

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Al Hanson and little daughter, of Portland are the guests of Mrs. Lloyd Hutchinson, for a few weeks.

Lieutenant and Mrs. J. B. Farrior and their baby daughter, Mary, were the guests of his brother, Dr. Fred E. Farrior for a few days last week leaving Saturday morning for Bremerton, Washington where he rejoined his ship, U. S. S. Wyoming. The Wyoming sailed for the east coast Sunday morning going via the Panama canal. Baby Mary who is but 37 months old, is a much traveled young lady, her father having computed the distance she has made by rail during her life time at 42,000 miles.

Jack Hynd and J. J. McEntire well known residents of the Coed district, were passengers on the outbound local Saturday morning returning to their homes after a few days visit in Heppner.

Mrs. Ingram went out on Saturday's local going to the Farnsworth ranch at Rhea siding where she will spend the remainder of the harvest season.

Mrs. George Cook was a west bound passenger on Saturday morning's train.

W. R. Irwin and son Ellis returned Sunday evening from Hockaway, on Tillamook coast where they spent a couple of weeks getting their cottages ready for the summer. Mrs. Irwin and Betty will spend the summer there.

Everywhere the headers and combines are busy and from almost every ranch come reports that the wheat crop is turning out even better than was expected. Yields of better than 40 bushels are reported from some farms in the Lexington country.

Mainstreet presented a lively appearance last Saturday evening with every parking place crowded with cars and the sidewalks and stores crowded with people. It looked like the good old days and was earnest of what a 2,000,000 or better wheat crop means to Morrow county and Heppner.

A fine daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Cason at their home in this city last Sunday evening.

Roy Campbell, of Social Ridge, reports a yield of 28 bushels of wheat to the acre with harvest going fine. The grain is strictly No. 1 quality.

Many Heppner folk spent Sunday in the cool, shady places in Heppner's summer playground last Sunday as usual and all report the mountains cooler than Main street.

LOST—Crescent-shaped silver pin with pearl setting. Suitable reward for return to Velma Case, Heppner.

Rood Bros. expect to start harvesting today.

Cliff Sims returned a few days ago from a business trip to Idaho.

Wm. Haylor was a business visitor at Portland during the week.

Mrs. Ray Moore and Mis Ada Ashenurst spent a few days in Portland last week returning Monday.

Mrs. Doris and Kathleen Mahoney and Helen and Marie Curran visited friends in Lexington Monday.

Mrs. Cleone Andrews, of Portland, came out Thursday to spend a week visiting her friend, Miss Mary Clark.

Mrs. Ella Mickie arrived from Glens Ferry, Idaho, Thursday evening to be with her sister, Mrs. S. A. Pattison for a week or so.

Mrs. John A. Erne, who arrived from Minneapolis July 2nd and was married here July 3rd, returned to her eastern home Thursday.

Mrs. Janet Jones and children, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford for a few days, left Saturday morning for their home in the Grays Harbor country.

BICYCLE FOR SALE \$80—Good \$55 value. Has been used only 1 year. All accessories included. Inquire at this office or phone Main 613.—Advertisement.

Dwight Mieser of near Ione has sold and delivered several thousand sacks of wheat for a dollar and better a bushel and recently contracted 10,000 sacks more at \$1.01.

Bill Padberg's life outfit started up last week at the Fred Lucas ranch at Lexington. As Bill has only 7,000 acres of his own to harvest he is filling in extra time helping his neighbors out.

Mrs. C. H. Barnell and Mrs. C. H. Chick, of Portland, cousins of Mrs. S. A. Pattison, arrived here Wednesday morning being called by the death of Kathryn Pattison. They returned to Portland Friday.

Mat T. Hughes, who went to Hot Lake sanatorium early last week, underwent an operation there a few days ago for bowel trouble and at last reports was doing well. Mr. Hughes' health has been poor for some time.

Judge Thomas Hughes returned Monday evening from Portland where he spent a few days on a vacation trip. While in Portland a hotel reporter, in addition to Tom's judicial honors added the title of merchant prince of Heppner. He was around town this morning trying to locate his mercantile establishment.

Will Cronk, who returned from Portland a couple of weeks ago after taking a course of treatment at the Portland open air sanatorium, has been laid up the past few days with an attack of lumbago. In all other respects his health is fine but he says, "If you don't think that lumbago thing will get a fellow's goat, just try it once."

County Surveyor Kirshner, Roadmaster McCaleb and Viewer Oscar Minor, went to Ione Friday to view the proposed new grade up the Johnson canyon recently petitioned for by J. P. Louey and others. It being found that a practical grade could not be built on less than 7 per cent the route was abandoned and the improvement of the Reitman canyon road where small expense will secure a 5 per cent grade, will be recommended to the county court. A connecting link of about one mile will be required to connect the two roads on top of the hill.

STAR THEATRE advertisement for 'The Fire Cat' featuring Edith Roberts and Hobart Bosworth. Includes showtimes for Saturday, July 23 and Sunday, July 24, and promotional text: 'We strive to please our customers'.

THAT approximately \$700,000,000 is required by the public utility companies of the country to provide service for an additional million inhabitants, is one of the interesting facts brought forth in the recently published report of Senator Willard M. Calder's Committee on Reconstruction and Production. After a searching inquiry into the various conditions bearing upon the housing situation and the country's industrial production, the Committee finds that the business of public utilities has outgrown their plant facilities owing to the inability of the companies to finance improvements and additions necessary to take care of the increased service demands. "Prior to the war," states the Committee, "it is estimated that the normal annual requirements of electric railway, gas, and electric light and power companies for extensions, betterments, and improvements was about \$500,000,000, proportioned as follows: Electric railways, \$250,000,000; gas companies, \$125,000,000; electric light and power companies \$125,000,000. The Committee has been informed that for four years not over 40 per cent of such betterments has been made, leaving an accumulation of about \$1,200,000,000. If this sum is added to \$700,000,000 required alone for new residential buildings held in abeyance, a total of approximately \$2,000,000,000 seems necessary for the public utility program in the immediate future. "The question of placing these businesses on a sound financial basis in order that credit may flow to them is the same question which confronts steam railroads and housing, but in the case of public utilities the case is more difficult because there is no central body as now provided in the case of steam railroads which might adjust rates in proper relation to operating costs and capital investment. The utilities likewise suffer in their effort to secure new capital for necessary extensions of service by the almost insurmountable difficulty of having to compete for such capital with municipal, state and similar tax-exempt securities. Until these problems are solved the public should recognize this underlying reason for much of the faulty service and for the failure to provide the additional facilities urgently demanded to meet community needs.—Paid Advertisement.

FIRE DESTROYS McNAMER BARN AT IONE (By L. A. Hunt) Professor G. R. Hyslop and the County Agent have been certifying seed grain in the southern part of the county the past few days. Last season they traveled 130 miles in the Gooseberry, Eightmile, and Liberty districts certifying seed and found only 40 acres of class B seed wheat of the early Hart variety, all the other fields showing a hearty percentage of mixture. One field of Forty-fold being graded by a grain dealer when threshed as Forty-fold 34 per cent, Club 22 per cent, and other variegated mixtures 44 per cent. This season 1,349 acres of Forty-fold, Bluestem, and Turkey-red wheat were certified. A field list of these fields and with their certificates will be mailed the grain farmers.

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All the Forty-fold shipped in last has given a good account of itself, farmers are estimating the increase in yield over the old seed as 2 to 5 bushels per acre, and of course no farmer will be docked for mixtures on this wheat. Turkey red will run the Forty-fold a close race this year. We think the heaviest yield of Turkey per acre will be the Gooseberry district this year. If we miss it,—well, we'll just blame the threshing, that's all. How 'Home, Sweet Home' Was Written John Howard Payne, the author of "Home, Sweet Home," was an American minstrel who wandered all over the earth, practically. After the death of his parents, when he was twelve years old, he never had a real home, and at the time of writing the song he was stranded in Paris, a foreign land, away from all the friends he held dear. He wrote the song on a dreary day in October, 1822.

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