

Ione loses one to Condon 58-20



Photo by Wayne Hams

Cardinal sophomore quarterback Gabe Garcia (14) looks for running room against Condon defensive player during Fridays league game at Ione. The Cards lost the game to Condon 58 - 20. Rob Wilson got the first score for Ione on

a 30 yard run in the second quarter. Ione didn't score again until the fourth quarter when McClain Lovett scored on a 35 yard run, and senior Shawn Hams made the goal line on a 63-yd pass play from Garcia.

Cardinals down Condon in volleyball action

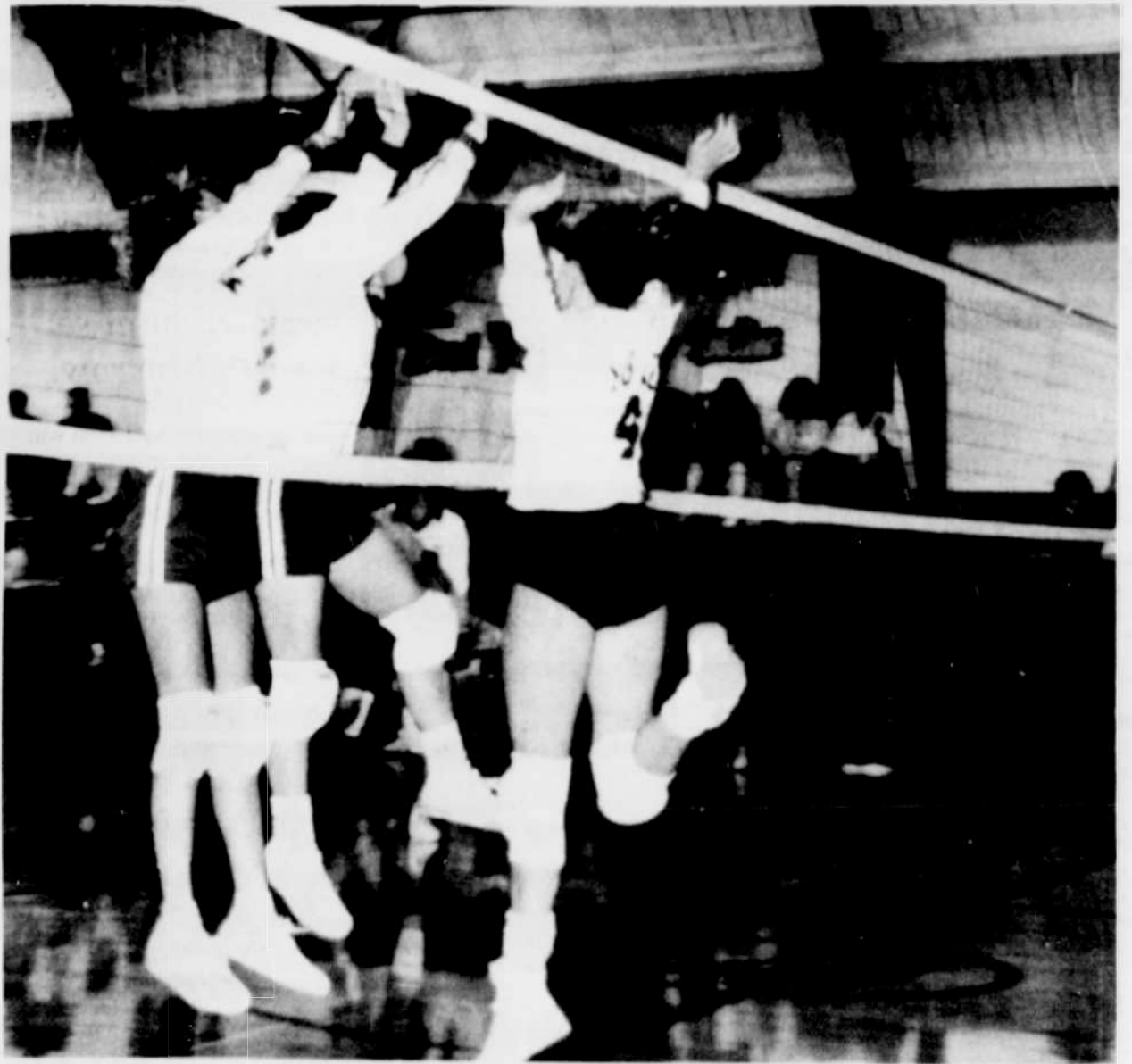


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Amy Wagenblast makes the play at the net during Condon game last Friday in Ione. The Cards beat the Blue Devils 15-0, 15-4 in league action.

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Ag secretary announces crop disaster program

Secretary of Agriculture Clayton Yeutter announced provisions of the 1989 crop disaster program and that payments will be made in generic commodity certificates.

The program will be administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Producers who suffered crop losses may be eligible because of: Damaging weather which includes, but is not limited to, drought, hail, excessive moisture, freeze, tornado, hurricane, or excessive wind, or any combination thereof.

Related conditions which include, but are not limited to, insect infestations, plant diseases, or other

deterioration of a crop of a commodity, including aflatoxin, that is accelerated or exacerbated naturally as a result of damaging weather occurring before or during harvest."

Additional provisions of the 1989 disaster program are: applications for payments will be accepted by ASCS county offices Sept. 18 through April 2, 1990. To qualify for disaster payments, producers must submit production records no later than April 27, 1990; producers will not be permitted to use multiple peril crop insurance yields for determining losses under the 1989 disaster program.

General crop loss criteria and payment rates are as follows:

Crop	Losses	Payment Rates
Program crops:		
With crop insurance	35-100%	65% of target price
No crop insurance	40-100%	65% of target price
Program crop nonparticipants	50-100%	65% of price support level
Nonprogram crops	50-100%	65% of market price

Sprouted wheat threatens growers

"Wheat growers may suffer hundreds of thousands of dollars in losses from sprouted wheat in Baker, Union and Wallowa counties," said Don Stonebrink, Wallowa County Farmer and vice president of the Oregon Wheat Growers League.

"The wheat is being sold into the feed market at a deep discount, even below its feed value," he said. "The OWGL is working to find alternative markets for sprouted wheat," said Stonebrink at a Tuesday meeting of growers at LaGrande, sponsored by the Oregon Wheat Growers League (OWGL).

"High levels of natural enzymes such as amylase convert the starch in the kernel to sugars, drastically reducing the milling quality of the

wheat for some products," said Sullivan. The enzymes in the kernel convert the starch to enable the plant to germinate.

"The most important thing is to store the sprouted wheat separately so it is not mixed in with wheat headed for Asian markets. These markets cannot tolerate sprout damage," said John Sullivan, Soft White Wheat Milling and Baking Specialist for Northwest Growers. Less than 5% of sprouted wheat in a cargo will effect most products used in Asian markets.

"A discount of as much as \$2.52 a bushel (a bushel is 60 pounds of wheat) from a price of \$4 per bushel in Haines is what we are experiencing," said Craig Ward, OWGL Baker Co. President.

"An intense rain just as harvest was beginning in the three county area caused the sprout damage," said Stonebrink. "Wheat kernels are separated from the head during harvest. The sprout may not be visible to the eye but the action inside the seed causes problems when the wheat is milled," he said.

"Wallowa and Baker Counties have 90% of their crop affected with about a third of the crop in Union County," said Gordon Cook, Union County Extension Agent.

"Sponge cake, sauces, soups, noodles and other similar products made from soft white wheat will fail with flour milled from sprouted wheat," said Gordon Rubenthaler, retired Head of the Northwest Area Wheat Quality Lab at WSU in Pullman.

"The science says it will work in Middle Eastern flat breads," said Rubenthaler. He referred to research completed in 1978 at the Wheat Quality Lab. "In some cases the bread performed better," he said. "The problem is that sprouted wheat has a bad image an buyers in some Middle Eastern countries believe they are receiving an inferior product," he said.

Hiemstras celebrate 50th



Ed and Marylee Hiemstra

Heppner residents Ed and Marylee Hiemstra celebrated their golden wedding anniversary August 25, 1989.

As a surprise, the couple's daughter and son-in-law, Theresa and Hershel Griggs and granddaughters, Trisha and Nicole Maxam arranged for a limousine tour of the Tri-Cities before dinner at the Moore Mansion in Pasco, WA.

The Hiemstras were married August 25, 1939, in Fairfield, Idaho. After WWII, they made their home

in Kellogg, Idaho, where he was a teacher and coach and she was a substitute teacher. They moved to West Linn, Oregon in 1963 and then to Heppner in 1969. He taught at Heppner High school until his retirement. She was school secretary at Ione School until her retirement.

Since retirement, they have followed local sports and also their granddaughters' soccer and basketball seasons. They have traveled in the Pacific Northwest.

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