

## \$60,000.00 ROAD NOW BEING SURVEYED ACROSS MORROW COUNTY

Heppner and Morrow Co. benefit extensively by the provisions of the \$60,000,000 bonding bill for good roads building, which passed both branches of the Legislature on Monday and which will now come up for a vote of the people at the special election on June 4. As originally drafted the bill did not provide for a road through this section and Heppner people have Senator Barrett to thank for looking after their interests as Mr. Barrett forced an amendment to the bill providing for a hard surfaced highway leading from the Columbia River at Arlington south through Ione, Lexington and Heppner in Morrow county and thence directly to Pilot Rock and from there north to Pendleton and Walla Walla.

The \$6,000,000 bond issue is generally considered the greatest piece of constructive legislation for good roads ever passed in Oregon and is to be put before the people in June strictly on its merits. The plan for raising the money to repay the bond issue is in sympathy with the views of a large number of prominent citizens throughout the state. The bill provides for an increase of the present license of small automobiles to \$15 per year, large autos to \$25 and trucks to \$50. The regular quarter-mile road tax, added to the auto license revenue, would be sufficient to retire the bond issue in 25 years and leave sufficient funds for the upkeep of the roads during that time. These figures are based upon the present number of automobiles in the state, 35,000, and 1200 trucks, and it is easy to see that the increase in the number of machines will provide further funds with which to build and maintain needed highways. Since it is the automobilist that pays the large share of this bond issue it is not probable there will be any great opposition to the scheme from the general public. And the automobilist owner, of course, will be quick to see the advantage of investing from \$10 to \$12 more per year for his license, provided the money goes towards the building of hard surfaced and permanent roads.

The bill, as passed, designates the various roads that are to be built with these funds throughout the state, and covers all the main highways leading between principal points, up and down the Willamette Valley, across the Cascades, from Astoria to the Eastern line through The Dalles, Boardman, on to Pendleton and La Grande, also via the John Day River, from the Columbia River to the Southern line via the most feasible routes and along the Coast to the California line. One

outstanding feature of the bill and which is the feature that will win votes for the bill when it comes before the people, is that Multnomah County foregoes all benefit in favor of the up-state counties; this in spite of the fact that it will contribute nearly one-half the funds. Multnomah County already has nearly all of its roads hard-surfaced and realizes that it will receive a great indirect benefit from a system of good roads throughout the rest of the state.

(Boardman Bulletin)

The Columbia River Highway engineers arrived in town Thursday morning and will be here two or three weeks. The crew consists of eleven men, including field men and draftsmen. The chief is M. O. Bennett. They were sent out by the State Highway office at Salem to survey the highway route through Umatilla county and are now extending the survey through Morrow County. This survey is being paid for by road districts Nos. 17, 18 and 19, located in the north end of the county. The survey will cost about \$2800. This sum has been authorized by the County Court of Morrow county which acted on a petition from practically all the citizens of the north end of the county.

The County Court issued a warrant for \$1500 which was turned into cash at the First National Bank of Hermiston for the first part of the work. This warrant will be redeemed when the taxes are paid in April and May from the funds due the three road districts for general road purposes and the remaining costs of the survey paid at that time.

It was due to the persistent efforts of the Irrigation Commercial Club and Boardman citizens that this survey was accomplished. The people of the north end of Morrow county stood as a unit in their effort to secure the funds and induce the state engineer to order the continuation for this part of the survey of the Columbia Highway.

The local talent program which is to be presented at the High School Auditorium on the evening of Feb 28th is being looked forward to with great anticipation by those people of Heppner who appreciate a high class entertainment. Mrs. Berwick, whose readings will feature the program, needs no introduction to the people of Heppner. Her beautiful technic, pleasing personality and splendid rendition, well recognized by all who have heard her, assure a great evening of entertainment. In addition to this, Mrs. Winnard will

direct an inspiring musical program.

The girls have it three to one in the list of new arrivals last week. A daughter arrived on Feb. 17 to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wigglesworth at the home of W. J. McCraw. Twin girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Farley Feb. 18, at the Heppner Sanatorium. The lone boy arrived the same day to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sanders at Reids Mill.

Alex Green was in Portland last week on business.

## NEW HULLESS, BEARDLESS BARLEY PROVES SUPERIOR IN THIS CLIMATE

B. F. Swaggart, who was in Saturday from his Eastern Oregon Jack Farm near Lexington says that sales on mules and jacks has been better this year than ever before. During the past week he has disposed of four animals running from \$800 to \$1200.00 each. E. C. Burlingame, of Walla Walla bought the famous jack, John L. Sullivan last Thursday paying Mr. Swaggart \$1200. C. E. Beal of Pomeroy, also bought a fine mule last week.

Mr. Swaggart has successfully raised, from a small package of seed, during the past few years a variety of barley which is new in this country. In speaking of this grain Mr. Swaggart says, "I have been experimenting in various seeds and grain; sending for and testing most every variety that has been placed on the market for the last thirty years I have been experimenting and have tried out Sudan grass and most all other grains and grasses that appealed to me as being suitable for the land and climate of Morrow County. Of all the varieties, the late improved Hulless or Ball Barley excels any thing I have ever tried. The Sudan grass proved very good, but the hulless barley, in a fair test, beat the Sudan grass so much that I did not save the seed of the Sudan grass. In fact it surpasses all other grains or grass I have ever tried for the following reasons; it out yields any other grain and makes the best hay, stock preferring it to any other hay. The straw is by far the best. Then, when sown for pasture it has no equal and when sown in the spring among alfalfa will double the yield. It has more foliage than any other grain and stock prefer it to any other.

I seeded some ten acres of ground this spring for a test.

L. K. Harlan, formerly of Heppner, who now owns the Pilot Rock Record, opens this week a newspaper at Boardman. The paper will be known as the Boardman Bulletin. The enterprising spirit of the little town is manifest in their support of a newspaper which is the most important industry toward the upbuilding of any town.

Dr. Whitney of Portland, spent last week visiting with his friends, Dr. and Mrs. L. R. Parkey.

Mrs. Shurte has received a shipment of flower seeds from Senator Lane. Anyone wishing some of these seeds may get them by calling at her office in the Court House.

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drilled in the ten acres with one or two rounds of various grains, beardless barley, bluestem wheat, then rye, then Sudan grass. The Hulless Barley out yielded each and every variety.

I called the attention of all the farmers that visited my farm in May, June and July; each and every one engaged seed. I will give a few of their names for reference; Farmer Smith, Frank Evans, James Ayles, W. D. Newton, Raney and Way. Raney asked for a bunch to take with him counted the heads from one grain which was 86 well filled heads.

Only wish to distribute this grain in the hands of all practical farmers I don't care to let any one have but a few sacks. I will place some in Heppner in plenty of time to seed."

## Jno. H. Bush is New Creamery Manager

A transaction was made during the week whereby John H. Bush, well known local man, purchased the balance of the unsold stock and has been appointed by the directors to the position of active manager of the Morrow County Creamery Company. Chas. Thompson, president of the corporation, informs us that by the middle of this week new machinery, which arrived Monday will be installed and the plant will again be in operation with increased facilities of a much larger output.

The Creamery has been operated for about ten months, in this time having proved its value as an important industry to the entire County.

It will be the intention of the new management to continue the production of a first class brand of butter, such as the popular Willow brand has become recognized. With this idea in view, Arthur Davis, who has been with the Townsend Creamery Co. of Portland, has been secured and will arrive within a few days to take charge of that department.

The new manager, Mr. Bush, invites all who are interested to call in and talk over the matter of increased cream production with him.

Sam Webb, Sales Manager of the Warrenton Improvement Co., of Astoria, drove through Tuesday on his way to Portland from Pendleton. He reports the roads in fair condition.

NOTICE  
I have disposed of the Heppner Herald plant and business to S. A. Pattison. All accounts made before March 1st. are payable to me and should be paid at the Herald office as soon as possible.  
Geo. T. Pearce.

## HEPPNER ELK'S ANNUAL BALL IS PRETTY AFFAIR. MANY VISITORS

Thursday was a big day in Heppner. For a week the Heppner Elks had been busy decorating their lodge hall, the Fair Pavilion and the streets of the town. In this work they were ably assisted by the people of the town, who decorated extensively, making the colors of the order, Purple and White, predominate. Along both sides of Main Street were lined small evergreens, which with their backing of purple lights gave the street a delightful appearance. Throughout the morning the city was in a state of anticipation, a holiday spirit prevailed, and on the arrival of the special train during the afternoon bearing the visiting Elks from Condon, Arlington, Ione and Lexington, the town threw open the gates and literally turned over the "burg". There was never any doubt but that the antlered herd knew what to do when a town is turned over to them. During the afternoon the lodge held initiation and many new members joined. The evening and late into the night was taken up with the Elks Annual Ball in the Fair Pavilion. Lunch was served buffet style during the evening. Parsons Novelty Orchestra furnished the music. The town greatly enjoyed the visit as did the local lodge and it is hoped that succeeding visits of this nature will follow regularly.

age business man. More or less of the need of a community and its people, their likes, dislikes and opinions, become a part of his daily business. His efforts of the sympathy of his community mark the value of his paper to the community.

During the past year it has been my conscientious endeavor to produce as interesting a newspaper for the people of Heppner as conditions would permit. In this I feel that I have had reasonable success, and if the readers of the Herald think so, my work is well repaid.

On the first day of March, S. A. Pattison, of Castle Rock, Wash., a newspaper man of many years of successful experience takes over the plant of the Heppner Herald. Mr. Pattison is a man you will all be glad to become acquainted with, and with your support, is capable of giving to Heppner a newspaper of greater value and interest than has ever been any Heppner paper.

## New Man is Publisher

It is the earnest desire of the retiring publisher that the people of Heppner give the new man the support and friendship to which he is entitled.

I am glad to have had the pleasure of my years work in Morrow County, to have become acquainted with so many of its good people, and am sorry that business reasons prevent my continued operation of a newspaper here.

With many thanks to the people who have so kindly assisted me in so many friendly ways, sincerely requesting your support to my successor, Mr. Pattison and hoping to retain the friendship of Morrow County and all its people.

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## ANIMAL HUSBANDRY LECTURES IN MORROW COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS

### TO THE PUBLIC -

Arrangements have been made for Mr. C. C. Lamb of the Extension Service to work in Eastern Oregon, Feb. 26, 27, and 28.

Mr. Lamb is a specialist in Poultry Husbandry, and will give a lecture in some phases of Poultry Husbandry work, at each of the meetings arranged, as well as take up the various lines of Industrial Club work and assist in organizing and explaining this work.

Following the lectures Mr. Lamb will be glad to take up in personal interviews, or through general discussion, any phase of Poultry Husbandry that the people may be interested in.

He is scheduled for Heppner Monday evening, Feb. 26, Lexington, Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 27, Ione, Tuesday Evening, Feb. 27, Boardman, Wed. afternoon, Feb. 28, and Oregon, Wednesday evening Feb. 28.

A short program is being arranged by the different schools where the lectures will be given. These lectures will be given at the school house in the different districts, about 2:30 in the afternoon and 7:30 in the evening.

Very truly yours,

Lena Snell Shurte,  
County School Supt.

The following program was given in the local high school auditorium under the direction of Miss Marian Long on the evening of Feb. 26

Drill Kinderpolka  
Directed by Laurannah Groshens  
Solo Neva Chidsey  
Song Selected

Directed by Clara Brown  
Solo Lou Briggs  
Music Selected

Directed by Elizabeth Phelps  
Lecture C. C. Lamb  
Dismissal Garnett Barratt, Pres.

Hon. T. J. Mahoney, of the Swift Interests in Portland, is in Heppner visiting with brother, W. P. Mahoney, cashier of the First National.

Mrs. Pugh of Condon is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Becker.

J. C. Wattenberger left Monday morning for Hamilton where he will operate a sheep shearing plant. Mr. Wattenberger has been six shearing plants in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

## GENERAL NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST TO HEPPNER PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Vaughn were visitors in Pendleton last week.

The Hawaiians who showed at the Star Theatre last week played to a capacity house, and gave fine satisfaction.

"Hap" Woods of Ione was a visitor in Heppner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nay of Pendleton were visitors in Heppner Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hoskins of Echo were Heppner visitors several days last week.

W. G. Scott, prominent Lexington business man was a visitor in this city Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Fary Elliott, who has been working at the Grand Hotel in Arlington, returned to Heppner Sunday.

Ural Smith, who has been in Heppner for the past year, left Monday for his home in Portland where he has secured employment.

Carl Young of Ione was in the county seat Monday.

E. P. Pearson was in from Lem Tuesday transacting business.

M. O. Evans, assistant director of the County Agent agricultural work, spent several days in Heppner last week.

Mrs. Jesse Beardsley of The Dalles was in Heppner last week visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Grant of Olex were Heppner visitors on Tuesday.

H. D. Kem of Pendleton spent several days here last week.

Of course the Weston-Pendleton normal school scrap is all finished but we wonder if the editor of the Weston Leader meant the four commodious, substantial normal buildings when he said last week through his paper:

The Leader man—living as he does in a town with normal school aspirations—is still doing his best to imagine that a certain blackened waste which he has passed every day for a year is a garden of roses."

The statement that 800 country-town newspapers have suspended publication on account of the high price of print paper, should cause good people everywhere to rally to the support of deserving publishers, says the Lowell (Mich.) Ledger. No institution has been more loyal to local interests, through thick and thin than the country newspaper, and it's a poor community that doesn't stand by its best friends. Probably some of the newspapers alluded to did not deserve to live, but many of them did; and their demise was due to the fact that they were published in dead communities. A live town newspaper makes a live town and vice versa.