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IRRIGON COMMUNITY FORGING TO THE FRONT

NEW \$40,000 HIGH SCHOOL ABOUT COMPLETED

Many New Settlers Arriving—New Modern Homes Going Up—Farm Bureau Active

(Special Correspondence)

(Received too late for last week)

Irrigon, Or., Feb. 20.—The new forty thousand dollar fireproof high school building is about completed and ready for occupancy with the exception of the seats to be installed and a few other minor things.

However, it has been decided it will not be worth while moving in this year or term. Next term will open up in the new building with more teachers and new equipment.

In the meantime, local talent entertainments and shows will be given for the purpose of raising funds to purchase a piano for the new school auditorium.

These will be given in the new auditorium. The occasions will be widely advertised with hopes that we may have large attendance from neighboring towns and communities.

Miss Minnie Kicker of Milton, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fagerstrom the past week, returning to Milton Friday.

Mr. Kicker, her father, was one of the early settlers in this district, and professor of the Irrigon school for many years. He is now with the Milton school.

Many interesting little parties were given in honor of Miss Kicker during her stay here. Thursday evening a farewell party was given Miss Kicker at the N. Seaman home, every one reported a very enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Suddarth, who are teaching in the Pine City school this year, also Mrs. Blanche P. Watkins and sons Dale and Max, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Eggleston and the Grimm brothers, were entertained at the Glasgow home Saturday night.

Lunch was served at midnight. The evening was spent in cards and music until the wee hours of the morning.

Mr. Otto of Heppner was here looking over some of the Irrigon ranches, with a view of buying, and while here was the house guest of Mrs. Blanche P. Watkins and family.

A meeting of the alfalfa growers was held in the Wadsworth hall Saturday evening, February 19.

Discussion of a membership drive and silo building were the main topics of the meeting. Looks like several silos may be built in the Irrigon district pretty soon.

A number of new settlers have moved in since the first of the year. It looks like we would exceed the 1920 record, which doubled the acreage under cultivation up to December 31, 1919.

M. E. Dobbie made one of the best buys in land yet on record. He has been laying for a tract of river land west of town for some time, and as the title was cleared up in court before it left the court room. Nothing like being on the job.

The farm bureau social committee and the local lodge of the Neighbors of Woodcraft are also preparing entertainments for the purpose of raising some money to finish payments on a piano being purchased for the Wadsworth hall. This has been sadly needed for some time, and will likewise be in the future, as all entertainments could not be properly held in the school auditorium.

It would seem the irrigonites will be prepared for all occasions.

The farm bureau has been very active for some months past. A car of No. 2 yellow corn was shipped in from Iowa district and a committee appointed to handle its distribution. Some twenty or thirty farmers supplied their wants from this for many months to come at \$32.25 per ton laid down here.

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WOOL MOVES AT MODEST PRICE AT PENDLETON

Between 80,000 and 90,000 lbs. of wool in the Johnson & Pearson clip has been sold to the Eastern Hide & Junk company. It became known here today, says the East Oregonian. The price as reported was 15 cents for one grade of wool and 20 cents for another grade.

There are also reports of other wool changing hands in the last few days, there being in the neighborhood of 200,000 pounds sold recently.

However, there has been no corroboration of any particular sale other than that of the Johnson & Pearson clip.

There was also a considerable movement in the local grain business yesterday. Between 25,000 and 30,000 bushels was purchased by H. W. Collins from local farmers at a price of \$1.35 for No. 1 basis.

ELKS LODGE HOST TO DISTRICT DEPUTY

Francis V. Galloway, district deputy of Elks, made an official visit to Heppner lodge last Thursday evening when a large attendance of members were present.

Mr. Galloway found the affairs of the lodge in splendid condition and congratulated the officers and members on that fact.

The lodge has taken on new interest since the new building is being occupied, and Mr. Galloway says the average attendance here compares more than favorably with that of lodges in much larger towns.

HADLEY DEFEATS VAUN

It was a pretty bout, that between Hadley and Vaun last Friday night, and for one minute more than hour, the time the first round lasted; it was a question which young wrestler would win.

Hadley had several pounds the best of Vaun in weight and a longer reach but the little fellow was game, and it took the heavier man 61 minutes to get the first fall. The second fall came in 38 minutes. Both are skookum lads and with a bit of good training from some old scout who knows all the tricks of the game both boys will make their way on the mat.

HEPPNER HI QUINTETTE WINS 7 GAMES LOSES 0

The basket ball team returned Saturday from Hermiston, where they defeated the fast Hermiston team in a lively contest which ended with a score of 12 to 34 in favor of Heppner.

The Hermiston boys showed very good sportsmanship in taking their defeat. They said that the Heppner team was the cleanest team that they had played this season.

This is the seventh victory of the season for the Heppner boys, and it puts them in line for the state tournament at Salem.

Hermiston will be here for a return game on Saturday. We promise all who attend a very fast game.

The student body was very delightfully entertained by the Pythian sisters Thursday evening. The evening was spent playing games and all present had a very good time, not to mention the delightful feed in between.

The high school has been very fortunate in getting a lease on the lower end of the Marlatt field to play baseball on this spring. This will not only be of benefit to the high school but it will mean a shorter walk for the spectators.

Practises on the operetta, "Love Pirates From Hawaii," is now in full swing, under the supervision of Miss Daboe. This is the biggest undertaking in the line of entertainments that the high school has attempted for several years, and we intend to make it the biggest success in the history of the school.

HARDMAN SCHOOL NOTES

The english classes of the Hardman high school will give a play on March 4th—"The Salvation of Jenny Slang."

The cast is as follows: Mr. Best English—Merion Hayden; Miss Culture—Laura Doran; Miss Better English—Do Merrill; Miss Good English—Beth Blankman; Sal Shiftless—Gleo Merrill; Ma Shiftless—Gladys Howell; Jenny Slang—Alvin McCarty.

STUNT PROGRAM

Madam Human Shink—Edward Barlow; Dolb and Kill—Juanita Leathers; Metropolitan Trio—Ethel McDonald, Ruth Stephens and Lena Baird.

Currier says—

that he will join the Brotherhood and chaperone his son? to the next dinner meeting. The boy will be borrowed by his fond foster papa who guarantees that in knickerbockers, Tam O'Shanter and toy balloon, he will show up as a man size kid.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson returned Sunday from a few days visit at Portland.

CLUB MEMBERS MEET AT HOTEL LUNCHEON

COMMISSIONER BARRATT TALKS ON HIGHWAY MATTERS

Judge Campbell Also Urges Action On Oregon-Washington, Heppner-Hardman Highways

Twenty-five business men met at luncheon at the St. Patrick yesterday noon with the Commercial club, when a most interesting meeting was held.

W. B. Barratt, state highway commissioner, was present and at the request of F. A. McMenamin, president of the club, gave a most interesting and instructive talk on highway matters with particular reference to the early completion of the Oregon-Washington highway from below Lexington to Heppner.

While the money set aside for work has been expended and the highway still lacking nine miles of completion, Mr. Barratt stated that the state highway commission is ready to loan the county sufficient money to complete the work if the county can give security for repayment of the debt. This provision was made necessary, Mr. Barratt stated, because of the fact that in two cases where loans were made without requiring security of any sort the counties have undertaken to repudiate the debt. Recent legislation, however, will protect the commission in such cases and Mr. Barratt thought the matter one that can be arranged satisfactorily to all parties.

Upon motion a committee composed of S. E. Notson, C. E. Woodson and F. A. McMenamin was appointed to work out some plan of action and to go before the highway commission at its next meeting with the purpose of putting the matter over.

Judge Campbell will work with the committee, giving all the assistance in his power.

Judge Campbell also addressed the meeting on the importance of making a united effort to get the Heppner-Hardman road on the state highway map, not with a view to immediate state aid, but in order that the \$70,000 of county money set aside for that road may be used at once in order to give relief to the people of that section.

Mr. Barratt also brought up the old question on the rotten passenger service given to the patrons of the Heppner branch and insisted that no other community on earth would have stood for such treatment all these many years.

"I have recently discussed this matter with an official of the O. W. R. & N. Co.," said Mr. Barratt, "and I am here to tell you men that all Heppner needs to do is to get together and stand together and go after this matter. You are entitled to a passenger car of some description leaving Heppner in the evening and returning in the morning," he declared, "and then you can go to Portland on a night train, have all day there to do your business and be in Heppner the next morning ready to go ahead with your work or business, thereby saving two days' time and the expense incident thereto."

The matter was referred to a committee for action.

A resolution addressed to Patrick Foley, owner of the Hotel St. Patrick, endorsing James Hart, resident manager, and commending him for the splendid success he has made in opening the hotel and making it such a credit to the town during a period of business stringency, was unanimously adopted.

FARM BUREAU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

(By L. A. Hunt)

The Morrow County Farm Bureau executive committee held its regular monthly meeting Saturday and transacted considerable business.

A delegation from the Commercial club conferred with the committee regarding Chinese relief, and after some discussion the bureau endorsed the measure proposed by the club, and passed a resolution urging all farmers to contribute as freely as possible and bring their donations in grain within the next ten days to their nearest shipping point, left to the order of J. W. Fritsch, chairman of the Morrow county Chinese relief committee. The plan recommended by the Commercial club is that farmers contribute grain and people of the town raise money to purchase grain, all to be sent direct to China, just with approval. W. W. Smeal spoke on the Morrow county fair and the bureau agreed to take care of one day of the meeting as a special Farm Bureau day, and also to assist in gathering exhibits. It is hoped to make this fair a big success without the objectionable features of the past. There is \$1700 available for premiums, which should go far towards creating interest in the fair. Discussing the squirrel campaign it was decided that every effort be made to have every farmer purchase his straining from the Farm Bureau where it may be had at small cost. Strachine, which is the principal ingredient in the poison, is furnished through the tax measure the people voted. If every farmer will endeavor to eradicate the squirrels on his own place it will not be necessary to enforce the compulsory rodent law this year.

INDEPENDENT ORDER ODD FELLOWS GATHER

MORE THAN 400 GUESTS OF WILLOW LODGE

Umatilla-Morrow District Convention Delegates Enjoy Fraternal Meeting

If anybody in Heppner was laboring under the delusion that the Odd Fellow is a rare bird in this section of Oregon, they must have had their delusion dispelled last Friday and Saturday when the chain gang hosts of the Umatilla-Morrow district gathered in this city in their annual convention.

A. M. Phelps, secretary of the local lodge, and one of the active promoters of the convention, announced early in the week that there would be between 400 and 500 members of the order present and there were those who, taking into account the condition of the roads and the low price of wheat, wool and prunes, thought he was making a big guess. But he wasn't. A. M. had a pretty good line on who was coming and he also figured on the fact that whenever there is a gathering of Odd Fellows there is a big feed set out by the Rebekahs and by the same token, whenever there is a big feed in sight every Odd Fellow within reach is going to be there regardless of roads or any other consideration, so it will be seen that he was guessing on a clench.

According to the best count the number run well over 400.

Many visitors came in Friday evening, and the first thing on the program was a work meeting of the Encampment degree that night, when a number of candidates were initiated into the mysteries of that degree.

Saturday morning at 10:00 o'clock, the convention proper was called to order by O. O. Edwards, of Heppner, president of the association. Hon. S. E. Notson delivered an able and eloquent address of welcome, which was responded to by Grand Warden S. F. Bowman, of Pendleton, in a masterly manner.

A business session of the association was then held, during which statements of the condition of the several lodges were submitted, all of which tended to show that the affairs of the order are in a most prosperous and satisfactory condition.

The association comprises seventeen lodges in the two counties, fifteen of which were represented at Saturday's convention, viz:

A. J. Dorn, Overland lodge No. 23; James Harvey, Eureka lodge No. 32; S. A. Barnes, Weston lodge No. 58; Robert McEwen, Milton lodge No. 61; A. M. Phelps, Willow lodge No. 66; M. L. Watts, Wild-horse lodge No. 73; S. D. Clark, Helix lodge No. 80; W. T. Reynolds, Lone Palm lodge No. 82; E. J. Bristol, Lone lodge No. 135; J. W. Stevenson, Alta lodge No. 165; J. E. Gentry, Lexington lodge No. 168; B. F. Morgan, Morgan lodge No. 191; R. C. Sheets, Freewater lodge No. 202; W. R. Longhorn, Vineyard lodge No. 206; W. R. Reeves, Stanfield lodge No. 239.

Adams lodge No. 74 and Hudson Bay lodge No. 212 were not represented.

The convention session closed with the election of the following officers for the coming year:

W. R. Longhorn, of Hermiston, president; C. B. Clark, of Hermiston, vice president; W. T. Reeves, Hermiston, secretary; Joe Bailey, Hermiston, treasurer.

Hermiston was selected as the place for the next convention in 1922.

Saturday afternoon a special session of the Oregon Grand Lodge was held with Grand Master Ambrose H. Johnson presiding. Other grand officers present were E. E. Sharon, grand secretary, and S. F. Bowman, grand warden. The grand lodge degree was conferred on 15 past degree members of the district.

A grand banquet, prepared by the skilled hands of the Rebekah ladies of Heppner and vicinity, was served at 8:00 p. m. Saturday, and there was not only enough and to spare at that time but another supper was served at midnight, to which ample justice was done.

At the lodge session Saturday night the feature was a degree team in which the work of the contest in which the work of the second degree was exemplified with terms from Freewater, Pendleton, Lexington, competing prizes being awarded as follows: Freewater, first prize with a score of 96 points; Pendleton, second prize with 94 1/2 points; and Lexington, third, with a score of 90 points. The Lexington team received many congratulations on their work because of the fact that this was their first attempt in a competitive drill, while Freewater and Pendleton have been contestants at each convention for the past seven years.

Individual prizes were awarded for excellence in rendering charges as follows: W. O. Hill, Lexington, chaplain's charge; Frank Whitstone, Pendleton, conductor charge; Noble Grand, of Freewater, noble grand charge.

Excellent addresses were given during the several sessions by Grand Master Johnson, Grand Warden Bowman, Grand Secretary Sharon,

BARRATT PLEASED WITH ROAD LEGISLATION

W. B. Barratt, state wagon road commissioner, returned from Salem and Portland on Thursday evening, where he spent the last two weeks looking after highway matters. Mr. Barratt expresses himself as being well pleased with the road legislation as enacted by the late legislature.

The Roosevelt highway matter, which was something of an annoyance to the highway commissioners early in the season, was finally adjusted to their satisfaction, being declared a state highway but without placing the state highway funds at the disposal of that district. The counties through which the road passes will be able to tax themselves by bonds or otherwise to build the road and it is understood that this is what the coast people were working for, their desire being to tax the non-resident timber interests to build the road before the timber is all cut and marketed.

PATRON-TEACHERS WILL MEET MARCH EIGHTH

The Patron-Teacher association will meet Tuesday evening, March 8, at the school house. Misses Daboe and Norris will favor with a duet, there will be instrumental music, and an address on "Athletics and Physical Education," by Prof. Hurd, principal of the high school, a talk by Supt. James, and other features. The last number of the season's lyceum course will be given Friday evening, March 4; it will be of especial merit and all should attend.

CANADIAN WHEAT \$2.50

Canadian farmers received \$2.50 a bushel for wheat at the shipping point from July 31, 1919 until Dec. 31, 1920, while American wheat growers received \$2.25. The report of the Canadian wheat board, filed today, declared. The report also stated during this time bread was sold in Canada one and one-half cts. a pound cheaper than in the United States.

The wheat board was created July 31, 1919, to preclude future trading transactions. Fifty per cent of the exportable surplus of the crop was exported before December 31, the report said.

RESPECTED PIONEER CROSSES GREAT DIVIDE

Henry C. Johnson, one of Heppner's oldest and most respected citizens, and perhaps the oldest continuous resident here, passed away at Salem, Oregon, last Wednesday, February 23rd, aged almost 77 years.

Deceased was a native of Missouri being born in that state in 1844. When a child of seven he crossed the plains (1851) by ox team, the family first settling on Puget Sound. Later they removed to Yonahill county, Oregon, where the family made their permanent home and where the elder Johnsons are buried.

In 1870 Mr. Johnson was married to Miss Josephine Mankers, of Salem, who was also a member of one of Oregon's pioneer families, she herself being born in that city.

In 1872 Mr. Johnson came to what is now Heppner, and filing a "squatter's" right on what is now the Florence ranch on the upper Willamette. Later, however, he moved to Heppner and engaged in the carpenter and contracting business which he followed actively until only a few months ago, when failing health brought on by the infirmities of age, forced him to retire.

When his health failed last fall, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson went to Salem to spend the winter, hoping that the change would prove beneficial, but his condition continued to grow worse until the end came last Wednesday.

He is survived by his widow and four sons, Harry and Charles of Heppner, Thomas of Enterprise, and Ralph of Wells, Walla. Another son, Percy, died several years ago.

Shortly before he passed, Mr. Johnson expressed the wish that he might return to Heppner where he had spent so many years, and in conformity to that desire, the remains were brought here for interment. The funeral was held Sunday, Rev. Stephen Phelps, D. D., conducting the service.

and Grand Chief Patriarch Kilpatrick.

Dr. Johnson's principal address contained a strong plea for publicity in promoting the growth of the order, during which he compared the public attention accorded the Odd Fellows with the greatest membership in the state with the Masonic and Pythian orders. Its nearest competitors in membership. When the Masons or Pythians do anything the speaker declared, it is heralded all over the state and country while the Odd Fellows can run a special train across the state and back and receive scant attention from the press or public. We need to blow our own horn louder and let the world know how many there are of us, as well as something of the wonderful work being done every year and every day, the speaker declared.

FARM WAGE SCALE SET FOR COMING SEASON

FARM BUREAU LABOR COMMITTEE MAKES BIG CUT

Laboring Men Said to Be Willing to Meet the Farmer Half Way in Loss

At the executive committee meeting of the Farm Bureau last Saturday, the labor committee was also called into conference and the Farm Bureau wage scale for the spring months fixed. This is the scale at which men might be brought into the territory, and the basis upon which employment companies seem willing to send in men. Other farm bureaus over the state are holding very close so far to the wages.

The scale is as follows: Single men, \$40 per month, board and room; married men, \$60 to \$70 per month, house to be furnished; tractor operator, \$4 per day, board and room; cook, \$30 per month.

It is the general feeling of the farmers that while this may appear to be rather a heavy discount, the cost of living has not been materially reduced and the cost of board and room added to the original price paid last spring, would make the equivalent of about \$115 per month for the real wages paid farm labor. This will be reduced by these wages to about \$70, which is not nearly as heavy a reduction as the wool men and grain men have been forced to stand in the price of their products. The general expression of the laboring men over the territory is that they are willing to meet the farmer half way in sharing his loss during the coming season. The supply of men in the cities at the present time seems entirely adequate at these figures.

The dinner served by the ladies of the Episcopal guild Thursday evening in the Otto building, was well attended and a most successful affair. About \$75 was realized for the fund.

Jess Readley, formerly a brakie on the Heppner branch, now regular freight conductor on the main line, is temporarily running the Heppner flyer while the matter of who will get the run is being settled.

R. C. (Dick) Sheets, a former resident and at one time considered the crack sheep shearer of this county, was here from Freewater on Saturday attending the Odd Fellows convention. Mr. Sheets is now a prosperous prune grower in the Freewater fruit belt.

C. V. Hopper of Portland, is in the city looking for a location in which to open up a first class vulcanizing establishment. Mr. Hopper was until recently engaged in that business at Condon. He is well impressed with the appearance of Heppner as a good business town and wants to cast his lot with the town.

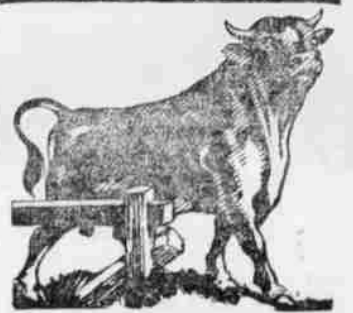
Currier says—

that if it is true that every time Sam Notson makes a speech on behalf of the fire department there is always a fire alarm within 24 hours it is simply because every time Sam becomes engaged in a heated argument he always starts something.

ROSELTH KNAPP BREED, HUMORIST-ENTERTAINER, IS NEXT LYCEUM NUMBER

Roselth Knapp Breed, Boston's noted humorist, is one of lyceum's most popular entertainers. She presents a carefully arranged program of monologues, character sketches and short stories. She is a clever interpreter and possesses a finished art which delights at all times. She is more than a reader; rather is she an interpreter of real people in real life. Her "types" are distinctive, and you marvel at her gifted character impersonations. Her work is an art—made so through years of earnest study and successful platform experience.

Star Theatre Friday, March 4th



GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM tobacco makes 50 good cigarettes for 10c

Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson returned Sunday from a few days visit at Portland.