

THE GAZETTE-TIMES

VOL. 31. NO. 42.

HEPPNER, OREGON, JANUARY 14, 1915.

SUBSCRIPTION, \$1.50 PER YEAR

JOHN CONNELL IS KILLED AT CASTLE ROCK

Shot Through the Back While Trying to Make Peace Between John Breen and Patrick Quin, Who Had Been Quarreling.

John Connell, well known sheepman of this county, was shot and instantly killed by Patrick Quin, early last Sunday morning after Connell had attempted to settle a quarrel between Quin and John Breen. The weapon used by Quin was a .32 Winchester rifle and the bullet entered Connell's back on the left side, coming out in the left breast. Breen received a scalp wound but it is not serious.

The coroner's jury which was called by Coroner C. C. Chick found that Connell came to his death from a bullet, shot from a gun in the hands of Patrick Quin. The jury consisted of F. H. Robinson, J. H. Bryson, Orve Rasmus, James Sheridan, James McNamee and H. L. Johnson.

Quin is in the county jail awaiting hearing. Frank Kiernan was the only other eye witness to the shooting.

The funeral of the deceased was held from St. Patrick's church in Heppner on Wednesday afternoon. The sermon was preached by Father Driscoll, assisted by Father O'Rourke and Father Callaghan. The church was crowded with friends who came to pay their last respects. The deceased leaves one brother, Patrick Connell, who is a resident of Morrow county. Interment was made in the Masonic cemetery, M. L. Case, undertaker, having charge of the burial. Mr. Connell was a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Morgan-Culick.
Last Monday afternoon a very quiet wedding was held at the home of Mrs. Jas. Luper, when James T. Morgan of Little Butter creek and Miss Effie Culick, a popular young lady of the same place, were married. Rev. T. S. Handsaker of the First Christian church of this city performed the ceremony. Mr. Morgan is well and favorably known in Heppner, being the son of Tom Morgan, and a resident of Heppner for many years. Miss Culick formerly lived in Portland, but for the past few years has been living with her sister, Mrs. G. E. Ayers, on Little Butter creek. This paper extends congratulations.

C. P. Chamberlain, R. E. Palmer, Wm. McMurray, J. L. Miller and a number of other officials and heads of departments of the O-W. R. & N. Co., were interested spectators at the hearing before the Railroad Commission in Heppner on Wednesday evening.

Omar Stanton came down from Hardman on Wednesday with a load of produce. He is rejoicing over the big rain that has hit this part of the country and he feels now that we shall yet get what is coming to us and have a good crop season.

Leslie L. Matlock is in Heppner this week from Portland and enjoying a visit with his many old-time friends.

COUNTY COURT HAS A BUSY SESSION

Bonds of New Officers Accepted.
—E. R. Huston Appointed to Serve Three More Years on County Fair Board.

The County Court of Morrow County met in their regular January session at the Court House on Wednesday, January 6, and held forth until Friday evening. County Judge Patterson, Commissioners Geo. J. Currin and John Kilkenny, Clerk Waters and acting Sheriff Evans were in attendance. The claims against the county were ordered paid.

The committee from the Morrow County Poultry Association met with the court asking for an appropriation to assist in the annual poultry show which was held last week. The court ordered an appropriation of One-Hundred twenty-five dollars.

In the matter of the appointment of county health officer for the year 1915, there appeared two bids, one from Dr. A. D. McMurdo, for \$45.00 and one from Dr. H. T. Allison, offering his services free of charge. Dr. Allison was appointed to serve. He must file a bond with good and sufficient sureties in the sum of \$200.

Warrants to the amount of \$47.25 having been issued in error were ordered cancelled by the court.

The reports of the following road supervisors were read and accepted: J. F. Barlow, Dist. No. 8; G. M. Akers, Dist. No. 11; W. B. Barratt, Dist. No. 13; E. C. Watkins, Dist. No. 4; and W. G. Scott, Dist. No. 12.

The appointment of Gay M. Anderson as deputy county clerk by J. A. Waters was approved and accepted. It was further ordered that he be paid the statutory salary of \$1,000 per year.

The appointment of L. L. Gilliam as deputy treasurer by Frank Gilliam was approved and accepted.

The bond in the sum of \$10,000 for J. A. Waters, county clerk, was examined, approved and accepted.

The official bond in the sum of \$10,000 for George McDuffee, county sheriff, was examined, approved and accepted and bond was ordered placed on file.

The jury list for 1915 was drawn. (We publish in another column.)

It appearing that the term of office of E. R. Huston as a member of the Morrow County Fair Board had expired, E. R. Huston of Eight Mile was appointed a member to serve for a term of three years.

W. H. Herren as deputy for George McDuffee by appointment was approved by the Court and the statutory salary of \$900, per year was ordered paid to him.

The official bond in the sum of \$1,000 for M. C. Smith as constable of the 6th justice district of Morrow County, was examined, approved and accepted and ordered placed on file with the county clerk.

The official bond of A. L. Cornett, Justice of the 6th District of Morrow County, in the sum of \$1,000 was examined by the court, approved and accepted and ordered placed on file with the county clerk.

The annual report of W. O. Hill, county clerk, was examined, approved and accepted and ordered placed on file with the county clerk.

L. K. Harlan, publisher of the Heppner Herald and Vawter Crawfords, publisher of the Gazette-Times

(Continued on page 2)

RAILROAD COMMISSION HEARS EVIDENCE IN COMMERCIAL CLUB CASE

Proceedings Are Marked By a Lack of Interest on the Part of Citizens of This Community—Commission's Decision Will Come Later.

Thos. K. Campbell, railroad commissioner of Oregon, and his stenographer, L. D. Leedy, arrived in Heppner on Wednesday evening and at 5 o'clock began their hearing on the complaint filed with them by J. Perry Conder, acting as chairman of the transportation committee of the Heppner Commercial Club which was appointed some months ago. This complaint to the Commission was accompanied by a petition containing something over four hundred names of citizens of this and adjoining counties.

The railroad was represented by their attorney, A. C. Spencer, assisted by Sam E. Van Vector of this city, while the interests of the Commercial Club committee were attended to by J. Perry Conder, Chairman.

It was expected that there would be some strong delegations up from Lexington and Lone to put in their protest against any alterations in the present train schedules on the branch but these people were content to present their part of the case in the form of letters which went into the record. In the main, the entire proceedings were marked by a lack of interest on the part of the citizens of Heppner and there was little real evidence produced on either side bearing directly on the matter at issue. The Company presented figures to support their contention that the additional train service asked for would not pay, neither would it be the means of adding sufficient business in the future to make it come anywhere near paying, and they supported their theory of the case with such evidence as would go to prove this to be true. Some of the figures given would certainly not appear greatly to the credit of the business

of the branch and would lead to the conclusion that the Company is losing money by its operation under present existing circumstances, to say the least.

Much matter brought up was already in the hands of the Railroad Commission where it had accumulated through the investigation of numerous other cases of this nature. Commissioner Campbell appeared at all times to be very fair in conducting the case and showed his desire to get at the real desires of the people of this community who are compelled to do business with the branch line of railroad, but in the main he must have been pretty much disappointed as there was little testimony of this nature produced by any of the local witnesses called. It must have been apparent to him that for some reason or other the people who thought they wanted some additional train service out of Heppner had either gone to sleep at the switch or else they were not satisfied with the manner in which the proceedings had been prosecuted.

However this may be, it is now up to the Commission, and we presume that after briefs have been filed from both sides the case will be closed and in due course of time the decision of the Commission handed down.

Just before going to press, we were handed the following statement from J. Perry Conder which we publish, and it can be taken for what it is worth:

Statement from the Chairman of Committee asking for additional train service:

It is evident to all attending the hearing before the Railroad Commission that the main effort of the Rail-

(Continued on page 2)

HEPPNER TAKES LONE INTO CAMP BY 29 TO 14

Large Crowd Witnesses Fast Game in Club Building.—Ione Shows Bursts of Speed.

Heppner's scrub bunch showed some class last Tuesday evening in their game with Lone and won from that team by a 29 to 14 score. The basket shooting on the one side proved to more than offset the excellent passing and perfected team work on the other. The Egg City boys were unlucky in connecting with the baskets and time and again the ball shot so near as to bring the crowd to their feet only to sink back again as the sphere caromed off the outer edge.

Hopkins, forward, and Sperry, center, were the best point winners for their team both throwing two goals from field and Sperry annexed two points from the foul line. Ray Blake and "Fat" Blake each secured one goal. Cason proved a "bear" at guard, and stayed so close to Blatt, that the Heppner forward was able to get away for only two goals. Crawford was high point winner for Heppner, although Cochran, who displaced Wright at guard in the second half, made four goals from field in nearly as many minutes. Morgan the husky Heppner center, annexed six points for his team. The game was clean, being free from unnecessary roughness. The floor was slick, and this made it hard for the men to get up much speed, but the contest was exciting throughout. Morgan received an injury to his left eye when he came in contact with a finger of one of the opposing players. Karn, Heppner guard, showed by his playing that he was used to mixing with a fast bunch, and time and again he was responsible for breaking up the superb passing of the lone quintet. Karn formerly played with crack eastern teams.

The two teams will probably meet in Lone at a later date, the exact time of which has not yet been fully determined.

Attorney A. E. Johnson, in the capacity of referee gave up-to-the-second decisions, which were agreeable to all interested and he did not permit the game to drag at any stage. William O'Rourke, former star with the Mt. Angel team, officiated as umpire and gave satisfaction.

J. W. Morrow, tax commissioner of the O-W. R. & N. Co., was a visitor in Heppner over Wednesday, being interested in the case before the Oregon Railroad Commission.

(Continued on page 2)

COMMERCIAL CLUB HAS AN AMBITIOUS MEETING

S. E. Notson Elected President and A. M. Phelps Is New Vice-President.—Bates' Speech Is Good.

At the meeting of the Heppner Commercial Club last Friday evening, S. E. Notson was elected president and A. M. Phelps vice president for the year 1915. The executive committee and secretary will be appointed at the regular meeting on January 22, 1915.

The meeting Friday evening was attended by a large number of Club members and several non-members outside the city were present for the clam feed and the Phil Bates speech later. Mr. Bates, who is one of Portland's foremost boosters was disappointed in the small crowd which greeted him, but his talk was one of interest and he paid our town and county several handsome tributes during the course of the evening. Mr. Bates had just returned from a trip to San Francisco and San Diego, and in fact he cut his visit there short in order to be present at the meeting here last Friday. The Oregon building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition beats them all, according to Mr. Bates, and the State of Oregon made a record, in that she was the first to dedicate her building. San Diego was the first city to take up the exposition idea, but could not compete with the larger cities and as a result they are giving an exposition all their own.

"You people here do not realize what a good thing you have," said Mr. Bates. "Why I will venture to say that as fellows around the Portland Commercial Club down there do more boosting for you people in a week than you do for yourselves in a year." He attributes our lethargy to the fact that we had become so used to the things around us that they failed any longer to make an impression. Mr. Bates has been a resident of Oregon for many years, has been all over the United States, and Oregon is the best of them all. If we once get the eastern people started this way, the state will fill up in no time.

Several new names were added to the Club's membership list, and it is the aim of the Club to make an extended campaign for new members. A committee consisting of T. S. Handsaker, S. E. Notson and F. N. Christensen was appointed to act with the city council in securing a public rest and reading room.

Track Meet to be Organized.

Arrangements are being completed to organize a Morrow County interscholastic track meet. A convention composed of delegates from the Lone, Lexington and Heppner high schools, will be held at Lexington Friday and at this meeting it is hoped that all arrangements, such as place and date of holding meet, number and character of events and rules will be completed. It is expected that the meet will be held near the close of the second semester, and likely the Lone grounds will be selected. Harry Morgan will represent Heppner High at the convention.

Dr. Davis Marries.

Dr. M. W. Davis, the dentist of this city was married in Portland New Year's Day. Dr. and Mrs. Davis will make this city their home. The news of the doctor's marriage came as a surprise to his many friends. The Echo News extends congratulations.—Echo News. Dr. Davis was formerly located at Lone, where he has many friends who will be pleased to learn of this late event.

FINE MILLING WHEAT.

Merquis Wheat—A fine hard Spring wheat, yielding 8 to 12 bushels over Bluestem. Beardless, does not shatter. Higher milling quality than Bluestem. Order at once if you want any. You can buy the same at cost. HEPPNER MILLING CO.

GIVE THE NEWS TO THE EDITOR

One Fine Way of Making a Community Successful is to Build Up Home Paper, Says Eric W. Allen.

"It is not enough for a live community that advertising should be correctly used to stimulate business and to promote general prosperity. The home newspaper is a social and intellectual thing as well as a medium of business. One cannot serve the community better than by seeing that interesting items get to the editor. The editor is no mind reader; call him up and tell him. To do so is the neighborly thing—a courtesy not to the publisher alone but to everyone in the district who might be interested in your little item."

Whenever Eric W. Allen, head of the department of journalism at the University of Oregon, speaks in a town, he urges the citizens to get behind their home paper in both a business and a news way on the ground that the newspaper can be made a wonderful agency for building up a community. By a "successful community", Mr. Allen means not merely the community whose business men are prospering, and whose laborers are all at work, but the community that is a real social and intellectual center. He looks to the home paper as the most powerful means within reach of bringing about this kind of "success."

"If you can once get all your people into the way of voluntarily pouring these interesting scraps of news into the weekly paper, you will add immensely to the general friendliness of the community," says Mr. Allen. "You will be helping to make your town the kind of place where people want to stay and to which former residents will want to come back."

"So try and get ideas into the paper. Write a little for it once in a while. Don't let the editor do all the thinking for the town. If you publish ideas, you start others to thinking, and you raise by just so much the level of intelligence."

"Encourage the home paper to be a business, social and intellectual center of the community. It will richly repay."

B. H. Peck exhibited to this paper a collection of twelve distinct types of wheat which by selection and careful handling he has been developing on his Sagenhurst dry farm for the past few years. Two of these are hybrids that are pronounced of great value by the experts at the Oregon Agricultural College, others are of the hardy wheats generally grown in this county, but which he is succeeding in bringing to a state of larger productivity. Some may think that Mr. Peck is wasting time in the experiments he is making but to us it appears that he is doing a good work that should be the means of much profit to him in the not distant future. If he succeeds in restoring to this county pure seed wheat of the varieties that are proving the most valuable to be produced here, he will have accomplished much for our section, and in his efforts we wish all kinds of success.

Auction Sale of Stock.

G. W. Ruiter has purchased the stock of J. H. Campbell, which will be sold to the highest bidder on the 16th day of January at what is known as the Ham Burchell ranch, 8 miles east of Lexington.

G. W. RUITER.

THIRD POULTRY SHOW IS BIG SUCCESS

Keen Competition Among Exhibitors And a Long List of Awards Are Made.

The Third Annual Morrow County Poultry Show, held on the 6, 7, 8, and 9th of January, was a big success and the interest displayed by exhibitors was greater than at any previous exhibition, while the interest of the general public was more lax than heretofore. B. F. Keeny of Eugene performed the judging and we are publishing herewith a complete list of awards.

S. C. WHITE LEGHORN
Eugene Handsaker, 1st hen; 1st pullet.

S. C. BROWN LEGHORN
A. J. Cook, 1-2-3-4th Hen.

S. C. BLACK MINORCAS.
J. E. Copenhaver, 1-2nd cock.
J. E. Copenhaver 1st Hen.
J. E. Copenhaver, 1st-2nd Pullet.

ANCONAS
E. C. Watkins, 1-2-3rd Cockerel.
E. C. Watkins, 1-2-3-4th Pullet.
E. C. Watkins, 1st Pen.

M. B. TURKEY.
Tom Matlock, 1st.

S. C. R. I. Red.
Cock, Miss Thelma Herren 1st; Walter Becket, 2nd and 3rd.

Hen, Miss Thelma Herren 1st & 2nd. Cockerel, Miss Thelma Herren, 1st and 2nd; Walter Becket 3rd; A. W. Gammell, 4th.

Pullet, W. Becket, 1st and 4th. Miss T. Herren 2nd and 3rd.

Pen, Miss Thelma Herren 1st; W. Beckett 2nd.

WHITE ORPINGTONS.
J. H. Bush, 1st Cock.
J. H. Bush, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, Cockerel.

J. H. Bush, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Hen.
J. H. Bush, 1st, 2nd, 4th Pullet.
J. H. Bush, 1st Pen.

Geo. Bleakman, 3rd Pullet; 2nd and 3rd Pen.

BUFF ORPINGTON.
E. G. Noble, 1st Cock.

WHITE P. ROCK.
W. P. Hill, 1st and 2nd Cockerel.
W. P. Hill, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Pullet.

W. P. Hill, 1st Pen.

BLACK JAVAS.
Jay Devin, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Cockerel.
Jay Devin, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Pullet.
Jay Devin, 1st Pen.

WHITE WYANDOTTE
Cock, Geo. Case, 1st.
Cockerel, E. G. Noble, 1st; W. Claud Cox 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

Pullet, W. Claud Cox, 1st, 2nd and 4th; E. G. Noble 3rd.

Pen, W. Claud Cox 1st; E. G. Noble 2nd.

GOLDEN WYANDOTTE
B. P. Stone, 1st Hen; 1st Cockerel; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Pullet.

SILVER WYANDOTTE.
G. W. Grigg, 1st Cockerel.

BARRED P. ROCKS. (Standard).
Cock, D. C. Gurdane 1st; Wightman Bros. 2nd; Herbert Walbridge, 3rd.

Hen, D. C. Gurdane 1st; Wm. Ball 2nd and 3rd; D. C. Gurdane 4th. Cockerel, Wightman Bros. 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

Pullet, Wightman Bros. 1st, 3rd and 4th; D. C. Gurdane 2nd.

Pen, D. C. Gurdane 1st; Wightman Bros. 2nd and 3rd.

BARRED P. ROCKS, Cockerel Brod.
Pullet, Wightman Bros., 1st, 3rd and 4th; Herbert Walbridge, 2nd.

BARRED P. ROCKS, Pullet Mafing.
Cock, D. C. Gurdane 1st.
Cockerel, Wightman Bros., 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

BUFF P. ROCKS.
Cockerel, J. Frank Hall, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

Hen, J. Frank Hall 1st.
Pullet, J. Frank Hall 1st, 2nd, 3rd. Pen, J. Frank Hall 1st.

SPECIALS.
Morrow County Poultry Association —Offers \$5 in gold for best pen of Rocks. Won by W. P. Hill.

Morrow County Poultry Association —Offers \$5 in gold for best pen of Wyandottes. Won by W. Claud Cox.

Morrow County Poultry Association —Offers \$5 in gold for the best pen of R. I. Reds. Won by Miss Thelma Herren.

Morrow County Poultry Association —Offers \$5 in gold for the best pen of Orpingtons. Won by J. H. Bush.

Morrow County Poultry Association —Offers \$5 in gold for the best pen in the Mediterranean class. Won by E. C. Watkins.

Oscar Borg—Offers one Silver Loving Cup for Best Bird in show. To be won three times. (Won last year by Bert Stone, Golden Wyandotte.) Won by W. Claud Cox.

First National Bank of Heppner—Offers \$5 in gold for five best male birds. Won by Wightman Bros.

First National Bank of Heppner—Offers \$5 in gold for the five best female birds. Won by W. Claud

(Continued on page 6)