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KENT LEADING LEAGUE WITH PERFECT RECORD

More Wins From Grass Valley In Upset Game

KENT DOWNS HARMONY 8-2

Klondike Beats Wasco By Closest Score of Week

STANDINGS			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Kent	2	0	1000
Moro	1	0	1000
Antelope	1	0	1000
G. Valley	1	1	500
Klondike	1	1	500
Wasco	0	2	000
Harmony	0	2	000

The second installment of games in the Sherman County League resulted in at least one surprise when the Moro team defeated the Grass Valley boys who were supposed to be well started on the road to league leadership. The score was 14 to 11 and it took ten innings to settle the argument. Each team held the lead several times during the engagement and neither was noticeably superior to the other although Moro did get the needed runs after the ninth inning tie.

Walker went the entire distance for the winners and was in better form than when he was battered for 11 runs in one inning by the Dalles. Smith, Rolfe and Fritz took their turn in the box for Grass Valley. Walker did the better pitching while the Grass Valley pitchers had the better support. The home team made eight hits off Walker and Moro garnered 16 from the assortment of hurlers.

Kent kept their lost column clean by beating the Harmony lads 8 to 2 in a good game. Errors were responsible for a majority of the Kent scores. Belshie and Belshie were the battery for Harmony and Young and Schilling did the heavy work for Kent.

Klondike did a surprising act by winning from Wasco on their own diamond. "Mutt" Brock held the Wasco batters pretty well throughout the game allowing only 6 runs to come over the plate. Spencer and Watkins pitched for Wasco.

Next Sunday Grass Valley will travel to Antelope to try and enlarge their percentage. Moro will go to Kent where they have been promised a decisive beating by the Kent fans and Harmony will play the Wasco team at Wasco. Klondike will rest.

Harry Pinkerton and family were among those who drove to Portland to see and hear the opera last week.

Registration This Year Shows Increase

Registrations for the coming primary election show a slight increase over that of last year in this county. There were 1247 electors qualified to vote in July 1933 and 1270 are duly registered for the May primary.

These are divided as follows: Republicans 870, Democrats 380, Socialists 8, Independent 9, Non Partisan 1, Prohibitionist 1, Progressive 1. An increase of 30 was made by the Democratic party while the Republicans lost 8 voters since the last registration.

McKean & Searcy To Have I. H. C. Line

McKean & Searcy of his city have taken over the International Harvester Company's machinery and implement line in this territory and will stock a complete line of repairs for those machines for the harvest trade this year. Both members of the firm have had considerable experience in handling repairs and in selling machines.

Strong's Tulip Garden Produces Freak

Truman Strong has a tulip, grown in his garden that is eligible for "believe it or not" honors. The stem has five well developed flowers where one usually blooms. Truman says that often he has tulips with two or three flowers to the stem but five has surpassed anything found before. One in passing the Strong garden might not be surprised that five tulips grow on a stem for it is full of blooms from the fence to the house.

Mrs. D. A. VanGilder Appointed Treasurer

Mrs. Naomi Young Van Gilder was appointed county treasurer Tuesday afternoon at a special meeting of the county court called for the express purpose of filling the vacancy caused by the death of A. M. Young. Mrs. VanGilder is a daughter of Mr. Young and since he has been bed ridden she has been performing his duties as deputy. The appointment will hold good until the first of the year.

Theft Of Saddle Results In Fine

Curtis Thompson of Rufus was sentenced last Friday to pay a fine of \$50 after he had pled guilty to the theft of a saddle belonging to T. A. Cross. Justice Mee passed sentence.

Read the ads in the Journal

Woman's Club To Hear W. C. T. U. President

The Moro Woman's Club met Friday April 20th at the home of Mrs. W. H. Ragdale.

Instead of some poem usually read by the Director for the afternoon, Mrs. C. L. Poley gave James Whitcomb Riley's "Griggsville Station" in her very pleasing manner.

J. O. Turner, Representative from this district in the Oregon Legislature, spoke on the measures coming before the voters at the May election. He also touched briefly on the 3 great problems: Transportation, Taxation and Power.

Two very pleasing and well rendered numbers "School Days" and "Down by the Old Mill Stream" were given by the Eskineville girls quartet.

Miss Mildred Whalley gave an excellent report on the Library meeting held in Wasco recently. She gave the names and a short explanation of some of the new books in the State Library which would be of interest to us.

The next meeting will be May 4 at the home of Mrs. T. S. Reese with Mrs. P. C. Axtell joint hostesses.

Mrs. Jolley, president of the W. C. T. U. will speak. Those members wishing to go will please meet at the Hotel at 1:45 promptly, where members who have cars will see that all have a way.

Tribute Paid Wm. Hart By Hood Rivers News

The Hood River News in last week's issue paid a tribute to W. E. Hart, marshal and deputy sheriff of that city who died there last Wednesday after a brief illness. The paper spoke of his kindness to youth and the down and outers who came to the apple city. And yet it is said that he could be stern when judgment was passed. Mr. Hart was the father of Mrs. Allen Murray and Mrs. Percy Thompson of this county and four other children. He has been chief of police in Hood River for 14 years.

Souvenir Coin Of New U. P. Train Distributed

Residents of Moro will have an opportunity of securing a commemorative coin commemorating the opening of the Union Pacific stream line train. A. Ross, Union Pacific Agent has received a limited supply of these commemorative coins and a special circular, illustrated in colors, describing the train. Mr. Ross announces that as long as the supply lasts he will give one of these coins and copy of the circular to those who apply at his office. More than a million such coins have been distributed to people who inspected the streamline train in the course of its epoch making tour of the nation.

Alva Stone Interested In Coyote Dens

Anyone who has been watching coyotes and has found one or more of them consistently in the same place day after day should notify trapper Alva Stone of Grass Valley who is interested in digging out the dens at this time of year. He says that usually when old coyotes remain in one place for any length of time it indicates that they have a den in that vicinity.

Drowned Man Still Unidentified

No information has been received about the man who was drowned in the Deschutes river a week ago Sunday. While the section crew along the river were instructed to look for the body no one has reported finding it. An attempt to check on the identity of the man resulted in failure as no man has been reported as missing from any of the ranches and sheep camps along the river. It is now thought that the man was traveling along the railroad when he decided to cross over with the result that he was drowned.

Mrs. G. W. Kramer of Mankato, Kansas is visiting here with Mrs. A. Rose.

BAND FESTIVAL PLANS MADE BY WASCO MEN

Over 200 Bandmen Expected To Attend

POLITICAL SPEAKERS ASKED

Entire Day Full of Entertainment in Plan of Committee

An outline of the entertainment to be presented at the band festival in Wasco May 12 was given to the business men of the town Wednesday night at a meeting called by Principal McCulloch to complete organization for the event.

There are nine school bands of the Mid-Columbia district taking instruction from Clyde Simpson and every one of them will be present in force. It will not be a competitive meet but rather a festival where each band demonstrates to parents and public that it has learned something about music in the time it has been practicing.

The program will begin at 9:30 in the morning with a flag raising under the direction of Wasco Legionnaires. Opening exercises over each band will march to the platform and play three numbers. Between band numbers glee club selections will be given by different schools. It is expected that this musical festival will consume the entire morning.

Seats will be placed in the street around the platform which will be erected in front of the Union building (The wooden building across the street from the McKee pharmacy) and the street will be roped off. A loud speaker mounted on a truck will be provided so that people can remain in their cars and listen to the bands as they desire. At the end of the band music all of the bands will be musiced together to play a few numbers.

After lunch there will be a sports program in front of the Hotel. Various kinds of novelty races and stunts will be featured in this program. A matinee dance for bandmen and students will be given at the school house at two o'clock and a baseball game between Wasco and Klondike will fill in the later hours of the afternoon. A band concert by an adult band from Hood River is planned for the evening and a public dance will wind up the affairs of the day.

It is expected that about 200 band members will be in Wasco on this day and each of the time school bands have from 18 to 30 members. The school band from The Dalles has been invited and the city band from Hood River is also contemplating the trip. School bands from Hood River, Stevenson, Goldendale, Arlington, White Salmon, Rufus, Grass Valley, Moro and Wasco will be on the program.

Committees appointed for the event are: Platform, Chas. Everett; Streets and Decorations, Wasco Firemen; Opening Program, Cap. Scott and Dr. Butler; Speakers, Senator J. P. Yates; Refreshments for bandmen, Tuel and McMillan; Seats, McKee, Feldman and Richelderfer; Sports, Wasco Firemen; Several political speakers have been invited for the day.

Warrant Call

Warrants No. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22 issued in 1933 by School District No. 11 of Sherman County, are called for payment.

Interest stops on April 27, 1934.

A. C. Kruger, Clerk.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APR. 25

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
APR. 19	82	42	.00
" 20	83	43	.00
" 21	86	50	.00
" 22	87	54	.00
" 23	83	45	.02
" 24	64	44	.00
" 25	61	44	.28
Total for week			.30

Wasco Clean-Up Day Set For May 4th

Friday, May 4th, has been designated by the Council of the City of Wasco as Clean-Up Day. All citizens are requested to clean up rubbish around their property, that the work on clean up day may be applied on non occupied property.

M. G. Tuel, Mayor. In preparation for the Band Festival to be held May 12 the City of Wasco are going to hold their clean up day May 4, as the above announcement proclaims over the signature of Mayor Tuel. So that the clean up day itself may be spent on policing the vacant lots and properties in town each and every resident is asked to clean his property previous to the day named.

Decrease In Gasoline Sales Shown

A decrease of 1,057,937 gallons in gasoline sales in March, 1934, under March, 1933, is shown by figures just compiled by P. J. Stadelman, secretary of state. A loss of 861,060 gallons was shown in February reports, and gasoline price wars in February and March, 1933, are held accountable for the larger sale the preceding year.

With an increase of 517,987 gallons in gasoline consumption in January of this year, the total loss of the three months was 1,401,010 gallons. Due to the added cent in tax collected this year, a gain of \$287,891.05 was made in revenue during the quarter. Increase in income from this source in March was \$89,340.37, with a total of \$657,512.39 collected on a sale of 13,150,247 gallons.

Tuberculin Tests Made In County

Last week Dr. Derslinger of the state livestock board spent several days in this county making tuberculin tests on the cattle. County stock inspector James Stewart accompanied Dr. Derslinger and directed him to the herds whose owners had registered their stock with him for inspection. A total of 344 cows were tested and all were found to be free from tuberculosis. These cows were from all parts of the county.

A. M. Young Funeral Held Tuesday

A. M. Young, county treasurer, died Sunday morning at his home in Moro after an illness that had kept him bedridden for more than a year.

He was born in Ohio on July 4, 1868. When a young man he learned the flour milling trade and followed that business for many years in several of the middle western states before coming to Oregon in 1880. He operated flour mills throughout the Willamette valley counties for many years until he came to Tygh valley in the early years of the century. He managed the mill there for 14 years. He moved to Sherman county and was elected county treasurer in 1924, a position he held until his death.

Shortly after coming to Oregon he was married to Florence Stayton, for whose parents the town of Stayton was named. Three daughters born to them survive. They are Mrs. Z. A. Watkins of Tygh Valley, Mrs. F. E. Fagan of McMinnville, and Mrs. D. A. Van Gilder of Moro. Clare, a son, died recently in Portland. Three brothers and a sister also survive.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from the Presbyterian church in Moro under the direction of Zell's. Rev. H. G. Hansen, former pastor here and now of Independence, gave the sermon. The Odd-Fellows lodge of Moro attended in a body and had charge of the graveside services. Mr. Young was a charter member of the Tygh Valley lodge and was an enthusiastic member of the lodge here. Pal bearers were P. C. Axtell, J. C. McKean, A. H. Barnum, L. L. Peetz, W. B. Rice and G. Doema.

Conrad Hauger and wife of Tygh Valley were among the old neighbors of A. M. Young who attended his funeral here Tuesday afternoon.



U. G. McALEXANDER TO SPEAK HERE MAY 1

Prominent Republican Candidate To Address Voters

GENERAL INVITATION GIVEN

Legion Hall Will Be Used For Meeting

General Ulysses G. McAlexander, most prominent of the Republican candidates for governor will be the speaker before the next meeting of the Moro Commercial Club. The date is Tuesday May 1, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Contrary to the usual routine this meeting will be held in the Legion Hall as a much larger crowd than normal is expected. Interest in the general's candidacy is growing in this county since the voters viewed his picture in the voter's pamphlets. The general has an appearance of determination that has impressed many.

Other reasons for the interest in the campaign of this retired army man is the fact that many veterans favor General McAlexander and former students of Oregon State College remember him as commandant there in the days before the war.

General McAlexander is speaking in Yakima next Tuesday in order to fill a previous engagement and he has advised that he will be in Moro that evening.

Every one in the county is invited to attend this meeting and hear the candidate. Members of Woman's clubs in the county are being urged to attend as interest in political events is usually one of the tenets of the clubs.

Stockmen First Settlers On Sherman County Wheat Land

By J. A. Price. CHAPTER I

In the early days one of the best stock countries in the west was between the Deschutes and the John Day rivers, now known as Sherman county. From the late seventies until about 1886, when this county was being changed from a good stock country to a splendid farming country, there was thousands of horses and cattle ranging there.

I have been asked to tell what became of this stock, and something of the men that owned them. When the first settlers took up land the stock men thought it a joke, and said that these fellows would soon starve out. But good grain was produced, and it became certain that the stock must give way to the plow.

Lang and Ryan, the Seawright brothers, and other eastern buyers bought several thousand head of cattle and drove them to Cheyenne. From there some were shipped east to market, and some were taken to ranges north and south of there. C. I. and W. R. Helm also took a band of cattle to Cheyenne.

The hard winter of '81 and '82 killed thousands of cattle in eastern Oregon. After this winter Orv Donnell bought the remnants of several bands and later sold a thousand head to Lang and Ryan, who drove them east. The eastern buyers bought cattle from such men as the Fultons, Fimmegans, Donnell, Barnum, Engleman, Booten, Price, Gibson, Eaton, and many others. Some of these men took up land and became successful farmers.

There were others who wished to stay in the stock business. These men found ranges elsewhere, and rounded up their herds and drove them to new locations. Much of this stock was taken to the Big Bend country in northern Washington. Some was moved to southern Oregon, and some to Montana, Idaho, and different places.

The largest band of cattle that was taken to the Big Bend was owned by James Pearson and his three boys. Bill, Jim and Tom. There was more than 1,000 head in this drove. Henry Willerton

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News of Long Ago For Those Whose Memory Is Long

From the Observer April 23, 1915 J. A. Armstrong has finished painting the Isaac Thompson city home, white with grey trim.

A. D. Richelderfer has finished plowing 1200 acres and has 200 acres yet to plow to finish his little patch of spring plowing.

G. W. Hansell returned Thursday from a business trip to his former home at Athens.

Clifford Kerr is painting the Wm. Henrichs residence.

The special train for Celilo and Big Eddy will leave Moro early in the morning of May 5th.

From the Observer April 28, 1905

James Cochran is at home from Tonopah. With death penetrating so many houses daily he concluded to save himself by getting out and it is evident that he did not make the move any too soon. He feels the effects of the plague now, in his weakened system. He says the camp is undoubtedly one of the richest ever discovered, and thinks that the sickness may in time be traced to mineral poisons.

Dr. Goffin was called to Kent this week to attend Loraine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnson.