

**J. J. Kelly Buys Fine Ranch.**

A really deal of considerable importance was closed in this city Tuesday by which John J. Kelly, well known she man, becomes the owner of the Rock creek stock ranch belonging to the estate of the late George Perry.

The deal involves 3500 acres of farming and rangelands, 2000 sheep, a lot of work horses, implements, hay etc. The consideration is given as \$45,000. Mr. Kelly will take full possession of the ranch and stock October 1, or when the sheep come in from the mountains.

The ranch is considered a splendid stock proposition and Mr. Kelly has no doubt secured a fine bargain.

Mrs. Perry and family have not yet completed their plans for the future but may decide to make their home in Heppner.

**Oregon Military Police on Duty Here.**

A detail of six members of the Oregon Military Police in charge of Sergeant Charles Lillie, is now on duty in Morrow county with headquarters at Heppner. They are billeted in the High School building where the domestic science room has been placed at their disposal for a mess room while Sergeant Lillie has his quarters in the superintendent's office.

The Oregon Military Police is a new state organization created by act of the last legislature and is designed to maintain law and order and to protect life and property within the state.

Some member of the force is always near the telephone in the school building to answer any call for assistance that may come in and Sergeant Lillie requests that in case of fire or of any suspicious circumstance arising in any part of the county citizens should notify his office without delay.

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(From the Lone Independent.)

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R. M. Hymer, who had his leg broken in an auto accident about three weeks ago, is able to be around on crutches.

After this long siege of short skirts we don't believe any mere eclipse of the sun is going to damage our eyesight any.

Judge Robinson went to Portland Saturday last to visit his aged mother and attend to legal business. He returned Tuesday.

George Wells believes in downing the dust as well as the Huns and he may be seen almost every day sprinkling the street from the hotel to the pharmacy; a distance of more than a block. The service is appreciated.

We are informed that Mrs. Jason Biddle has had extremely bad luck with her chickens this season, they disappearing with alarming frequency. E. M. Shutt is doing his "bit" on the Biddle ranch, which makes explanations unnecessary.

County Clerk Waters was in town last week ostensibly to visit his ranch and look after other business interests, but C. B. Sperry, his political manager in this vicinity, says Joe was looking after his political fences, being somewhat dubious about his election this fall. He should worry.

A. C. Schuman, a valued employee of the Bert Mason stores at Ione, has resigned his position and has departed for Baker, Oregon, there to take charge of the clothing department of the Well & Co. big store. Mr. Schu-

man's family will remain here for an indefinite period before joining him at Baker.

Since the destruction by fire of the Palace Hotel at Heppner the Hotel Ione has had an unusual run of patronage, it being the only first-class establishment now on the Heppner branch. Mr. Haines, the affable proprietor of the Ione, is deservedly popular with the traveling public and all make it a point to find entertainment at his house when possible.

County Agent Brown was in Ione and vicinity for several days the latter part of last week. They do say that Mr. Brown has a great fondness for good "chow," so much so, in fact, that he has many of the best feeding places in the county listed and always makes it a practice to reach one of them about meal time when on his official rounds. So any any housewife who entertains him at meals may reel complimented, for his judgment is the best. P. S. He has informed us, confidentially, that his greatest weakness is for pie, cake, fruit and plenty of rich cream.

**Fire Destroys Crop.**

A. D. Suelter sustained a heavy loss Monday evening when fire, the cause of which is unknown, destroyed 40 acres of wheat, a small barn and two horses. While nothing definite is known of the origin the fire was probably started by a carelessly dropped match or cigarette. The fire spread to the range land and swept a considerable acreage before being put out. A call for assistance was sent to town and Sergeant Lilly was ready to start with his squad of state police when a second message stated that the fire was extinguished.

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