1920s
The Roaring 20s, Prohibition, and Education
Prohibition in Kent
Kent Intermediate School, which became the Kent High School. Built between 1919 and 1920, it sat on the site of Farrington Court retirement Apartments!
Inez and Aunt Mary hit the beach in the 1920's, stylishly dressed in their bathing suits. This photo comes from Kent's Calhoun family's scrapbook.
Some items belonging to the owner of Weitzel's General Store which was in Orilla, WA.
This was stuck in the front cover of an old book- the drivers license for then 16 year old Eleanor Jane Weitzel in 1929. They looked much different then! On the back is some of the rules of the road in the 1920's.
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Several photos of the Gonnason Bros. Service Station in Kent, WA. c.1920's
A fun day playing with dolls outside :) From Kent's Calhoun family's scrapbook. c. 1920's
This is from Kent's Calhoun Family's scrapbook. Most of the photos were taken in the 1920's. Unfortunately we don't have the names of these kids, but it looks like they were having a fun childhood!
Here are some gentlemen cruising Kent in a 1920 Oakland Touring Car. Shown left to right are: Harold Cochrane, Emmet Cochrane, Morgan O'Brien, Chas Moriarty and Wylie Olson.
Did you know... Kent was a national center for vegetables and housed several major canneries? These businesses provided seasonal employment for many residents of Kent. The Libby Cannery shown here in about 1920, was on the corner of 4th & Smith.
O'brien Elementary School. One of the photos was noted the year 1919, another 1900, the others are unknown.
More photos from O'Brien Elementary
Class of 1922
This is the Kent High School Basketball Team from 1923-24. (names left-right: unknown, Ed Reitan, unknown, Bob Chittenden, unknown, unknown, Melvin "Ike" Calhoun)
Another back to school photo- this was at the Kent Valley School (between 4th & 5th Ave and Titus & Saar). The children were in costume for a school play called "The Stolen Flower Queen" circa 1922.
Here is the Kent Meat Market / Dunn's Butcher Shop in Sept. 1922. Check out those prices! This was located at 211 1st Ave South in Kent.

Shown are: Johnny Grey, Dorothy Taylor, Oliver Dunn, Harriet De Young, Al Lybeck, Mr. Dunn, Roy Dahlgren and unknown.
This is the John Burnard daughters. It was taken on Cromwell T. Oliver's farm on East Hill (near Panther Lake) in Kent, c.1923. Noted are: Ida Burnard Oliver, Ada Burnard Clark, Effie Bernard Engstrom and Elspeth Burnard Martin.
A great Kent "mystery" from c.1924, From the Kent Advertiser/Journal
Kent's Calhoun family on a picnic at Redondo Beach

c. 1925
This adorable hand-colored photo is of David Hallock who was born in 1926 and only lived for 18 months. He was the son of Stella Rasmussen Hallock & George O. Hallock, Kent residents.
In 1926 you may have been dancing to this band - the Ozark Mountaineers!

(Lou & Charlie Becvar shown standing, the other's names were not noted).
Here's a photo of the Kent High School band in 1927- love those outfits!

The Becvar brothers with their biplane at the Kent Airport in 1927 or 1928
Going through our archives we ran across a great photo of the Museum as it was in 1929! We are not sure who is sitting on the porch as there was no notes attached, but we would love to figure it out one day!