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## GRADUATING PROGRAM DRAWS BIG AUDIENCE

Heppner High School building was crowded to capacity last Friday evening by an appreciative audience that gathered to hear the graduating exercises of the class of 1923.

Miss Bernice Woodson played the processional march as the graduates filed into the auditorium and took their places on the platform. Rev. J. R. L. Haslam offered the invocation which was followed by the chorus, "To A Wild Rose," by Misses Velma Case, Willetta Barratt, Violet Hynd, Gene Pyle and Dorothy Hill.

The commencement address was delivered by Mr. Monroe G. Everett, of Oregon Agricultural College, his subject being "At Break of Day." Mr. Everett handled his subject well and during his address took occasion to deprecate the present day tendency towards religious and racial intolerance.

Mr. Everett's address was followed by the song, "Up Sailor Boy, 'Tis Day," by the girls' quartet.

Prof. E. H. Hedrick, superintendent of the city schools, presented the class of '23 collectively, referring in a few well chosen words to their faithful work as students and the final successful outcome of their high school experience.

Mr. W. P. Mahoney, chairman of the board of trustees, presented the diplomas to the graduates, a mixed quartet sang "The Passing Days," and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. O. Livingstone.

The class roll follows:  
Velma Case, Opal Lena Craddock, Christina Doherty, Rose Anna Hiri, Ray W. McDuffee, Thelma Lucille Miller, Retha Owen, Ruth Zell Tash, Willetta Elizabeth Barratt, Florence Aida Cason, Nelle Taylor Flynn, Evelyn Elizabeth Humphreys, Elizabeth Leona Huston, Philip W. Mahoney, Maude Reliance Moore, Frances Crawford Parker.

## FORMER HEPPNER MAN DIES.

Word reached here Monday morning that Frank McFarland, former well known resident of this city, had dropped dead on the street at Hood River from an attack of heart disease. Mr. McFarland was engaged in the mercantile business here 25 or 30 years ago and it was he who built the Fair building which was the first brick building in Heppner.

Mr. McFarland was the father of Dr. Earl C. McFarland, of Portland, recently appointed collector of customs by President Harding.

C. L. Melville was in town Wednesday from the Alpine district where he says the crops are looking quite promising. Mr. Melville and his brother recently returned from an auto trip that took them around the circle via Bend, Klamath Falls, Ashland, Portland, Seattle and Yakima, making the entire trip of 1250 miles in eight days. They traveled in a Ford and used 67 gallons of gasoline on the trip getting almost 20 miles per gallon. Business is booming in most of the places they visited, Mr. Melville says, and he expects to see a shortage of harvest hands in Morrow county when the wheat is ripe.

## AND HE NEVER MENTIONED THE PRETTY GIRLS

"Up in Morrow county," says Judge Dutton, a pioneer of that section who has made Portland his residence, "conditions will be good and the county will be back on its feet when the farmers get a good crop and a good price. The sheepmen are now well off. I was up in Morrow county the other day and found that automobiles are plentiful. In front of a motion picture theatre in Heppner Saturday night there were 75 automobiles. Morrow county people have always been good spenders when they had money, but those who bought when prices were high and before the deflation came are still on the stool of repentance. Wool has been selling at from 40 to 45 cents and most of the wool in the county is sold. There is not much sale of sheep, however, as the price is getting up and people are thinking of how it went up before and then the bottom dropped out. The farmers are not as well off as the sheepmen, but conditions look right for a fine crop this year. Everything is green and stock is in good shape."—Oregonian.

## ORGANIZE TO GET BETTER PRICES FOR WHEAT

Dayton Wash.—(Special Correspondence.)—At a meeting of nearly 50 business men and farmers, held at the Commercial Club rooms plans were laid for a nation-wide campaign to regulate wheat prices. The plan as proposed by W. F. McCauley is to secure the signatures of farmers to an agreement which will not be binding until 75 per cent of the farmers of the county have signed up. Then it is proposed to recommend the plan to the Northwest Wheat Growers Association for an intensive national campaign along similar lines.

Under the agreement it is hoped that actual control of the price of wheat will be possible. A set price will be determined upon which will fully cover cost of production and a reasonable profit and this price will be adhered to on all domestic wheat sales. The surplus to be sold abroad will be disposed of at the competitive world market prices. The 75 per cent sign up, it is hoped, will give the organization sufficient control to secure the desired ends.

Several committees were appointed at the meeting. These are now at work in an endeavor to secure the desired sign-up in this county.

## MEMORY OF VETERANS HONORED

Memorial services were held at the Christian church last Sunday morning in memory of departed veterans of the nation's wars. The services were well attended, the auditorium being filled. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts participated. Only three veterans of the Civil war were present—J. C. Ball, Newton Whitestone and Andrew Rood sr. Rev. J. R. L. Haslam gave the sermon and Rev. Livingstone assisted with the services, of which the special music was a pleasing feature.

## BOARDMAN PROJECT IS PROSPEROUS SECTION

Crops are fine this season on the Boardman project and farmers are encouraged by better prospects for the future. Fair prices were received for last year's hay crop, the association having realized about \$15 a ton f. o. b. Boardman. Prospects for a continuance of good prices, for the coming crop are good, business men of the town say.

There are about 300 dairy cows on the project at present and the new cheese factory will probably rapidly increase the number. Many of the people there are working into more diversified farming with some fruit, some cows and pigs and a few sheep to fully utilize all products.

Charlie Latourell is just completing a fine new garage which will be operated by J. S. Vegas, formerly of Monument and Heppner. Mr. Latourell also has one of the most attractive filling stations and soft drink resorts to be found on the highway between Portland and Pendleton. Many tourist cars are constantly passing over the highway and few of them pass Mr. Latourell's place without "filling up" on something whether it be free air and water or soda water, gasoline and ice cream cones.

O. H. Warner, mine host at the Wayside Inn, who it will be remembered used to come to Heppner frequently and stand uncovered in the rain to get his head wet, is installing a shower bath in the Inn and says he is going to try home treatment for a while. Business is so good at the Inn that he is afraid to leave home for fear some hungry traveler with 4-bits in his pocket might get by without parting with the coin for one of Mrs. Warner's 6-bit meals.

Jacob Marry & Son, practical cheese makers, yesterday opened their new cheese factory at Boardman and expect to do a fine business with dairymen on the project.

The new plant is modern, and complete with a capacity for 6000 pounds of milk, or about 600 pounds of cheese a day. Prices offered for milk, Mr. Marry recently informed a Herald reporter, will scale 5 cents a pound above Portland butter fat prices. The new factory occupies the new Murchie building to which an extensive addition will be built to afford needed room.

Sam H. Boardman, father of the town that bears his name, has a politics and taken up farming in earnest. Single-handed and alone Mr. Boardman is developing an extensive tract of new alfalfa. He admits that he has given up the butterfly life of past years and has become an honest-to-goodness horn-handed son of toil. He doesn't object to the horny handedness, but says he has not yet become altogether harmoniously adjusted to the toil. Mr. Boardman has been doing his part towards beautifying his part of the project by planting shade trees along the highway and has recently received assurance from Highway Commissioner Duly that the state will lay pipes and provide water for irrigating them next spring.

J. S. Ballinger, lumber dealer, mayor and official base ball fan, reports business good in his town, compares what the town was when he went there seven years ago and what it is today and then compares what it is today and what it will be seven years hence and then he smiles, because he is a business man with vision.

Jack Gorham, who sells groceries, hardware and other merchandise during business hours and acts as deputy sheriff and all round booster the rest of the time, says that if business was any better they would probably have to put him to bed and he don't believe in going to bed any time. He prefers to rustle.

The reporter only had a short time in Boardman and no doubt missed more news than he picked up. An other trip some fine day and he may do better.

Misses Kathleen Mahoney and Dorothy Hill entertained a party of friends at a dancing party at the Mahoney home last Saturday evening. A pleasant evening was reported.

## OREGON RAIL RATES ARE UP AT BIG HEARING

A hearing on the prevailing rates on farm products in Oregon by the Public Service commission was held in Portland beginning May 21. Numerous witnesses appeared in behalf of both the railroads and farm interests. It was brought out at the hearings that the rates in Oregon are proportionately higher than the rates prevailing on similar commodities in Washington.

Appearing for the Northwest Wheat Growers Association was H. P. Christensen, traffic manager for the Associated. Mr. Christensen presented evidence dealing with the unjustly high rates prevailing on the short line railways of the state. These charges are so excessive that in the case of many shippers the freight costs are nearly prohibitive. The defense presented by the railroads was that the cost of operation were high on the short lines, due partly to greater grade difficulties than on the main lines. The chief reason given, however, for the existing schedules was that the business secured on these lines was insufficient to maintain roads at lower rates.

Competition Service  
One reason given for this loss of business is the competition offered on the short lines by the automobiles and trucks. This competition, according to the roads, has developed on a vast scale during recent years. In some cases, it is claimed, the drain on the railroad's business has been so heavy as to threaten the existence of the road, regardless of the rate charged.

To meet this difficulty it was proposed by Mr. Christensen that joint rates be established between the short lines and the main lines. Part of the excessive rates on the short lines will in this way be absorbed by the main lines. This method, pointed out Mr. Christensen, has been resorted to in handling similar difficulties in other sections of the country.

The matter of joint inter-state rates was also brought up at the hearings. At the present time, it was pointed out, it is possible to ship from points in Oregon to points in Washington at a lower combined rate than between two equally distant points in Oregon. The hay shippers of the eastern part of the state were especially interested in having this adjusted.

## Rates Out of Line With Prices

One of the most important arguments presented at the hearings in behalf of lower freight rates on farm products was the comparison between the present purchasing power of farm products and that of manufactured products. These were compared with the changes in freight rates between the respective groups of commodities. It was shown that the farm products group as a whole has suffered a sharp slump in the power to exchange for other commodities. The reverse has been true with manufactured products. That is, the tendency of prices in the two groups has been in opposite directions. The respective freight rates, based on a normal relation of values, are therefore severely out of adjustment. A complete revision in the entire scheme of freight rates based on an up-to-date comparison of values between the two groups of commodities was urged.

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## HEPPNER TEAM WINS OVER IONE SUNDAY

The Heppner-Ione game at Gentry field last Sunday afternoon drew a big crowd of interested fans and the game was one of the best of the season.

Broughton and King for Heppner and Rocky and Cochran, for Ione, were in good form and both batteries were credited with excellent work.

At the end of the 5th inning the visitors had rather the best of the battle with a score of 2 to 0, but in the 6th Heppner took the bit in her teeth and brought in 5 scores.

A feature of the game was the large number of clean hits made by Ione but because of tight fielding by Heppner the visitors failed to mark up the scores to which their batting really entitled them.

Good feeling marked the game and although it was one of the very best of the season. The final score stood at 2 to 6 in favor of Heppner, giving the home team a lead of one game over Ione for the season to date.

Heppner team goes to Arlington next Sunday when a fine game is expected.

Pilot Rock plays Heppner here tomorrow, Decoration Day.

## HIGH SCHOOL PLAY BY JUNIORS, SENIORS GOOD

The three-act comedy, "And Home Came Ted," presented by members of the Junior and Senior classes of Heppner high school at Star theatre last Tuesday evening, made a decided hit with the big audience of parents, friends and fellow students that packed the house.

The cast was well chosen to represent the different characters, so well indeed, that many of the young players were able to act quite naturally while bringing out the personalities they were chosen to represent—something rather unusual among amateur as well as professional players.

The cast follows:  
Skeet Kelly, the clerk—Philip Mahoney.

Dianna Garwood, the heiress—Elaine Sigbee.

Miss Loxanberry, the spinster—Reliance Moore.

Ira Stone, the villain—Keith Logan.

Aunt Jubilee, the cook—Retha Owen.

Mr. Man, the mystery—Carl Cason.

Jim Ryker, the lawyer—Alvin Boyd.

Mollie Macklin, the housekeeper—Florence Cason.

Henrietta Darby, the widow—Elizabeth Huston.

Ted, the groom—Ray McDuffee.

Elsie, the bride—Dorothy Pattison.

Sen. McCorkle, the father—Francis Doherty.

Bernice Woodson, of the junior class, gave two musical readings and Velma Cast, a senior, sang two solos between acts, all of which were well received by the audience.

Richard Peterson went to Ione this morning on business.

No more baking failures if you use Kerr's Best.—Brown & Lowry.

## STATE FARM BUREAU IS RENT BY DISSENTION

(Oregonian)

Trouble has developed in the Oregon state farm bureau federation, it became known Saturday when Geo. A. Mansfield, president, called a meeting of all the members of the organization for June 1, explaining that someone had purloined the seal and papers of the bureau from the office and that he wants a "show-down" as to who is in control.

President Mansfield openly charged that three members of the executive board, constituting a majority, held secret conference in Portland Friday and are back of an order to the Portland postmaster not to deliver farm bureau mail to the office in the Platt building.

Mr. Mansfield said he was sure these board members could also explain who entered the bureau office during the absence of the force and carried away the seal, mailing lists and other papers. This evidently was accomplished Friday night, he reported.

The executive board members who once before got at logger-heads with President Mansfield are William Schulmerich, Washington county; O. R. Dougherty, Wallowa, and H. E. Kruger, Oakland.

"While I was attending a meeting of the state chamber of commerce, yesterday," said Mr. Mansfield, "these board members held a meeting in the Corneliuss hotel. They knew where I was but made no effort to call me in. I would not attempt to say what took place.

"I am calling a meeting of all officers and members of the farm bureau, to be held at the public library at 10 A. M., June 1. I want to get everybody there and straighten these matters out. I want a show-down as to who is in control and I believe in going right out in the open about the matter."

Mr. Mansfield proceeded to express an opinion that sinister influences were at work to undermine the farm bureau, but declined to be quoted as to reasons for his views.

Mr. Mansfield's term as president of the organization will expire next fall. About three months ago, however, he was selected as "chief executive officer" for two years, to work with the Oregon state development league, he said.

This action was taken by the board of directors, a body superior to the executive board. There is one director for each county of the state. There are but five executive committee members—those already named, Mr. Mansfield and L. G. Smith of Columbia county.

May 1, Jared Wenger, ex-manager of the better business bureau of Portland, was employed by President Mansfield as manager of the farm bureau office. This employment of Mr. Wenger, at a salary considered rather large by some of the bureau officers and members, is believed to have a bearing on the present situation, in which apparent attempt is being made to divest Mr. Mansfield and the manager of all power and opportunity to carry on business as heads of the bureau.

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