

ENJOYS LIVING IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA.

Former Heppner Resident
Writes Entertainingly of
Present Home and Sur-
roundings.

Dear Editor:
You, no doubt, as well as many others will be greatly surprised in reading this letter written by one, from whom the most of you have not heard for many a day.

You see I receive the Gazette-Times each Monday and read the home news with much interest and some way during the past few months I have had a longing to write a letter to be printed within its columns, to let you know, both how I appreciate reading about you all and also about our whereabouts, etc. During these busy, rushing, whirling days, we get so little time to write and exchange greetings with relatives and friends. The only ones in Heppner from whom I ever have a personal message are my brother and his wife. But having this opportunity and pleasure each week of hearing from some of my girlhood friends, through the agency of "The Gazette-Times", I thought, perhaps, that you in return would enjoy hearing of me and mine, at least, once in ten or a dozen years.

It will have been eleven years next Xmas since I left my old home town. Seven years ago this Fall we were home for several weeks on a visit as we were on our way from Cold Wisconsin to Sunny California.

My mind is often turned northward and I long many times to see the old familiar places and faces. Although to be frank with you I would not exchange the pleasure and the health we enjoy living in the climate of Southern California with that which we have had living in other climates. We are perfectly satisfied and care never to leave the southern part of the Golden State to live elsewhere.

You say that I am not a booster of Morrow county. Why should I be now? My brother is (because he has never lived here). I'll not say more on that subject for fear, Mr. Editor, that you will not publish my letter. I know how loyal the most of you are to Morrow county and rightly so.

Heppner has changed a great deal and so has its people since I was there. Many of the dear friends and yes some loved ones too have gone on to their eternal reward. Some have married and settled down right around their home nests. Others have moved into different climates and surroundings, some near and some far away from relatives and friends, gone among strangers as I have done. While the rest, who do not at present live among the hills of Heppner and its vicinity, have, I understand, become "Webfooters" and have sought the wet streets of Portland. Don't tell them that I said so—you know I spent a few years in the Willamette Valley myself and enjoyed them, too; in fact, the wets have not all yet disappeared from between my toes. It was there within the halls of old Portland University that I met my fate. I have fond recollections of Portland and especially so of University Park. Mr. Wentworth, I think, would say the same, at least, he would hate to say otherwise, even if he does not like so much rain. You ought to see the Californians stay in when a few drops of rain fall. They seem to think that a cloud has burst.

I see many strange names in "The Gazette-Times" which by the way has changed its name too; still there are some very familiar names mentioned in each issue. I always enjoy reading its pages.

When Mr. Shatt was editor of "The Times" I often sent "University Notes" to him to pay my subscription fee for the home news while I was in attendance at the University. This, of course, strengthened my interest in the home paper and, no doubt, is the source that now, after the elapse of nearly eleven busy, flying years, prompts me once more to speak through its agency to my home folks.

I will refrain from further retrospect. Although the memories of home and my girlhood days are ever sweet to my mind, the memories of today will be just as sweet, yes, sweeter tomorrow than those of yesterday are today.

I, with my congenial companion and five dear, lively children, are happily located in the city of Corona, which is the second largest city in Riverside county, having a population of six thousand inhabitants. Corona is a Spanish name and means a crown.

The country around about us is very beautiful indeed—the valley with its large orange and lemon groves; its vast fields of grain and alfalfa which yields on an average of nine tons per acre annually and its green meadows creeping up to the foothills with the mountains and some snow capped peaks beyond, makes a

magnificent study for any artist's eye. Corona bears the distinction of being the largest shipping point of lemons in the United States. It is located fifteen miles south of Riverside and fifteen miles east of Los Angeles. It is often called the "Circle City" on account of the Circular Boulevard which is one hundred feet wide and three miles in circumference and which encircles the main part of the city. This brands it as very different from any other city. The boulevard is being macadamized and now is close to completion.

The World's Automobile mind is being centered at present on this perfect circle boulevard as a speedway. In fact all arrangements have been made for an automobile meet on September ninth, Admission Day. \$16,000.00 have been raised for prizes and some trophies have been put up. Great interest is being taken by all of the cities around about and all are in great expectancy that the world's speed record will be broken on this track. Barney Oldfield and other national speeders have driven over the course and have declared it to be an ideal speedway.

You see that we have some excitement ahead of us, but not such risky, road-race excitement as that of the Fourth of July race from Los Angeles to Sacramento.

I am very thankful, however, that we live three blocks off of the Boulevard. In Santa Monica, we lived only one-half of a block from the race course and the noise of the practising for several mornings and then of the race all day, nearly drove us mad.

Corona has good schools, churches, a fine new City Hall with an auto fire engine, a nice City Park in its infancy, lovely homes and no saloons. The people are a very congenial people to live among.

Next conference, which meets at Long Beach the first week in October, I believe, we close our second year here and expect to be returned for our third year. Our church has a membership now of almost five hundred and a fine graded Sunday school with an average attendance of two hundred and sixty three. We have a nice lot of young people in our League. Not long ago the League gave a banquet at which sixty young folks were placed. Our ladies have three good societies. Last May our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society entertained the San Diego District Convention of that Society and had a very gracious time. The Brotherhood, too, is a flourishing organization. They had a "lawn party" in the early spring and as a result from that party, the church grounds are now beautified by a lovely green lawn. They worked hard for it. The children, too have their society and take great interest in it.

Last fall the parsonage was transformed into a modern home which we, of course greatly enjoy and appreciate. The winter has been a very busy and prosperous one in the history of the church and consequently very busy and profitable for us. The summer days promise as much activity as these of the winter.

Just now Mr. Wentworth and I are taking life easy for the space of about three weeks. We are on our vacation, visiting friends in Berkeley, Oakland, San Francisco, Pasadena, Long Beach and Los Angeles. This is the first time since we took our "bridal tour," that we have taken a trip by ourselves.

Since being here I have had the delightful pleasure of calling on two of my Heppner school chums, Mrs. Jennie McCarter and Mrs. Lottie Young, both now of Oakland. The first time since my wedding that I had seen any of my Heppner school friends. It seemed good and recalled many fond recollections. Do you wonder that I feel young once again, and am thinking of home and girlhood friends? We first planned a trip farther north to visit Eugene, Portland and Heppner, but our time and purse became limited.

The other day we were over to visit the World's Fair grounds. One building is completed. The Machinery Hall is up in frame. It is a high building composed of eight million feet of lumber and eight thousand tons of bolts; is one thousand feet long, three hundred feet wide and about one hundred and fifty feet high. There are two thousand men at work now and in two weeks there will be six thousand at work and sixteen new buildings started. The information was given to us by one of the head men on the grounds. It certainly will pay you to commence now to save up your money to visit San Francisco and San Diego in 1915.

This was my first visit to San Francisco since 1900, when a party including my parents, Miss Anna Basinger, Mrs. Albert Slocum and myself attended an Epworth League Convention there.

Before closing this lengthy letter allow me to add a few words concerning the most interesting feature, and perhaps the most trying of patience, in our lives. I now refer to our children. Lucile will be ten years old next Jan. and is large for her age. Next fall she enters the fourth grade and is taking quite an interest



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Some sweet day I hope to visit Morrow county and to look into your face and grasp your hand once more. No doubt I will see many of you down here in 1915, God willing.

Thanking you for your patience, I ever remain

Yours most sincerely,
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