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GENERAL NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST TO HEPNER PEOPLE

Maurice Kopple, a former resident and merchant of this city has recently rented the building just north of the Patterson and Elder barber shop, where he expects to start a general store in the near future.

See the Ford Ton Truck on the street daily demonstration. E. H. Kellogg, Morrow County Agent, Palace Hotel, Heppner.

Ed Neill of Butter Creek, was a business visitor in Heppner, Saturday.

Gus Williamson, bard of the Blue Mountains, passed through here Friday, after having made an extended visit with friends in the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cronin of Ione visited Wednesday evening in Heppner and took in the dance.

C. B. Haywood, manager of the Machinery department of the American Type Founders was in Heppner Thursday, from Portland.

Arthur Dykstra sent a carload of hogs to the Portland market the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Dykstra went on the passenger train and, after disposing of the hogs, will visit for some time near Perrydale with relatives.

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Phone Service Attracted

The First National Bank and a number of citizens of Heppner filed a formal complaint with the Public Service Commission Monday, asking that better facilities be provided at that city by the Pacific Telephone Company. It is asserted in the complaint that the quarters provided are poor, the operators insulting and the service bad.—Oregonian.

Manager Humphreys of the local office, stated to a Herald representative that he had requested the Public Service Commission to investigate this charge. A hearing will probably be held within the next few days.

Plaintiffs in this action: First National Bank, Phil Cohn, Gilliam and Bisbee, Patterson and Son, Minor and Co.

It is understood that this action is not against Mr. Humphreys but an action for better phone service here.

At the request of many of his patrons, Manager Sparks of the Star has arranged for a return engagement of "God's Country and the Woman" for Feb. 17.

A new telegraph operator arrived in Heppner this week. He was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Parker and both the boy and the mother are doing nicely. Another citizen arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee White of near Lexington on Tuesday, Jan. 30.

The following tax levy was turned to the Sheriff Monday from the Assessor's office. County, State and General School, \$85,324.21. Special School \$45,709.27. Road \$29,503.84. High School Tuition in districts except 1-35 and 12, \$5,401.90. Heppner \$8,644.00. Ione \$1,780.10. Lexington \$673.33. Hardman \$205.81.

Hoaxed the Naturalist.

One of the most remarkable books ever published is the "Lithographia Wirceburgensis," written by a Wurzburg naturalist named Behringer in 1726. Probably very few copies are in existence, as the author destroyed all that he could get possession of soon after the book appeared. He had been victimized by some practical jokers, who had made a great variety of artificial "fossils" and hidden them in a quarry, to which they then enticed the professor. Behringer was overjoyed by so rich a find and had no suspicion of the trick, although many of the fossils were of a very grotesque character. He took his treasures home, made elaborate drawings of them and wrote a minute description of each, as well as an exhaustive commentary filled with ingenious and plausible theories. When he had published the book the jokers confessed, and then, of course, the professor did his utmost to suppress the work.

Mortified.

"I never was so mortified in my life."
"What's the matter now?"
"You know that little gown I bought for \$10.50 that looked as though it must have cost four times that and was so becoming to me? I never dreamed any one would guess its price or where I bought it."
"Well, did any one?"
"Yes, I wore it for the first time last night at a dinner dance, and there were just sixteen other women there with gowns exactly like it."—Detroit Free Press.

Douglas Jerrold in School.

Douglas Jerrold wrote "Black-eyed Susan" when he was twenty-one and contributed to Punch the immensely popular "Caudle Lectures" not long afterward. But at nine years of age young Jerrold had been scarcely able to read, and it was not until he was apprenticed to a printer after serving for some time as a midshipman at sea that he showed either desire or capacity for intellectual improvement.

Clock Watchers.

Said a Boston business man the other day, "If there is one thing I hate more than another it is to see one of my employees watching the clock."
"Yes, sir," said the young man who had been called on the carpet. "I'll call the timekeeper's attention to what you said, sir."—Chicago Herald.

He Named It.

"Who can name a word with an 'I' in it?" queried the teacher of the juvenile class.
"Needle!" exclaimed a bright little miss.—Kansas City Star.

Up Against It.

"After all, it's no crime to be poor."
"Maybe not, but no poor man can afford to hire a lawyer to prove that he isn't guilty."—San Francisco Chronicle.

LOCAL

Phil Jones bought the interest of Wilbur Swaggart last week in the express business in Heppner and immediately took charge.

A number of Heppner people attended a dance at the Barton home on Black Horse Friday evening and report a very pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Thompson left Saturday morning for Chicago after making an extended visit here with Mrs. Thompson's mother, Mrs. E. A. Clark.

Contractor Dennissee has a force of men busy removing the partition between the billiard room and the card room in the Club Billiard Parlor. The improvement will materially assist in the appearance of the popular pastime as well as to make room for two more billiard tables. It is Mr. Bottman's intention to do away with the card tables.

Thursday, Feb. 8 will be ladies day at the Ten Pinnet Bowling Parlors. This is to give the ladies an opportunity to learn and get acquainted with the game and will be especially for them. Every Thursday thereafter will be ladies day.

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