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MORROW COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

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EUROPE MUST COME TO AMERICA FOR WHEAT.

Relatively low prices for wheat, as compared with prices last fall and winter, are due to scarcity of ships and high ocean freight rates, and to the dilatory policy of European buyers in placing their orders. If ocean rates were normal current Inland Empire quotations would be 30 or 35 cents a bushel higher, for the ship rate is that much above the charges made a year ago.

While the European countries can take their leisure in placing orders for American wheat, their necessities will put them in the market before long. To carry on the war Great Britain must have ammunition and wheat. For the moment ammunition is her more pressing concern, and the new coalition government is concentrating thought, energy and financial resource on that need.

But human mouths as well as cannon must be fed, and the British government can not ignore much longer the country's want of bread. The London Times takes cognizance of that fact and editorially admonishes the government not to neglect longer the vital problem of the nation's food supply. The idea must be abandoned, it says, that Germany is faced by starvation. "Clearly Germany's food supply is secured for a long period ahead and it behooves England to think of her own supply. The recent fall in the price of wheat is only temporary relief, due to a combination of circumstances which can not be expected to continue."

It is improbable that the allies will allow wheat to lie long in American and Canadian warehouses and elevators. In time of peace, when Great Britain lives from hand to mouth, its yearly imports range from 200,000,000 to 240,000,000 bushels. They were 221,232,000 bushels in 1910, 207,919,000 in 1911, and 229,160,000 in 1912. It would seem sound policy for the government to lay in a year's reserve supply if possible, buying 400,000,000 bushels instead of 200,000,000.

But Britain's imports are less than half the normal European requirement. Belgium in 1912 imported 71,260,000 bushels, Denmark, 8,496,000, France 26,698,000, Italy 58,561,000, Holland 75,081,000, Switzerland 26,056,000, and the united kingdom of England Scotland and Ireland 229,160,000, a total by countries of 489,260,000 bushels.

While the world's wheat crop will be greater this year than last, the desire of the European countries to acquire reserve stocks would be keen enough to maintain prices if shipping conditions were but half way normal. Shortage of ships is a far greater bear influence than the prospective abundant yield.—Spokesman-Review.

"BACK TO THE FARM" MOVEMENT.

In the Dominion of Canada there are increasing evidences of a growth in the return to the farm movement. The greatest force of the movement is felt just at present, in the province of Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. It is also noticeable. Hard times in many industrial lines growing out of the European war, and Canada's contribution to its cost, largely explain the movement, which promises soon to force the government into throwing open some large tracts of land east of Winnipeg, heretofore held closed, but which offer splendid opportunities either for farming or stock raising.

So great has been the rush toward the West, of those native or naturalized citizens of Canada who are going to the soil for a subsistence which the industrial lines are not now affording, that the railway rates for spring homesteader or settler excursions have had to be slightly increased. The Dominion Government is aiding the movement in every possible way, and particularly by inducing the railway lines to carry the workers at minimum rates to points where they may get a start in crop raising.

The movement will undoubtedly be reflected in the next census taken of Canadian cities and towns. Such a movement is already being reflected, in this country, in mid-decennial estimates of city population. Some cities show an actual loss, others a stationary point, and still others a percentage of gain far below the average of recent years. At last the "back to the farm" cry is being answered, not from inclination but

from necessity.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

ELECTION LAW CHANGES.

Hereafter judges and clerks for county and state elections will be selected by the county clerk, instead of by the county commissioners. This is according to a change made in the election laws by chapter 326, laws of 1915.

Chapter 326 also reduces the number constituting an election board from six to five. Formerly there were three judges and three clerks on each board. Hereafter there will be two judges and three clerks.

Another change made in the election laws eliminates the requirement that voters must give their age when registering. This was very objectionable to many women voters. All that is required now is to make affidavit that the voter is over 21 years old.

Varying opinions have been expressed on the provision authorizing the county clerk to select the list of election judges and clerks. The list must be approved by the county commissioners. One view is that the change gives the county clerk a great deal of patronage, although petty in nature, and may be used by the clerk to further his political interests.

Another view is that the change is in the interest of efficiency, as under the old law the work of selecting the judges and clerks was largely delegated by the county commissioners to an employe. It is contended that when difficulties arise on election day a county official should be responsible and be on hand rather than an employe.

THE PASSING HORSE.

A great horse show has just closed in Washington, D. C. It is described as the finest ever held south of New York City. But it seems it was limited to carriage and buggy teams, polo ponies and military hunters. There was no intention apparently to encourage the raising of fine horses by the average man, but only such as suit this or that man's fad and to give Washington society, which for the fair meeting, included the fashionable residents of Maryland and Virginia cities an agreeable outing—the finest animal display being in the fashionable seats in the grand stand.

Has the horse come to be merely an ornament?

On the small farm the horse is a necessity; for cavalry and artillery he is still indispensable, but for the world at large, the odor of the stable seems to be giving away before that of gasoline. When Miriam led in that triumph song, one refrain was: "The horse and the rider hath he thrown into the sea." But that was a temporary affair only, this later one begins to look like the beginning of the end; as though, indeed, the horse would soon, even among the trumpets, cease to say: "Ha Ha!" or to smell the battle afar off, and as though when another son of Nimshi, who was Jehu, "comes driving furiously," he will sound his "Honk! Honk!" he will run down the first old lady that he finds attempting to cross the street.

And when that day comes the hearts of men will harden and when he is tapped on the chest his heart will give back a metallic ring as when one stubs his toe upon a brass cuspidor.—Goodwins Weekly.

A NIGHTMARE TO BUSINESS MEN.

The United States Congressmen and Senators are at home making hot-air speeches at picnics and celebrations.

They have appropriated all the money in sight, enacted war taxes and more laws to cripple industries and shipping.

They have created a new industrial commission in charge of national labor agitators to probe business and capital.

They have multiplied offices and passed a law to drive the last American steamship lines out of business.

With three-fourths of the territory of Oregon and Washington in forest reserves, the waterpowers are to be taken over.

These Congressmen and Senators get from \$10,000 to \$15,000 a year and are constantly reaching out for more.

Is it any wonder that government is a nightmare to business men?—Pacific Coast Manufacturer.

DEBT TENDENCY MUST BE CHECKED.

The tendency throughout the country is clear. The American people are inclined to plunge deeper and deeper into debt. This trait, made conspicuous from the report of the census bureau, is sure to be reflected in higher taxes. The quicker the people, as a whole, come to realize what they are doing, the better for the present generation and for posterity.

The Washington legislature has submitted a constitutional amendment to limit debt and to limit the franchise at elections to those paying taxes.

In Oregon a law has been enacted limiting annual increase in tax levies to six per cent, except by special vote of the people.

A special bulletin of the U. S. Census bureau shows that in 1913 the cities, villages, towns, townships, school districts, drainage, irrigation and levee districts, fire districts, poor districts, road districts and all other minor divisions having power to incur debt, reported a new indebtedness of \$3,475,954,353—an increase of \$1,845,884,743, or 113.2 per cent over the total for 1902. A small part of the increase is doubtless due to a more complete canvass in the later year.

Millions of new grasshoppers are reported from various parts of the county. They have been hatching out at a lively rate and the end is not yet. Many of our farmers are fearful that they will be the means of much damage to crops a little later on, as the vast army of the pests will have to be fed—in fact they will be fed as long as there is anything in sight for them to feed upon. There should be some way of getting rid of the pest. The feeding of poisoned bran was adopted in some sections last season and worked quite well, but it is not a remedy that is severe enough. In Kansas and other states adjoining that were so terribly afflicted with this pest a number of years ago, there seemed to be nothing that would successfully rid the country of the hoppers until the government took the matter in hand and inoculated them with a contagion that soon put them out of business. Of course they may take a notion to go hence when they reach the migratory age but our farmers are naturally fearful that they may remain, and the result to vegetation will be disastrous.

The Imperial Valley, California, was visited by a severe earthquake Tuesday night. The death of twelve people is reported and others injured. Besides this, there were severe losses to property in several cities from fire, the result of the quake. Owing to the destruction of telegraph and telephone lines, the news of the calamity is very meager.

The program for the coming chautauqua is definitely arranged. Lecturers and entertainers of unexcelled worth are to appear here for six consecutive days, beginning Saturday, June 26. The talent, secured through the ceaseless efforts of the local committee of live wires, is the best obtainable either in the United States or on the continent. Never before has such an opportunity been afforded Morrow county citizens. Nothing now remains to prevent the entire county from taking advantage of these educational and inspirational offerings brought to its very door.

Today is being observed in Portland as "Wilson Day." The object is to show the loyalty of the citizens of the big city to President Wilson in the present crises he and the nation are facing. The demonstration is certainly a very worthy one, and the example set by Portland should be followed by every city and hamlet in the state. Our president is laboring under a load of responsibility at the present time that is almost beyond human power to endure, yet he is meeting the crises in a wonderful way; being the man of the hour. And what an encouragement it is to know that he has the loyal support of the citizens of the great nation behind him to back him up and sustain him in his efforts to maintain peace and uphold the dignity and rights of his people with honor. There should be no man among us to stand on party lines. Mr. Wilson is our president, and that is sufficient for all loyal Americans these days.

Button, button, who has the lucky button?

IONE.

The baseball boys are a busy bunch these days preparing for the big ball tournament in the near future.

Richard McElligott's two daughters, who have been down at Portland for the past six months are home once more and the folks seemed very glad to see them.

Mrs. Jack Mills and George, who have been living at Lewiston, Idaho, for the past six months, came in on Monday's train and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Puyeur.

John Calkins' boy, who has been up in the Idaho country for some time returned to his home north of Ione Monday evening, last.

Mr. Ellisha Sperry and Edison Morgan, who attended the Sunday School convention held at Milton last week, returned to their homes Monday evening.

Chas. O'Neil and wife departed on Monday's train for Valley points where they will enjoy a short vacation for some time.

Chas. Smoot, who is a partner with Chas. Shaver in the drilling business, left Ione last Monday morning for Boise, Idaho, where he has some business matters needing attention.

The Ione school meeting was held last Monday afternoon. There were very few in attendance and there was much business to transact. E. T. Perkins was elected clerk for one year and Paul Reitmanner director for three years. The building of an addition to the school house was voted on and carried.

D. H. Grabill made a business trip to Heppner last Monday evening returning Tuesday morning.

Mrs. W. P. McMillan and son Elmo were Ione visitors last Tuesday. Little Elmo says Dr. Chick is right there when it comes to pulling teeth.

The farmers are very busy these days getting extras and preparing their machinery for the coming harvest.

Mrs. F. H. Robinson returned to Ione Sunday evening after spending a week with her mother in the Shutter flat country.

John Miller was a Heppner visitor last week stopping at Ione a few minutes on his return trip.

Jason Biddle and wife were Ione visitors last week, getting some of the supplies so essential in this big world of ours.

Lon Markham and wife from near Walla Walla were visiting with Milt Morgan and his wife last week.

Frank Engleman and daughter Ruby were Heppner visitors last week, going up in Frank's omnibus.

Miss Ruby and Zelma Engleman were passengers to Milton last week where they went to attend the Sunday School convention. They will visit with friends in that locality for

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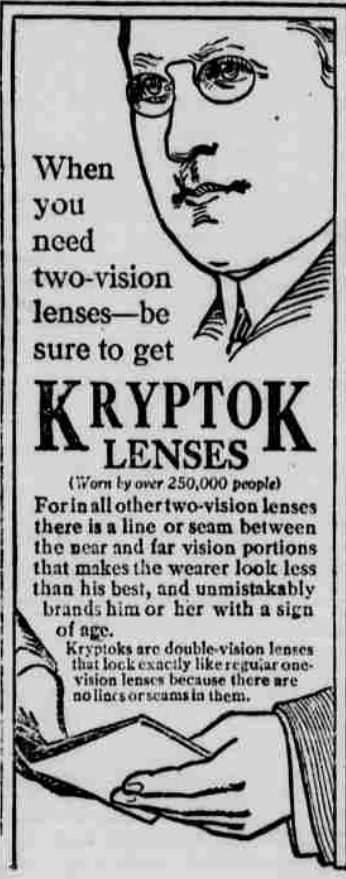
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a couple of weeks.

Miss Thelma Newton from South Bend, Wash., came in on last week's train and is visiting with friends and relatives at Ione.

Irelene Briery from South Bend, Wash., is visiting with Miss Joey Woolery these days and these young people are having a great time.

It may be of interest to some of you readers to learn that Miss Ruth Bewley and George Giddens were married at Tillamook Sunday, June the 6th. Our best wishes go with these young people.

E. R. Lundell and family went up to Walla Walla last week where they will visit with friends for some time.

C. J. Anderson and family went up to the Walla Walla country last week where they will enjoy some of that luscious fruit for some time.

W. L. Barlow and wife, who have been visiting at Canby for the past week, returned to Ione last Thursday night.

Ed Holmquist, the bear wrestler from away back, took a bunch of horses to Heppner last week.

We are sorry that we overlooked mentioning last week the happy birthday party that was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lundell at their home in Ione last week. It was Mrs. Lundell's 73rd birthday and she is hale and hearty yet. There was a large crowd in attendance and all report a good time.

Barney Doherty, Sand Hollow sheepman, visited Heppner on business yesterday.

3rd of July Celebration at Lexington

PROGRAM

- 9:45—On Main Street.
- 50-yard dash, for boys under 16. \$1.00, \$.50.
- 25-yard dash, for girls under 14. \$1.50, \$1.00, \$.50.
- 100-yard free for all. \$5.00, \$3.00, \$1.00.
- 3-legged race, free for all. \$3.00.
- Sack race, free for all. \$2.00.
- Novelty Race, boys under 15 years. \$2.00, \$1.00.

WATER FIGHT, FIRE HOSE. BIG LAUGH FOR SPECTATORS—BIG WET FOR CONTESTANTS.

11:00—At the big Grove—
Musical Program. Short Address. TWO HOURS AND A HALF FOR YOUR OWN FUN.

1:30—At the Ball Grounds—
BIG BASE BALL GAME. Moro vs. IONE. These two teams are evenly matched and should give a good account of themselves. Tickets are 25 cents, every cent of which goes to the players.

4:00—On "C" Street—
Dash for Saddle Ponies, \$5.00 Dash for any horse, \$10.00.

BUCKING CONTEST for county championship.
1st prize, \$18.00 Noble Chaps.
2nd prize, \$10.00 Silver-mounted Spurs.
Prizes may be exchanged on demand at Nobles.
There will be three prizes given to the three best bucking horses. \$10.00, \$5.00, \$3.00.
Wild mule race, prize \$5.00.

THERE WILL BE A BIG DANCE ALSO

The Town is Yours. Come Take It

For further information watch these columns or write to
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