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## HEPPNER WINS OVER ECHO IN INITIAL GAME

### FAST PLAYING FEATURES CONTEST DESPITE COLD WEATHER

#### Manager Van's Boys Show Metal Against "Foemen Worthy of Their Steel."

The fellow that used to tell us that nobody could play good ball with the temperature lower than 70 degrees would have been forced to revise his judgment had he been present at the Echo-Heppner game at Gentry Field last Sunday for, despite the frigid April breeze that chilled the marrow of the fans, eighteen good men and true who made up the contesting teams put up one of the fastest and best games of ball that has been played in Heppner in many years.

Heppner won the game in a 3-4 score but it was no walkover. Echo contested every point and up to the sixth canto it was nobody's game in particular.

In the first inning each team scored a lone tally and then for three cantos there was nothing doing in the way of scores. In the fifth Echo took the lead by one tally, Heppner again falling to score. In the sixth Echo bagged another straight line on the score sheet and Heppner followed with a bunch of fast and pretty plays. Peterson was awarded first because of being hit by the pitcher, Witercraft singled to left and made first, Griffin singled to left scoring Peterson and Bushay doubled to left scoring Witercraft and Griffin, thereby giving the home team a lead of one which the visitors were unable to overcome in the closing cantos.

Heppner's battery made a fine showing. Broughton in the box showed the requisite elements of a real ball player—an accurate arm, a quick eye and a level head. Griffin, behind the bat played an excellent game. Without any practice since last season he came through in fine shape and with a bit more practice on his throw to second he is certain to give a good account of himself in the season's finals.

Witercraft, a high school boy, took care of the third bag for Heppner and played the game like a veteran, and Alken, another high school boy only 16 years old handled left field nicely. Five flies went his way and the kid gobbled every one and yearned for more.

Echo has a splendid team. They play good, clean ball and show the earmarks of gentlemen right down the line and the Heppner men realized that they were up against "foemen worthy of their steel."

J. W. Heard, who umpired the game showed exceptional ability in that place. Quick in his decisions, which were final, absolutely fair in his dealings with every play and player, he had the knack of handling the situation both within and without the lines in a way that avoided delays and the "fat chewing" which mar so many sessions of the national pastime. Mr. Heard was struck with a wickedly batted ball late in the game which almost put him on the bench but he went through with it at the cost of much physical discomfort.

The line-up and score:

Heppner	Echo
Broughton	Thornton
Griffin	D
McLaughlin	1st
Bushay	2nd
Witercraft	3rd
Peterson	ss
LaDusire	rf
Anderson	cf
Alken	lf
Runs—Echo 3; Heppner, 4	Hits—Echo, 3; Heppner 5. Errors—Echo, 3; Heppner 3. Time 1 hr. 30 min. Umpire, Heard; scorekeeper, Wilson. The team will play at Ione next Sunday and Heppner should send down a good delegation to boost their team.

Dr. McMurdo returned from Portland Sunday where he went the middle of last week to hear Dr. C. H. Mayo, one of the famous surgeons of Rochester, Minn., deliver a course of lectures. Dr. Mayo spoke to the medical students of the U. of O. Thursday morning, at the University Club Thursday noon at luncheon and in the evening at Multnomah club. Dr. McMurdo says the lectures were well attended by the medical profession of the state.

## WASHINGTON RESIDENTS WANT COLUMBIA FERRY AT BOULDER

Members of the Morrow County court went to Boulder last Friday to be present at a meeting of the Public Service Commission when testimony was taken regarding the merits of a grade crossing over the track of the O. W. R. & N. Railroad to permit auto and team travel to reach the landing place of the ferry recently installed there by A. B. Straight.

Judge Campbell, who headed the Heppner delegation, says that a large number of residents from the Washington side of the river were present at the hearing and expressed active interest in the project which will give a large portion of that section of Washington an all year outlet to Portland and other southern points. The railroad company, Judge Campbell reported on his return, were perfectly willing to grant either an overhead or an underpass crossing but is utterly opposed to a grade crossing. Either of the former methods, the Judge says, is impracticable on account of cost. The commission heard the testimony in the matter and are expected to render a decision at an early date.

Mr. Straight built his ferry at Boardman some two years ago expecting to operate it at that point but after securing a franchise and building his boat he found the water too shallow to float it near the Oregon shore. He then secured a franchise for a landing at Castle Rock, only to find later similar conditions near the Washington shore at that point. He has now moved to Boulder where, if the railroad crossing is granted it is said he will have plain sailing for the ferry.

## MRS. MINERVA HOWARD PASSES

Mrs. Minerva Howard, pioneer woman of this county, passed away at her home in Portland, Monday, April 3rd, her funeral being held in the same city last Thursday.

Mrs. Howard was a native of Kentucky and was born in 1853. She was married to James L. Howard in 1872 and was a resident of this county for many years.

She is survived by her husband James L. Howard, and the following children: Isaac H., of Ione; Mrs. Ida Lindsay and Mrs. Stella Horsman, of Portland; and W. W. Howard, of Heppner.

## ALICE IN HUNGERLAND AT THE STAR

"Alice in Hungerland," a striking picture show given at the Star theatre last Tuesday evening, was a thrilling presentation of conditions in the famine-stricken districts of the Near East. The pictures were accompanied by a descriptive lecture by J. J. Hansaker, his information being gleaned from personal observations during a visit to that stricken country last year.

The facts brought out by Mr. Hansaker are not pleasant to hear or think about but they seem to be necessary to arouse the people of America to a sense of their responsibility to the suffering children in that war-torn land.

S. E. Notson is chairman of the Near East Relief committee in this county, his assistants being J. A. Waters, H. F. Tash, E. R. Huston, Mrs. May Case, Mrs. W. O. Bayless and J. J. Nys, who is treasurer of the committee.

An active campaign is being made throughout the county and every safeguard is thrown around the funds to the end that every dollar contributed will be used for the purpose intended—that of relieving the pitiable condition of starving and dying children until another harvest does something to relieve them.

Sam E. Van Vactor went to The Dalles Sunday on a short business trip.

R. C. Lee returned from Portland Saturday evening after spending a week in conference with his attorneys who are seeking to establish claims of Mr. Lee and other heirs to extensive estates in England. Mr. Lee states that the matter is progressing satisfactorily, papers forming a complete chain of title to the Emerson estate now being in their hands. Some additional data is being sought in the matter of the Freak estate and as soon as that has been secured he expects to go to England to push the claims of the heirs in this country. Mr. Lee's mother, Mrs. Enola Lee returned with him from Portland for a few week's visit in Heppner.

## PROMINENT ATTORNEY WILL MOVE TO DALLES

Sam E. Van Vactor announced this morning that he has formed a law partnership with Judge R. R. Butler, of The Dalles, and that he will remove to that city about May 1. His family, however, will remain in Heppner until the close of the present term of school.

Mr. Van Vactor, who is one of the best known attorneys in the eastern part of the state, has practiced his profession in Heppner since 1903 and has built up an extensive practice here. Before coming to Heppner he practiced law at Condon for several years being located at The Dalles before that time.

During his residence here Mr. Van Vactor has taken no small part in the upbuilding of Heppner. He served the city as mayor and also as chairman of the school board, being at the head of that body when the present fine school building was erected.

Mr. Van Vactor said this morning that he could hardly make up his mind to leave Heppner after so many years residence here but the opportunity offered him at The Dalles was such that he could not in justice himself turn down.

He has not disposed of his practice here, however, and expects to make frequent visits to Heppner to look after the business of his Morrow county clients.

## FEEDERS DEMONSTRATION AT UNION POSTPONED

County Agent C. C. Calkins has been advised that the stock feeding demonstration which was advertised to be held at the Branch Experiment station at Union, has been indefinitely postponed on account of the lateness of the season, which causes farmers and stockmen to be unusually busy on the farms and ranches.

## HIGH SCHOOL SMOKELESS SMOKER BIG SUCCESS

The Smokeless Smoker pulled off at the Fair Pavilion last Friday evening by the high school was a big success. The events proved to be just as advertised both serious and comic.

Wright took the decision over Sigbee in the main boxing event of the evening. Banana Bazooka, Wild Hindu, which name camouflaged the real identity of Ray Ferguson, was overpowered in the wrestling match with Finny Finlander of Finland, alias Clyde Witercraft.

Hiril, jiu jitsu expert threw the terrible Dexter twice in less than ten minutes.

There was a battle royal when Smith, H. Case, Cason and R. McDuffee were turned loose in the ring with blindfolds on. They fought like mad bulls, swinging their arms in wide circles and trusting to luck. Cason proved to be the lucky man.

One of the comic events of the evening was pulled off when Don Case and P. McDuffee stepped into the ring all dolled up in white shirts 'everything, even including boxing gloves that had been liberally treated with lamp black and chimney soot. Well, the bout proved to be a howling success and Case, as he proved to be the more sanitary looking of the two at the end of the go was awarded first honors. The scheme of registering the body blows was perfect.

The smoker netted the high school \$25.00 which will be turned over to the Near East Relief fund.

## BROTHERHOOD AGAINST PORTLAND 1925 FAIR

It was a real debate that they had at the Brotherhood dinner last evening at Hotel Patrick when the Portland 1925 fair was the bone of contention.

W. W. Smead and E. M. Shutt had been named as principal speakers but because of illness Mr. Shutt was unable to be present and S. E. Notson substituted for him.

Usually these Brotherhood affairs are marked with such a degree of harmony and brotherly love that the leading speakers agree with each other but on this occasion, and by the way of adding a bit of zest and variety to the proceedings, each leading speaker took a different horn of the dilemma and at it they went. Mr. Smead opened with a strong argument in favor of the Fair and Mr. Notson followed with an equally strong argument against the proposed show. Other speakers followed many of whom were willing enough to let Portland have the fair if Portland would pay the bills while others pointed out that even if Portland agreed to that proposal she would ultimately find a way to pass the buck of bill paying to the dear people up state.

It was finally decided to call the fair off, so far as the Heppner Brotherhood is concerned, and the suggestion was made that a resolution be passed to recall Julius Meier and his party of Fair boosters and that a cablegram to that effect be sent Mr. Meier in Japan, but after checking up the resources of the treasury department it was decided the cablegram in abeyance until such time as the Oregon Public Service commission shall issue an order cutting telephone, telegraph and cable rates to a figure that will more nearly harmonize with the Brotherhood's financial resources.

## FORMER HEPPNER GIRL PASSES IN WYOMING

Mrs. George Cason received a telegram early Thursday morning advising her of the death of her daughter Mrs. Doyle Casteel, at Shoshoni, Wyoming.

Mrs. Casteel, formerly Miss Essie Brown of this city, suffered from a severe attack of influenza several months ago from the effects of which she never fully recovered and it is understood a complication of that illness necessitated an operation from which she failed to rally. Besides her husband and a baby eight months old she is survived by her mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. George Cason, one sister Miss Neva Brown and a young brother.

## WORK GOING FORWARD ON LEXINGTON MARKET ROAD

H. W. Oliver, who has charge of rock work on the market road improvement north from Lexington, which is now being started, was in town yesterday looking for a house to rent in order that he might move his family from Portland. Mr. Oliver is an expert rock man and has been employed in this county for the past year. Last Thursday they "put off" a big shot in the quarry near the Earl Warner ranch, four miles north or Lexington where material for the road improvement will be secured. Four and one-half tons of powder had been placed where it would do the most good in the quarry and when the explosion took place, Mr. Oliver estimates, not less than 18,000 cubic yards of macadam rock was jarred loose ready for the crusher.

The county rock crusher and equipment will be moved from Rhea creek to the Lexington road location next week, Mr. Oliver reports.

## AN UNSOLVED TRAGEDY OF THE SANDS

Sheriff McDuffee and Coroner Case were notified last Friday of the finding of a human skeleton in the Sand Hollow country, the bones having been uncovered by the shifting sand. The officials went out to investigate the matter and found the skeleton of what seemed to be a white man, the bleached bones indicating that some tragedy of the sands had been enacted there perhaps thirty or forty years ago. No evidence of clothing, nor any metallic substance even as much as a button was found by which any sort of identification could be made but the shape of the skull more resembled a white man than an Indian. Whether the body had been buried in a shallow grave or been covered by the shifting sands could not be established. It is another unsolved tragedy of the early days; maybe a murder, possibly a suicide, perhaps some weary and footsore emigrant or homesick boy-shepherd who laid himself down in the sands to die.

## HIGH SCHOOL RANKS FIRST IN FIRE PROTECTION

Horace Syke, State Fire Marshal, who was here last week with other members of that office making a survey of the fire hazard in Heppner, visited the local schools and inspected the drill of the high school fire company, and was very much impressed with the way the boys were able to handle the pupils and the manner in which they would change the lines from one exit to another in the case that fire might cut off one of the stairways.

"It is the best organized high school fire company in the state," said Mr. Syke. "It has always been considered that Jefferson high school in Portland had the best organized fire company, but after watching these fellows drill, I can truthfully say that I know of none better."

## HERE'S A CHANCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The old reliable "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy," bids fair this year to find rival in "Beyond the Mediterranean Lies the Near East," as a subject for high school essays and orations, since the announcement of cash prizes of \$2,000.00 offered by Hon. Henry Morgenthau for essays and orations on "some phase of the present political, social, educational or industrial conditions in the Near East" has gone broadcast throughout the land.

Briefly stated, the plan is this: Through the generosity of Mr. Morgenthau, former Ambassador to Turkey, \$2000 has been placed at the disposal of the Near East Relief to be awarded in prizes for orations and essays actually delivered or read at a public function and concerning present day problems in the Near East. Three national prizes are offered, \$500, \$200, and \$100; and in each state, or group of states considered as one, a first second and third prize of \$15, \$10, and \$5 will be awarded.

The orations and essays entered in each state contest will be passed upon by a state committee, and the national prize winners by a national committee consisting of Albert Shaw, editor of Review of Reviews; Lawrence Abbott, editor of the Outlook, and N. L. Englehardt, Professor of Education in Columbia University.

Marshall Dana, Editor of the Oregon Journal; R. F. Scholz, President of Reed College; Walter G. Gleason, Grand Keeper of Records and Seals, Knights of Pythias; and Miss Margaret Reid, Instructor of History, Jefferson High School, Portland, make up the Oregon committee.

Full information concerning the contest is in the hands of the Superintendent of Schools or the high school principal. All essays and orations must be sent in to Miss Margaret Reid, secretary, 613 Stock Exchange Bldg., Portland by June first.

George Moore, foreman of the county road crew, who recently suffered from a severe attack of grippe returned to work last week and after being caught out in a rainstorm returned to his bed Sunday to do the job of getting rid of his ailment over again.

## E. M. HULDEN FILES FOR SEAT IN LEGISLATURE

### IF ELECTED WILL OPPOSE COUNTY DIVISION

#### Slogan Adopted, "Constructive Economy and a Fairer Distribution of the Tax Burden."

E. M. Hulden, well known Black-horse farmer, has filed as a candidate for joint representative for Morrow and Umatilla counties in the coming primaries on the Republican ticket.

Mr. Hulden announces his platform to be as follows: "Favor legislation tending to eliminate waste in public expenditures and reduction of taxes wherever possible consistent with sound public policy. His campaign slogan, which will appear on the ballot following his name is: "Constructive Economy and a fairer Distribution of the Tax Burden."

Mr. Hulden was urged by many friends to enter the race for joint representative and he has already received assurance of strong support in Umatilla county not only because of his eminent fitness for the place but also on the ground that Morrow county is rightfully entitled to one representative from this district.

To a Herald representative the other day Mr. Hulden briefly outlined his platform in the words above quoted, "Constructive," not destructive economy in the management of public affairs is his idea of what the country needs just now, viewing public affairs the same as he would private business which means the judicious expenditure of public funds as demanded by the best public policy and cutting out all wasteful extravagance in public affairs.

He also stated that he opposes county division at this time as a movement detrimental to the best interests of all parties concerned believing that should the time come when such a movement is desirable it can then be taken care of.

Mr. Hulden is a native of Salem where he received his education and early business experience. After graduating from the Capitol Business college of that city, he began his business career in the Capitol National Bank, of Salem, where he gained rapid advancement. Later he was offered a position with a Portland bank where he soon advanced to the position of assistant cashier and director remaining with the institution until it was sold to another banking house when he disposed of his stock and came to Morrow county. He no longer has any business or property interests at Portland, his entire interest being centered in his wheat ranches in this county.

Since coming to Morrow county he has taken an active part in everything pertaining to the betterment of farming conditions and has been secretary-treasurer of the Morrow county farm bureau ever since its organization.

## FOREST NEWS NOTES FROM GURDANE

The opening date for the grazing season on the Five Mile Cattle and Horse range has been set at May 16 instead of May 1 as formerly. The postponement of the opening date is due to the undeveloped stage of the forage plants so early in the season as May 1 and is necessary in the interests of range preservation. Ranger Woods state that usually the bulk of the cattle are not brought onto the range until the last ten days of May. The reduction in grazing fees will be appreciated by the stockmen. This will effect about fifteen hundred head of cattle and horses.

Ranger Woods completed a reading of the snow stakes of the Gurdane District of the Umatilla National Forest and reports that there is more than twice the volume of snow in the mountains now than there has been on even date for the past three years. At Ellis Ranger Station there was a depth of fifty inches and at stake No. 31 on the head of Ditch creek, forty seven inches was recorded. The snow is well packed and the moisture content is excessive. The range on the Gurdane district probably will not be ready for grazing till at least three weeks later than usual.

Mrs. C. C. Chick returned from Eugene Friday where she visited her son Charles, who is a student in the University.

**NOTICE**

**The Hotel Patrick is still serving FAMILY STYLE MEALS and will continue to do so**

**R. Dean . . . . . Manager**