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Mustangs Wind Up Season With Close Margin Over Moro

Single Touchdown By Rippee Marks Hard Fought Game

Heppner High school's Mustang football team closed the 1946 season by scoring a lone touchdown victory over the strong Moro high school team. Lowell Rippee, fleet Mustang quarterback, made an off-tackle run in the third quarter which put him across the goal line. Try for conversion was blocked. Moro outgained the Mustangs but three bad passes put the Sherman lads behind the 8-ball.

It was a hard-fought game through-out and while there were penalties, no meanness was exhibited—just too much aggressiveness.

The Gazette Times is indebted to Giles French, editor of the Sherman County Journal at Moro, for the following play-by-play account of the game:

Heppner kicked off to Moro. Foster returning the ball to Moro 36; Fritts made 4, Bayer 3, Bayer 1. Moro punted to Rippee; Hughes made 20 yards to Heppner 45, being tackled by Foster. Rippee lost 5. Heppner kicked to Foster who brought ball back to Moro 26. Bayer made 11 and first down. Foster made 5; Fritts made 5 but Moro penalized 5 yards for off-side on play. Bayer drove to the 42; Foster made 1. Moro kicked to Rippee on Heppner 40. Greenup made first down, tackled by Zeigler. Hughes made no gain, stopped by Zeigler and Platt. Greenup made 6. Heppner penalized 15 yards for holding. Heppner kicked to Foster who ran ball back to the Moro 44. Foster made 4; Foster no gain; Moro penalized 5 yards for off-side. Fritts passed to Bayer for 28 yards. Moro penalized 15 yards for clipping. Moro's attempted pass incomplete. Bayer kicked and it was blocked. Heppner's ball. Rippee made 8; Greenup made 2, tackled by Garrett; Greenup made first down. Hughes 1; Greenup stopped by Garrett for no gain; Heppner kicked to Foster on Moro 15; no return; Bayer no gain; Bayer stopped by Padberg, no gain. Moro kicked out of bounds on their 35. Padberg tried

Assessor Clears Some Points on Land Valuations

Confusion exists in the minds of land owners over classifications under which the assessor's office sets up the tax rolls. To clear this the office has prepared the following article:

Upon the books of the Morrow county assessor's office all of the land outside of the city limits are classed as acreage. This acreage is divided into five different classes for assessment.

The first group includes the timber land and timber land that has been logged off. Each is assessed at so much an acre, so if you possess timber land that has been logged off and you have not notified the assessor, you are still paying for timber land.

The second group consists of cultivated, crested wheat grass and non-tillable land. Each of these groups is assessed at a different price per acre and according to location in the county.

The third group is the irrigated land and is assessed at so much an acre all over the county except on the irrigation projects on the Columbia river.

A few years ago an aerial survey was made of most of the farming districts of the county. Aerial photos of this survey are in the county agent's office and the assessor's office and all acreages of the county are being checked against them.

The lists of acreage as turned in by the county agent in AAA work are also available to the assessor. In check against the assessor is trying to get an accurate count of the cultivated acres in Morrow county.

News From C. A. Office

The AAA office reminds our farmers that as long as the weather permits there is still possibility of getting additional conservation practices carried out. It now appears that there will be funds to pay 100 percent of all practices performed in 1946.

Among the conservation practices that can still be carried out this fall, there is the application of sulphur on alkaline land, reorganization of farm irrigation system, seeding or reseeding to permanent pastures and weed control by use of chemicals.

A new supply of the Oregon farm account book has been received at the county agent's office, and are ready for distribution now. The record book was prepared by the farm management department at Oregon State college and is designed to simplify the job of keeping an accurate account of all farm business. It permits making out income tax returns on the actual basis and also supplies information that makes it possible to study strong and weak points of the farm business.

Many Morrow county farmers used the Oregon account book last year, and report that this book is very simple and easy to use.

The book includes inventory forms, production records, farm receipts, farm expenses, and space for additional records if the operator wishes to keep them.

Also available at the county agent's office is the Oregon cash farm record book. It contains only records required for computing income tax returns on the cash basis and does not provide complete inventory forms.

A small change is made for the books to cover the cost of printing. Present income tax laws, both state and federal, require most farmers to file returns. An accurate set of farm records is necessary as the basis for an accurate tax return, and now is the time to get the right start on next year's records with a good account book.

Wheat nursery plots, for the purpose of comparing leading established varieties and promising new varieties, have been seeded again this fall. Morrow county nurseries have been seeded at the Werner Rietmann farm north of one, the Frank Anderson farm near Eight Mile, and on the Archie Murkerson farm on Heppner flat. Varieties will be compared and yields computed under the three different farming and moisture conditions. Varieties seeded were Rip, Rex, several cross selections of these two, Rex M1, Orled, Kharkof, Federation, Elgin, several Alci crosses, Golden, Tripet and Forty-fold.

We suggest that farmers interested in the development of new wheat varieties watch these nurseries and make comparisons during the growing season.

Former Gilliam County Ranchers Settle in Heppner

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Monahan are among the newer residents of Heppner, having recently purchased the residence property built by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snyder on north Court street to which they moved about two weeks ago. They sold their ranch holdings near Mikkaloo in Gilliam county to Dick Reed of that place.

The Monahans are old-time residents of Gilliam county. Mr. Monahan came to Oregon in the early part of the century, settling in Morrow county where he remained for several years before moving to the Condon vicinity where he rented a farm from J. E. Downer. After a short time he bought the Downer property. That was in 1907. The holdings were extended from time to time and he engaged in both livestock and grain raising. He was actively engaged in the sheep business until 1941 when he sold his sheep and increased the number of cattle on his range.

In leaving Gilliam county the Monahans are not unmindful of the many kind acts of their neighbors and friends and the pleasant associations they had there during the past 40 years with the people of Condon and vicinity.

Public Utilities Pay Almost 30 Pct. of County's Taxes

Morrow county's coffers were welled considerably Friday, Nov. 15, when Floyd Tolleson, Heppner agent for the Union Pacific Railway company, presented the company's check in payment of the 1946 taxes. The check was made out in the sum of \$104,466.87 and the county realized \$101,332.46 after granting a three percent rebate for payment in full.

This one check represents 25.28 percent of the county's total tax receipts. A check-up on the taxes paid by public utilities in the county revealed that five of them pay 29.53 percent of the county's tax bill.

Schedule Released For 3-A Community Committee Voting

Eligible Those Participating in Program Practices

The schedule for agricultural conservation program (AAA) committee elections in Morrow county was released this week by Henry Baker, chairman of the county committee.

Farmers in each community will elect a committee of three farmers plus two alternates. At the same time a farmer delegate to the county convention will be chosen who, with delegates from other communities, will elect a three-man county committee.

Rolling places, dates and hours for the nine farm communities in the county are as follows:

Boardman community at Boardman, November 25, 2:30 p.m. in the Boardman school house.

Irrigon community at Irrigon, November 25, 7:30 p.m. in A. C. Houghton's water office.

The remainder of the Morrow county community elections will be held in the Morrow county court house the afternoon of November 26, starting at 1:30 p.m. These communities include Lone, Morgan, Eight Mile, Lexington, Alpine, North Heppner and South Heppner-Hardman.

Eligible farmers are being urged to show their interest in the local administration of national farm programs by full attendance at the meetings. Eligible to vote is any farmer participating in the 1946 agricultural conservation program—including owners, operators, tenants, and sharecroppers on farms where this program is being carried out—and anyone who has a contract with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

The duties of local committees include recommending programs, action, determining acreage allotments, and otherwise administering federal farm programs; choosing conservation practices for which federal assistance is offered in Morrow county; allocating among farmers the funds available for meeting agricultural conservation needs; and handling price-support operations, including commodity loans and purchases.

Citizens Complain To Governor About Electric Service

Five prominent citizens of Heppner forwarded a telegram to Governor Earl Snel last Friday asking for an investigation of the light and power service in Heppner and neighboring territory. That telegram, signed by H. A. Cohn, P. W. Mahoney, J. O. Turner, Conley Lanham and D. A. Wilson, reads as follows:

"Hon. Earl Snel, Salem, Oregon: "Service furnished by Pacific Power and Light company to Heppner growing increasingly poor and is at present inadequate for domestic use as well as costly to industrial firms. This class of service precludes war time necessities. Community would appreciate investigation through proper state agency."

Don Fleck, local manager of the power company, made a definite explanation at the chamber of commerce luncheon and a statement from him will be found in another column of this issue of the Gazette Times.

Therese E. Waid Dies at Pendleton

Mrs. Therese E. Waid, 86, of Stanfield, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 20, in a Pendleton hospital after a few days' illness with pneumonia. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock p.m., Friday, Nov. 22, at Stanfield.

Mrs. Waid is survived by four children, Lenna Waid, Stanfield; Mrs. Lulu White, Pilot Rock; Mrs. Amanda Duval, Heppner; and Veron Waid, Portland; and five grandsons, one granddaughter and three great grandchildren.

Power Company Spending \$130,000 on Sherman Power System to Improve Service

Installation of a number of capacitors here recently marked the first step in a building program which will see more than \$130,000 spent by Pacific Power & Light company on its Sherman power system, Don Fleck, local manager for the company, announced today.

The Sherman system runs from Heppner to Dufur, serving rich wheat-growing areas in Morrow, Gilliam, Sherman and Wasco counties.

Installation of the capacitors here was a temporary measure pending construction of a new 22,000-volt transmission line to Lone, Fleck said.

Surveys for the 18 miles of heavier line, which will replace the present 11,000-volt circuit, have been completed but actual construction depends on availability of electrical materials. An acute nation-wide shortage still exists in these items.

The program also calls for extensive improvements and additions at the Dufur substation, from which the Sherman system is fed,

Fleck said. Alterations have been completed for addition of a 300-kva regulator, now in transit.

In addition, transformer capacity at the substation, governing the amount of power that can be made available to the Sherman system, will be increased five-fold by installing a new bank of transformers rated at 7500 kva.

Temporarily, capacity has been boosted a third at Dufur pending arrival and installation of the new transformers.

Explosion Stove Starts Basement Fire at Bakery

An exploding oil stove in the basement of the Heppner Bakery building caused a lot of smoke damage and some scorching of materials stored nearby early Wednesday morning. A congested flue caused the trouble and the thick smoke and soot made it difficult for the fire department to subdue the fire.

Actual fire damage was small but the proprietors, Aalberg & Wren, found it necessary to remain closed Wednesday while the bakery was aired out and the smudge was cleaned up. Considerable water had to be used and this was the principal damage cause.

The bakery opened for business as usual this morning.

Quackenbush Buys Van Horn Interest In R & W Grocery

A deal was consummated Saturday whereby Roy Quackenbush becomes the sole owner of the Red and White grocery store. Quackenbush bought the one-half interest of Harry Van Horn and will become sole operator as of December 1. Van Horn owns the building in which the store is located and will retain it with the objective of making it a more profitable investment by fitting up two apartments at the rear and over the warehouse space used by the store.

Quackenbush and Van Horn formed a partnership in the fall of 1942 and took over the Red and White grocery from M. D. Clark. Some alterations were made to the store plant to make it a more of a help-yourself market. They have enjoyed a good business. Van Horn was operating a bakery wagon out of Arlington prior to coming here and was well acquainted with local conditions before making a business venture. Quackenbush got his grocery and market schooling in the Saturday store during the years it operated here.

Van Horn stated he made no immediate plans further than putting in the apartments. He bought the residence property of Mrs. Cyrene Barratt on north Court street last summer, which, with the business building makes him an extensive property holder here.

Miss Betty Lovgren, student at Eastern Oregon College of Education at LaGrande, spent the week end with relatives in Heppner. She was accompanied by a college friend, Miss Jean Shaw. The young ladies were met at Echo by Miss Lovgren's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Alderman.

Mrs. Lattie Morgan left Tuesday for San Francisco to spend the winter with her son, Ted Young. She planned to stop over at Oregon City for a visit with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Beymer, and nephew, Orrain Bisbee, until her son finds an apartment for two in San Francisco. She has been staying at the L. E. Bisbee home since her household goods were shipped two weeks ago.

Mrs. O. G. Crawford left Monday to visit women's auxiliaries of the Episcopal church in Burns, Ontario, Vale and Nyssa. Mrs. C. C. Dunham took her to Pendleton where she boarded the Portland Rose to cross the mountains. She will return home Saturday.

An eight pound four ounce baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John G. Parker, Friday, Nov. 15, at Pendleton. The young man did not suit the choice of name planned in advance, hence a study of the lexicon of boys' names is being made by the parents. Mrs. F. S. Parker, paternal grandmother, is staying with the other children in Pendleton.

Leonard Carlson and Henry Peterson were in town Tuesday morning, Carlson taking out a truckload of coal just in case that expected long, hard winter happens along.

New Mill Produces Timbers for W. C. Rosewall Building

Framework for the addition to the Rosewall building is up and workmen are preparing to enclose the structure. There remains some foundation work to be done on the south side and this will be done in a few days, according to Howard Keithley, supervisor of the construction work.

Timbers for the framework were sawed out by the Big Four Lumber company, the mill recently installed on the east fork of Willow creek by the Broadfoot brothers. It was a rush order, with little time to search the woods for select trees, but satisfactory results were obtained.

The Schwarz building at Court and May is at a temporary standstill. The foundation work has been completed.

The front of the Tum-A-Lum building was plastered the past week and the interior of the office and display room is being rushed to completion. The general effect of the improvement is pleasing to the eye and will greatly facilitate the handling of lines the company will feature.

The Farra building also received a coat of plaster this week.

School Athletics Enliven Luncheon Hour Discussion

Whether or not the chamber of commerce should sponsor school athletics either directly or by backing an organization specially set up for that purpose elicited considerable comment at the regular luncheon meeting Monday noon at the Lucas Place.

Discussion started when a report was made on activity of the high school football team in raising funds by popular subscription to send the entire squad to Corvallis to witness the annual clash between Oregon State college and the University of Oregon the coming Saturday. After presenting viewpoints pro and con, and not fully condoning the action of the students, the group voted to subscribe \$50 of club funds to the cause, which practically assured the trip.

It was recognized that an organized adult group should take some initiative in helping the young folks with their problems, such as closing for games and helping to stimulate attendance. The question left unsolved was whether or not the chamber of commerce should take the lead and be such an organization or should sponsor another organization for that purpose.

It is understood the football boys were successful in raising the necessary funds but being unable to get tickets for the OSC-Oregon game will try to make the Multnomah stadium next week.

Lex Churches To Honor Vets Sunday

A memorial service honoring veterans of World War II has been planned by the Church of Christ and Congregational churches in Lexington for Sunday, Nov. 24. The service is for the entire community and others who may wish to participate.

Morning worship service will be held at 11 a.m. at the Church of Christ. At 1 o'clock p.m. potluck dinner will be served at the Congregational church, followed by a program and memorial service. Several speakers will appear on the program, including Rev. John Runyan who is holding evangelistic services in Lexington.

News Briefs Around Town

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Troedson attended the ordination service in Lone Monday evening for the Rev. Alfred Shirley, pastor of the Cooperative Church of Lone.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Bibby were hosts to a group of friends Sunday evening with a fine turkey dinner. There were 20 invited guests.

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Tentative Plans For Hospital To Be Shown Soon

Portland Firm to Submit Preliminary Draft in December

A direct step leading to ultimate construction of the Morrow county general hospital was taken here Friday when the county court engaged the services of a Portland architectural firm to draw up tentative plans to be submitted sometime in December. Here to consult with the court and Ralph Thompson, representing the hospital committee, was Elmer G. Harrington of the firm of Road, Schmeer & Harrington, Portland. All members of the county court, Judge Bert Johnson and Commissioners J. G. Barratt and L. D. Neill, were present to confer with Harrington.

The group went over the hospital site and Harrington was given a contour plat to work with in his firm's office in Portland.

A 25-bed hospital was tentatively decided upon, the building to be so constructed as to permit additional wings should increased capacity become necessary. The site is sufficiently large to accommodate enlargement and the plans will embrace future changes.

The architect was instructed to draw the plans to conform to requisites of the Hill-Burton Bill recently passed by Congress. This bill provides for a grant by the federal government up to 33 1/3 percent of the cost of certain types of hospitals and Harrington expressed the belief that the local hospital will come under the provisions set out. If this is true it will be possible for the county to obtain full value for its \$100,000 or so put into the building, it being estimated that present costs run approximately 33 1/3 percent above normal.

Some grades of lumber are a little lower at present while other grades are somewhat higher, it was pointed out. At present, rough lumber is down a little but finished lumber is higher. Harrington stated that builders look for an increase in lumber prices by the end of 1947.

Road, Schmeer & Harrington have several other hospital contracts at the present time and the hospital committee feels fortunate in securing the services of a company experienced in this particular type of designing. The firm has some hospital projects which have come under the Hill-Burton act and has a working knowledge of the methods of obtaining this federal assistance.

It is hoped to get preliminaries out of the way during the winter so that the way will be cleared for starting construction when favorable weather arrives.

Materials Arriving For Construction Of Rural Lines

Material for construction of the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative's farm service line in Morrow and Gilliam counties is beginning to arrive, it was announced this week by A. A. Scouten, manager of the headquarters office in Heppner. Not all materials needed in construction of the lines are represented in shipments received, but a start has been made and it is expected that everything will be on hand so that work can begin by June 1, 1947.

Included in lots received so far are poles, cross arms and other pole fixtures—but no copper wire as yet. The local Rural Electrification Administration unit will draw its "juice" from Bonneville via the Umatilla Electric Cooperative until such time as Bonneville is granted funds by congress to build a new substation directly connecting the Columbia Basin project with the high line. Two sites are under contemplation for the substation. One is southwest of Lone, the other northeast of Condon.

The Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative will have a total of 409 miles of lines in the two counties when the new service is completely installed and it is contemplated that most of the farm districts of the area will be able to enjoy electric power.

King-Farley Vows Taken at Catholic Church Saturday

St. Patrick's church was the scene of a beautiful wedding Saturday afternoon, November 16, at four o'clock, when Louise Anderson King, daughter of Mrs. Frank Anderson Sr., became the bride of James J. Farley, son of Peter Farley of Boardman. Rev. Father Francis J. McCormack performed the single ring ceremony in the presence of relatives and close friends of the couple.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, Frank Anderson Jr., wore a long sleeved, gold crepe dinner gown and a hat covered with gold sequins. Her corsage was of green orchids.

Mrs. Lawrence Becket was the matron of honor and was gowned in black. With this she wore a small flower hat and had a corsage of pink roses.

Peter D. Farley Jr. of Portland, was groomsman for his brother and John Fisk of Lone and Arthur Bergstrom of Portland were ushers.

Union Service To Be Held Nov. 27

Ministers of the several churches of the town have arranged for a union Thanksgiving service to be held Wednesday evening, Nov. 27. The service will begin at 7:30 o'clock at the Assembly of God church, corner West Willow and Galt.

Rev. J. Palmer Sorlein, pastor of the Methodist church, has been asked to bring the message. The meeting will open with a song service led by Mrs. Sorlein. Mrs. C. C. Dunham will be the soloist.

An invitation has been extended the public to attend.

Judge Offers Cure For Drink Habit

Fifty days in jail and a fine of \$100 and costs was the sentence imposed by Justice J. O. Hager on John Joseph "Jackie" Dundas when the latter appeared before him Friday on a charge of being intoxicated in a public place. Dundas had been "sawed" but a pal saw to it that he didn't have to ride the water wagon unless he wanted to. Dundas paid the fine and costs and the justice suspended the jail sentence with the proviso that he leave town and go to work.

Justice Hager stated that he believes there is no point in letting violations of this nature pass with a light sentence. The maximum sentence is 30 days and \$100 and costs and he believes a few doses of this kind will have a growing tendency to curb the drink habit.

Occupier New Home

Delbert Emert, in Heppner Wednesday, reported that he and his family are now occupying their new home east of Lone. This is one of the fine homes of the county. Aside from the modern house, the grounds have been landscaped, with shrubbery, trees and lawn laid out to make a most attractive setting. The entire place has been leveled, which indicates that greenery will prevail over the Emert domain.

Charles McDevitt of Pilot Rock transacted business in Heppner Friday, coming over to pay taxes.