

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Jimmie Eckelson was in town from Lexington, Friday.

John Cochran, of Ione, was a business visitor here Friday.

Mrs. B. P. Stone returned from a visit to Portland Thursday.

Arthur Keene, who farms on Ithea creek, was a caller in the city Friday.

Bert Ward, Blackhorse farmer, was in town Friday doing some trading.

Bill Ayers, who conducts a pasture at Hardman, was a visitor here Friday.

J. J. McIntyre, stockman of the Cecil district, was a business visitor here Saturday.

Nels Justus, who stock ranches on Then creek, was an in and out business visitor Friday.

Miss Huddleston was in from Lone Rock attending the graduating exercises last Friday.

Mrs. John McMillan was up from Lexington attending the high school graduating exercises.

For all the local and county news you should read the Herald, only \$2.00 for a full year.

Ed. Reitman, wheat farmer of Ione and prominent in Farm Bureau matters was here Friday attending a meeting of that organization.

Mrs. May Porter, former owner of the Gen Cafe, has gone to Fossil expecting to close a deal for the purchase of the Fossil hotel.

Dave Wilson, a well known rancher of the Boardman project was here Saturday attending to business matters and hosting for the John Day Barbecue.

Mr. and Mrs. Pilkington have moved into the J. B. Calmus property recently purchased from N. A. Clark. Mr. Clark and family have taken rooms in the Fair building.

Claude Coates has sold his residence property and with his family expects to locate elsewhere. They expect to leave soon for a trip through Washington and Idaho in search of a location.

An O. W. R. & N. bridge crew is camped near the depot while doing repair work on railroad property. It is understood the Heppner branch will be generally repaired and improved this summer.

Billy McRoberts has bought an interest in the livery barn from Herb Kirk and it is understood the new firm will put in a line of autos, rigs and saddle horses in connection with the feed business.

Many Heppner people visited the Boardman project Monday for the first time and it is safe to say that every one of them came home with a better idea of what the union of water, soil and sunshine means.

Miss Doris Mahoney left Friday morning for Seattle where she will visit with her sister, Miss Vera Mahoney, who is a student at the University of Washington, and enjoy the commencement exercises at that institution.

Fred Wulford, of Pendleton, is operating a for hire car between this city and Pendleton making the trip whenever he occurs a satisfactory trip. He is expecting to arrange for a regular bi-weekly service in the near future.

When W. B. Barratt spied the first sign board yesterday advising "Irrigate the John Day," he sort of snorted and remarked: "To blame with John Day," I'd rather they would irrigate Bill Barratt just now."

Boardman ladies cut a big pyramid cake in front of the speakers stand at the John Day Picnic yesterday and passed around to the assembled multitude and there were not a grain of crumb to be picked up after the Heppner delegation got through.

An old man, a stranger whose name is not known, was picked up at Ione Friday, and brought to Heppner where he was confined in the county jail on a charge of insanity. This made seven guests to enjoy the hospitality of mine host McElfuff at his hotel De Skookum.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Woodard and Mrs. Wu. Tracy, of Shoshone, Wyoming, arrived in Heppner Monday evening being called here by the serious illness of their father, Mr. A. H. McFerrin who underwent a major operation at the Moore hospital last Wednesday.

C. W. McNaumer came up from Ione Saturday and with his partner, B. F. Sorenson, went out to the Dexter & Robbins ranch where they brought the entire herd of 150 head of fine cattle for use on the block in the Central Market. Their customers will enjoy some extra choice beef while these cattle last.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Swaggart, of Blackhorse, were in town Friday. Mr. Swaggart is an enthusiast for the Morrow County Fair and says he is ready to subscribe for \$500 worth of stock in such a project the first time some authorized person asks him for the subscription, and if Heppner will hurry up with their part of the project Mr. Swaggart says he will double his figures and make it an even \$1,000.00.



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MINOR & CO. GOOD GOODS

HARDWARE STORE ROBBED

It is understood that the People's Hardware store was entered last Friday night, several guns and perhaps other articles were taken. Night-watch Currier reports that he has noticed several suspicious circumstances lately which would indicate that we may have a red burglar hanging around town.

Parasite Spreads Disease.

A peculiar disease that is still confined chiefly to certain river valleys of Japan, but suggests possibilities of breaking loose as a widespread epidemic, has been a subject of recent investigation. It is known as "sakamushi," an insect parasite of certain field mice. It is a fever strikingly similar to typhus and Rocky Mountain spotted fever. The investigators have learned that its chief occurrence is in the months of June to October, which is the time of development of the insect carriers, and the season when the present victims of the disease are brought into contact with the mice. The mortality, though very variable, sometimes exceeds 50 percent. Under existing conditions, blinks by the insects cannot be wholly avoided, and cutting out the bitten part does not prevent the spread of the virus, while such remedies as iodine, mercury, arsenic, quinine and dyso have proven ineffective. The only hope of stamping out the disease seems to rest in the extermination of the field mice.

LOCATED THE MISSING SHOES

Passenger Who Had on Wrong Pair Admitted "Thinking That They Felt 'Pretty Tight'"

Mr. D. of North Pennsylvania street tells of a near twosdy, or something akin to it, which occurred a few days ago on a morning train coming in from Chicago, relates the Indianapolis News.

He had occupied an upper berth, and when he arose found that his shoes had disappeared. A pair not his own were where his should have been, but they evidently belonged to the occupant of the lower berth.

The porter was called, but his most diligent search failed to locate the missing shoes. The train was rapidly speeding toward Indianapolis, and with visions of arriving stocking-footed, Mr. D. was in a most unenviable state of mind.

About that time a portly little man sauntered down the aisle, stopped and began to assemble his possessions preparatory to detrain. "What's the excitement?" he inquired, becoming interested in the search.

"Why, this man's lost his shoes," said the anxious porter. "You don't suppose you'll mind 'a' mistook them for yours, do you?"

Then the portly party took a look at his feet and discovered that he had. "Well," said he, considerably chagrined, "I thought that the pesky things felt pretty tight."

THE MERRY BRIDESHIVERY

(It is reported that in certain provinces of Russia women have been "nationalized.")

When gaily beams the frisk moon, Inspiring men to flirtiki, I will undist my whiskeroo And don my bridal shirtski. Zoof! To the town hall straight I track

And get a bride or twoaki, To broil my yak and scratch my back As long as she is trueaki. When honeymoons do glumly bloom, I treat her to a sideski.

Back to the merry swapping room And get another brideski! —Union Pacific Bulletin.

STOCK-RAISING HOMESTEADERS TO GET RELIEF.

Washington, D. C., May 28, 1920—Special:

Congressman Nick Sinnott has been assured by Dr. George Otis Smith, director U. S. Geological Survey, that his Bureau plans to have an examination made of all pending cases of designations under the Stock raising Homestead Act before the end of the present field season. The Eastern Orego Congressman has time and again, called to the attention of Director Smith the complaints of settlers that no action had been taken on the matter of designating their lands. He made a vigor-

ous personal appeal to Director Smith a few days ago stating that many of his constituents complained that their applications had not been acted upon for three years. He told the Director that many of these worthy people on the frontier of the Government lands in Oregon had been put to a great inconvenience because of the delay; that they were reluctant to leave the lands they had applied for and were holding on for dear life, but had almost given up hope, and insistently urged Director Smith to do something at once for their relief.

In reply to this latest of innumerable protests to Director Smith he received this morning the following letter setting out the purposes of the Bureau to hasten action and giving lands under this act in Eastern Oregon:

Washington, D. C., May 20, 1920.

Hon. N. J. Sinnott, My dear Mr. Sinnott:—

I have received and carefully noted your letter of May 14, 1920, calling my attention to the number of complaints you are receiving from stock-raising applicants in Oregon.

As you know the stock-raising homestead law was approved by the President on December 29, 1916, and since that date 78,825 individual petitions for designation have been filed. Funds for doing the necessary field and office work were not made available by Congress until June 12, 1917, and from that year until the

present time work has been done in Oregon each field season. The Survey has disposed of 59,861 cases. The total acre, designated in all states is 45,240,993 acres. In Oregon 3,531,511 acres, involving 3,224 cases.

Personally I am proud of this record and feel sure that when you consider the figures presented you will appreciate the magnitude of the task.

On May 25, 1920, the Department approved a designation for 1,749,180 acres in the Vale district, involving 227 cases and I expect to submit designation orders to the Secretary for consideration for lands in The Dalles and La Grande districts before the end of this month and it is hoped that Lakeview and Burns will be disposed of during June. This action will close, so far as Survey action is required, all but about 150 scattered cases in your state.

As to completion of the work of designation under the stock-raising act, examination of the individual applications is necessary in regions where profitable agricultural crops can be raised, and the completion of the work can only be accomplished when the public lands are gone or applications no longer made for them. There are large areas of this kind in your district but before the end of the present field season it is planned to have examination made of all pending cases.

Yours very cordially, GEORGE OTIS SMITH, Director, United States Geological Survey.