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ANNOUNCEMENT

To the Public:

With this, the concluding issue of its twelfth volume, The Courier ceases to be. Beginning with the issue of April 3rd this paper becomes consolidated with the Kennewick Reporter and will be published under the title of the Courier-Reporter, from the Reporter office in the Hover Block. The two firms have been incorporated under the name of the Kennewick Printing Company, the trustees and only stockholders of the new company being A. R. Gardner, R. E. Reed and E. C. Tripp. Mr. Gardner will have editorial charge of the new paper.

All accounts due The Courier up to April 1st, with the exception of subscription accounts, are to be paid to Reed & Tripp, who will settle all bills contracted by them previous to that date. All subscription accounts will become the property of the Kennewick Printing Company and will be adjusted by them upon the mailing list of the Courier-Reporter.

The reasons for the consolidation may be stated in two words—insufficient business. At no time during the past year and more has there been enough patronage to justify the maintenance of two plants, the payment of two rents and two payrolls and still provide the proprietors with anything like fair returns on their labor and investment. This, we believe has been equally true of both papers, for each has had its fair share of what business the field has offered.

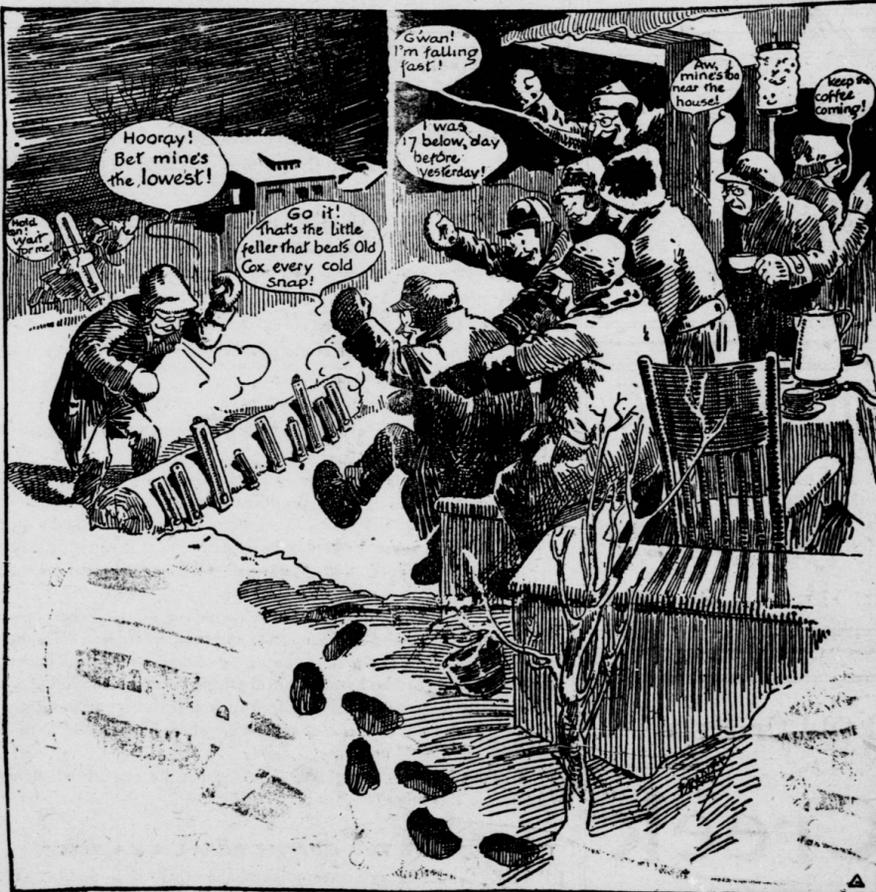
With the combined plants and subscription lists, the new firm will start business with an equipment and circulation which will put it in the front rank of country newspapers anywhere. Some machinery from each plant will be disposed of and replaced by new equipment. A folding machine and individual motors for our presses have already been ordered and it is probable that a typesetting machine will be added soon.

We are truly appreciative of the patronage which has been enjoyed by us and we hope to retain, under the new arrangement, every friend and customer we have made during the nearly four years that The Courier has been under our ownership.

Sincerely yours,

REED & TRIPP.

FOR SUBURBAN EVENINGS—THE THERMOMETER CONTEST.



MILES OF HIGHWAY SHOW IMPROVEMENT

Much Accomplished on First Good Roads Day in Spite of Bad Weather

At least thirty miles of highway were made more safe and comfortable to travel over as the result of Kennewick's first Good Roads Day, is the estimate of the committee which had the work in charge.

Everybody helped except the weather man and he sent us the coldest, rawest, windiest day he had on tap. Perhaps that was a blessing in disguise, however, as the cold wind kept the workers on the move to avoid freezing. It is doubtful, anyway, if there were many deterred from working on account of the bad day. The town was closed up tight, except in one or two cases, and those who had volunteered beforehand donned an extra sweater and a pair of goggles and showed up at the appointed hour.

Most of the workers devoted their time to digging boulders and raking small stones out of the roads, but in many places culverts were laid across the road to drain off the irrigation waste water and fills were made with teams and scrapers to do away with the bad mud holes which have plagued motorists and teamsters in years past.

In many cases the workers were served hot coffee by the farmers along the way and there was a general co-operative spirit shown by the country people in furnishing teams and implements where the work was heaviest. The committee wish to thank each and everyone who helped make the day such a success and they hope that so much real benefit will be realized from it that all will be anxious to have another and a bigger Good Roads Day next year.

Many interesting articles of antique and modern work were shown at the Art Loan Exhibition, given by the Arts and Crafts Department of the Woman's Club, at the Commercial Club rooms Friday and Saturday, for the benefit of the library fund of this club. In connection there was also exhibited some splendid work done by the manual training class of the local schools, under the direction of Mr. Romig. There was a silver offering taken which netted over \$16 to the fund.

FANS ARE PLANNING BASEBALL LEAGUE

Want to Have Some Good Games This Year—Kids Beat Married Men in First Game

The annual spring epidemic of baseballitis has struck town and it is certain that Kennewick will have some kind of a team this year. Last Sunday saw the first tryout of the local material when the single fellows beat the married men, 12 to 8. The day was warm and sunny—just the kind of weather to make the baseball germ most malignant—and it caused the old fellows to prance around like colts. Most of all of last year's team was represented in one or the other of the lineups, besides the youngsters who are about ripe to break into the first team this year. Among those who showed up well were also several players who have come to Kennewick to make their home since last season.

There seems to be quite a favorable sentiment toward organizing a four-team league to play a schedule of about thirty games, one game in each of two towns each Sunday, the season to last until July 4th.

The league would include Kennewick, Pasco, Lind and Connell, or else Prosser and Grandview in place of Lind and Connell. Such a league would increase the interest and attendance at the games in all the towns, and should be comparatively easy to finance. The idea is to raise a guarantee fund of, say, \$150 in each town with which to buy railway mileage. With this item of expense disposed of, the gate receipts would pay the other expenses and probably would leave each team a small surplus at the end of the season.

The proposition will be thoroughly talked over at the meeting to be held at the Commercial Hotel hall this evening, notice of which is given elsewhere.

The Finley Live Wires will hold a Hard Times Dance next Wednesday night, April 1st, and hope to see an even larger delegation present from Kennewick than usual. Everyone knows what the Live Wires can do when they start out to have a good time and as the coming affair will be for the purpose of raising funds to equip their ball team, they deserve hearty support.

BASEBALL MEETING IS TO BE HELD TO-NIGHT

This (Friday) evening at the Commercial Hotel hall there will be a meeting of those interested in having a good ball team in Kennewick this season. There will be no attempt made tonight to finance the team, but merely to learn the sentiment of the "fans" concerning certain propositions and perhaps to elect a manager. The meeting will be livened up by some orchestra music and selections by the High and Quartette.

EVERYBODY TURN OUT!

WIN COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

The Kennewick high school debating team, composed of Dora Williams, John Hamilton and William Sly went to Valley Heights last Friday night and defeated that team in the final debate of the county league series, thereby winning the county championship. The subject debated was on the question of equal suffrage and the judges' decision was unanimous in favor of the winners.

The debate was the concluding one of the season, during which the local debaters have been unusually successful, winning six out of the seven contests participated in. The county league team won all three of their debates and the interscholastic team, on which were Martin Garber, Van Whealey and Raymond Rarey, won three out of four.

NOTICE

Citizens having urgent need of the assistance of the police at night should call the telephone central and state where the officer is needed. Arrangements have been made for central to notify the officer on duty in the shortest time possible.

Geo. F. Richardson, Mayor.

APPRECIATION

As a member of the good roads committee and on behalf of the ranchers in my district, I wish to thank the citizens of Kennewick for their good work last Tuesday and to assure them that the same is heartily appreciated.

Chas. Lum.

EXCHANGE TO HANDLE WALLA WALLA PRODUCTS

Will Save on Marketing Costs—Kennewick Asparagus in Big Demand

With the object of cutting down the marketing cost of the Kennewick-Richland valley products, C. H. Collins, of the sales department of the Kennewick Fruit Exchange spent the latter part of last week in the Walla Walla Freewater district. His trip was successful in the fact that he secured for the firm the marketing of a good portion of the independent shipments of vegetables from that section.

These shipments will in no way interfere with the sale or the prices of the Kennewick products, but will, on the other hand, effect a material saving in the cost of marketing.

The Fruit Exchange is living up to its agreement to handle everything that the farmer produces and has already found markets for nearly all the asparagus that will be shipped from here. Orders have already been booked for fifty crates a



day as soon as the "grass" begin to come on in marketable quantities, and the inquiries that have been received will undoubtedly increase the standing order to at least seventy-five crates a day.

The asparagus, as well as everything else handled by the new firm, will be shipped out under the new "K" brand, which is shown here-with. The label is in two colors, red and blue, and will be used extensively. It will appear on all the stationery of the firm, upon advertising cards, labels, invoices, wrappers and berry hallocks and all crates. On each car shipped will be a big label on a banner on each side of the car, and the label will appear on the side of the local office and warehouse building.

ANNUAL CLEAN-UP DAY NEXT THURSDAY, APRIL 2

Thursday, April 2, is Clean-up Day for Kennewick. All householders in the sewer district who desire the benefit of city delivery should have tin cans, all garbage subject to decay, and all refuse that will be a bait for flies, conveniently collected in the alleys ready for the city team when it calls around on that day.

Geo. F. Richardson, Mayor.

GOOD CROWD AT LUNCHEON

About forty-five members of the Commercial Club were present at the second weekly luncheon at the Commercial Hotel Wednesday noon. By the interest which is being shown at these weekly meetings it is evident that the attendance will continue on the increase.

It will be the custom hereafter to have the "eats" interspersed with a number of brief talks, and the public policy committee is to assign the subjects for the speakers. Most of those who were called upon at this weeks luncheon took up their time in telling of their prodigious accomplishments on the roads the day before.

The next luncheon will be held at the Hotel Kennewick next Wednesday.

Next Friday night, April 3rd, the Royal Neighbors will give an entertainment at the Commercial Hotel hall. The musical program, which will commence at eight o'clock, will consist of some comic opera selections and specialties in costume, after which the evening will be spent in dancing and card playing. The Royal Neighbors will live up to their reputation as royal entertainers on this occasion and everybody may be assured of a royal welcome and a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The admission will be 20 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

The boys' department of the Congregational Brotherhood met Monday night under direction of A. W. Graham, manager of the department, and organized a baseball team. A schedule of games will be arranged with out-of-town teams to be played Saturday afternoons and it is to be hoped that the townspeople will assist the club in securing needed equipment and give the boys liberal patronage at the games. The following officers were elected: Frank Morain, Asst. Mgr.; Chas. Sonderman, Treas.; Bernard Slangenaupt, Secy.; J. J. Long, Capt.

DELEGATES WILL HEAR GOOD TALKS

Important and Interesting Subjects to be Covered in Program for Waterways Convention

Waterways advocates of the Pacific Northwest will gather in Portland April 13-14 at the fifth annual convention of the Columbia and Snake River Waterways Association, which will be held in the Commercial Club rooms under the auspices of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Responses received in reply to formal invitations sent out by the committee of arrangements of the Chamber indicate the attendance of representative men from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia.

Preparations are being made for the formal reception of delegates and visitors on Monday night, April 13th, by the Chamber of Commerce assisted by the united commercial and business men's organizations of this city. The stated sessions of the convention will begin at 2 p.m. April 13th, and continue over the evening of April 14th. A broad invitation has been issued by the Association for the participation of all commercial bodies and individual citizens of the Northwest in the discussions of the convention.

Formal papers to be given by representative men cover a wide range of important topics. Hon. J. N. Teal, of Portland, will discuss "Improvement of the Upper Columbia and Its Tributaries to Provide Modern Barge Navigation and Industrial Development." Hon. H. B. Miller, of Portland, Robert A. Foster, of Clarkston and Hon. James Allen, of Olympia, will take up "Hydro-Electric Development of the Columbia and Its Tributaries." Capt. W. P. Gray, of Pasco, W. S. Smallwood, of Portland, S. Z. Henderson, of Olympia, James P. Stapleton, of Vancouver, Wash., Harry N. Dryer, of Umatilla, and Hon. Fred W. Mulkey, of Portland, will discuss correlative topics covering independent boat service on the Columbia, the need of co-operation therein and the value of adequate water terminals and docks. Dr. Alfred Kinney, of Astoria, will give a paper on "Deepening the Mouth of the Columbia River to Accommodate Largest Ocean Liners." "The Relation of the Railways to River Improvement" will be handled by Hon. W. D. Fenton, of Portland, Gordon C. Corbaley, of Spokane, and M. J. Duryea, of Eugene. "Plans for Water Transportation of Perishable Products of the Columbia Basin to World Markets" will be presented by C. A. Malboeuf, of Portland, and Judd S. Fish, of The Dalles. Major J. J. Morrow, U. S. Engineer, will give a paper on "The Completed Celilo Canal," to be followed by moving pictures by J. G. Sill, of Portland, showing engineering improvements at various points on the Columbia, Willamette and Snake Rivers. Samuel Hill, of Maryhill, will cover the relation of good roads to river and rail terminals.

All railways of the Northwest have granted a special reduced rate of a fare and one-third for the round-trip on the certificate plan, available to all delegates and visitors to the convention.

FRUIT BUDS STILL SAFE

The cold snap which arrived with the gale of Tuesday has caused the fruit men to watch the thermometers pretty closely. Wednesday night the mercury dropped to 30 but little, if any, damage is reported in the orchards. The forecast is for cloudy weather and showers with indications for warmer weather to follow.