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NRA FINDING SUPPORT IN SHERMAN COUNTY

Firms In Wasco and Grass Valley Signing Up

FEW EMPLOYEES AFFECTED

Power and Oil Companies Operating Here Sign

Comparatively few N. R. A. signs are on display in Sherman county so far and nearly all of these are in Wasco. Regulations regarding them make it necessary for the postmasters to give cards to all employers having three employees. Those having less than three employees may come to the postmaster and ask for a card which will be granted him. He may then sign it, send it in and be given his blue eagle.

Firms in Wasco that are displaying the insignia are: W. G. Armstrong, blacksmith; R. C. Atwood, grocer; Gift and Jewel Shop; Hull & Spencer, barbers; Sherman Garage & Machine Co.; Wasco Bakery & Confectionery; Wasco Grocery & Market; Joe Mee, shoe repair; Independent Warehouse Co. grain and feed; P. O'Meara, hardware & implements; W. R. Reid, plumber; J. O. Yocum, barber; Wasco Dray.

At Grass Valley the NRA enthusiasm is starting with a majority of the business men signed up but not yet displaying their cards as it takes several days for the new sign to be outfitted with the stickers, emblems, etc. Those adhering to the blanket code are: Fields Garage; Grass Valley Pharmacy; Hartley's Garage; R. A. Stow, shoe repair; J. S. Newcomb, service station; H. Zeigler, merchant; Gus Smith, dray; J. H. Wils & Co., merchants;

The Tum-A-Lum Co. in the county is adhering to the lumber code and the oil companies doing business in the county are all signed as members of the NRA. They are the Standard, the Union and the Shell and Texaco. The Pacific Power and Light Co., have also signed the code. The Farmer's National Warehouse Company, being a seasonal business

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Schedule For District Meetings Announced

The schedule of meetings for the remainder of the county that has not yet had community meetings is completed and the dates set for organization of each community.

Thursday, August 24, at 7:30 a meeting will be held in the Locust Grove school house for that district. Friday, August 25, at 7:30 the Kent district will organize.

Monday, August 28, at 7:30 a meeting will be held in the Harlandview grange hall for organization.

Wednesday, August 30, at 7:30 the Wasco community will hold their meeting.

Thursday, August 31, at 7:30, the meeting of the Grass Valley district will be held at the Auditorium in that town.

At each of these meetings a director will be elected to serve on the county allotment board and two community allotment board directors will be elected. The county board member will be chairman of the local community board, making a group of three for each district.

Sherman County Picnic Due Next Sunday

Sherman counties of present times and those of other days will have an opportunity to meet and exchange experiences on Sunday August 27, when the annual Sherman county picnic will be held at Laurelhurst park in Portland. At noon a basket lunch will be served.

County Bridge Crew Repairing Crossings

A county bridge crew has been repairing some of the bridges around Moro for the past week in places where such repair was necessary. The wooden structure that spans the creek at the L. L. Peetz ranch has been repaired to make more stable and at present the crew is rebuilding the bridge on the Erskineville road just north of the under crossing on the highway.

Water last winter washed under one of the concrete battments making the bridge unsafe for heavy loads. While this is being repaired as a necessary duty of the county a new deck and stringers will be put up to make the bridge usable for several years.

Boy Scouts Taken On Trip To Portland

A group of twenty one boys varying in age from ten to sixteen had the time of their lives last week when, under the leadership of Mel Schadewitz, Harvey Thompson and Clyde Gilmor, they made a trip to Portland to see the frigate "Old Ironsides" and other entertaining and instructive sights of the big city.

A majority of the boys rode in Harvey Thompson's truck and the others traveled in cars. Their first stop was at the Bonneville fish hatchery where they found out the secrets in the life of a fish. They made camp at Viking park on the Sandy.

Saturday they visited the historic vessel and learned about its history, saw the aeroplanes arrive and depart from Swan Island Airport, went through a fire station, looked at the animals and birds in the zoo, peered at the papers being printed and folded in a big newspaper plant and took in the sights of Jantzen beach.

They returned by way of the Wapinitia cut-off Sunday arriving home in the afternoon a tired but enthusiastic bunch of boys.

Club Fair Will Be Held Monday

The annual 4-H club children's fair will be held next Monday at the county fair grounds according to announcement made this week by the School Superintendent W. W. Knighten.

"The early date" explained Mr. Knighten, "is caused by the fact that the state fair will begin the following week, and all county club fairs must be held previous to that event."

It is expected that state club leader H. C. Seymour, and assistants L. J. Allen and Miss Helen Cowgill will be here that day to judge the exhibits of the youngsters and aid them in preparing for next year.

Mr. Knighten will be at the fair grounds all day Sunday to receive exhibits and he will also be on hand early Monday morning to finish with whatever exhibits may come in late. The fair will start at 10 a. m.

Four children will be taken to the state fair the next week. They will be chosen because of their outstanding club work during the year. Two girls and two boys will be chosen.

HOLC Heads Named For County

Appointment of local administrations for the Home Owners Loan Corporation resulted in W. F. Jackson receiving the job as appraiser for Sherman County and Roscoe Krier being named as attorney for this county. Both are democrats. Mr. Krier is a young attorney working in the office of Francis V. Galloway and is not at present a resident of Sherman county.

Fines Trickle Into Wasco Treasury

Arrests of persons under the influence of intoxicants has gone on regularly with Wasco taking the lead in the past two weeks. A fine of \$12.50 was paid by Lee Morehouse after his arrest a week ago and last Saturday night a young man working at Moro and one working near Wasco were arrested by Marshal Everett and each paid a fine of the same size into the coffers of the city.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING AUG. 23

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
AUG. 17	98	65	.00
" 18	87	50	.00
" 19	75	42	.00
" 20	71	35	.00
" 21	79	39	.00
" 22	85	45	.00
" 23	96	51	.70
Total for week			.00

DISTRICT ELECTIONS BEING HELD HERE

Klondike & Moro Communities Name Board Members

PERRY N JOHNSTON MADE AIDE

F. L. Ballard Explains Plan To County Wide Group

Community organizations under the requirement of the Farm Recovery Administration began in Sherman county Monday of this week with an afternoon meeting at the Klondike Grange hall and another meeting at the court house in Moro the evening of the same day. Both of these meetings were led by F. L. Ballard, county agent leader for Oregon and C. W. Smith, county agent for Morrow county and administrator of the recovery act for Morrow, Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler counties.

Applications for contracts were signed by farmers controlling 18,500 acres of 1933 wheat signifying that twice that amount will come under the plan in those two districts. This was considered very satisfactory for the first community meetings.

Election of community officers and county representatives in each district was the official business of the meeting. J. M. Yocum was made chairman of the Klondike district and director on the county board and Ormand Hilderbrand and Lee Dehler were elected as the other members of the Klondike community allotment board.

At Moro W. S. Powell was elected as director on the county board and chairman of the community board. Theodore Johnston and L. L. Peetz were named as the community board members.

Announcement was made that Perry N. Johnston, of Condon, had been appointed to assist M. Smith in this four county district and that he would be in charge of the remaining Sherman county meetings to be held this month.

Mr. Johnston was formerly a resident of this county having lived here during boyhood days and until 1919 when he moved to Condon where he is a farmer engaged in raising wheat on a ranch a few miles east of that town.

It was expected that a man would be appointed to serve Sherman county exclusively, but it appears that there are few men on the list capable of handling the job so fewer men are to be used than originally contemplated.

In his review of the wheat situation of the United States, Mr. Ballard stated that our normal production has been 850 million bushels per year since the war days and that our normal disappearance has been between 600 and 650 million bushels. This made it necessary for us to export about 200 million bushels annually. We were able to do this until tariff

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Weather More Pleasant Since End Of Hot Spell

This week has been a decided relief from the extremely hot weather of last when the thermometer ran up to 101 degrees on several days. Even this 101 was not as hot as it can get in Sherman county for back in 1928 in July, Old Sol bore down to end the mercury up to 110.

Temperatures of over 100 degrees are uncommon however for except for the above mentioned years the mercury has stayed below 100 except in 1914-15 and 20. Nineteen twenty eight was not a hot year as a whole except for the one hot spell. This week it has been very pleasant with temperatures below 95 on the hottest day.

Re-employment Man To Be Here Monday

Ivan White and Victor D. Carlson were in the county last week arranging for a series of hearings to be held in each of the towns of the county for the purpose of registering the unemployed for work on highway improvement work on the Columbia river this fall and winter.

Mr. Carlson is the federal director of employment stationed in The Dalles and will have charge of the work of hiring men for the contractors doing the work.

Mr. Carlson will be at Wasco at the Independent Warehouse and Milling company office on Monday, August 28, between the hours of 8:30 and 12:00.

He will be in Moro in the Boy Scouts room in the basement of the Moro hotel between 1:30 and 3:30 on the same day.

He will be in Grass Valley from 4:30 until 6:30 at the Grass Valley Pharmacy on the same day.

All those interested in this work should arrange to see Mr. Carlson while he is in the county.

Barge Shippers Meet And Elect Committeeman

A meeting of the contract shippers of the Columbia Boat & Barge company was held in Wasco last Monday evening at Fraternity hall with officers of the company present to explain the proposed constitution and by-laws of the company.

One of the purposes of the meeting was to elect a Sherman county member of an advisory board which will have a voice in the affairs of the company. W. B. Rice was elected for Sherman county. He will serve with Walter Hartfield of Gilliam, county and Chas. Jensen of Klickitat county who have been elected at previous meetings.

Interested Bankers Visit County This Week

The county has been pretty well supplied with bankers this week when it is considered that there is not a banking institution operating in the county.

L. A. Littleton, of The Dalles branch of the United States National bank was here for several days soliciting business for his bank and later Grant S. Hemphill, of the First National, was getting acquainted with residents of the county in the interests of his institution.

Lynden Lucas Takes Job At Condon

Lynden Lucas has accepted a position as manager of the Condon wheat growers association and began his duties there Monday morning. W. P. Scarth, former manager there has gone to the Willamette valley to another position.

Mr. Lucas has been identified with warehousing and wheat handling interests in this county for many years having been an employee of the Wasco Warehouse Milling Company before the Farmer's National came into being. Since the co-operative organization bought the warehouses in the county he has been superintendent of warehousing.

He has been mayor of Wasco, member of the council and for years has been prominent in American Legion affairs throughout the district.

Frank Knox will handle his work for the remainder of the season.

Call For Warrants From District No. 7

Warrants No. 106, dated December 23rd, 1932, to and including warrant No. 146, dated February 10, 1933, will be paid in full at the office of School District No. 7, Wasco, Oregon. Interest ceases at the date of this notice.

Government Crop Report Indicates Higher Yields

The government's crop report for August shows a slight increase in the expected wheat crop. The increase is approximately 3,000,000 bushels or a little less than 1 per cent. Production of all wheat is estimated at 419,671,000 bushels. The increase was in winter wheat as the spring crop showed no change over the July report.

In Oregon the production of winter wheat declined about 11,000,000 bushels and spring wheat production increased over 6,000,000 bushels for a total loss of nearly 5,000,000 bushels. The entire wheat crop in the northwest states is estimated to be 107,144,000 bushels compared to the 1932 crop of 150,539,000 bushels. The five year average is slightly higher than the 1932 crop.

School Expected To Start The Eleventh

Small boys and likewise girls who like to go to school and who look forward longingly to the opening date each fall will soon have their ambition realized for the principals are arriving, looking over their sheets and making schedules for the winter's work. Teachers will drop into town soon to take up the task of teaching the youngsters the three R's and all the remainder of things that go to make up a modern education.

Rufus planned to start school on the day after Labor Day, but has postponed opening until a week later. Wasco, originally dated for the 18th may begin the 11th and it is now thought that it will be possible for all of the town schools to start on the 11th. Kent has expressed a preference for that date. Moro intended to start then and Grass Valley once decided on the 18th may open up a week earlier to conform to the general movement.

As all of the schools have athletic schedules which include the other schools a uniform opening date is considered an advantage to the entire county system.

Martin Redding Coming To Grade Autoists

Mr. Martin Redding, Examiner of Operators and Chauffeurs, will be in Moro Wednesday, August 30, 1933, at the Courthouse between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m. respectively according to a recent announcement released from the Secretary of State's office.

Newspaper Files of Years Ago Tell of Early Day Happenings

From the Observer August 28, 1914. Blue stem wheat was up to a dollar at the close of the market in Portland last Saturday.

A little thing like a war in Europe never bothers a genuine baseball fan. The other day we ask Ernie Moore for the news and he gave us the standing of the coast league teams.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Powell Monday evening at the Poley sanitarium.

J. O. Thompson has purchased the feed and stable business from Alex Hunter.

L. J. Pape was in town Tuesday and took home a new set of light buggy harness from the Belashee shop at less than war time prices.

From the Observer August 26, 1904.

A letter from William Kenny who recently moved to Canada told of the trip and his first impressions of the Alberta country.

A night school will be started by Messrs Frost and Bryant about October 1st. Bookkeeping, commercial law and typewriting will be taught.

The Margarita Fischer company opened a two night engagement at the Opera house last Friday evening presenting the interesting military dra-

FARMERS STILL AWAIT REDUCTION PERCENTAGE

Date Postponed On Account Of Conference In London

REDUCTION MAY BE SMALL

World Conference Failure May Result Favorably

The announcement of the percentage of crop reduction that will be asked of the wheat growers has been postponed according to press reports. It was stated several days ago that the decision would be made so that definite word could be given the farmers by Thursday about this important phase of the new farm plan. Due to renewed activity among the wheat conference leaders in London it has been deemed advisable to await their decision on world wide wheat acreage reduction for a few days longer instead of setting the United States percentage without regard to that of other nations.

It was presumed earlier in the week that if a percentage was agreed on by the world conference the same percentage would be made to apply to this country and that if no decision was reached by the international delegates there would be a very small reduction asked of American farmers and that the administration would rely on export bounties to raise the domestic price here. A scheme of this sort is apparently to be used as far as the northwest is concerned to judge from reports coming from the export hearing held in Portland this week, the results of which will not be announced until approved by the secretary of agriculture.

Kids Swimming Class Held At Biggs

Swimming lessons are taking the attention of the youngsters now since Red Cross lessons have begun again. On Wednesdays at ten o'clock a lesson is given at Biggs and on Thursdays at two o'clock a lesson is given at Stiles. Each class has an instructor to teach the youngsters how to handle their arms and legs in order to learn the art.

Turkey Growers of Hermiston Raise Huge Flocks of Birds

It seems that everyone has their troubles. The wheat farmer worries about smut, low prices and an occasional freeze out. Up at Hermiston where they grow alfalfa, turkeys and irrigated crops they have black head among the turkeys, curly top on the vegetables, frozen alfalfa and poor prices for the turks.

The experiment station there under the direction of Harold Dean is something entirely strange to our wheat country. There are 17,000 acres under irrigation in the three projects around the mouth of the Umatilla river and Butter creek. The new station there has 180 of these of which 70 is now in cultivation.

On these projects the farmers raise over 16,000 turkeys every year. Last year they shipped seven car loads each one holding 2300 of the national birds. That's a lot of Thanksgiving meat for some body. The tendency now is toward smaller birds as families are getting smaller and the old custom of having all the family in to feast on a huge turkey has fallen by the wayside. Folks used to want a husky and heavy thewed tom, now the demand is for a delicate limbed hen turkey.

Herds of 1000 birds are not uncommon on the Hermiston project now days. Most of them are bought as day old chicks or rather poults, but a few of the smaller turkey raisers

hatch their own birds. It is necessary to keep the turkeys moving from one plot to another. Four or five times a year is the necessary number of times the ground must be changed if the poults are to be kept healthy and free from disease.

Saturday a group of turkey growers from Deschutes and Crook counties visited the Hermiston project and inspected the methods used by the growers there. Paul Maris and H. E. Crosby, of the extension service, spoke before the picnic crowd in the park.

Then, of course, in an irrigated district there is always alfalfa. Quite a bit of it froze out last winter in one of the two freezes. Of the two best varieties one stood 77 percent and the other 69 and that beats the wheat stand considerably.

The station at Hermiston has just been moved and is now on a new location higher than the other irrigated areas about. It is the intention of Mr. Dean to conduct crop rotation experiments on a part of the land under the station management. Crop rotation where there is plenty of water means wheat, barley, clover, alfalfa, corn, early spuds, late spuds vegetables and many others not so common. Already Mr. Dean has planned 126 rotations and will have more. Keeping track of that number will wear out a computing machine in no time.

ma, The Flag of Truce.

Frank Hulery is once more in charge of the Phallamont livery at Wasco.

Mrs. A. O. Anderson sold her residence property now occupied by E. Sells to E. A. Cushman for \$1000.

From the Observer August 30, 1894.

Justice French and Justice-Meader met in the Observer office this week and discussed the railway situation freely. We believe the road will soon be built.

The Thompson & McDonald crew and the Wash Reynolds crew of threshers will play a game of base ball for an oyster supper soon.

A school program given at the closing of Miss Gorden's classes featured recitations and songs by the Blacklock children. Ernest, Fay, Fred and Pearl the Stanton children Carrie and Edna the Jones children Jeane and David and Gilbert Davis.

County clerk Hayes took a three mile walk the morning of the 25th as his horse left him at a farm house where he went on business.

H. Hennagin met with an accident to his header on the 28th that cost a loss of time. He has ten days harvesting ahead of him.