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ANTELOPE LEADING LEAGUE UNDEFEATED

No Team So Far Capable of Taking Southern Number

STRONG TEAMS WIN SUNDAY

Klondike and Moro Play On's Close Game

Standings	won	lost	pts
Antelope	4	0	1000
Kent	3	1	667
Moro	3	1	667
Grass Valley	3	2	600
Wasco	1	3	200
Klondike	1	3	200
Harmony	0	6	000

Where they play next Sunday: Kent at Antelope, Klondike at Grass Valley, Wasco at Moro.

Scores in the Sherman county league grew as large last Sunday as football scores due to the fact that three of the heretofore strongest teams were playing with three teams that have been the weakest so far this season.

Grass Valley drove over to Harmony and administered another drubbing to the tail enders who have not seemed to get going in good shape this year. The score was 36 to 12. Harmony's pitcher did some good work it is reported, fanning several opponents. Men scored while Grass Valley players viewed the scenery, two or three pitchers tried out in the box and a general good time was had by all.

Antelope came down from the hill lands and fell upon the peaceful wheat growers of Wasco defeating them by a score of 28 to 7. Some one is going to have to stop these Antelopes or the only out of the county team in the Sherman county league will walk away with the flag. Just who is able to do it is still a question. Kent and Moro claim they can and Kent will have their chance Sunday. Grass Valley held them to a 5 to 4 score and Harmony played them a close game but all have been defeated.

The Moro-Klondike game was the best of the days events if the score is to be taken as an indicator. Moro won ten to nine after being behind a large part of the game. Moro was ineffective in getting men around after they were on the bags and while they made 13 hits to 9 for Klondike they didn't make as much out of them. Barzee pitched most of the game and Brock did all the hurrying for Klondike.

1st Schools, 1st Stores, 1st Grains Remembered By Old-timer Price

The first school ever held in what is now Sherman county, was a private school at the Eaton home. The teacher was Jane Byrd, who married P. E. Mitchell. She now lives at Stevenson, Wn.

The next was a private school at our house, taught by Ella Stark. In 1874 Mr. Eaton and my father built a small house in Mud Hollow, where Fred Blough located later, where the children of the two families went to school. Mrs. Morrison of The Dalles was the teacher.

The first district school house was built in China Hollow. Lizzie Jorey was the first teacher.

Some supplies were sold at Leonard's Bridge at an early date, probably the first general store was at Grass Valley, owned by Dr. Rollins. Soon after Fox, Scott and McCoy opened up a store at Grants, and Wm. Barnett built a store just below where Wasco is now.

The first store in Moro was a hardware store, owned by Scott and McCoy. Henry Barnum had a small stock of groceries in one room of his house. Soon after Moore Brothers started a general store, and took over Barnum's stock of goods. Fowler and Gager started a store at Biggs, and sold to Ginn and McDonald. Later there was a store at Fultonville, now known as Miller. The first land to be fenced was fenced with ditch fence. My father had 20 acres with ditch fence around it. Eaton, Barnum, and Fulton all had land fenced that way.

The first grain to be threshed between the Deschutes, and John

No Projects For Relief Plans Here

It was announced that several projects for FERA work would be presented by the county, but it is now thought that such will not be the procedure here. All work will be on a relief basis in any event and men may be put to work when they qualify whether there are projects designated or not. To simplify bookkeeping and restrict expense men will be assigned to various projects needed without formal projects being sent in to headquarters. Where a small number of men are on relief work this plan is recommended by the state office.

Interest Rates Reduced By Credit Banks

Interest rate on new loans made by the 31 production credit associations in the four Pacific northwest states has been reduced to 5 percent effective May 16, it was announced today by John A. Schoonover, president of the Production Credit Corporation of Spokane.

The reduction came as a result of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Spokane lowering its interest rate one-half of 1 per cent. The credit bank's reduction, which is the second in two months, was brought about when its new issues of debentures were heavily oversubscribed in a few hours after being offered in the New York market. The production credit system secures its loanable funds by discounting farmers' notes with the credit bank.

"Most production loans are made on a budget basis and are made payable from date. In this way, only the amount of actual interest earned is charged to the borrower," explained Mr. Schoonover. "The records of last week reflect the largest amount of disbursements made to date and an increasing number of applications are being received. Since the associations were organized in the latter part of March, there has been 917 loans approved for more than two and a half million dollars.

"Fieldmen of the Production Credit Corporation report that real interest is developing on the part of prospective association borrowers. It is now estimated that the larger portion of Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation loans yet outstanding will be refinanced by production credit associations.

"The large livestock interests are particularly concerned in being assured of a permanent source of credit, and it is believed to be safe to assume for this reason that that most of this business will be taken over by the production credit system."

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Day rivers, was some rye, that Eaton tramped out with horses, and run through a fanning mill. The first threshing machine was brought across the Deschutes by John and Dave Fulton. The first grain was threshed at John Fulton's and the next was at our place.

The first Fourth of July celebration was held in our poplar grove the year that President Garfield was shot. Garfield was shot July 2nd. We got news the 3rd. On the morning of the Fourth Owen Scott went to Grants to get the latest report. A large crowd had gathered, and I well remember seeing Scott ride up and going on the platform, he said "God reigns and our President still lives." The gloom that depressed us, cleared away, and the first big crowd that ever gathered at a public meeting in this country had a wonderful time. Owen Scott was President of the Day, and Ed Van Patten delivered the oration. Just about everybody that was in the country at that time was there that day. Not many living in Sherman county now that were there. Charley Barzee was the first mail carrier after Wasco. P. O. was established. He carried the mail on horse back from Grants. For a while he only made one trip a week but later offices were established at Moro, and Grass Valley and a stage line was put on. I am not sure who had the first contract but Dave Vinton drove the stage for some time. Mr. Martin had the route for awhile, Allie West also had the line at one time, and

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WASCO BAND DAY HELD SUCCESSFUL

Nearly Three Hundred Musicians Preform

POLITICAL SPEECHS HEARD

Upton and Brown Give Reasons for Seeking Office

There was music in the air at Wasco Saturday as evidence of the first Mid-Columbia band festival to be held by school bands of this area. Eleven bands, nine of which were made up of school children ranging from ten to twenty years old, marched upon the stage in order and gave their part of the program.

All bands except that from The Dalles were under the direction of Clyde Simpson who is music instructor for several schools. The Dalles band was led by Kenard Sexton.

Bands taking part in the program ranged in experience from Grass Valley's that was organized a mere two months ago to that of The Dalles that has been in existence for ten years. Order in appearance was in accordance with the age of the bands giving the following order: Grass Valley, Rufus, Moro, Wasco, Wasco, Arlington, Stevenson, Goldendale and Hood River, and The Dalles. When individual bands had finished with their part of the entertainment Leader Simpson mounted the stand and led the entire group in a massed band exhibition. There were early 300 musicians in the group.

After the morning program the crowd of over a thousand persons disbanded for lunch, either in band groups or about town. Sports for the younger folks of the crowd was an event of the early afternoon and the elders had the opportunity of listening to two candidates for office. Senator J. P. Yates, fellow senator of them both, introduced them.

Jay Upton of Bend, candidate for the republican nomination for representative in congress spoke of the possibilities that face this section of the country when the Bonneville dam is completed. Cheap electric power will be available if the government can be persuaded to install the ten units at first contemplated although much work is yet to be done before the full ten are assured. Mr. Upton proclaimed himself as a true progressive and pointed to his fourteen years in the Oregon legislature as proof of his statement.

Sam Brown, of Gervais, candidate for the republican nomination for governor said that the building of the Bonneville dam was not enough and that assurance must be given that the power derived therefrom will be distributed by the government at cost to users. Other points stressed by the gubernatorial candidate were opposition to the sales tax, opposition to the state's interest charge which he stated was 11 million dollars per year. He promised better wages for labor, better prices to farmers through government aid, as far as his influence could extend.

The ball game between Klondike and Wasco resulted in a win for the visiting team by a score of 16 to 14. Younger folks in the gathering disported themselves at the high school gym with a dance and those not interested in either visited with neighbors on the streets. Bands of Hood River, the Knights of Pythias band, and The Dalles gave a concert in the evening, and a public dance ended the day that was voted a success by all attendants.

RHS 18 - GVHS 12

The high schools of Rufus, Grass Valley and Kent have been displaying their pep this spring by several encounters on the baseball diamond. Rufus defeated Grass Valley Monday by a score of 18 to 12 although the score was tied until late in the game when G.V. softened up and allowed six runs. Kent played at Grass Valley Thursday afternoon.

Church Anniversary Well Attended

A large crowd was present Home Coming Sunday, May 13, which was held in recognition of the one-hundred and fiftieth year of the founding of the Methodist Episcopal church in America, the one-hundredth year of the coming of Jason Lee to the West, and the fiftieth year of the founding of the Wasco Methodist church.

A number of people came back to Wasco for the occasion, from a distance, and the people of the community turned out for the worship service, the pot luck dinner, and time of reminiscence around the dinner table. Three former ministers were present - Rev. Frank Spaulding of Hood River, Rev. U. S. Crowder of Salem, and Rev. F. R. Jackson of Hood River. Rev. Spaulding was the third minister this church had, and was here last thirty-four years ago. Rev. Crowder served the church four years seventeen years ago. Rev. Jackson served four and a half years thirteen years ago. Rev. Crowder has the distinction of organizing the first Boy Scouts troop in Wasco, which was the first registered troop in the state of Oregon.

Word was received and read before the congregation in the morning service from Rev. G. A. Archer, now of Joseph, Oregon, who built and dedicated the present church building thirty-two years ago. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Elder and Mrs. Lillian Elder Gardner, now of Forest Grove, and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Russell, now of Salem. The altar of the church was decorated with a large bouquet of Dutch Iris, one of Rhododendrons, and one of Calla Lilies, all sent by Mrs. Elder, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Lamborn, and Mr. and Mrs. George Lamborn in memory of their mother, Mrs. M. J. Lamborn.

Rev. Frank Spaulding preached from the text of John 14:21 at the morning service. Mrs. Charles Swan of Newberg and Earl Spaulding of Hood River, both children of Rev. Frank Spaulding sang "The Shrine at Mother's Knee." Earl Spaulding sang "Goin' Home." "Dear Little Mother of Mine," and at the afternoon meeting, "Have Thine Own Way, Lord."

In the afternoon Mrs. O. G. Hilderbrand spoke on the founding of the Methodist Episcopal church one-hundred years ago this coming 24th of December, and Senator Yates spoke about the coming of Jason Lee to Oregon one hundred years ago. The affairs of the day ended with the crowd standing in a large circle with hands joined singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Masonic Leader Scott Visits Wasco

On Tuesday night the Grand Master of the Masonic edges of Oregon, Leslie M. Scott, made his annual visit to the Wasco lodge. He and his official staff were guests of honor at a turkey dinner served in a most delightful manner by the Eastern Stars. Representatives of the Masonic Home at Forest Grove and also of the Child Welfare work of Oregon. The following lodges were represented: Dufur, The Dalles, Goldendale, Moro, Grass Valley, Antelope and Arlington and visiting members from Salem, Portland and as far as Toledo, Ohio.

U. S. Wants Teacher

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:

Supervisor of Secondary Education, \$4,600 a year, less \$400 a year for quarters, fuel and light, Indian Field Service, department of the Interior.

Associate Public Health Nursing Analyst, \$3,200 a year, Public Service, Treasury Department.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING MAY. 16

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
MAY 10	77	57	.00
" 11	75	51	.00
" 12	72	44	.00
" 13	79	35	.00
" 14	86	45	.00
" 15	83	62	.00
" 16	87	46	.00
Total for week			.00

35 TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOLS

Grass Valley Has Largest Senior Class in County

EXERCISES BEGIN MAY 23

Stafford, Biggs and Hutchinson To Deliver Addresses

Only 35 young men and women will graduate from Sherman county high schools this spring as none of the schools have classes as large as formerly. Largest graduating class will be that of Grass Valley school where 11 are to finish their preparatory work. Rufus is at the other end of the scale with but one in the senior class.

Kent has eight finishing this year. Commencement will be held May 31 with Dr. O. F. Stafford, head of the chemistry department, University of Oregon giving the address. Graduates are Anna Sather, Edna Lyons, Charles Wilson, Charles Dunlap, Kenneth Sather, Lorena Young, Karl Pluenke and Virginia Helyer.

The eleven to finish their school work at Grass Valley school are: Hays Boyce, Lila Faye Boyce, Norma Garrett, Neva Gervais, Helene Homewood, Edward Moore, Frank Prather, Vivian Reynolds, Earle Shipley, Helen Stark, and Kenneth Todd. Commence exercises will be held June 1 in the civic auditorium with Professor Stafford delivering the main address of the evening.

Moro will graduate a class of eight students on May 23, with the Rev. R. A. Hutchinson, congregational minister of The Dalles giving the message of the evening. Layon Sayrs, Imogene Johnson, Marjorie Byers, Maxine Henrichs, Dollie Belshee Jean Powell, Philip Ruggles and George Hennagin are the members of the class.

The class to graduate from the Wasco high school is the smallest to complete the course there since 1922 when a like number finished. The seven to complete their work are: Winifred Fortner, Malcolm Guy, Cathryn Johnson, Marie Olson, Harry Proudfoot jr, Mary Jeanette Sargent and Mignon Wall. Exercises will be held the night of May 25 in the high school auditorium with Hugh L. Biggs as speaker.

The sole graduate from the Rufus school is Inez Thompson, whose final secondary school address will be given by the Methodist minister from The Dalles.

Company Accepts Bond

According to an announcement made today by their local dealers, Loggers and Contractors Machinery Company, The Dalles, Oregon, Caterpillar Tractor Company of Peoria, Illinois, is accepting Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation bonds in payment for any of their products sold to farmers.

These 30-year, 3 1/2 percent bonds are being used by the Farm Credit Administration in lieu of cash in connection with farm mortgage loans made by Federal Land Banks and Land Bank Commissioners. The announcement states that the bonds are being accepted by the manufacturer at par or below, if the market price is at par or below.

Farmers who need equipment will welcome this news as it gives all borrowers from the Farm Credit Administration an opportunity to use their bonds at an assured price of par or better, in the purchase of needed farm machinery.

Mrs. Hockman Honored

The Past Noble Grand club of the Rebekah Lodge gave Mrs. J. C. Hockman a pleasant surprise on Tuesday, May fifteenth. Eighteen members of the club and Mrs. Darrel Belshe, granddaughter of Mrs. Hockman, met at the Hockman home and enjoyed a pot luck dinner and an afternoon of cards. It being Mrs. Hockman's sixty seventh birthday she received a shower of remembrances and Mrs. Bull presented her with a beautiful birthday cake.

Wasco School Achieves No. 1 Rating

The Wasco High School has received notice that it has been approved as a member of the Northwest Association of High and secondary schools at the 17th annual meeting of that group. The Wasco school was approved with the highest rating given, without recommendations for change in any way. Wasco is the smallest school in Oregon to receive this distinction which it has held since 1931. Membership denotes that graduates from Wasco may enter without question any of the colleges of the country and that the course of study is standard in every particular.

Farmers Committee Named This Week

As the Sherman county committee for farm-rehabilitation relief committee has appointed Judge George Potter, Senator J. P. Yates and D. E. Stephens who will act in that capacity when funds and instructions are available. This section of relief work is designed to provide subsistence farms for deserving needy.

Boy Scout Meeting At DeMoss Springs

Boy Scout troops of Moro, Grass Valley and Wasco will meet in a Field Day at DeMoss Springs Sunday May 27. All who are interested in scouting are asked to attend, bring a basket dinner and spend the day. Free lemonade will be furnished by the committee. Races and field events will be held during the afternoon and a court of honor will be held at 4:30 in the afternoon.

Sherman Countians Invited To Goldendale

The seventh annual Klickitat County Hunters and Anglers club "fish feed" will be held Sunday May 20th at Blockhouse, seven miles west of Goldendale.

Delegations from The Dalles, Oregon, Toppenish, Wn., Moro, Ore., Lyle, Wn., Whit's Salmon, Wn. and many other points will be present. Many of these communities will present numbers on the afternoon program.

Lieutenant-Governor Vic A. Meyers of Washington will be speaker for the day. Other short addresses will be made by game officials and legislative representatives.

The club is furnishing free salmon and coffee for the picnic guests and expect 2000 persons to attend. Last year over 1500 were present at Centerville for the sixth annual "fish feed."

Reservations have been made by club officials for 500 pounds of Columbia River salmon to feed the crowd. Two bands, the Goldendale, and The Dalles high school aggregations will furnish music during that day. The program starts at 11 a. m. Sunday, May 20.

News of Long Ago For Those Whose Memory Is Long

From the Observer, May 23, 1895

Memorial day services as announced show the names of several on the program who are yet known to residents of the county George Mowry, Fay Blalock, Ira Messenger, Edna Stanton, Maggie Farra, Minnie Holder and Carrie Davis.

Carl Peetz' place near this city is the general camping place for wool teamsters and every night now a large number of them bivouac there.

W. E. Allison dug up eight coyotes from a badger hole. They went like hot cakes at four bits apiece.

George Bourhill Charles Schwartz, Peter Knutson, Rufus King, and Henry Link have notices of homestead proof in this issue.

From the Observer May 19, 1905

Dick Ogle and Mr. Hamilton are up from their mine in Grass Valley canyon and have samples for an assay. The last one showed a value of \$8.00 gold, \$1.60 silver, and \$1.40 copper.

Mary Peters and H. Koepke of

FARM INSPECTORS WILL WORK IN JUNE

Instruction To Be Given To Men Next Week

SIX MEN ALLOTTED COUNTY

Hay On Unplowed Land Must Be Cut Green

With wheat stretching up to full head and with the weather some days warm enough to make hay farmers are beginning to wonder about the regulations regarding the cutting of hay on contracted acreages or on land that is growing volunteer wheat and which will be used as contracted acreage in 1935.

Inspectors will be appointed next week to go about the county measuring land and determining what is legal hay and what is not. These men will be chosen from a group of twelve selected by the local committee. Eight of these will be chosen by the wheat section and six will be put to work. Two others will be held in reserve.

As a start toward the decentralization of the wheat section each state will have a director. In Oregon N. C. Donaldson, former county agent for Walowa county has been appointed to that position and will assume his duties immediately.

Regulations effecting the cutting for hay of volunteer wheat on land to be used as contracted acreage next year are that such wheat must not be allowed to go beyond the soft dough stage before being cut. If ripe grain, or grain that might ripen after cutting is found on a ranch it will constitute a breach of contract in the opinion of wheat section executives.

Erosion preventing crops of wheat were permitted this year, but will not be possible another year it is believed as such land may be left in stubble. This ruling will have little effect on this county except for those men who have sown land to keep it from blowing.

The state inspection school for members of the extens on service will be held in Corvallis next week. After that these men will be sent around the state to instruct the local inspectors in their duties. Then inspection will begin. Each inspector is expected to look after a hundred farms, measuring the ground, measuring the hay and in general seeing that the regulations of the wheat contracts are complied with.

The second payment will not be made until the reports of these inspectors is filed in Washington, which makes it improbable that farmers will receive their last payment until late in the summer.

Kent were married in this city on the 13th. Rev. H. J. Kolb of Hood River officiated.

An informal reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hickson in honor of the Fitzmaurices who are leaving for their new home in Newport.

The Columbia is rising but no one expects it to be inconvenient to any one this year.

From the Observer, May 21, 1915

Friday the 14th about 15 ladies gathered at the home of Mrs. M. Rust in honor of her 80th birthday. Among the elder ones were: Mrs. E. J. Powell, Mrs. John Johnson Mrs. Jas. Woods, and Mrs. A.C. Huff.

Circuit court proceedings were focused on certain moral affairs said to have happened at Grass Valley.

Portland and Moro are scheduled to play three games of baseball here beginning the 28th, during the race meet.

O. L. Belah and family and J. A. Rasmussen and family left Wednesday for the exposition in San Francisco.