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DRY DAYS BRING TAN TO RANK WHEAT

Outlook Not So Bright; Rain Must Come To Insure Crop

WHEAT IN UNSIGHTLY STAGE

Good June Rain Would Be Hailed With Great Glee

Realization of the fact that additional rain is necessary if anything resembling a satisfactory crop of wheat is harvested here this year was forcibly thrust upon the residents of the county last Saturday and Sunday when an east wind—cool though it was for the variety—swept over the county browning the leaves of wheat on the south slopes and hastening the heading out process of maturing wheat.

The consensus of opinion seems to be that little if any of the crop is permanently injured up to date, but the fact that two days of dry wind could show its effects so suddenly makes it apparent that there is in most cases insufficient moisture in the ground to mature a crop that will return any dividends. The mere fact that the foliage is dried from the stalks is not alarming. In fact, several farmers have expressed pleasure that the leaves are gone for, they contend, since the leaves do not longer need to be fed by the roots more of the moisture in the ground or that comes to the ground later can be used for seed production.

In a part of the county the wheat is probably in its most ugly stage and its most discouraging appearance. It is heading out. Some fields are already practically through this stage, but for the most part the grain presents that ragged, uneven appearance like a chicken during the moulting

Local Youth Missing In Idaho Forests

W. C. Todd, of Grass Valley left last week for Grangeville, Idaho upon receipt of information that his eldest son, Herald, was missing. Definite information has not been received about the case, but it appears that Herald left here about a month ago for Grangeville where he was to meet a school friend who had a home near there. He expected to find a job that country. Later he was accepted as a member of a Civilian Conservation Camp.

Presumably he left the Camp, either on a week end or after obtaining permission to visit his friend who lived some distance away. He did not arrive there and the search for him did not start for several days because it was not known he was lost until officers of the camp found that he had not arrived at his destination. In the absence of definite information it is presumed that the hunt for him is still being continued.

He has a wife and two small children at the home of his father southwest of Grass Valley. He is a graduate of Grass Valley High School and later attended school in Chicago for several months.

Sheriff Hugh Chrisman has received word from Idaho to be on the watch for bodies floating down the Columbia as it is believed that Herald Todd and two others were down in a tributary of the Snake river. To go on the Todd piece.

Wheat is not going to be very high this year unless something happens to stretch it more than usual. The cold spring prevented very fast growth and the lateness of the seeding cut down the growing season. However, the wheat is high enough for all practical purposes. It doesn't need to be as high as the fences to produce good grain. A larger percentage of the moisture may go into kernels instead of into stalks in short grain.

Rain now is something everyone looks and hopes for and June may be assured of a hilarious reception for his product if he sends a couple or three inches before the first of July.

Cooperatives Elect Officers Again Monday

Two of the grain cooperatives in the county elected a part of their boards of directors this week and both of them re-elected their former officers. The Grass Valley meeting was made more interesting by the presence of A. C. Adams the secretary of the North Pacific Grain Growers who talked on the farm financing provisions of the new farm bill. He has recently returned to the northwest after a trip to Washington. Officers re-elected at Grass Valley Monday were: Gus Engstrom and J. H. Wilson. A board meeting after the stock holders meeting resulted in the former officers being elected for another year.

The Sherman Co-operative Grain Growers held their annual meeting on Monday also with about fifty members on hand. Arthur J. Smith, Harry D. Proudfoot and A. C. Kaseberg were re-elected as directors for another term. Mr. Adams talked in the afternoon.

Training Camp May Take Experienced Boy

The C. M. T. C. this year is reminding of the Irish engineer. First, it was on, then off and now it is announced that it will actually be held although in somewhat reduced size. None but those who have attended before will be eligible as no beginners courses will be given this year. It is thought that there is still room for a Sherman coultian.

New Laws Change Things in State

A whole flock of new laws went into effect last Friday, June 9th, that day being the end of the 90 day period after the adjournment of the legislature when all newly made bills become law unless an emergency clause is included in them.

Persons wishing to get married must wait three days after procuring a license. This so-called "gin" marriage law was passed to stop hasty weddings. It is reported that already Vancouver is already on its way to become a Gretna Green for those who wish to be married—right away.

A law that effects Sherman county shippers of livestock is now in effect. It makes it unlawful to transport stock from one county to another brand inspect.

Drivers of automobiles may procure a license easier than before the 9th but it will cost more. For an extra four bits the prospective driver escapes telling what he knows about the rules of the road, that is, if his previous record is unblemished or unless he or she has lived more than 70 summers.

A law removing a large part of the delinquent taxes from the rolls is now in effect. All taxes prior to 1930 are now payable in ten equal installments and back interest is waived. Interest on the payments will be figured from the first of July.

Those owing taxes on personal property must begin paying by July 1, 1933 and those owing taxes on real property must begin paying not later than July 1, 1934 or before three semi annual installments are past due. Otherwise foreclosure is mandatory on the part of the sheriff.

These are only a few of the new laws. There is over three hundred of them—some for fish and game, some for corporations, some for schools and some for everything else apparently.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 14

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
JUNE 8	71	48	00
" 9	63	47	01
" 10	72	32	00
" 11	83	41	00
" 12	91	50	00
" 13	98	62	00
" 14	89	57	00
Total for week			.01

REDUCTION IN LOANS NOT PROBABLE NOW

Land Banks Fare Well In New Bill For Farmers

FEDERAL FUNDS PROMISED

Farmer's Aid Consists of More Time and Slight Interest Reduction

Farmers of this section who had hoped or who had even been promised a considerable reduction in their obligations to the several joint-stock land banks have been disappointed this week to find that such reductions may not be obtained, at least for the present.

Liquidation of the joint-stock land banks is made mandatory under the provisions of the new farm bill for it expressly states, "After the date of the enactment of this act, no joint-stock land bank shall issue any tax exempt bonds or make any farm loans except such as are necessary and incidental to the refinancing of existing loans or bond issues or to sale of any real estate now owned or hereafter acquired by such bank."

The bill further provides that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is authorized to make loans to land banks through the Farm Loan Commissioner up to \$100,000,000 at the rate of 4 percent. To get these loans the banks must give collateral consisting of farm mortgages and must also agree to grant to each borrower a reduction to 5 percent in interest and to withhold foreclosure for a period of two years unless the land is deserted by the owner or unless foreclosure is deemed advisable by the commissioner.

The farm bill plainly states that the purpose of these loans is to aid the orderly liquidation of such banks. The Farm Loan Commissioner is granted funds to loan to joint-stock banks to enable them to continue without collection of their full interest rate and to make it possible for them to withhold foreclosure for the two year period.

If the above are all the provisions affecting these land banks it is apparent that they will not liquidate with sufficient haste to give drastic reductions to any mortgagors. They are very well protected.

There is a movement on foot in the wheat counties of the Columbia basin to organize a land mortgagors association empowered to speak for those who have borrowed from the joint-stock banks. If the bond holders seek to market their land bank bonds at a discount it may be possible for the mortgagors to avail themselves of the opportunity and through cooperation receive a reduction in their debt.

Reduction in interest beyond the 5 percent is not in sight for borrowers and the five percent will not be put in force until the land bank borrows from the government according to the new law. The much touted farm bill may prove to be a great aid to the land banks.

Four H Club Members Leave On Trip

Four H club members bound for the annual summer school at Corvallis left Sunday evening for The Dalles where they are en route to their destination. Tommy and Paul Fraser, Donald Barnes, Lavon Sayrs, Mary Pinkerton, Melba Thogerson and Marjorie Byers were the members of the Sherman county group. They are expected to broadcast over station KOAC next Saturday and tell the folks at home how they are enjoying themselves.

Grass Valley Painting Civic Auditorium

The civic auditorium at Grass Valley is being painted this week. The roof, one time green, is in process of changing to a bright red—perhaps in conformity to the general business trend. The sidewalks will be repainted white.

The work is under the supervision of Fred Krusow as committee chairman. Civic groups have raised the money to have the work done during the past few years. The Woman's Club, American Legion, Community Chest and the city itself are cooperating. Henry Roth started the work of reddening up the roof.

Missourians To Gather For Big Picnic

The Missourians of the state of Oregon or those Oregonians who once natives of the "Show Me" state will gather for their fourth reunion at Salem on June 25. Families and relatives are invited also.

Farmers Union Plans Day At Dufur

The Farmers Union of Wasco county is giving its annual picnic at Dufur this year and have invited all farmers in this county to meet with them on June 25. Sunday at the Dufur picnic grounds. There is a program of sports and games scheduled and speakers of note are to be on hand to make the well known welkin ring.

Wheat Prospects Improve Slightly In World

Intense heat with lack of rain caused considerable damage to wheat, oats, rye and barley from South Dakota southward during the week. In Kansas the extreme heat coming at a critical period of development was decidedly harmful to wheat. The crop is heading short and is ripening prematurely in southwestern sections.

In the Ohio valley and Missouri the condition of winter wheat is fair to very good with heading general. The June 1 condition of 64 percent indicated a crop of 341,017,000 bushels or an increase of about 3,500,000 bushels over the May 1 forecast. The gain was principally in Nebraska and Oklahoma with some reduction indicated in Kansas.

The condition of spring wheat at the first of June was 84.9 percent of normal which is only slightly higher than the June 1 condition a year ago but about 10 percent under the ten year average. Durum wheat showed a condition of 84.5 percent and other spring wheat 84.9 percent. Spring seeding began a week or ten days later than average in the principal spring wheat states but favorable weather during the seeding period enabled farmers to complete sowing but little later than an average season. Generally cool temperatures during May were favorable for growth and the crop shows a heavy stand in the chief spring wheat areas. Prospects for spring wheat in Canada are slightly better than a year ago, with the condition May 31 reported at 99 percent of the long time average. Seeding of spring wheat was late but the season is now well advanced in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Prospects in these Provinces are uniformly good but the weather is dry in West Central Saskatchewan.

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CALL FOR WARRANTS

Outstanding warrants numbered 64, 61, 83, and dated December 12, 1932, and endorsed "Not paid for want of funds" will be paid by the district clerk of District No. 7, of Sherman county at her office upon presentation. Interest will cease after this notice. Dated at Wasco, Oregon, this 16th day of June, 1933. Lydia E. Darby, Clerk.

Dog Bites Small Boy Severely On Head

Little Dickie Oveson was injured Wednesday evening while attending a children's party at the park by being bitten by the aged collie dog of Mrs. Bryan's. He had stooped to pick up a piece of bread to feed the dog when the animal bit him across the back of the neck. The child was immediately taken to The Dalles for treatment and it is thought his wound will not prove serious.

John P. Strahl Buried In Portland Last Week

John P. Strahl, one time a resident of Moro, died at a Portland hospital June 5th and was buried there the 7th. A throat tumor was the cause of his death. Mr. Strahl was 78 years old.

For a number of years since leaving Moro he has returned every summer to spend several weeks as a guest at the Hockman place and he was expected there again this summer.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Edna Coolidge, of Hood River and by an adopted son, Leslie of Portland. His wife died several years ago.

Polo Game Scheduled At Helyer Ranch

They play polo in Sherman county or at least they are going to next Sunday. The game will be held at the W. C. Helyer ranch where a field has been prepared. Those wishing to see a game of polo or participate in one may bring their horses and find out how it is done. The game is scheduled for 2:30.

Kieth Reynolds Goes East To Receive Estate

Keith Reynolds, local section worker had a streak of luck last week. Mrs. Art Bucholtz was looking through a magazine and discovered in the persons wanted column an announcement in favor of Mrs. Julia Woods Hansen and F. A. Sayrs remained on the board. There were 145 pupils and it required \$5000 to run a nine months school.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kessinger at the Poley sanitarium in Moro a daughter one minute before midnight June 15.

Misses Leah Cushman and Mary Vintin have graduated from Portland high schools this week.

Elwood Ginn and Miss Ida Hardin were married Sunday.

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M. J. Finlayson of southern Sherman county passed through Moro Tuesday. Mr. Finlayson received the top price for his wool this year, over 16 cents.

Sheriff elect W. B. McCoy has appointed M. Fitzmaurice as his deputy. County Clerk McDanel has appointed George James as his deputy. Both are well qualified.

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MANY RUNS, MANY HITS, MANY ERRORS IS FARE

Grass Valley Wins By Wide Margin in Sloppy Game

PRACTICE NEEDED BY TEAMS

Pitchers Cannot Be Blamed For Huge Scores

Grass Valley won over Wasco Sunday on their home grounds in a base ball game that was about 50 percent good and the remainder a very decided opposite. Until the sixth inning the score was tied at four all and it looked like the fans might have to change their opinion about the

the players after all. After the 6th inning the game rapidly deteriorated into town ball and ended in a score of 20 to 9.

It is a common remark that the teams hereabouts need some better pitching and that is perhaps true, but it is also true that all of the teams need some better fielders. The error column is always black after every game. Better fielding would make the pitching look a hundred percent better.

Grass Valley run in four scores in both the sixth and seventh innings largely on account of errors. In the ninth Wasco made four scores just to show that they could, presumably, for there was no chance of wiping out the 15 point lead.

Old Cap Rutledge pitched for Wasco and while he had little control he was able to retire several of the best batters of the opposition through knowing what they couldn't hit. Young Ford hurled for Grass Valley and probably turned in the best game of the season so far.

Line-ups were: Wasco: Eaton; Rutledge, p; Woods and Watkins 1st; Watkins, 2; Kruger, 3; Weld, ss; Brock, 1; Schunke, m; Brock, r.

Grass Valley: Fritts, c; Ford, p; Heath, 1st; Dunlap, 2; Coon, 3; Rolfe, ss; Rice, 1; Vintin, m; Peters, r.

Let the Journal do your printing

Items That Were News Nineteen, Twentynine & Thirtynine Years Ago

From the Observer June 19, 1914.

The annual school election resulted in W. C. Bryant being elected as director to succeed W. H. Ragsdale. L. Barnum resigned in favor of Mrs. Julia Woods Hansen and F. A. Sayrs remained on the board. There were 145 pupils and it required \$5000 to run a nine months school.

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Sherman county representatives to the Oregon State Sunday School convention reports a very profitable meeting.

Everything is now in readiness for pushing the work of construction on the proposed electric light and power plant to furnish power for Moro, Wasco and Grass Valley.

From the Observer June 21, 1894:

Cap H. A. Moore died on his ranch near Erskineville on the 13th while doing the chores about the farm. He was a pioneer of California and Oregon.

Gov. Pennoyer made a trip down river from Heppner to Portland last week. He traveled partly by water, partly afoot and partly by team as transportation along the Columbia is badly disrupted.

According to reports the crop of volunteer wheat in Sherman county this year will beat the world's record.

Miles Leslie was informed that his dwelling was washed away from Grants by the flood had been caught and moored near Deschutes. The cook stove was still right side up in the kitchen.

R. A. Wallis informs us that the flood did no damage whatever at Rufus as the grain was moved out of the warehouses and the water did not reach them anyway.



COURT NEWS

CLAIMS ALLOWED AT JUNE 7th, 1933 TERM OF COUNTY COURT:

COUNTY FUND	
County Charge	
Mrs. S. L. Coats	\$15.00
Mrs. Peter Fleck	15.00
T. D. Hathaway	15.00
Pac. Power & Light Co., Courthouse light bill	2.80
City of Moro April and May water bills	7.60
Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co., Total courthouse phone bills	15.15
Alva Stone, Predatory animal control, April and May	25.00
F. D. Antrim Sealer of weights and measures	5.38
West Cst Print. and Bind. Co. Supt's supplies	\$13.34
Clerk's supplies	6.66
Pac. Stationery & Print. Co. Clerk's supplies	44.20
Geo. G. Updegraff 1/2 Dist. Att'y. expenses	10.82
Ore. State Board of Control care of Fox, Cross and and Hellekes	60.00
Dewey Thompson Field Assessor	100.00
Farmers Elev. & Supply Co., Courthouse wood	3.50
The Dalles Typewriter Exchange Service on Clerk's typewriters	7.00
J. K. Gill Company Supt's supplies	2.37
Mrs. Alma Lundy Care of Wm. Shiel, County charge	17.50
The Dalles Hospital X-Ray treatment for Jesse Steel	2.50
J. S. Fowler Witness for the State vs. Cooper case	3.10
Keith McDonald Digging grave of Wm. Shiel	5.00
Geo. Wilcox Coroner's fees re. Byron Anson	7.50

tal printing	16.80
Wasco County Indus. Farm, care of Chas. Patterson	40.00
F. D. Platt Dicing and hauling for county	9.00
Geo. A. Potter County Judge's expenses	3.85
W. J. Underhill County poor, allowance for April and May	40.00
State Indus. Acc. Comm Contributions for April and May	20.12
Bert Hatley Digging grave of Byron Anson	5.00
Joseph A. Mee J. of P. fees in case State vs. Cooper	1.25
A. L. Gosson Witness fees in case State vs. Cooper	1.90
Howard Hines Juror in case State vs. Cooper	1.50
Harold White Witness and mileage in case State vs. Cooper	3.30
W. H. Burres Witness and mileage, in case State vs. Cooper	2.50
Zell Funeral Home Burial of Wm. Shiel	45.00
Road Fund	
Homer S. Wall County Roadmaster's Salary	125.87
Road Laborer's	
L. L. Funk	23.85
Andy Shearer	32.88
Bob Richardson	28.25
W. F. Johnson	22.75
Wayland Weld	28.09
Ralph Easton	2.65
E. L. Weld	40.75
Elbert DeMoss	2.40
W. G. Armsworthy supplies	8.25
City of Wasco Roadmaster's water bill	5.00
Farmer's Elevator & Supply Co. Road supplies	95.31

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