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MORROW CITIZENS WILL SEND AID TO BELGIANS

Commercial Club Appoints Committee of Business Men to Look After Donations.—Transportation Committee Upheld.

That Heppner and Morrow county will do something to aid the starving Belgians, was definitely decided at a meeting of the Heppner Commercial Club last Friday evening. A committee was appointed. This committee, consisting of W. A. Richardson, Hanson Hughes and J. J. Nys, reported at the same meeting in the form of suggestion that a permanent committee of five members be appointed by the Club to handle and care for all donations which might consist of foods of any kind, clothing and such other appropriate donations. A central warehouse for storage purposes was also suggested by the committee for receiving donations. The committee appointed for the Belgian relief is Sam Hughes chairman, Frank Gilliam, Chas. Thomson, M. D. Clark and A. M. Phelps.

The Club decided to sustain the actions of the transportation committee, consisting of J. P. Conder, L. E. Bisbee and J. J. Nys. This committee had been appointed several months ago to look into the transportation service which was being provided by the railroad company, in regard to moving freight, passengers and as to rates charged. The committee worked long and faithfully, finally getting the matter of better train service before the railroad commission, after the railroad company had stated that they could not afford to make the improvements asked for in the complaint of the transportation committee. As the committee had never filed any of their correspondence with the club and inasmuch as there appeared no record of reports from the committee in the Club's minute books, President Smead concluded that the transactions of the committee were somewhat irregular and that many of them had not been sanctioned by the club. With this conclusion in mind, Mr. Smead sent to the railroad commission, a complaint for the dismissal of the complaint formerly filed in the name of the club.

After the entire matter was thoroughly gone over, it was decided by vote that the Club back up the committee. In their actions, inasmuch as not only the local club, but other clubs tributary, are effected with moves made thus far by the committee. As the matter now stands for improvement of the passenger service on the Heppner branch, it will go before the railroad commission at Salem and will be given an impartial hearing by them. Whether Heppner and interior Morrow county will be benefited remains to be seen.

S. E. Notson and R. F. Hynd were appointed as delegates to the State Irrigation Congress which meets in Portland next month.

DRY MEASURE FORMED FOR THE LEGISLATURE

Portland, Ore., Dec. 2.—The Committee of One Hundred, under whose auspices the dry campaign was conducted, is now engaged in drawing up a measure to be presented to both houses of the 1914 legislature that will, the committee says, "represent both the letter and spirit of the amendment to the constitution."

Despite rumors to the contrary, there will be no attempt in this measure to prevent the distribution of liquor nor to prevent its use in the home. The enforcement measure, as was the amendment, is aimed merely at the open saloon and the public sale of liquor.

The Committee of One Hundred has been asked to take the responsibility of drawing up such a measure by 18 members of the legislature and it has now addressed a letter to the balance, asking members what their attitude will be toward such legislation.

Inasmuch as the state went dry by 36,000, it is felt that the sympathies of the legislature will be with the Committee of One Hundred's measure, which is being worked on by the best lawyers in the state. Before the final draft is completed suggestions will be asked from representatives of every leading temperance organization in Oregon.

Christian Church Notes.

There will be the usual services at the Christian church next Sunday. At 11 a. m. the pastor will preach on: "The Constraining Power of Love."

Christian Endeavor 6:45 p. m. Preaching 7:30.

Hereafter, every Thursday night will be Ladies' Night at The Alleys.

GOV. WEST GIVES PARDON TO CASSEY

Ex-Sheriff of Grant County, Last of Quintet Freed For Alleged Lynching of Oliver Snyder, Slayer of Arthur Greene.

Joseph Cassidy, ex-deputy Sheriff of Grant county, convicted early in 1910 of participation in the lynching of Oliver Snyder, whom he had arrested, and sentenced to be hanged received his pardon from Governor West last week, and was able to spend Thanksgiving with his family in their new home in Lake county. Cassidy was the only one of the men convicted of homicide in the first degree, and one of the reasons assigned by Governor West in commuting his sentence to life imprisonment was that all should receive the same punishment. According to the Governor, all pardons were recommended by the State Parole Board.

Snyder was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Cassidy for killing Arthur Greene, a brother of Albert Greene, the crime having been committed in December, 1909. It was charged that Cassidy conspired with Hinton, Green and the other two men to turn the prisoner over to them so they could lynch him.

MRS. H. E. McALISTER

Mrs. Hattie Emma McAlister passed away at her home in Lexington last Thursday morning after a short illness. Until recently, Mrs. McAlister resided with her husband, Ray McAlister and son, Welcome, in Heppner. Mr. McAlister being in the employ of the forest service. While here she did not enjoy the best of health, and it was largely due to this that the family moved to Central Oregon, and later to Lexington, in hope that changes might prove beneficial. Mrs. McAlister appeared to be in very good health until recently, and her death was a severe shock to her many friends here.

Mrs. Hattie Emma McAlister was born in Linn county, Oregon, on July 23, 1884, being the daughter of J. M. and Hattie Turner of Salem, Oregon. On July 15, 1905, she was married to Ray McAlister. Besides the husband and son who survive her she leaves to mourn her loss a father and mother, four brothers, who are Orain F. Turner of Jefferson, Ore., Welcome J. Turner, Camas, Wash., Frank O. Turner, Salem, Ore., and Jesse G. Turner, Portland; and three sisters, Mrs. Effie G. Graves of Grass Valley, Mrs. Bessie Byers, Salem, Ore., and Mrs. Nellie Bechtel of Salem, Ore.

Mrs. McAlister was an earnest worker in the South Methodist church, of which she had long been a member and also a member of the Rebecca lodge. The funeral was held from the Methodist church, South, in Lexington last Saturday afternoon, Rev. J. D. Crooks of Heppner conducting the services. Many friends and sister Rebecas attended from Heppner.

The annual meeting of the Oregon Sportsmen's League will be held in Portland, Dec. 6th and 7th.

On the former date, Dec. 6th, the Portland Gun Club and the Multnomah Angler's Club have joined in arranging a state shoot and state fly and bait casting contests. Suitable prizes have been offered for the various events.

Monday, Dec. 7th, the delegates will gather in the Convention Hall of the Portland Commercial Club to consider the needs and desires of the sportsmen of the various sections of the state. A concerted line of action in matters of fish and game legislation will be determined upon. This convention coming as it does just prior to the session of the state legislature is of great importance to all the sportsmen of the state.

All clubs, whether already members of the League or not, are urged to send delegates. The meeting will conclude with a duck dinner given at the Commercial Club. New motion pictures taken by State Game Warden Finley will be shown.

Excursion rates will be granted to all delegates by the railroads of the state.

C. N. Jones, local farmer, went to The Dalles Monday to attend a meeting of the State Farmers' Union, which is in session there this week. Mr. Jones goes as a delegate from the Heppner local. Oscar Keithly represents the Eight Mile local, and C. E. Jones is also attending, being, as he says, "only a rubberneck" to the proceedings. Mr. Jones took a large supply of his weeder advertising with him and will use it to good advantage among his fellow farmers at the convention.

A 1915 MAXWELL FREE TO SOME LADY IN MORROW COUNTY

The Gazette-Times in this week's issue announce that they have inaugurated a Popularity Contest, open to the ladies of this county and adjoining counties, to increase the circulation of The Gazette-Times, and to the most popular young lady will be given a 1915 Maxwell touring car and to the next a diamond ring, and a watch to the third and fourth respectively. Now this does not mean that the contest will be identified with any other commodity or business house, or that there will be any strings to it; but the lady, married or single, who turns to The Gazette-Times the largest number of

subscriptions within the next thirty days will be the owner of a new Maxwell which we have purchased from the Jack Rabbit Garage and which will be on exhibition in a few days. The diamond and watches are on display at the Borg Jewelry Store.

Now those who have a desire to help themselves in getting an automobile can find no easier way of getting a handsome present than this. On another page of this paper will be found the nomination coupon and also an information coupon, or a personal call at this office will be more beneficial, so get started at once as this contest will not last longer than thirty days.

CHICKEN SHOW WILL BE IN CLUB BUILDING

January 6, 7, 8 and 9 Are Named as Dates of the Next Annual Chicken Exhibition.—B. F. Keeney Will Judge.

The Third Annual Poultry Show of Morrow county will be held in Heppner at the Club Building on January 6, 7, 8, and 9. Officers of the Association have been busy the past week making the preliminary preparations and the premium books are now ready for distribution. Unlike past shows, the one this year will cover a period of four days instead of three. This will allow more time for thorough exhibition and judging. Those in charge are striving to make this show the biggest in the history of the Morrow County Poultry Association. To do this, they are offering attractive special prizes as premiums to farmers and other outsiders who might wish to compete with the local fanciers.

B. F. Keeney, county assessor of Lane county, a poultry fancier and Judge of Northwest renown, will serve as judge at the show again this year. Mr. Keeney's judging of last year gave perfect satisfaction and no doubt all exhibitors will be pleased to learn that Mr. Keeney will be here again.

Adam Knoblock, Rhea creek farmer, was attending to some business matters in this city last Saturday.

E. G. Harian, formerly of this city, came over from Echo last Saturday to spend some time with his brother, Leslie.

Lumbermen of the Pacific Northwest have been asked to bid on railroad ties for the Orient aggregating 9,000,000 feet, and with orders for the same material coming from Europe, it is expected the millmen of this territory will be right in line for their share of the anticipated good times.

TEN MILL TAX FOR SCHOOL EXPENSES

School District No. 1 Holds Meeting Friday to Provide For Running Expenses and Sinking Fund For Year.

A ten-mill tax was levied at the special school meeting of District No. 1, at the Council chambers in this city last Friday afternoon. Of this tax, 9 4-10 mills is for maintenance and 6-10 mill is for the sinking fund. This tax is the same amount as was raised last year, there being practically the same expense to meet by the district in 1915 as in 1914.

HYGIENE SOCIETY BEGINS CAMPAIGN HERE

Men's Meeting at the High School Auditorium Dec. 10—State and Local Speakers on Program.

Earl J. Cummins, representing the Oregon Social Hygiene Society, with offices in Portland, was in Heppner yesterday making preparations for a meeting in the High School Auditorium Thursday evening, December 10.

The Oregon Social Hygiene Society which is recognized as one of the strongest in the country, is co-operating with our community in conducting a steady campaign of education on the social evil. The meeting next Thursday evening will be presided over by C. E. Woodson. A comprehensive program has been prepared and the field will be covered by a member of the Executive Board of Oregon Social Hygiene Society of Portland and local speakers. This conference will be attended by physicians, educators and others who will be interested. It will be a meeting for men; bring a friend. That is the slogan of the society, and every man in the community who is legitimately and earnestly interested in the welfare of our boys and girls is urged to attend. There will be no admission charge and no collection.

I. O. O. F. MEMBERS TAKE NOTICE.



Geo. W. Wright, Grand Patriarch will be present on December 9, 1914, for an official visit to Cayuse Encampment, No. 40, and desires to meet all Odd Fellows and wives, Rebecas and husbands on that night in open meeting. Light refreshments at close of meeting. Come out and meet the Grand Patriarch and enjoy a social evening.

T. E. CHIDSEY,
D. D. G. P.

B. P. O. E. WILL HOLD ANNUAL MEMORIAL

Edwin W. Mueller of Portland Will Deliver Address—Appropriate Program For Annual Lodge of Sorrow.

The Annual Lodge of Sorrow of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks which will be held in the I. O. O. F. Hall next Sunday, will be addressed by Edwin W. Mueller, of Portland Lodge No. 142. Mr. Mueller is a speaker of marked ability and the local lodge feel that they are very fortunate in being able to have him give the address. Following is the program as arranged by the committee:

1. Voluntary . . . Virginia Crawford
2. Opening Ceremony by the Lodge.
3. Opening ode.
4. Solo, . . . "Beyond the Sunset" Margaret O'Rourke.
5. Prayer . . . Rev. W. N. Ferris
6. Thanatopsis . . . Addie M. Schwittay
7. Address . . . Edwin W. Mueller
8. Solo . . . Edith Thorley
9. Closing Ceremony by the Lodge
10. Doxology
11. Benediction

WAS EARLY PIONEER OF MORROW COUNTY

Mrs. Judith Mitchell, Long Resident of Heppner, Passes to Her Reward.

Another of the very early pioneers of this section was called hence on Thanksgiving morning, November 26 at her home in Heppner. Mrs. Judith Mitchell, who was among the first settlers of Umatilla and Morrow counties, passed quietly and peacefully to her final rest at an early hour on Thursday forenoon last, at the advanced age of 80 years. Death was caused from the infirmities of old age and coupled with ailments from which she had suffered for a great many years. On this particular morning, however, she was feeling unusually well and had been out walking around in the yard and enjoying the sunshine, and upon returning to the house she sat down to rest and without warning she peacefully passed from this existence to the better world as one going off to sleep.

Funeral services were held on Sunday morning last at 11 at the Christian church, Rev. J. V. Crawford officiating and being assisted by the pastor, Rev. T. S. Handsaker. Interment was made in the Masonic cemetery, the funeral being largely attended by the residents of Heppner, many of whom have known Grandma Mitchell all of their lives, and she was held in high esteem by all.

Judith Younger was born in Clay county, Missouri, September 25, 1834. She spent her youth and young womanhood there and was married to William Mitchell November 3, 1852.

The spring following, the then young couple, longing to have a home where the best opportunities offered, crossed the plains to what was then the Territory of Oregon, taking six months to complete the trip. They suffered many hardships on this journey, losing a number of cattle and horses in which they had invested their limited means. They lived in Yamhill county two years, Lane county one year, Linn county two years, and in 1859 moved to Eastern Oregon, settling on the Umatilla river. This was a wild section then and very sparsely settled, and at that time all of Eastern Oregon was Wasco county and these early settlers were subjected to extreme hardships and deprivations. In the early eighties, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell removed to Heppner, and at the general election in 1886 Mr. Mitchell was made county judge of Morrow county. He was re-elected in 1888 and 1890 and died during his last term. He was a Mason in high standing at the time of his death and an honored member of Heppner Lodge No. 69, and in whose memory the Lodge was never neglectful of the widow.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were born six children, two of whom died in infancy and one, Mrs. Flora Straight, passes away in 1885. Three still remain, Mrs. N. S. Whetstone, of this city; Oscar, who lives at Grass Range, Montana, and Charley of Okanogan, Wash.

Two hundred and forty-three boys attended the Boys' Conference held at McMinnville, beginning on Friday afternoon of last week. The delegates from Heppner, Elroy Hays, David Wilson and Junior Crawford, made the longest journey of any of those in attendance. Our boys returned home the first of the week and report an enjoyable and profitable trip.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Mammoth Bronze turkeys. Both hens and gobblers. T. J. MATLOCK.

JUBILEE SINGERS CAPTURE HEPPNER PEOPLE

Buckner's Famous Colored Troupe Live up to Their Reputation By Presenting Excellent Program in This City.

Buckner's famous jubilee singers, who appeared at the high school auditorium in this city last Wednesday evening as the second number of the lyceum course, presented a program which was up to the Buckner standard and the large audience which listened attentively to the songs, from camp meetin' shouts to grand opera, left the building fully satisfied, and declaring it was the best entertainment they had attended for many days.

The first number of the evening was the "Soldiers Chorus" from Faust. It was beautiful and all parts were handled in an excellent manner. This was one of the best numbers on the program, but a large part of the audience was evidently not expecting anything of its nature, and it went over their heads before they had an opportunity to grasp it. The evening's program was varied with solos, quartet and chorus work. The camp meeting songs and darkie melodies made a decided hit with the audience, and Harrison's comedy which was interspersed in nearly every song kept the audience in a very good humor. Harrison also entertained in monologue between curtains and he got off some good ones.

The solo work of Madame Buckner and Miss Smallwood was excellent. Miss Smallwood has a beautiful contralto voice and seems to sing without any apparent effort. Madame Buckner did her best in the prison scene from Ill' Traviata.

The entertainment was a financial success to the school, about \$75 over and above all expenses being taken in. This insures the success of the course for the season, as enough season tickets had been sold previously to protect the high school against any possible loss.

OREGON MAKES GAIN IN POPULATION

Portland, Ore., Dec. 2. (Special)—Certainly Oregon has no reason to be dissatisfied with the progress being made in populating the state, since the report recently issued by the State Labor Commissioner at Salem indicates that there are now 122,822 more residents in Oregon than when the 1910 census was compiled. Four years ago there were 672,765 people in the state, as compared with 795,587 at this time. The report was compiled from the enrollment and attendance figures of the school department in each county.

The report indicates that the growth in population is somewhat "patchy" throughout the state, some counties having made remarkable advances while others have been a loss. Multnomah county shows the largest gain, 50,922, while Hood River, Josephine, Morrow and Sherman counties show a population slightly smaller than four years ago.

At the recent Fruit Growers' conference in Spokane, a committee was appointed for the purpose of working out a solution of the by-products problem and, if possible, effect a consolidation of the various selling agencies. A meeting of this committee will be held at North Yakima on December 5. At that time it is expected that a plan will be worked out whereby an advisory board of canning and evaporator experts, together with practical business men can be created, the services of this board to be available to all fruit districts calling for it. In this manner it is expected to furnish to each district full and reliable information and advice, thereby saving funds which would otherwise be spent in experimentation. Providing for uniform inspection and a central selling agency will be taken up later.

"Better Fire Protection."

At a special meeting of the City Council last Monday evening, a five mill tax was voted for the year 1915, as was suggested by the committee submitting the budget. The council further decided to buy 250 feet of new hose and also one new hose cart. This will insure Heppner still better fire protection.

The city will make a street out of the bluff at the west end of Baltimore, which will connect with the street running north in front of the high school. Men and teams are engaged at the present time grading this hill down, and it will be made passable for the winter traffic, but in the spring the city will begin work which will eventually make this a good street.