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These Things We Note

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We were down on the Deschutes last week end for a day and a night. The sun didn't shine, the wind blew and it was no day for fishing, that most useless part of such a trip. But we think we have never seen the river more beautiful. The hills are still green from the long April rains, the road is as good as it will ever be, and the river actually smells wonderful. Along stretches of it the wild roses and the mock orange are out to scent the whole area. The river is high to disappoint fisherman but it covers the rocks.

T T W N

It is permissible and probably proper for a citizen to worry about the state of the nation. And, we must say, we remember no time when the reasons were so plentiful.

T T W N

Just to keep the record straight it should be remembered that if Americans are anti-intellectual they are not anti-intelligence. The intellectual is not always intelligent.

T T W N

In all this yak-yak about the danger of the "rightists", we have to wonder how right a person can be and not be dangerous.

T T W N

Out of all this urge - sparked by the negro uprising - to have every American go to the same schools, receive the same kind of education and act alike, we predict will come a reversal which will create many different kinds of schools to suit, and train, many kinds of people.

T T W N

If a man runs his own business he is large or small, he will probably be wary of spending unless it promises gain of some sort; if he works for the government he may consider spending useful in itself. It is lots of fun to spend other people's money.

T T W N

This administration seems convinced that government should manage the nation's economy. No government has ever been very successful at that, and no people have stood for it very long. Besides governments manage for selfish, personal reasons.

T T W N

According to published budgets the federal government will cost the average citizen \$540 (of course it will spend more); the state cost will be \$225, the county \$100 and the city of Moro \$30. That totals \$895. Worth it?

T T W N

For one who has worn an overcoat to a Fourth of July celebration in Sherman county, these cool days are liveable.

T T W N

The recent session of the legislature is ended and surely some of the political hopes of members. This one will cause no "pointing with pride."

T T W N

We don't know anything about the Rose Show princesses, but know we would vote for the one with the least hair.

T T W N

Doing what we don't want to do is a major cause of sickness.

T T W N

The proposed constitutional amendment to keep the supreme court from meddling in apportionment of the states' legislatures would merely restore the former and proper understanding of state's rights.

T T W N

Overheard: "as much cheat as a conservation award winner."

T T W N

The "liberals" notwithstanding, you don't have to be a coward to be a citizen in the 20th century.

T T W N

In opposition to the Oregonian's proposal that tax committees hold joint sessions as do the ways and means committees, we believe that there should be no joint committees. The taxpayers would be better served if there were two ways and means committees. Speed is not the test of a legislature.

Historical Society Program Features Singing, Old & New

The program to be given at the Sunday meeting of the Sherman County Historical Society at DeMoss Springs will feature singing, because that is what the passing generation did for music and because Sherman county has some very good singers.

Mrs. Florence T. Cain will sing "Noble Flag" written by the DeMosses, a young people's quartet from Wasco will sing some numbers, Jacque Bucholtz will sing a solo and there will be community singing of such old numbers as "Quilting Party" "You Take the High Road", along with "Tipperary" and other songs of the vintage of World War I.

For the business meeting there will be officers' reports, nomination of officers, and other business.

John I. Sell of Salem will deliver the address.

It will be shortly after noon when the tables will be set to interrupt the visiting briefly, for even among old friends, the mouth cannot be used for both eating and talking at the same time with success.

"Pony" White Dies While Driving Car On Highway 30

Harold (Pony) White, 51, died at the wheel of his car near Rowena, as he and Mrs. White were returning home from a business trip. A heart attack was the cause of death.

Mrs. White noticed the car move toward the center stripe and gave a warning, which went unheeded. She grabbed the wheel turned off the ignition and found her husband lifeless. She signaled a passing car with flashing headlights and Mr. White was found dead at The Dalles fire station when examined by Dr. John Skirving.

Harold White was born at Wasco, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh White. He attended local schools and was married to Mabel Cochran, who survives him. He was Union Oil distributor for many years until he took over the home ranch on the retirement of his father.

He has developed a wheat and cattle business by buying Miller Island as a summer range for stock and irrigating the home ranch with water from Sand Spring, site of an early day stage stop.

Other survivors are his mother, Rosalee of Wasco and a sister, Mrs. Robert Turner, of Anchorage, Alaska.

He was a member of Taylor Lodge A.F. & A.M., Royal Arch Masons, Knights Templar, Al Kador Shrine and The Dalles Elks Lodge. Private funeral services were held at Smith Callaway Chapel Tuesday with interment at the IOOF cemetery.

Dance Pupils Appear In Recital At End Of Course

This performance will be held in the high school auditorium. The Dalles, Tuesday, June 11, at 7:45 p.m. The kindergarten assistants Mrs. Larry Hubbel, and Mrs. Helen Jones. The dancing assistants, Anne Jennings, and Christy Stintson.

Those participating from here are "Dance of the Good Witch", Jeanne Cushman, "Ding Dong the Wicked Witch is Dead", singing and dancing, Vicki Martin, Lisa Kock, Wendy Martin, Lori Kock.

Scene five, in the Emerald City Of Oz. "March of the Soldiers in Green", Teri Patterson, and Mike Cushman. "Ballin' The Jack", Emerald City Police Force, Rex Brown. "A Shine On Your Shoes" by Emerald City Beauticians, Debbie Wooderson.

"That's A Plenty" scene 1, in a Hollywood rehearsal hall. "S Wonderful", dancing Kathleen and Jeanie Welk, Beverly Pshogoda, and Betty Bish.

Scene 8 at the golf links, "Mountain Greenery", Kathleen and Jeanie Welk, and Helen Boyer. Cast for "The Wizard Of Oz" was put on by the first and second grade students, and members of the Pine Grove kindergarten.

"That's A Plenty" were by the dancing students from the 3rd grade upward.



Darrell Wood, State Supervisor of Agriculture Education, State Department of Education, Salem, is pictured with Allen Miller and his sister, Patty of Moro. Allen is one of two Sherman boys competing for the State American Farmer FFA degree—Dick Stradley of Grass Valley being the other local candidate. Patty was the 1963 FFA Chapter Sweetheart. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Mele Miller who farm east of Moro.

Sherman Boys Compete For Highest FFA Degree

Darrell Wood, State Supervisor of Agriculture Education, State Department of Education in Salem, was in Sherman County Monday interviewing candidates for the American Farmer award. It will be made next October at the national FFA convention in Kansas City, Mo.

Two Sherman County FFA boys Allen Miller of Moro and Dick Stradley of Grass Valley — are candidates for the FFA American Farmer Degree in Oregon, the highest FFA award. The state is allowed four American Farmers and there are now eight candidates. Wood will announce the four honorees to be recommended to the National FFA office the latter part of June. This is the first year Sherman County has had candidates for the American Farmer Degree.

The degree is limited to one boy per 1,000 FFA members.

Allen is a 1961 graduate of Sherman High and is farming east of Moro with his father, Mele Miller. They farm 1,410 acres of cropland including seven acres of alfalfa, 600 acres range, 45 acres beef cows and current calf crop. Allen was State Farmer in 1962.

Telephone Company Has New Service Aid

Special postcards supplement emergency service number information on the inside front cover of the 1963 phone book will be mailed to telephone users in The Dalles, Arlington, Grass Valley, Moro and Wasco next week, according to C. P. Horn, local manager for Pacific Northwest Bell.

The cards list the number to call for ambulance service in each community.

Horn asked everyone to write the appropriate number in the space provided inside the front cover of the phone book since the card is likely to be lost or misplaced during the life of the directory.



Volunteer crew including the "top brass" of the Oregon Wheat Growers League's Junior Livestock Show at The Dalles this week Wednesday through Saturday, June 5-8, pitched in for erection of pens in the Senfert buildings during recent work party. In background the

Junior Livestock Show At The Dalles In Progress Now

An old show at a new time was in progress at The Dalles this week where exhibitors for the 17th annual Oregon Wheat Growers League's Junior Livestock Show began checking in Wednesday with their grain-fed steers, lambs and hogs.

Until this year the show had opened on Sunday and closed Wednesday, but this year the show opened Wednesday with arrival of livestock and will be concluded Saturday afternoon and night with the auction sales. Auction of lambs and hogs will be at 2 p.m. and steers at 7.

First full day of activities for the show was Thursday and scheduled Friday was more judging and contests with the annual awards banquet that night. Final show events are slated for Saturday morning.

General Manager Elmer Lierman said his Board felt the new time will be more advantageous for exhibitors and also for sale of their livestock at public auction at the show grounds pavilion.

Bill Buether Buried At Grass Valley After Long Illness

Funeral services for William Henry Buether were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 p.m. from the Grass Valley Baptist church with interment in the IOOF cemetery there.

Mr. Buether died Friday in a hospital in The Dalles. He was born August 2, 1899 in Germany and came to Sherman county in 1924, after the first World War. He was a farmer here for nearly 40 years and also owned pasture land near Shaniko.

Surviving are his widow, Kate, a son Arthur, on the farm, a daughter Gertrude at home (both children are graduates of Oregon State); two brothers, John of Redmond and Richard of Germany; five sisters, Mrs. Anna Brueckman of Canada, Adele Nager, Grete Buether, Trinehen Meyer and Mrs. August Hirsch all of Germany.

Rev. Dan Dunham conducted the services.

Deschutes Memorial Ends In Confusion

House Joint Memorial 26 was passed at the 1963 session after being amended by the Senate Committee of Natural Resources.

The important paragraph of the resolution now reads: "The Congress of the United States is urged to provide for appropriation to the United States Bureau of Land Management of an adequate sum of money to construct access roads to and through its lands bordering this section (lower 100 miles) of the Deschutes river and to maintain a portion of this area available to the public in a relatively wild and wilderness state free of roads and motor vehicular access."

The final phrase is the senate's and it completely upsets the first part and dulls the original intent of the memorial.

May Wasn't Much Of a Month From Weather Standpoint

May weather differed from April weather by being drier than usual instead of wetter. Total precipitation was 64 inch which is 20 under the normal. Most of that came early in the month, with 31 inch on the 6th. For the crop year the total is now 11.73 and the normal is 10.59 inches.

May wasn't so hot as Mays go, the highest temperature being 84 whereas it usually gets up to 87 and the lowest was 30 which is just exactly what we can expect for May. That was on the first, quite a bit before the normal freezing date of May 9. The monthly mean was 53.8 and the normal is 55.6 degrees, another indication that May wasn't very hot.

Soil temperature at 4 inches down ranges from 76 to 60 degrees and at 12 inches down is 65. This is a new test that should be a good comparison in future years.

The wind averaged 4.3 mph, 1.2 below normal.

Catholics To Have School at Grass Valley

There will be a Religious Vacation school at the Grass Valley Catholic church beginning June 10. Classes will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. with Sister Patricia Jean of The Dalles as supervisor. All school children who wish to attend will be welcome.

Bible School Starts At Moro Church

Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. sharp the children of Moro and surrounding vicinity enrolled in the Community Presbyterian Church Vacation Bible School to study the last of a three year series which is "The Church" theme of this session.

Since Bible school will be just a week this year there will not be a program at the close. However, there will be on display Sunday in the church sanctuary some of the work accomplished by these students.

One of the projects under the supervision of Mrs. David Moore is Church Symbols done in colored rice. According to Mrs. Nell Melzer an average of 70 students are attending.

Be sure to come to church Sunday for the services and to see this wonderful display.

Swim Classes Need Support Of More Parents and Friends

Mr. Dione the water safety chairman was up from Portland Friday and spent the day with me checking out the pools and our swim program, everything is coming along fine except we need more helpers for the swim instructors and to help around the pools.

We would like to have some adults and a few teenagers who can swim, please help us with this problem, these are your children and your community and we cannot attempt to do a project as large as this one is without your cooperation.

Grass Valley and Kent have almost enough helpers but Moro, Wasco, and Rufus have very few volunteers, if you can donate a little of your time please contact Mrs. Everett Cantrill, Grass Valley; Mrs. Doyn Price, Moro and Mrs. C. L. Gray at Wasco.

We have three hundred and twenty-two children signed up so you can understand the need for more helpers for safety sake.

We want to thank those people who have so generously opened their pools to us and to save a mess in their dressing rooms we are asking that all the children come in their swimming suits and go home in them, bringing their own towels, this will cause less confusion too.

Please watch the paper for later instructions concerning the pools and which one your children will be assigned to. If your neighbors do not take the paper call them and inform them of these things, it is impossible to contact each pupil who has signed up for this program.

We at this time intend to start on July 8th, you will be informed of any changes.

June Estimate On Wheat Crop Is Favorable

If you want to know what the 1963 wheat and barley crop in Sherman county will be like, there is not much need of asking farmers. They do not agree.

A man who farms north of Gordon ridge and has a field full of wheat and a touch of rye will not be optimistic about the prospects; a man from south of Nigger ridge where the wheat is tall and with little cheat may be pretty sure of a good crop. Any long time observer will realize that both may be right—or wrong.

The stands this year are good, the early rains caused a big growth with lots of "feathers" which makes the fields look fine, rich, dark green and high enough to wave beautifully in the wind. All that may be a handicap if and when hot winds come in June or July.

But all this is the usual perplexities a forecaster must face in this country where the weather is unpredictable and the emotions like-wise.

However, there will be wheat and for many it will be satisfactory; that we prophesy with confidence.

Board of Equalization To Meet June 14

The Sherman County Board of Equalization met May 27 with a couple dozen petitions for change on hand. After a discussion that lasted all day the board put off making a decision until another meeting which will be held June 14.

It is understood that the State Tax commission will meet June 10 and it may make decisions that will affect the local situation regarding real property valuations.

Maps Available Of Local Streets From Highway Dep't

New street maps for six Oregon cities are now available through the Oregon State Highway Department, according to Forrest Cooper, state highway engineer.

The cities are Dufur, Eagle Point, Lexington, Maupin, Moro and Wasco.

The maps are drawn to the scale of 800 feet to the inch and are plotted on a 17x19-inch sheet. This size map costs 25 cents. A reduced size map uses a scale of 1,600 feet to the inch on 8½x11-inch sheets. These smaller maps cost 10 cents each.

The maps include markings for post offices, schools, railroad stations, city halls, courthouses, and libraries. Streets are marked as open for travel or dedicated but not open. The maps were prepared in co-operation with the Bureau of Public Roads.

Persons wanting these maps may purchase them by writing the Traffic Engineering Division, State Highway Building, Salem 10, Oregon. Checks should be made payable to the Oregon State Highway Department.

Kenny Blagg Gets UP Scholarship

By Thomas W. Thompson
Sherman Co. Extension Agent

Kenny Blagg, a Sherman high school junior and 6 year 4-H member has won the 4-H Union Pacific Railroad college scholarship. Thomas W. Thompson Sherman County Extension Agent, has announced.

The \$200 award will be used by Kenny the fall of 1964 for study of agriculture or Veterinary medicine at Oregon State University. The scholarship winner is a member of the Grass Valley 4-H Livestock Club, and is the son of Ivan Blagg.

Union Pacific 4-H Scholarships have been given in Sherman County since 1922. Estoll Hartley, Grass Valley, was the first Sherman County winner that year. Some second generation families are now receiving this award. Paul Fraser (1932) and daughter, Sherrie Fraser (1959) and Lloyd Henrichs (1935) and Diana Henrichs (1961), are some second generation families receiving the awards.