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GRASS VALLEY MOVES 4TH PLANS FORWARD

Two Days at Picnicking and Celebrating Planned

BASEBALL WILL BE FEATURE

Dances, Sports & Patriotic Program Will Fill Time

Francis V. Galloway, attorney from The Dalles, will be the speaker of the day at the Fourth of July celebration in Grass Valley. Mr. Galloway is well known in this county where he has appeared on several occasions as a speaker.

The Odd-Fellows committee in charge of the affair is headed by Tom Garrett who has sub-committees under him to handle details of the celebration. The high school band of Sherman county will furnish the music under the leadership of Clyde Simpson who has directed them for the past school term.

Baseball games between the leading teams of the Sherman county league will be a feature of both days as interest has been high all season. Antelope, Grass Valley, Moro and possibly Kent will be seen in action.

There will be sports and amusements for all ages of people according to the committee who are planning for novelty races, foot races and some of the other public games that are usually engaged in at such celebrations. There will be plenty of shade for visitors who will come to spend the day and who wish to picnic under the trees. There will be a dance each night with Eck Roricks orchestra playing the music.

An old time Fourth of July is acknowledged to be an excellent place to meet friends of long standing and friendly reunions are many under the Grass Valley trees when a crowd gets together. The social end of a celebration is very important to many.

Wasco Library Board Arrange For New Books

The Wasco Library Board met Monday evening of this week and decided that a library festival will be held this year as for several years past. The date was set for September 15. Several new books were ordered and improvements in library accommodations were voted.

United States Wheat Crop Has Lowest June Condition

The condition of winter and spring wheat in the U. S. at the first of June, was the lowest on record and indicated a third crop of about 500,000,000 bushels, the smallest output since 1893. The condition of winter wheat on June 1, was only 55.3 percent of normal and indicated a crop of 396,257,000 bushels, consisting of about 206,000,000 bushels of hard red winter, 153,000,000 bu of soft red winter, and 42,000,000 bu of fall sown white wheat. The condition of spring wheat was reported at 41.3 percent of normal, as against 83.3 percent, the ten year average and a previous low record for June 1, of 67.9 percent reported in 1931. The condition of durum wheat was reported at only 29.6 percent of normal. Considering the loss of acreage and the very low condition, a crop of only about 100,000,000 bushels of spring wheat was in prospect June 1.

Spring wheat in Canada has also suffered seriously from the drought, with the condition at the first of June the lowest on record of twenty six years. A condition of 79 percent of the long time average, together with the reported intended average, suggests an output only a little above the small 1931 harvest. Stocks of old wheat however, are large and will offset in part the reduction in the crop. The drought has been particularly severe in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Beneficial rains with lower temperatures during

Legionnaires Picnicking At Dufur Sunday

Five hundred people, legionnaires and families, are expected at Dufur next Sunday when the picnic of the Mid-Columbia legion posts will be held. They are coming from all over the district and many of the state officers have promised to attend. Commander Harold Warner will deliver the address of the day, Don McLeod will speak and Jerry Owen, editor of the Oregon Legionnaire, will be on the grounds to see what is going on among mid-Columbia veterans.

One of the features of the day especially interesting to the people from Sherman county will be the baseball game between the Maupin post and a team to be made up of Sherman county legionnaires. All ex-baseball players of the county who belong to the legion are requested to appear on the diamond prepared to do or die for dear old Sherman.

There will be a basket lunch dinner with each post furnishing coffee for members of their gang. The picnic will be held in the park at Dufur where so many picnics are held each year. Plenty of shade water and grass are there to make the day pleasant regardless of heat or wind.

Measuring Crop Land Continues Slowly

Measuring of the crop land and contracted acreage in the county has continued during the past week with the result that a majority of the land in the Klondike, Wasco and Locust, Grove districts has been gone over by the crews. From last Wednesday to the end of the week a new crew was added each day until eight crews of three men each were working. It is thought that fifteen crews will be employed before the work is finished. Twelve are at work now. Lamer-Sayra has been added to the engineering force in the office to take care of the added work caused by the addition of the field men. Supervision of the surveying crews is done by the engineers.

Mrs. Wangeman Buried Monday In Wasco

Mrs. Mary Anne Wangeman, mother of Mrs. Chas. Everett died at the Everett home in Wasco Friday night after an illness that had kept her bedfast for three years. Mrs. Wangeman was 86 years of age at the time of her death and she had lived in Wasco for the last ten years of her life. Funeral services were held Monday morning at Crandall's chapel in The Dalles and interment was made in the Wasco cemetery.

Read the ads in the Journal

Seventeen Attending 4-H Summer School

Seventeen Sherman county boys and girls left Sunday evening by train for Corvallis to attend the summer school sessions on the Oregon State college campus. Mrs. Perry Johnston accompanied them as chaperon.

Included in the group were Helen Strong, Reatha Howard, Mary Pinkerton, Jean Powell, Dale Johnston, Charlie Bill Wilson, Vivian Fuller, Catherine Tom, Helen Wilson, Lavon Sayra, Austin Foss, Goyle Amidon, Rachael Foley, Dorothy Fraser, Margaret Dunlap, Donald von Borstel, Anita Dunlap and Gordon Fraser. Members of this group will be on the air Friday night June 15th for a short period, when station KOAC gives the time from 7-30 to 8 to club children's broadcast. This county will have ten minutes.

Re-assessment Of Property Started

J. E. Bunnell, appraiser for the state tax commission, is here from Salem for the purpose of re-appraising the business property in this county. This is a part of a plan of the state commission to equalize assessments by re-appraising buildings and lands. Some work has been done in this county and some counties have had almost complete revaluations made by the commission.

Black Widow Spiders Found In County

Black Widow spiders are receiving attention hereabouts this week owing to the publicity regarding deaths from their bite. Ralph Brinsford was working about Legion hall Monday when Bobbie's son, yelled that he saw one of the dreaded species. Upon examination it proved to be a black widow and she was herded into a bottle and placed on display at the telephone office where every one could see and identify. It is a small creature to cause so large amount of excitement. It has long tentacles and the identifying hour glass of red. At Grass Valley Eben Kee brought one to town to show around to townsmen according to news from that place. Jack Tomlin topped the others in finding spiders for he discovered a nice specimen in his house.

Interest in spiders of certain varieties is apparently increased because people are looking for one poisonous kind and, no doubt, several will be found if householders inspect their basements and outhouses.

Lloyd Hennagin Elected To Head Wasco Co-op

The Sherman Co-operative Grain Growers at Wasco have elected Lloyd Hennagin to serve as manager to replace Bruce H. Grady who has resigned to accept a position with the North-Pacific Grain Growers at Walla Walla. Mr. Hennagin is a local product, a son of George Hennagin of Moro, who has been employed in several managerial capacities in this county and elsewhere since the achieved man's estate. He was in the Bank of Commerce until it closed and has since been with the Rumley Machine company and the Federal Land Bank in Spokane from which he resigned to accept the position at Wasco.

Mr. Grady and family expect to leave Wasco next week for their new home. He has been the manager there since the inception of the co-operative movement. His final report of the results of his management was given at the annual meeting.

Mrs. M. L. Fritts

Mrs. M. L. Fritts died at her home in Goldendale Friday of last week and services for her were held in Wasco Monday afternoon with interment being made in the Wasco cemetery by the side of a son who was buried there. The deceased had long been a resident of Sherman county before going to Goldendale a few years ago with her husband. She was the mother of Mrs. Ted Everett of Portland, Mrs. Lawrence Rakos of Toledo and Walter Fritts of Tygh Valley and Cecil Fritts, now of California.

FIELD DAY CROWD SEES EXPERIMENTS

Grasses Attract Attention of Many Farmers

FORESTRY GIVEN IMPETUS

Guessing Contest On Yield Causes Close Inspection

Interest in trees and grasses and in fact almost anything else but wheat was manifested by the farmers who attended the field day at the experiment station Saturday. Usually it is impossible to draw a wheat farmer's attention except to new kinds of wheat or some better way of raising it. This year the contrary was the rule.

Perhaps the fact that almost every farmer has contracted acreage that he cannot raise wheat on perhaps it is the still discouraging prices and maybe the seemingly continuous poor crops. Anyway the new grasses and the old barley and oats received greater interest than is ordinarily displayed toward them.

Grasses were the first thing shown. A small plot contains three kinds of native bunch grasses sown a year ago last fall. Two of them produced a seed crop last year and all of them will do so this year. A very satisfactory seed crop will result. The plot of crested wheat grass, sown along side for purposes of comparison, will also produce seed beyond normal expectation. Other grasses are being experimented with but the wheat grass and the native bunch grasses are so far, the better of the lot.

Club work or the heat of the day had something to do with the interest in trees. The well known western yellow pine and the Russian olive are used primarily for wind breaks and within a few years make very good ones said Mr. Stephens as he talked about the growth of trees in this semi arid country. Cultivation is necessary, he said, because there is not enough moisture to produce a crop of grass and support trees at the same time.

Farmers were given a chance to guess on the ultimate production of winter wheats in the plots. There were twenty five varieties including many turkey varieties and several beardless wheats. Guessers were to pick the three leading wheats and come within two bushels of the bushelage per acre.

For feed production purposes spring barley and wheat are about equal in this county on a pound for pound basis said Mr. Stephens who explained the experiments as the crowd moved along. Farmers usually prefer the beardless barley but some kinds that have smooth beards or awns are not dangerous to use as stock feed and produce a little more grain per acre.

R. B. Webb talked briefly about the wheat nursery where approximately 200 varieties of wheat are being tried out. It requires several years to thoroughly test a wheat variety. The first few years the plants are grown in short nursery rows, later in small plots then in multiplying fields so that seed can be produced if the wheat is thought good enough to preserve.

A demonstration on the advisability of plowing land for summer fallow against disk was given and while the experiment shows that for winter wheat the plowing is best, for spring wheat the disk may be as good if the results of the past few years can be used as a criterion.

From the nursery the visitors were taken to the tillage plots where experiments carried on since the start of the station, are in progress. These have shown in past years the advantage of early plowing of summer fallow for best results. Also there are experiments showing the effect of crop rotation on various crops which may be especially interesting to producers if the period of contracted acreage continues for many years.

Lamer Sayra is home from Corvallis where he has been attending school.

Control Association To Hold Election

Beginning Friday June 15, elections for new or re-elected officers of the Sherman County Production Control Association will be held in each district of the county beginning with Klondike where the meeting will be held in the grange hall. Meetings will follow in the other districts in order. These are important functions to members of the control association to which nearly every farmer in the county belongs for upon the election of competent men depends the success of the AAA reduction plan in this county, according to county agent, Perry Johnston.

Bunco Artists Caught Fleeing Farm Hand

This is the story the police heard: Joseph Homer Wilson, farm hand on the Fred Hennagin ranch west of Wasco met two youths in The Dalles about three weeks ago. They offered him a job driving a tractor requesting that he drive them to Portland to make sure of it. Wilson paid the expenses and gave them some money for clothes.

The youths borrowed his car in order to bring the sawmill operator to Wasco when he arrived in The Dalles. He didn't come, being non-existent, but the boys used the car. Later the youths, later identified as Ed Elston and Robert Laughlin of The Dalles, came to the ranch with another man and sold Wilson a third interest in an airplane for \$60 with a promise to teach him to fly.

When his car was not returned and the radio was absent from it, Wilson became suspicious and went to the police. Elston and Laughlin were charged with larceny in Wasco county and Oatman, the aviator, was brought to Sherman county Thursday by policeman Unger and charged with obtaining money under false pretences.

Cooking School Acclaimed Success

The cooking school held here last Friday and Saturday by the Pacific Power and Light Company and cooperators was acclaimed a success by the sponsors as well as by the women who attended the classes. Friday afternoon there were 83 women present and 112 attended next the day when refrigeration was stressed by the instructor, Mrs. Audrey Heirington.

Several prizes of considerable value were given to fortunate visitors during the two days and as is common at cooking schools the prepared food was drawn for and presented to some one present. Mrs. Anna Moore received the prize for bringing the most guests. Mrs. W. J. Martin, Mrs. Marie Miller Mrs. H. H. White and Mrs. Philip Searcy received electrical appliances as prizes.

Central Committees Elect Officers

The county central committees of both major political parties were held during the past week and officers were elected to carry on the organization work for another term. Democrats met Saturday, June 9, and elected the following officials: Tom Garrett, county chairman; V. Neal Freeman, secretary; W. F. Jackson, state committeeman and J. C. Freeman, congressional committeeman. Mrs. Naomi Van Gilder was given the nomination for county treasurer.

Republicans met Wednesday night and elected W. H. Ragsdale as county chairman, Giles French as secretary, W. Ray Blake as congressional committeeman and Giles French as state committeeman.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 13.

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
JUNE 7	65	50	.05
" 8	73	49	.00
" 9	88	50	.00
" 10	96	53	.00
" 11	96	57	.00
" 12	89	58	.00
" 13	85	60	.00
Total for week			.05

Grain Growers Elect Officers

Election of officers for the several grain growers organizations in this county was completed this week at annual meetings of the three companies. At Wasco the Sherman Co-operative grain growers selected the same men to direct the organization for another year. They are H. B. Pinkerton, Hugh Walker, Asa Richelderfer and C. A. Tom. Harry Proudfoot was elected president and C. A. Tom was re-elected secretary for another year.

The Moro grain growers held their meeting Tuesday night and elected W. S. Powell, Joe Peters and Harry Barnum as directors. The first two were re-elected. Grass Valley selected the same men to handle the affairs of the company for another term. They were Luther Davis, R. J. Baker and Herman Schilling.

Peetz-Brown Nuptials Held Saturday Evening

A pretty home wedding that joined in wedlock Miss Sarah Brown of Fossil and Byron Peetz of Moro was solemnized Saturday night at the L. L. Peetz home with the Rev. Walter Warner of Wasco reading the service.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. L. R. Wallace, who, with her husband attended the ceremonies from their city. The groom is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Peetz and is a native of Sherman county having spent nearly all of his life here. Attendants of the young couple were Miss Leora Peetz, sister of the groom, who was brides' maid and Roscoe Moore a life long friend of the groom who acted as best man.

A small group of relatives and close friends of the two contracting parties were present for the ceremony.

Wheat Sacks Not To Be Taxed

The following telegram from Senator Steiwer to W. S. Powell, president of the local grain growers is self explanatory:

"Secretary of Agriculture by proclamation removed compensation tax from jute bags of seventy five pounds capacity and over used in packaging agricultural products effective today. Secretary holds existing law would not permit refund of tax that has been paid in floor stock. Amendment sponsored by Senator Bankhead would, if adopted, permit such refund."

Frederick Steiwer. This means that there will be no tax on jute bags this season from this time henceforward, but that those who have bought bags will receive no refund unless the Bankhead amendment carries. Farmers who buy jute bags in the future will not have to pay the tax.

Vernon W. Dutton of Wasco and Miss Eleanor Bertha Lusher of Portland were granted a marriage license by county clerk George Vinton this week.

News of Long Ago For Those Whose Memory Is Long

From the Observer June 30, 1895. Robert Starns and wife celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary last Saturday. A household of their intimate friends were present and had a splendid time together.

Jackob Kamm's steamer Norma has been brought down Snake river from Huntington, and will go into business between Celilo and Lewiston on the opening of the canal at Cascade Locks.

Herrin, Chief of Photographers, will be in Grass Valley during the musical convention. Photos half price for 10 days.

Geo. Bolton has caught the contagion of improvements stalking about Moro, and is making some desirable changes at his store on Main street.

From the Observer June 16, 1905. Dr. Goffin is attending Allen Murray, son of R. W., for a broken shoulder blade, resulting from a fall from a horse last week.

Mayor G. W. Moore, ex-comm. F. W. Krusow, A. B. Craft and Carl Williams were in the Grass Valley contingent Sunday returning from the fair. J. B. Mor-

MORO WINS FROM GRASS VALLEY 14-13

Encounter Decided By Heavy Bats Of Local Sluggers

KLONDIKE DEFEATS WASCO

Ha many Suffers At Hands of Kent

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Antelope	7	0	1000
Kent	6	2	750
Moro	5	2	714
Grass Valley	5	3	625
Klondike	3	5	375
Wasco	1	7	125
Harmony	0	8	000

Next Sunday: Antelope at Grass Valley, Kent at Moro, Wasco at Harmony.

Just because many of the games of the Sherman county league end in uneven scores is no reason to believe all of them do. Witness the results of the game between Moro and Grass Valley last Sunday. Moro won in the last half of the ninth inning by a score of 14 to 13 and it was close enough all the way to keep the spectators on their toes.

At the end of the eighth inning the score board read 12 runs for each team. Grass Valley being the visiting crew batted first scored once making it look pretty good for their side. However, Moro, not to be outdone made two in their half to win the game. There was plenty of hitting. Grass Valley found Walker for 11 blows and Moro connected with 17 safe ones. Three of which were home runs. Roscoe Moore lofted one clear to the race track, Tomlin and Vinton made the other circuit smashes. Had Collis Moore been fletcher of foot he might have stretched his long three bager to a homer.

Grass Valley was deprived of the services of Rowe who has played short all season, but Ford filled in the hole in a creditable manner.

Wasco lost another game to Klondike Sunday through errors. These young players will have to blow up once in a while it seems. Klondike won 17 to 5 for the worst drubbing Wasco has taken for several weeks.

Kent beat Harmony at Kent in a game that should prepare the south end boys for a close struggle next Sunday against Moro. Kent defeated Moro earlier in the season and will be trying to do it again. Chances are no more than even either way. While Grass Valley will be without Rowe and Hughes when they meet Antelope other players will endeavor to keep the infield working up to par. They played a 5 to 4 game when they met before.

Sheriff Hugh Chrisman and wife are in Portland to look over the Rose show for a few days.