

LOCAL NEWS

Manley D. Hileman, of Gurdane, was registered at the Heppner hotel Sunday.

L. Van Marter visited Grant county during the week on a business trip.

Robert Balcomb, merchant of Morgan, was a visitor in Heppner Sunday.

C. N. Wilson, of the Monument country, was a week end visitor in Heppner.

W. P. Mahoney and family went to Portland Friday for a few days' visit.

FOR SALE—New 60-cylinder Auto Knitter. For particulars enquire at the Herald office. 141f

Ab Miller, of the local Standard Oil office force, was an Arlington visitor Sunday.

Wm. Hendrix was in town Saturday from his Heppner flat ranch looking after business affairs.

L. Wingfield, of Spray, shipped several cars of sheep out of the Heppner yards Sunday morning.

Dr. D. R. Haylor, eye specialist of Portland, was here a few days during the week on a professional trip.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shurtle and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Pattison and daughter, Dorothy, visited friends at Arlington Sunday.

Mrs. May Case and daughter, Miss Veinla, left Monday for Seattle to spend their vacation with Don Case and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Clark and Misses Odette Groshen, Pearl Hall and Annie Doherty were at Arlington Sunday viewing the ruins and calling on friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Altott were in town from their Rhea creek ranch Saturday. Wheat harvest is under way on the Altott ranch on Eight-mile and is making around 25 bushels per acre.

Joe Eskelson was in from Lexington Saturday and reports the wheat on the Eskelson ranches making 25 bushels and better. Mr. Eskelson now lives at Salem but runs up occasionally to see how things are running on the farms.

VAUDEVILLE AND DANCE

The Fletcher Family, of Pendleton, will give a vaudeville program and dances at the Fair Pavilion Saturday, August 11th. General admission 25 cents. Dancers \$1.10. Dance and program starts at 9:15 sharp.

Irene Sprague, who manages the Latourell filling station and soft drink parlor at Boardman, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Latourell for a few days and the two ladies are enjoying a camping trip on upper Willow creek.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ayers and Mrs. Anna Spencer have returned from a trip to Portland where they spent some time. They also went out to Willamette springs for a few days but found weather too cold and damp for comfort and soon returned to the city.

Miss Marguerite Loughney, of Tacoma, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter E. Moore, for several weeks, returned to her home last Thursday accompanied by Mrs. Moore and son who will visit in Tacoma for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Calkins and children, of Spokane, were in town yesterday for a short time. Mr. Calkins is making a business trip through the wheat belt in the interest of his son's machine and Mrs. Calkins and the children are making the trip with him for the outing. He reports business good.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Latourell and E. Albee and family enjoyed a fishing trip beyond the Ditch creek last week and report having had a fine time. Mallory creek yielded some fine specimens of the finny tribe as did some other streams. The party caught altogether about 40 trout and not one less than eight inches in length.

Oscar R. Otto, formerly engaged in the music business here, now farming at Irigon, is in town today on business. Mr. Otto says he has a splendid crop this season and that he has put a considerable acreage of new land under water and cultivation during the past year. Alfalfa and melons are his principal crops and both are prolific this season.

R. A. Smith, supervisor of agriculture for the Union Pacific R. R. Co., is spending out a booklet containing 150 recipes for apple dishes which is worth the attention of cooks, housewives and all who enjoy good things to eat. The booklet will no doubt do its part in creating a demand for the big apple crop in the northwest. Now Mr. Smith should turn his attention to a book of recipes for wheat products.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Court met in regular session on Wednesday, August 1, 1923, at the court house in Heppner, Oregon, with all officers present.

Court approved, continued or disallowed the various claims presented against the county as per notations on face of claims.

Court read the road petition of E. P. Smith et al and appointed W. G. McCarty to act with regular viewers in viewing said road and August 4, 1923, set as date for making survey.

In the matter of the road petition of O. T. Ferguson et al, the court having read said petition and also the remonstrance against said road, and there being no more signers on the remonstrance than on the petition, the court denied said petition.

The road petitions of T. J. Jones and J. R. Ashinhuat were continued. Following claims were allowed: Northwest Printing Co., sheriff, \$7.50.

Gazette-Times, office, \$128.85. Bushong & Co., Treas., \$31.65. Glass & Prudhomme, office, \$123.99.

S. Hughes Co. C. H., \$6.50. T. J. Humphreys, C. H., \$112.95. Patterson & Son, jail, \$7.25.

Eph Eskelson, poor, \$7.00. C. C. Chick, poor, \$32.50. C. R. Walker, health, \$14.50. Co. Agent, Co. Agent, \$225.

A. E. Perry, watermaster, \$8.50. L. V. Kutzner, T. B. cattle, \$3.62. M. L. Case et al, coroner, \$124.74. F. & S. Nat. Bank, roads, \$334.95. First Nat. Bank, roads, \$78.55.

Jay Hiatt, No. 17, \$23.43. State Acc. Com., roads, \$101.96. Fred Bell, No. 17, \$2.99.

W. L. McCaleb, Gen., \$166.66. S. Shaw, H. H. B., \$13.23. Tum-a-Lum Lbr. Co., H. H. B., \$274.65.

W. L. McCaleb, Gen., \$8.15. Martin Reid, H. H. B., \$548.69. Peoples Hdw. Co., H. H. B., \$8.07. Clyde Equip. Co., H. H. B., \$3.66 city.

Standard Oil Co., H. H. B., \$571.66. Watt Shipp Co., H. H. B., \$126.63. Feenaughty Mach. Co., H. H. B., \$24.65.

Howard Cooper Co., H. H. B., \$162.69. J. W. Kirehner, H. H. B., \$136.

W. O. Bayless, roads, \$60.80. H. McDuffee, H. H. B., \$99.75. Carl Cason, roads, \$10.50.

T. J. Jones, No. 7, \$6. V. L. Warren, No. 9, \$4. C. O. Ayers, market, \$3.50.

R. L. Bengo, market, \$28.80. Eddie Childsey, market, \$120. Humphreys Drug Co., Gen., \$2.20.

Phelps Gro. Co., H. H. B., \$163. J. B. Calmus, H. H. B., \$30.75. Bank of Ione, No. 14, \$312.14.

F. & S. Nat. Bank, rds., \$2211.96. Arlington Nat. Bank No 2, \$11.47. First Nat. Bank, roads, \$4598.48.

B. P. Stone, dog, \$10.50. Geo. McDuffee, Prohl., \$30. W. Matteson, Prohl., \$50.

C. B. Oral, sealer, \$15.34. W. W. Smead, Cur. Ex., \$24.01. C. C. Chick, physician, \$10.

S. Shaw, keeper, \$25. Dalby Becket, Wid. Pen., \$25. Sadie Morey, Wid. Pen., \$17.50.

Amy McFerrin, Wid. Pen., \$17.50. F. P. Gordon, poor, \$25. Ida Fletcher, poor, \$15.

Jess Kirk, poor, \$30. Andy Cook, poor, \$30. Dick Lahue, poor, \$25.

R. L. Bengo, Co. Cl., \$5. L. B. Davidson, Co. Cl., \$21. Heppner Herald, road, \$6.40.

W. M. Ayers, sheriff, \$25. Lena S. Shurtle, library, \$177.10. Pac. Tel. Co., Cur. Ex., \$42.48.

ARLINGTON WILL REBUILD

The business district of Arlington looks pretty well cleaned up since the big fire of a week ago but the people of that live town are optimistic and say the town will soon be rebuilt and will be better than before.

During a visit in the fire-swept town Sunday a representative of the Herald found the people optimistic and already making plans for rebuilding. Many of the business establishments are again running in temporary quarters and doing a rushing business. Jack Jarvis, proprietor of the Palm confectionery and drug store engaged a small room about the time his former store "fell in" about daylight in the morning and by mid-afternoon he was selling ice cream over an improvised counter as fast as he could dish it out.

The barber shop re-opened the same day on the front porch of one of the proprietor's homes and later moved into one corner of a garage. The harness shop re-opened in a corner of the picture show house and the meat market was preparing to resume business in another corner of the garage.

Mr. McDonald, proprietor of the Arlington hotel where the fire originated, is planning and says the town just must have a hotel. He was planning to re-build this fall before the fire.

CECIL

Mrs. Geo. Redford and daughter, Mrs. Bowers, from San Diego, Cal., visited with Mrs. Geo. Krebs at the Last Camp on Saturday before leaving to call on other old friends in Morrow county.

Claire and John Calkins from Pendleton made a short stay in Cecil on Saturday. They were on their way to work in the harvest fields above Ione.

Mrs. Spalding and daughter, Mrs. Palmer, who have been spending their vacation at Ritter Springs, called on Mrs. T. H. Lowe of the Highway House on Sunday before going on to their home at Lone Rock. These ladies informed us that Peter Bauernfiend, respected citizen of Cecil who is now at Ritter Springs, is deriving so much benefit from the waters and the mud baths which have recently been built at Ritter, that he feels like a two year old and is able to work against time anywhere.

L. D. May of The Dalles is visiting his brother, T. W. May, at the Lone Star ranch.

S. A. Pattison, editor of the Heppner Herald, and also resident agent of New York Life Insurance Co., was calling on his friends around Cecil on Sunday.

Clifford Johnson left for Portland on Sunday, returning to Cecil on Friday driving a fine Willys Knight car.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Perry and daughter, Miss Crystal Roberts, of Ewing were calling in Cecil on Sunday accompanied by Misses Bertha and Carrie Moore of Lone Rock who are visiting with Miss Crystal Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Duncan and daughter, Miss Mildred, of Busy Bee ranch were visiting in Cecil on Sunday. R. E. is expecting large returns from his bees this year. Miss Mildred is taking lessons from her father and we expect to hear of her becoming the second to none apiarist of Morrow county.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd of Butterby Flats, accompanied by Miss Mildred Henriksen of Strawberry ranch, left on Sunday morning for Granite, Ore., where they will visit with Herb and Jackie Hynd who are camp tending for Hynd Bros' sheep near Granite.

Mrs. Alf Shaw of Butterby Flats spent Wednesday at the home of

Mrs. Melville Logan at the Willows. Mrs. S. P. Wright of Tulsa, Okla., is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Noble, near Rhea Siding.

Alf Shaw was the busiest man in Cecil on Monday. Alf was superintending the unloading of a car of posts which was shipped in from Tacoma for Jack Hynd.

Cecil depot, water tank and wind mill are looking like new since the O. W. R. & N. painters have had their paint and brushes at work.

Emery Gentry, district manager of West Coast Life Insurance Co., made a short stay in Cecil on his return to Heppner from Portland on Friday.

Miss Annie Hynd arrived in Cecil on Tuesday from Portland and visited with her sister, Mrs. T. H. Lowe, before returning to her home at Rose Lawn, Sand Hollow.

Sunday, July 29th, thermometer registered 100 degrees. Cool winds during the rest of the week, ending August 4th.

N. I. Morrison, state patrolman, has arrived in Cecil and will take up his residence at Rock Cliff for the present.

Cecil can't beat 'em—hollyhocks, Mrs. Smead. Considering the intense heat and want of water, I question if we could not truthfully say we do beat 'em. We can boast of hollyhocks grown on the ground behind Cecil store averaging nine feet three inches. All the attention these have had are sand storms, wind, intense heat and no water. Beat this.

MRS. DEVIN NOW LEADS IN HOLLYHOCK RACE

Mrs. P. Devin reports a hollyhock growing in her yard that measures 11 feet 4 inches, beating Mrs. Smead's flower mentioned last week by 5 inches!

This is a poor place to stop in the competition and some enterprising floriculturist should turn the sprinkler on her hollyhock bed and try to raise the limit to 12 feet.

What's the matter with making Heppner known to the world as the Hollyhock city? Let's go.

Judge and Mrs. W. T. Campbell made the trip to Teal Springs and return last Friday, covering about 160 miles during the day. Judge Campbell says he discovered on the trip that other counties than Morrow have some bad roads, in fact that once you leave this county going in that direction you leave all good travel conditions behind. Mrs. W. O. Minor and son, Stanley, accompanied them to the springs and will remain there for several weeks.

Railroad Earnings Are Not Guaranteed



A common impression exists that railroad earnings are in some way guaranteed by the Government. This is not a fact. The railroads were paid for the Federal Control period a fixed rental and were given an option for continuance of this basis for six months thereafter. This arrangement expired August 31, 1920, since which time nothing even resembling a guarantee has been in effect.

Under the constitution a railroad has always been entitled to earn a fair return upon its property devoted to the public use, the percentage which constituted such fair return being a question for determination by the courts.

The transportation act says:

"In the exercise of its power to prescribe just and reasonable rates, the Commission shall . . . adjust such rates so that carriers . . . will, under honest, efficient and economical management . . . earn an aggregate annual net railway operating income equal, as nearly as may be, to a fair return upon the aggregate value" of the common carrier property, giving "due consideration . . . to the transportation needs of the country and the necessity . . . of enlarging such facilities in order to provide the people of the United States with adequate transportation."

For two years ending March 1, 1922, such fair return was fixed at 6 per cent. Since then it has been reduced by the commission to 5.75 per cent.

In no year, however, have the railroads secured the fair return contemplated by the Act, as the following will show:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Percentage actually earned. Rows: 1920 (4.33), 1921 (3.5), 1922 (4.14)

It is entirely clear, therefore, that the law in no sense guarantees the earnings of the railroads. If it did, the Government would owe the railroads more than a billion dollars for deficits in 1920, 1921 and 1922.

Since January, 1923, the earnings of the railroads as a whole have been better than for the same period in any of the three preceding years, but the rate of return is still lower than the Interstate-Commerce Commission has prescribed as reasonable.

The Transportation Act has not been the cause of increases in railroad rates. One of the authors of the Act has said:

"Rates have advanced simply because the cost of maintenance and operation has more than doubled since pre-war days, while railroad rates, taken as a whole, are now about 54 per cent higher than they were before the Government took over the railroads at the beginning of the year 1918."

The price of transportation can only be reduced as the cost of transportation is reduced and the railroad's cost of living has increased in like proportion to that of the individual. Every effort, however, is being made to reduce it.

Constructive suggestions are always welcome. C. H. GRAY, President. Omaha, Nebraska, August 1, 1923.

FORD NOT CANDIDATE TODAY, MAYBE TOMORROW

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constituents, however, that this wrong will be righted just as soon as the truth becomes generally known that the real interests of the people in various parts of the earth do not conflict.

"The Tariff—The tariff is a joke, but it's apt to hang on, to the detriment of both America and foreign countries, until the people learn that special privileges do not pay. Our nation needs no special privileges and won't be perfectly happy until it settles down to doing that share of the world's work for which it has the greatest natural capacity.

Ship Subsidy—Giving a bonus for incapacity is a brilliant procedure, provided our object is to waste money and keep the world's work from being done. Wealth can be produced so easily that there need be no great cry concerning expenditures, but our objection to the ship subsidy is that it would seriously hamper shipping.

"Soldiers' Bonus—The proposal to give a bonus to veterans of the late war implies that the soldier cannot hold his own in competition with others, and is an insult to the ex-service man. If the ex-service men, are unfitted, because of wounds, or other disability, for the normal competition of life, they should be made fit immediately; and all the resources of modern science should be devoted to the task.

Agriculture—The great trouble with farming is that it involves too much unnecessary work. There is no reason why agriculture may not hope to come abreast of the other industries in the near future, if the farmer will turn his attention to modern industrial methods instead of to the problem of borrowing money. There is no food scarcity. The problem is not one of how to increase production, and thereby pile up a surplus for speculators to play with, but how to simplify production and distribution so that less human energy shall be wasted in the process.

Railroads—There should be railroad system in the United States instead of the antiquated network of financial corporations which take toll along the nation's highways today.

"The government seems to be the

only agency in sight with power to establish such a system, and it looks as though the government would do so presently. Whether we shall have an actual railroad system then, or further trouble, will depend much on whether the government tries to run the roads from the floor of congress or hires somebody who knows how to do the job and lets him do it.

"Prohibition—Booze had to go out when modern industry and the motor car came in. Upon only one condition can the nation let it come back. That is if we are willing to abolish modern industry and the motor car.

"Peace—The only way to assure world peace is to give world service. Incidentally, this pays exorbitantly; but, until the people find it out, we may enjoy the luxury of continued fighting."

THIS TOURIST MUST BE A TYPICAL ROAD HOG

Mike Shurte, of Arlington, was in town a few days during the week on business.

During the recent disastrous fire in his town Mr. Shurte was designated as a special policeman to help preserve order. After daylight and while the fire was yet smoldering and liable to break out again at any time, Mr. Shurte was stationed at the lower end of Main street to divert traffic by a detour to avoid the fire hose which was yet laid on the main thoroughfare. A tourist driving a big car with California license came along and Mr. Shurte waved him a signal to take the detour and avoid crossing the hose line. The tourist stopped and shouted: "Here, you! You have no right to obstruct the highway; get that hose out of the way." Mr. Shurte politely informed the man that he must make the detour.

"I'll do nothing of the kind," returned the tourist, "I am going to travel the highway."

"Well," rejoined the traffic man, "there are two things you can do—either take the detour or go back the way you came, but if you try to cross that hose we have a concrete jail here for such fellows as you and while it is in the burned district and may be a little warm for comfort, in you go if you don't do as I tell you."

The fellow took the detour without further parley. Bet he's a typical road hog out on the highway.

Star Theatre

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7-8

HARRY CAREY

—in—

"THE KICK BACK"

A Texas Ranger Story

Round 1, "FIGHTING BLOODS"

By H. C. Witwer

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, AUG. 9 and 10

WALLACE REID

—in—

"THE GHOST BREAKER"

Comedy drama of spooks and ghosts

Chas. Hutchinson in 13th episode of "SPEED"

Aesop's Fables and Topics of the Day

SATURDAY, AUG. 11

Rudyard Kipling's "WITHOUT BENEFIT OF CLERGY" adapted for the screen by the author

Snub Pollard 2-reel comedy, "NEWLY RICH"

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, AUG. 12 and 13

GLORIA SWANSON

—in—

"THE IMPOSSIBLE MRS. BELLEW"

Beautiful gowns, French bathing girls and everything

FELIX in "THE BONE AGE"

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