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WATER ADJUDICATION

TESTIMONY IS TAKEN

Case Reopened Upon Application of Several of The Water Users.

On the application of several of the water users of Slivies River Judge Dalton Biggs ordered a reopening of the hearing on the rights to irrigation water. This hearing was set for this week and Court Stenographer Walker was here for the purpose of taking the testimony. Several water users availed themselves of the opportunity to add testimony as to priority rights or conditions and also to protest the rights of others. Some seem to think the reopening has opened the way for a longer delay to the final adjudication and the installation of the storage irrigation system. However this may be, it is certain that until the conflicting rights are adjusted there will be no harmony and the sooner these rights are settled the better for all concerned.

The Harney Valley Irrigation District Directors are proceeding as rapidly as circumstances will permit toward the installation of a storage system. There have been delays but these have not been of any consequence so far. The character of the foundation for the dam has to be ascertained before any accurate figures can be compiled as to the cost of construction, therefore we must submit to the delay.

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF FUND

Among the many troubles in the world, the latest and one of the most acute is the great famine that is now raging in the Republic of China. The papers have detailed the conditions quite thoroughly, and the President has called upon the people of the United States to contribute liberally to the relief of these starving millions. Fifty millions are affected of which twenty millions will perish before spring if help is not sent quickly. The roads of Honan province are lined with corpses and the people are selling their girls at two dollars each. What if such conditions existed in this country.

The Church of the Nazarene at Burns has decided to open a China Famine Relief Fund for the benefit of these people. Their fifteen missionaries in the center of the stricken area are doing all possible to relieve the distress and have cabled home for help. They are asking the people of Burns to contribute as much as they can for this purpose, which will be forwarded to these missionaries through their General Missionary Board at Kansas City. Both this Board and the missionaries in China have experience in famine relief work and the money contributed will be used to give the best practical relief to the greatest number of people. The pastor of the church has engaged in famine relief work and makes a personal appeal to the people of Burns for help. In spite of the high cost of living, and other distresses in this land, we know nothing of real famine.

The fund has been opened at the Harney County Bank and at L. E. Reed's Grocery Store, where contributions will be received. Among all your other benevolences, what will you give to this most recent and very needy one? The fund will remain open until December 31st.

IS IT YOU?

Every one knows him. He is energetic, painstaking in everything that he does, and honorable to a degree. He is considerate of the faults of others, and realizes many of his own imperfections striving consistently to overcome them as best he may. He is not a saint, and neither is he a great sinner. He is what we term a good citizen and a credit to this community. Is it you?

Mrs. Harry Danley arrived home the latter part of last week from San Francisco where she had been for several months. She has again taken the job of keeping her husband good—some job.

REMINISCENT

A representative of this paper had occasion to step into the circuit court room at the court house Wednesday for a few minutes where Court Stenographer Walker was conducting a hearing on the adjudication of water of Slivies River.

Upon first glance it seemed he had gone back some 30 years, for the first man recognized was Ed Hanley who was the witness being questioned at the time and he was telling about Pete Stenger building a dam on section 31. From Ed Hanley the next glance revealed J. W. Biggs, then C. A. Sweek and Geo. Sizemore. The next one recognized taking an active part in the proceedings was Hon. John L. Rand and while trying to adjust these visions and impressions and get back to the present Judge Will R. King came down the aisle and greeted the newspaper man with this expression: "It seems like old times again, doesn't it?" The reply to this was, "I was just looking for Charley Parrish and Thornton Williams, to make it complete."

Last week the same individual had the pleasure of visiting with M. E. Biggs, another old time member of the bar in this county. Mr. Biggs recalled old times and spoke of former associations in this community not only among the legal profession but fraternal and social. It is refreshing to thus recall bygone days and to meet old acquaintances. We are now going at too rapid a pace to appreciate our neighbors. The good, social and congenial times of the former years have disappeared with the rapid pace of business, automobiles, new fangled dancing, etc. It is pleasant to have a chat with "Dick" Biggs or Ed. Hanley as it brings back that old time fellowship of the days that will never return.

Middle aged and older people regret these conditions. Most of them are ready to compete with the modern business situation and feel they can hold their own, but the social gatherings and amusements of the former days, the fellowship when no distinction was shown nor classiness exhibited. In those days the children were in the habit of addressing grandfathers by their first name and it was no disrespect. Those same grandfathers would take part in the dance or whatever amusement was provided for the occasion.

Former days are recalled when the entire community took an active part in whatever was going on in Burns. No jealousy seemed to crop out—just good fellowship and all for one purpose. In those days Burns was prosperous; we got what we wanted for the entire town was behind the movement. We had a creditable band, we had good community spirit, we all attended church occasionally, at least, gave the minister a place in the community affairs, took part in school meetings and asked the teachers occasionally how they were progressing; if there was a debate at the school house the older people attended and showed their approval and interest, acted as judges and gave encouragement. They knew nothing about parent-teachers associations, but they were of much greater aid to the advancement of the school because they all were constantly in touch with school affairs.

An unusual and beautiful Christmas program is being prepared by the young people of the Church of the Nazarene. The story of the Shepherds' search will be given in a series of twelve tableaux, with appropriate songs. This program will be given Christmas eve at 7:30.

MOTHERS CLUB.

The Mothers Club was most enjoyably entertained at the home of Mrs. John L. Caldwell on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Caldwell and Mrs. Gus Bardwell acting as hostesses.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 13 at the home of Mrs. Ellis Bennett with Mrs. Jas. Richardson as joint hostess. At this meeting new officers will be elected, all members are urgently requested to be present.

It has been suggested that we raise sugar beets in Harney county. Some of our merchants, since prices began to drop, have gone 'em one better—they are raising Cain.

GET ACQUAINTED

When you get to know a fellow, know his joys and know his cares. When you come to understand him and the burdens that he bears, When you've learned the fight he's making and the troubles in his way

Then you find that he is different than you thought him yesterday. You find his thoughts are sensible and there's not so much to blame in the man you lightly jeered at when you only knew his name. You are quick to see the blemish in the distant neighbor's style, You can point to all his errors and may sneer at him the while, And your prejudices fatten, and your hates more violent grow As you talk about the failures of the man you do not know. But when drawn a little closer, and your hands and shoulders touch, You find the traits you hated don't amount to much. When next you start in sneering and your phrases turn to blame, Learn more of him you censure than his business and his name, For it's likely that acquaintance would your prejudice dispel, And you'd really come to like him if you knew him very well, When you get to know a fellow and you understand his ways, Then his faults won't matter, for you'll find a lot to praise.

—Author unknown—

PURINGTON-DILLMAN

(Contributed)

One of the most attractive home weddings of the season was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Purington, on Wednesday evening, when their daughter, Miss Helen Purington became the bride of C. Erman Dillman. Mrs. Wm. Farre played the wedding march as the bridal pair appeared in the living room. Judge Farre officiated, using the ring ceremony. Mrs. J. Shelley Saurman was the Matron of Honor, and Shalor Eldridge, acted as best man.

The bride was gowned in a beautifully designed dress of white Duchesse satin, draped with tulle, while a bandeau of orange blossoms held the long veil of tulle in place. She carried a large bouquet of Mrs. Ward roses.

The matron of honor was charming in a gown of silver cloth and pink georgette, and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

After the ceremony, a dinner was served to the bridal party. The dining room was decorated in pink and white. A large pyramid bouquet of pink carnations and greens formed the centerpiece, while pink streamers on the end of which were silver nuts enclosing the fortune of each guest, spread from the centerpiece to the place cards. Only the immediate family of the bride was present.

The bridal couple left for Portland that evening.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

Christmas Programme, Community Presbyterian Church, Friday, December 24, 7 o'clock
Song by the Choir
"White Sheperda Watch"
The Lords' Prayer
Holly Song By the Sunday School
Recitation Bartra Hopkins
Tableau "Christmas Night"
Song "Under the Stars"
Play "The real Christmas," by five children
Duet "Silent Night" Cathrine Farre and John Mothershead.
Recitation Helene Loggan
Solo "A Little Stranger" Elinor Tedford
Recitation Billy Faulkner
Stocking play "Buddie Doll's Boy"
Lullaby Song Sunday School
Special Miss Agnes Foley and Mrs. Alfred Welcome
Song "Jingle Bells" .. by the school
"Arrival of Santa Claus."

H. C. H. S.

On Friday evening at 7:30 a banquet was tendered the 1920 football squad at Page's. The following men were presented with the football letter: W. Welcome, R. Gowan, R. Clark, R. Voegtly, H. Horton, R. Swett, W. Swett, H. Hotchkiss, F. Reineinan, A. Thornburg, W. Cooley, F. Loggan, E. Cueni, M. Richardson, J. McCulloch, H. Hibbard, Chas Gowan, and Milton Brown were presented the H. C. H. S. for services as yell leaders and assistant managers. H. Miller, B. McGowan, L. Terrill and C. McConnell were also present. Principal McDade, Mr. Joe Thompson and Mr. Nole Reed with Captain elect Welcome, were the speakers.

Messrs. Thompson and Reed are elected members of the Athletic Council. Other members are R. Swett '21, F. Reineinan '22 and Mr. McDade.

We notice that Franklin High of Portland, barely defeated Prairie, and Franklin defeated Baker High 40-0 and Franklin only lost one game this year. And our defeat of Prairie 27-6 puts H. C. H. S. up among the best in the state.

And speaking of Prairie City, they always did have the reputation of being poor sports. Ask any one from Canyon City or Burns who ever played at Prairie.

The story that H. C. H. S. played town players, and college graduates was worthy of Prairie City traditions.

We haven't referred to this before but have waited for a particular reason. Listen to this:

After examining the records of the H. C. H. S. I find that the players composing the eleven which played Prairie City High School Oct. 30th, were at that time and still are students in H. C. H. S.

Signed, WM. FARRE
County Judge.

The following are trying for the Debating Team: Frank Loggan, Milton Brown Howard Miller and Ralph Swett.

The team will be picked Jan. 4. Tentative plans call for a contest with Vale Feb. 4. The winner debates again Mar. 11.

Thursday evening following school the Junior Class gave a little informal party. Games were played as a means of entertainment, after which light refreshments were served. Those present were Principal Mc-

Dade, Junior class advisor, Miss Krichesky, and the members of the Junior class.

Erma and Retta Hankins—daughters of Geo. W. Hankins are planning on spending Christmas at home in Slivies.

The Misses Frease, Krichesky, and Whealdon, Mrs. Schwartz and daughter Belda left this morning with A. K. Richardson for Bend. The teachers are going to their homes for the holidays while Mrs. Schwartz is going to see her daughter Gene in Portland. Gene is attending the U. of W. this year.

And we might add that Gene as well as Taylor Huston and Jo Cook are making splendid records at Washington U.

The Household management class had the following guests at dinner Thursday at five: Mr. and Mrs. McDade, Judge Farre, Commissioner McKinnon, Supt. Frances Clark, County Clerk Chester Dalton and County Treasurer, W. Y. King. The feed was held in the Domestic Science room and was evidently enjoyed by all.

Vladivostok Chapter

Nov. 1, 1920

My Dear Mr. Loggan and Sweek:
This is just to let you know what became of your warm knitted things you sent to the soldiers.

They found their way out to Siberia, and were much appreciated and needed by the Red Cross here. You know when the Bolshevik armies swept across Russia and Siberia, they left a trail of misery and suffering behind, so thousands of refugees who were forced to leave their homes, their work, their friends, everything, came here, hoping to find work. As there is no work for them they are living here in a destitute condition and are depending on the American Red Cross for warm clothing and supplies. So the Red Cross is helping them by distributing the garments, not needed by our soldiers that were here to these families. Personal investigation is given each case and only the worthy are given our knitted and other warm things. I am an American girl living here and am helping so I know. Thanking you for your fine work.

I am, Sincerely,
Everett Macgowan

TEA FOR BRIDE

(Contributed)

The girls of the Harney County High School entertained for Miss Helen Purington at tea Tuesday afternoon at the High School. Miss Purington, who was a bride of last Wednesday, has been a member of the high school faculty for two years. The tea was a surprise to Miss Purington and greater was the surprise when she was presented with a berry spoon, a gift of the sophomore and freshman girls, and a tomatoe-server from the upper-class girls. The guests of the afternoon were the members of the high school faculty and the girls of the high school.

The High School has purchased \$20 of Red Cross Christmas seals. The school will not open until Jan. 3. That gives us two weeks to enjoy the holidays in.

The total number enrolled to date is 75. Indications are that some new faces will be seen at the opening of the second semester.

Veva Hutton of the Senior class will spend the holidays at her home at Wagontire.

Friends of Marie Egil ex-'21 will be glad to learn that she is enjoying the best of health and plans to attend high school in Los Angeles.

Principal and Mrs. McDade will spend the holidays at the home of D. H. Smyth in Happy Valley.

TEACHERS TAKING EXAMINATIONS

An examination of teachers for certificates to teach has been held at both Burns and Crane during the last three days. Those writing for certificates here are: Emma Peterson, Helen Rimer, Mrs. Dwyer, Augusta Gifford, Ethel Brown, Jennie Lea Sevelk, Lola Howser, Ralph Rimer and Agnes Foley.

Mrs. W. A. Gowan is assisting in conducting the examination here.

Hotel Quest: Boy, page Mazda Lamp.

Page: Sorry Sir; but they always goes out at 9 o'clock.

SUGAR BEET CULTURE

SUGGESTED FOR VALLEY

John McMullen Writes His Impressions of Harney Valley Productivity.

John McMullen, who formerly conducted a picture gallery in this city, recently sent a letter to Wm. Farre of this city from Los Angeles, asking about conditions. He took The Times-Herald for a number of years following his departure from this section and thus kept in touch with development, but of late he had not been receiving the paper. Mr. McMullen owns some land in this vicinity and suggests that from his experience in recent years Harney Valley is an ideal sugar beet country and asks in his letter if any further investigation has been made along the line of producing sugar beets. He says we should get busy with such product and get a line of railroad up from Crane to take care of shipment to factory. We are glad John has made these suggestions, as it brings the fact again to the attention of the people that we are going to have a great country and that instead of shipping sugar beets out we propose a ship he finished product as we'll establish a factory right in the sugar beet country where we may have the by-products, the pulp and tops, to stock and have another finished product to ship.

SHINGLEDECKER-JONES

The home of Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Varlen at Rye Grass was the scene of a wedding last Saturday afternoon when O. L. Shingledecker took Mrs. E. Jones as his bride, the ceremony being performed by Rev. John H. Wicherson of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Shingledecker is one of the pioneer ranchmen and stockraisers of this county where he has the esteem of a wide circle of friends. He is a man of integrity and stands well with his neighbors and associates. His bride was here for some time last year with relatives and recently returned from the state of Washington. She has made an excellent impression upon those whom she has met.

The marriage ceremony was followed by a turkey supper with all the other good fixings and during this part of the program the party was interrupted by several of the neighbors who came to charivari the happy couple.

After congratulations and good wishes the newlyweds left for the Varlen canyon ranch where they will spend their honeymoon.

The Times-Herald joins in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Shingledecker a happy wedded life.

A Christmas tree and entertainment at the Baptist church on Christmas eve, under the auspices of the Sunday school. Come and be a kid again for an evening.

A special Christmas sermon will be delivered next Sunday morning and evening at the Baptist church. You and your friends are invited to attend these services.

A series of special meetings at the Baptist church will commence with a Watch Night meeting on Friday evening, Dec. 31st, and continue two weeks, conducted by Rev. J. J. Tickner, pastor, assisted by Rev. D. Loree, evangelist. Everybody invited.

Mr. and Mrs. James Paul are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Daniels.

E. H. Conser of the First National Bank has been out of town this week, visiting Boise and other points. He is expected home this evening.

If the price of wool continues to drop, stockmen will find it profitable to feed their hay to the rabbits—for the bounty.

Burns does not believe in anything artificial—not even artificial light.

John Cawfield is visiting with his mother in this city.

WINDOW SHOPPING WITH THE KIDDIES

