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BASE BALL SEASON TO OPEN NEXT SUNDAY

ECHO AND HEPPNER TEAMS TO PLAY HERE

Manager Van Marter Says Outlook For Season Is Very Encouraging

Ho Ye! Ho Ye!
Baseball fans, Attention!
Get yourselves ready for the first game of the season Sunday, April 9th for on that date the Echo East'emups will be here to try conclusions with the Heppner Hashmakers to see what the coming season promises the fans.

This will not be a game to decide the world's championship nor anything of that kind, but just a sociable meet to see whether the swatters of the past can still swat and the leg artists can still beat the little old sphere to first.

To a Herald reporter Monday, Manager Van Marter, of the Heppner team, reported things in pretty fair shape. "The outlook might be better, of course," declared Van as he lit a cigarette and sent a cloud of smoke into the blue, "if we could sign Ty Cobb for Heppner it would undoubtedly strengthen our batting average and if we could swipe a battery from one of the national league teams it might help out some but at that, we are going to be in shape to make a good showing for the season if the boys will just get wise to the responsibilities of the situation and get in and work, work, work; practice practice, practice every available minute from now until the end of the season. The fact is," continued Van who is something of a philosopher, "playing ball is a good deal of a psychological proposition. A winning team has got to think it's going to win right from the turnloose and it has got to think it so hard and so often that when the umpire says, 'play ball' it KNOWS darn well it will win. That spirit in the team backed up by the same spirit in every individual fan in that team's home town will overcome every obstacle and bring victory and the joy of achievement to that team and to that team's home town. It makes hard work, team spirit and loyal backers to develop a winning team, though," continued Van, "but the hard work will develop the team spirit and community backing, and the community backing and the team spirit will develop the hard work and faithful practice, so you see, it is something like these 'revolving funds' to help poor but worthy students through college. Every fellow that needs it gets helped then pays the money back to help some other poor fellow so that everybody is helped and nobody is out anything. It's the same with baseball. The team can help the town and the town can help the team and we all can have a turn-around good time helping each other."

Mr. Van Marter turned an ankle a week ago Sunday while working out with his "boys" and was on crutches several days but he is "on his own" again and hopes to be able to take a whirl at second when the season is fairly opened.

The finances of the team are in pretty fair shape, Van reports. Business men of Heppner came through with a freewill offering of \$230.00 the other day and the dance, and tag sale netted \$120.00 and the manager says the feeling is that Heppner is always ready to back good baseball to the limit.

A crackerjack battery is in sight for Heppner's team for the coming season and the cream of the local talent is being skimmed off to make what we all KNOW will make Heppner show up like a diamond in tin can alley when the season is over.

The ball field at the athletic grounds is being worked down to a frazzle and an entire new outfit of suits and other equipment have arrived and are ready for Sunday's game. In the meantime Manager Van Marter wants every man in the neighborhood who feels like a he-neighbor to come forward and show what he can do. The man who can show better ability for a given position on the team than any other fellow will have the place, the manager says regardless of the color of his hair or whether he is bow-legged or straight shanked. "I'm not getting up a beauty show," concluded the manager, "it's ball players I'm after."

Leo Hill, of the Universal Garage, went to Portland Monday morning on a short business trip.

MOVIE CENSORS AND FIRE MARSHALS FAIL TO AGREE

Motion picture censors, like many other persons who seek to govern the affairs of other people have some peculiar ideas. In New York state recently they cut out a fire prevention reel on the grounds that showing pictures of incipient fires started through carelessness or ignorance might incite some child to start fires as experiments. The same identical reel was shown at the Star Theatre Sunday night and it happened that two or three state fire marshals who are here on an inspection tour, were present. At the close of the show the fire marshals went to Manager Sigbee and congratulated him for having shown the fire reel declaring it to be of the highest educational value to people—children as well as grownups—in causing them to think twice before being careless with fire, matches or sunglasses.

FIRE MARSHAL MAKING SURVEY OF HEPPNER

George W. Stokes, James Gleason and Horace Sykes, of the state fire marshal's office are in Heppner this week making an inspection and survey of the city in the interest of fire prevention. Mr. Stokes, who visited Heppner soon after the big fire four years ago expressed great satisfaction to a Herald reporter yesterday at the excellent conditions he finds here now as compared with his visit at that time. "You can say this," said Mr. Stokes, "that Heppner today, is one of the cleanest cities of its size in the state. Conditions as to fire hazards are very good and the spirit of co-operation we find among the people is gratifying."

Mr. Gleason is an electrical engineer for the fire marshal's department and he is paying particular attention to electrical wiring, motors etc. Mr. Sykes is engaged mostly educational features of the work and gives talks and instructions on fire prevention in the schools.

GOOD MORNING JUDGE

It is now Judge Gilliam, if you please, following the appointment of L. L. Gilliam to the position of city recorder and municipal judge at the regular meeting of the city council last evening. Judge Gilliam fills the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Judge Tom Hughes who forsook judicial honors to take up the burdens of a freshman at the University of Oregon last fall.

LOCAL RAILROAD MAN MAY INHERIT MILLIONS

FIREMAN LEE IN LINE FOR SHARE IN ENGLISH ESTATE

Called to Portland Monday to Consult With Lawyers Handling Matter

To step from the cab of a railroad locomotive on the Heppner branch into the possession of millions may be the lot of R. C. Lee, fireman on the Heppner branch run, who went to Portland yesterday to confer with attorneys who are looking after the interests of American heirs to the Emerson estate in England which is said to include real estate in London to the value of many millions of dollars.

Mr. Lee was not unduly excited over the good news as he took the train yesterday morning, but he admitted that if the promised windfall materializes it will not be unwelcome.

Many years ago it appears that the original owner of the property with his wife came to this country and that both died suddenly after their arrival and all trace of them was lost for a number of years. The family was an old one in England and one branch which later came to America included Ralph Waldo Emerson, the famous man of letters among it descendants.

Mr. Lee's family also belongs by direct descent to the Freak or Frake family, of England, which also involves an immense estate in that country which has not been accounted for to the rightful heirs and attorneys are also working on that matter with the expectation of recovering large holdings in England, to the heirs in this country.

With two such prospects in sight Mr. Lee at least has some pleasant things to think about while shoveling coal into the fire box.

Of These 20 Were Chosen to Live--the Rest to Face Death



(By J. J. Handsaker, Director of Near East Relief.)

I have often read of children being refused admission to orphanages and dying from hunger and cold, but I did not think such things were possible until I was chosen to pick 20 children out of a group of 200 or more last August at Erivan.

Except for their rags, their diseases and their starvation, these children were as attractive as any I have ever met. The orphanages were overcrowded, the food supplies short and we did not dare to take in more for fear of imperiling the lives of those already in our care.

In Erivan, 4,000 children are safe under the American flag. While we were rejoicing in abundant harvests at Thanksgiving time the children outside of these orphanages were dying like flies. Six years of war has left the country prostrate. The people are quick to recover from dire poverty, once they have a chance, and now that peace has come to the Caucasus, they are hopeful that the worst of their troubles may be over by spring.

The great anxiety of the Near-East Relief workers is for the immediate care of 100,000 children in the orphanages and the rescue of great numbers outside.

HOTEL PATRICK HAS NEW MANAGER

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dean arrived in Heppner Friday evening from Portland to assume the management of Hotel Patrick taking the place of Mrs. Pyle who has conducted the hotel for the past six months and who resigned recently on account of ill health.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean come to Heppner with the highest recommendations as competent hotel people and Mr. Foley has full confidence that under their management the Patrick will be conducted in a manner that will assure entire satisfaction to all patrons of the hotel, both commercial local, and tourist.

Mr. Dean has had many years experience in the hotel business having been connected with the Majestic hotel at Spokane for a number of years where he became thoroughly familiar with conditions in the Inland Empire, learning the hotel needs, likes and dislikes of the people of this big bunchgrass country including farmers, stockmen, miners and business men.

From Spokane Mr. Dean went to the New Richmond hotel at Seattle, where he spent several years, going from there to the Mount Ranier National Park hotel in the capacity of chief clerk and where they handled 51,000 guests last summer. Mrs. Dean has also had extensive hotel experience with the housekeeping department of Hotel Davenport at Spokane as well as in other places. They have both had hotel experience in smaller towns and prefer the small town rather than the big city where intimate personal contact with his guests.

Mr. Dean took charge of the hotel Monday morning and to a Herald reporter who inquired concerning his plans he replied that he had no statement to make other than that by courteous treatment of his guests and close attention to little details which go to make the modern hotel a real home to those who stop there, he hopes to make good with the people of Heppner and the traveling public.

HARRY CUMMINGS ADJUDGED INSANE

Word was received by Charles Swindig a few days ago from Mrs. Harry Cummings, of Portland, that her husband had been adjudged insane and taken to the state hospital at Salem.

Mr. Cummings, who has been a familiar figure in Heppner for years, suffered a severe attack of blood poison some time ago and went to Portland where his wife and daughter reside for treatment. About a week ago he returned to Heppner for a day or two when he seemed to be considerably unbalanced. He returned to Portland and the next day was placed under restraint and taken to the hospital. He has long been considered erratic and his friends will hope that under proper care at the hospital he may regain his mental faculties.

W. B. BARRATT RE-APPOINTED HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

Friends of W. B. Barratt as well as all citizens of the state who are interested in the work of the state highway commission, will be gratified to know that Governor Olcott has re-appointed him to the commission, the action taking effect April 1st. Mr. Barratt was appointed to fill the vacancy on the commission occasioned by the death of Edward Kiddle and has proven a most efficient, painstaking and fair minded official.

In performing his duties as commissioner all sections of the state have looked alike to Mr. Barratt, and his hard-headed horse sense in helping to work out the many problems of highway building has been a valuable asset to the people of the state.

The action of Governor Olcott will doubtless meet with general approval. To attempt to improve on the present personnel of the commission—R. A. Booth, John Yoen and Mr. Barratt would be a rather difficult task.

EX-SERVICE MAN GOES EAST TO WED

Pat Prior, who has been working for Pat Connell and Frank Monahan since returning from France where he spent three years in the trenches, left Friday morning for New York City to meet "the sweetest girl in the world" and soon after his arrival in Gotham there will be a wedding. At the depot Friday morning Pat said that when he came west he thought he might find a girl out here but that Barney Devlin "beat him to it," but after thinking again of the New York girl he added that, "maybe the joke was on Barney after all."

Mr. Prior was wounded twice during the war and after reaching New York he will receive several hundred dollars as bonus money which he and the "sweetest girl in the world" will make good use of starting house-keeping.

PATTERSON FAMILY RETURN TO HEPPNER

Judge C. C. Patterson and family, who moved to Portland a couple of years ago have returned to Heppner and will again make their home here. They arrived Friday evening and are getting settled in the apartment formerly occupied by them in the Gilliam building on Willow street. Judge and Mrs. Patterson say they are glad to be back in Heppner and their many friends here will rejoice to again have them for neighbors.

RECEIVE RADIO STUFF VIA. ELECTRIC LIGHT WIRE

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31—A new development in radio by which music, news, lectures and other forms of speech can be received by attaching the usual receiving instrument to the electric lamp and eliminate the antenna, as well as relieving the congestion of wireless broadcasting in the air, was announced today by Major General Squier, its inventor and chief signal corps officer of the army.

The first public demonstration of the new "wired wireless" was held in the signal corps headquarters today. The whole operation of installing the device for receiving consisted merely of removing a bulb from a lamp on General Squier's desk, inserting the receiving plug in the same manner as electric fans, vacuum cleaners and flat irons have been attached to the lighting circuits. The broadcasting station, it was explained was connected with the lighting circuit through a lamp receiver at another point.

The invention is believed by signal corps officers to offer a great utility to owners of electric lamps everywhere and, the general said, could bring to every home where there is a lighting system the concerts which previously have been broadcasted through the air and received through the antennae.

Another advantage claimed by the inventor is the relief of congestion of the air which it offers in a modified degree and which Secretary Hoover recently called upon the National wireless conference for a solution.

Broadcasting over great distances by use of the invention is believed to be possible, but the use has not been attempted as yet. The idea was conceived less than a week ago, General Squier said.

HIGHWAY LOCATION TO REMAIN ON WILLOW CR.

RIGHT-OF-WAY TANGLE SETTLED WITHOUT DAMAGES

Road Meeting Tuesday Evening Showed Sentiment Strong Against Change

Strong sentiment against changing the location of the Oregon-Washington highway from the original route down Willow creek to the Junction to a new route from Rhea across the flat to Arlington was expressed at a meeting of citizens of Heppner, Ione, Rhea and other interested points called by the commercial club last Tuesday evening.

W. B. Barratt, member of the highway commission, was present and explained the situation with a statement of the actual conditions, viz:

That property owners on the creek in Gilliam county were demanding prohibitive damages; that the Gilliam county court had flatly refused to acquire such right-of-way; that the commission is anxious to complete a connection of the highway with the Columbia river highway and that the commission is and has been a unit in wishing to follow the water level; that the survey across the flat is only tentative to determine whether that route is feasible in case no other solution should be possible.

A committee was appointed to accompany Mr. Barratt over the route Thursday and when the trip was made and the matter threshed out with the property owners everything was settled amicably, the right-of-way being given without cost. It is now believed the highway will be completed as originally planned and this county given a direct outlet to the river.

P-T MEETING NEXT TUESDAY

The regular meeting of the Patron-Teachers association will be held on Tuesday, April 11, in the high school auditorium at 3:30 p. m. Nominations for officers for the coming year will be made at this time.

The program will be as follows: Songs... Seventh and eighth grades Song..... Mrs. Marie Cochran
BLANCE FAHY,
Secretary.

ALICE IN HUNGERLAND AT THE STAR THEATRE



"I saw 'Alice in Hungerland' in Portland recently, and I asked Mr. Handsaker to bring it to Morrow county. I was so impressed with this wonderful film that I want every person in Morrow county to see it just as far as possible," stated Mr. Notson, county chairman of Near East Relief.

"Alice" was discovered by a party of Near East Relief workers in a great orphanage in Constantinople. She had been rescued from the slums of that city, one of the 14,000 children in that city owing their lives to America. Alice accompanied them on their trip and so endeared herself to the members of the party that she was adopted and brought to America.

In the pictures she is shown as she visits the great orphanages, hospitals and rescue homes of Southern Russia and Armenia.

A matinee, especially for children but open to adults, will be held at 2:45 P. M. today, Tuesday at the Star Theatre and a regular show at 8:00 P. M. Wednesday the pictures will be shown at Lexington and Thursday at Ione.

Mr. Handsaker will be present at all the showings of the pictures and will tell of the filming of Alice. Admission is free.