly; certainly none voted for it.

T T W N

It used to be said that if it rains on Easter it would rain for seven Sundays thereafter. Maybe it could be said again.

T T W N

The Sherman county taxpayer certainly gets more for his dollar paid to county government than to any other. What the county gets from the state or federal government comes pretty high.

T T W N

Winston Churchill is retiring from the political scene. He was a great Englishman, a writer of masterful language, a loyal son of the crown. Despite a silly American law, he is not an American.

T T W N

We rather like the idea of Billy Graham being mentioned for president. Not that he will be elected, nor would be a good president if he were. But his mention signifies that many Americans believe in morals higher than the present standard.

T T W N

It is our feeling that many will be surprised at the nations and organizations that would turn communist if and when that ideology seems to be gaining. Very few have repudiated it conclusively.

T T W N

The magazines and the columnists are saying that this nation is prosperous. That we doubt. It is living on borrowed money which it cannot pay back, not has it the integrity to try.

T T W N

The fact is we have no idea how many Russians there are in Cuba and have no good way of finding out. But we are protesting them.

T T W N

Mr Goldwater, Mr Romney or Mr Scranton should certainly have been users at the Rockefeller wedding.

T T W N

The furore about the TFX contract is exposing one of the worst features about American politics. Politicians are too powerful. The people should take some power away from government and turn it to private control.



Gary Irzyk, will be the student body president next September when Sherman High School opens for the 1963-64 term.

## Grand Jury Finds True Bills In Two Murder Charges

Jake Gross, 62, was indicted for first degree murder because of his alleged fatal beating of Frank Finnegan in the bungalow on the Fred Dormaier ranch April 14, by the Sherman county grand jury which met last Thursday and Friday.

At the same session of the grand jury Dolphus Baker, 53, Rufus garage owner, was indicted for second degree murder for the fatal shooting of Ed Baisig, 31, whose spinal cord was injured so badly by a 45 army automatic that he died within a few days.

Both men will enter pleas before Judge E. H. Howell on May 16 and will be tried sometime in June or July.

The Sherman county court has retained Robert McCrea, assistant district attorney for Lane county, Eugene, who will assist District Attorney T. Lester Johnson in the two prosecutions. Sam VanVactor of The Dalles has been hired as attorney for Bayer and Ken Abrahams of Hood River, was appointed by Judge Howell to defend Gross, who was without funds.

Neither man was admitted to bail.

This will be the first murder trial in Sherman county for many years although Dan Morgan was sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of Dewey Burrell by Judge George Updegraff in 1944. The prospect of two murder trials on the same docket is entirely unprecedented here.

## Nancy Conlee Will Aid Barbara Jones

Nancy Conlee won over Mary Coats in the race for Assistant Sherman High Times editor recently. She will aid Barbara Jones next year and then will occupy the publication position as a senior.

She was a staff member of the Sophomore April Fool's Edition so she is well experienced in the newspaper field.

Marcia Martin was elected Assistant Annual Editor, winning over June Jefferies. She will assist Editor Ardine Todd next year and step into the position of yearbook editor as a senior.

While serving on the Husky staff this year, Marcia gained experience working closely with underclassmen society editor Mona Eakin.

Mrs Hazel Woods, long time resident of Moro, died at the home of her daughter Signa at Eugene Tuesday night. Sons Ethel and Lyle and Signa survive.



At the all sports banquet at the high school Thursday night of last week the coaches presented awards to the boys getting special honors. Here Coach Orville Hoyer congratulates Jack Kellogg who won the best lineman plaque, Bob Parker, who received an award for the best free thrower, Virgil Fields, for outstanding player and Bill Doolin on the other end is being congratulated by Coach Gary Berg for his plaque for the best backfield man.



State Representative Jack Smith spoke last Saturday night at the Sherman County Wheat Growers meeting at Wasco. He told of the Legislature's problem of where to raise an additional \$60 million in taxes to balance the budget of Gov. Mark Hatfield. The Legislature has now been in session about 120 days.

## FAIR QUEEN CONTEST COMING MAY 30

The Annual Queen Contest for the Sherman County Fair Queen and Princesses will be held May 30 during the Sherman County Riders Playday at the Fairgrounds. Girls must be between the ages of 15 and 21 years, unmarried and a resident of Sherman County since January 1, 1963.

The contestants will be judged on horsemanship, personality, neatness of personal costume and neatness of Western equipment.

An outfit consisting of pants, shirts, tie and hat will be presented to the Queen and two princesses.

Applications will be available at the County Agent's office in Moro.

## High School Athletes Given Awards At Banquet In Their Honor; Mulflur Speaker

Thursday, May 2, Sherman's 1963 annual All-Sports Banquet swung into action as FHA president Patty Miller welcomed athletes and guests. Following a dinner prepared and served by FHA members, Master of Ceremonies Don Thompson introduced Mr. Tyler, Mrs. Hoyer and Mrs. Berg.

Football coach Berg gave the first awards of the evening. Outstanding Lineman award went to Jack Kellogg while Bill Doolin was named Best Back. The Most valuable player award, based on ability, attitude and getting along with the coach, was awarded to Virgil Fields.

Other awards were given to Noel Hockman, Doug Reid, Doug Eish, Kenny Blagg, Bob Parker, Terry Decker, Bob McMurtrey, Floyd Rathbun, Bill Rayer, Mike Lane, Don Martin, Gary Irzyk, Greg Cox, Dick Grabenhorst and Penny Dunlap.

"To me there's no better game than basketball," said basketball coach Hoyer as he awarded and congratulated his boys.

Bob Parker earned the Basketball Freethrow Champion award which was given for the first time at Sherman. Jack Kellogg, Bill Doolin, Byron Bayer, Bob Parker, Virgil Fields, Terry Decker, and Tim Allen received their

awards while Mr. Hoyer's "five fair juniors" (Doug Bish, Mike Lane, Ron Johnson, Kenny Blagg and Bill Rayon) were also awarded.

Turning to baseball, Coach Berg noted that he had a young group with Jack Kellogg the only senior. Other players awarded included Gary Irzyk, Dick Grabenhorst, Bill Rayon, Roy Sather, Tom Ocheltree, Rick Johnson, Joe Thomas, Ron Eakin, Bob Burns, Kenny Thompson, Mike Patrick, Curt Blagg and Kent Thomas. "These boys are the best and they deserve the best," declared Mr. Berg as he congratulated them.

Outstanding trackmen such as Bill Doolin and Doug Bish received awards from track coach Hoyer. Others awarded were Terry Decker, Virgil Fields, Noel Hockman, Bob Parker, John Saltz-giver, Steve Gentry, Greg Marvin, Ernie Moore, Kent Thomas, Bill Mulflur, sportswriter for the Oregon Journal, rounded out the evening as guest speaker. He told the athletes that their high school sports would be one of their most outstanding memories.

"Athletics teaches sportsmanship. It teaches you to stand on your own feet as well as to depend on your team-mates." Completing the banquet Rev. McMurtrey gave the benediction.

## School Elections Give No Surprises; Thomas And Shull Elected

Preliminary election returns from the Sherman County School District Election Boards indicate that Marvin Thomas was elected as County High School District Director; Douglas Shull as Rural School District Board member and that the election to exceed the six per cent limitation in the Rural School District passed by a vote of 202 to 128.

Directors elected in the elementary school districts were as follows: Rufus, James Fox; Wasco, John Hilderbrand; Moro, Stan Coelsch; Grass Valley, 5-year term, John Buether; 2-year term, Donald vonBorstel, and Kent, Hans Bardenhagen.

Sherman County High School Director

Dist 7 Marvin Thomas—Dist. 3, Rufus, 58; Dist. 7, Wasco, 132; Dist. 17, Moro, 37; Dist. 23, Grass Valley, 37; Dist. 9 CJ, Kent, 38—Total 302.

Rural School Dist. Director

Douglas Shull—Dist. 7, Wasco, 157.

Exceed 6% Limitation in Rural School Dist.

Yes	No
Dist. 3, Rufus	39 22
Dist. 7, Wasco	72 86
Dist. 17, Moro	33 5
Dist. 23, Grass Valley	31 6
Dist. 9 CJ, Kent	50 9
	262 128

Elementary School District Election

For Director—Dist. 3, Rufus—James Fox 33, Jack Beers 27.

Dist. 7, Wasco—John Hilderbrand 109, Pete Macnab 50.

Dist. 17, Moro—Stan Coelsch 33.

Dist. 23, Grass Valley, 5-year term—John Buether 30; 2-year term, Donald vonBorstel 127.

Dist. 9 CJ, Kent—Hans Bardenhagen 36.

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Dist. 3, Rufus	37 22
Dist. 23, Grass Valley	31 6
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## Wasco Host to

## Grade School Track Meet Here Saturday

Wasco Grade School will again sponsor the annual County Grade School Track Meet scheduled Saturday, May 11 at 1 p.m. at the Sherman County High athletic field. Both boys and girls from the county's five elementary school will participate in the afternoon's events.

The schedule includes: Midget Division—Boys 6 and under—50 Yard Dash, 200-Yard Shuttle Relay (4x55), Standing Broad Jump, Softball Throw. The same events are scheduled for the girls.

Junior Division—Boys 11 and 12—75-Yard Dash, 220-Yard Shuttle Relay (4x55), High Jump, Running Broad Jump, Standing Broad Jump, Softball Throw.

Girls—50-Yard Dash, 220-Yard Shuttle Relay (4x55), 75-Yard Dash, Running Broad Jump, Standing Broad Jump, Softball Throw.

Upper Division—Boys 13 and over—100-Yard Dash, 220-Yard Shuttle Relay, Running High Jump, Running Broad Jump, Standing Broad Jump, Softball Throw.

Mr. Ziegler, Wasco, is coordinator of the meet. Mr. McGowan, Wasco, is announcer; awards will be given by Mrs. Hill, Wasco, Miss Trullinger, Moro, and Miss McClosky, Rufus.

## Rain, Rain Rain Rain

It may no longer be news but it has been raining nearly all week. The sun came out on a part-time basis Wednesday and Thursday, but the prophets say it is but a temporary showing.

The big rain this week was Monday when everything was soaked again. Here it is well along in May and some spots are too wet to plow.

So far there is no rust scar and it is considered late for much damage from this time on.

## Road Levy Vote Due Next Friday, May 17; All Vote

Next Friday, May 17, voters of Sherman county will decide whether to improve the county roads or not.

The decision comes on a special election, called by the county court, on a proposal made by the Rural Advisory council committee, Fritz Watkins chairman. The committee asked the court to call an election after making a survey of the county's roads and preparing a schedule of construction.

The original proposal was for a 10-year levy of \$25,000, but the court, with apparently general agreement with citizens, decided to limit the levy to five years because of almost certain changes in the county, and to increase the amount of \$45,000.

The assessed valuation of the county is \$11,477,235. If the state tax commission raises the valuation of wheat land, that will increase the total valuation of the county. It is already being increased daily by the influx of dam and road workers in the north end of the county.

At the present valuation the levy would call for an increased millage of four mills. By the time taxes are levied this summer it is certain to be less.

Plans are to build roads in all parts of the county during the five-year program, starting with the Wasco-Scott canyon road to Rufus, which will also get some federal funds from one of several ways.

## RUFUS GRANGE PLANS SMORGASBOD DINNER

The Rufus Grange is having their fourth annual smorgasbord at their hall in Rufus on Sunday, May 19 from 12 noon until 6 p.m. Mrs. Delta Johnson, master of Rufus Grange and Mrs. Harland McDonald will be co-chairmen of the smorgasbord. Prices of \$1.50 for adults and 75c for children will be charged, with the slogan "All You Can Eat."

## Young People Will Meet at Wasco



REV. PAUL "TEX" YEAROUT

Wednesday night, May 15 at 8 p.m. in the Wasco Christian church the Church Young People of Sherman County will present Rev. Paul "Tex" Yearout as guest speaker for a Sherman County Youth Rally.

Yearout has just returned from several months in Europe appearing in high schools, colleges and churches. He spent several weeks in Berlin and made nine trips into East Berlin behind the "Wall." He is, as far as is known, the only American to preach behind the "Wall" in a secret Christian meeting.

He has been working with young people since 1947 and is best known to thousands of young people across the world as "Tex." His work has led him into hundreds of high school, college, youth camp, church and youth rallies all across the U. S., Canada and many foreign countries. He spoke 77 times during February, traveled through seven states and spoke on "The Berlin Problem" in high school assemblies in Washington, Montana and a Denver.

Parents, as well as youth, are urged to hear and meet "Tex" during his visit in Sherman County Wednesday, May 15.

# Special Road Improvement Election May 17 - Vote!