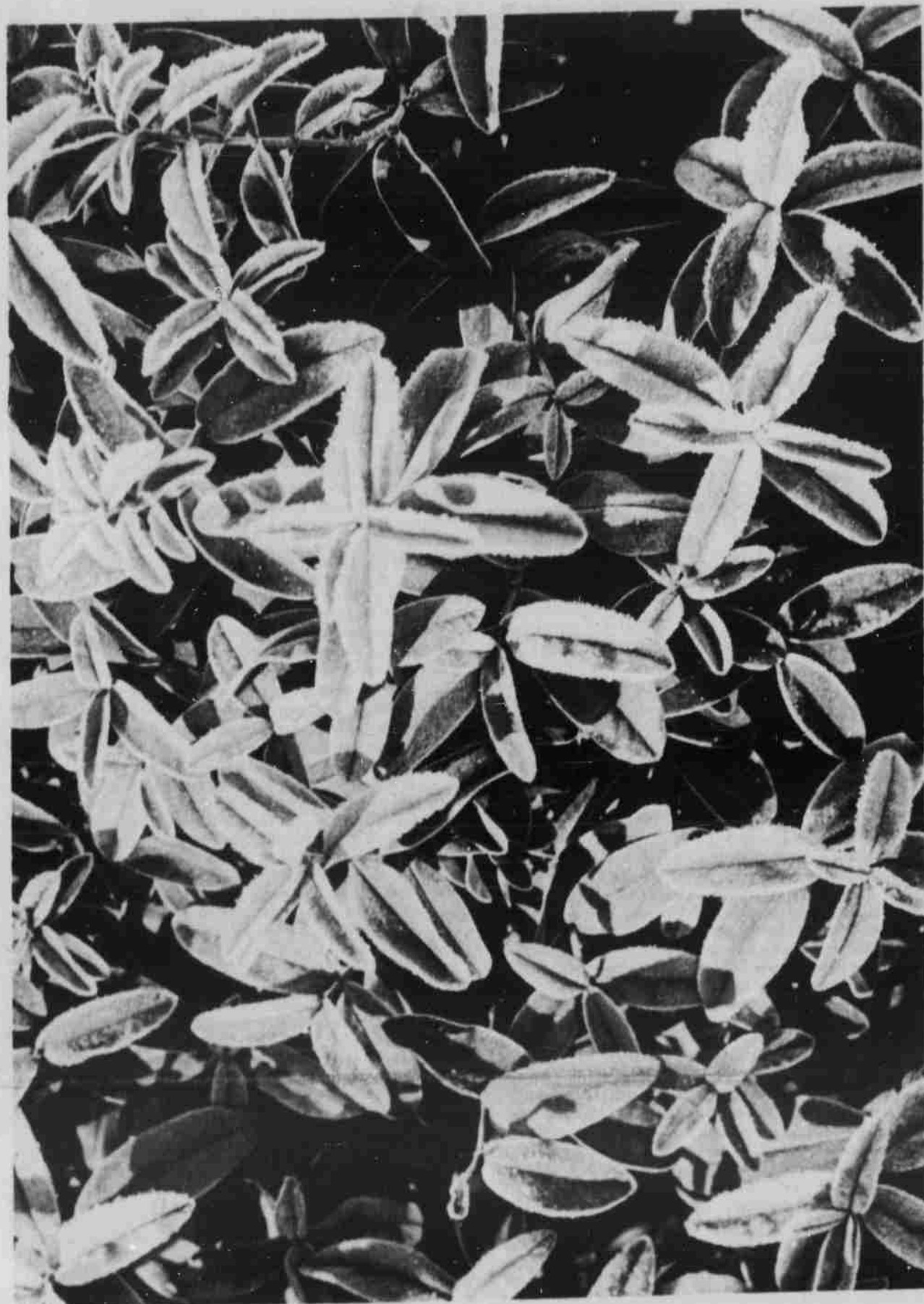


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Frosty Morning

Oregon wheat farmers to meet

The 48th annual convention of the Oregon Wheat Growers League will be held Nov. 30 through Dec. 3 at the Sheraton-Lloyd Center Hotel, Portland, OR.

Larry Kaseberg, president of the Oregon Wheat Growers League made the announcement and call to convention. Kaseberg is a Wasco, Oregon wheat producer and head of the 9,000 member Oregon wheat group.

Kaseberg called attendance at the convention "essential" for wheat farmers in the state of Oregon. "This is the only way we can keep our organization working with 'grass-roots' thinking," he said. "We hold quarterly board of directors meetings throughout the state so producers can attend and we hold the one annual meeting to wrap-up our accomplishments for the past year... and to plan for the coming year."

The meeting starts off with a board of director's meeting Nov. 30, 1:30 p.m. Registration for the convention will be the same afternoon from 4-6 p.m.

The convention, one will be an overall work session. Standing committees of the OWGL will convene on Monday afternoon, Tuesday morning, and then will report to the general session on Wednesday morning.

The general membership will then adopt or revise the committee reports to give general direction and resolutions for OWGL policies for the coming year.

Speakers for the convention include:

Claude Freeman, Deputy Director, Grain, Oilseeds, and Cotton Division, ASCS, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Warren Kronstad, Professor of Plant Breeding and Genetics, Oregon State University.

Don Woodward, President, National Association of Wheat Growers, Pendleton, OR.

John Segerstrom, President, the Pendleton Banking Company, Pendleton, OR.

Larry Rew, partner with Corey, Byler and Rew, Attorneys, and partner in Rew Ranches, Pendleton, OR.

Dr. Gene Nelson, Farm Management Specialist, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR.

Dr. Robert L. Coppersmith, Public Relations Specialist and also an economist with New Mexico State University.

Leonard Kunzman, Director of the Department of Agriculture, State of Oregon, Salem.

Dick Baum, President, Western Wheat Associates, Portland, OR.

Milton Morgan, Member and Past Chairman of Oregon Wheat Commission, Ione, OR.

Other speakers will include reports of various activities within the wheat industry.

The toastmaster for the evening banquet on Tuesday will be Fred Hill, Pendleton farmer and raconteur.

Other features of the banquet evening will be the awarding of the OWGL Conservation Man of the Year. The selection committee has toured the farms of the county winners and will announce the winner during this feature of the banquet.

Considered for the state-wide award will be these county winners: Herb March, Umatilla; Doyle Elsminger, Union; Roland Bergstrom, Morrow; Raymond Harrison, Gilliam;

Lloyd Henrichs, Sherman; and Harry L. Riches & Sons, Valley Counties.

The Cake Baking Awards will be presented at the Banquet by Oregon Wheat Growers chairman, Mrs. Bob Scharf. The women winning awards at the county level will bake cakes on Monday of the convention and the winner will be announced at the banquet.

County cake baking winners are: Mary Lou Wirth, Baker; Sherri Salmon, Walla Walla (who is unable to attend thereby giving the second place winner from that county, Linda Kooch, the opportunity to attend); Mary Brog, Umatilla; Betty Christman, Morrow; Ann McLoughlin, Union; Marie Hattrop, Sherman; Barbara Brown, Wasco; Jo McNamee, Jefferson; Cheryl Anderson, Gilliam; and Janette Bouffleur, Valley Counties.

Capping off the evenings activities will be the presentation of the Oregon Wheat Growers League Distinguished Service Award presented by Larry Kaseberg, president of the OWGL. The purpose of the award is to give recognition to persons who have given extra effort to help the wheat industry in Oregon.

Wednesday morning will see the formal annual business session where the general delegation will adopt resolutions and policies for the coming year. Election of officers will also be held.

"This should be an interesting convention," stated Kaseberg. "We have had more happen to us this year... our U.S. Government tells us to grow all we can, then they intervene in the market place... we have had a heavy legislative year... and we'll probably have a heavier one coming up."

Kaseberg said, "We hope a large number of wheat producers attend the convention. This is the only way we can formulate policies and direction for our industry."

Persons desiring further information on the convention can contact the Oregon Wheat Growers League office in Pendleton. The address is P.O. Box 400 and the telephone is (503) 276-7330 or 276-1525.



MILT MORGAN
Oregon Wheat Commission Report



LARRY KASEBERG
President, OWGL

No predictions, but

Mustangs should have a good season

"I will not make any predictions as to how the Heppner Mustangs will finish in the league, this season," said athletic director and head basketball coach, Dean Naffziger, speaking before the Chamber of Commerce Monday.

Speaking of the varsity team, Naffziger told the audience "We have only had eight practices and some of the berths are not filled on the varsity squad." Heppner will carry 11 members on the varsity team made up of seniors and juniors, leaving a berth for an outstanding player from the junior varsity team to round out the 12 players. Each week junior varsity players will be allowed to play on the varsity team, depending on his progress.

"This season we do not want to have any single top player on the squad. We would rather have a balanced team and strive for team effort in each game," said Naffziger.

Named to the Mustang lineup are Clay West, Dave McLoughlin, center, Clayton Wilson, guard or forward, Mike Orwick, guard, Tim Skow guard, Rob Eckman, Jim Langford, guard, Carl Christman, forward, Dave Allstott, rebounding, Wayne Seitz, Kevin Haguewood, Chris Rauch, Bruce Young and Jerry Cutsforth.

This season the Mustangs will be concentrating on speed and the fast break. The team will probably make some errors on the fast break but they hope to cut down on the errors.

"We have designed our

offense to utilize our size at the boards and the team will play a man to man defense. We are in a tough league and we will open the season against some tough opponents," said Naffziger. The Mustangs open their season Dec. 5 when they meet John Day. The following night they meet Enterprise here in their first home game. They open league play Dec. 19 against Sherman County.

Commenting on other teams in the league Naffziger said, "Sherman should be a top contender; Weston-McEwen lost many of their players last year, but they had a fine junior varsity team and they should be heard to beat; Pilot Rock lost two of their players and while they are good shooters from the floor they are lacking in height; Stanfield should never be overlooked, as they have a hustling team; Riverside is going strong and should never be taken for granted; Wasco County is always competitive; Umatilla is always aggressive; Condon has lost many of its players and is rebuilding its team this year.

"We feel we know what our chances are and we are setting our goals as the season progresses, and we hope to finish with a good season," said Naffziger. "As we are a determined ball club and we should be able to accomplish our goals."

In other business to come before the Chamber, Orville Cutsforth speaking against the corporate farms in the northern end of the county made a rebuttal to statements by Dennis Logan as he read

Article 2 dealing with "Authorized Farm Corporations". Cutsforth went on to say that he was primarily interested in large conglomerate farms such as Shell, Boeing and Birds Eye. Large corporate farms are controlled in other states, and should be controlled in Oregon.

He also stated he has been told by many farmers in the

area that they don't know why the area has ever been developed. At present some of the large farms are getting yields of over 100 bushels of wheat to the acre and with this amount of production it is sure to create a surplus.

State Senator Ken Jernstedt will be the guest speaker at the Chamber of Commerce next Monday.



DEAN NAFFZIGER

Morrow County receives grants

Mike Sweeney, Morrow County Bicentennial chairman announced at the committee meeting Thursday that the county has received three grants for their proposed projects.

The largest grant, \$5,385 was received from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation to develop Hager Park.

Sweeney stated site grading and the installation of underground sprinkling system and preliminary landscaping will get underway as soon as possible. Total cost of the improvements will amount to \$10,770 when completed and will include picnic tables and benches, several outdoor barbecues, playground equipment, with a baseball field and tennis courts planned for the future.

The American Revolution

Bicentennial Committee of Oregon approved two grants. The restoration of the Hardman Community Center received a grant of \$2,600 from the state commission and the county has dedicated \$1,300 of its assets toward the project, with the total cost expected to be \$5,200.

The state commission approved \$577 for the restoration of the Democrat Gulch School house recently relocated to Heppner's City Park. The county bicentennial committee will add \$238 to this project with several private donors also contributing to the project.

Renovation of the school house is expected to start next week and work on the Hardman Community Center is expected to begin March 1.

Board studies new budgeting system

The Board of Directors of Morrow County School District and budget committee members heard an explanation of the new budgeting system to be used throughout the state by all school systems this year. The new system, known as Program Budgeting, is a more detailed system than currently in use and allows for a more detailed breakdown of budget costs.

In other action, the board approved the resignation of Charles Endicott, 6th grade teacher at A.C. Houghton Elementary and hired Gary Olsen, LaGrande, as a replacement for the position.

The board approved requests for additional coaching time for girls basketball programs in Ione and Heppner Jr. High Schools and an assistant to the girls basket-

ball coach at Heppner High. Approval was also given to additional assisting coaching for boys basketball at Ione Jr. High.

John Edmundson was appointed attendance officer for the school district.

Superintendent, Matt Doherty, reported that the favorable interest rate in the recent bond sale of 5.986 per cent was probably due to three factors, the decision to set the life of the bond issue at 12 years rather than 15 years, the decision to move the bond sale as rapidly as possible, and the excellent rating of the bonds due to the favorable financial condition of the district.

United States National Bank was the low bidder for the bonds.

Freak accident injures woman

Inis Owens, Butter Creek was accidentally shot by a .22 caliber rifle Sunday afternoon.

According to reports Monty Glaze removed the rifle from his pickup and gave it to his nephew to take into the basement. Glaze told his nephew the rifle was loaded and asked the youngster to empty the rifle and then clean the rifle in the basement.

The youngster removed the

shells from the rifle and as he proceeded to place the rifle in the gun rack it discharged sending a bullet into the above room.

Mrs. Owens was shot in the lower leg, the forearm and the bullet also grazed her cheek.

She was taken to Pioneer Memorial Hospital, received emergency treatment and was discharged.

The accident was reported to the Sheriff's department.

Krebs returns from New Zealand

Clint Krebs, Ione, has returned to his home from an 11 month stay in New Zealand. He was part of a 5-student exchange program between Oregon State University and Lincoln College in Canterbury, New Zealand.

The exchange program included an actual work experience on a New Zealand sheep

ranch and attending two semesters of classroom work at Lincoln College. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Leslie were Clint's host family for his work experience program.

Clint played on the rugby team at Lincoln and earned a letter in the sport. He was voted the most valuable foreign guard. He also participated in the intramural basketball program.

Part of Clint's training was in shearing sheep both by machine and by blades. His host mother taught him the art of spinning yarn and he spun enough to make a sweater for himself. His yarn was entered in the local fair and he received a third place award.

Krebs will enter Oregon State University at the beginning of winter term to complete his studies in Agriculture Economics. He plans to graduate in June.

Santa will arrive Saturday

Santa Claus is coming to town! He will be here Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at Heppner's City Hall. The firemen have been busy polishing the fire truck to make ready for Santa's ride through town. Santa will give out treats to the kids, but will not have too much time to know who's been naughty or nice. So kids, make sure you don't miss Santa's visit.

Also to coincide with Santa's arrival is the all day "Guess What" contest, sponsored by the Heppner merchants in their store window displays. Every store is giving a nice prize to the winners and the instructions on how to win, will be placed in the store windows.

MEETING NOTICE

Dave Lavendar, Pilot Rock Athletic Director and Representative for the Northwest Basketball Camp will be guest speaker for the Christian Business Men's Committee Dinner meeting which is to be held at 7 p.m., Monday, Dec. 1 at the Wagon Wheel Cafe.