

M'DUFFEE RECEIVES \$1100 REWARD FROM RAILROAD FOR STOPPING HOLD-UP

During the the latter part of last week George McDuffee received the following letter from the O.-W. R. & N. R. R.:

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Mr. George McDuffee, Deputy Sheriff of Morrow Co., Heppner, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

I now take pleasure in inclosing you herewith our Company's voucher in your favor for \$1,100.00 covering reward for killing Train Robber Manning, and expenses in connection with injuries you received by being shot by him.

Yours very truly,

J. P. O'Brien.

The Herald joins with George's many friends in congratulating him upon his good-fortune. As was stated some time ago, the railroad said that in the final settlement he would not be overlooked. There is also a state law which gives any man preventing holdups of this nature \$300, but whether George will get this we do not know. George says that the money will come in mighty handy and is very grateful to the railroad company for their generous dealing with him.

The most important crop which Morrow County raises is not the wheat crop or the hay crop but the baby crop. Everyone is interested in the baby crop. As the years roll on we will pay more attention to the baby crop. Occasionally a baby is born in the community and only a few people know anything about the little fellow until we read of him down at Salem or at Washington. In the meantime he goes unnoticed through his little journey of life. To make the proper mention that should be made of his initial appearance, the Herald will give his father and mother one year's subscription to the Semi-weekly upon our being notified of his or her arrival. This applying to the first five born in the county and to those who are not regularly receiving the paper.

Oscar Minor closed the deal for the land in the Mountain Valley Stock Farm which lies south of the railroad track, last week, by which J. C. Stapleton, of this city becomes the owner. About 400 acres were transferred. This does not include Mr. Minor's fancy cattle, but everything else goes in the sale. This is one of the finest ranches in the county and is situated just on the edge of north Heppner. Mr. Minor came up from Rockaway to close the deal and returned yesterday morning. Mr. Stapleton is a newcomer with us and must believe in the present and future of the county as he has bought two farms and some city property.

O. M. Yeager, Contractor, will do your building, repairing, etc., and take your wool, hay or anything of value in exchange for the work.

FOREST FIRE SEVERE NEAR SLOCUM'S

About two hundred acres of timber were burned in the forest south of Slocum's Mill by fire which started last Thursday and which is smouldering today. It is supposed to have been struck by lightning and sixteen men fought it for two days and one night before they got it under control. Two or three men are there at the present time completing the job. The timber was good logging growth and some large trees were destroyed.

Mrs. Roy Glasscock left for Portland Saturday to spend a short time visiting relatives. On her way home she will stop off at The Dalles to visit her parents.

Mrs. E. C. Fell, who came here three months ago from Redmond, Oregon, for an operation, left yesterday for Boise, Idaho, where she will visit her daughter.

John Brosnan and family, which now includes a new baby, were in this city last Saturday for supplies. They are well known people over in Butter Creek.

Jos. W. Dye visited his brother, Dr. Dye, last week-end and departed for Vancouver, Wash., Monday, with the dog. We didn't especially desire to see Mr. Dye leave, but the dog—

THIS MAN wants a position on a ranch where a man of more than ordinary experience and ability is needed. He is capable of taking entire charge, if necessary, and is looking for something a little better than just a common job. Can furnish the highest references as to character and ability. Is especially experienced in the handling of stock and prefers position on a stock ranch but is willing to accept any offer of steady employment. Inquire at The Herald Office, Heppner, Oregon.

HARDMAN NEWS

Bates Brothers finished threshing Friday.

Will Rendals started his thresher last week.

Wyland and Chapin will start their thresher on Thursday.

Grasshoppers raised the price of potatoes considerable in the last week.

Mrs. Rossen has been ill for several days but is improving at present.

G. A. Bleakman went to Portland, Friday, to get another new Overland car. Nothing is too good for George.

There was another party of unlucky hunters returned to town last Friday.

The call for the mobilization of all fair products was issued here and assembling is about complete.

Fred Rossen dropped a heavy wagon tire on his foot a few days ago breaking one bone and bruising it badly.

The janitor has been cleaning the school house and getting it ready for school which will start Sept. 7th.

Mrs. Chas. Hams' daughter, Myrtle, from Portland, has been visiting her folks for the past few days.

Mr. A. L. Hudson has been having considerable freight hauled the past week.

John Howell's family went to Monument Friday morning to visit with their folks for a few days.

The Stephens Brothers finished their run with their combine last week and are now putting up what is left of their second crop of hay.

Albert Emry and Alex Warren were in from their wood camp and said that they had about three hundred cords of wood cut now.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24—The President admitted that Japan failed to define her intentions beyond the announcement that she planned to take Kiao Chau from Germany. He also admitted that Japan had not assured the United States that the conflict would be localized to the Kiao Chau province.

JUST IN—A new and complete line of velvets and brocades. These will be sold at wholesale prices as an introductory offer. The new fall and winter style book and complete line of samples of the Victor Ladies Tailoring Company have just arrived and are ready for your inspection. Also a complete assortment of ribbons now on hand.

HAMILTON ITEMS

Miss Katherine Owens went to Heppner on Friday.

Frank McCullough was a Heppner visitor Saturday.

The boys of this community held a buckaroo contest here on Monday last week. The Pendleton Round-Up has no better talent or offers no better exhibitions than the boys put on here. Frank McCullough was the individual prize winner. In the bucking horse contest he won first prize with Speedball; Walt Helmcock was a close second with Rambling Jane. Basil Collins took third place with a good exhibition on Sunfish Molly.

Frank also walked away with the Champion Bulldog honors. In the roping contest he annexed another first place. Fancy rope spinning comes as natural with Frank as swimming does to a fish. Ada Jones, a sorrel mare, was then led out to ride. After a dozen or so tried to ride her, Frank was called over and managed to stay on her back.

Emerson Keithley and wife and Claud Keithley were in Heppner yesterday. Mrs. Keithley left for Idaho where she will visit friends.

Micheal Mulnay and Peter McNamee left for Hermiston last Sunday where they expect to find employment on the Government ditch.

Oscar Minor returned to Heppner the last part of last week. He says that his family and all Heppner people at the Beach are enjoying good health and a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cochran, well known lone residents, visited Heppner yesterday and Rufus squared up with our financial department and is now in good standing.

The Oregon Manufacturer's Association speaks of this paper as follows: "The Heppner Semi-Weekly Herald by E. G. and L. K. Harlan is as neat and stylish as a new spring hat." Thanks, gentlemen.

E. G. Slocum and family have returned to Heppner after a splendid vacation spent at Ritter. E. G. said that crops are fine in the south part of the county and he saw more corn than he ever saw in the county before.

Mrs. Ella Butler and children went to Portland to visit with Mrs. Butler's daughter, Mrs. G. W. Stephenson. They will surprise them by their coming and especially since it will be on her daughter's birthday.

Big Men of Nation Go to Church. Get the Habit! Join the Procession!

It is deplorable, but nevertheless true, that there are men who think it savors of effeminacy to be seen often in church. These men should awaken to the error of their ways.

The really strong men, the men of the nation, are constant churchgoers. They rarely miss a Sunday. The story is told of a great composer who on one occasion was accorded a magnificent ovation. The audience cheered him for fully five minutes. It was a tribute calculated to turn any man's head. Then there came cries for a speech. The composer faced the great multitude of his admirers and said:

"WHAT DOTHT IT PROFIT A MAN TO GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD AND LOSE HIS OWN SOUL?"

THAT WAS ALL. THE AUDIENCE WAS ELECTRIFIED. THEY KNEW THE DEEP RELIGION OF THE MAN AND GRASPED THE SIGNIFICANCE OF HIS REMARKS. THE OVATION THAT WENT BEFORE WAS AS NOTHING COMPARED TO THAT WHICH FOLLOWED. THAT GREAT AUDIENCE DIDN'T THINK THIS MAN EFFEMINATE. HE WAS BIG ENOUGH TO PROCLAIM PUBLICLY HIS FAITH IN GOD AND A HEREAFTER. IT IS THE WEAK RATHER THAN THE STRONG MAN WHO, WHILE PROFESSING A BELIEF IN GOD, REMAINS AWAY FROM CHURCH. IF YOU BELIEVE IN GOD, PRACTICE YOUR BELIEF BY GOING TO CHURCH. GOD DOESN'T ASK MUCH OF YOUR TIME.

Don't delay GOING TO CHURCH. Start in next Sunday. Get the habit. You'll find it is not a hard task. Join the procession. By going to church you set a good example to your neighbor. It will set him thinking. You will please your wife, your mother, your sister. It will fill them with happiness to see that you are on the road to righteousness. And be honest with yourself. Don't you know you are a lot happier after an hour with God? GO TO CHURCH!

GLEANINGS FROM THE HARVEST OF LOCAL AND PERSONAL MOVEMENTS

J. L. Whetstone, of Oakland, Oregon, was in this city last week and sold his 160-acre ranch near Monument to D. E. Gilman, of Heppner. Mr. Whetstone was surprised to see the fine crops in this county and spoke very highly of Mr. Gilliam, whose guest he was while in the city.

W. B. Tucker, another Blackhorse reader of the Semi-weekly, was in Heppner on Saturday. W. B. says that the Lord has dealt kindly with him this year and he expects to harvest enough so that he can pay the editors of the Herald that dollar bill. We hope you do, Mr. Tucker.

Mrs. M. R. Fell and children left yesterday for Dayton, Washington, where they will visit for two or three weeks with Mrs. Fell's parents.

Paul Hiesler came back from Idaho a few days ago, where he has been visiting relatives for several weeks. Paul just heard that the war was on in Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Harlan autoed over to Condon Saturday with Mrs. Harlan's mother, Mrs. M. O. Clarke, who had been a guest at the Harlan home for two weeks. Mrs. Harlan and children are visiting at Condon for a fortnight. Glenn Y. Wells accompanied the party and returned with Mr. Harlan.

J. H. Frad, one of the model ranchers in the Blackhorse district was in the county seat last Saturday. Mr. Frad has over four miles of woven wire fence on his place which every ranch of his size should have. "I'm going to have it all over the place," said J. H. We might say that he dug a hundred sacks of Murpheys a short time ago and has more to dig, if his neighbors don't read this and help themselves.

O. M. Yeager, a well known carpenter who used to be in the carpenter business here several years ago, has returned and will be at our service. He has a proposition which should take well in this community. He will take in exchange anything of value for his work. This does not necessitate any exchange of money and we believe that it will work to the best interests of all parties. Mr. Yeager is an experienced and finished workman and those who are in the building market better look him up.

J. C. Shea, of the Mechanical Department of the O.-W. R. & N., was in Heppner during the latter part of last week with his instruction car. It is equipped with a complete air-brake system such as you would find on a passenger train of six coaches or on a freight train of forty cars. The employees of the road are instructed in the use of these, many of which are of the latest type and not familiar to them. It is one of the many educational schemes which the road has inaugurated and one which represents a large outlay of money. Anyone familiar with the latest in airbrakes will find it a profitable experience to go through this car. It will be in Heppner again in the near future.

Vic Groschen's sister is the owner of a large summer resort right in the midst of the German-France activities.

Mr. F. M. Rounds brought his son, Delton, to Heppner yesterday and departed with him for Salem. Delton broke his leg several weeks ago and never knitted, so he is taking him to Salem to give him expert attention.

M. J. Devine's name has been written alongside those who will long be remembered by this office. He was in this office a few days ago and gladdened our hearts with one of those dollar bills. He has had good crops on his ranch this year.

G. T. Burns, the popular engineer on the local branch, lived without the Herald as long as he could and last Saturday had his name entered among the other members of the Purity League who now take the paper. The Herald is the official organ of the Purity League.

John Bush, a Willow Creek rancher, stopped the editor on the street and handed him one of those Woodrow Wilson dollars last Saturday. John has been hauling hay lately and will have a good crop when through haying.

Bert Hall and family returned home Friday from their trip over into Grant County. They say the roads are worse in Grant County than they are in Morrow. On their return they were accompanied by Mr. Hall's brother, John, who has purchased Bert's auto and has returned to his home near Prairie City.

R. F. Wigglesworth, the prominent Butter Creek stockman, was in Heppner on Saturday. We understand that he bought some lambs of George Perry, which we assume is true as R. F. generally has the cash to do such things.

Oscar Borg, Sergeant Hoffman and County Surveyor Turner, departed for the dense timber last Wednesday and no word has yet been received from them. When last seen they were going south by east with gas for three days in the car.

Mrs. Claud Andrews and little daughter, Cleone, returned to The Dalles Saturday after spending a few days with Mr. Andrews who is conductor on the local train. Mrs. Andrews will move to Heppner about the first of the month and they have rented rooms in the Bank of Heppner building.

Guy Huston and family came in from the ranch, Thursday. Mrs. Huston took the train for Baker City. She will visit with her parents in that city for some time. But the most important thing that the Herald wishes to call to its readers attention is the fact that Guy will entertain harvesters during his wife's absence. He has a big crop of wheat this year also. He will look after the children at odd times when not employed with the threshers.

FIERCE BATTLE RAGING BETWEEN GERMANY AND ALLIED ARMY; JAPAN ACTIVE

PARIS, Aug. 24—The French and British are holding back the entire German army. The fighting has been desperate and the losses enormous. The War Office announced that the results would not be known for days. The fighting line is in the shape of a figure Z from Audenarde to Brussels and from Mons to Namur. If the Germans are beaten, experts say that they run the danger of having their column cut in two. The German army in Luxemburg has assumed the offensive. In Alsace the French are holding their own, the Germans being repulsed at Mulhausen and the situation in Lorraine was pronounced satisfactory.

PARIS, Aug. 24—More casualties have piled up in the present titanic battle between the Allies and the Germans in Belgium than in any other battle in the history of the world. It has now been in progress for three days. At points where the line of the Allies was broken, reinforcements have always been rushed in to fill the gaps. In other places the German infantry was compelled to retire. The Germans are in enormous strength and experts say that nearly a million reserves are behind the three main armies of the Kaiser.

BULLETIN PARIS, Aug. 24—It is rumored without foundation that the Germans have broken the Allies' center in Belgium and the battle was still in progress. The War Office would not discuss the situation at the front.

LONDON, Aug. 24—It was announced that the Germans have broken the first line of the Allies' defense and as a result it is stated that the withdrawal on the part of the Allies became necessary to their original positions on the French frontier. It was explained that this withdrawal is in accordance to prearranged plans and was for "purely strategic purposes." Every evidence of deep anxiety concerning the Belgian situation was visible in military circles.

LONDON, Aug. 24—From Rome, Paris and elsewhere came telegraphic reports that Emperor Francis Joseph was critically ill. They have not been officially confirmed.

Clyde Wells and family returned to Heppner, Friday night. Mrs. Wells spent a very enjoyable time visiting relatives at Gold Hill and Mr. Wells met her in Portland, where they spent a few days.

J. T. Kirk was in town the last part of last week. He has been helping Alfred Hinton threshing but is laid off waiting for repairs for the machine. He drew enough money to get in good standing with the Herald.

Wm. Leach, the well known merchant of Lexington, was in Heppner last Saturday night. Wm. and his family recently returned from Rockaway where they spent a very enjoyable vacation.

Miss Maud Griffiths left Heppner for Oregon City, yesterday, and from there will go to her home in Carlton. She has been visiting here for some time and many of her friends were at the station to bid her farewell.

"I had the selling of it this time myself," Oscar Minor. It does make a difference, at times, who says a thing.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cramer, well known people in the Parker's Mill country, registered with our friend, Wilkins on Friday.

W. T. Hamilton and son, Criss, were in the city Sunday. They are well known ranchers, Mr. Hamilton owning the Hamilton ranch south of town.

Frank McCullough was seen in the Clerk's office at the court house inquiring about the different kinds of licenses.

T. Hayward and F. Z. Putnum, both well known Monument men, went to Portland last Sunday with cattle. Each shipped one load. They report conditions in the Monument country fine—with the exception of the mail proposition.

The Herald received news items from various parties in nearly every mail. We want to thank these parties and assure them that we appreciate it and are glad to print it. Sign your name so we know you act in good faith.

PARIS, Aug. 24—France-Anglo-German battle line is stretched. "A general engagement is raging," the War Office announced, "from Mons to Moselle." This means that the opposing ranks of fighting men extend one hundred and fifty miles through southern Belgium, Luxemburg and the Franco-German frontier. The struggle is of the bloodiest character.

TOKIO, Aug. 24—Japan declared war upon Germany, Sunday. It was stated here that before beginning actual military and naval operations against Kiao Chau, the government will send a note to the Governor of Kiao Chau advising him to surrender to avoid unnecessary bloodshed. The appointment of Admirals Kato and Sadakishi, and rear-Admiral Tschulya, as commanders respectively for the first, second and third naval squadrons was announced.

LONDON, Aug. 24—Various unconfirmed reports concerning naval developments are current. One was that Japanese warships have already started bombarding Tsing Tiejiao and that transports have landed troops to attack the city on the land side. Another report was current that four Danish vessels were blown up by mines and the crews lost.

PEKIN, Aug. 24—Germany strongly protested to China, it has been learned, charging the latter with aiding Japan in violation of neutrality. China replied that the warlike German naval operations in the Orient were calculated to violate the principles of the Kiao Chau convention of 1908.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 24—General Renkamp has reported to the War Offices of "uninterrupted Russian successes in East Prussia." We hold the railroads," he stated, "captured the towns of Gumbinnen, Insterburg, Ortenburg and also Johannesburg."

The Twentieth German Army corps was practically cut to pieces and several thousand prisoners were taken, was announced by the War Office. The Russian cavalry routed the Austrians at Vladimir and Volnsk was also announced.

CARDINALS TO CHOOSE THE NEW POPE

ROME, Aug. 24—The Vatican is now prepared for the conclave of cardinals which will choose the Pope. The task of walling in the apartment which the cardinals will occupy while voting is now being done. Cardinal Farley, of New York, who has been in Switzerland, is expected here tonight. Third solemn high mass for Pius was celebrated here today.

H. G. Hayes, from Badger Canyon, was in Heppner the last of the week. He has been threshing lately and has been steadily employed. He had to stop long enough, however, to get acquainted with a brand new baby that came to stay with the family on Friday.

SPERRY-HAYES.

A very beautiful home wedding occurred in Heppner yesterday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Sperry, when George Sperry Jr. and Miss Roxa Hayes were united in marriage by Judge L. C. Patterson. Only a few of the friends of the couple were present, George Jr. saying that he wasn't much on style. After the wedding the couple departed for the station where they bought tickets to Portland. They will spend their honeymoon on the Coast and return to Heppner in a few days.

Miss Hayes is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hayes of Rhea Creek, prosperous and well known people. The bride is an accomplished young lady, handsome and attractive. Mr. Sperry Jr. is the adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sperry, of Heppner, substantial and prominent people. He has been associated with his father in the stock and grain business. He is a popular young man, attends to business and we expect to see him do well in the future. Several friends of the couple were at the train to see them depart. The Herald wishes the young people the best of good fortune.