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HEPPNER SHOWS HONOR TO DEAD PRESIDENT

BUSINESS HOUSES CLOSE DOORS IN AFTERNOON

Rev. Livingstone Conducts Impressive Memorial Services at the Christian Church

Heppner showed honor to the memory of the late President Harding last Friday afternoon by closing all places of business while the people joined in a memorial service in honor of the departed chief executive which was conducted by Rev. W. O. Livingstone at the First Christian church.

The services were simple but impressive. A selected choir opened services by singing "Lead Kindly Light." Prayer was offered by Rev. J. E. Youel, of Dallas, Oregon. Mr. Livingstone declared at the opening of his address that he would not attempt to pronounce an eulogy on the late president neither would he preach a sermon but that he would simply attempt to direct the thoughts of his audience to a contemplation of what Mr. Harding was as a man and a citizen as well as a public official.

He spoke of the home life of Mr. and Mrs. Harding and of the love and devotion that always seemed to exist between them, saying that if such a feeling could be emulated in all of the homes in America that domestic discord, divorce and its attendant evils would be unknown.

The speaker also pointed out the kindly nature of the dead president in his daily contact with others, particularly mentioning his great love for children which was noticed at many points during his western trip.

The president was not a brilliant man, the speaker said, neither was he a great genius in any particular line, but he was honest, and kindly and good and as president had the best interests of the country always at heart.

The president was a christian man, Mr. Livingstone said, a member of the Baptist church and that fact counted for much in revealing the character of the man, the speaker said.

Prayer was offered at the close of the address for President Coolidge, the petition being that he may receive divine guidance in undertaking the great work before him.

BIG DEMAND FOR FORD TRUCKS

Charlie Latourell, head of the Latourell Auto Co., and Ford agent for this territory, says the demand for Ford trucks is growing rapidly many farmers having demonstrated the fact that the Ford is the most economical method for getting their wheat moved from the farm to the warehouse. About 20 Ford trucks are now engaged in this work in the county and their number is increasing daily. The only limit, Mr. Latourell says, is the question of getting the trucks.

Last Sunday morning before he had his breakfast, Mr. Latourell says he sold a truck to the Lexington school district on which will be built a bus body for bringing children from the country to school. He also sold a touring car the same morning to W. M. McFerren, of Heppner, a latest model Sedan with all the full extra equipment to A. C. Ball, of Jone, and a coupe to Irene Sprague, of Boardman.

And then Charlie went to breakfast and enjoyed his bacon and eggs.

DEER SEASON AUGUST 20 TO OCTOBER 31 THIS YEAR

Deputy Game Warden Albee this morning received a telegram from A. E. Burghdoff, state game warden, to the effect that the 1923 open season for deer will run from August 20th to October 31st, both dates inclusive. Instructions will be given later relative to open season on other game animals and birds.

Mr. Burghdoff asks for all the publicity possible on this matter that citizens may be advised as to their rights regarding deer hunting.

HEPPNER MAN COULD QUALIFY AS PRISON GUARD

A well known Heppner man tells the following story on himself:

Not long ago he spent a few days at the coast and when ready to return to Portland a neighboring cottager asked him if he would mind looking after a 13-year-old girl who had been visiting the cottager's family and who they wished to return to her Portland home. The girl liked the coast and didn't want to go back to Portland but was persuaded to take the train in company with our Heppner friend. Soon after the train started the girl went into the next car and at the first stop she stepped off the train and walked back to the coast.

When the Heppner man reached home he found a telegram awaiting him from his coast neighbor which said: "Girl entrusted to your care at 9:00 A. M. was back here at 11. If you want a new job I will be glad to recommend you to Governor Pierce as a guard at the penitentiary. Think you have qualified."

THE WHEAT MARKET

Brown & Lowry, local wheat buyers, report having opened the wheat market here Saturday by buying three cars of Forty-fold from O. T. Ferguson. Another lot or two has been bought since that time. Prices paid yesterday were on the basis of \$2 to \$3 cents for Turkey and \$7 to \$8 for Forty-fold. No Bluestem has been offered so far this season and no prices have been quoted on that variety.

VISITING AIRPLANE DOES COMMERCIAL BUSINESS

Basil Russell and L. D. Thorpe, who registered from Walla Walla, sailed down on Heppner about dark Saturday evening and spent Sunday, doing a thriving business as sky pilots. The plane was kept busy all day Sunday doing a passenger business and darkness forced the aviator to quit before all of his would-be passengers had received their thrill. The air lanes must be in better condition for travel than they were a year ago as the rate has been reduced from \$10 to \$5 for a ten-minute flight.

It is said Messrs Russell and Thorpe have made a proposition to the Rodeo management to put on an exhibition flight during the three days of the Rodeo.

FEDERAL TAXPAYERS' NAMES TO BE PUBLISHED

Portland, Ore., Aug. 9.—Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, today mailed to postmasters throughout the state a typewritten list containing the names of every individual who filed a federal income tax return for the calendar year 1922, residing in the respective postmaster's immediate locality. By a requirement of the revenue law these lists will be posted by the postmaster for inspection by the general public. This arrangement applies to all post-offices in the state from which returns were filed with the exception of Portland, Eugene and Pendleton. In lieu of typewritten lists at these points, a card index showing the names of all persons who filed returns is maintained at the collector's office in the custom house at Portland and the branch offices at Eugene and Pendleton. These cards may be inspected at any time by interested taxpayers.

STEPHENSON-HUGHES

Mr. Mervyn Stephenson of Condon and Miss Kelly Cecil Hughes of Fossil were married at The Dalles Monday, August 6, at 7:30 p. m.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hughes and was one of the most popular young school ma'ams of Wheeler county.

The bridegroom has been around this community for several years and is well known as an industrious young man. He is in the employ of the state highway department in the capacity of bridge engineer.—Fossil Journal.

The bride is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hughes of Heppner.

FOUR STATES CALLED TO WHEAT CONFERENCE

AGREEMENT ON PRICE STABILIZATION IS SOUGHT

Farmers and Legislators of Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Montana to Confer Saturday

Moscow, Idaho, Aug. 9.—Farmers and legislators representing four states—Idaho, Washington, Montana and Oregon—have been invited to assemble here Saturday, August 18, to agree on a program for stabilization of the price of wheat. The call was issued by the Moscow chamber of commerce as a further step in its endeavor to remedy the present illogical economic situation of the wheat farmer.

Leaders of farmers' organizations, together with senators and representatives of the four northwestern states and proponents of various solutions of the present difficulty have been invited. Already sufficient response has been received to assure the success of the meeting. Farmers of the Moscow district are holding preliminary meetings to discuss the event.

Government fixation of the price of wheat was proposed by the Moscow chamber of commerce in a resolution adopted last winter. This proposal was embodied in the Gooding bill, which will be before congress again at its next session, providing that the government fix the price of wheat by buying at \$1.75 for three years. This proposal has aroused nation-wide discussion, which has produced several alternative plans.

Among those who have signified their intention to be present at the Moscow meeting are Senator Frank R. Gooding of Idaho, author of the Gooding bill; Representative Burton L. French of Idaho, who has suggested that the government agree to buy surplus wheat at a fixed price in June; S. B. L. Penrose, president of Whitman college, who proposes that the government fix a bounty on export wheat and an equivalent duty on wheat imported; Senator C. C. Dill and Representative J. W. Summers of Washington, and President Adams of the Washington Farmers' union.

The object of the meeting it is announced, is not to induce acceptance of any particular plan, but to crystallize effort around whichever plan seems best after review of all of them, so as to get some action in time to help the farmer in his financial problems as soon as possible.

If the four northwestern states can agree on a unit program the hope is expressed that other sections of the country can come to similar agreements in similar sectional meetings, which may result in a great national meeting.

WHEAT ASSOCIATION HEAD WAS HEPPNER VISITOR

A. H. Lea, manager of the Oregon Co-operative Wheat Growers association, was a visitor here last Wednesday evening, returning to Portland on Thursday morning's train.

It is understood that reports had reached Portland to the effect that some Morrow county members of the association were not satisfied with results of the association last year and that reports were in circulation that a meeting was to be called to discuss withdrawal from the association. Mr. Lea therefore asked to have every member of the association notified by letter that he would be in Heppner on Wednesday evening to meet with the members and hear any complaints that might be made and to talk over the situation. No member with a grievance or complaint appeared, however, and no meeting was held.

It is said on the street that an official of the Morrow County Farm Bureau recently addressed a letter to members of the wheat growers association asking for a vote or expression of opinion from the members on the question of withdrawal from the association but as the action was taken without authority from officers of the association, but few responses were forthcoming.

John Patterson went to Portland this morning on a short business trip.

GRAIN GROWERS ASK COOLIDGE FOR HELP

SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS IS REQUESTED

Conditions and Economic Punishment of Last Three Years Are Held Intolerable

Minneapolis, Aug. 12.—President Coolidge was urged to call a special session of congress immediately to provide relief for the nation's wheat growers, in a telegram sent tonight by the American Wheat Growers association, Inc., the largest association of wheat growers in the country.

The telegram was signed by officers of the association and trustees of the nine state wheat-growing associations which compose the parent body. It was dispatched at the close of a four-day session of the board of directors of the larger association.

In its communication to the president, the American Wheat Growers Association advocated immediate legislation authorizing the establishment of a federal agency to purchase wheat in the open market when it reaches a price lower than \$1.75 a bushel, as a means of stabilizing this market.

"Impelled by the intolerable conditions and economic punishment now experienced by the wheat growers of America as the culmination of three years of extreme price depression, the American Wheat Growers Association, Inc., respectfully urges that you call an immediate session of congress to provide means of relief. This is the largest exclusive organization of wheat growers in the United States with 80,000 members in nine wheat states, established to secure a fair price for wheat through co-operative marketing. But the development of such an organization is necessarily a matter of some time, and the American Wheat Growers Association, Inc., will not this year be in a position to control bushelage sufficiently to influence markets to a degree which is imperative if the nation's wheat growers are to be afforded relief.

"The American Wheat Growers Association, Inc., advocates through immediate legislation, the establishment of a federal agency, suitably financed, to go into the open market and purchase wheat whenever the price drops below a basis of \$1.75 per bushel for No. 1 dark northern spring wheat at Chicago, with suitable differentials for wheat of different grades and qualities, this agency to act during the marketing year of 1923 and until July 1, 1924. From that date onward, wheat producers, through their organization, will exert sufficient domestic price control to insure capital returns commensurate with their capital and labor investment."

Those who affixed their signatures to the telegram were George C. Jewett, general manager, and William J. Brown, president of the American Wheat Growers Association, and the following trustees representing the associations named: Warren Pope and H. J. Wreth for Colorado; Geo. C. Jewett and H. J. Herman, for Idaho; William J. Brown and W. H. Frederick for Minnesota; J. F. Walton and B. D. Hollenback for Montana; James Thomas and J. L. Hull for Nebraska; George E. Duls and A. N. Winge for North Dakota; A. R. Shumway and C. A. Harth for Oregon; Carl Gunderson and C. W. Croes for South Dakota; W. J. Rob-

inson and C. N. Hatch for Washington.

Reports from all states show that wheat growers are unable to withstand another year of present prices, Mr. Jewett asserted tonight. He said that at present there are 12 states wheat growing associations, nine of which act through the American Wheat Growers' organization. "The need of the wheat market is for immediate, temporary action," Mr. Jewett said. "There is no thought of any permanent fixing of prices by the government. Before the next marketing season the co-operative associations will be in control of more than two-thirds of the wheat grown in the heavy wheat states, and from that time the farmers will be in a position to determine by their own power that domestic wheat prices are set on a plane that will afford satisfactory returns."

PREDICTS ELEVEN-CENT GAS ON PACIFIC COAST

Seattle, Aug. 13.—Douglas A. Shelor, manager of the Automobile Club of Washington, today predicted that gasoline will go down to 11 cents on the Pacific coast as the result of the over production at the refineries.

Co-operative plans for selling gasoline in competition with the big companies cannot meet with the sustained success due to the fact that the companies will immediately lower their prices to meet the new competition, in Shelor's opinion.

CITY COUNCIL PASSES TWO NEW ORDINANCES

At a recent meeting of the city council two new ordinances were placed on third reading and passed.

One forbids the parking of any vehicle on Main street between May and Baltimore streets between the hours of midnight and 6:00 A. M. A fine of not more than \$50 or imprisonment of not more than 25 days is imposed for infraction of the ordinance which is intended principally to keep the street clear from curb to curb to avoid interfering with the operation of the sprinkling truck which operates on Main street between the hours named.

The other ordinance passed requires that all persons selling milk or cream within the limits of the city shall obtain a permit showing that their cows have been tested and found free from tuberculosis and that the stables are kept in a sanitary condition. A fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 or imprisonment of 5 to 50 days is provided.

HEAT POPS CORN ON EAR THE LONE STAR STATE

Cleburn, Texas, July 28.—A record in heat and hot weather stories was set here when the mercury soared around 110 and J. A. Davis told of corn popping off the ear. Davis exhibited the ear, which had been picked from a field on a farm near Cleburn.

The intense heat had caused several kernels to explode, Davis declared. Sweltering hearers of the yarn expressed never a doubt.

GOVERNOR PIERCE SETS CONVICT CONNORS FREE

PRISONER WHO DEMANDED HIS RELEASE GETS IT

Query—Who Runs Pen; the Governor, Parole Board or Convicts?

James Charles Connors, the convict who a few days ago addressed an unusual letter to Governor Pierce in which he demanded a pardon, was granted his freedom last Saturday by the governor. The pardon was not recommended by the parole board.

In his letter to the governor Connors demanded his pardon because of hospital service rendered during the epidemic of influenza at the prison a couple of years ago during which time he claims that he contracted the drug habit. He also charges that the parole board did not give him a square deal. He also charged cruel and inhuman treatment on the part of prison officials and guards.

Former officials at the prison declare that Connors is one of the most desperate men ever confined there. According to his alleged record as published by Portland papers, he is said to have a long criminal record and that he specialized in beating elderly widows out of their small means.

Governor Pierce also granted a conditional pardon to Frank Foster, a had check artist, who is said to have passed worthless paper in five states. His release was opposed by the parole board and by the judge and prosecuting attorney who heard and tried the case.

It is said that when Foster last appeared before the parole board he said he did not want a pardon on his own account but that he wanted an opportunity to vindicate the humane policy of Warden Johnson and Governor Pierce. Since Warden Johnson took charge of the prison nearly 50 convicts have escaped from the institution. Recently the convicts sent an ultimatum to the governor demanding that the entire management of the prison be turned over to the warden and threatened that if their demands were not met within 60 days that there would be many more escapes.

Many citizens are asking the question: "Who is running the penitentiary, the parole board, the governor, the warden or the convicts?"

WHEAT MEN IN CONFERENCE AT SPOKANE YESTERDAY

Several hundred wheatgrowers were expected to gather at Spokane yesterday to confer on the wheat situation.

While the prime object of the meeting was announced to be in the nature of an effort to have an extra session of congress called to give some measure of relief to the farmers, it was announced that no definite plan had been adopted but that all plans heretofore discussed would be considered and the best one selected.

U. S. Senator Borah and Representative French, of Idaho, and State Market Agent Spence, of Oregon, were listed as being on the program as speakers.

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