

The Week's News

Local and Personal Happenings
in and About the City.

This is fine winter weather.
Hon. J. W. Morrow was seen on our streets Monday.
J. J. Wells was an outgoing passenger for Portland Tuesday.
S. A. D. Gurley, of Arlington, was in the city yesterday.
The GAZETTE still has a number of New Year copies for sale.
J. D. Brown was a passenger for the Willows, Saturday morning.

F. J. Weber, of Skagway, Alaska, was visiting friends in Heppner this week.

Alfred Ayers, who has been in the Willamette Valley for some time, returned Monday.

The tax levy of Morrow county has been fixed at 23½ mills this includes the 1½ mill road tax.

A number of Heppner sportsmen will attend the shooting tournament at Pendleton on the 25th of this month.

Assessor W. L. Saling and Frank Farnsworth attended the Knights of Pythias district convention at Pendleton.

C. E. Woodson, formerly of Corvallis, will open up a law office in this city. Mr. Woodson is a graduate of the U. of O.

John Royse, of Hardman, who has been visiting at Dayton, Wash., for two weeks, passed through Heppner Tuesday.

Miss Alice Lewthwait, of Oregon City, who has been the guest of the Tillard residence for some time, returned to her home Tuesday.

Rev. F. C. Flowers, pastor of the Baptist church at Condon, preached two good sermons in the Baptist church here the first Sunday.

Marshal Geo. Thornton has resigned to take up the the work of his office as county roadmaster. Ex-Sheriff James Matlock is now wearing the marshal's star.

Garfield Crawford, a former employee of the GAZETTE, started Saturday morning for Shelby, Montana. Mr. Crawford goes to take charge of the Shelby Independent.

Rev. J. W. Mount and family returned last Saturday from The Dalles where Rev. Mount had been engaged in revival meetings with the Calvary Baptist church for nearly five weeks. The revival was a very successful one.

Mr. and Mrs. James Welch, of Astoria, who have been visiting their son, Geo. F. Welch, were passengers Saturday morning for their home. Geo. F. Welch accompanied them as far as Portland, where he will go to a hospital for medical treatment.

Rev. Geo. R. Varney, Cor. Sec. of the Oregon Baptist State Convention, will be with Pastor Mount from January 22 to January 26. Services in the Baptist church each evening at 7 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend all of these meetings. J. W. Mount, pastor.

The Illinois Central Railroad office, at Portland, Oregon, has a small supply of nicely mounted wall maps of the United States, 32 by 38 inches, also Cuba and Porto Rico, enlarged. If you will send us ten cents, in stamps, we will prepay the postage and send you one of these handsome maps, by return mail.

Ed Brown, of Blackhorse, was in the city this week. He has just returned from the oil district across the Columbia, opposite Castle Rock. Mr. Brown states that a drill hole nine inches in diameter is now down 112 feet. Three experienced men are operating the drill. There is a continual flow of natural gas, and there are good prospects for the discovery of oil.

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The Advent of the New Year

Finds this a busy store--Greater activity is evidenced throughout every department than has ever prevailed in any former JANUARY SELLING. People are enthusiastic over the many bargains they are securing here yet in advance of the GREAT RUMMAGE SALE we are preparing, for the entire month of February.

Silk and Wool Hoods

For Infants and Children

at practically your own prices. Too many of these dainty little bonnets and hoods which would be crowded out later by the arrival of the spring stock prompts us in making the sacrifice.

Pink and blue silk, lined and trimmed in fur, former price 35c, now..... 26c
White and colored in Shetland floss, with silk crocheted stripe, former price 69c, now..... 39c
Pink and blue silk, trimmed in lace and black velvet ribbon, former price \$1.25, now..... 88c
One lot knit hoods, all colors, odds and ends, 20c, 25c, 39c and 43c, now..... 15c

Dress Goods and Silks

For Evening Wear

Crepe de Chines, in light blue, white and black, the richest of all silks, per yard..... \$1 00
Crepe Cloth, nile, turquoise, cream, electric and lavender, per yard..... 55c and 85c
Silk Organdies, white, nile and black, per yard..... 50c
Moussaline de Soie, silk dotted, in black and pink, very wide, per yard..... 60c

ROYAL AND SATIN TAFFETAS
and many others at very low prices

Veilings.--Silk dotted, plain, heavy beige and sewing silk, all colors, 13c, 15c, 23c and up to 35c yd

Silk Waists

Black Silk Taffeta, nicely tucked and plaited and made in the latest way, former price \$1.69.
Now \$3.30

Black, made similar to above, former price, \$6.83, now..... \$5.00
Fine Taffeta in blue, castor, royal and lavender, worth \$6.00, now..... \$4.38

Towels and Toweling

16x27 fringed honey comb cotton towels, pair..... 08c
16x28 linen buck, pair..... 15c
24x44 fringed Marseilles, pair..... 25c
20x42 hemstitched linen..... 58c
250 yards cotton crash toweling, per yard..... 31c
150 yards heavy linen crash toweling, worth 12c per yard, now..... 08c

LACES and EMBROIDERIES

Odds and ends, and remnant lots of laces and embroideries, both in the heavy and coarser kinds, as well as the very finest--some of the choicest patterns to select from, all at

Greatly Reduced Prices.

SHOES: A child can buy here as safely as the most expert judge of Shoes. We expect to stay in the shoe selling business a good many years and there are not enough folks in this territory to "go around" on any other basis of selling. You tell us what you want and you can get it. Then if it is not correct tell us and we will make it so.

Rod and Gun Club Meeting.

The Heppner Rod and Gun club held a meeting at the Palace hotel, and elected the following officers:

President, Dr. G. B. Kistner; vice-president, J. H. Blake; secy-treasurer, Ben R. Patterson; captain, Guy Minor; managar, Frank Roberts; official scorer, Geo. Conser.

The rules of the international Rod and Gun Club were adopted.

A committee consisting of Phil Metchan, J. H. Blake, Frank Gilliam, and Geo. Conser, was appointed to solicit funds and arrange for the shooting tournament to be held in this city.

Guy Minor was authorized to draft rules to govern a contest for a trophy cup.

The Heppner Rod and Gun Club now has 29 members, and much interest is being taken by Heppner sportsmen.

The dome which is now being finished on the new court house has added much to the appearance of the building. The work on this building is a credit to all the contractors. Morrow county will soon have one of the finest court houses in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Patterson entertained a number of their friends last Friday evening at their home on Main street. The main feature of the evening was progressive whist, after which a dainty luncheon was served. All present were glad to have another chance to meet at this appointed place, as they are always sure of having an excellent time, the host and hostess being royal entertainers. Those being honored with an invitation were: Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Redfield, Dr. and Mrs. M. B. Metzler, Mesdames Hinton, of Ellensburg, H. Bartholomew, Katherine Steeves; Misses Jones, Alice Lewthwait, Grace Tillard, Elizabeth Matlock; Messrs Frank Borg, Percy Garrigues, Geo. Hinton, E. P. Michell and Dr. Kistner.

Match Shoot.

The Heppner Rod and Gun Club held a big match shoot at the shooting grounds Sunday afternoon. A large number of spectators were present to see the blue rocks shattered.

The contest was for a supper and was won by Jas. Hart's team.

HART'S TEAM.

Jas. Hart, captain, 11; Frank Roberts, 16; J. H. Blake, 19; B. R. Patterson, 8; Frank Gilliam, 16; H. Wickersham, 6; M. D. Clark, 11.

IRWIN'S TEAM.

W. R. Irwin, captain, 1; Frank Natter, 14; Guy Minor, 14; Dr. Kistner, 17; Clarence Bisbee, 15; Lee Matlock, 14; Wm. Cowins, 17; Percy Garrigues, 11; E. L. Freeland, 10. Referee, Willard Herren. Official scorer, Geo. Conser.

Owing to the absence of two members of Hart's team, the scores of Dr. Kistner and Wm. Cowins were not scored in the match.

There will be another match next Sunday by the same shooters for a supper.

The following persons partook of the supper given by the losing side last Sunday evening:

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Minor, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Herren, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blake, Percy Garrigues, Miss Nora Matlock, Jesse Hale, Miss Rossie Hayse, Hiram Wickersham, Miss Nora Adkins, Louis Bisbee, Miss Anna Tombs, Walter Richardson, Clarence Bisbee, Ben Patterson, Eugene Freeland, Frank Gilliam, Frank Roberts, Lee Matlock, M. D. Clark, Frank Natter, Otis Welch, Chas. Hale, Dr. Kistner.

Destructive Fire.

W. O. Minor's Mountain Valley farm house was destroyed by fire last Saturday morning. The fire originated from a defective flue and was soon beyond control. The loss is about \$2000, partially covered by insurance.

TO IMPROVE ROADS.

SYSTEMATIC METHODS BY ROAD MASTER THORNTON.

Newly Appointed Officer Will Commence Work as Soon as Weather Will Permit.

George R. Thornton, the newly appointed roadmaster of Morrow county, appointed at the last session of the county court, is making preparations to attend to the duties of his new field of work, which will commence on Thursday, January 15, as designated by the county court.

Mr. Thornton, under the direction of the court will have general supervision of all road work in Morrow county, and will co-operate with the road supervisors in conducting a systematic method of road improvement.

To a GAZETTE reporter, Mr. Thornton gave out the following:

"I expect to have all necessary arrangements completed as soon as the weather will permit. I intend to engage about eight horses, and a crew of men, with all necessary tools. We will take a tent and cooking outfit that the work may be prosecuted without delay.

"The work will probably be commenced on what is known as the Henry Gay road leading from Heppner to Eight Mile.

"I favor working in the lower or northern portion of the county at this time of year.

Why do you favor working in this portion of the county first asked the reporter.

"One reason for this," said Mr. Thornton, "is that it is impossible to do good work on the mountain roads owing to their condition at this time of year. The lower portion of the county dries up much quicker than the upper portion of the county, and after the month of July it is hard to do anything with the loose soil.

"During the months of June, July

and August, I expect to devote my time to cleaning out the loose rocks from the roads that have been uncovered or rolled into the roads.

"In fact my entire time will be devoted to Morrow county roads which will keep me on the move in getting over the large territory to be covered.

"I intend to make a careful study of this road question. I will correspond with every road master in the state of Oregon, and hope to become thoroughly acquainted with the different methods in operation.

"Different conditions require different methods. What might apply to the soil of some other portion of the state might not do at all with the character of soil here.

"Any how, I do not feel backward about taking hold of this work, for with my long experience in railroad construction work I gained a good knowledge of grades, cuts and bridge building.

"I will be well equipped for the work and hope to make satisfactory improvement in Morrow county's roads.

Fast Runner is Dead.

Irate, the well known running mare, died of pneumonia at Oakland, Cal., last week. Harry Green of Spokane, was the owner. This racer, which was 4 years old, has shown some remarkable speed and has won a number of important purses. Last fall, at the meeting of the Spokane Interstate Fair association, Irate won several races, and she has also appeared to advantage in the fast company of the California tracks. She was a well known mare and was considered a good money getter. Speaking of the animal, Harry Green said: "She was a fine mare, and I have several times been offered \$1000 for her, but would not even consider the offer."--Spokane Chronicle.

Irate was well known in Heppner, being formerly owned by S. S. Whitman, of this city. Mr. Whitman sold the mare to Harry Green last October.