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AS TO CLIMATE.

Climatic conditions in Morrow County may not be altogether ideal, but when we read of the blizzards farther east and north, of the storms to the south, of the snow banks and washouts in every direction, we are inclined to congratulate ourselves that we are most favorably situated as to climate. So, too, in "the good old summer time" when others are being scorched, roasted, broiled and fried by the intense heat of the summer sun, or being blown to smithereens by the festive cyclone, while we are enjoying the gentle zephyrs from the sea and the cooling breezes from the mountains.

It is a land of much sunshine, where fruit is ripened to perfection, where vegetables in great variety are produced, unexcelled in quality and flavor, and the wheat hardens and ripens to a turn.

Morrow County, considering the latitude, is not only mild, but equable. The extremes of heat and cold experienced in other localities are almost unknown here. Rarely do we have zero weather in winter or extreme heat in summer, and when we do it is of short duration, seldom lasting more than a few days. Our mean annual temperature ranges from 45 to 57 degrees, and even in the warmest weather the nights are cool. We know nothing of the hot, sweltering nights such as are endured by residents east of the Rockies.

House joint resolution, introduced by Representative Mahoney of this county, to amend Section 2 of Article IV of the constitution, so as to provide one senator and one representative at least from each county, and as many more as the population of the several counties may justify, should certainly be adopted by the legislature. The people of this county will appreciate a change in the law that will give us our own representative and senator, and we apprehend that every other county in the state, similarly situated, will take the same view. For years past we have been tied onto other counties, and have not even been permitted to have a representative of our very own, but are tacked on to Umatilla, and as for a senator, we always have been joined up with a couple of other counties. We hope this joint resolution will be adopted.

The despatches last week contained an account of a most fiendish tragedy near Enterprise, in Wallowa County, in which William Windor shot and killed both his wife and her sister, Mrs. Rinehart. It appears that he was of a morose and surly disposition and not spoken to his wife for nine days. She was sick in bed and had sent to Enterprise for some medicine, whereat he became angry and quarrelled with her. Mrs. Rinehart, who was present, interfered, whereupon he whisked out a .38 revolver and fired, the bullet entering her mouth. He then shot his wife in the center of the forehead, killing her. Picking up their 9 months old baby, Windor carried it to a near neighbor's, telling what he had done, what disposition to make of the child, and that he was going back to finish up the job. Rushing back before the alarm could be spread, he laid down beside his wife and placing the revolver to his temple, sent a bullet through his own head. Mr. Rinehart, for whom the Windors were working, was absent, having gone to the timber for firewood.

It was a most brutal and cowardly act and only a moral degenerate could plan and execute a deed of such infamy and proportions. There are special reasons why this case calls for mention in these columns. Mrs. Rinehart and Mrs. Windor were nieces of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Crawford, their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Dunlap, of Dayton, Wash., being sister and brother of the Crawfords, respectively, and therefore double cousins of the editor hereof.

More and more every day is the importance of the improvement of street conditions in this city impressed upon us. We have heretofore mentioned the fact that Main street from the O.-W. R. & N. depot to the southern boundary of the city calls loudly and incessantly for earnest action on the part of the city authorities, and once more are we impelled to announce the fact that above every other public improvement, the opening up of this street south of May, and macadamizing it throughout its entire length would add to the general attractive-

ness of the city, to the value of property, and the comfort and convenience of the people generally. Of course it would cost something, and so does anything of value. This improvement must be made soon or we will find ourselves in possession of a reputation for "mossbackism" that will give, not only the town, but the surrounding country, a big black eye. It is time to get busy, to bestir ourselves, or we will be relegated to the rear ranks. Don't kick but boost.

Senate bill 118, introduced by Barrett of Washington County, imposing a license of \$100.00 on peddlers of patent medicines, was indefinitely postponed, which means that it has died. There were many protests registered against the passage of this measure, and its demise is not mourned, as it was a piece of class legislation of the worst sort. We hope that it will never be resurrected.

Whether or not the State Legislature provides Oregon with a plan for systematic highway construction the Oregon Good Roads Association believes that during the last year more has been actually accomplished toward permanent making of good roads than during any other period of the State's history. This is because of the widespread conviction which it has been possible to obtain that Oregon's first and greatest development need is good roads construction.

The Oregon Good Roads Association does not intend to give up the fight for highway construction whether the good roads laws as adopted by the legislature are satisfactory or not. The leaders of the organization believe that with the help of the state press and the progressive citizenship unofficial promotion of the good roads cause will be effective and desirable either in conjunction with the enforcement of such laws as may be passed, or if the laws are not passed the unofficial plan it is believed will be even more effective than legislation.

SOCIETY

One of the largest parties of the winter was the party given by Mrs. Sam E. Van Vactor, at her home on Thursday of last week. Mrs. Van Vactor was assisted in receiving by Mrs. S. W. Spencer. "500" was the game, at which Mrs. Phil Cohn was successful in capturing the first prize. Mrs. Fred Lucas the second, while the consolation prize fell to the lot of Mrs. C. O. Huelat. After the game dainty refreshments were served, Mrs. Van Vactor being assisted in serving by Mrs. Matlock, Miss Joe Stampher, and Miss Josephine Cameron. The musical part of the affair was taken care of by Mrs. Boyden and Mrs. Metzler. Those who enjoyed Mrs. Van Vactor's hospitality were: Messrs. B. R. Patterson, Spencer, Vale, Cameron, Metzler, Boyden, Dutton, Molden, Lucas, Hynd, Hallock, Roberts, Wilkins, Thompson, Barratt, Bisbee, Huelat, Hager, C. C. Patterson, Cohn, T. J. Matlock, F. Elder, Prugn; and the Misses Mary Farnsworth, J. Stampher, T. Stampher, and Josephine Cameron. Mrs. Van Vactor was ably assisted in entertaining by Mr. Arthur Minor.

In honor of Miss Mayme West, who has been visiting Mrs. Ben Patterson, Mrs. Marquardsen informally entertained three tables at "bridge" Monday evening. The party was in the nature of a farewell for Miss West, who left Tuesday morning for her home in Portland.

Several High School young ladies enjoyed a pleasant evening at the home of Miss Elizabeth Slocum, Friday evening. After the games light refreshments were served. Those present were, Misses Ruth Brown, Leta Humphreys, Minnalena Cameron, Edith Slocum, Happy Slocum, and Elizabeth Slocum.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church entertained their friends at a Valentine party Tuesday evening in the basement of the church. The basement, which is nicely adapted, was prettily decorated by the young ladies with Indian robes and rugs. Those present report not only a good time but a dainty lunch also.

Professor Otto has under his charge a number of young and ambitious musicians, with which material he has succeeded in developing an orchestra which certainly deserves notice. The orchestra consists at present of seven instruments: Violins, Mr. Otto, Jesse Turner, Robert Young; cornets, Leander Pavid, Cecil Hale; clarinet, Ralph Kenton; piano, Minnalena Cameron. If the young people continue to improve as rapidly as they have in the past three

weeks under Mr. Otto's management, Heppner is going to have a young orchestra to be proud of.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Christian church entertained their friends at the home of Miss Helen Morgan Tuesday evening. Games of various kinds were indulged in, and for refreshments punch and wafers were served. An unique feature of the party was that each guest was required to take an original valentine which was used in carrying out the entertaining scheme of the evening.

At the I.O.O.F. hall last evening, the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs combined in entertaining and feeding something less than three thousand of their friends. The writer's vision was so obscured by the many lovely salads, cakes, etc., that it was difficult to estimate the exact number present, but suffice it to say that there were many there, and they were royally entertained and fared sumptuously at the banquet table. For entertainment, the High School orchestra rendered several numbers, Miss Altha Devin recited; Miss Lily Curran read a humorous burglar story; and Mrs. Turner rendered a vocal solo.

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