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MORO STATE BANK DECLARES DIVIDENDS

Ten Percent To Depositors First
Since Bank Closed

COMMUNITY SPIRIT PRAISED

Bankers Praise Faith In County's
Resources

No doubt many persons who have become discouraged with prospects will murmur a doubtful "Believe It Or Not" over the news contained in this article, but substantial proof of its veracity will be distributed to depositors August 30.

The Moro State Bank, which closed in September 1931, has announced its first dividend. Checks totaling \$17,684.37 will be sent out to holders of claims against the bank this month, and best of all, the statement which will accompany the checks shows that more will be coming within a reasonable time if conditions continue as favorable for another year.

Banks Debits Half Paid
The bank still owns loans and discounts of \$284,761.22 and owes in redemptions and bills payable \$63,669.46. Determined losses of only a little over \$7,000 have been written off so far. Payment has been made to creditors of over \$64,000 or more than half of the indebtedness at the time of closing, showing good progress considering the condition of the wheat producers for the last three years.

Costs of the liquidation have been \$9,485.43 which includes interest paid out. During the same period of time the bank liquidation has collected \$31,050.03 or about three and a half times the expense incurred. Stock assessments of \$11,875.00 have been collected or nearly a quarter of the total.

The position of the county in regard to this bank is better than has been commonly supposed. A secured claim of \$29,927.19 was approved and of this sum \$18,331.90 has already been paid through collection of bonds, sale of securities and other means.

Community Praised
H. N. Stephens, liquidator of the Moro bank, and officers of banks holding collateral of the local bank all have praised the spirit of debtors who have worked along with them for the last three years under sometimes disheartening circumstances to eventually make creditable showing on indebtedness. A great majority of those indebted to the bank are making progress with their loans and will be entirely out of debt within a short time if the efforts are continued.

Family Of Five Can Live Safely On \$4.56

An average family of five, including two adults and three children aged from 2 to 12, can live comfortably and safely on a food budget of approximately \$4.56 a week, according to foods and nutrition specialists at Oregon State college. They point out, however, that this can be accomplished only if the homemaker spends her money wisely and plans her menus carefully.

Specific directions as to just how to purchase and prepare food to come within such a budget are contained in a new bulletin issued by the home economics division of the Oregon college extension service, entitled "Low Cost Menus for One Month with Recipes." It was prepared as an aid to the thrift program of those Oregon homemakers who are maintaining for themselves and their families a desirable standard of living with little expenditure of money but with a very substantial investment of time, abilities, skills and interest.

Menus included in the new bulletin were planned to meet nutritional needs and to provide as much variety as practicable with

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No Tax Notices To Be Sent Out

Sheriff Chrisman has an idea that the county can save some money on tax notices and is trying the experiment of advertising for the latter tax payments of this year. His ad. appears in another column of this paper and states that no tax notice will be sent out for the September 15th payment. Final date on which discount can be allowed on December payment is September 15.

1000 Counties Or More In Drouth Classification

More than 1,000 counties, mostly west of the Mississippi river are in the emergency drouth classification and about 400 are secondary drouth counties. The government program for buying cattle and sheep in emergency drouth counties has already resulted in the purchase of about 2 million cattle. Plans are under consideration for the purchase of perhaps 4 million more cattle and from 2 million to 5 million sheep and goats.

The big, cattle and sheep programs are bound to reduce surplus meat production very materially in 1935, and affect the markets for dairy, poultry and other products somewhat.

Other important activities include marketing agreements on fruits, the North Pac. Emergency Wheat Export operation, the seed purchase and conservation program, feed and forage loans in drouth areas, and mortgage, production and marketing loans.

Word has been received by the extension service that the North Pacific Emergency Wheat Export Association may not operate in removing the surplus portion of the 1934 wheat crop in the Pacific northwest, if this wheat can be moved to other parts of the United States. Since this agency was set up last year exports equivalent to nearly 28 million bushels of surplus wheat have been made to foreign countries. Differential payments have amounted to more than \$5,000, 000 or about 22 cents a bushel and prices have risen to about 15 cents under Chicago.

Cost Of 4H Club Fair Prizes \$252

Costs of the 4H club fair this year totaled \$252.00 for prizes. This sum was divided as follows: Home Economics, \$88.00; Stock, \$121.00 and miscellaneous \$43.00. Incidental expenses have not been completely tabulated as yet. To this must be added the expense of sending a part of the winners to the state fair or to the stock show.

Many merchandise prizes in addition to this total were donated by business men of the county making quite a sum for the competing children.

Executive Committee To Plan Meeting

A meeting of the executive committee of the commercial club will be held Monday evening of next week to lay plans for a general meeting of the club to be held soon. Renewed activity on road matters is contemplated by leaders of the organization who are disappointed that no federal money was allotted to the completion of the Sherman highway south of Kent. Information from service station men along the Columbia river highway is to the effect that while tourists favor the location of the Sherman highway the fact that it is not completed along one stretch turns them to longer roads.

Government Not Selling Stock

Contrary to reports the government is not selling any of the stock bought under the drouth relief act. The animals bought are either killed where they are purchased or sent to slaughter houses where the carcasses are processed for use by relief organizations working under government authority. Stock that is too poor to ship to slaughtering places are the only ones killed at the place of purchase.

INDIANS TAKE THIRD GAME AND SERIES

All-Stars Defeated In Ninth By
Long Home Run

SPARKLING PLAYS MANY

Both Teams Make Difficult Fielding
Chances Into Outs

The old first inning weakness defeated the Sherman county all stars in their rubber game with the Warm Springs Indians last Sunday at Grass Valley although good hitting and close fielding left the decision in doubt until the Indians half of the ninth. With the score tied at 4 all at the beginning of the final inning Ray Meacham was walked, Cliff Meacham advanced him by a well placed bunt to the pitcher. Goodell, husky built left fielder, found one to his liking and hol! it over the right field fence far beyond the reach of Stout, who was playing that field. These two runs decided the game.

Eight Up In First
Eight bronze skinned warriors faced the pitcher in the first inning before Miller found the plate. Cliff Meacham walked, Goodell flied out to Vinton in center. Kalama walked, George Meacham got on through a fielders choice and an error and Thompson's hit brought in three runs to put the local boys in the hole. Three free passes to first, one error and one hit accounted for the runs.

The Braves did not score again until the 7th when C. Meacham was walked, advanced to 3rd on outs and scored on a wild pitch. Until the eventual 9th that was all the scoring.

The all stars scored three times in the 4th on one hit. Vinton Fritts and Malone making the circuit. Hill scored in the 5th on a hit by Vinton, an error and a little erratic playing by the Indians. In the 9th after the damage was done the locals tried their best and advanced Dunlap to third but no one could bring him in.

The game was full of double plays and thrilling catches. Vinton snared several to rob the Indians of hits and George Meacham in center in the latter part of the game successfully chased one into right field. The stars made four errors and the Indians five which was even enough. Indians made five hits for their six runs while the locals made six hits for four runs. In point of time it was one of the snappiest games played this year and as the score was tied for half the game it was among the most interesting.

Pythians Coming Sunday
It was announced that next Sunday the Knights of Pythias team of Portland will play the same all stars at Grass Valley in what will be the last game of the season. The previous meeting of these teams resulted in a win for the Knights by a score of 9 to 1. They have the best pitcher and the classiest place hitter seen in these parts this season.

Line-ups
Warm Springs All-Stars
C. Meacham, 2 Dunlap, 1
Goodell, 1 Moore, s
Kalama, 3 Hills, s
Cl. Meacham, c.m Vinton, m
Thompson, 1 Fritts, c
Vivette, m.p. Malone, 2
Johnston, r Rolfe, 2
Norwest, s Phifer, r, 3
Linton, p Con, 3
R. Meacham, c Stout, r
Miller, p

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING AUG. 22

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
AUG. 16	88	67	.00
" 17	82	57	.00
" 18	83	49	.00
" 19	89	53	.00
" 20	80	56	.00
" 21	89	55	.00
" 22	93	55	.00
Total for week			.00

Agricultural Activities Important To Farmers

Current activities in agricultural adjustments are of direct or indirect importance to most of the farmers in the state, reports the Oregon State college agricultural extension service. Approximately one fifth of Oregon's farmers are signed up either for wheat or corn hog production adjustments while the business of additional thousands will be influenced materially by the cattle and sheep purchase program, other drouth relief activities, farm loans, and other programs.

POMONA GRANGE INVITES CANDIDATES TO SPEAK

Gubernatorial and Congressional
Candidates Billed

Speakers for the meeting of the Pomona Grange session to be held in Wasco September 1, have been announced this week. Among them will be Walter M. Pierce, representative in congress from this district and candidate for the post in the next session, Peter Zimmerman, independent candidate for governor, who was nominated by a group of friends in Salem shortly after the primaries and possibly Major General Charles Martin, democratic candidate for governor.

Mr. Pierce has definitely given assurance that he will be present and Mr. Zimmerman, some days ago promised his attendance. Mr. Martin at the time of writing was not absolutely sure that he could come and will be there if he can change his program to make his appearance possible. Jay H. Upton, republican opponent of Mr. Pierce, has two engagements elsewhere that day and cannot come to the meeting.

There is a possibility that Joe Dunne, republican candidate for governor, will find it possible to be in Wasco on the day in question but no assurances have been received at this date.

The regular Pomona session will be held in the morning of September 1, and the speaking by the candidates present will be held in the afternoon. The general public is invited to the afternoon meeting and all grangers are expected for the entire day. Fraternity hall in Wasco is the scene for the political fest.

This is the last session of the Pomona until after the general election and although some of the candidates undoubtedly will appear before local granges between now and November 6 this meeting will bring more grangers together for the purpose of discussing political personages than will any other.

News Of Forty Years Ago Recalls County Pioneer

From the Observer, Aug. 27, 1895

In many cases this harvest Sherman county farmers have not finished hauling last years wheat to market when they are ready to load up with new crop wheat.

A long story by T. A. Hudson, agent for the Eastern Oregon Land company explains in detail the manner in which that company bought the land of The Dalles Military Road Company. One hundred twenty five thousand dollars was the price paid in 1876 by Edward Martin for the land. The original company acquired the land in 1869 through an act of 1868. Governor George Wood approved the road, the construction of which was the basis for the grant of the land.

Carl Peetz met with a runaway accident which was very fortunate for him—that it was no worse. He sustained a badly strained shoulder.

Minnie Smith will close her term at the Blue school house on the 30th.

From the Observer, Aug. 25, 1905

W. A. Norcross threshed 16 sacks per acre on W. F. Jackson's Gordon Ridge farm.

Shandy had bushels of trouble with the Jap section men Monday. Road supervisor Huls had stuck up a big sign reading, "Men Wanted To Fight Russian

CHILDREN'S FAIR BRINGS MANY OUT

Fine Exhibits Mark Successful
4-H Fair

STOCKCLASS ENTRIES LARGE

Varied Displays and Demonstrations
Interest

Sherman county has had a fair. Without grace of the county court, or the fair board or the generosity of those who go to the dogs, the county has had a fair, and a very good one at that. There were no races, no concessions, except one rather faded looking gentleman hawking pictures and a couple of air plumes, no political speeches, no bucking contests, just plain fair. But there was two full days of it.

Because of a mix up in dates the judges did not arrive until late Sunday evening and this caused some turmoil in arrangements. However, the show went on a part of the afternoon with two girls cooking dollar dinners before the ever changing crowd. Exhibits of home making, cooking and canning by the 4H club girls were especially fine and presage happy husbands and children in the succeeding generation. Canned fruit as clear and pretty as when on the tree, loaves of bread that bakers cannot or do not make, cakes, cookies and prepared meals and lunches made before your eyes were all a part of the show.

Forestry clubbers had exhibits displayed on boards placed around half the hall. young farmers brought potatoes, wheat and vegetables to make exhibits as good as any seen in the so-called good old days.

The domestic science and forestry and agricultural exhibits were shown in the Legion hall, Sunday and Monday. Sunday evening there was a house full of parents and interested adults to see the judging and the several demonstrations. The band was on hand to exhibit its training for the year.

Monday the fair grounds was the hub of interest. Every class had from three to fifteen entries and judging was necessarily slow. L. J. (Doc) Allen, assistant club leader, was careful to explain every decision so that the youngsters could know the points deemed

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Judging Teams Win Many Interesting Trips

Judging teams winning places will go to the state fair or the Pacific International. Dean Pinkerton and Donald Williams won in crops judging, Dorothy Fraser, Lloyd Henrichs and George Hennagin in poultry judging and the stock judging teams of Paul and Gordon Fraser and Bobby King, who will go to the International and Ronald and Betty Powell and Frank Sayrs who will go to the State Fair.

In miscellaneous demonstration Dean Pinkerton and Donald Williams won a trip and Bobby and Billy Eaton won with their demonstration of throwing a calf. Two of the judging teams that won honors Monday, at the 4H club fair will go to Pendleton Sunday if present plans materialize. The occasion for the trip is a sheep demonstration given by the Oregon Wool growers. Feeding, management, fitting for market and show are a part of the program.

Henry Barnum, leader of one of the livestock clubs will accompany the teams. Children making the trip will be the first and second place winners at the 4H fair. Paul and Gordon Fraser and Bobby King being one team and Betty and Ronald Powell and Frank Sayrs being the second. As the ram sale is to be held the following day several others interested in sheep may make the trip.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Pinkerton made a trip to Portland over the week end taking Mrs. Tillie Henn of Iowa, with them for their first trip over the Columbia river highway. Mrs. Henn left Wednesday for her home in the mid-west after spending a week in Oregon enjoying our mild weather after the intense heat of the drouth stricken prairie states.

Gene Courtney and wife and Roy Phillip and wife were interested spectators at the 4H club fair Monday. Both were interested because of a personal reason: Mr. Phillip sold most of the calves in the beef division to the youngsters and Mr. Courtney furnished the money for the purchase.

Charles Galloway one of the men who spend their time figuring on taxes was here last week taking a glance at the local situation from that standpoint.

The Conlee and Hoskinson families returned from their camp on the Imnaha river Sunday having spent a cool vacation.

The Pacific Power and Light Company donated the use of a stove and refrigerator to the 4H club fair for the demonstrations in cooking.

Harvey Thompson went along with the boy scouts to keep them in hand while on their annual holiday.

Two airplanes were here Monday and Tuesday taking passengers up for a look see around their homes from the top.

People are still finding black widow spiders whenever they get around dark places in the basement. Several have been brought in to this office for identification and our black widow editor is becoming an expert on the variety.

Mrs. Pernie Johnson (Duncan) and Mr. Duncan were here Thursday from Ashland visiting with friends of Mrs. Duncan. It is nine years since Mrs. Duncan has been in Moro.

Stanley Reavis and wife are on a trip to Seattle for their vacation going with Mr. Reavis' sister and her husband, Art Pope.

W. S. Powell was accompanied on his trip to Spokane by C. V. Belknap who visited with friends in Washington. Bill McLachlin stayed the customers while C. V. was away.

D. J. Butcher was here this week from The Dalles looking for legionnaires and auxiliaries who were contemplating the trip to Astoria. He found some contemplation but no one definitely decided to go. Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel of Grass Valley are the only known Sherman countians who really planned the trip.

The price of wheat has been working up a little this week again but has not reached the peak of two weeks ago.

COUNTIE'S WHEAT CROP 1,089,368 BUS. TO DATE

Smallest Crop In Years Nearly
All In Warehouses

ALLOTMENT REDUCES TOTAL

Per Acre Yield About Equal To
1932 Crop

Wheat in warehouses of Sherman county at the close of warehouse week:

Miller	199,233
Biggs	19,000
Rufus	78,000
Wasco	170,100
Klondike	143,667
Hay Canyon	84,933
Nish	6,500
DeMoss	29,200
Moro	102,334
Erskine	42,500
Grass Valley	143,367
Bourbon	29,367
Kent	40,567
TOTAL	1,089,368

This amount of wheat, of course, was raised on 85 percent of the land of the county normally in crop. Had all of the 1934 land been in crop production at this rate, the total would have been 1,281,610 bushels which compares with the crop of 1932. The crops of 1932 and of 1934 have been the poorest in bushels of any raised in Sherman county in recent years. Last year the crop was estimated at 1,800,000 bushels although this amount was not warehoused in the county, only a little above 1,500,000 bushels going through the houses.

Wasco District Has Over Half

The Wasco district which includes houses at Millers, Biggs, Rufus, Wasco and Klondike has 610,600 bushels already and ware housemen there expect to have 625,000 bushels before hauling is entirely stopped. At Moro, headquarters of the district including Hay Canyon, Nish, DeMoss, Moro and Erskine, the total number of bushels weighed in this year is 265,467 and probably enough more will come in to bring this up to 270,000 or a little above.

The Grass Valley district, composed of houses at Grass Valley, Bourbon Kent and Wilcox, although the latter was not opened this year, has 213,300 bushels with the expectancy of ultimately getting 225,000 before farmers are done hauling.

Cash Income Higher

If these expectancies are realized the county will warehouse about 1,125,000 bushels which considering the allotment reduction will be slightly higher than the 1932 crop.

Returns in cash will be considerably higher than in previous years due to the drouth condition that has raised the wheat price to near the parity figure. Farmers hope to receive nearly a million dollars from wheat this year which is larger by twenty-five percent than the sum received for the 1932 crop. Also approximately \$500,000 will be distributed here through the production control association before the year is out.

Two-Thirds Crop Harvested

The crop throughout the county, taking each district as a whole, is approximately two thirds of that raised last year. This is not true of the Kent station but Grass Valley did a little better making the district averages about the same as the remainder of the county. The Wasco district warehoused 913,000 bushels last year and has 610,000 to date being almost exactly two thirds.

WARRANT CALL

Warrant No. 612 to 674 inclusive of School District No. 17, Sherman County will be paid up on presentation to clerk of said district. Interest to cease after this date. Dated this 24th day of August, 1934.

M. E. McKee, clerk.