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THE WATER QUESTION

Everyone remembers the story of the Arkansaw man with the roofless house—when it rained he couldn't put a roof on, when it didn't rain he didn't need a roof.

That's about the situation in Heppner on the water question—when we need water right bad in the summer time, we are too busy with other things to give the matter any attention except a few cuss words and a grumble or two; in the winter when we have time to think and talk and act along lines of public improvement, we do not need water.

The Herald is not disposed to criticize the owners of the present water system. They are, perhaps, doing the very best they can under the circumstances. They may be up against a situation that is beyond their power to remedy. Be that as it may it is a fact that the present privately owned water system in Heppner has broken down. It fails to deliver the goods—to render such service as the people are entitled to. The city has been practically without water for a week. Gardens and lawns have burned up, fire protection has been minus, even drinking water has been at a premium in the higher locations and residents have been obliged to carry water from neighbors farther down the

hill because their own faucets were dry.

No town can ever grow and prosper in the fullest sense of the word without water. It is one of the essential things needed in making a home. Men may make money in a town without an adequate water supply but they cannot make homes worthy of the name.

There is only one sane, sensible, modern way for any town or city of Heppner's size, or larger to solve the water question and that is through municipal ownership. That proposition is hardly considered debatable in the present age.

Heppner has been short sighted on the water question in the past. The town is so situated that it would have been easy, years ago, to have acquired a water right and power site on the creek above town which would have supplied the people with an abundance of water and light at a moderate cost—a cost based on water power as against the expensive steam system now in use. It is not too late yet for the city to act. Fifteen hundred people with a determination to make their town pleasant to live in, safe to own property in, beautiful to look upon, can do most anything they undertake to do. All that is necessary is determination and action to take the place of the old indecision and apathy of the past and Heppner can be made a city beautiful—sane, safe and sanitary.

While the plea for peace made by the pope may not have immediate effect in bringing the war to a close there can be no doubt but that his proposal will receive careful consideration from all the belligerent nations. Speaking as the head of a great religious body that embraces a membership of nearly 200,000,000 souls and with hundreds of thousands of rep-

resentatives of that faith in the armies of every warring nation, his words are bound to have weight as the sincere expressions of a mind which is actuated by a lofty purpose. To assume that his proposal was made with the intention of favoring any particular nation or interest is to take a narrow view of a big situation.

Speculating in wheat in the Chicago market came to an end last Saturday. Stock gamblers, however, do not need to become too despondent. The government still permits gambling in corn, oats and provisions so they will still be able to turn an honest penny by manipulating the prices of things hungry people need. If gambling in wheat was a bad thing for the country why not gambling in other food stuffs? Our government is said to be the greatest in the world and the fact that great bodies are said to move slowly may account for the fiddling around our congress does about such things.

Lucious Huckleberries

Mr. and Mrs. Len Gilliam and the Misses Lorena and Odile Greshens returned Sunday from a two week's camping trip at Ditch creek.

They report a splendid outing and to prove that it was such, they brought back with them 130 quarts of delicious huckleberries. The word "delicious" is used advisedly for, because of the generosity of the Misses Greshens, the Herald family was permitted to enjoy a big dish of the lucious fruit.

Mrs. J. W. Stevens was a Hardman visitor in Heppner Tuesday.

The Raglan Variety Store has put in a complete line of school supplies. Read their advertisement in this issue. They will give you good satisfaction and save you money.

One of Four Found Guilty

The three Iser brothers who were arrested last week on a charge of bootlegging were given a hearing Saturday at which two of the trio, Frank and H. A. were acquitted and discharged. Will Iser was found guilty and fined \$25 which he paid.

A. E. Fenton, who had also been arrested charged with complicity in the affair was also given a hearing and acquitted.

Catholic Church Services,
First Mass, 8:00 a.m.
Second Mass at Lena 10:30 a.m.
Reverend Father O'Rourke.

The Federated Church
Sunday School 9:45.

Morning service at 11:00
Morning theme "How a Man Was changed by What He Saw."
Evening service at 8:00.
Evening, "A Religion of Freedom."

We shall take up the regular International lesson next Sunday morning in the usual classes. The lesson is entitled "The Shepherd of Captive Israel." Not all teachers will be present next Sunday but we shall have teachers for all.

H. A. Noyes, Pastor.

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Judge and Mrs. C. C. Patterson and little daughter Mary returned from a short trip to Portland Friday. The judge says the weather was very oppressive in Portland and he is very glad to be back in Heppner.

Good Mules for Trade

I have 12 head of good four-year-old mules to trade for war horses. Guy Boyer, Heppner, Oregon. 14tf

John Calmus, James Daley and Ed Berry went to Portland by Buick last week. They report the roads in some places as being well nigh impassable.

Steam Vulcanizing

Tubes and casings given prompt attention. Leave repair orders at Vaughn & Sons Hardware. All work guaranteed. Akers & Barlow, proprietors. 16d17

George Curran took his family to the mountains Sunday and left them in camp for a few days in the huckleberry patches.

Wm. H. Phelps, of Niles, Michigan, spent Monday night here as the guest of his brother A. M. Phelps.

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