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**MORROW COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER**

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## THE WILLOW CREEK HIGHWAY.

It is pleasing to note that the majority sentiment expressed at the lone road meeting last Friday favored good, permanent roads for Morrow county. That the majority of the taxpayers present at that meeting were in favor of voting a special tax levy of 5 mills for the construction of some permanent roads, was shown in the result of a vote taken. The motion to put the proposition of a special election to vote a 5 mill tax for the purpose of building a graded highway from Heppner down Willow creek to the Gilliam county line, carried by a vote of 33 to 21 of the taxpayers.

Naturally there was opposition to the motion. That opposition as was voiced by several men present who are in reality in favor of good roads, was based on the reason that the proposed road improvement does not take place in their particular neighborhood. If good road work is to be accomplished in any section of Morrow county, it will be necessary for certain concessions to be made by those not in favor.

That there should be a well graded, substantial highway through Morrow county, there can be no question. Since the logical outlet of travel through this county is through the towns of Heppner, Lexington and Ione, through the Willow creek valley, then this is the logical place for the trunk highway to be built. Other units of permanency will arrive soon after, by the districts tributary to the Willow creek road taking similar steps as have been taken here, and before many years, the county will have a net work of good roads.

The taxpayers of these three districts should realize that the five-mill tax which is to be levied will be an investment of money into something permanent, and something that will return to the county increased thousands of dollars as the years roll by. In the first place, the upkeep of roads in these districts will be diminished, for the reason that it requires less money to keep up a good road than a poor one. Safer and speedier means of transportation between the main towns of the county will be possible.

Tourist travel, which will increase by leaps and bounds in the next few years, will be attracted to the Pacific coast by reason of the great highways. Autoists traveling from one end of the coast to the other will likewise take the best routes offered. It behooves the people of Morrow county well to look out for this travel, and good roads will be the strongest factor we will be able to produce in directing travel this way. The building of a main highway down Willow creek will more than likely mark the beginning of permanent road work in Morrow county, and the sooner it starts the better it will be.

### COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor:

Since the discovery of successful water getting in the finding of the "kusher" gotten by those enterprising citizens—the Newlons—all who know of the wonderful natural resources of Morrow county will admit that it is destined to become the garden spot of Oregon, the renowned Willamette valley not excepted. Fruits of all kinds, grain, vegetables, clover, dairy products and stock in bounteous productions are there for the application of energy in practicable ability.

It is not expected that every one who drills for water will strike a gusher or even an artesian flow in a country as undulated and ununiformly located as Morrow county but since the discovery of the late invention of a cheap drilled rotary pump, now being manufactured here in Portland, which was on exhibition at the State Fair in Salem, has proved its ability to take large quantities of water from which successful irrigation can be handled, no one should be reluctant in trying for water for irrigation purposes in a country so wonderfully acclimated and fertile as Morrow county.

In all drilled wells in that county the uniform success of water getting has been a great rise from the strata in which it is found. By means of this pump wells which do not flow can be made to produce large quantities of water for irrigation purposes with a small upkeep for gasoline and the installation of a plant.

All praise to Mr. and Mrs. Newlon and may their enterprise be taken up by every citizen in that county and all who have interests or can go there to add in its development.

C. W. BARZEE,  
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### LEXINGTON.

John Padberg and wife, of Clarks canyon, were trading in town Thursday.

Chas. Roberts was trading in town Monday.

Joe Eskelson shipped a car load of hogs to Portland last Sunday.

John Wilt and Ed Moore of Ione, were visitors in our town Monday.

Ray McAlister and son Welcome returned home Monday from Jefferson.

Joe Osborn left Monday for San Francisco to take in the Exposition. Joe will be gone for several weeks.

Tom McDandel was in town after supplies this week. The well drill at his place has not found water yet. Claud White and wife went to

Drain, Ore., Wednesday to visit Mrs. White's parents who live at that place.

W. F. Barnett and family arrived home Sunday from Portland where they have been visiting for several days.

The wires for the electric company have been put up as far as Lexington and the crew will continue through to Ione.

Truman White returned to his home at Drain, Ore., after spending the summer in the harvest fields of Morrow county.

The oldest son of Thomas Nickols has been very sick with pneumonia for several days. He is improving at the present time.

The Lexington agent, Elmer Slocum, has been appointed agent for the American Express Company and in the future all express will be looked after.

John Moyers arrived from Portland Monday. Mr. Moyers went to Portland two weeks ago for medical attention and was much benefitted by the doctors in that city.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. has been changing and repairing their telephone line in this vicinity. They finished the work this week and returned to Pendleton Sunday.

Mrs. D. A. Delaney held a sale at the Beyer residence Wednesday afternoon, selling her household goods at auction. The goods brought fair prices although there was not a large crowd in attendance. Chas. Johnson was the auctioneer. Mrs. Delaney will move to Salem to take up her residence.

Several people attended the Good Roads meeting in Ione Friday. Some are in favor of a special tax in the road districts mentioned and some are not. A start must be made somewhere and along certain lines. From Heppner to the Gilliam county line is as good a place to start as any. It is the opinion of many of the taxpayers when this issue is voted upon at a special election it will not carry. It is hoped by those interested that it will.

### IONE.

Chas. Ritchie and family have moved into the house formerly occupied by Chas. O'Neill.

Rev. J. L. Jones and wife spent last Sunday up at Lexington where Brother Jones filled the pulpit.

Mrs. O. D. Forbes is enjoying a visit from her brother who has been living back East for several years.

Two of Olaf Bergstrom's girls are visiting in Ione these days. They are guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Lundell.

Mrs. Petre, from Rheas Sidling, was an Ione visitor over Thursday night, being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lundell.

Phil Doherty was in town Friday of last week and got a goodly supply of oats and other good things to take out to the ranch.

Walter Cason was a passenger to Heppner Friday of last week, going up to see his daughter, Mrs. Hendry, who has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Myers are visiting in Ione at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Reynolds. These fine people are from Dallas, Oregon.

E. R. Lundell and family and his father and mother motored out to the Swede church last Sunday morning and attended services.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burchell, of Lexington, were down to Ione last Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Burchell's aunt and cousin.

Opal Padberg, who has been down at Portland for some time visiting with friends and relatives, returned to her home in this city last Saturday.

W. H. Cronk and wife were Cecil visitors one day last week, Mr. Cronk having some business matters to attend to down in that little sister town of ours.

Grandma Hale was a passenger last Tuesday for Arlington. She will go from there out to the Weatherford ranch where they will hold a family reunion.

Mrs. Cason, who has been up at Heppner for some time, returned to Ione last Wednesday morning. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Hendry.

Mrs. J. H. Wilt, who has been down at Salem for some time visiting with her daughter who is attending school there, returned to her home last Saturday evening.

Don't forget the big rabbit drive to be held at Geo. Miller's next Sunday at 11 a. m. Every one is welcome and every one is invited to come and have the best time ever.

Chas. O'Neill has moved from the lower end of town to nearly the extreme upper end. We are sorry we did not treat Chas. better as we might still have him as our neighbor.

Last Saturday's ball game at Ione was a hard fought one, the score being 6 to 6. The boys on both sides played good ball. While we were unable to attend the game we judged from the several remarks we heard about it that it was a little the best game ever played on the grounds at Ione.

The good roads meeting was held in Ione Friday of last week and was largely attended. We did not learn what business was transacted as we were tied down elsewhere, but we do know that the roads are not a darn bit better than the day the meeting was held.

Last Friday night, a week ago, the

school children, Professors and all, took the town by storm. The band played Annie Rooney and several other selections while the students danced the Indian dance about the two big bonfires that were brightly burning on the school grounds. After a somewhat lengthy session on the tennis grounds, the noisy bunch marched up Main street, two deep, led by the band which was playing the old favorite, called the tune the old cow died on. After the town people discovered that there was some noise in and about town, the young army marched back to their camping grounds and finished up their busy session.

A gloom was cast over a great many of Ione's citizens last Sunday when the report that Watt D. Brashers and his mother had both died within a few hours of each other. Some of us had heard of their not being well but we could hardly believe it when we learned of their death. Both bodies were taken to Ione where services were held at the Christian church, Rev. Reynolds having charge. The floral offerings were lovely and the church was full to overflowing. The remains were laid to rest in the Ione cemetery. Eunice Gray Brashers died Oct. 24, 1915, aged 70 years. She was born at Elkhart, Indiana February 17th, 1845. She married William W. Brashers September 27th, 1871. She leaves three children, Mrs. Elma Williams, of Ione, Mrs. Mabel Davidson, Springfield, Mo., Leroy Clark, Wily, Colo. Daniel Walter Brashers was 27 years old. Born at Marlionsville, Mo., March 22, 1878, he was married to Mattie Ellen Head on January 31st, 1904. He moved to Ione in 1905. He leaves his wife and four children, Maude, William, Gladys and Claude. The Odd Fellows lodge took charge of the funeral. The wife and relatives have our sincerest sympathy in this sad hour.

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### POTATOES GOOD PIG FEED

Because of the surplus of white or Irish potatoes now on the market and the consequently low prices, many farmers have been seeking information as to the possibility of feeding them to hogs.

Many experiments have been conducted in Germany and other foreign countries as well as in the United States to determine the value of potatoes as feed for swine. In Ireland and Germany farmers feed large quantities of potatoes annually. From experimental data it has been concluded that 4 to 4 1/2 bu. of potatoes when cooked are equal to about 1 bushel of corn for putting gains on hogs. Therefore, if corn is worth 89 cents a bushel, potatoes when fed to hog would be worth only 18 to 20 cents a bushel. There may, however, be instances where it would be more advantageous for the farmer to feed to hogs right on his own place at least part of his crop rather than to haul these potatoes to an already overloaded market.

According to the consensus of opinion, potatoes are fed to the best advantage when cooked or steamed and mixed with other feeds. Experiments in which raw potatoes were fed alone have been reported. In certain instances the raw potatoes are said to have caused scours. However, raw potatoes in small quantities and in a diet lacking succulence may be conducive to health in pigs.

In cooking potatoes only enough water should be used to make a mealy mash and prevent burning. The resultant meal should then be mixed with corn meal or other grain supplement. Tankage, skim milk, or meat meal would probably add to the profit of the mixture. Potatoes when prepared in the manner described and under the conditions mentioned can often be fed to pigs with advantage.

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