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THAT FREIGHT RATE

One of the most hopeful signs of progress for farmers was exemplified last Tuesday night in the meeting held here between farmers and the officers of the grain corporation who met to agree on a rate structure that would be acceptable to them for the shipment of 1932 wheat.

For years it has been a common saying that farmers raised their crop and then paid whatever transportation charges they were asked and took whatever price they were offered. They met to decide what rate they would pay the railroad for transportation on their wheat.

This changed condition can only be due to one thing—the fact that farmers are developing an organization. When one farmer or one small group of farmers protest to a railroad about rates they get no results because they are too small; when the committee representing practically all of the farmers of the Columbia basin wheat country calls upon the railroad executives and speaks its mind there is likely to be something done about it, especially when it is considered that these farmers have the means of transporting their wheat without the railroads if their demands are not met.

The sentiment of the meeting was somewhat opposed to the railroads because they are demanding wartime rates in times that are far from prosperous and have shown little desire to cooperate with producers who are suffering from as bad or worse conditions than effect the roads themselves. While this sentiment is most natural it is the belief of this paper that a reduction of rates, either enforced by the farmers or given by the railroads, is the only action that will save the railroads from disaster.

It is impossible to sell a bushel of wheat for two and a quarter. No one can afford to pay that much for it at the present time. If wheat was held for two and a quarter a bushel people would buy something else to eat, rice, barley, corn or some other substitute. Yet, railroads are demanding the same freight rates on wheat that they asked when wheat was selling for that price and the same rule applies. If the rate is not lowered shippers will find a substitute means of transporting wheat. And when they are hauling their wheat they will bring back other products that will reduce railroad tonnage on the back haul.

If we have a normal crop of wheat in Sherman county this year—and it looks as though we would—we will pay the railroad company \$200,000 for the transportation even if the rate is lowered. And this on wheat alone. At present prices of wheat even the low rate will take between 20 and 25 per cent of the total value of the crop and the present interstate rate will take over thirty per cent of the value of the entire wheat crop of the county. Does anyone blame the farmer for protesting?

Unless the rate in effect from last August to February is put back into effect we feel that wheat will be trucked or shipped by boat and that the railroads will have lost a lucrative business that they can never regain.

CONGRATULATIONS, MORO

The news that the city council has appointed a fire chief and made the preliminary arrangements for the organization of a fire department must be welcome to all of those citizens who are interested in the welfare of the town.

Other towns about us have made arrangements to preserve the property of citizens and to hold down the cost of insurance and there is no reason why Moro should lag in this regard. It is true there will be some cost to providing for fire prevention and fire losses but this will be returned to the individual taxpayer in lower insurance costs. In times of depression fire insurance often goes up because of decreased volume and often more losses. If the town is to evade a rise in rates it must make what preparations are necessary to hold down complete destruction of town property by fire.

It is certainly gratifying to learn that the council is awake to the necessity of providing for this safe guard.

It's time that they quit poking fun at Mayor Walker. Any man that can make a profit of \$246,000 on nothing don't care what people say.

The senate won't let anyone else have beer at all. Or perhaps they think that 2.75 percent is too weak to make the voter forget the shortcomings of the senate anyway.

Without insinuating anything about the personal appearance of the candidates in the first congressional district it appears that the victors won by a nose.

Kent News

Friends and relatives of Mrs. Ella Taylor are shocked and grieved to hear of her death at her home in Spanish Fork, Utah, last Friday, May 20th.

The base ball game between Kent and Shaniko Sunday which was played as a benefit for the Kent Camp Cookery Club was won by the Kent boys 4-5.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Gregg and family were visitors at the Earl Gregg home in Bend over the week end. Clarence and Kenneth Gregg of Bend returned home with them to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. MacInnes and daughter, Marjorie, were visitors at the Grass Valley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Volna Guyton returned to Kent Sunday evening after spending the winter at Vancouver, Washington, where they had been employed.

A large number of Kent people attended the funeral of Mr. Hoskinson which was held at Moro last Friday. Mr. Hoskinson will be greatly missed by his Kent friends.

Diplomas were presented to the seniors at the play, "Deacon Dubbs" which was given Thursday evening, May 26.

The regular meeting of Kent Grange No. 688 was held last Wednesday evening, May 25.

Alta Norton and Clarice Wilson were hostesses at a dinner at the Norton home in honor of the Juniors and Seniors last Tuesday evening.

Mrs. J. E. Norton left for her home in Tangent, Oregon last Friday, where she will spend a few days visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Ross.

J. E. Norton left last Tuesday to attend Grand Lodge which was held at Eugene, Oregon, the latter part of the week.

Among those from Kent who were visitors in The Dalles last week include: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson, Mrs. Paul Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dellinger, Miss Della Helyer, and Miss Loraine Derby.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Sias and son Frank of Antelope were visiting with relatives in Kent Sunday.

The no host party which was given last Saturday night, May 21, at the Legion hall was well attended and every one had a very enjoyable time.

Grass Valley

George Witter spent Tuesday night here as a guest of Matt Simon.

L. D. Pike and family drove to Government Camp on the Wapinitia cut-off last Sunday for a days outing in the tall timber.

Guy Hoskinson and M. E. Reeves were shaking hands around town Monday afternoon. Guy is looking after his father's estate.

S. B. Holmes left Tuesday morning for a visit to Terrebonne where his brother's ranch is located.

E. K. Gervais had a bunch of Tum A executives out along the Deschutes last Sunday showing them how fish were caught in turbulent waters.

Wheat is being loaded out of the Bourbon warehouse this week and that house will be nearly clear of wheat when the job is done.

Miss Evelyn Olds was given a shower last Friday by her school friends at Mrs. Dell Olds home. Miss Olds will be married early in June.

Farmers in the Dutch settlement overhauled their telephone line this week and changed the location somewhat.

A post office inspector visited here Friday morning and looked over the government office.

W. S. Holmes was in The Dalles the last of the week on a short business trip.

Mrs. Emma Wilcox returned to her home in Newberg Sunday accompanied by Mrs. Herman Peters who will visit there for a few days.

Earl Olds was in Portland Tuesday leaving Bud Coon in charge of the meat shop. Earl brought his wife home from the hospital and reports that she is doing very well.

Rachel Peley is ill at home with an attack of pleurisy.

Maynard Christensen is here visiting his grandmother, Mrs. H. A. Stone, for a few days having finished his school.

Art Buehler and Art Crawford of the Tum A Lum Company were here last Saturday looking after business conditions in this territory.

Mrs. Dell Olds was in Portland Monday doing a little shopping and visiting.

Fourth Of July To Be Celebrated

Regardless of whether the birthday of any of its citizens is celebrated or not the natal day of the United States is always observed at enough places in every county to afford everyone a day of patriotic observance.

This year in this county Grass Valley is planning on holding a real old Fourth of July celebration. The festivities will start on the night of the second when a dance will be held in the pavilion. On Sunday there will be a base ball game.

Monday which is the real Fourth, there will be speaking in the grove in the city park with appropriate music and a patriotic program. In the afternoon another ball game will be held between county teams of even strength and there will be races, and other sports.

A dance and a show will entertain visitors and home folks in the evening. Committees are now working out the definite plans for the big event and information will be given out as it is received. All of the civic bodies are cooperating in this endeavor.

Recital Given By Pupils of Miss Trounce

Pupils of Miss Vivian Trounce appeared in recital last Thursday evening at the Presbyterian church and made an impression upon the music lovers attending that has caused considerable comment since.

They were divided into four groups first, the little folks Ramsey Schade-witz, Betty Jean Vinton and Mearle Marjion Miller, next larger children with more musical training, Carl Peetz, Louise Barzee and Helen Strong. Three older girls Mildred Adams, Flora Williams and Janet Stephens played difficult pieces and Marjorie Nahouse, Marjorie Byers and Helen Searcy brought the concert to a close with three advanced piano parts.

County Court Meets Highway Commission

Members of the county court arose early Tuesday morning and drove to Arlington to meet with the state highway commission and the county courts of Wasco, Gilliam and Morrow counties. The group was called together to map out and decide upon the secondary highway system work for the next three years.

The conference decided upon the practical completion of the Sherrars road, or the expenditure of a major part of the secondary highway money on it for the coming year. While it was felt that the Cottonwood road should be improved as soon as possible it will be impossible for Gilliam county to work their end of the road immediately because they have arranged to complete the Heppner Condon road first.

Wasco county is prepared to spend a considerable portion of its secondary highway money on the Sherrars-Tygh road and the road on this side of the river will be improved to complete the unit.

For those who wish to keep informed about county matters the Sherman County Journal is indispensable.

Legion Programs May Be Heard Tuesdays

Beginning Tuesday, May 24, and continuing each Tuesday until September, official American Legion Programs will go on the air over the Gold Network of NBC it was announced today by Theodore Johnston, commander of the American Legion. These programs will be heard over the originating station KEX Portland, KFO San Francisco, KECA Los Angeles, KGA Spokane, KJR Seattle, KSL Salt Lake, KOA Denver, KGIR Butte, Montana and KGHL Billings, Montana.

The programs will begin uniformly at 10:30 p. m. Pacific Coast Time and will be of one half hour's duration, ending at 11:00 p. m. They will contain the official news concerning the Legion's 14th annual convocation. Portland, Oregon, September 12, 13, 14 and 15 and will feature as speakers outstanding Legion leaders.

Bucking Horses Coming To Town

Next week the town will take on the gala dress of another day when the rodeo company that is putting on the show here June 4th and 5th arrives in town. This company has its headquarters south of Condon and are stopping in Moro long enough to put on a show here before going across the mountains to give citizens of Molalla a thrill on the 4th of July.

Besides the string of bucking horses they have several trained mounts for the relay and Roman race events and expect to spend the summer in the Willamette valley showing the hop growers and prune pickers what wild horses do when suddenly insulted with saddle leather. There will be a dance under the auspices of the Legion Saturday night, June 4th.

Phi Kappa Phi Won By Miss Stephens

Emmajean Stephens of Moro, junior in home economics, at Oregon State college, has recently been pledged to Phi Kappa Phi, national all-college scholastic honor society. The primary purpose of the group is to recognize efficiency in scholarship. Pledging to the group takes place in the spring of each year, and it is restricted to graduate students, and students of the two upper classes. The total number pledged can not exceed ten per cent of the graduating class.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the state of Oregon for Sherman county as executor of the last will and testament of Eugene A. Hoskinson, deceased, and has qualified as such executor.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present them, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice, to the undersigned at the office of Updegraff & Pepper in Moro, Oregon.

Dated and first published this 27th day of May, 1932.

Guy L. Hoskinson, Executor of the last will and testament of Eugene A. Hoskinson, deceased.

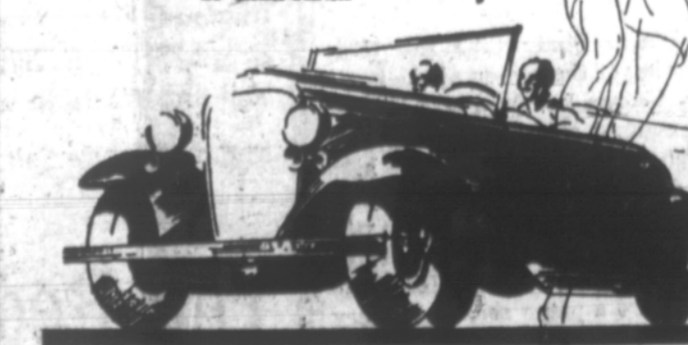
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Holiday Coming—telephone ahead!

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