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FARMERS UNION

PROGRESSIVE BODY

The resolutions adopted at the recent annual meeting of the Morrow County Farmer's Union relative to better roads and cheaper light and power shows that organization to be made up of a progressive and well balanced body of men. Time was when the farmer was looked upon by the professional and business world as little more than a sort of beast of burden whose only province it was to stick to the farm, put in 14 or 16 hours a day producing the wherewithal to feed and clothe the world, keep out of politics and allow the business and professional classes to fix the prices on what he had to buy and to direct and govern all matters of public concern without so much as a "by your leave" to the men who are the very foundation not only of society itself but of all the good things that come to society at large in the way of food, raiment and other things which have become so vitally necessary to the happiness and comfort of all civilized peoples. Stop for a month the production of food, wool, cotton, leather, dairy and poultry products and the world would be facing famine, anarchy and death.

The world has been changing along these lines of late years, however, and today the farmer is coming to represent not only the brawn of the community but a good part of the brains as well. That this statement is true is attested by the action of the Farmers' Union the other day when they declared themselves on two questions of vital interest to all of the people of Morrow county - good roads and cheap power. Being true conservationists and fully awake to the fact that the United States, Oregon, Morrow county is engaged in the most stupendous war the world has ever known which is taxing all of our physical and financial strength to carry to a successful issue, they did not urge the immediate construction of a paved highway to each of their individual farms, but they went back pretty close to first principles in road making and placed themselves on record as favoring "the extended use of the split log drag after each rain when necessary, and that each piece of road from five to eight miles long should have a man to drag it."

The writer of this article is no expert on road building, neither is he an authority on keeping country roads in repair, but he does know that in many of the eastern and middle states, for many years the frequent use of the split log drag on the country roads have largely solved the road problem and changed thousands of miles of quagmire, utterly impassable for months each winter and spring, into highways that very satisfactorily fill the requirements of transportation during those months and make the conditions of country life quite tolerable. The split log drag will not make a paved highway with Roman bridges and Vista cha-teaus, but it will maintain a road that farmers and others can travel with a reasonable degree of safety and comfort, and that is what the members of the Morrow County Farmers' Union seem to have in mind. The writer does

not know whether or not the split log drag has been tried out in Morrow county, but if it has these farmers must know something about it from experience here. If it has not it is only fair to assume that some of them have knowledge of the drag either from experience elsewhere or from studying road methods as practiced in other states. The Herald would, therefore, beg to suggest that the split log drag should be given careful consideration by those in authority in our road affairs.

On the question of cheap electrical energy, the position of the farmers does not seem to leave much of a toe-hold for adverse argument. When they affirm their belief that the John Day and Columbia rivers could be made to generate enough electricity to light and heat, and sufficient energy to supply power for the county and state much cheaper than it is supplied at present, they are simply stating a fact that is patent to every observer and one that has been successfully demonstrated in countless sections of the west. Note that these farmers use the word heat in their resolution. They seem to be aware of the fact, if the business and professional world and the politicians are not, that the day is rapidly approaching when people will quit buying high priced wood and coal in sections remote from mine or forest and will heat and light their homes and cook their food with electricity generated from the almost unlimited water power now going to waste at their doors. Note also that those farmers did not stop there but added another paragraph in which they collectively urge the Hon. Frederick H. Newell, commissioner of water power, to use all honorable means in his power to install the generators necessary to develop the electricity needed and to construct lines to transmit it all over our county.

Now, that is getting down to brass tacks. When a lot of men become alive to the fact that they want a certain thing, that they need it and that there is a course to pursue by which they may be able to accomplish that thing and then without further talk or parley go out after it along the course that seems to promise the best results, they are in a fair way to get somewhere. Morrow county has had many business organizations, commercial clubs, balls, banquets and beer parties at which public needs have been discussed but it seems to have remained for the Farmers' Union to be the first to take up the question of the development of the unused water power near us with a view to bringing to their own doors that thing which has become of recent years an absolute necessity for their comfort, convenience and prosperity - electrical energy.

Hats off to the Morrow County Farmers' Union; they show earmarks of a degree of progress that has long been needed in good old Morrow county.

Labor Will Be Imported

The Department of Labor is arranging to bring into the United States 110,000 laborers for railroad and farm work from Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands, according to Louis F. Post, assistant secretary of the Department of Labor.

Mr. Post declares there is no necessity for importing common labor from Mexico or China. Porto Rico is an agricultural territory and you have a density of population exceeded by only three States. A considerable surplus of workers exists on the island. It can furnish 100,000 laborers, and the Virgin Islands can send 10,000 more.

Arrangements are being made to bring over 10,000 men as soon as tonnage is available.

L. B. Murphy and F. C. Burns, of Condon, registered at the Palace Sunday.

Professional Column

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS For Sheriff I hereby announce myself as a Candidate for Sheriff of Morrow county on the Republican ticket at the coming primary election. Adv. WILLARD H. HERRER. For County Commissioner I will be a candidate for County Commissioner at the coming election on the Republican ticket. Respectfully, G. A. BLEAKMAN, Hardman, Oregon Wood and Coal I handle Rock Springs Coal, Cord Wood and Slab Wood. 1914 ED BRESLIN.

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Notice for Publication Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, January 23, 1918. Notice is hereby given that John J. Kelly, of Heppner, Oregon, who, on June 1st, 1914, made Homestead Entry, No. 018021, for SW 1/4 and SW 1/4, Sec. 14, Township 2 north, Range 28 east, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. C. Patterson, U. S. Commissioner, at Heppner, Oregon, on the 5th day of March, 1918.

Summons IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR MORROW COUNTY. Elizabeth Smith, Plaintiff, vs. Anna Beldon, Defendant. SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION IN FORECLOSURE OF TAX LIEN. To Anna Beldon, the above named defendant.

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SPECIAL Free Offer! \$1.45 Value for \$1.10 3lb Can Royal Club Coffee, reg. \$1.10 2 oz. Royal Club Extract, reg. .35 \$1.45 This Week all for \$1.10 Phelps Grocery Co. Heppner, Oregon

JUST RECEIVED NEW LINE OF WINTER GOODS UNDERWEAR SHIRTS MACKINAW HOSIERY, ETC. Call and make you selections early. SAM. HUGHES COMPANY

Notice to Creditors Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County, administrator of the estate of Seth A. Barns, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate must present them to me, properly verified, at the office of Woodson & Sweck, in Heppner, Oregon, within six months from the date of first publication hereof.

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Keep Clean Keep clean inside, as well as outside. Do not allow food poisons to accumulate in your bowels. Headache, a sign of self-poisoning, will point to numerous other troubles which are sure to follow. Keep yourself well, as thousands of others do, by taking, when needed, a dose of two of the old, reliable, vegetable, family liver medicine, Thedford's Black-Draught Mrs. Maggie Bledsoe, Osawatimic, Kan., says: "Black-Draught cured me of constipation of 15 years standing, which nothing had been able to help. I was also a slave to stomach trouble... Everything I ate would sour on my stomach. I used two packages of Black-Draught, and Oh! the blessed relief it has given me." Black-Draught should be on your shelf. Get a package today, price 25c. One cent a dose. All Druggists

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