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GOOD ROAD CONVENTION MAKES APPORTIONMENT

REPRESENTATIVES GATHER AT
COURT HOUSE THURSDAY EVE

Roads Designated for Improvement
From Funds to be Authorized at
June Election

A meeting of more than ordinary importance to the people of Morrow county was held in the circuit court room last Thursday at which the matter of working out an equitable distribution of the \$250,000 road fund expected to be authorized at the coming June election, among the various precincts of the county was considered.

Pursuant to a call issued by County Judge Campbell, delegates selected in each precinct to attend this convention in order that a road fund canvass of the road situation might be had before definite action was taken.

The meeting was called to order by Judge Campbell who introduced Hon. C. E. Woodson as the introductory speaker. Mr. Woodson explained the object of the meeting and went into the road laws passed at the last session of the legislature at some length.

The following report of the convention is taken from the official minutes of the meeting:

Upon roll call the following delegates were reported in attendance:

Alpine—B. P. Dougherty, C. Melville.

Lena—John Brotnan, J. D. French, Cecil—A. Henriksen, Jack Hynd.

South Lone—H. M. Cummings, Mr. Shirber.

North Lone—S. E. Moore, W. H. Cronk.

Gooseberry—R. McElligott, E. Bergstrom.

Lexington—W. L. Holmes, W. O. Hill.

Eight Mile—C. N. Jones, Oscar Keithley.

Parkers Mill—F. Ashbaugh, W. L. Houston.

Hardman—W. H. Ayers, W. T. Reynolds.

Matteson—W. O. Minor, J. H. Frad.

Heppner—W. O. Minor, D. E. Gillman.

Mt. Vernon—W. W. Smead, A. S. Akers.

Gentry—W. H. Herren, J. C. Young.

Pine City—J. P. Conder, Jos. M. Hayes.

C. E. Woodson was elected chairman and W. O. Hill secretary of the convention.

Judge W. T. Campbell, District Attorney S. E. Notson and Commissioner G. A. Bleakman were elected members of the meeting to act as an advisory committee.

Judge Campbell addressed the convention, explaining the position of the county court in the matter of apportioning the proposed highway fund.

S. E. Notson addressed the meeting and explained the working of the State Highway Commission. Commissioner Bleakman read to the meeting a distribution of the proposed funds, as worked out by the county court.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was unanimously voted that \$125,000 be designated to be expended upon the Oregon-Washington Highway, leading from Heppner, through Lexington, Ione, Morgan and Cecil to the Gilliam county line on Willow creek.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was voted that \$40,000 be designated to be expended upon the Oregon-Washington Highway leading from Heppner, east to the Umatilla county line.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was voted that \$75,000 be designated to be expended upon the proposed post road leading from Heppner through Hardman and Parkers Mill to the Grant county line. A later amendment reduced this appropriation to \$70,000.

A motion to appropriate and designate that \$50,000 be expended upon the road leading from Ione to Gooseberry was voted down.

A motion duly seconded, was voted that \$15,000 be designated to be expended upon the Willow creek road above Heppner to the summit above the coal mines.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was voted that \$10,000 be designated to be expended on the Butter creek road leading from Lena, down Butter creek to the Umatilla county line.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was voted that \$25,000 be designated to

SHRINERS WANT WHITE HORSES

J. A. Patterson has received a letter from W. J. Hoffman, potentate of Al Kader Temple of Shriners making inquiries for white saddle horses available in Morrow county. Portland Shriners are making an effort to have the Imperial Council meet in Portland next year and as Imperial Potentate Freeland Kendrick has always had the ambition to have his Patrol mounted on white horses Portland nobles are anxious to satisfy his ambition. Anyone knowing of white horses that might be available for this purpose should communicate with Mr. Patterson.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY WOULD BENEFIT MANY

250 FAMILIES WANT MAIL FROM
HEPPNER

Proposed Route Would Accommodate Many People and Prove Beneficial to Heppner

A movement of great commercial importance to Heppner, but which had its inception among the people of the Butter creek, Sand hollow and north-of-Lexington communities, was presented to representatives of the Heppner Commercial Club last Thursday afternoon and later was discussed at the road fund apportionment conference at the court house Thursday evening.

It is a project to establish a rural mail route out of Heppner, via Lena, and down Butter creek to Jarman's corner, thence through the Sand hollow country to Juniper canyon and returning to Heppner, via Lexington. The contemplated route, if established, will cover a distance of 61 miles and will serve a total of almost 250 families.

Representatives from Alpine precinct were in town Thursday and presented the matter to representatives of the commercial club and received assurance of the hearty support of that organization.

At the road conference in the evening Dr. J. P. Conder, one of the delegates from Alpine, presented the merits of the project to the meeting in so forcible and convincing a manner as to not only secure unanimous consent to an apportionment of \$10,000 for improvement of the Butter creek road from Ione to Jarman's corner, but also to cause the Hardman delegation to voluntarily relinquish \$5,000 of their own apportionment to the Lexington delegation to be used on the road running north from that town which is a part of the proposed mail route.

It is the intention, as soon as the mail route is established, to make application to the federal authorities to have the entire route designated as a post road which will entitle the route to substantial assistance from the federal road fund.

Petitions are now being circulated and early action on the project by the postal authorities is expected.

ATTENTION LADIES

The Red Cross sewing rooms are open every Friday. Come and sew or take some work home. 160 garments must be finished by May 24. Please do not overlook this.

be expended upon the road leading from Ione to Gooseberry.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was voted that \$5,000 be designated to be expended, with the understanding that the county court would appropriate a like sum from the general road fund of the county, upon the road leading from Lexington east and north to the Base line road, at a point being the north quarter post of Section 1, Township 1 South, of Range 25 East of Willamette Meridian.

It was unanimously voted that the bond election be held at the regular called special election to be held June 3, 1919.

It was voted that the county court advertise the bond election, and the proposed expenditures in such manner as they may see fit.

WHEAT LAND WANTED

We have clients wanting to buy and trade for wheat land. If you desire to dispose of your place please write us price and terms or state what you will accept in exchange for the same.

NORTHWEST LAND & TIMBER CO.
506 Northwest Bank Building,
Portland, Oregon.



BRIEF LOCAL NEWS STORIES

Judge Campbell went to Portland Sunday morning to attend a meeting of the State Highway Commission in session today.

Naylor, the jeweler, is showing an interesting display of war relics in his show window today. It's worth taking a peep at.

Mrs. A. B. Bowler and her parents Mr. and Mrs. Clark, returned Friday from a pleasant visit with relatives at Dayton, Washington.

The ball game here Saturday between Lexington High and Heppner High resulted in a victory for the home team in a score of nine to four teen.

Miss Martha Struck, teacher of Domestic Science and Art in the high school is confined to her room suffering from an attack of nervous prostration.

Loy Turner, county surveyor, is busy this week making surveys of the sections of county road to be improved in the coming road-building campaign.

"Dutch" Brown, a popular old-timer who formerly farmed in the Blackhorse country, but is now a retired resident of Walla Walla, was here Saturday renewing old acquaintances.

Frank T. Hulbert, formerly cashier of the Condon National Bank, now engaged in the real estate, loan and insurance business in the Summit City, was a Heppner visitor last Thursday evening attending Elks' lodge.

Dr. J. P. Conder, who used to practice osteopathy in Heppner and by way of relaxation occasionally took a flyer in Free Lance Journalism, was a Heppner visitor Thursday evening in attendance on the good road meeting.

Joe M. Hayes was in from his Butter creek sheep ranch Thursday evening helping to dispose of road matters at the court house and later of elms at the Elks' feed. It need hardly be added that Joe M. did his full duty at both functions.

Johnny Brotnan and Dillard French, cattle kings of the Butter creek valley were in town Thursday evening busy as bird dogs dividing their time between the road meeting and the Elks' entertainment. When the nimble-footed one patted the bald pate of a certain city councilman Johnny was heard to remark: "What a handicap a heavy thatch of hair is."

Bob Carsner, big cattleman of the Spray country, was a visitor in Heppner last week. Mr. Carsner says the road between Heppner and Spray is still impassable for cars but open for saddle horses which helps some. He was much pleased to learn of the promised improvement of the Morrow county end of the road and expects to live to see the day when navigation will be open that way the year around.

Dr. M. M. Johnson and wife arrived from Clarkston, Washington, last week. Dr. Johnson is a veterinarian and has decided to locate here to practice his profession. He is a graduate of the Washington State College and has practiced for two years in the farming country of eastern Washington. During the war he served as a doctor in the veterinary corps and has just been recently discharged. His card will appear in the Herald as soon as he gets permanently settled but persons wishing his services can find him by calling or phoning to Patterson's drug store.

Lieutenant Chas. J. Osten was showing a group photograph of the 29th Company, R. R. D., of Camp Hancock, Ga., of which he was company commander, to his friends in Heppner yesterday, and he says 200 better soldiers or finer men never had their pictures taken. Most of the company were from New Orleans and when Lieutenant Osten came thru the Crescent city on his return to Oregon those of the boys who had preceded him, met him at the depot and gave him a three-day party, which, he says, made him think of the descriptions he has heard and read of the old time Mardi Gras celebration in Creole town.

COURT HOUSE HAS MINATURE FLOOD

During the good road meeting in the circuit court room last Thursday evening some person must have wandered into the basement of the building and, probably by accident, turned one of the stop cocks controlling the steam heat and water pressure in the heating system pipes. The result was that when Wm. Ayers, janitor of the building went in the following morning he found the second floor of the building well flooded with water. Considerable damage was done to the plaster on the ceilings of the county offices on the first floor and, Mr. Ayers says, it was only by good luck that the damage was not serious. Sections of plaster fell from the ceilings in the assessor's and school superintendent's offices, and some of Mrs. Shurte's beautiful plants, which were the pride of the entire court house family, were ruined. In the sheriff's office a flood of water soaked through the ceiling and barely missed damaging some of the records of the office.

Bill Ayers says he cannot understand why anybody should want to monkey with the water and steam pipes unless they had a suspicion that he kept some of the contraband goods, of which he is the reputed custodian, stored therein.

RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA

Mrs. E. M. Shutt and daughter, Miss Essie, returned Sunday evening from Southern California, where they spent the past fourteen months for the benefit of Miss Essie's health. Friends of the family will rejoice to know that the young lady returns considerably benefited and her complete recovery is now confidently expected. Mr. Shutt's son, Lawrence, who has been in the south with his mother and sister, will return in a few weeks to spend the summer here.

WILL RE-VISIT SCENES OF EARLY COW BOY DAYS

STILL LONGS FOR LONE STAR TRAIL

T. M. Benedict, Old Time Cow Boy,
Will Revisit Old Stamping
Grounds

T. M. Benedict, a pioneer citizen of the Morgan country, was a visitor in Heppner Wednesday attending to business matters and visiting with friends.

Mr. Benedict was a pioneer of the middle west in the palmy days of the "Lone Star Trail" when tens of thousands of the long-horn Texan steers were annually driven over the famous trail to the rich pasture land of Kansas and Nebraska where they were headed until late in the fall when they were shipped to the eastern markets. Mr. Benedict took to the trail in 1867 when only 13 years old and stayed with it until 1885 when, he says, they began talking about cutting hay and feeding their steers through the winter and that let him out.

During all those years Mr. Benedict had many experiences a particularly thrilling one being related by him when in town Wednesday. He was trying to turn a band of some 2500 head one day and rather recklessly rode a little too far in front when the herd split, catching him between the two columns, and then starting to "mill" or run in a circle around him. Soon they closed in to a solid, circling mass of hide and horns, his horse lost his footing and went down and things begin to look rather billious for Benedict. Being young and agile, however, when he felt his horse going down he sprang to the backs of the circling steers and running across that living bridge of beef to the outer edge of the circle was able to make his get-away.

Mr. Benedict says, however, that he was considerably worse scared that time than at any other time in his life.

Mr. Benedict is arranging his affairs to take a trip by auto this summer down through California and on to Texas and then take the old trail north to once more visit the scenes of his early activities. He is waiting now for the return of his son from France to look after things on the ranch before himself and Mrs. Benedict start on their long journey over the "Lone Star Trail."

AMOUNT OF VICTORY LOAN FOR OREGON IS FIXED

Advices from Washington yesterday announce the details of the Victory loan as follows:

Amount of loan, \$4,500,000,000, over-subscriptions to be rejected.

Interest 4% per cent for partially tax exempt notes convertible into 3% per cent notes wholly tax exempt.

Maturity four years with treasury reserving the right of redeeming notes in three years.

Estimated quotas for Oregon and Morrow county for the fifth loan compared with fourth loan quotas are:

Fourth Loan—State \$33,708,100, Morrow county, \$272,000.

Fifth Loan (Estimated)—State, \$25,000,000, Morrow county, \$295,000.

NEW ELKS' HOME IS NOW FULLY ASSURED

\$11,000 SUBSCRIBED AT THURSDAY EVENING MEETING

100 Members of Order Install Officers, Enjoy Program and Eat Many Clams

Last Thursday evening was a high light in Elksdom when more than 100 members of the antlered tribe gathered to witness the installation of officers, start an active campaign for the new building, enjoy a clam feed and a general season of fun and frolic which only the Brother Bill boys know best how to arrange and pull off.

New officers of the lodge installed Thursday evening were:

Exalted Ruler—F. A. McMenamin. Esteemed Leading Knight—C. B. Cox.

Esteemed Loyal Knight—B. B. Kelly.

Esteemed Lecturing Knight—B. P. Stone.

Trustee—L. L. Gilliam.

Tyler—Frank Gilliam.

Secretary—Harold Cohn.

Following the installation ceremonies a short period was devoted to selling stock in the new building and within a few moments \$11,000 were taken assuring the new building to be a certainty.

Following the adjournment of lodge the crowd was highly entertained for an hour with a number of vaudeville specialties put on by several artists from the San Francisco company playing last week at the pavilion. It has leaked out through a crack in the door that bald-headed brothers were all very much elated with the attention they received from a petite dancer and that they are noticeably chesny since the show.

Following the entertainment several bushels of clams along with innumerable other eatables were consumed in the dining room and the meeting was declared a most brilliant success in every particular.

Some fifteen or twenty members of Heppner lodge drove over from Condon returning after the conclusion of the evening's entertainment.

HOME GUARD DISBANDED

C. L. Sweek, secretary and treasurer of the one-time Morrow county home guards, held a meeting of that organization last Friday evening and formally disbanded the company.

As secretary-treasurer, Mr. Sweek made a voluminous report of the financial activities of the organization and upon motion by Mr. Sweek which was seconded by Mr. Sweek and carried unanimously by Mr. Sweek's lone vote, the meeting, which was presided over by Mr. Sweek was adjourned without date.

The report showed that of the appropriation of \$700 made to the organization by the county court, \$637.50 yet remained in the treasury. There also remained on hand 12 uniforms which Mr. Sweek proposes to sell at bargain prices and from the proceeds of which he expects to be able to reimburse the county in full.

As remuneration for the services of the company privates and high officers Mr. Sweek's meeting also resolved that they will be allowed to retain the corns and blisters they accumulated during drill practice.

A notable feature of the meeting was that Mr. Sweek failed to allow himself a salary amounting of \$637.50 for his services as secretary-treasurer, and his failure to do so would indicate that he either overlooked the matter or that contrary to the belief of some misguided persons, there are some honest lawyers.

A grand May Day ball will be given in the fair pavilion Saturday evening, May 3rd. Olsen's unsurpassed orchestra, of Portland, will be present. Tickets \$1.50. Gentleman spectators 25 cents.

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