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JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET EVENT OF SCHOOL YEAR

One of the outstanding events of Heppner high school life is the annual banquet given by the junior class in honor of the seniors who are about to finish their high school experiences thus making way for the juniors to take their place in the sun during the coming year.

This year's event was no exception to the rule and the affair, which was given at Hotel Heppner Friday evening was a most brilliant one.

The idea of an oasis in the desert was carried out in all the appointments, a large section of the dining room being hidden by a tent under which the tables were set. Menu and place cards were shaped like palm trees and other decorations carried out the oasis idea.

Forty-six covers were laid to accommodate the members of the two classes and members of the faculty who were present.

Bernice Woodson acted as toastmaster serving most gracefully in that capacity, the allowing toasts being responded to: "Setting Out," by Hazel Anderson; "Sand Storms," by Ray McDuffee; "Oosis," Carl Cason; "The Guides," Ruth Owen; "Destination," Prof. E. H. Hedrick.

Entertainment features consisted of a violin solo by Stanley Peterson, a dance by Betty Irwin and a vocal solo by Dorothy Hill.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON PREACHED BY REV. W. O. LIVINGSTONE SUNDAY

A large congregation was present at Christian church last Sunday evening when Rev. W. O. Livingstone delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of Heppner high school.

Rev. J. R. L. Haslam assisted with the services by reading the scripture lesson and pronounced the benediction. Mrs. Chester Darbee sang a solo and other musical numbers were given by the choir and congregation.

STATE TAX OFFICIAL HERE

E. L. Fisher, secretary of the state tax commission, was in Heppner for a few days last week on his annual official visit to this county. Mr. Fisher's duties include assessment of public service corporations and adjustment of tax matters between the state and various counties.

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NEW COUNTY AGENT TAKES CHARGE

Roger W. Morse, for several years county agent in Wyoming, has been named county agent in Morrow county following a conference between representatives of the agricultural college and the county court and is on the job this week, having driven through from Wyoming, arriving in Heppner Saturday. Mr. Morse was one of the best county agents in Wyoming, according to F. F. Ballard of the college extension service. He is a native of the state of Washington and a graduate of the Washington State College, class of 1918. Only the fact that the coast is his home country and the home of his relatives made it possible to bring him from his former position. While in Wyoming Mr. Morse was directly responsible for the organization and successful direction of the first Wyoming State Potato Show held last fall.

Mr. Morse will immediately get in touch with the extension projects in the county where Mr. Calkins left them and will give particular attention to seed improvement, improvement in range methods and the development of copper carbonate as a treatment for smut.

MAY GET CURRENT FROM P.L. & P.C.O. SAYS GATES

H. V. Gates, president of the Heppner Light & Water Co., was here last night to confer with the city council relative to a renewal of his company's franchise which expires in June.

To a reporter this morning Mr. Gates said that he is negotiating with the Pacific Light & Power Co. for current to supply his plant here. If the arrangements are completed it is understood the outside company will deliver 660,000 volts to the Heppner company at Ione from where it will be distributed to Heppner, Lexington and intervening territory. The change will necessitate rebuilding the transmission line between Heppner and Ione as a much higher voltage will be carried than the present line will stand. If consummated, Mr. Gates says, the result will be a substantial reduction in rates in this territory. Should these negotiations fail, Mr. Gates says he will be obliged to move his power plant up Willow creek where water power will be available.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

Archdeacon M. McLean Goldie will hold services at the Episcopal church Sunday, May 27th.

Communion services 8 a.m. Morning prayer and service 11. Evening song and service 7:30.

Stephen Irwin and Ed Bennett left Sunday morning for Bend expecting to spend several days fishing in the DesChutes river.

NEW MARKETING ACT VERY WIDE IN SCOPE

At the last session of the Oregon legislature an act was passed creating a state market master, with unusually wide powers and supervising the various steps in the distribution of farm products.

The following resume of the new law will no doubt prove of interest to many Herald readers:

"Section 2. The powers and duties invested by this act in the state market agent shall be as follows: "(1). He shall act as adviser to producers, distributors and consumers, when requested, assisting them to the best of his ability in the economical and efficient distribution of grain and grain products thereof, hay and products thereof, livestock and all meat products, poultry and poultry products, and agricultural implements, produced, manufactured, processed in or transported into the state of Oregon.

"(2). He shall gather and disseminate by means of bulletins or press notices, impartial information concerning supply, demand, prevailing prices, commercial movements within the state, from within out of the state, and from without into the state, including quantities in common and cold storage of any such commodities; and he shall prepare and give out for publication a daily market report of representative prices based on actual sales of grain, hay, potatoes, livestock, dairy products and poultry products.

"(4). He shall investigate complaints and upon request, act as mediator or arbitor in any controversy or issue that may arise among producers, distributors, and consumers of such products and in case the parties to the dispute fail to reach an adjustment, he may make his findings public.

"(5). He shall co-operate with the directors and managers of all associations established under the cooperative laws of Oregon and they shall submit to him upon blanks which he shall furnish such reports as may be necessary to obtain a clear record of their business. Where any such business appears to be in an unsatisfactory condition he shall do all within his power to protect the interests of members and patrons.

"(6). He shall foster and encourage the inspection, grading, standardizing, labeling and branding of all such products and shall exercise under the direction of the governor all the rights, powers and duties vested by law in the public service commission under chapter 333 of general laws of Oregon of 1917 and amendments thereto, being sections 6112-6159, Oregon laws.

"(7). He shall promote the standardizing of packages and containers for such products. All duties required by law to be discharged by the state treasurer in his capacity as the state sealer of weights and measures, the deputy state sealer of weights and measures and their representatives and employees shall upon the expiration of the term of office of the present state treasurer be discharged by the state market agent and measures, and to other standards of quality, shall apply to said state market agent in the same manner and to the same effect as they formerly applied to said state sealer of weights and measures, deputy state sealer of weights and measures, their representatives and employees.

"(8). He shall certify for the protection of owners, buyers or creditors, when so requested, samples and warehouse receipts for any such products, verifying quantities and qualities thereof, and he shall charge for such service such fees as he shall deem sufficient to make this service self-supporting."

Other provisions in this law require that he develop a standard accounting system for co-operative organizations and provide that service to any association applying for it. He is also required to assist in the organization of co-operative associations, collect and disseminate statistics bearing on market conditions, to hold public hearings, if necessary, to secure required information. In this connection every business organization is enjoined to comply and all laws and regulations now or hereafter enacted relative to weights with his orders.

RECENT WOOL SALES BRING TOP PRICE OF YEAR

Six clips of Morrow county wool, approximately 240,000 pounds, were sold last Wednesday and Thursday at prices ranging from 42½ to 45 cents.

These wools were not pooled but were sold by individual growers. Colby and Cox, representing the American Woolen Co., were the buyers. Those selling were:

John Kilkenny, 12,000 fleeces at 42½ for wool from his sand ranges and 44½ for his cleaner grade, an average of about 43½ for the entire clip. L. J. Davidson, 1,325 fleeces at 44½; Kenny & Healey, 2,600 fleeces at 42½; Gentry & Cohn, 4,900 fleeces at 45; Phil Hirz, 1,500 fleeces at 44 and Dan Doherty, 1,500 fleeces at 44½.

Shearing has been delayed at the Kilkenny ranches by the showery weather.

SALESMEN BUILT KLAN SAYS MAGAZINE WRITER

In the current number of World's Work Robert L. Duffus, well known magazine writer, begins a series of articles on the origin, history and operation of the Ku Klux Klan; what effect it has had upon our political and social life; what legitimate reasons for existence, if any, it possesses, and what its probable future will be.

The first article gives a rather intimate picture of Colonel William Joseph Simmons, a rather impractical idealist, who had former experience as a preacher, commercial salesman and later as a salesman for various fraternal insurance orders including the Woodmen of the World. Mr. Simmons was not a successful business man as head and chief executive of the Klan, however, and the growth of the new order was slow until in 1920 he became acquainted with one Edgar Young Clark, and a Mrs. Elizabeth Tyler, two professional promoters and "boomers," with whom he made a contract to boost the membership of the Klan.

According to Mr. Duffus, the contract entered into between Simmons and Clark appointed the latter imperial kleagle or "general superintendent of the organization department," gave him power to hire his own office assistants and organizers and specified that he (Clark) should receive \$8 out of every \$10 membership fee and in addition \$2 for every new member added within six months to Klans organized by Clark or his agents.

The actual number of members taken in during the first 15 months of this contract was about 85,000; the actual amount of money taken in \$860,000; the actual amount paid in commissions to Colonel Simmons \$170,000, and the actual amount retained by the Southern Publicity Association, the name under which Clark & Tyler operated, was \$50,000. The partners also received \$2.50 additional from the \$10 "donation" exacted from each new member.

The writer quotes Postal Inspector O. B. Williams as saying that Clark told him that the propagation department of the Klan was operated by himself and Mrs. Tyler and that "it was organized for profit."

Clark and Mrs. Tyler, the writer tells us, were engaged in raising money for the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. during the war-fund campaigns and "had learned how easily people can be induced

IDAHO WOOL SALE BRINGS IN \$537,000

Boise, Idaho, May 19.—Approximately 1,250,000 pounds of wool was sold today to George Colby, representing the American Woolen Mills, by J. E. Clinton, wool grower of this city. The sale represents the largest individual sale ever made in the state of Idaho. The price paid for this wool is understood to have been 43 cents a pound, at which figure the price would be \$537,000.

Mr. Clinton's holding are represented by the Crane Creek Sheep company of Boise, as well as many other companies throughout Idaho and Utah. The sale represents approximately 150,000 fleeces. The American Woolen Mills company has a number of factories in various sections of the east.

More than 300,000 pounds of wool, representing the Jordan valley wool pool, was also sold to the wool firm of Adams & Leland of Boston through Joe Plaisted, their western representative, with headquarters in this city. The price has not yet been announced. The Bruneau Sheep company of Mountain Home during the past week sold to the same firm 117,000 pounds of wool.

35 PUPILS GRADUATE FROM EIGHTH GRADE

High school auditorium was filled to capacity last evening to hear the graduating exercises of the eighth grade. Thirty-five pupils completed the grade work in this class, perhaps the largest in the history of Heppner schools, and there was not a single failure in the final examinations.

Following is the program given last night:

Processional March.

Invocation—Rev. Livingstone.

Salutatory—Elinor Cohn.

"The Old Canoe"—Class.

Address—Rev. Livingstone.

Piano Solo—Marjorie Clark.

Class Prophecy—Dana Logan.

Presentation of Diplomas.

"I Love a Little Cottage"—Katherine Monahan and Marjorie Clark.

Class Will—Nellie Babcock.

Valedictory—Velma Huston.

"Song of the Winds"—Class.

Benediction—Rev. Livingstone.

At a final meeting of the eighth grade organization the freshman class of '27 was organized with the following officers:

Marjorie Clark, president; Velma Huston, vice-president; Louise Thomas, secretary; Stanley Minor, treasurer; Marvin Wightman, sergeant-at-arms.

to part with their money in what is represented as a good cause."

The article makes a strong presentation of the power of expert salesmanship in telling the story of how the Klan has been built up by expert traveling salesmen under the direction of a man and woman who know how to play the game for their own enrichment.

Mr. Duffus' articles are well worth the attention of every citizen who is interested in getting as the facts about this much discussed organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Jones have returned from a visit at Portland.

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FREIGHT RATE ON WOOL IS SUBJECT OF DEBATE

Hearings on wool rates were held under the direction of the Interstate Commerce commission at Portland last week. R. A. Ward, manager of the Pacific Co-operative Wool Growers' association, appeared before the committee asking that the adjustment of rates to points on the North Atlantic seaboard from Portland, and also from the interior points like Pendleton and Baker which will retain the bailing in transient privileges which exist at the present time. He favored reasonable commodity rates from producing points to terminals. Mr. Ward was opposed to the plans of the railroads of a blanket or flat rate proposition, believing that such rates would be excessive and would eliminate the present competition.

The rates on wool up to 1921 were fixed by the so-called short and long haul clause of the transportation act. This clause obligated the railroads to charge less for hauling from Pacific coast terminal points to Boston than from interior points. This was originally authorized by the Interstate Commerce commission in 1912 in order to meet boat competition.

Under the 1921 increases in rates the boats received the advantage and were able to haul wool from interior western points eastward cheaper than by the all-rail rate, that is, it was possible to ship from interior points to Portland and then by boat via the Panama canal at a cheaper rate than directly from the interior points by rail eastward to Boston. In order to meet this competition of the boats the railroads applied for a rate reduction to hold their business. This was denied by the commission which ordered the railroads to discontinue the practice of charging less for the long haul than for the short haul.

To meet the difficulty the railroads proposed a blanket rate which is a flat rate covering the principal wool territory in the west. This proposal as it developed at the hearings would result in the lowering of rates on shipments from the Rocky Mountain states, and would advance the rates from the Pacific coast states. These rates were published but the enforcement was suspended until the hearings which are now being held would provide a basis for final settlement.

It appears that this is a three-cornered contest, with the Boston wool buyers, the railroads and the wool producers as the characters in the drama. The Boston wool people want the railroads to lower their rates from points west of the one hundredth meridian to the Pacific coast. The wool shipped to the coast would then be moved by boat through the canal. This, of course, is opposed by the railroads, who would lose an enormous amount of business to the boats.

The proposal of the railroads of a blanket rate is vigorously contested by the Pacific coast states, who claim that under that proposal a considerable amount of the wool now being shipped by coast terminals would move eastward directly.