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## Other Editors Think—

Editor Giles French of the Sherman County Journal takes a rather dim view of the recent announcement that Hepner and some other Oregon towns are on a recently publicized list of communities to get a new post office building, as his following editorial shows.

Our local postmaster tells us that this is about the seventh or eighth year that Hepner has been included in such proposals, but as yet Congress hasn't seen fit to appropriate any money for the job, so we can't get too excited over the announcement.

Editor French's final editorial statement, however, we go for 100 percent.

### POSTOFFICE

Anyone who isn't fed up with the postoffice department this week has neither been reading the papers or signs.

Announcement was made a few days ago that the department was going to build new postoffice buildings in several Oregon towns including Condon, Hepner, John Day, Madras, with a cost running in excess of \$215,000 each. It will be very nice for these towns to have a new building of that size that any other agency could build for that amount of money. It will be a civic asset, no doubt! Nevertheless there is no sense in building buildings that size for postoffices in towns of that size. It is not economical considering rentals and is one of the very good reasons for opposing any increase in postal fees. Why pay more when the money is to be wasted.

Another objection to the same department is the order to shorten the postal day here, and all along the line. Mail will now close at 3:30 instead of 4:30, itself an hour that is unnecessarily early. It is about time we had a reversal of the do less and charge more policy.—ShermanCounty Journal.

road grader would smooth if off, and here we had a new graveled road formed.

As I have had considerable experience in operating trucks and equipment and also have a good understanding of county shops, I think the people of Morrow County can be proud of such a diligent crew of working men. It was like a beehive. There certainly wasn't a drone in the hive. Anyone who cares to be fair could see there certainly was some awfully good management to keep this equipment going the way it was.

This road last year at harvest time was a dust blow, but thanks to the Morrow County officials, the dust will be taken care of this year by the fine graveled road we now have.

It seems to me this road should be the pride of everyone in this community. Where could you invest your county money for a more worthy cause. It's a certainty you couldn't build roads any cheaper.

I've heard so much about buying this and that for Europe, so it seems good to see something spent for the United States. Lets spend a few dollars for America.

I thought someone ought to draw the attention of the public to the fine work being done on the roads in Morrow County.

An appreciative resident,  
JAY B. WAY  
Route No. 2, Hepner, Oregon

## lone News

College students home for Easter were John Bristow from Oregon State and Gerald Peterson from Pacific Lutheran College near Tacoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Heimbigner and children of Odessa, Wash., were visitors last week at the home of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Heimbigner.

Marlene Griffin started back to school Monday. Cake and punch were served along with the regular dinner at the school Thursday of last week. Mrs. Milton Morgan, Mrs. Delbert Emert and Mrs. Russell DeBordt had charge of the serving and Mrs. Omar Bietmann and Mrs. Paul Pettijohn had charge of the decorating which was in the Easter motif.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Seehafer and daughter, Billie of Bickleton, Wash., were visitors here Sunday. Their daughter, Mildred was in the hospital in The Dalles for a few days with an ear infection.

Dianna Pettijohn returned to school Monday after being ill for several days.

Seaman Wallace Coleman of San Francisco spent Easter with his mother, Mrs. Ida Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Yarnell and daughters of Vancouver, Wn., spent Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yarnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Lily of La Grande are the parents of a son born April 19. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lily of Rieth and Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ely of Boardman are the grandparents. H. O. Ely of Ione is the great-grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. Wate Crawford entertained the following at a dinner Sunday. Pfc and Mrs. Harlan Crawford of Olympia, Pvt and Mrs. Clyde Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Crawford and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Tad Miller and daughters, Arthur and Rollo Crawford and Marilyn and Gary Morgan.

Pvt. Clyde Crawford is on a 14 day furlough and is staying at the Arthur Dalzell home.

Mrs. Jerry Cunningham who has been staying at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ralph Crum is on a business trip to Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Proudfoot of Portland spent Easter with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Proudfoot.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Connor are the parents of a son, Stephen Lee, born in Hepner April 15. Weight 7 lbs. and 4 ozs. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Connor of Hepner and Mr. and Mrs. Van Hubbard of Ione are the grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McCabe entertained at a family reunion at their home Sunday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Eubanks and children and A. A. McCabe of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ingall of Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Harris and daughter of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. James McCabe, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McCabe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McCabe and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Lundell and Mrs. Mary Swanson, Mrs. Mattie Morgan of Port-

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John Bryson spent Easter at the Leslie Rounly home in Kennewick, Wash.  
Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Lundell entertained the following guests in their new home Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Harland Lundell and family of Boise, Idaho. Mrs. Warren Crutcher of Gresham, Mrs. Anna Lindstrom, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Lundell and Mrs. Mary Swanson, Mrs. Mattie Morgan of Port-

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## From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

Plans are pretty well completed for the annual field day of the Gilliam-Wheeler Stock Growers bull feeding program. It will be held at Condon on Saturday, May 1st. The program will get underway at the fair grounds at 10:00 a. m. Bulls will be showed individually from 10:00 to 12:00 noon. Each bull will have its pedigree given and a record of its performance during the test and at the same time it will be announced whether it is for sale. Several Morrow county ranchers have bulls on feed in this program this year. Harvey Smith, of Ione, Steve Thompson and Frank Anderson of Hepner are those with bulls on feed since last December. Everyone is invited to attend this field day.

Recently two weed control plots were established in Morrow county on winter seed wheat. Application of various weed chemicals were completed on April 10. Tarweed was the major weed problem in these fields. It was in the rose stage when application was made. The weed plots were located at the Henry Baker farm south of Ione and the Kenneth Peck farm in Clarks Canyon south of Lexington.

Eleven different applications were made using seven drill rows wide by 18 feet long replicated four times. In the Kenneth Peck plot, one pound of para acid per acre was the rate of application. Amine, high volatile ester, low-volatile ester were the 2,4-D's used. Three MCP's were used in the sodium low-volatile and amine preparations. Four new weed killers ACP's were applied in comparison in the check.

In the Henry Baker plot, three-quarters pound acid was compared with one and a half pound acid. The amine butyl low-volatile 2,4-D's were used compared to MCP in the butyl sodium and in combination with 2,4-D.T. One ACP plot was established. Weeds were counted before application was made and will be counted for percentage of kill in comparing the different applications.

Every week during spring 1954 should be clean up week. To help keep this before farm people, we have a lot of suggestions that are good business if followed. Clean up is good business because it

helps to eliminate fire hazards which caused 80 Oregonians to lose their lives last year and cause property losses of over 12 million dollars. Clean up of farm and home will reduce accidents and Oregon unfortunately has one of the worst ratings of all the states in accidents toll.

The National Farm Safety review magazine says "Not only does the housewife suffer, one-third of all serious accidents in the home, but she is responsible for one-fourth of those which occur among children under 15 years of age. Accidents can be reduced by thorough inspection of the home and premises in line with this clean up idea. Clean up and repair make the property look better, saves money, makes it easier to get around to do things and give everyone a better feeling."

Since the start of the special export program of the Commodity Credit Corporation wheat during the first part of December, sales of CCC wheat for export as wheat or wheat flour have totaled almost 97 million bushels. Approximately 7.5 million bushels were sold as wheat and 22 million bushels as flour.

Bernard Doherty, Black horse rancher, is looking to the future. Last week he set out 10 miscel-laneous fruit trees that should provide him an excellent orchard within the next few years with plenty of fresh fruit for his family. While in the tree setting mood, he secured 35 two year old black locust trees which were surplus in the H. G. Campbell windbreak and set them out for shade trees about his farmstead.

Arrangements have just been made and a schedule been set for visiting all 1953 demonstration plantings of grazing type alfalfa here in Morrow County. Two hundred eighty three acres were seeded last year. E. R. Jackman, Range and Crop specialist Oregon State college, will be accompanied by Harry Schoth, USDA Agronomist and Stanley Weston, Fort Saint John British Columbia, who has developed the Rhizoma seed. A field of two of 1954 seedings which will amount to approximately 200 acres will be visited

## TO THE EDITOR . . .

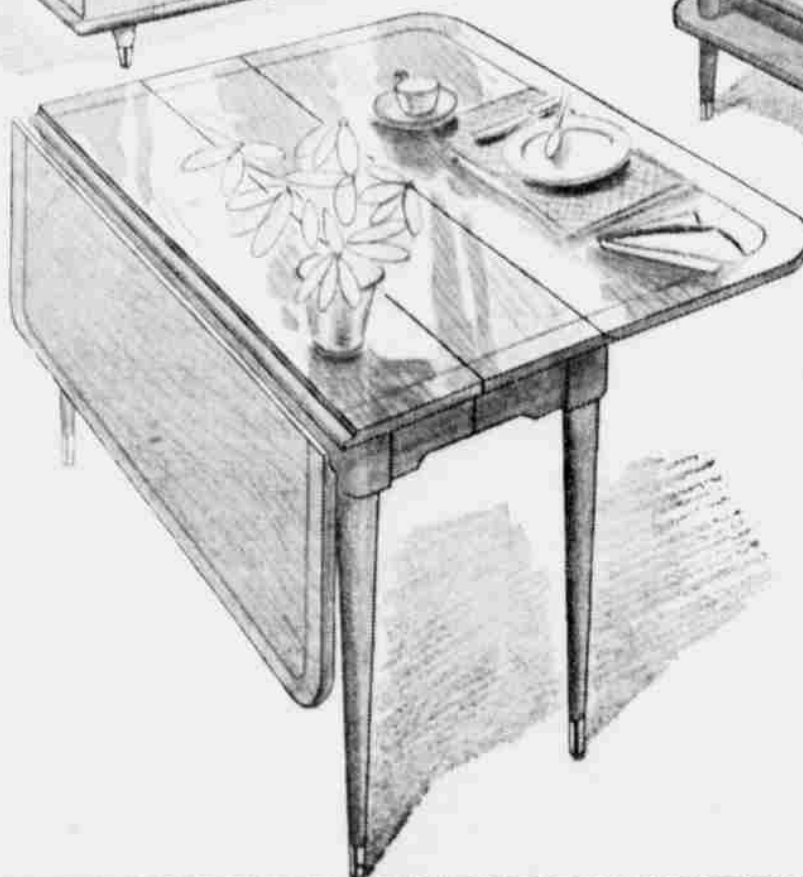
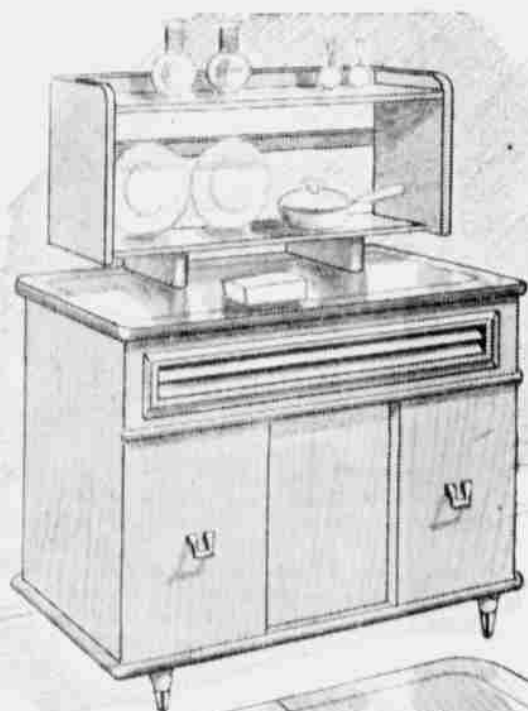
Dear Editor:  
Sometime ago I started to cultivate our field here in Sand Hollow. I happened to get out early that morning, in fact just as the sun was coming over the hill. The first thing I noticed was the birds singing so merrily. As I was going back and forth across the field, the county road grading men came by and they started up their graders and I couldn't help noticing how fast they were shaping a road. I went another round and here came the county gravel trucks. They seemed to be timed like the timing gear in a motor. In my own estimation, I couldn't help noticing how wonderful it was to see the accuracy in the way this road was being built. Here were the graders shaping the road, and right after them came the trucks with the gravel. They

at the same time. The date for visiting these trial seedings in Morrow county is May 13th, and 14th.

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