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## HEPPNER SANITARIUM SOON TO BE NO MORE

### PHYSICIANS IN CHARGE SAY NOT SELF SUPPORTING

Institution to Close As Soon As Present Cases Can Be Discharged

Heppner is soon to be without a hospital as will all of Morrow county according to a statement given to the Herald Monday evening by Drs. A. D. McMurdy and C. C. Chick who for several years have been in charge of the institution at least so these gentlemen aver to the extent of making good the deficit between receipts and expenditures as such have frequently appeared. The institution will be closed as soon after January as present cases can be discharged.

It is not exactly a sinecure to run a hospital and guarantee the payment of its bills according to Drs. McMurdy and Chick. The present building, they say, is unsuitable for hospital purposes being old and without modern improvements and conveniences. Good nurses are hard to secure and still harder to keep and contrary to popular belief the doctors, instead of making a lot of money for themselves out of the proposition, are compelled to dig up considerable amounts from their own funds to help pay expenses.

They both regret the conditions that are to deprive the county of any kind of hospital service, but they feel that they have carried the burden as long as they can afford to.

It is not a cheerful prospect for the people of the county who may in the future need hospital service quickly and under proper sanitary conditions to have to be jolted off to Portland or Pendleton or Condon or The Dalles where hospital conveniences are

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## IRRIGATION CONGRESS

The ninth annual convention of the Oregon Irrigation Congress will be held in Portland January 8, 9 and 10 at the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

It was originally planned to hold the session on December 29, 30 and 31, but on account of the special session of the legislature and the statewide storm, the dates were postponed until the week immediately preceding the convention of the state legislature.

Inasmuch as important matters concerning irrigation are to be brought up at the special session all of the members of the legislature have been invited to attend the sessions of the Oregon Irrigation congress by President Jay H. Upton, of Prineville. The program will be in charge of the following committee:

O. C. Leber, Port and, chairman.  
Fred N. Wallace, Tumalo.  
Frank Sofinias, Echo.  
Harry W. Gird, Madras.  
Porter J. Neel, Medford.  
C. W. Eberlein, Kamath Falls.  
W. W. Caviness, Vale.  
J. N. Williamson, Prineville.

Various matters of importance relating to irrigation will be discussed and prominent speakers representing the Interior Department and the various irrigation enterprises of the state will be heard at the convention. Among the speakers invited to attend are Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the Interior, and Elwood Mead, chairman of the land settlement board of the state of California.

## SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

Miss Eulalia Butler entertained at cards Monday evening at her home in south Heppner in honor of her house guest, Miss Rachel Holloway, of Portland, who is spending the holidays here.

Miss Ruth Van Vactor secured the first prize and Loren Mikell carried away the consolation.

## CLARKS CANYON MAY GET NEW CO. BRIDGE

### MARKET ROAD ON 5 PER CENT GRADE PLANNED

### Washout May Not Prove Unmixed Evil to Community

Morrow county roads have been in pretty bad condition since the thaw and in some cases considerable damage was done. The road in Cason canyon was damaged to a considerable extent and near the lower end of Clark's canyon the road was pretty well wiped out. County Judge Campbell and Roadmaster McCaleb went down to view the damage Saturday and found that considerable new work will be required to save the road from being completely destroyed by the next high water. While in the neighborhood the officials held a conference with a number of residents of that neighborhood as to the best method of repairing the damage. It is apparent, Judge Campbell says, that sooner or later a bridge will have to be built across the canyon and after hearing suggestions from property owners as to the best location for such a structure it was pointed out by Judge Campbell that that particular road will doubtless be designated at no distant time as a market road in which case the bridge must be so located as to permit climbing the hill on a five per cent grade. Mr. McCaleb made a preliminary survey from a point selected for the bridge and it was found that the hill could be negotiated on the required grade.

After a thorough canvass of matter the property owners proposed that they would build the grade if the county would put in a permanent bridge and it is probable the matter will be considered by the county court at the January meeting. It is estimated the bridge will cost some \$3,000 and the grade about \$2,000.

The new grades built on upper Willow creek last summer were not damaged in the least by the high water which is a matter of considerable satisfaction to the county officials and the road master.

## MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN RECEIVE

The program rendered by the Federated Sunday school, Christmas evening consisted of songs, recitations and tableaux. The several numbers were well rendered, reflecting credit upon the performers and those who arranged the program. Instead of the usual treat, the school had voted to observe a "White Christmas" making it an occasion of giving instead of receiving. The primary department made their donation which amounted to \$15.27, to the milk fund for babies of the Albertina Kerr nursery of Portland. One class of girls gave \$10 to the prisoners' aid fund. The adult bible class, a class of juniors, and a boys' class contributed \$77.80 to the Armenian Relief fund. One class expended \$20 in extending Christmas cheer locally.

## SENIOR CLASS ENTERTAINS FACULTY

Members of the faculty of the Heppner schools were guests at a dinner party given in the domestic science room in the public school building Monday evening by the senior class. The dining room and tables were appropriately decorated in red and green and the excellent menu had a decidedly yuletide flavor. Twenty covers were laid and following the dinner appropriate presents were given the faculty by members of the class.

## JIM STEWART WILL BOOST HIRAM JOHNSON

James S. Stewart formerly of Paul, now of Corvallis, and known the state over as a good road booster, has been chosen to head the Hiram Johnson presidential campaign in Oregon. Headquarters will be opened in Portland and an active campaign for the California will be made. Mr. Stewart will spend a week campaigning in Corvallis to attend the Farmers week session at O. A. C.

County Agent Hunt left this morning for Corvallis to attend the Farmers week session at O. A. C.

Read the Herald.

## FARM BUREAU PLANS FOR MUCH PROGRESS

### IRRIGATION, CLEAN ORCHARDS BETTER ROADS TO BE

### Farmers Talk Less, Act Quicker Than Many Other Organizations

That the Morrow county Farm Bureau is about the liveliest organization of its kind in the county is shown by the ever increasing attendance and interest at the regular monthly meetings. The largest number yet present met in the county agent's rooms Saturday afternoon and put in every moment of the session in profitable discussion of live questions and speedy and definite action on matters of moment.

Matt Hughes, chairman of the irrigation committee reported on the Willow creek project and it was decided to make immediate investigation and preliminary surveys of possible storage sites on upper Willow and Rhea creeks.

The bureau will seek to co-operate with the city in the storage of water on Willow creek thus assisting the city in returning to the creek the amount of water taken out for municipal purposes while the city will be assisting the farmers in storing the maximum of flood water for use on the soil.

John Wightman, chairman of the orchard committee was instructed to secure the services of an expert pruner and sprayer to direct the work of cleaning up the orchards of the county.

It was decided to adopt the neighborhood road foreman plan under which each local committee of the bureau will recommend a man to look after emergency road work in each neighborhood.

A committee composed of A. K. Knobloch, L. A. Hunt, W. L. McCaleb, and O. Minor was appointed to co-operate with committees from Boardman and Irrigon in locating a road between Heppner and the north end of the county.

Farmers who are not in districts where rabbit poisoning campaigns are under way can secure poison from the county agent at cost for use on their own land.

## REV. H. A. NOYES RESIGNS PASTORATE

Rev. H. A. Noyes, for several years pastor of the Federated church in this city, has resigned his pastorate and with his family left this morning for Yakima, Washington, near where Mr. Noyes has accepted the pastorate of a community church in the Parkers Height neighborhood. Mr. and Mrs. Noyes have endeavored themselves to the people of Heppner during their residence here and upon genuine regret will be felt among their friends on account of their departure.

A farewell party was tendered them at the parsonage last Friday evening at which a large number of members of the congregation as well as residents of the community were present.

Rev. Noyes' departure leaves Heppner without a resident protestant minister the Christian church having been without a minister for about a year, while Dr. Van Water, of the Episcopal church resides in Portland visiting Heppner at stated intervals.

## BOY MISSING—INFORMATION WANTED

Frank Patterson, of 3751 Angeline street, Seattle, Washington, desires information regarding his son, Clay Patterson, who was last heard from at Huntington Oregon, last of October or first of November. The boy is 16 years old, light complexion, 5'7" eyes, height 5 feet 5 inches, weight about 125 pounds. Father loves his son and will be thankful to receive if sent to above address.

## NEWS ITEM FROM HILL MILITARY SCHOOL

Arthur Bowker, a cadet of Hill Military Academy, in Portland, is at home in Heppner, for the holidays. Hill Military Academy will have new government arms and equipment for the new year. The government has shipped the supplies and they will be installed soon. Bowker is one of the popular cadets at the academy, who does well in his studies.

## BANANA BELT BOOSTER ADMITS COLD WAVE

Editor Heppner Herald,  
Heppner, Oregon.

In a recent issue of your paper I note where the north end of the county had been afflicted with a severe frost. There is no possibility of denying your statement. In fact the severity of the freeze has proven a calamity to our district. Our banana output is threatened with extinction. There is only one hope for its survival. A warmer overcoat for its covering. A committee has been appointed to work with the county agent in an attempt to cross the coconut with the banana. It is thought with a coconut coat covering the meat of the banana a food product may be saved to the county. Our committee is in correspondence with the commercial clubs of Tahiti, Saha, Babava and Java as to methods used for protection of plant when thermometer is 34 below. Their experience should be of value to us. Any light you may be able to throw on the subject will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

S. H. BOARDMAN.

P. S.—There are "So Enders" who have persistently termed the "No. End" the Banana Belt. To them I would convey that for two nights it was 34 below zero, and some say, faen some. After this may they always hold their peace.

S. B.

Boardman, Oregon, Dec. 19, 1919.

## A SLIGHT FLOOD ON BUTTER CREEK

As a result of the chinook that hit the foothills the last of the week and took off all the snow in that neighborhood, Butter Creek and the Umatilla river were extremely high for several days. The water was all over the Butter creek valley, especially in the upper portion of the creek bottom. Some of the hay stacks were wet, which may cause the loss of a little hay, but otherwise the damage was light.

Echo did not get the full force of the chinook, and the snow has been going off more gradually here.—Echo News.

## WINNERS IN DOLL CONTEST AT REXALL STORE

The following little misses were each awarded a beautiful doll at Patterson & Son's Rexall store Christmas eve when the final count of votes was made:

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| Muriel Cason     | 28012 |
| Ethel Moore      | 22805 |
| Betty Irwin      | 22783 |
| Marjory Clark    | 16350 |
| Eleanor Cohn     | 14682 |
| Louise Thomson   | 12087 |
| Terese Ireslin   | 11255 |
| Mary Adkins      | 10997 |
| Margaret Barratt | 9362  |
| Dorothy Herren   | 6967  |

## WATER FAILS TO FREEZE AT BOARDMAN

Alex Wilson, rancher and sheepman of the Boardman project, was in town Tuesday reporting that all is well in his neighborhood. While the weather was unaccountably cold, 38 below, for a few days, Mr. Wilson says the sewage water from his alkali flats where it drained into a little drain, never froze and his sheep always found plenty of water there. When the weather was colder the sheep, he says, would deliberately go into the water and stand there to get their feet warm. Mr. Wilson challenges any other section of Morrow county, or the entire northwest for that matter, to beat his Boardman record. It's the salt and the sunshine, he says.

## FRED LUCAS BUYS FINE RANCH

Fred Lucas, who recently sold his Heppner place to Jeff Jones for a consideration of \$50,000, closed a deal Saturday with E. Nordyke, of Longdon, for his fine 1520-acre place just this side of that town. The ranch is best known as the old Penland place and is considered one of the best places on the creek. Of the 1520 acres about 1400 is tillable and of this 200 acres is fine alfalfa land. The price paid for the place, including stock, implements, machinery, hay, grain, etc., was \$45,000. Mr. Lucas will have immediate possession of the property as soon as the abstract is approved. The deal was handled through the Roy V. W. agency.

## CITY AND COUNTY MAKE GOOD PROGRESS IN 1919

### NEW BUILDINGS IN HEPPNER AG- GREGATE QUARTER MILLION

### Prospects For Coming Year In Mor- row County Bright With Promise

The past year has been a pretty good one for Heppner and Morrow county.

While the high cost of building material, labor and all other elements entering into construction work has, to some extent, acted as a brake on reconstruction the material advancement of the town has fallen but little if any short of the quarter million mark.

Business buildings completed during the year or now in course of construction are:

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| McRoberts-Cohn Auto Co., garage           | \$12,000 |
| Case Furniture Co., store and hotel       | 18,000   |
| D. E. Gilman, business and apartments     | 15,000   |
| Heppner Hotel Co., hotel                  | 80,000   |
| Heppner Elks Lodge, lodge home            | 40,000   |
| Gilliam & Blabbe, hardware and implements | 50,000   |

### Dwellings

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| Clyde Wells, bungalow                        | \$3,500   |
| Albert Matteson, addition                    | 500       |
| Emmett Cochran, dwelling                     | 5,000     |
| Jeff French, 2 cottages                      | 3,500     |
| R. Williams, cottage                         | 800       |
| Shelley Baldwin, bungalow                    | 2,700     |
| Mrs. Mattie Adkins, improvements and repairs | 1,000     |
| Fell, repairs                                | 500       |
| Henry Aiken, cottage                         | 2,400     |
| Total  | \$225,000 |

In addition to these substantial improvements of the year the city has arranged for the construction of a \$100,000 gravity water system the contract for which, it is expected, will be awarded January 7.

Evidence of progress and prosperity may be found in all sections of the county, one of the chief of which is the highway construction now under way on the Willow creek section of the Oregon-Washington highway. This work amounts in round numbers to \$150,000.

## UMATILLA TOWNS EXPERIENCE FLOODS

Stanfield experienced an honest to goodness flood last Tuesday when flood waters from Stage gulch swept down on the town and inundated all of the lower portions. Considerable damage was done to streets and property and had it not been for the prompt action taken by Mayor Kyle it is said the damage would have been enormous. The grade of the new Columbia river highway acted as a dam for the flood waters and to save the town the mayor had the highway dynamited. This action released the flood but it was again halted by the O. W. R. & N. railway grade and that in turn was given a dose of the same heroic treatment. An opening was thus made for the raging waters and within a few moments about 80 feet of the railroad fill was washed out. No trains ran over that section of track for several days and it is said that the railroad people are laying awake nights thinking of new cuss words to say to and of Mayor Kyle.

Hemiston narrowly escaped a similar experience but prompt action with dynamite broke an ice jam at the bridge above town and the situation was saved.

## FLOOD DAMAGE BLAME LAD TO RAILROAD

Ione had a real flood last week when the big snow went off the top end of Main street and the cross streets being flooded according to the Independent. Barricades of sand bags etc. had to be hastily constructed to keep the water out of stores and houses, some residences also being threatened. The cause of the trouble is laid at the door of the railroads company because of a faulty culvert just below the depot and the Independent insists that an indignation meeting of the citizens should be called and such action taken as will bring the railroad company to a realization of their duty toward the Ione public.

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