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Harney county's resources are attracting the attention of the entire West. Irrigation, stock raising, mines, oil and gas prospects and agriculture—all awaiting development.

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NEW APPARATUS FOR RESERVOIR SOUNDINGS

Harney Valley Irrigation District Directors Get A Larger Drill

The Harney Valley Irrigation District directors have brought in a larger machine with which to make the necessary investigations as to the character of the bed of the reservoir at the lower site. The drilling machine arrived the fore part of this week and has been taken to the place of operation.

John W. Cunningham of the engineering firm of Bear & Cunningham, who had charge of the preliminary surveys and conducted the field investigations, came up from Portland for the purpose of being present at the time of the arrival and installation of the machinery. Mr. L. A. Christensen, a Civil engineer of experience, accompanied Mr. Cunningham and will have charge of the investigation.

The Jensen Drilling Co. of Portland is the firm that will do the work and this concern is capable of getting results.

The district has spent considerable money trying to ascertain the character of the foundation for the proposed dam but the apparatus first installed was not of sufficient capacity to get the results desired therefore it was found necessary to make other arrangements. It is confidently expected now to get the information needed to complete the estimates and get data in readiness to submit to the landowners in order that they may decide upon a bond election.

OTTINGER STILL AT IT

The Times-Herald received pages from two Los Angeles newspapers in the mail last Saturday and upon perusing them find some interesting items concerning the movements of our friend A. Ottinger, who is associated with other capitalists in California in the steamship business. One article published in the Los Angeles Examiner, reads:

Yale and Harvard will sail March 1. Announcement was made yesterday by A. Ottinger, recently appointed passenger traffic manager for the Los Angeles Steamship Company that service will be inaugurated with the initial sailings of the Yale from Los Angeles and the Harvard from San Francisco at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of March 1. They will arrive at their respective destinations at 10 o'clock the following morning. Each vessel will accommodate 550 cabin passengers and about 400 tons of freight, and will have all the modern conveniences of ocean travel, including motion pictures, dance hall, barber shops, elevator service and reading rooms.

The other story is taken from the Los Angeles Times and says:

For great fleet of new ships

Taking capitalists of all Southern California counties into the organization, the Los Angeles Pacific Navigation Company will inaugurate a campaign immediately to raise from \$1,000,000 to \$15,000,000 with which to secure a fleet of merchant vessels with which to operate its business between here and the Orient.

At a meeting of its fifty directors in the California Club last night the company decided to continue operating such vessels as have been allocated to it by the United States Shipping Board, but to proceed with the creation of a fund sufficiently large to finance such boat purchases as it may be able to make outside the Shipping Board.

The company is said to have two excellent freighters in prospect now at reasonable prices. It will not undertake to purchase boats from the Shipping Board unless they are offered at better prices than have been quoted in the past, according to Marius De Brabant, vice-president of the company. Fred L. Baker will continue as president of the concern. Mr. De Brabant says. Investors in all the southern counties of the State will be invited to subscribe to stock in the company, each county being asked to conduct a drive to raise a pro rata and make the company a Southern California enterprise.

WAYSIDE OBSERVATIONS

Should Farmers Organize?

BUSINESS CAPITAL long has been.

Should farmers sell their products cooperatively? **UNION LABOR** does—at prices undreamed of until they were organized.

When **BUSINESS CAPITAL** makes a demand it is acceded to—regardless of consequences. It controls the **MONEY**.

Through its organizations when **UNION LABOR** speaks it is heard. It is supposed to control the **VOTES**.

Under present conditions when the **FARMER** speaks he is given the **HA HA**. He holds the **SACK**.

Labor represents only about **EIGHT PER CENT** of the voting population with the average investment in business of \$50.00.

The value of the investment in farms is **GREATER BY THIRTEEN BILLION THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY SIX MILLION DOLLARS** than all the manufacturing and its products put together.

The average farmers investment in land and equipment is \$25,000.00 yet the taxes are proportionate on the investment of all classes. Isn't it time to **ACT**?

The **LABORER** pays from **ONE TO FOUR PER CENT** to the **UNION** to protect his **JOB**. The **BUSINESS INTERESTS** through a score of channels pay considerably more to protect their **CAPITAL**.

The **FARMER** pays **EVERYTHING HE HAS** for the privilege of working 14 hours a day in order that labor may have **CHEAPER FOOD** and work 8 hours—He works the shorter hours—But is the food cheaper?

On the face of it **YES** but the laborer says **NO** and in the majority of instances he is right for you see **CAPITAL** in the form of a score or so of middle men must be maintained in luxury by **BOTH THE FARMER AND LABORER**.

Mr. **FARMER** is your **JOB** worth protecting—is the **CAPITAL** you have tied up in land, stock and machinery worth protecting? Should the **FARMER** be heard when he speaks—or should he always be the **GOAT**?

Of course you at once say **YES BUT THEN WHO IS GOING TO DO IT?**—The man who names the price he will pay for the product of your farm and ranch—or the man who works 8 hours a day and wants you to work 14 in order that he may have cheaper food?

The man to do the job of **PROTECTING** is the **FARMER** and the only way he can accomplish the work is through **ORGANIZATION**. Some of us are already awake and are beginning to make ourselves **HEARD** through the **AMERICAN FARM BUREAU FEDERATION**. You the farmer in **HARNEY COUNTY** can take your place in the councils of this great organization by joining your **COUNTY FARM BUREAU**. Keep this in mind when the membership committee calls on you shortly after the first of the year as we expect Harney County to be 100 per cent **Farm Bureau** by this time next year.

Does the farmer need protecting says the city man—**SHADES OF OUR FOREFATHERS** Does the **FARMER** need **PROTECTION**. Does he need **REPRESENTATION** where representation **COUNTS**? Only a fool or worse would ask such a question with **CANADIAN** wheat being dumped into this country **DUTY FREE** and therefore selling at **LESS THAN IT COSTS AN AMERICAN FARMER**. **ING INTERESTS** are **PROTECTED** against the **CANADIAN FLOUR** by a **HEAVY IMPORT DUTY**. The **SHEEPMAN** is facing the greatest crisis in the history of the industry since he business interests say no money is available to tide him over **YET AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND WOOL IS BEING DUMPED INTO THIS COUNTRY BY THE SHIP LOAD DUTY FREE** while the **WOOLEN MANUFACTURERS** are protected from the importation of cloth by a **33 1-3 per cent TARIFF**.

The same thing applies to the **CATTLEMAN** with the importation of **FROZEN MEATS**. Our **DAIRY** interests are having the fight of their life trying to **COMPETE** with **NEW ZEALAND BUTTER**, while the **POULTRYMAN** goes out of business while the **COLD STORAGE INTERESTS** had **YOU** with the delectable

HOME MILL NOW RUNNING

The Burns Flour Mill is now running and the products may be found at local stores. Ask for home products when marketing.

The mill is under the supervision of an experienced miller and the flour turned out is guaranteed to be pure, of good flavor and responds most satisfactorily to yeast. There is every reason why the people of this county should patronize the home manufacturer when the product is equal to that purchased elsewhere, especially since it opens a market for the farmer. The price is not so great or no greater than you pay for outside products and by purchasing home products you are encouraging the farmer to greater production, giving the home merchant his share of the trade and thus keeping all the money at home.

Burns invites the patronage of the surrounding farmers and stockmen and it is the wise merchant who buys the home product and thus shows his community spirit and proves to the farmer and stockman that he is sincere in his efforts to aid them in return for their patronage. We need these neighbors and they more they produce the better for the entire country and the more prosperity for the town man.

Patronize the home mill and the home merchant that carries the home product.

CHINESE EGGS and all at the same price that would be charged for clean high grade **AMERICAN** products. **WHY THE DISCRIMINATION?** How does this arrangement give the **AMERICAN** farmer and stockman a **SQUARE DEAL** or even reduce the price to the consumer?

Through the **FARM BUREAU** the tariff issue will be taken out of **POLITICS** and a **UNIFORM** schedule secured and maintained, and in this manner **OUR** organization will see that the **FARMER IS HEARD** and **AMERICAN** Agriculture given a **SQUARE DEAL**.

The question is are you going to **PROTECT** your **JOB** by joining the only **ORGANIZATION** that can make the farmer **HEARD** at the place that counts—**CONGRESS**?

Good Notted Gem seed potatoes that have been certified by the crop specialists of the O. A. C. as being pure and true to type and free from disease can be procured through this office for 3 cents per pound at Bend or 4 1/2 cents at Burns.

If you are interested in dairy cattle let the county agent show you a list of good milkers offered for sale through other county agents at prices that are very reasonable.

COURT PREPARES TAX BUDGET

The county court spent several days of the December term considering and preparing the budget for taxes for the coming year and it is published in this issue of The Times-Herald. The budget is the most complete ever prepared and gives details which enables the taxpayer to get an idea of what the money is used for.

Judge-elect R. T. Hugnet took part in the deliberations in considering the budget for the coming year; Judge Farre invited Mr. Hugnet to be present as upon him devolved the necessity of administering during the period for which the tax money is collected.

A letter over the signature of Judge Farre is also published this week which explains further the budget. Judge Farre points out the reason for economy and shows how the 6 per cent limitation and statutory demands require consideration.

One matter Judge Farre refers to that will be taken up at the time the budget is considered on Dec. 31, is the provision of a community nurse. A delegation went before the board at its recent meeting and asked that an amount be included in the budget to cover the expense of a community nurse, the amount being approximately \$3,000 plus a Ford car. This item is not included in the budget.

It is realized there is a great demand upon the funds of the taxpayers and that we should practice economy, but whether it is economy to neglect the health of the children of the county is a question that should be considered when this matter is before the people.

SKEINS—HIBBARD

A very pretty wedding was solemnized Wednesday evening, December eighth, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Hibbard when their daughter Eugenia was united in marriage to William Poleman Skeins. This hospitable home was given an added charm by the profusion of roses, carnations and ferns which formed the decorations.

After two violin solos, "I Love You Truly" and "Perfect Day," beautifully rendered by Miss Agnes Foley, the bridal party entered to the strains of "Narcissus" played by Mrs. Albert Vincent, sister of the bride.

A bower of ferns and carnations had been artistically arranged, the brides used as the background being brought from Dr. Hibbard's birthplace in W. Hamette Valley. Within this arbor the bridal party took their places, making a beautiful living picture. Hazel Hibbard and Mabel Skeins, sisters of the bride and groom, respectively, acted as bridesmaids, the one in robin's egg blue crepe de chine, carrying a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums, and the other in pale green mesalina bearing a large bunch of pink and white snapdragons. The bridesmaids formed one point of a crescent, while the groomsmen, Ray Skeins and Llewellyn Hibbard, brothers of the principal, formed the other point. The groom took his place in the center of the semicircle and the climax was reached when the bride entered on the arm of her father and took her place beside the groom.

She was richly gowned in creamy-white crepe de chine with an overdrape of silver lace and the long bridal veil held in place by a strand of pearls about the forehead. In her hands she carried a beautiful bouquet of bride roses and foliage.

An impressive ceremony was read by Rev. L. S. Tracy, pastor of the local Church of the Nazarene of which the couple are members. Following the words which made these young people husband and wife, they received the hearty good wishes and congratulations of the relatives and few intimate friends who were present.

The guests spent a pleasant hour over dainty refreshments and in admiring the magnificent array of gifts which indicated the high esteem in which this couple is held by their acquaintances.

The bride is the second daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hibbard, a young woman of charming personality and rare vocal talent which is a delight to her many friends. She is an alumnus of Harney County High School and has for some years been her father's right hand assistant in his dental office.

The groom is also a graduate of our local High School and is well known as a young man of character, energy and business capacity that promises well for a successful and useful life.

SHORTHORN BREEDER HERE TO SEE OLD FRIENDS

M. H. Biggs, formerly a resident of this city where he practiced law, is over from his home at Prineville. Mr. Biggs is a cousin of John and Allen Biggs of this city. During his residence in this city Mr. Biggs made many warm friends who are glad to welcome him among them again.

Mr. Biggs has not followed law practice in recent years, preferring to devote his time to his large ranch near Prineville where he is engaged in the production of pure bred Shorthorn cattle and fine horses and mules. His herd of Shorthorns were recently pronounced by William Hanley as the best he had ever seen.

"Diek" as Mr. Biggs is familiarly called by his old time friends, is now Deputy Grand Master of the Odd Fellows of Oregon. He will be Grand Master next year. He was pleased to find he was here on the regular meeting night of Harney Lodge, which was the lodge that made him an Odd Fellow. He witnessed some degree work Thursday evening, seeing the Third conferred on some of his personal friends. Following the degree work the boys had a limburger spread in the dining room, not entirely in honor of their distinguished visitor, but as is the custom following this degree.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHELETICS

The following report of the finances of the athletic activities of the Harney County High School is published by request of the principal and the boys taking part. The figures cover the expenses of the four football games and the banquets in connection with the visiting teams:

CASH RECEIVED	
H. C. H. S. Football Expense Account	
Oct. 4 Tag Sale	\$177.68
5 Tag Sale	1.00
6 Donation—merchants	117.25
26 Balance M. G. Brown—Special D. M. Mc.	83.51
Nov. 3 D. M. McDade from Prairie	80.00
3 Receipts from 2 Game and Dance	183.14
4 Receipts from 2 Game	.75
10 Refund from Mrs. Schwartz	3.50
Dec. 6 H. C. H. S. Student Body	14.89
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	\$461.42

CASH PAID	
H. C. H. S. Football Expense Account	
Oct. 5 Reed Bros.—Tape and string	\$ 1.35
5 Julian Byrd—Tags	5.55
9 Myrtle Bennett—Meals—Prairie	8.00
9 Prairie R. R. D.—Freight Charges	2.96
10 Myrtle Bennett—Meals—Prairie	1.00
12 Canyon City—Board and Room	50.00
12 Mrs. Williams—Meals—John Day	2.50
19 Rex Clark—Gas and Oil	10.00
19 R. Voegtly—Gas and Oil	10.00
19 R. V. Sweet—Gas and Oil	10.00
21 N. F. Reed—Gas and Oil	10.00
23 O. Shattuck—Gas and Oil	10.00
20 Trans—H. C. N. Bank—To M. C. B. Spl.	88.00
30 Prairie Team	80.00
Nov. 1 D. M. McDade—Meals at Prairie	27.60
1 H. J. Reed—Music and Dance	29.00
1 Reed Bros.—Supplies	3.35
3 G. J. Dent—Cream	1.50
3 N. Brown & Sons—Supplies	2.75
3 Home Drug Co.—Floorwax	.40
3 Farmers' Exchange—Supplies	2.25
3 Burns Cash Store—Supplies	5.90
3 C. C. Page—Buns etc.	8.50
3 A. F. Lanfear—Fruit	2.70
3 Burns Meat Mr.—Chickens	8.05
3 O. W. Market—Chickens	6.00
3 Mrs. Schwartz—Supplies	6.99
4 Hazel Hibbard—Milk	1.00
4 Julian Byrd—Hall	10.00
4 Reed Bros.—Supplies	23.93
—F. B.	3.00
5 Reed Bros.—Tape	3.00
10 Mrs. J. Shepard—Lime	5.50
10 Lunenburg Dalton—Supplies	1.75
Dec. 6 C. H. Voegtly—Goods—F. B.	221.39
	\$661.42

CONTRIBUTIONS PAID	
N. Brown & Sons	\$ 5.00
Burns Cash Store	5.00
Julian Byrd	5.00
Sam Mothershead	2.50
Wm. Farre	2.50
W. A. Gowan	1.00
Chas. Rohm	1.00
Reed Bros.	5.00
E. A. Graham	1.00
O. W. Meat Market	2.50
Geo. W. Simmons	1.00
H. L. Cawfield	1.00
Chas. Ellis	1.00
J. A. Krumholz	5.00
C. Culver Page	2.50
I. S. Geer & Co.	2.50
First Nat'l Bank of Burns	5.00
J. C. Welcome & Son	2.50
Burns Garage	5.00
Inland Realty Co.	2.00
R. C. Buerki	2.00
C. H. Voegtly	2.00
Maurice Schwartz	2.00
Lunenburg & Dalton	5.00
Everett Eggleston	2.00
Chip G. Smith	1.00
I. H. Holland	2.00
Harney County Abstr. Co.	2.00

PROPOSED TAX BUDGET PRESENTED TO PUBLIC

Estimate Amount to Be Raised by Taxation Next Year

In presenting for the consideration of the taxpayers of Harney County the Budget or estimate of the amount of money proposed to be raised by taxation for the ensuing year, attention is called to the fact that the general tax levy for the year of 1921 can not exceed \$233,507.13, or, the levy made for same purpose for the preceding year, to wit: \$226,259.75, plus six per cent.

Neither time nor effort has been spared in preparing the budget in order to make it conform both with the letter and spirit of the law. In many instances the Court regrets that more liberal provisions could not be made, as well as its inability to include therein \$4,000.00 for the maintenance of a public health nurse asked for by many petitioners, but considering the mandatory levies and that the indebtedness of the County on January 1, 1920 was \$34,410.50, which, owing to the high cost of all commodities, remains approximately the same, redemption of warrants to bring the County within the \$5,000.00 limit of voluntary indebtedness becomes apparent, and no further appropriation could be provided for.

Aside from the budget for the general fund controlled by the six per cent constitutional limitation act Harney County must, in 1921, pay an additional State tax of \$50,800.00 on account of initiative measures such as "Higher Education"—"Oregon State Normal School"—"Soldiers and Marines Education and School Fund," voted by the people at the primary election, last May, this together with a rabbit bounty voted at the general election in November (for which an estimate of \$100,000.00 may prove nearer correct than \$25,000.00 as provided for in the budget) and followed by Market Road, School, City and other levies, will probably make the final figures appalling to the taxpayers, but not within the discretion or remedy of the County Court.

An earnest invitation is extended to every taxpayer in the County by the present County Court, and by Judge elect, Hugnet, to meet with the Court on December 31st, for the purpose of fully discussing the tax problems and expenditures, and to point out to the County Court any manner or method whereby expenses can be reduced.

Very respectfully,
WM. FARRE, County Judge.

Henry Dalton	1.00
Harney County Nat'l Bank	5.00
Home Drug Co.	2.50
B. F. Smith	2.50
E. J. Musick	1.00
Niel Smith	1.00
Farmers' Exchange	5.00
A. F. Lanfear	1.50
C. A. Byrd	1.50
C. H. Leonard	2.50
Chester Dalton	1.00
Chas. E. Dillman	1.00
Platt T. Randall	1.00
W. Y. King	1.00
H. Von Schmalz	1.00
J. S. Cook	1.00
Biggs & Biggs	2.50
I. T. and T. Co by L. T.	2.00
Geo. S. Sizemore	1.75
R. T. Hugnet	2.00
J. Lampshire	5.00
Total	\$117.25

CARROLL CECL'S BROTHER DEAD

Logan J. Cecl died the fore part of this week at his home in Grimes, California, at the age of 79 years. A telegram received on Dec. 8 announced the death to his brother, Carroll W. Cecl of Silver creek. Deceased was at one time associated with his brother in the stock business in this country, but later this partnership was dissolved. Mr. Cecl is remembered by many of the old time people of this vicinity who regret his demise even though he had lived to an age that few of us expect to survive.

W. B. Johnson was over from his Silver creek home during the week.