

HEPPNER SHIPMENTS.

That Heppner is a very important shipping point may be seen from the following figures, which show shipments made by rail from here during the past year:

Wool, pounds.....3,245,750  
Cattle, cars.....220  
Sheep ".....175

As will be seen by the notice of Mat Lichtenthal, county treasurer, he has cash to pay up warrants. Morrow county is in good financial condition.

The Oregonian of the 15th has a picture of Consul Macrum, who came home from Pretoria. He looks like a man who would not have sense enough to come home or come in out of the rain.

There are many men in the Heppner Hills who paid double price for their government lands, and it is high time that the government was refunding half of it or giving its equivalent in land scrip. Such delays are a disgrace to a great government.

This is a great wool and mutton-producing region. In Morrow county and its near neighborhood there are close to 150,000 head of surplus sheep for sale. The spring increase takes the place of all the outgoing sheep, leaving the number in Morrow county upward of 200,000.

The members of the Oregon delegation in congress began life in widely-scattered districts. Mr. Tongue was born in Lincolnshire, England, June 23, 1844, and Senator Simon in Germany, in 1851. Senator McBride was born in Yamhill county, Oregon, March 23, 1854, and Representative Moody in Brownsville, Oregon, Nov. 30, 1854.

It is a matter of general comment that if last night's fire alarm had been sounded sooner the 200 people in the Heppner opera house might have stampeded, in which case many might have been injured. The outside front doors are wide enough for 3 1/2 people to pass through at once, but in possible stampedes such doors always have their capacity overtaxed. The owner of the opera house, S. P. Garrigue, intends to have the doors enlarged, so to be on the safe side and forestall possible accidents.

Heppner is the grand starting point for the big bands of sheep that go east every year. Here the transfers are made and the money is paid, and the outfits are rigged out. The average expenditure of each outfit at starting is \$1000. The sheep are driven in bands of about 7000, and the cost of driving to Wyoming varies from 25 to 50 cents a head, according to luck and loss.

Oregon's poet and sweet singer, Walkeen Miller, has tired of rose gardens and California sunshine, and has come up to his old Oregon on a lecturing tour. His poetry is read the world over, and it is very near to nature, for he roamed for years through the beautiful Blue mountains, south from Heppner, where the summer surroundings would make anybody poetical. Mr. Miller was the first judge of Grant county, in the early 60's at the same time that Geo. Kinsey, of Hamilton, represented it in the Oregon legislature.

Here is some tough taffy from the Salem Sentinel: "Down in Clackamas county, the politicians are already beginning the struggle for supremacy. U'Ren, whom the people had almost forgotten, has written a letter—that is, another letter and had it printed, saying that Brownell is one of the most honorable of public servants; in fact the doughty U'Ren thinks Senator Brownell is just about perfect, and is trying to make almost everyone else think so. U'Ren's praise ought to seal any man's political fate, but Mr. Brownell's record is already so bad that it isn't likely even U'Ren's laudations can hurt him."

Republicans Club

A meeting is to be held at 10:30 next Saturday evening to organize a Republican club. It is intended that good speaking will be a feature of the evening.

DON'T MAKE A MISTAKE.

People generally do not probably notice the cuteness exhibited by some of our very adroit politicians. For instance, in the case of United States Senator McBride, who is at his place at the National capital, diligently attending to his own business and working day and night for the best interests of his Oregon constituents in particular and the whole Pacific Northwest in general. Mr. McBride is not a "wind bag," but in committee work where the greatest good is accomplished, he is said to be a power—in fact being second to no man in the upper house in carrying through measures of his undertaking. But that matters not; the word is passed along that he must be defeated for re-election, and the bugle notes to begin the attack were made last week through the Oregonian. It may be right, it may be proper, to turn a man down just when he has attained sufficient prominence in a body to be of some benefit to a state or district; but the Transcript does not believe it. A few years ago Oregon had in Congress a delegation that was the acknowledged peer of any state in the Union. But Dolph went down through the machinations of evil political designers; Hermann fell next; then came Mitchell, and the worthy trio that had done so much to bring the Northwest into prominence were supplanted by new men. And now when these servants of the people have become sufficiently acquainted with public men and affairs to be of some benefit to their constituents they, too, must be set aside to give place to new and untried men of greed—for no other purpose. Transcript is not in favor of monarchies; it does not believe in issuing "life diplomas" to men elected to offices. But it does believe that where men perform trusts given into their hands faithfully and well, that it is a serious mistake to turn them down so often for new and untried men, either in county, state, or National politics.—Valley Transcript.

In ones and twos the bodies of the Oregon volunteers who lost their lives in Luzon are coming home. Sad to say, some of them died through neglect, and on account of having had their welfare placed in the hands of incompetent officers. One volunteer who returned alive tells a sad story of a man dying of fever in hospital at Manila. A little milk might have saved him, and his friend found a commissary officer who would relent on rules and sell him a can for 35 cents. Eagerly he went to Captain Heath to get the money, but got a cold refusal. Two days after, the neglected boy was dead.

A Pioneer of Pioneers.

In the Heppner hills live many pioneer pathfinders of the northwest whose early experiences would make thrilling books. One of them is Billy Gordon, from whose feed and sale stable horses always come with smiling faces and full stomachs.

For so young looking a man, Billy has had a hard life. He and his old friends all over the northwest will be glad to learn that he is flourishing. In the hair-raising days when hostiles were abroad he drove stage from Boise to Weiser at times when the thermometer stood 40 below. Then he took a change to Apache Arizona, where the thermometer was 120 above. He has now settled down into one of the best business men in Heppner, where the climate does not run to extremes.

A Curly Horse.

One of the greatest curios in the Heppner Hills is the early saddle-horse owned by Roy Whitson. The animal's hair is a beautiful sorrel, and is twisted and twisted in kinks, as perfect as the hair on any darkey in the sunny southland. Such a horse would be an attraction in a circus. He is a good saddle-horse, full of life and vigor, and was raised by Tom Matlock, who gave him to Roy.

Good Performance.

An audience of over 200 attended the amateur rendition of Tagge, the Wolf, Tuesday evening, and all were well satisfied. The performers did well, and Miss Elsie Bartholomew and Miss Elizabeth Matlock and Dr. Metzler were particular good.

The greatest danger from colds and influenza is their resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. It will cure a cold or an attack of influenza in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Conser & Warren.

Death of Mrs. Kirk.

Mrs. Rhoda A. Kirk, wife of James L. Kirk, died in Heppner Tuesday, aged 22 years, 8 months and 4 days. The funeral services were held yesterday at the Methodist church, and were largely attended. Rev. C. D. Nickelson officiated.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

In South Africa.  
London, Feb. 19.—It is now confirmed that General Cronjé escaped. Every detail received proves how admirable Lord Roberts' plans were conceived and were succeeding. But for the unexpected delay at Dekiel drift, which was almost impossible for wagons, the whole Boer force would have been surrounded. The delay of one day there gave them their chance for a hasty retreat. All the other movements of Lord Roberts were executed exactly on time. Apparently General Cronjé is retreating with the main army, and even if he shall escape altogether, he will probably lose all his baggage.

There is still something doubtful about the capture of the British convoy. According to a Daily Mail correspondent with the convoy, which consisted of 200 wagons, each loaded with 6000 pounds of ration and of forage, and each drawn by 16 oxen, it was quite unexpectedly attacked by a command supposed to come from Colesberg. The escort, consisting of 80 of the Gordon Highlanders, 40 men of the army service corps, and a few of Kitchener's horse, maintained a defense until the arrival of reinforcements, sustaining insignificant casualties. The Standard's correspondent at Jacobsdal, Thursday, says: "An attack was made yesterday upon the rear guard of our main body by a force of 1400 Boers, who were hurried up from Colesberg. They succeeded in capturing some of our wagons, but Lord Roberts did not delay his march to retake these. There were few casualties on our side."

The last of our supply columns arrived from Honey Nest kloof today, having met with no opposition on the way.

Specials from Ladysmith report an apparent movement of the Boers toward the Free State, presumably with the object of assisting General Buller in attempting another crossing of the Tugela east of Colenso, after the capture of Hlangwane hill, therefore, give great satisfaction. Buller's losses so far have been about 20 in wounded. His entire army, with the exception of General Buller's brigade, is engaged in the operation.

Incessant Fighting.

Chevelley, Feb. 18.—Gen. Buller has established headquarters on Hussar hill. Heavy artillery firing was maintained at intervals by both sides from Wednesday until Friday. The British stoutly pushed the advance, and their infantry occupied entrenched positions in front of Hussar hill, with slight loss. It is believed the Lydlits worked havoc in the Boer trenches.

The Boers are supposed to have moved their big guns back over the Tugela Friday afternoon. The rifle fire has been heavy at times. The whole country is thickly wooded.

The British operations are directed to the capture of Hlangwane hill, where the Boers are strongly fortified, and from which they are shelling the British with great accuracy.

The British infantry are now deposited along a line extending for several miles to the small kopjes at the base of Monte Cristo hill. From 6 o'clock Friday morning the British incessantly shelled Monte Cristo hill, with the neck separating it from Blaauwkrantz hill, on the right. The British infantry is making slow progress up the neck in the endeavor to occupy Monte Cristo, which will enable them to enfilade the Boers on Hlangwane.

General Buller's casualties during the last three days' operations have been about 80. The British forces have now partly ascended Monte Cristo hill.

Humanity in War.

Arundel, Feb. 17.—(Received by dispatch rider.)—Captain Longhurst, of the British medical corps, spent a night at Hobkirk's farm, attending the wounded Australians. He says that the enemy were remarkably kind to the wounded, providing them with mattresses and giving them all the eggs they had.

The Boers and the British wounded fraternized. Noticing that the belts of the enemy were filled with soft nosed bullets, one of our men said:

"You ought not to bring such things to fire at us."

The Boers replied:

"We must use whatever we can get."

This Boer contingent had come from the northern district of the Transvaal, where the Boers are used to hunting big game along the Limpopo. The men had obtained their ammunition for that purpose. One Briton, whose thigh had been shattered, replied to this explanation: "Well, I wish you had been kind enough to shoot me lower down."

After the retirement of the British forces the Boers held a prayer meeting and thanked heaven for their success. They separated into small parties and moved to their various outposts, chanting hymns as they went.

Jameson is Sick.

Ladysmith, Feb. 13, by heliograph and native runner.—Dr. Jameson has the fever. The heat is tremendous, but the morale of the camp is excellent. Major Daveton's wife, who was given a safe conduct through the Boer lines, has arrived here to nurse her husband.

The Boers have been very active here during the last few days, and are evidently making a move somewhere. The garrison, greatly delighted to learn of the relief of Kimberley, is in excellent spirits, and fit for anything.

Canadians for South Africa.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 18.—300 mounted volunteers for service in South Africa, the third section of the Second Canadian contingent, arrived today from Toronto and Kingston, and will sail for Cape Town on Wednesday.

Blanket Bargains. Regardless of the fact that everything in the line of Blankets and Comforts has advanced from Twenty-five per cent to Thirty-three and one-third we will continue to sell at our present low prices until they are all gone. Following are a few of the many Blanket Bargains: Pair 10-4 Cotton Blankets, double 60 cts; 10-4 " " heavier 75 cts; 11-4 " " double 1.25; 10-4 " " " 1.50; 11-4 " " heavy saddle-blanket 1.75; 10-4 " " double blanket 2.25; 10-4 Alameda Sanitary All-Wool filling 4.00; Salem Woolen Mills Dark Mottled Grey 6 1/2 lbs 5.00; All-Wool Grey Blankets, 7 lbs 5.50; Heavy All-Wool Mottled Grey Salem Mills Blanket, 6.50; Silver Grey All-Wool Pendleton Blankets, size 60x80, weight 5 1/2 lbs, not a shred of cotton in them 6.50; All-Wool White Pendleton Blankets, absolutely pure Eastern Oregon and Fleeced Wool, size 72x84, weight 5 1/2 lbs. 8.00. COMFORTS. Heavy Calico Covered Comforts 1.00; better quality 1.25; Satine Covered Downline Comfort, pure cotton knotted, size 72x86 2.75; Downline Comforts knotted and quilted, covered with Silk-line and Satine, extra quality 3.00. Agents for Butterick's Patterns. MINOR & CO.

Surprise Party. A surprise party was tendered Miss Murrel Jones by her many friends Friday night, and a very enjoyable time was had. Those present were: Misses Murrel Jones, Vallega McAtee, Nellie Howard, Olive Atkins, Oma Smith, Glenna Whitely, Dotie Miller, Sadie and Nina Garrigue, and Messrs. Fred Bartholomew, Ralph Bishop, Ralph Thompson, Eliza Sutton, Johnnie Roberts, Gasie Ayers, Ralph Atkins, Leo Blackman, Glen Wells and Roy Jones.

CITY OF HEPPNER—LEGAL NOTICE. ORDINANCE NO. 76. An ordinance providing for the building, erecting, changing, altering and repairing of sidewalks within the corporate limits of the city of Heppner. The people of the city of Heppner do ordain as follows: Section 1. Whenever the city of Heppner shall desire to build, erect, change, alter or repair any sidewalk on any street, alley or public place within the said city of Heppner, the Common Council of said city shall pass a resolution describing said proposed improvement, designating the place where the same is to be made and expressing the desire, will and determination of said city. Section 2. The City Recorder shall make a copy of said resolution and deliver the same to the City Marshal, or any sheriff of any county within the state of Oregon, who shall immediately serve a copy of said resolution, together with notice to the effect that if the owner of the property fronting or abutting on said improvement does not make said improvement and does not comply with the terms and conditions of said resolution within thirty days from the date of the service of the same on him the city of Heppner will proceed to make said improvement, on all persons who are the owners in fee or have an interest therein, of the property fronting or abutting on said proposed improvement; provided, that if such owner be a nonresident of the State of Oregon, service of said resolution and notice on said owner may be made by publishing the same for a period of five weeks in a newspaper published in said city, or by mailing a copy thereof to such owner at his known post office address. Section 3. After the expiration of the time specified in said notice, if the owners or owner of the property fronting or abutting on said improvement shall fail, neglect, or refuse to make said improvement within the time therein specified and in the manner provided herein, the street commissioner of said city shall proceed to make said improvement; provided, that if the cost and expense of making said improvement will exceed the sum of \$100, the City Recorder of said city shall advertise for bids for making said improvement to be submitted to the Common Council of said city, in a newspaper published in said city for a period of ten days, and the Common Council shall let the same by contract in writing to the lowest responsible bidder; provided that the Common Council may reject any and all bids and re-advertise. Section 4. Upon the signing of said contract, or if said improvement is made without contract, upon the completion of said improvement the City Recorder shall assess against each lot, the contract price, or the cost and expense of said improvement in front of or abutting on said lot, which assessment shall become due and payable to the City Recorder upon the acceptance of the work by the Common Council of said city, and if not paid within thirty days it shall be collected in the manner provided for enforcing city liens in Article Nine of the Charter of said city approved February 10th, 1899. Section 5. All sidewalks built, erected, changed, altered or repaired shall be built, erected, changed, altered and repaired under and according to the plans and specifications provided in Ordinance No. 75, "Entitled An Ordinance providing the general plans and specifications for building, erecting and repairing sidewalks within the corporate limits of the City of Heppner," passed and approved December 4, 1899, and posted December 5th, 1899, and according to and in conformity with the grade established by said city. Passed and approved Jan. 15, 1900. F. W. GILLIAM, Mayor. J. P. WILLIAMS, City Recorder.

HEPPNER MARKET PRICES. Wheat per bushel 1.10 to 1.15; Flour per bushel 1.00; Oats per bushel .80; Barley per bushel .75; Hay, alfalfa, per ton 8.00; (in stack at ranch) 5.00; Hay, wheat (in stack at ranch) 7.00; Bacon per lb 12.50; Lard per lb 12.00; Beef, best, on foot 15.00; Butter per lb 15.00; Eggs, per doz 15.00; Potatoes, per sack 1.00; Chickens, per doz 4.00; Dry Hides, No. 1, per lb 15.00; Sheep Pelts, per lb 10.00 to 11.00.

REMEMBER. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL outstanding Morrow county warrants registered prior to and including January 1, 1900, will be paid upon presentation at the office of the treasurer of said county. Interest ceases after the date of this notice. Dated at Heppner, Or., Feb. 21, 1900. M. LICHTENTHAL, Treasurer of Morrow County.

Drugs. The largest and best selected stock in Morrow county. Paints, Oils and Glass. A full stock. Jewelry. A fine stock to select from. Kodaks. Supplies of all kinds. Stationery. The very latest. CONSER & WARREN.

Fresh Meats. Salt and Smoked Meats. Pure Rendered Leaf Lard. Fish every Friday. Liberty Market. Highest price paid for fat Stock. Bock & Mathews, Proprietors. Heppner, Oregon.

J. H. Bode, Tailor. Has established a shop in the former Palace Hotel sample room, and will be pleased to have those desiring of first-class work call upon him. A thorough Berlin, Germany, tailor. Everything guaranteed. For Winter Wear. M. LICHTENTHAL, The Pioneer Boot and Shoe Dealer of Heppner, has Overshoes, Rubbers, Boots and Shoes. Coming—A big Stock of Spring and Summer Goods. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED IN EVERY PARTICULAR. Old Stand, Main Street. Repairing a Specialty.

O. E. FARNSWORTH, PRESIDENT. R. F. HYND, SECRETARY AND MANAGER. THE MORROW COUNTY LAND AND TRUST COMPANY. Is always in the field for Business, and extends all modern advantages to the farmer and the stockman. Its warehouse is located right on the railroad at Heppner. It handles WOOL AND GRAIN and engages in Storage and Forwarding. The Wool Growers' Warehouse. Owned and operated by the Wool Growers of Morrow County. Highest Cash Price Paid for Hides and Pelts. Agents for Black Leaf Tobacco Dip and Little's Fluid Dip. The only reliable prepared dips on the market. Feeds and Seed Grain always on hand. Wool Sacks at cost to patrons. Advances made on Wool and Grain in Store.

GILLIAM & BISBEE. You can save it by trading with. COMPLETE LINE. Of Heavy and Shelf Hardware, Granite, Tinware, Agricultural Implements, Wagons, Hacks, Etc., Paints and Oils (the best in the world), Crockery and Glassware. Give us the cash and you can get as good and as many goods from us as you can get laid down in Heppner from anywhere. This we guarantee.

Remember. It will soon be time to kill squirrels. Go to Ed. R. Bishop's. And get a 22 rifle and set the kids to work. One killed now means a dozen later on. Stevens, Winchester, Remington, Marlin and Phoenix kept in stock. The Phoenix pure shot is safe for women and children. Also steel traps galore.