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MAYOR SMEAD AND NEW COUNCIL MEET

New Council Receives Recommendations From Mayor—J. R. McCraw Is Marshal.

Monday evening saw the passing of the old city administration and the ushering in of the new. Mayor Van Vactor presided over the last meeting with councilmen Minor, Barratt, Cornett, Currin, and Kirk present, Vaughn absent. After going through the regular routine of business and passing on the bills for the month, Mayor Van Vactor withdrew and Mayor-elect Smead took up the reigns of government.

Mayor Smead made the following recommendations to the council:

"I recommend that the Ordinance Book be indexed and annotated by a competent person at the earliest possible date. I also recommend that the Recorder be put on a straight salary. I make this recommendation for the reason that I have heard more kinks on this one thing than perhaps any other. Every public official ought to be protected in such a manner that there could be no possible suspicion of graft.

"I shall insist that the Recorder render an itemized account of all fines and other moneys coming into his hands, to the Finance Committee and at the first regular meeting each month, that the Finance Committee pass upon this statement the same as any other financial account. I would also ask that the council pass an ordinance more clearly and more fully defining the duties of the Recorder. I ask that you incorporate in this ordinance that the Recorder levy all fines in open court.

"I also desire to recommend to the council that they pass an ordinance that no proprietor or bar tender or any other person or persons be allowed to enter any bar room between the hours of midnight Saturday and 5 a. m. Monday, unless accompanied by an official. I would ask that the smallest fine for the violation of this ordinance be placed at \$25.

"I recommend that you pass an ordinance concerning the sale of tobacco to minors."

J. R. McCraw received the appointment as city marshal. In making the appointment, Mayor Smead said: "I have selected a man who I think will carry out my plans." He gave the marshal the following instructions:

"In the first place, I desire to instruct you that I will not stand for any marshal or deputy marshal drinking or playing cards in saloons. The first time that you or any deputy under you are seen taking a drink at any public place or playing a game of cards in any of the saloons of Heppner, you or they will lose their stars; there will be no second time.

"You will see that drunken men are kept off the streets of Heppner. When not too drunk, give them fair warning, and if they do not obey within five minutes, lock them up on charge of 'drunk and disorderly.' In the enforcement of this instruction I particularly charge that you show no favoritism.

"Enforce the law relating to selling or giving liquor to those already under its influence. This means that if you see any bar tender or proprietor of any saloon, or any person or persons selling or giving liquor to a man who is already sufficiently under its influence to be noticeable, that you are to arrest and bring them to trial for so doing.

"You are to see that all places of business are conducted in an orderly manner. See that no liquor is sold on Sunday. Enforce the Sunday closing law.

"You are to turn no person loose whom you have arrested, without orders from the Recorder. You are to accept no money in payment of fines, until the same has been ordered by the Recorder.

"You are to carry a pass book and enter therein the names of all persons arrested, the charge for which

they were arrested, the amount of the fine levied, if fined, in fact make a clear, concise statement of the disposition of the case. At the end of each month you will make out a list of names of the persons arrested, the charge, the amount of fine, if any, and deliver same to the Mayor. You will receive orders from the Mayor only.

"You will enforce the law relative to the sale or giving tobacco in any form to minors under the age of 18 years. You will strictly enforce the Curfew ordinance."

S. E. Notson was retained as city attorney.

Attorney J. J. Nys was engaged to do the work of indexing the Ordinance book. He has agreed to perform the work for fifty dollars.

Seven saloon licenses were granted for the quarter.

Owing to the fact that so much business is on the table at this time, the meeting was adjourned until next Monday night. At that time the matter of purchasing an oil sprinkler for the city will be settled and the Curfew ordinance will be discussed and passed upon.

Assessed \$100 Fine.

For the violation of the city ordinance in keeping their bar open after midnight on New Years, the Palace Hotel Co. was fined \$100 by Recorder Williams on Monday. On New Year's eve this company gave its annual country dance which was attended by some 350 or 400 people from town and country, and it is reported that joy reigned supreme from eight in the evening to six in the morning. It was no doubt for the purpose of keeping up the enthusiasm that the source of liquid refreshments was not shut off at midnight as by law of the city made and provided. In assessing this fine the recorder had no alternative as the amount is fixed. On a similar occasion a year ago the permission of the authorities was sought to keep this bar open all night, but it was not granted. Whether permission was asked for this time or not we have not learned, but certain it is that it was not granted. In fact, it could not be, and the management saw fit to keep open anyway, hence the fine.

Many in attendance at this function report a very enjoyable time and many others are quite severe in their criticism of the manner in which it was conducted. Of course it all depends on one's conception of what constitutes a good time, and also their idea of what is right and proper. However, some very ridiculous assertions have been made which cast reproach on a lot of good people and which should not be credited at all.

Buys Summer Range.

A deal in real estate the past week gives W. B. Ewing, extensive alfalfa raiser of Cecil, possession of 2500 acres of the Minor Bros. land in the vicinity of the Hamilton ranch on Caplinger creek. Mr. Ewing has purchased this tract of land as a summer range in the mountains where he can take stock from his lower Willow creek place. This gives him a chance to work off his alfalfa to a better advantage, as he can handle beef stuff finished off on his alfalfa at seasons of the year when it will prove the most profitable. Mr. Ewing has heretofore depended on shipping out his hay to dealers below. This plan will enable him to feed his hay at home and ship out the finished product in fattened cattle for the city market.

Room For Rent.

One room for rent in the Fair building. Bath in connection. Inquire of Mrs. Delia Hallock.

OREGON'S ACTIVITIES IN YEAR 1913 REACH ENORMOUS FIGURES

Portland, Ore., Jan. 6 (Special)—While in some single items Oregon's yield in 1913 was somewhat below that of the previous year, her total product for the year has never been surpassed. The market value of cereals produced in the state was approxi-

mately \$5,000,000 less than for 1912, but with this one exception, material gains were made in all agricultural lines. The following figures indicate that the state is maintaining the rapid advance in material wealth established in previous years.

GRAINS AND HAY.		
Wheat, bushels,	19,150,000	\$ 15,325,000
Barley, "	4,000,000	3,380,000
Oats, "	12,500,000	4,900,000
Rye, "	350,000	310,000
Corn, "	850,000	525,000
Hay, tons	1,300,000	14,000,000
Total for 1913	-	\$ 38,440,000
Total for 1912	-	43,488,000
VEGETABLES.		
Total for 1913	-	18,530,000
Total for 1912	-	17,786,000
LIVESTOCK.		
Cattle, head,	560,000	42,000,000
Dairy cows, "	212,000	18,900,000
Hogs, "	1,000,000	14,000,000
Sheep, "	1,825,000	7,225,000
Horses, "	279,000	20,000,000
Mules, "	8,930	1,780,000
Goats, "	187,000	280,000
Total for 1913	-	\$ 104,185,000
Total for 1912	-	102,494,000
FRUITS AND NUTS.		
Total for 1913	-	9,070,220
Total for 1912	-	6,430,000
WOOL AND MOHAIR.		
Total for 1913	-	2,917,000
Total for 1912	-	2,761,000
DAIRY PRODUCTS.		
Butter, lbs.	20,000,000	7,000,000
Cheese, "	9,000,000	1,440,000
Milk and creams, gallons,	26,000,000	13,000,000
Total for 1913	-	21,440,000
Total for 1912	-	16,090,000
MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS including poultry, eggs, hops, salmon and other fish, honey, etc.		
Total for 1913	-	48,975,000
Total for 1912	-	38,017,000

LEXINGTON ITEMS.

Miss Dell Fuqua is quite sick at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bert Ward.

Quite a crowd was out to hear Mr. Taber preach Sunday night. He preaches regularly on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Lawrence Reaney and wife returned to their home above Heppner after visiting relatives and friends for the holidays.

Mrs. Ed Duran is quite sick at her home, the result of being vaccinated. It is thought she has an attack of varioloid.

Mr. Berggreen, from up the creek, sold his ranch to a family in the valley. The newcomers arrived here on Saturday's train.

Jos. Burgoyne has been feeling bad for a week wrestling with lagrippe. There are a good many in the village suffering with a pneumonia cough.

Misses Edna Carmichael and Winnie Smith returned to their studies at Monmouth, Saturday morning, after spending the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. Marsh White is on the sick list. During her illness Marsh is chief cook and bottle washer. He says he never knew until now how much there is to housework.

A representative of the Oregon Nursery Co., of Oreno, Ore., visited Lexington Saturday and Sunday. The orders he received, when filled, will be shipped to Marsh White.

Miss Vesta Cutsforth returned to Echo Sunday so that she could resume her teaching there in the public school. Muriel Reed, who has been visiting Mrs. Allen, also returned to her home below Portland.

Look at that ad on gasoline engines in another column.

Telephone Co. Meets.

A meeting of the Blackhorse Telephone Company was held on Saturday afternoon at the Court house, a good attendance of the subscribers being present. A report of the year's business was submitted and shows the company to be in good condition. There are 24 phones on the line and these were maintained at an expense for the entire year of \$1.00 per phone. The officers elected for the year 1914 are, W. B. Barratt, president; W. G. McCarty, vice-president; R. W. Turner, secretary; W. G. Scott, treasurer; David Brown, lineman, and M. J. Devin and J. G. Doherty, executive committee.

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Buys Wheat Here.

C. B. Sperry, of Ione, was in Heppner the past week for several days and during that time bought a lot of wheat for an export firm in Portland. He says he was surprised to find so large an amount of grain at Heppner, and also states that he bought some of the best wheat here he has seen in years. Much of his purchase is the finest milling wheat, and this will go to the flouring mills in different parts of the Pacific Coast. The best milling wheat produced is raised in the vicinity of Heppner, and Mr. Sperry says there is a growing demand for it by outside millers.

The Income Tax.

A full explanation of the Income-Tax law, which is proving a puzzle to many people, will be found in the January Lippincotts. Edward Sherwood Mead, Lippincott's financial expert, is the author of the paper.

"The present income-tax law levies a tax of one per cent upon the annual net income of every citizen of the United States, every alien residing within the United States, and in some cases upon the income of non-resident aliens" says Dr. Mead. In addition to the income tax of one per cent., there is a sur-tax, or additional tax, ranging from one to six per cent. upon amounts of income in excess of \$20,000. There is also a normal tax of one per cent. levied upon the net income of every corporation, agent, stock company, association, and insurance company organized in the United States. The exemption provided in the law is not based upon the individuals, but upon income. From the net income of each person may be deducted a specific exemption of \$3,000, plus \$1,000 additional if the person making the return be married.

"It is to be observed that the richest man in the United States is entitled to this exemption, equally with the man who receives only \$5,000 a year. \$3,000 or \$4,000 is to be deducted from the incomes of all persons liable to the tax. The additional tax is in the same manner computed on the excess rather than the total. For example, a married person whose net income for the year amounts to \$100,000 pays one per cent. on \$96,000, and an additional one per cent. on \$30,000, the amount exceeding \$20,000 and not exceeding \$50,000; an additional two per cent. on \$25,000, the amount exceeding \$50,000 and not exceeding \$75,000; an additional three per cent. on \$21,000, the amount exceeding \$75,000 and less than \$100,000. If the tax-payer has an income of \$250,000, he will pay five per cent. on \$150,000; with a \$500,000 income, he will pay six per cent. on \$250,000; and all incomes exceeding \$250,000 will pay the additional six per cent. The total range of the tax is from one to seven per cent.

"The law is very specific as to the method by which the net income is to be calculated. Starting with the gross income, which includes every kind of salaries, wages, business profits, interest, rents, etc., the description being made in very general terms, three classes of deductions and exemptions are given. The first has already been mentioned, the specific exemption of \$3,000 or \$4,000. The second includes those deductions which are made from gross income in computing the net amount subject to the normal tax, and third, incomes exempt from tax."

New Arrivals.

This office acknowledges a very pleasant call Tuesday from Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cummings, recent arrivals in this county from the Willamette Valley. They have taken possession of the Olaf Berggreen farm as the new owners and Mr. Berggreen and his family will go to the Valley to engage again in the sawmill business. Mr. Cummings is a man of experience in dry farming, having followed this business for many years in Montana, and he feels that he can take hold of his new farm as one who understands how to handle it in a successful way. Mr. and Mrs. Cummings are well pleased with the outlook and the surroundings of their newly acquired home.

SECOND POULTRY SHOW ATTRACTS

Exhibits Are Many and Class of Birds Better Than Ever—B. F. Keeny of Eugene Is Judging.

Morrow County's second annual poultry show is now being pulled off at the Fair Store building, and starts in a very auspicious manner.

At the opening yesterday the coops contained in the neighborhood of 450 fowls, and many of them are mighty fine birds. The show last season was somewhat of an experiment and the exhibitors had a good many things to learn. They have profited by their experience for the exhibits show much better preparation this time. The birds have been properly prepared for the show and they certainly present an appearance beautiful to behold.

The attendance is good, the people of the community showing their appreciation of the efforts put forth by the Association to give them a comprehensive idea of what the poultry raisers of the county are doing in the raising of high class stuff.

Judging began yesterday and single birds and pens are making high scores.

In our next issue we hope to give the full list of prize winners.

Dragged to Death.

Melvin Kleis, a farmer living west of Ione, was found dead out in the pasture where he had evidently been dragged by a horse. From indications, he had gone to catch the animal, carrying a halter with chain attached, and had in some manner become entangled. This was on New Year's day or the day before, and when the body was picked up it was frozen stiff. Coroner Chick, of Ione, in investigating the case, decided that the evidence of death was so plain that an inquest was not necessary. The remains were taken to Ione where burial was made. Mr. Kleis lived alone and so far as ascertained at this time he has no relatives in this country.

Through the kindness of Mrs. D. E. Gilman, a representative of the Gazette-Times was taken for an automobile spin up through the hills north of Lexington last Sunday. The roads were in fine condition, the air balmy and warm and withal the trip was one of rare delight. To one who is not familiar with that section a pleasant surprise is afforded. Following up Piper canyon over a smooth, well-kept strawed road you come suddenly upon the farm home of Mr. John Piper. This is one of the best improved farms in the county and shows the result of constant attention and the careful business management of a man who has always had unbounded faith in his section. Mr. Piper has built a home worthy of the name and were more of our farmers to follow his example there would be less of this exodus to the towns. Beyond Piper's there is a very fine grain field, the wheat being up two or three inches. The view from the top of the hill at this point is inspiring and affords a splendid panorama of the big north end of the county. A short ride down through the hills and we came upon Lexington. Stopping there long enough to take on water, the car was turned in the direction of Heppner.