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MRS. GILLETTE MEETS TRAGIC DEATH AT IONE

HUSBAND IS ALSO IN SERIOUS CONDITION

Train Hits Auto at Crossing Near Knappenberg Ranch—Woman Dies Within An Hour.

Special Correspondent:

Ione, Oregon, August 18.—Mrs. M. H. Gillette was fatally injured and her husband is in a critical condition in the Heppner hospital as the result of an accident last Sunday morning when their auto was struck by the west bound train on the Heppner branch at a grade crossing near the Knappenberg ranch a short distance below Ione. The train was stopped immediately and Mrs. Gillette was found pinned beneath the wrecked car in an unconscious condition. Her husband was still conscious but seriously injured. The unfortunate couple were rushed to Ione where first aid was administered and then placed on a gasoline railway motor car and started for a hospital at Heppner. Mrs. Gillette succumbed to her injuries soon after passing the station at Lexington.

Mr. Gillette was taken to the Heppner hospital where it was found he had suffered two fractured ribs and serious internal injuries, the result of which can not yet be determined. The cause of the accident is something of a mystery. Mr. and Mrs. Gillette were on their way to Ione on a shopping trip when the accident occurred. The crossing at that particular point is not considered a dangerous one as the track is straight for some distance and there are no obstructions to the view. The supposition is that Mr. Gillette did not notice the train until he had approached so near to the track that he could not stop the car. It was evident that he had tried to turn away from the track as the pilot of the engine struck the car on the front end.

The engineer says he did not see the car at all and the fireman saw a car on the road when they first sighted the crossing, but when he noticed the track was clear. An instant later he saw the car turning over in the air and signaled to stop the train.

Mrs. Gillette's body was brought to Heppner and prepared for burial and sent to Portland on Monday morning's train where a daughter resides and where the funeral will be held.

As the Herald goes to press Mr. Gillette's condition remains unchanged.

MANAGER FAIR ROUND-UP FEATURE NAMED

F. R. Brown, secretary-manager of the Morrow County Fair, announces that he has secured the services of Ad Moore to take charge of the round-up feature at the coming fair. Mr. Moore is well known as a fearless rider and has been a leader in the weekly riding and bucking contests at Lena during the summer.

A prize will be awarded the hardest bucking horse in the contest and three prizes will be awarded the three best riders and a county championship will also be awarded.

There will be attractions to suit all tastes at the coming fair.

DEER SEASON OPENS SEPTEMBER FIRST

The deer season throughout Oregon will open September first, this year, and will continue opened until October 31st, according to an announcement made by Carl D. Shoemaker state game warden, today. The only exception is in Union and Wallowa counties where the season will open on September 15th and close on November 15th. Heretofore the season has opened on August 15th in District No. 1, which includes all counties west of the summit of the Cascade mountains. The season this year is uniform in both districts except the two counties heretofore mentioned. The bag limit is two deer with horns which is the same as last year.

PURE SEED WHEAT FOUND

A good supply of pure white hybrid No. 38, the outstanding variety for the soils of Eastern Oregon has been found, inspected and certified in Umatilla county by G. R. Hyslop, chief of county crops at the agricultural college. On the other hand, Jenkin's club was inspected and not one pound fit for seed. Farmers wanting a source of pure seed of right variety for their lands can get a list of seed wheat by application to the county agents of Umatilla, Wasco, Sherman and Union. Mixed wheat crops are graded down and cut from 3 to 9 cents a bushel.—Moro Observer.

NOTSON WILL REDUCE HIGH COST OF LIVING

FOOD ADMINISTRATOR IS BACK ON JOB

Will Reduce Cost of Divorce, Moonshine and Other Necessities for Harshness Living.

District Attorney S. E. Notson, who served his country through the dark days of war as county food administrator, was tickled "pink" the other day when he learned that he was to be reinstated in that position, from which he was dismissed without prejudice some time ago, and given an opportunity to further serve his country in the way of fixing living costs on a more equitable basis.

After giving the situation the once over Mr. Notson has announced that, just to show that he is really a good fellow and not disposed to take undue advantage of his position for personal profit, he will begin by cutting his own salary of county food administrator from the former figure of \$3.00 to just half that sum or \$1.50.

Attorney's fees in divorce cases will also be reduced Mr. Notson says, to \$25.00, his reason being that way prices for cases of this nature has a tendency to cripple if not destroy the divorce industry thus forcing many couples to continue living and fighting together who would better be apart. Such a condition would cause an increase in crime, Mr. Notson says, particularly in the gentle art of wife beating, husband poisoning, murder, assault and battery, etc., thereby flooding the district attorney's office with criminal business and interfering with his duties as food administrator. To show that he has a purely official and not personal interest in the matter, Mr. Notson points out that he is not a divorce lawyer.

Another item in the high cost of living that will receive Mr. Notson's early attention is the price of moonshine whiskey which he proposes to arbitrarily reduce to \$5.00 a quart. He arrived at this decision Wednesday evening after discussing the matter with a large number of very dry but very enthusiastic citizens who offered unannounced as well as irrefutable evidence that present prices of this particular commodity are entirely too high, the supply too low and the general situation a disgrace to all personal liberty loving Americans.

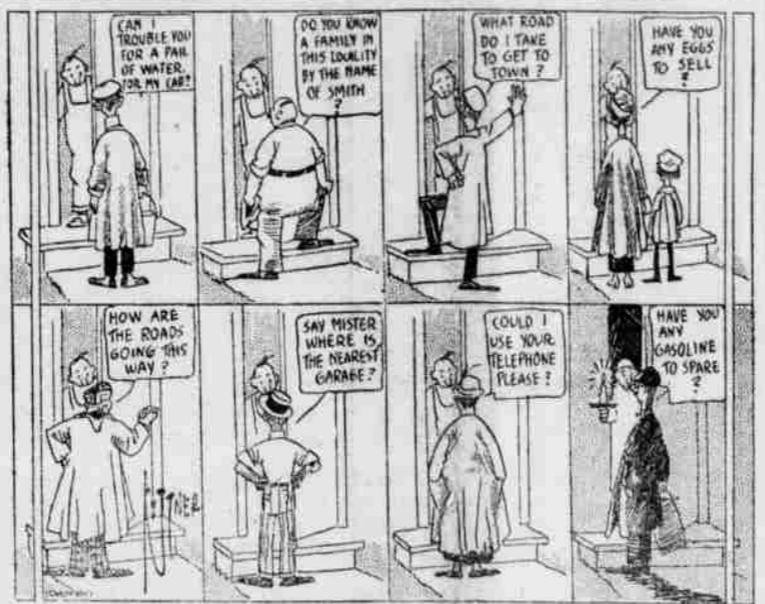
It is understood that Mike Roberts who used to hanker some with politics in the good, old days, is particularly for the statement that if Mr. Notson can put this thing over in Morrow county and make it stick, he can have any position within the gift of the people at the next election from sheriff of Morrow county to president of these United States.

NEWLY WEDS RETURN TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mahoney who stole a march on their friends by slipping off to Portland a couple of weeks ago and getting married returned Sunday evening from a delightful honeymoon trip spent at Seattle and Vancouver and Victoria, B. C., and have since been pretty busy receiving the congratulations of their many friends in Heppner.

The Herald joins with other friends of this popular couple in felicitations and best wishes.

A Quiet Day at Lonesome Corners



Jack Rabbit Nuisance Not Abated. Range is Damaged

Farmers are calling at the county agent's office every few days complaining of the jack rabbits on their farms. They are taking many tons of alfalfa hay, have ruined gardens, damaged wheat fields by thousands of bushels, but probably the greatest damage they are doing is the damage very little realized by the ordinary inhabitant. Anyone passing over the winter range for sheep will find it a truly barren desert. Practically all foliage suitable for sheep has been devoured by these long eared rodents.

Near Willows and Cecil they are probably worse than any of the rest of the western part of the county. Yet around Irigon, Castle Rock and Boardman they are there in great quantities. Juniper canyon and the Butter creek section comes in for their share. Near Boardman and Irigon the farmers are making a practice of rabbit drives every Sunday. Within the last three weeks probably eight or nine thousand rabbits have been destroyed by poison and by drives.

During the earlier part of the summer the rabbits were poisoned in quite large numbers and a good many thousand have been reported to this office as having died from the effects of poison distributed according to our instructions. At this season however, they very rarely take the bait or any other bait that so far has been placed in their way. The problem appears to be one of waiting until fall or winter when the snow comes and the food becomes a little more scarce in the alfalfa fields, then an organized campaign will be put on covering the entire north end of the county at practically the same time the campaign is on in Umatilla county. The plan being to cooperate as far as the time is concerned in order to make it absolutely unsafe for any jack rabbit to show his head around any feeding grounds or any of the fields during the winter season.

At this season of the year rabbits are gradually drawing out of the desert country going down to the more human section where irrigated and other fresh crops can be found and it is hoped that good work can be done along this section later in the season. Those who are suffering from these rodents should remember that they will be taken care of at the proper season of the year. In the Hardman section a great many people have suffered from the squirrels. These animals take hundreds and even thousands of bushels of wheat, barley and other grains in that section and an organized campaign will be put on by the farm bureau in that district another spring to do what may be done towards reducing the menace to a minimum. In some counties this has proven highly beneficial, as many as 250 squirrels having been found in one square mile.

It is hoped that the people of the northern part of Gilliam county may be induced to cooperate with us as well as the farmers of Umatilla county. As the rabbit travels very fast and every farmer recognizes that the rabbit ten miles away is nearly as much of a menace to him as the one out in the field.

L. A. HUNT, County Agent.

MOUNTAINEER RETURNS TO HAUNTS OF CIVILIZATION

Sara E. VanVactor, one-time numbered among the leading legal lights of eastern Oregon, but who has recently forsaken the dusty tomes of Blackstone for the free and untrammeled life of the mountaineer, came down from his mountain ranch Saturday to renew his touch on the ways of civilization and—get a shave.

Sara recently bought an X-acre tract in the upper fastness of Willow creek and started in to improve it single handed and alone. He now admits that digging post holes, swinging a 16-pound sledge and lugging 500-pound coils of wire on his back up a mountain side with an upward dip of better than 45 degrees is really harder work than trying a doubtful case before Judge Phelps.

Be that as it may, however, Mr. VanVactor spent Saturday in town with his feet on the mahogany table in his inner office and he was not working either. He entered a plea of guilty to resting and added as an extenuating circumstance that he really and truly needed a vacation from his vacation on the mountain ranch.

MARTINS VISIT IN SHERMAN COUNTY

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Martin drove over to Sherman county last week to look after their wheat crop and to visit with his brother who is operating the place. They also made the trip at this time party to meet Mr. Martin's nephew, William J. Martin, who recently returned from service with the United States army in Germany.

SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES

All soldiers, sailors and marines in Morrow county are requested to meet in the Morrow county fair pavilion Sunday, September 7, (first Sunday, in September 7, (first for taking part in the big parade to be held on the first day of the fair.

All former service men who are unable to be present on that date are requested to send their names to the undersigned, it being the desire of the fair management and the people of the county to make the first day of the fair a "Welcome Home" day for the soldiers, sailors and marines.

E. S. LILJEBLAD, Director of Parade.

FATHER O'ROURKE BACK FROM EASTERN TRIP

INTERESTING ACCOUNT OF EASTERN JOURNEY

Met President DeValero of Irish Republic and Other Noted Irishmen DeValero Great Orator

Rev. Father P. J. O'Rourke returned last Thursday evening from a trip to New York, Chicago and other eastern cities and to a Herald reporter Saturday gave an interesting account of his journey. Father O'Rourke accompanied his niece, Miss Peggy O'Rourke, to New York to see her safely aboard an ocean liner on her way to her old home at Darrow, Ireland, where she went on an extended visit. The liner on which Miss O'Rourke had booked passage in advance was detained and after waiting some time passage was secured on the White Star liner, Cedric, which sailed July 29th.

The Eastern trip was made via San Francisco and Chicago, the latter city being reached just when President DeValero, of the Irish Republic held his great meeting in the cause of Irish liberty. Father O'Rourke was one of the 40,000 persons who heard DeValero speak at the Chicago baseball park and he says the famous Irishman with the foreign name is one of the greatest orators he ever heard. His voice has a wonderful carrying quality and those on the outermost edges of the great throng could hear every word distinctly.

Father O'Rourke was also present at the luncheon given at the Congress hotel in honor of DeValero at which 500 prominent Irishmen from all parts of the United States were present. He also met personally Frank P. Walsh, ex-Governor Dunn and other men of prominence in the cause.

Continuing their journey to New York the O'Rourkes stopped at the Commodore hotel having rooms on the 21st floor. The hotel is 25 stories high, has 2299 rooms every one with bath and employs nearly 3000 people. From the roof of this great building it is said the homes of 5,000,000 people may be seen.

Returning west Father O'Rourke came via Pittsburg and Youngstown, Ohio, stopping at the latter place to visit Rev. Father John O'Rourke Kenny, who is a cousin of Michael Kenny, of Heppner. He visited Chicago during the race riots and saw the streets filled with soldiers with loaded guns and drawn bayonets and machine guns planted at the principal street crossings in the riot districts.

Crops in the east generally are good, Father O'Rourke says, and general business conditions seem prosperous. Cost of living at San Francisco and eastern hotels is no higher than at Portland, he says, with very much better service and cuisine.

MORROW COUNTAINS IN PORTLAND

Cecil, on Willow creek, in Morrow county, is the place from which J. J. Mentore registered at the Imperial. Cecil hasn't hardly enough population to count, but it has a graded school and is in the heart of a wheat-raising and livestock country. The old Emigrant road runs through the town.—Oregonian.

Rhea creek, in Morrow county which empties into Willow creek at the point where Jordan post office is located, was named after one of the first settlers in that section. A grandson of this settler registered at the Imperial yesterday. He is Rhea Luper, who now resides at Salem.—Oregonian.

DAYLIGHT SAVING LAW IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL

SO IT IS SAID MORROW COUNTY JUSTICE RULES

Law Declared of no Effect and Demurrer in Farm Labor Controversy Sustained

Inasmuch as the present so-called "Daylight Saving Law" is the cause of considerable discussion both within and without the halls of congress while receiving the "earnest consideration" of many American citizens from President Wilson down to the lowliest farmer and dairyman, following ruling which is said to have been rendered by a well known Morrow county justice of the peace in disposing of a wage controversy case is not without interest:

Plaintiff in his complaint alleges that defendant employed him (plaintiff) to work at farm labor; that plaintiff was able, willing and ready at all times during the period of his employment to begin work at the usual hour at which farm laborers are supposed to begin work according to the custom of the country, following the "Daylight Saving" time, as established by law; that the defendant failed and refused to arise in time to begin work at such time, giving as reasons therefor that it interfered with the proper hours of sleep for his children and compelled him to milk his cows at an hour unfavorable for obtaining the best results, as his cows knows nothing of the "Daylight Saving Law;" that defendant desired that plaintiff work an hour later in the evening to make up for the hour lost in the morning; that plaintiff refused to do so, and when plaintiff and defendant attempted to make settlement, defendant refused to pay plaintiff for full time and insisted upon "docking" plaintiff one-eighth of his wages; that defendant has no legal right to "dock" plaintiff. This is followed by the usual prayer for relief.

Defendant demurs to the complaint of plaintiff upon the ground that he is under no legal obligation to follow the "Daylight Saving" time schedule.

The defendant by his demurrer having admitted the facts, the question is one of law. In passing, the Court wishes to remark that it is rather a dangerous thing to attempt to change the order of things as established by nature. It is true, or at least we have a record to that effect that, as argued by counsel, on a certain memorable occasion the sun stood still until Joshua prevailed over his enemies, but in that instance there seemed to have been an intervention of a Power above the human power. The present issue grows out of an act of Congress in response to the recommendations of the President. It is purely a human act. It undertakes to run counter with the laws of Nature. It establishes conditions which work a hardship upon the men engaged in the basic industry and forces them to suffer loss at a time when they can ill afford to lose. The advantage to the employees upon the farm is practically nil. At a time when the world is crying for food, the producers of food are mulcted for the benefit of the people who live in the cities, and in the opinion of the Court, though at variance with the views of the President, that advantage is largely notional, not real. If congress and

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BIG TIME AT KLAMATH FALLS

F. A. McMenamin, exalted ruler of Heppner lodge of Elks, returned last evening from the Elk's convention at Klamath Falls. Mac reports that everybody had the time of his life at the convention and Heppner was strictly on the map all the way through. The Heppner delegation opened headquarters at the leading hotel and put on a free show with continuous performance for a 72-hour run. No Heppner cars were lost in the big garage fire and a number of the Heppner delegation who drove over continued their trip into California before returning.