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PREPARING TO REOPEN HOSPITAL

Modern Equipment Will be Installed; Experienced Nurse Management.

Dr. B. F. Smith, U. S. Hackney, Andrew Falkstad and E. L. Smith have acquired the large stone modern hospital building in Burns that was recently erected and run for a time by the Sisters of St. Joseph. This building is of a substantial character, entirely of stone and arranged for a third story when needed. At present it is two stories and with sound proof partitions of stone, a modern surgery with bath, equipped with lighting and heating system, septic tank, pressure water supply and otherwise ready for the installation of the necessary furnishings.

It is the intention of the new owners to furnish the building as soon as possible, installing all modern equipment including X-ray, surgery and everything necessary for a very complete hospital. The work of furnishing and preparations for opening the hospital to the public will begin at once and it is the hope to have it in readiness to receive patients on or before the first of May.

The hospital will be placed in charge of a competent, experienced nurse with special training for hospital management.

This is an enterprise that should have the endorsement and support of the entire population of Harney county. It is needed. An institution of this character means much to this big country where hospital facilities have been limited.

The hospital building is ideally located, sufficiently isolated as to afford quietness with ample grounds surrounding it to prevent encroachment of other buildings. It is on a slightly place commanding a fine view that will always be without obstruction as it is situated on the brow of the hill. In addition to its sightliness its location is most fortunate from a drainage and sanitary surroundings standpoint.

This fine building was erected but recently and patterned after some of the most modern hospital buildings of the entire country. With proper furnishing and competent management Burns may boast of as good hospital facilities as are found in any city in the entire northwest. The citizens express much satisfaction at the opening of this much needed convenience.

FORMER RESIDENT ACTIVE IN LODGE WORK

Alice (Hamilton) Swanson was elected to membership in Sylvia Rebekah lodge of Burns over twenty years ago. She is well remembered by many of our citizens, having been a teacher in the schools of Harney county and at one time an employe of The Times-Herald office. Mrs. Swanson, like her dad, B. W. Hamilton, has been active in fraternal work more or less ever since being initiated in the Odd Fellows orders, Byron now being one of the Grand lodge officers of the Encampment branch.

Mrs. Swanson is now a resident of Baker where the Rebekah lodge membership is over 400. The following is clipped from the Baker Democrat of January 13:

Mrs. Eric Swanson, leader of the drill team of the Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., was made the happy and surprised recipient, Friday evening, of silver cake plate from the members of her team in appreciation for efforts she has put forth in drilling the organization up to its present standard. The entire group were taken on a sleigh ride during the early evening, as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pratt. Later they went to the home of Mrs. Fred Cochran where the remainder of the evening was spent, and refreshments served.

PERMIT GIVEN TO BUILD CRANE-BURNS RAILROAD

Washington (AP)—Permission to build 32 miles of railroad from Crane to Burns, in the Oregon timber section, was granted the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company Wednesday by the interstate commerce commission.

A. E. Brown was in town during the week.

Irrigation District Officers Go to Salt Lake Meeting.

Directors A. R. Olsen, Judge Grant Thompson and Secretary Sam Mothershead of the Harney Valley Irrigation District and Capt. Robt. M. Duncan left here Wednesday en route to Salt Lake where they are attending a meeting of the Fact-Finding Committee recently appointed by the U. S. Reclamation Service in connection with the several reclamation projects that are to have consideration for government aid. These gentlemen go to present the advantages of the local district and have reason to expect a favorable consideration of its merits.

The government will look with favor upon this project because of its simplicity and low cost of construction together with the moderate prices for the lands embraced. It is one of the most attractive projects in the entire west. The fact that transportation is now provided and the general development of the territory assured will have its effects upon the future of the undertaking and will be a factor in giving it precedence over more expensive projects.

ERNEST IS RAISING CHICKENS; THE BOY STRAWBERRIES

This office is just in receipt of a letter from Ernest Rynvaan, at Colfax, California, in which he announces they have a severe cold spell, the thermometer registering 22 above zero—my how cold, as compared to that many degrees below which he has experienced here during his long residence. However, he writes he felt the cold at that temperature even more than he did colder weather here as the high, dry atmosphere in Harney valley is different.

Incidentally Mr. Rynvaan writes that he and the boys are engaged in the chicken and berry business and encloses a clipping from the Farm Bureau Monthly giving an account of his son Clyde winning a prize in the strawberry contest which privileged him a free trip to the Davis University Farm and a two day visit there, under the discipline of the College of Agriculture. His experience was not only pleasant but profitable. It has given him courage and inspired him to the greater efforts.

MOTHERS CLUB MEETING

(Contributed) The regular meeting of the Mothers Club was held at the home of Mrs. Clifford Reed Thursday when Mrs. A. A. Eggleston was joint hostess. The Lyceum numbers that are coming for January 23 and three others in February were the topics before the business meeting of the club and then followed the social hour with dainty refreshments served. During the afternoon Mrs. Nollie Reed favored the gathering with a well rendered and thoroughly enjoyed vocal solo with Mrs. Harry Z. Smith presiding at the piano.

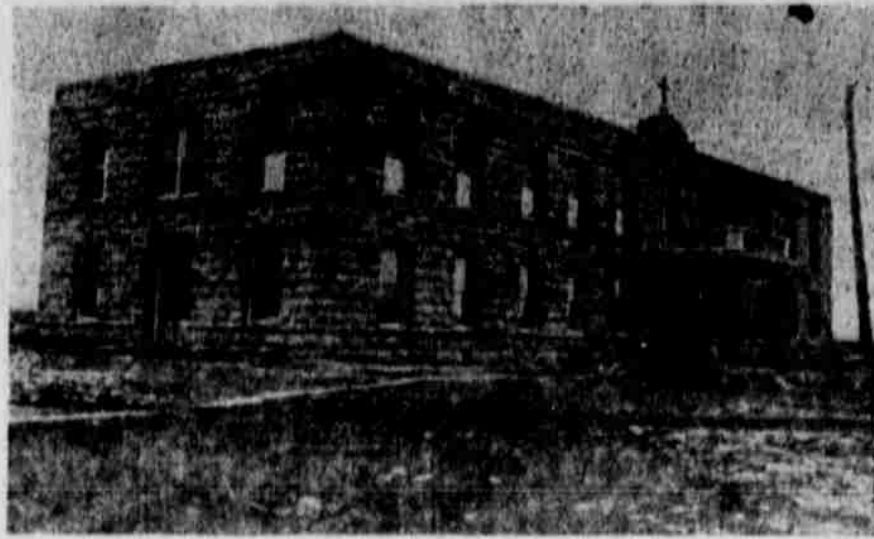
The next meeting will be held on January 31 at the home of Mrs. Jay Gould with Mrs. W. W. Gould joining her as hostess.

ODD FELLOWS ENCAMPMENT INSTALLS NEXT TUESDAY

Plute Encampment, No. 38, I. O. O. F., will install officers for the coming term at the regular meeting next Tuesday evening. It is urged that all Camp members be present as there's to be a big "pow wow" with "hi-yu-mucamuc." Something doing all the time. Don't overlook this big war dance as the braves are in fine mettle and ready to feast their friends. You know!

LANDS RESTORED TO ENTRY

A recent order of the Department of the Interior restores something like 6500 acres of land in this district to entry in what was formerly withdrawn to fulfill the grant of the Eastern Oregon Land Co. The land is all situated in Grant county and is restricted for a period of 90 days to entry only by ex-service men. After that date any one may file under the regulations of the land laws. The land contains some timber, we understand.



Hospital Which Will Soon be Opened in Burns.

Electric Light Plant Enroute From Crane.

The new modern 100 horse-power engine to be installed for the electric light plant was loaded by Lute Parker at Crane Thursday and is being brought to Burns where it will be installed at once to furnish power for the electric light and power service of this city. Messrs. Hodge and Letson have been getting things in readiness for this installation for the past few weeks. When this is installed Burns will have an adequate and dependable service.

At present the service is being furnished from the mill water power and has given excellent satisfaction, although an all night service is not maintained because of lack of water to supply the power. It is necessary to shut it down for several hours that the head of water may be increased. However, it has been the best and most continuous service we have had for some time and is appreciated.

ASSIST MAKING OUT INCOME TAX REPORT

Portland, Ore., Jan. 17—During the six weeks beginning January 29 and ending March 15, experienced deputies from the office of Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, will visit the principal cities and towns of the state for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in the preparation of their federal income tax returns for the year 1923. This service is given gratuitously by Collector Huntley's deputies and taxpayers are urged to avail themselves of the service. When calling upon these deputies, taxpayers are requested to bring with them the income tax blank form they will have received through the mail.

A representative will be in Harney county at the following places on the dates named: Burns, January 29-30; Crane, January 31-February 2.

Cecil Bennett is making preparations to erect a residence on his lots near the fair grounds.

Corrected Blue Prints of Terminal Grounds Here.

The city mayor and Burns and Harney County Commercial Club have received corrected and definite blue prints showing the depot and terminal grounds in the Voegtly field that will serve Burns by the Union Pacific and the Malheur Railroad Co. The plans show the location of the depot, wye, industrial shops, stock yards, streets and roads necessary.

SPECIAL SERVICES AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH, SUNDAY

Next Sunday Morning at 11 A. M. at the Baptist Church there will be special services in support of The Childrens Farm Home near Corvallis Oregon. This Home is under the supervision of the W. C. T. U. and is the only Protestant institution of its kind in Oregon. It is unsectarian and is finding it impossible to meet all the calls made upon it. A short time ago there were more than one hundred children made application to the Home that had to be refused for lack of room. The Oregon Baptist State Convention at its meeting last July voted to assist this Home to the extent of \$25,000.

If you are a member of any of the following organizations you should be present next Sunday morning and assist in this work as these organizations and prominent men have given it their endorsement.

Walter M. Pierce, Gov.; George L. Baker, Mayor of Portland; Child Welfare Commission; Court of Domestic Relations; Portland Council Association; Masonic Bodies of Oregon; State Parent-Teacher Association; Woodlawn, Glencoe, Vernon and Leuts Parent-Teacher Association; Baptist State Convention; Methodist Conference; Presbyterian Synod; Congregational Conference; Free Methodists; Evangelical Conference; and the United Brethren.

Paul Krueger is just finishing a neat cottage on one of his lots near the highway two blocks east of Main street.

TO COMPLY WITH BUDGET LAW

Legion Auxiliary to Give Silver Tea on Saturday.

(Contributed)

The American Legion Auxiliary of Harney County Post No. 63, invite every man, woman and child to a Silver Tea at the Harney County High School on Saturday, January 26 from 2:00 to 5:30 P. M.

The purpose of this tea is to raise a relief fund for the Veterans Hospitals of Oregon.

Your contribution to this fund may give some disabled veteran either a shave, shaving soap, tooth paste, stationary, stamps, magazine, pen, ink, a birthday remembrance, a piece of mince pie, or happier holidays.

Remember that not all disabled veterans in the hospitals receive compensation.

All money contributed for this purpose goes directly to the boys, for there are no paid workers in the Legion Auxiliary.

If you have a feeling of gratitude in your heart for the safe return of some service man then here is your opportunity to express it by helping some one who was not so fortunate.

If you are in town shopping on Saturday, January 26, take a few minutes for a refreshing cup of tea at the high school or give a few minutes of your working day in the office for the boys in the hospitals.

Your contribution may be large or small or just ten cents for a cup of tea.

ENGINEER KELSAY VISITS BURNS

L. C. Kelsay, an engineer who a few years ago made a contract with the city to supervise the installation of a water and sewer system in Burns, arrived here Tuesday evening and spent the following day consulting with city officials and others. It seems that Mr. Kelsay's plans were discarded in the recent consideration of new plans for the system, although he had done some preliminary work, but for which he was compensated.

Mr. Kelsay was disposed to think he had not been given fair consideration and that his contract still held good. However, this is a matter that must be determined in the courts should the engineer be disposed to take it there as the city authorities are understood to take the view that they are no longer obligated to Mr. Kelsay since his plans are not adopted.

Be sure to go to the Silver Tea given by the Auxiliary of Harney County Post, No. 63, American Legion at the high school next Saturday afternoon.

Public Hearing Set for Saturday, Feb. 9; Action to Legalize Tax Levy.

Taking advantage of the suggestion of Attorney General Van Winkle to take steps to conform to the budget law, Harney county has this week submitted for publication its budget in order that it may be acted upon and properly put before the assessor in time to have it extended on the roll for the coming year.

The court met with Judge Hughes and Commissioner Bolton, selected A. R. Olsen, Archie McGowan and P. C. Petersen as a budget committee and these gentlemen with the court officials met and prepared the budget in accordance with the law.

A public hearing is announced for Saturday, Feb. 9, when the budget will be discussed and final action taken.

This is taken as a precautionary measure since the supreme court has declared the tax conservation commission law unconstitutional. By conforming to the budget law any question as to the legality of the tax levy is obviated.

OBITUARY

Martha Nash was born October 23, 1849 in the State of Indiana and moved to Missouri in early childhood. In 1864 she with her parents crossed the plains by ox team to Oregon. She was married to Philander H. Gray Sep't 5th, 1868 to which union were born six children; William E., Grace L., Carrie H., Blanche V., John C., and Walter R. One son and one daughter preceded her in death. Two children remained in Emmett Idaho with the aged father, who also is very ill. Two children were present at the funeral, John C., and Mrs. Sitz of Lawen.

Mrs. Gray died January 13th, at Emmett Idaho at the age of 74 years 2 months and 20 days. She was converted and joined the church of her choice in early childhood and was ever true to her profession.

The funeral services were held in the Community church at Crane Wednesday January 16. The services were conducted by Rev. C. A. Waterhouse pastor of the Baptist Church of Burns Oregon. The remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Crane, Oregon.

The above brief obituary was handed this paper which tells of the life of a woman who was well known in Harney county where she was a progressive and useful citizen for many years. Mrs. Gray resided for years at Lawen where she conducted a stopping place that was well patronized in the early days and where she met many of the citizens of Harney county. She was a woman of strong character and expressed her opinions freely upon all occasions. She thus won the admiration and friendship of many people and was an influence in the community. It was only after advanced years and ill health that she and Mr. Gray gave up their active life and went to Emmett, Idaho, to reside where they could have more comforts and the aid of their two sons.

Mrs. Gray's funeral was largely attended by former friends and neighbors and her demise, even at her advanced age, is grieved by many outside her immediate family.

SPECIAL PROSECUTOR IN HARNEY ASKED

Salem, Jan. 16.—Governor Pierce has been appealed to by the district attorney and county court of Harney county to designate a special prosecutor to assist in the prosecution of the case against J. L. Cavender, charged with an attempt upon the life of R. L. Haines, a special state agent. Haines was shot by Cavender, whom he was attempting to arrest on a liquor law violation charge. Governor Pierce has asked Attorney General VauWinkle to assign a prosecutor to this case.—Portland Journal.

Dr. Ward returned Monday from Boise where he had gone for additional equipment and supplies for his X-ray machine. He has an announcement in another column about the X-ray.

