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JAIL INMATE SEEKS FREEDOM

Jack DelMonte, who is being held in the county jail to answer the charge of assault to commit robbery made an unsuccessful attempt to secure his freedom by the tunnel route a week ago last Sunday and had not Sheriff George McDuffee by chance went to the jail a half hour earlier than usual the attempt would probably have been successful. When Mr. McDuffee went to his office Sunday afternoon at 4:30 instead of 5:00 o'clock, as was his custom, he happened to glance out of the window and was surprised to see a stick thrust up through the sod close to the jail wall. Speedy investigation revealed the fact that DelMonte had cut a hole through the concrete floor of the jail corridor burrowed down a couple of feet to the bottom of the wall and then up to the surface. Unfortunately for himself his work had proceeded to the point where he was able to thrust the stick, with which he had done his excavating, thru the sod just at the moment that the sheriff glanced through the window.

It is believed the prisoner had been working on his tunnel for several weeks as the sheriff and others around the court house had heard suspicious noises on several occasions which could not be satisfactorily accounted for. Del Monte had made the opening in the concrete floor under a cot which stood in the corridor and also kept the hole covered with a piece of old card board, about the same color as the floor, and in the semidarkness of the jail the opening was not noticed.

Del Monte and a young man named Vaughn, who is held on a charge of larceny were allowed the freedom of the corridor during the day and locked in the steel cage at night but from now until court meets that privilege will be denied them. It is that Vaughn had no part in the attempted break over that to act as lookout for Del Monte while the latter worked.

When the sheriff made his discovery he at once put the men in the cages and kept the matter to himself and it was not until last Friday that the attempted break became known around town.

Thursday evening a little girl, playing with a ball in the court house yard lost her ball down the hole into Del Monte's tunnel, and from that incident the matter became known to Judge Patterson and other county officials and later to the public.

Del Monte, it is alleged, attempted to rob John Keys last Winter, while the latter was asleep in the Palace hotel. Keys awoke and Del Monte, it is said, beat him up with a six shooter, but Keys put up such a game fight that he was able to hold his assailant until help arrived.

Keys, who had been working here for some time, had drawn his savings the day before and was expecting to start east on a visit to his old home in Missouri the following morning.

The Quaker Show at the opera house this week is drawing good houses and putting on good shows. At the free show Monday evening Tom Morgan and Mrs. J. W. Brown each received a present of \$5.00 from the management for being the oldest persons in the audience.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The State Sunday School Convention will be held at Pendleton, May 17, 18, 19 and 20, and it promises to be one of the largest and best conventions ever held in the State. Marlon Lawrence will be on the program. Every Sunday School worker knows Mr. Lawrence by reputation, and every worker who can possibly arrange to go should attend the convention and hear him. Several other experts in the work will be in attendance. Every Sunday School in the county should be represented by at least one delegate, and many of the schools should send several delegates. The railroads have agreed to give reduced rates on the certificate plan. Delegates should be sure to take a receipt for fare paid in going. When validated, the receipt will entitle the holder to the reduced rate in returning. Entertainment will be provided on the Harvard plan, lodging and breakfast, delegates taking care of themselves for the other meals. Those who expect to go and desire entertainment should notify Mrs. S. A. Lowell, Pendleton.

WEDDING BELLS

An impressive wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford, Sunday morning, at an early hour, the bride being their daughter Virginia, and the groom Jesse O. Turner. Both of the young people are very well known throughout the country.

The groom belongs to one of the oldest and most influential families, and the bride also, is not only known for her long residence and sterling qualities, but for her beautiful character and musical talent. It would be difficult to find more of the desirable qualities of mind, talent, and character embodied in one personality, than is found in the small person of Virginia Crawford.

Their friends entertain high hopes of their future happiness, and they carry with them to their new home the best wishes of a host of friends.

The wedding vows were solemnized by Turner MacDonald pastor of the Christian church, after which the wedding party consisting of about thirty relatives of the Crawford-Turner family, went to the Palace hotel, where a bountiful wedding breakfast was served in ten courses. The table was decorated with beautiful ferns and carnations in pink and white. Souvenirs were given each guest by the proprietor of the hotel. The last course was a bountiful supply of rice, with which to shower the happy couple.

Immediately after breakfast they departed on a wedding journey to Portland and a visit with the brides sister in Washington.

Something in the nature of a surprise to their many friends came the marriage of Mr. Arthur A. McAtee and Miss Lucile Culbertson, last Monday evening, the ceremony being performed by County Judge C. C. Patterson, at his residence.

Both the young people are well and favorably known here, the groom being a well known young business man of this city and the bride a daughter of Dr. A. P. Culbertson, and a graduate of the University of Washington. Many friends will join in congratulations and best wishes for their future happiness.

For Sale

A few choice milk cows. Also a few pure bred Berkshire gilts. Also a couple hundred sacks seedless and hullless barley for seed. Call on or address B. F. Swaggart, Lexington, Ore. 1d2

GRADUATION EXERCISES HARDMAN HIGH SCHOOL

Hardman High School graduated a class of four members last evening in the Hardman church building.

The members of the class of '17 are:

L. Margaret Gaunt, Verna V. McCarty, Ivan H. Leathers, Nellie M. Wright.

The exercises last evening attracted a large and appreciative audience most of whom were acquaintances and friends of the graduates.

The motto adopted by the class was "Paddle your own canoe." The class flower, Lily of the Valley, the class colors, purple and old gold.

Rev. H. A. Noyes preached the baccalaureate sermon to the class in the Hardman church last Sunday evening, Rev. and Mrs. Noyes and Fred Tash driving over for the occasion.

Clean Up Days

The city council has designated May 17 and 18 as clean up days. The people are urged to clean up the rubbish about their premises and place the rubbish in front of their lots where it can be easily loaded. The city will employ teams by the day to haul the rubbish away, and the people will be charged simply the actual cost. Health and safety from fires demand that we make a thorough job of the clean up.

S. E. NOTSON, Mayor,
J. P. WILLIAMS, Recorder

FEDERAL AID FOR BOARDMAN FARMERS

C. C. Paine, prominent citizen of Boardman, was a Heppner visitor Monday on a mission to enlist the aid of the Heppner Commercial club in Boardman's effort to secure federal aid for the homesteaders on the government irrigation project in his community. The plan is to have the government improve ten acres of each 40-acre tract by leveling and placing it in condition for immediate cultivation repayment to the government being made on a 20-year payment plan. In cases where the land has already been taken a loan for the money necessary to do the work will be made to the homesteader on the same liberal terms of payment.

Mr. Paine says the money for this purpose is available and it is only a question of his district getting its share in the allotment.

Heppner Wins Again

The Heppner base ball braves went out to Gooseberry last Sunday and again victory perched on the banner of the local lads in a score of 5 to 0 in Heppner's favor. The game was said to be the best one yet played this season. A large crowd was present among which were a number of Heppner people who enjoyed a drive to the scene of activity. Among those driving out from here were Glenn Y. Wells, Martin Reid and Emory Gentry each being accompanied by a party of friends.

AGRICULTURAL DEFENSE DAY

Fair Pavilion, Heppner, Oregon, Saturday
May 12, 1917, 2:30 p. m.

Competent speakers will present statements and statistics by Agricultural Authorities regarding the food shortage of the world. Opportunity will be afforded farmers and others to register their needs in labor, seed, etc., and to enlist federal aid in meeting them. All producers will also be asked to furnish an estimate of what they expect to produce during the season. This day will be observed all over the state in response to a recent proclamation by the Governor of Oregon. "Every citizen, man and woman, is urged to be present. This is a matter of national importance and calls for concerted action on the part of every patriotic citizen."

By Order of Committee of Arrangements.

Heppner Pioneer Passes

William Hughes, a former resident of Heppner and a pioneer of this county, died at his home in Portland last Saturday morning at the age of 67 years.

The remains were brought to Heppner Sunday and services were held in the Episcopal church Monday morning conducted by Rev. Noyes, of the Federated church, interment being in the Masonic cemetery. Services at the grave were conducted by the masonic lodge.

Mr. Hughes came to Morrow county 37 years ago and resided here for more than 20 years. He was a large property holder in this county and a man of extensive affairs.

He is survived by a widow, two sons and two daughters. The sons are Percy Hughes, of Butter creek, Dr. Will Hughes of Milton. One married daughter resides in Portland and Miss Helen Hughes, also of Portland resides with her mother.

Walter Rood has bought a big Cadillac car from Phil Cohn. Mr. Rood tried out his purchase in a trip to Lone Rock Tuesday.

Many Newspapers Change

Something like a cyclone seems to have struck the newspaper offices over in Cowitz county, Washington, lately.

Mrs. Ella Fletcher has sold her Castle Rock Independent to Delmar D. Imus, of Kalama.

Mrs. Nellie P. McClane has sold her Castle Rock Record to John W. Phillips, of Kelso.

M. J. Gore, of Kalama, has taken over the Bulletin, of that city. Copies of both Castle Rock papers have been received and show that newspaper men are in charge of each. Castle Rock has been unique for the past year in having both its newspapers edited and published by ladies and both have gotten out very creditable publications.

Mrs. Seaman, a teacher of Irrigon, was a Heppner visitor Monday.

Sale on Hats

Beginning Saturday, May 12, Mrs. F. Luper will sell at a big reduction her entire line of Trimmed Hats and Hat Shapes. This sale will continue through the month of May.

VANDALS WRECK MCBEE'S MACHINE

L. E. McFee, well known stockman, started for Pendleton last Sunday and upon reaching his ranch on Skinner creek a minor accident to his made it necessary for him to leave the machine there and return to town for repairs. Upon returning to the ranch next morning he found that some vandals had practically wrecked the machine, taking it apart and scattering the parts and tools all over the ranch. It was necessary to take a machinist out to reassemble the machine and put it in shape to bring it to town.

Mr. McFee says he has no idea who is guilty of the outrage as he knows of no one with a valid reason for such mischief.

Malignant destruction of property is serious offense and the guilty party merits severe punishment if caught.

CECIL NOTES

Jack Hynd and Bill Hynd went to Sand Hollow Sunday in Jack's car.

The Sullivan shearing crew finished shearing 2000 head for Jack Hynd Saturday and now have their plant installed at C. O. Minors where they have about 7000 of the woolies to trim up. The crew will go from here to Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Franklin departed on Sunday morning's train for the east where they expect to visit for a month or six weeks.

C. A. Minor shipped two car of cattle and one of hogs from Cecil Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lowe returned home Sunday from a two weeks stay in the Willamette valley.

M. V. Logan is busy loading and shipping wheat this week. Homer and Avon Cummings are running the trucks.

There was serious trouble in Cecil last week which resulted in a duel to death between Mrs. Boyd Logan's rooster and Tom Lowe's red rooster. Mrs. Logan's rooster was killed. Tom says he has some rooster.

There will be a dance in the Cecil hall on the 19th. Music by Bosker's orchestra of Portland. Don't forget the date.

Last Saturday Harold Abait killed a coyote near Rhea siding while it was fighting two dogs. He also killed the dogs as the coyote was believed to have had rababies.

Word reached here Monday of the death in Portland of Frank Nash, a former resident of this city. Deceased was well known in this section of Oregon, having for several years held the position of chief of police in Pendleton.

War Census Marshals Appointed

The following persons have been appointed as War Census Marshals and to act as Official Registrars in the several voting precincts of Morrow county:

M. S. Maxwell, Parkers Mill; J. A. Gibbons, Castle Rock; E. J. Bristow, South Lone; E. M. Shutt, North Lone; E. O. Neill, Pine City; T. E. Chidsey, Mt. Vernon; C. N. Jones, Matteson; John Brannon, Lena; Peter Sushauer, Irrigon; R. A. Farrens, Gooseberry; N. A. Clark, Gentry; Wm. Ayers, Heppner; Oscar Keithley, Eightmile; Alex. Warren, Dairy; Jack Hynd, Cecil; Claid White, Alpine; Karl Beach, Lexington.

LEXINGTON A BUSY TRADING CENTER

Lexington may not be the biggest town in Morrow county but in one respect at least it is unique among towns of its size. It ranks third as an initial wheat shipping point in Oregon. Condon ranks first, and is said to be the greatest initial wheat shipping point in the world, Pendleton is second and little Lexington is third in Oregon and is, perhaps, the greatest initial wheat shipping point in the world for a town of its size.

The writer spent a day in Lexington recently and the above is not the only surprising thing he discovered during his visit. The town has a number of up-to-date mercantile establishments, two big grain warehouses, a flour and feed mill, a pumping plant and water system, an elegant brick school building, a good hotel, an appetizing restaurant and a lot of mighty affable and courteous business men and women and citizens.

W. G. Scott, banker and warehouseman, took the writer on a sightseeing trip around the town in his car, showed him the water plant, the warehouses, the flour mill and also gave him a lot of valuable and interesting information.

The Lexington wheat district, within a radius of about 5 miles from the town, produced last year, in round numbers, 250,000 sacks. This is all shipped from Lexington. Considerable wheat yet remains in the warehouses either unsold or awaiting cars for shipment but the piles of sacks is being gradually reduced. The writer was shown a pile of some 3500 sacks in the Leach & Scott warehouse for which the owner has refused \$2.65 per bushel. One day, in January, Mr. Scott paid out for wheat, in his office in Lexington, \$94,000.00.

Leach Bros., Joseph Burgoyne, and W. F. Barnett each have big general stores filled with seasonable and well kept stocks of high grade goods. Leach Bros. carry an extensive stock ranging from a paper of pins to a threshing machine and in connection they do an extensive business in the manufacture of drapers for harvester and threshing machines. Joseph Burgoyne also carries an extensive stock of general merchandise and machinery. In his establishment is located the telephone central office. A new switch board and other equipment is now being installed that will give the town and community a first-class service. W. F. Barnett has recently moved into a commodious new store room and carries a particularly neat and well kept stock of general merchandise.

Prof. Deak is the efficient principal of the Lexington schools and is assisted in the work by a corps of six competent teachers. The school building is modern and well appointed. It has an assembly hall equipped with a large stage to which a complete set of new scenery etc. is now being added. The hall is seated with opera chairs and will seat more than 200 people. The school has an enrollment of 135 pupils and will graduate a number from the High School May 25th.

Mrs. Emma Brashers is in charge of the Lexington post office and that lady asked the Herald man to announce that the Stars and Stripes will soon float over that establishment. Her order for a suitable flag, placed weeks ago, has been delayed by the flag shortage.