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INFORMATION WANTED ON SCHOOL QUESTION

Heppner papers, through dope furnished by smooth, unscrupulous propagandists, are publishing articles on the school unit system. Heppner would like only too well to shoulder their high school indebtedness upon outlying districts, and in this our illustrious school superintendent is helping the deal along; helping to further burden our poor farmers by shoving onto them their quack, bugaboo unit system. Ye gods!—lone Independent.

Tut, tut, brother. Don't get so excited all at once. So far as the Herald is concerned it believes the province of a newspaper in regard to any public question in which the public is or should be interested is to publish all the information possible on both sides. The Herald has been publishing some articles favorable to the county unit system but its space is just as available and just as free for arguments against the measure.

Brother Hassler is a pretty "smooth," though not an "unscrupulous" propagandist himself and we gladly prefer him space in the Herald in which to advance any arguments he may have against the proposed county unit school system. The Herald man is looking for all the information he can get on this very important subject before deciding how to vote on it and he believes the reading public is in a similar frame of mind. We will, therefore, welcome an article from Mr. Hassler's virile typewriter and will gladly give it space in the Herald.

What we want to know is how the system will work out; how it has worked out in other states and counties, whether it will raise or lower the taxes, whether it will give us better or poorer elementary schools in Morrow county and whether—should it appear that it will increase taxes and improve the schools—the improvement will be worth the increased cost as a business proposition.

This offer of space is not limited to Mr. Hassler but is open to anyone who has information on the subject that he thinks will be of interest to Herald readers.

New Street Grade Progressing

Work on the new grade on upper Main street is progressing satisfactorily and it will not be long until laying of macadam will commence. The improvement is one long needed and will give an easy five per cent grade into and out of the town where the old grade reached close to 10 per cent in places. The work is being done for the city by the county road department under the supervision of Roadmaster McCaleb.

The Latourell Auto Co., authorized Ford and Fordson distributors for the Heppner district, report having placed 69 new cars, 1 new tractor and a new truck during the month of February, besides disposing of 8 used cars. This is the best February business in the history of the agency and Mr. Latourell says it is away ahead of last year. Up to the 19th of last March only one car had been sold.

HARDMAN

An assembly was given Friday by the grade school and high school in honor of Washington's Birthday. The program consisted of recitations, songs and dialogues. The last number on the program was an inter-class debate between the Juniors and the Sophomores. The question was, "Resolved, that our city should own and operate its own street car system." The Junior class, represented by Dale Bleakman and Hazel Hays took the affirmative side, while the Sophomore class, represented by Alice Keithley and Lee Merrill, took the negative. The judges were the three grade school teachers, Mr. Walker, Mrs. Hummel and Miss McMurry. Both debating teams put up strong arguments. The Juniors won the debate by the unanimous vote of the judges for the affirmative side.

CECIL

E. Balcomb, the obliging postmaster of Morgan, was calling in Cecil on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Everett and party of friends spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk before leaving for their homes in Wasco. Mrs. R. A. Thompson and children of Heppner were visiting with Mrs. Geo. Krebs at The Last Camp on

Monday at The Last Camp, and no need to say a lively time was enjoyed by all the wee boys. Wilfred Cecil, who has been working for J. W. Osborn at Fairview ranch for a short time, left on Saturday for Heppner. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd of Butterby Flats and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Henricksen and daughters of Ewing, also Geo. Krebs of The Last Camp were all visiting at the county seat during the week. Will Thompson of Los Angeles visited his old friends in Cecil on Monday before leaving for Heppner, where he will spend a short time with his brothers. R. U. Morse, county agent, was calling on the farmers on Willow on Friday. Mr. John Gray and children of Shady Dell were visiting with Mrs. Geo. Hardesty at Morgan on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Tyler on the arrival of a fine bouncing boy on Feb. 27. Dr. McMurdo of Heppner was in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pettyjohn and sons of Morgan were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krebs and twin sons gold mine at Helena, Montana. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Farnsworth have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Farnsworth for a few days before returning to their ranch near Monument. M. and Mrs. Charlie Thompson and sons and also Mrs. Wm. Beymer of Heppner, who had been visiting in the Rose City, spent a few hours with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd at Butterby Flats when they returned to Heppner on Sunday. Mrs. Jack Hynd and daughter, Miss Annie, and niece, Mrs. Roy Scott, were calling on Mrs. Geo. Krebs on Monday. Mr. C. Henricksen of Portland, accompanied by his son Peter of Walla Walla, made a short stay in Cecil on Sunday before leaving for Heppner. H. O. Ely and Bert Palmaseer, prominent farmers of the Morgan district, and several other leading lights of that town made a hurried call in Cecil on Sunday on their return from the Oddfellows convention which they attended while in Pendleton on Saturday. Mrs. J. C. Kelsay and friends, from Grass Valley, were calling in Cecil vicinity on Friday. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McEntire of Killarney were visitors in Arlington on Saturday. Mrs. Geo. Krebs and sons, accompanied by Miss Annie C. Lowe, were calling at Butterby Flats on Friday. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. May of Lone Star ranch left for The Dalles on Wednesday. Mr. May, who has been ailing for some time, will be under the care of his doctor for some weeks. C. D. Sennett of Portland arrived at The Willows a few days ago and will visit with his son-in-law, Melville Logan, for a few weeks before leaving for his annual trip to his Sunday. While R. A. was amongst his men at The Shepherds Rest. Congratulations are extended to

WOMAN IS A GENERAL



Here is the Chinese woman commander, General Wong, who commands a detachment of Honan soldiers. These troops are supporters of Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. J. H. Cox, who has been very ill for some time, is reported better and improving gradually.

The board of examiners for the O. W. R. & N. Co., are expected to arrive in Heppner this evening to hold an examination of all employees of the company. The depot force, train crew and all other employees will have to take the quiz to see whether they have forgotten anything they knew last year about railroading. The board of examiners travel in a special car where the examinations are held.

MOTOR BUS GROWS POPULAR

Hundred Electric Railway Companies Now Are Using It to Supplement Their Service.

The motor bus grows in use. There are now, says Financial America, about 100 electric railway companies using motor buses. In a majority of these cases the motor bus is actually supplementing and adding to the service rendered. This list of 100 companies are operating approximately 4,000 motor vehicles, practically all of the single deck 25-passenger or 14 to 18 passenger type.

Most of the motor bus lines in the United States are operating on a ten-cent fare basis, and the opinion of electric railway officials is almost unanimous that a five-cent fare operation will not prove profitable. The public demand a seat, more speed, greater comfort and appreciate the safety factor of loading at the curb, and up to the present have indicated a willingness to pay the ten-cent fare rate.

The potential growth of this type of service is large. Already there are more than 40,000 motor vehicles in service in the United States carrying passengers over schedule territory (exclusive of taxicabs). The figures for Newark, N. J., are indicative of the possibilities. In 1916 there were 4,000,854 passengers carried by jitneys in Newark. Last year there were 16,375,000 passengers carried in motor buses, and the figures for the last few months indicate a 1923 total of 17,000,000 passengers.

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