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COUNTY COURT BUYS MODERN ROAD MACHINE

WILL CUT CONSTRUCTION COST TO MINIMUM FIGURE

Will Move Five Yards at Once and Make Good Roads Rapidly

At an adjourned meeting of the county court held Friday, it was decided to order a Schmeiser Giant Land Leveler to be used in road work in the county. The machine is built something after the style of a Fresno scraper but is much larger. It is to be operated by a 75-horse power catapillar tractor already owned by the county and is to be sent on approval after six days trial.

The machine is 12 feet wide and will handle almost five cubic yards of earth at once. It can be successfully operated by two men and will do the same work as nine ordinary Fresnoes which would require the services of nine men and 36 horses.

Judge Campbell went up to Salem from Portland last week to see one of these machines in operation and he is convinced that it will save the county much money in road making. At Salem, the judge says, he saw earth being moved 880 feet at a cost of 13 1-3 cents per yard while the cost account of the road work done in the county last year shows that earth pushed over the edge of the grade by the ordinary road grader cost as high as 59 cents per yard.

A feature of the machine is that earth, etc., can be carried as far as desired and dropped wherever wanted making it possible to cut off gravelly points and carry the material to the lower ground where the soil is often of poor material for the surfacing of a road thereby getting the road all surfaced with the best class of material.

The machine will cost about \$1250 but it is expected it will soon more than pay for itself.

LIBRARY OPENING IS DELAYED BY FREIGHT

Mrs. Van Vactor, chairman of the Library Board, informs the Herald that the delay in getting the library opened was caused by delay in a freight shipment of bookcases from the east. It is believed, however, that the library will be ready for use at an early date.

CIVIC CLUB WILL CONSIDER PARK IMPROVEMENT

An important meeting of the Civic Improvement club will be held tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon at 2:00 o'clock when the matter of improvement of the fair grounds for park purposes will be the leading item of business. The president of the club and the park committee are anxious that a full turnout of the members be had in order that this important matter may receive the fullest consideration and that action in needed improvements may be had. This is a matter of general interest to Heppner and every woman interested in civic improvement is urged to attend this meeting.

CHARLIE AYERS GOES TO RUSSIA

Wm. Ayers has received a letter from his son, Charlie, who has been with the United States army stationed in England since America entered the war, stating that the command to which he was attached has been ordered to Russia. Why more are being sent to the frozen north now that the announcement has been made that our forces already there are to be withdrawn as soon as ships can be gotten out of the ice-bound harbors is not known but it is evident that these boys who were kept in England while the big show was on in France are not well pleased.

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.

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BAND BOYS WILL GIVE TWO MORE DANCES

Members of the Heppner Band have arranged to give a dance, Saturday evening, April 26th for the benefit of the organization. They have also secured the pavilion for Saturday evening, May 3rd, when a grand May Day Ball will be given. The finest music will be furnished on these occasions and all Heppner people who want to see the new band a success are expected to give the boys their hearty support.

MORO BEAUTY DAZZLES HEPPNER BALL PLAYERS

LOCAL BOYS LOSE GAME TO ARCH GLANCES

Many Good Reasons Advanced For Being Somewhat Off Usual Form

Heppner Hi ball team got up at 4:00 a. m., last Saturday and drove to Moro to engage the diamond gladiators of that well painted town in more or less mortal combat in a game of ball. The Heppner lads used to play the good old game of base ball very creditably, but according to their own story on this occasion the Moro team played ball and the Heppner boys played base—very base. Out of consideration for our Intertype machine we will not attempt the score—it might bust something.

The boys all give a different reason for the result of the game:

Ole says it was because they got up too early Saturday morning. Jay says it was because Moro slipped a post graduate pitcher over on them when they were not looking; Notson says it was because the lights went out at midnight Saturday night and the hotel man furnished no candles to go to bed by. "Who," he asks, "could be expected to play ball in the afternoon when he had to stumble through dark corridors and a staircase after midnight to find a one by three roosting place?" Hynd says the team fell down because they ate too much at the banquet after the game was over and Pat says that every time he went to bat the beauty of the Moro girl rooters so dazzled his eyes that he couldn't tell the ball from an army airplane, and Swoek, who like G. W., couldn't tell a lie, admitted to the reporter that the whole thing was a frame-up whereby Heppner was to throw the game in order to tempt Moro to come over here a little later when Heppner will take Moro to a proper trimming while the Heppner girls are looking. Some strategy, eh. Pity the peace conference couldn't have waited a few years until a few of these young diplomats could have been on the job.

But, just the same, the boys all report having had a wonderful trip and say the entertainment provided by the Moro boys and girls was the last word in hospitality. On the way home Sunday the team stopped at Wasco and played a game with the Wasco team and were again sort of blinded with a blaze of Sherman county beauty. Moro will play a return game here in a couple of weeks.

DAN STALTER RETURNS FROM IDAHO VISIT

Dan B. Stalter returned Saturday evening from Payette, Idaho, where he spent a month or more visiting his daughter who is a resident of that town. A sister of Mr. Stalter whom he has not seen for more than thirty years came out from Nebraska and spent some time at Payette making the occasion a particularly happy one. Mr. Stalter visited at Boise, Caldwell and other towns in that section of Idaho and he says they all show evidence of abounding prosperity.

Mr. Stalter is president and manager of the Mayflower mine in the Greenhorn district and expects to leave for the mine as soon as it is possible to get into the district. He contemplates an active season of development work and expects to make valuable shipments of rich ore during the coming summer.

THEN LET US KEEP FAITH

"If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep."

ON the Flanders' Fields in France lie thousands of American soldier boys who died that the world might be made "safe for Democracy." Are we going to keep faith with those boys—those heroes who considered no sacrifice too great to make? Are we going to let the world say that those boys died in vain—that their blood which stains the soil of France was a useless waste? Then let us finish the task for which they gave up all. Let us keep faith with those boys that we may indeed know they shall sleep.

Yesterday opened the campaign for the Fifth Liberty Loan—the Victory Loan—and Morrow County will be called upon to raise \$221,175.00. This quota while not as large as the last loan will fall heavily upon county and it will require a most determined effort upon the part of the committee to put it over. Yet it must be done. Morrow County has always went over the top with flying colors and there must be no break in this time honored custom. Our quota must be met just as quickly as in any drive in the past.

The need is just as urgent—there is just as much yet to be done. For so long as there is a doughboy in Europe or a war obligation in America our debt to those boys in Flanders' Fields is still an open account. And not until the final peace treaty is signed and the sword of the Hun is dulled forever will the war be actually over and the principles for which those boys died finally and victoriously vindicated.

The task has been a big one and now that the final effort is before us Morrow County must not waver. The sacrifices of her sons—the sufferings of her wounded must be kept in mind and her final duty discharged just as freely and as cheerfully as was her first.

Every citizen of the county should consider it a personal duty to support the Victory Loan to the very utmost of his ability. No sacrifice should be too great. None was too great for those boys when they went over the top or through No Man's Land—and it would indeed be keeping faith in a poor way were we to lose sight of the labor of love and duty performed by those boys.

The fight for Morrow County's quota has only started. The real labor only begun. The test of our patriotism yet to be made. The world is watching us through a thousand keen eyes. Are we going to measure up to the standard of 100 percent Americanism or will we fail in our solemn duty and give cause to those boys to feel that they were misled—that to us after all the principles they were fighting for were only empty words? Let us keep faith.

JUDGE CAMPBELL GAINS SURVEY FOR HEPPNER-HARDMAN ROAD

County Judge W. T. Campbell returned Thursday evening from Portland where he attended a meeting of the State Highway Commission and succeeded in having the Heppner-Hardman road from Heppner to the Grant county line recognized as a road to be improved under the provisions of the road bonding act and placed on the waiting list for a survey as soon as a competent engineer is available to do the work.

While the policy of the commission is to refuse recognition of such roads for improvement until the county's part of the money is actually available, Judge Campbell put up so strong an argument to the commission for an early survey that the point was waived and the survey was agreed upon as soon as an engineer can be secured.

Judge Campbell pointed out to the commission that Morrow county is not asking for money from the commission at this time but is only asking that a permanent survey be made that will conform to the requirements of the commission in the matter of location and grades so that any money expended by the county court on the road will not be wasted. He pointed out that an expensive grade built by the county recently on the hill leading to Heppner flat will be lost when the road is permanently improved because it slightly exceeds the required five per cent. He also called the attention of the commission to the fact that for many years a mail route was operated between Heppner and Monument but that a few years ago the road became so nearly impassable that the mail contractor went broke and other contractors refused to bid on the route at figures the government would consider and the route was abandoned. When the old route was operated mail from Heppner reached Monument in one day; now it requires five days. This argument, Judge Campbell says, won the day and the survey was agreed to.

Judge Campbell is of the opinion that the Highway Commission is disposed to be absolutely fair and impartial with the counties but they have certain hard and fast rules that must be complied with. Chief of these is that every county seeking co-operation from the state must have the money to match with the state money dollar for dollar.

Other rules relate to grades, location and construction. The business of the state commission is to build permanent roads and it will absolutely consider no other kind.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS STORIES

Garden making seems to be the order of the day recently and if indications indicate anything garden peas and such should be more plentiful before the summer is far advanced.

Samuel E. Tromley, of Portland, who was appointed by state headquarters for the Victory Liberty Loan as field manager for Morrow, Gilliam and Wheeler counties, was in Heppner a few days last week in the interest of the campaign.

W. W. McGraw is on the cripple

MORRISON LYCEUM NUMBER CANCELLED

Patrons of the High School Lyceum Course who have been awaiting with interest the coming of Bees Gearhart Morrison tomorrow evening will be disappointed to learn that the date for this popular entertainer has been cancelled on account of illness. Whether or not another date will be announced later is not known. Mrs. Morrison appeared here last winter and is a favorite in Heppner.

MUST MEASURE UP TO STANDARD BOYS SET

OREGON MUST NOT FAIL TO BE FIRST AGAIN

State Chairman Smith Makes Strong Appeal to People of State to Buy Victory Bonds

By Robert E. Smith, Executive Manager, Oregon Victory Loan. The world war through which we have so recently passed is the greatest event in the world's history since the beginning of the Christian era. The part which Oregon has played in this world war will be remembered long after we and our children are dead. Our heritage of this war will be our record of patriotic achievement, and this record will be made in two ways: It will be a record of our boys who were in the service, and the record of those of us who stayed at home and tried to do our part by supporting our Government and the boys.

Oregon's military record stands head and shoulders above that of any other state. Oregon was first in the enlistment and had a larger percentage of its population under arms than any other state in the Union. The records of the old Third Oregon, the Coast Artillery and the 91st Division are records which will never die and which every Oregon citizen may well be proud. The record of Lieutenant Burgard who was five times wounded and who led 250 Oregon boys over the top, of which 218 were left upon the battlefield after an hour and twenty minutes of fighting is only one of a number of instances of valor by Oregon men which will never be forgotten. Lieutenant Dorris made his way to brigade headquarters after having his lower jaw shot away in order that another officer might be detailed to his company—all of the other officers having been killed. Although he was decorated with the croix de guerre for this act of heroism, the best appreciation of this act will be found in a never dying recollection of it by the people of Oregon. There is no instance of record where Oregon troops faltered under fire, and the record of our boys in service is 100% perfect.

So far the record of Oregon's citizenry in its patriotic duty has been perfect. We have been foremost in patriotic drives of every kind, having twice led the nation in Liberty Loan campaigns. It is a distinct privilege for those of us who stayed at home to be permitted to complete the wonderful record of our boys by making a 100% record in our duties of citizenship. Yet it is a tremendous responsibility, as the people of the state would never live down the disgrace of tainting our military record by failure to lead all other states in this great patriotic endeavor.

ARTESIAN RANCH SOLD

Mrs. W. D. Newton yesterday sold the famous artesian well ranch, north of Lexington to Harry L. Duval for a consideration of \$50,000. The ranch contains 1,000 acres.

FIRST DAY OF VICTORY DRIVE IS QUIET ONE

COUNTY WILL TAKE QUOTA IN OWN GOOD TIME

Active Drive Deferred For Present On Account of Busy Season Among Farmers

FACTS ABOUT THE VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN

Total Issue, \$4,500,000,000
State quota, 26,747,500
Morrow county, 221,175
Heppner district, 191,000
Ione district, 18,000
Lexington district, 13,000

The first day of the Victory bond drive in Morrow county was quiet. No canvass of the county has yet been started and the only sales so far have been voluntary, made by persons who called at the banks and asked for bonds.

Local conditions in Morrow county among farmers and stockmen were not favorable for an early drive as all are just now in the midst of their busiest season.

County chairman McCarty and City chairman McMenamin are working out their plans for completing Morrow county's quota, however, and while there has been no disposition to indulge in pipe dreams at home or to send out false claims as to being "over" no doubt is expressed but that Morrow county will take care of her quota in her own good time.

Every banker and business man in this county is behind the committee but nobody is disposed to get excited. Saving young lambs and getting in the spring crop for the next few days will have the right of way. Following are the sales reported by the four banks in the county at noon today:

Lexington State Bank	\$ 6600.00
First National	5750.00
Farmers & Stockgrowers	5250.00
Bank of Ione	500.00
Total	\$18100.00

BANKS WILL ASSIST IN FINANCING FIFTH LOAN

County chairman W. G. McCarty yesterday received the following telegram from Governor James K. Lynch, Federal Reserve Bank, of San Francisco:

"In order to assist in financing the Victory Loan it is recommended that banks generally agree to carry their customers at Fifth Loan rates for a period of ninety days and also grant one renewal of not more than ninety days at same rate where circumstances necessitate. Beyond this loans to be at market rates. Will appreciate your bringing this recommendation to the attention of local bankers."

Chairman McCarty advises the Herald that both Heppner banks have cheerfully agreed to the recommendation and he fully expects the other banks of the county to do likewise.

OREGON LIFE BUYS VICTORY BONDS

W. S. Bowen, district manager of the Oregon Life Insurance company has sent to the First National Bank of Heppner application to buy one thousand dollars worth of Victory Bonds from the Morrow county quota. This makes the third campaign in which the Oregon Life has invested in Morrow county's quota of Liberty Bonds.

Assistant Cashier Storm, of the First National Bank, has resigned his position and will go to Oakland, Nebraska, about May first.

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