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PETITION TO CLOSE OLD HIGHWAY FILED

Rufus Residents Want Abandoned Road Fenced

RELIEF FUND CUT IN HALF

Only \$50 Allowed This County For Months Relief

The county court hastened about their duties Wednesday morning and finished the most of the formal work in the forenoon. In the afternoon they went in a body to view the old highway between Rufus and Biggs for the residents of that section petitioned the court to close the old road since the new one is built.

George Wilcox, chairman of the county relief committee, was present and reported that the funds for that purpose have been cut in two for the month and that the only funds available was \$50, for all relief purposes. The county has had the relief shortened considerably since the work started.

The treasurer has paid the county's quota of state tax for the first half of the year 1933 and that task is finished until November when another half will be due. The state returned \$455. to the county as its share of the one-twentieth mill levied for fairs. As Sherman county will not have a fair the money may be used for the boys and girls club fair in August.

As the time for action on the payment of the elementary school fund instead of the state fund has passed it was not officially discussed during the court session. There is a probability, however, that if the decision of Judge Walker is sustained in the supreme court the elementary school fund will receive a generous portion of the state tax money in November.

H. H. White Improving Under Medical Care

H. H. White, who was taken to the Portland Medical Hospital over a week ago, is reported to be making excellent progress there. It was feared he had dropsy. Immediate treatments have proven so beneficial that the doctors promise he will be able to return home within a week or two in better physical condition than he has been for some years. He has already reduced fifty pounds in weight.

Clippings Of Early Days Found On Walls Of Razed Building

They have torn down the Jackson, the Bee Hive restaurant, Bill Holder's confectionery and other businesses that are not remembered by any of the old timers, the town is not being razed preparatory to hauling away the building on the southeast side of the street that housed the Kumey repair parts last has been torn down and will be taken to Kent to be rebuilt. J. E. Norton is the owner.

Just when the building was put up no one seems to know, but it has been a part of the town since the earliest days. Gus Schilling and his crew of carpenters did the tearing down and Gus, with an eye for the old and the unique, cut from the walls some old newspapers that were dated as far back as 1881.

The 1881 clipping is from a paper published at Albion, Noble county, Indiana and the very first line implores readers to trade in Albion and a short paragraph a little later advises, "Speak a good word for yourself or keep your mouth shut."

Hearing To Be Held June 17 At Court House

A hearing will be held at the court house June 17 to listen to protests, if any, against the annexation of the Dobie Point and Wilcox school districts to the Kent district. The county boundary board will conduct the hearing.

For some time there has been agitation to combine these districts and as the rural districts have been sending their pupils to the Kent school it is a natural step. A majority of the pupils attending school from the Wilcox district are high school pupils and that district will benefit somewhat from the annexation it is believed.

"Central Park" Will Be Shown Here Friday

"Central Park", a show that has delighted thousands of picture fans will be shown at the Legion Theatre Friday night. Picturing shows are being brought here as the increasing attendance attests and J. M. Yoes, the manager, states that it is his ambition to book shows that continue to please.

"Central Park" with Joan Blondell is guaranteed to be full of thrills that will entertain all classes of theatre goers.

Candidates For Non-High School Directors Filed

The filing date for candidates for the board of directors of the new non-high school district has passed and the line-up of candidates is now complete. Of the five zones two have only one contestant and no zone has more than two candidates for the office. Directors are elected by the vote of the entire non-high school district and not by their own zone.

In zone 1 Harry Proudfoot is the only candidate. Mr. Proudfoot is a farmer, graduate of Washington State College and has two sons attending school. One is in Wasco High School and one in public school there.

In zone 2 the candidates are Harry Pinkerton and A. G. Futter. Mr. Pinkerton is a farmer, an ex-student at Oregon State College and is the parent of four children, one in high school in Moro, one in grade school there and two younger children. Mr. Futter is a farmer, living in the Gorman district. He has three children, a boy attending Benson Polytechnic in Portland and two younger children.

Zone 3 will have as candidates Tom Fraser and Homer Belshee. Both are farmers. Mr. Fraser is a graduate of Oregon State College.

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SPORTSMEN ARRANGE PREDATORY BIRD SHOOT

Boys Will Be Given Prizes For Most Birds Destroyed

SET OF BY-LAWS ADOPTED

100,000 Fish Will Come To County In 1933

Sherman county sportsmen in their second meeting here Thursday night June 1, advanced their organization by adopting a set of bylaws in which was set forth the principles to be followed in protecting and increasing game resources of the county.

The name of the association will be the Sherman County Fish and Game Association; officers will be a president, a secretary, a treasurer and a board of five directors all to be elected at a general meeting in the later part of May of each year. Dues will be twenty-five cents per year for each member and anyone is eligible.

A protest against the construction of another fish ladder at Sherars bridge was made by representatives from Grass Valley and the association sent a letter expressing its disapproval of the construction of such a ladder to the state commission.

Boys under 16 years of age who are living in the county will have an opportunity to win a couple of prizes during the summer months for the sportsmen's league voted to give a 22 rifle and a fishing rod as a first and second prize respectively to the boys who killed the largest number of predatory birds within that period.

Listed among these birds are ravens, crows, magpies, hawks and owls. Eggs of the above mentioned birds will count the same as the birds. One point will be credited to the young hunter who brings the head of any of such birds or the eggs of any of the birds to a director of the association. The contest will end September 15th and it started at the time of the meeting June 1. Directors who may check the boy's game are A. A. Dunlap, T. M. Garrett, Joe Truitt, M. G. Tuel and Clarence Lindeman.

The officers of the association reported that 50,000 trout from the Oak Springs hatchery had been planted in the Deschutes river last week. Accompanied by Cap. Scott the fish truck was driven as far up the river from the mouth as it was possible to go and the fish were liberated. They are expected to work up stream for several miles.

A letter was received from the state fish commission promising that a goodly supply of catfish, crappies, bluegills and bass would be planted in the John Day river during the summer. These fish are captured after the Columbia river recedes after the June rise and the number available is not predictable. Last year 28,000 of these fish were put in the John Day and it is the belief of officers of the association that there will be 50,000 put there this year.

Sixty members have joined the sportsmen's organization and have received their cards. A drive is being made to increase the membership and if present enthusiasm continues it is likely that three or four hundred persons will join during the summer.

Warrants Called

All outstanding Sherman County Road Warrants registered not paid for want of funds prior to June 7, 1933, numbers 1 to 193, will be paid by the county treasurer. Interest stops on this date.

Dated this 9th day of June, 1933 at Moro, Oregon.

A. M. Young, Treasurer.

Local Youths In Friendly Camp At Friend

George Wilcox and A. A. Dunlap accompanied the Sherman county contingent of Civilian Conservation Corp boys to the camp above Friend last week and their report of the camp is most glowing. Richard Gather of Kent was taken along as an alternate and was employed by the forestry department in addition to the six who were assigned to the camp.

The camp where the Sherman county boys are situated is ten miles west of Friend. The officials and the first part of the crew have cleared a space for the buildings and for a volley ball and indoor base ball courts. A regulation ball diamond is being cleared now and sports will begin immediately.

The men are domiciled in tents and all seven of the local boys were assigned to the same one. Work will consist of clearing trails and building roads for eight hours per day, five days per week. There will be ample time for recreation. Officers were reported as pleasant experienced men and there was no show of the old army discipline according to the men who made the trip.

T. C. Morrison Buried In Canby Sunday

T. C. Morrison, for many years a Sherman county farmer, died at his home in Canby last Friday and was buried there Sunday. Mr. Morrison was the son of the Rev. J. M. Morrison an early day missionary and preacher who established a number of churches in Sherman county.

Some time ago the deceased suffered a paralytic stroke from which he died. He left Sherman county in 1912 and has lived in Canby a large part of the time since. He is survived by his widow and eight children, four of whom are married.

Of the old Morrison family of eight children six are still living. Joe is at Arlington, Mrs. Ella Nelson at Portland, Mrs. Margaret Bates at Corvallis, Mrs. Nan Thomas at Portland, Mrs. Maud Keenan at Los Angeles and J. M. Morrison at Portland.

Wasco Firemen Plan Patriotic Celebration

The grand and time honored anniversary, July fourth will be observed by all Sherman county at Wasco with plans now well underway for a monster two day celebration. The business men of Wasco have pledged their financial support and the fire department, under the leadership of William Reid, have been working out the details for some weeks.

This is to be a good old fashioned celebration with the usual ball game fireworks and dances, but will have as special trimmings a rodeo in the afternoon of the 4th and 20 rounds of fast boxing in the evening. Two ball games are booked with a Knight of Pythias ball club from Portland Wasco and the Grass Valley teams each playing games.

There will be something doing for the entertainment, of all from the crack of dawn when the eagle screams and the customary anvil is fired until late at night. The base ball contests are scheduled for the forenoons. An effort is being made to secure a speaker for the occasion of the old fashioned spell binder variety and free barbecue will be held at the tourist park at noon following.

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WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 7.

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
JUNE 1	71	38	.00
" 2	80	46	.00
" 3	78	50	.01
" 4	71	41	.00
" 5	68	46	.00
" 6	64	42	.02
" 7	65	47	.03
Total for week			.06

SEN. HAZLETT ATTACKS SALES TAX AT KENT

Hood River Attorney Calls Tax Unfair To Small Merchant

NECESSITY EXEMPTION LIKED

Personal Property Exemption Declared Mistake By Legislator

Speaking from a pile of manuscript that apparently contained every thing ever written about the Oregon sales tax and sales taxes in general Senator James H. Hazlett, of Hood River addressed the Sherman county Pomona grange at Kent last Saturday night. Mr. Hazlett opposed the bill that the voters will pass on in July.

The senator first discussed the probable effect the passage of the sales tax would have on the small merchants who live along the border of the state. He stated that as only a part of the tax could be passed on to the ultimate consumer, the merchants who came in direct competition with those of other states would lose enough business to be eventually bankrupt. Idaho and California do not have a sales tax and the tax in Washington does not apply to goods shipped out of the state.

Proclaiming himself a convert to the income tax as a just means of taxation the speaker reviewed briefly the history of taxation in Massachusetts, where he formerly lived, in New York and in Wisconsin. All of these states depend largely on an income tax for state purposes and a percentage of the income taxes there are returned to the counties.

Mr. Hazlett labelled the sales tax efforts in this state a part of a nationwide attempt to change the system of taxation so that the common man is forced to pay the taxes the rich should bear. He said, "It is not the sales tax against the property tax, but the sales tax against the income tax."

State government is not expensive or at least the strictly administrative functions of the state are no great burden, according to the statements of the speaker, but government costs have risen because of the social duties forced on the state such as caring for the insane, the criminal and temporarily the unemployed. These may well be duties of the state, he added.

The senator recalled that Germany was the first nation to try the sales tax since the world war and he ascribed much of the present condition of that nation to the sales tax. Throughout history it has been used only when a nation or a state drops all sense of fairness in taxation and looks only to a tax that will yield revenue.

The particular tax law before the people was discussed and the proposal to remove the personal property tax from the rolls was held up as an example of favoritism to the well to do who, said the speaker, own a large part of the personal property. Instead of exempting the personal property of the state there should have been an exemption on food and clothing, said Mr. Hazlett. Other states and Canada having a sales tax so exempt necessities.

Although the senator was suffering from a throat ailment that affected his voice he impressed his hearers with his earnestness and his convictions. Others appearing on the program were Jim Matthes and Hal Morrow with some old time music, Maude Homewood who gave a reading, Mrs. C. P. Adams with a reading, Homer Belshee who sang a solo accompanied by Mrs. Belshee, and T. M. Rolfe who gave a reading.

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4-H Plans Announced For Summer School Trip

County School Superintendent Knighten has notified 4H club members who may be intending to attend the summer school at Corvallis of plans made for them for the trip. The group will leave The Dalles at 6:40 on June 11 and will arrive in Corvallis Monday morning.

The cost will be \$12.00 for the two weeks trip as this will be the room and board expense. Little spending money is recommended as it may be lost. No child under 12 years may be taken and all must be 4H members in good standing. Bedding must be brought by the student. The school will begin June 12 and continue until June 24.

Jun Meeting Of Pomona Held At Kent

The Sherman County Pomona held its regular all-day session last Saturday, June 3 at Kent, with about 60 members present. During the morning session the business meeting was held. At noon a bountiful lunch was served by the H-E-C women.

In the afternoon the initiatory degree was given. Harlandview grange giving the drill work and Kent grange giving the degree and table work. The following candidates were initiated: Edwin Morrow, Guy Wilson, Maude Homewood, Mr. and Mrs. James Matthes, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson. At seven thirty supper was served and the evening program began at nine o'clock.

Those attending from other granges were: W. S. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Futter, Clare Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Leaton Wright, Guy Wilson, Clifford May, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Belshee and daughter, Winnie, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Belshee and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Reynolds and daughter Vivian from Harlandview.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brackett, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fridley and daughter of Klondike. Maude Homewood, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Rolfe of Sherars and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bruckert who are Kent members but are living at Klondike.

Items That Were News Nineteen, Twentynine & Thirtynine Years Ago

From the Observer, June 14, 1894

On June 4, 1894 the vote of Sherman county resulted as follows. S. S. Hays, clerk; Wm. Holder, sheriff; H. A. Thompson, treasurer; R. P. Orr, commissioner; C. E. Brown, school superintendent; George White, surveyor; C. C. Kuney, assessor and C. R. Rollins, coroner.

Our heart is full of sorrow for the people of our sister villages, wrecked and injured by the flood. But little of Grants remains to be seen. The distillery and milling company's plant succumbed to the torrent on the 8th, thus removing the largest factor for a home market in the county and main stay of the town.

A fatal disease has broken out among horses in portions of Sherman county. Messrs. Ed. Miller and George Higgenbottom have several afflicted and some have died. A post mortem showed the lungs and windpipe checked full of froth.

A son was born to C. K. Huff and wife on the 11th.

From the Observer, June 10, 1894

Mrs. M. A. Potter, daughter of Sheriff elect B. W. McCoy of this city is here from California on a visit to her parents.

Milt Damon will be at home during harvest. He will be the first mate for John Christensen and Geo. He nagin on their combine.

Horace Strong is putting in a foundation for a 25 by 50 brick addition to his park street building.

GRASS VALLEY-ANTELOPE BATTLE ON DIAMOND

Free Hitting Affair Also Featured By Many Errors

SCORE: 17-8 FOR LOCALS

All Players Get Marathon Practice During Game

For those who like their baseball well punctuated with base hits and who like to hear the smack of ball bat against horse hide the 17 to 8 game between Grass Valley and Antelope last Sunday was a sporting treat.

A three base hit or a home run gives a thrill to the youngster who is enjoying his first few years as a ball player on the regular team, but for an old timer who has put in 20 years playing ball for the old town it means a lot of puffs and the expenditure of as much energy as a week's work might entail. Therefore a game that abounds in long hits and plenty of outfield errors makes the old timers weep.

Antelope had not gotten their team together this season until the morning of the game and if the truth must be known they showed it. There are plenty of boys around that town who know the game but they need a little practice to do their best. Troth pitched for the Antelope boys the larger part of the game and was not able to handle the ball in the manner he did last season when he was in baseball condition. With one or two exceptions the boys hit him heavy.

Ford, the kid pitcher from The Dalles served the slants for the Grass Valley boys and the Antelope hitters seemed to like his stuff so there was an abundance of long flies, long hits and always there was a man or two on base. Oh! there was plenty going on.

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corner of First street in this city.

Mrs. W. O. Hadley and Miss Alta Poole will represent the local chapter in grand lodge of the Eastern Star in Portland next week.

Geo. Young and son have sold all their ewes and lambs and only take dry sheep into the free pastures of Uncle Sam this year.

Stewart Bros. sheep started for the mountain pastures Tuesday in much nicer fix than they did one year ago. A band of 1,200 passed through Moro Wednesday.

N. W. Thompson is in charge of the farm now feeding 400 little chickens and cooking for five men, happy as a clam at high tide. Mrs. T. is looking out for the clam, meantime, at Newport beach.

From the Observer June 12, 1914

N. P. Hansen attended the commencement exercises at Albany college last week at which his daughter Ina was a graduate.

Contractor W. A. Raymond is busy putting down concrete walks on McCoy street in front of property of E. H. Moore, J. N. Landry and L. Barnum.

Miss Mary Elliot expects to soon leave for Forest Grove where she will attend summer school.

Hans Thompson has purchased the J. J. McDonald farm northeast of Monkland.

W. A. Woods shipped out a lot of fine wool from his farm out east on the Tuesday freight.