

BUILDING COSTS NOT TO DROP

(Continued from Page One)
The great price changes in history have come about in just this manner. The 'price revolution' of the sixteenth century came upon Europe as a result of the great influx of gold and silver from the mines of the new world. Europe was flooded with new money. More counters were used than before in effecting exchanges and prices became high. People talked then of temporary 'inflation' just as they talk of it now. But it was not temporary.

Similar increase in prices all over world occurred between 1896 and 1914 following the discovery of the fields of gold of South Africa, Cripple Creek and Alaska, the invention of the cyanide process in mining, and the vast extension of the use of bank credit."

After analyzing our gold supply and credits and pointing out that prices in Europe are higher than in America, Prof. Fisher arrives at this conclusion:

"Business men should face the fact. To talk reverently of 1913-14 prices is to speak a dead language today. The buyers of the country, since the armistice, have made an unexampled attack on prices through their waiting attitude, and yet price recessions have been insignificant. The reason is that we are on a new price level, which will be found a stubborn reality. Business men are going to find out that the clever man is not the man who waits, but the one who finds out the new price facts and acts accordingly."

At the same time Prof. Fisher's conclusions were made known there came from the division of public works and construction development of the United States Department of Labor a resume of the work of ten or twelve experts on price and market conditions. Here again it was made plain that there is no evidence justifying a general material reduction in the price level. This report makes these statements:

"The fact is that cost of construction is not high today. It is low compared with food, clothing and commodities in general. Although some readjustments in the wages of individual trades and in the prices of individual classes of building materials may take place, the cost of construction will not come down to such an extent as to endanger a judicious investment made today in the erection of a new building."

The Washington conference was called to discuss ways and means of stimulating business and providing better employment for labor during the period necessary for industrial readjustment. It was submitted that building and construction work served these two purposes more completely and directly than any other industry. It was brought out that the country is short between 500,000 and a million homes. Therefore while public officials are going in for public improvements, many communities are organizing "Own Your Home" campaigns. These serve several important and desirable ends. Home owning means home building, home building means labor and stimulated business in every locality where a dwelling is built, the home owner is a better citizen because his very ownership makes him responsible and immediately interested in the social and political welfare of his community. Further, the home owner does not take up quickly with radical movements such as now are threatening the security of governments in Europe.

The Department of Labor, through the division of public works and construction, is co-operating with many communities in the "Own Your Home" movement.

THE HOTEL SITUATION

The hotel question seems to be well up in the air with the probabilities favorable to coming down in two places. Well, two hotels are better than none.

PORTLAND MEN WILL LOCATE HERE

B. A. Reynolds, E. D. Neiswander and O. Frost, arrived in Heppner from Portland last week and will locate in Morrow county. The gentlemen brought with them a car load of cattle and are looking for a ranch to lease.

One of their first acts after reaching Heppner was to subscribe for the Herald in order that they may be kept posted on the news of Morrow county.

DR. J. L. CALLOWAY
OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN
Graduate American School of Osteopathy, Kirksville, Mo., under founder of the Science, Dr. A. T. Still. Office at G. W. Swaggert residence. Hours 10 to 12 - 2 to 5. Phone 42

HORSES AND MULES SLOW SALE

A big crowd of farmers and stockmen attended the auction sale of horses and mules held at the stockyards last Thursday by John Luck, of Pendleton, but the bidding was so light that, after selling two or three spans the sale was called off and, it is understood, Mr. Luck bought all but one team back at a handsome advance over the price paid. The weather was unfavorable for the sale but the greatest trouble, stockmen say, is that there are already plenty of animals of the class offered in the county to supply the local demand. The stock was reshipped Friday morning for the Kansas City market.

RALPH JUSTUS RETURNS FROM FRANCE

Ralph Justus, accompanied by his army bunkie, Robert Blair arrived in Heppner last Tuesday evening after having put in several months in France. The two boys fell in together at San Francisco soon after entering the service and it happened that in the whirl of events that followed the fortunes of war kept them constantly together. Judging from the way they talk the famous mud of Brest never received a single damn, or worse, that was not coming to it and when they made their last five-mile hike on French soil before going aboard the transport which brought them home they waded through thin slop which varied in depth from ankle to knee-deep.

Blair, who weighs less than 150 pounds tells of the heart-breaking toil of marching mile after mile through French mud carrying a heavy pack and says that more than once he has been so tired that he would hardly have stepped aside to get out of the way of any kind of a bullet. About the only time he forgot the weight of that pack was the morning he trudged thro the Brest mud to the transport. He forgot every thing then but the grand and glorious fact that he was headed for HOME.

Blair, who is a native of Oklahoma will remain here this summer and work on the Justus ranch.

THIRD RED CROSS CLOTHING COLLECTION

The third collection of used and surplus clothing for use among the refugees in France and Belgium will be held during the week of March 24-29. Appeal is made to all persons having clothing; they do not need to bring or send same to Red Cross headquarters for the use of these unfortunates.

\$1000.00

Buy a 27x132 business lot adjoining the Palace hotel property See W. W. SHAMHART. 45tf

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR LEXINGTON

One of the most distressing accidents to occur in Morrow county for many months was that at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gammell, near Lexington, last Thursday which cost the life of their little daughter, Willa May Gammell.

Mr. Gammell was operating a Walla Walla weeder on the ranch and his two little daughters, Willa May, aged three and a sister two years older were riding on the machine with him as they had often done before without thought of danger. The top of the machine was decked over with the exception of one narrow opening and in some manner the child stepped through the opening and dropped until her head came in contact with the deck in such a manner that her neck was broken. Death was instantaneous and the body was in no wise mangled.

Willa May Gammell was aged three years, three months and ten days, and her untimely death came as a severe blow to her family, relatives and neighbors. Besides her parents two young brothers and two sisters remain to mourn the loss of a loving treasure of the family.

The funeral was held Friday afternoon at the Christian church in Lexington, the services being conducted by Rev. Worstell, pastor of the church. Interment was in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Lexington.

WALTER DUNCAN BUYS RESIDENCE PROPERTY

Walter Duncan has bought the Dick LaHieu property near the depot and expects to have possession in a few days. The consideration was \$700. The property includes two good lots and a three-room dwelling. Mr. Duncan expects to make extensive improvements on the property at once.

PUNCTURED TIRES

Bring your punctured tires to SHAMHART and have them repaired. 45tf

COMMERCIAL CLUB BACKS ROAD MOVEMENT

(Continued from Page One)

road improvement in Wheeler county and Gilliam county.

In his address the other evening he said that he had missed but few monthly meetings of the state highway commission since that body was established. Two years ago Wheeler county took steps to secure some of the benefits of the \$6,000,000,000 road bond issue and started by voting, as Mr. Stewart expressed it, "a measly \$80,000 bond issue." But that was their limit at that time as Wheeler is a small county with a

comparatively small amount of taxable property. From that rather small beginning, however, the county has already secured a lot of road improvement and, Mr. Stewart says, has received almost four dollars from the state and national governments for every dollar put up directly by the county.

What Wheeler county has done, Morrow can do, Mr. Stewart pointed out and he made it plain, repeatedly, that if we hope to receive our share of the state and federal road funds we must put up some of our own money to start with.

At the close of his address Mr. Stewart requested any one present who wished to ask questions regarding points they did not fully understand and a number responded thus clearing up many points not previously clearly understood.

Following the address and discussion W. W. Smead, who presided at the meeting, called for an expression from the audience on the question of bonding the county and on motion it was declared to be the unanimous wish of the meeting that steps be taken to place the question of bonding Morrow county in the sum of \$290,000 on the ballot at the coming June election.

On further motion the chairman appointed the following committee to prepare the petition and have it circulated and attend to other matters necessary in getting the matter properly on the ballot.

C. E. Woodson, R. J. Vaughan, E. M. Shutt, Heppner; W. G. Scott, Lexington; Wm. Cronk, Ione.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the city ordinance prohibiting the playing of ball or football on the streets or alleys of Heppner will be rigidly enforced from and after this date.

R. J. VAUGHAN, Mayor
J. P. WILLIAMS, Recorder
Dated at Heppner, Oregon, March 2, 1919.

COMPREHENSIVE ROAD PROGRAM PLANNED

(Continued from Page One)

early in June a month's time will be saved in getting actual construction work started.

Mr. Thompson also stated that he has no doubt that if Morrow county bonds herself to the limit at this time and will then turn over to the state commission whatever apportionment of the amount realized from the sale of bonds that would belong to the Heppner-Heppner Junction highway that the highway commission will accept that sum and let a contract for the completion of that entire stretch of road.

This policy has already been carried out by the commission in Wheeler county and was also adopted by the commission for the construction of the Columbia highway through the northern end of this county, the building of which is now under way.

The state is no doubt in a better position to handle these big contracts than is the county and the policy of the state commission has always been most liberal with every county which has shown a disposition to help herself.

With a view to getting all preliminaries arranged in advance of the bond election M. O. Bennett, district engineer for the state highway commission, has arranged with the county court to go over the Heppner-Ione road on the 28th inst to determine whether or not the survey made last summer by Engineer Baldock can be improved upon and if so a re-survey will be ordered by the state commission at once.

CHURCH NOTICES

Christian Science
Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock in the lodge room in the I. O. O. F. building.

Testimony meetings are held every Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Eugene Slocum. All interested are invited to attend these services.

Subject for Sunday, March 23rd: "Matter."

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all parties concerned that the city ordinance known as the Curfew Ordinance will from and after this date be rigidly enforced. This ordinance forbids all persons under the age of 18 years being on the streets after 8:00 o'clock P. M., from October 1 to March 1, and after 9:00 o'clock from March 1 to October 1.

R. J. VAUGHAN, Mayor.
J. P. WILLIAMS, Recorder.
Dated at Heppner, Oregon, March 3, 1919. 44tf.

FOR SALE-Practically new range now selling for \$80, for \$60. Enquire of Mrs. George Aiken. 44-47

2 Big Bargains 2

88 1/2 Acres—700 in cultivation, fair house, small barn, extra good drilled well, abundance of fine water. School just across the road. Four miles from railroad.

Price for quick sale, \$15.00 per acre; one-third cash, balance easy terms.

480 Acres wheat land, 18 miles from town; 300 acres now in cultivation. Three-room house, small barn.

\$20.00 PER ACRE

Will take Heppner residence up to \$2,000 in trade.

Full information regarding these big bargains furnished by,

ROY V. WHITEIS

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE
HEPPNER, OREGON

Royal Worcester Corsets 1⁵⁰ - 6⁰⁰

Bon Ton Corsets, \$3.50 to \$7.50

This is the time of year when every one is buying new apparel. It is the best time to select new corsets. You want to look your best, feel comfortable, be graceful and correctly poised.

You will find a model in either line that will correctly fit your figure. They are truly, "Form fitting."

Get a New Corset before you have that New Dress fitted

A properly fitting corset is positively necessary to produce the desired effect, in that new gown.

New Pumps, Oxfords and Canvas Shoes Now In Stock--Come And See Them

MINOR & CO.

Bethlehem

Internal Gear Drive Motor Trucks

2 1/4 Ton Bethlehem, four cylinder motor. Thermo-siphon cooling system. Selective sliding gear, 3 speeds forward, one reverse. Center control.

Wheelbase 144 inches, 56 inch tread front and rear.

DEMONSTRATOR NOW HERE

Price \$2250--with Cab Top

F. O. B. Heppner

McRoberts-Cohn Auto Co.

Bethlehem trucks carry their owners' confidence

Heppner Meat Market

H. C. ASHBAUGH, Proprietor

Now open for business in our New Shop on East Side Lower Main Street,

with a complete stock of the finest quality of

Beef, Pork, Mutton and Veal

Call and give us a trial order.

We will treat you right.

HEPPNER - - - OREGON