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NEW CITY OFFICERS NOW IN CHARGE

F. N. Frye is now City Marshal—Old Council Passes With Paying of Monthly Bills.

Last Monday evening at the city council chambers witnessed the passing of the old city administration and the coming in of the new. After Mayor Smead had gone through the regular order of business for the last time with the old city council, Mayor-elect S. E. Notson, with the newly elected councilmen and the hold-over officers took up the reins of city government and a new administration was ushered in. The present councilmen are W. O. Minor, J. C. Kirk and J. O. Hager, who hold over for two more years, and E. G. Noble, W. G. McCarty and J. F. Vaughn, who were chosen by the people at the recent election. The positions of recorder and treasurer remain the same, being filled by J. P. Williams and L. W. Briggs, respectively.

F. N. Frye succeeds J. R. McCraw as city marshal and has already taken up the duties of that office. Mr. Frye has had much previous experience as special policeman on various occasions and the councilmen are of the opinion that Mayor Notson has made a wise appointment. It is possible that the salary of the marshal will be reduced, inasmuch as the additional salary of \$10 per month for fire chief has been taken from this office. The salary is now \$85. It is understood that the council will decide on this matter definitely at their adjourned session next Monday night.

NATIONAL FOREST BUSINESS FOR 1915

According to the annual report of Henry S. Graves, Chief Forester, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1915, the national forest receipts for the year amounted to \$2,481,469.35.

This amount, it is stated, was the result first, of a timber sale business of \$1,175,133. The amount contributed by District 6 (Oregon, Washington and Alaska) to this timber business was approximately \$207,000. The second source of the national forest receipts was grazing permits which brought in \$1,130,495, to which sum District 6 contributed \$120,000. The third source of national forest revenue, special use, brought in \$175,840, of which sum District 6 contributed over \$18,000. Of this latter figure \$10,000 was for water power permits. Thirty-five per cent of these receipts reverts to the States in which the national forests are located.

The report also states that in addition to the timber sold, there was given away a large amount of material to settlers free of cost, the value of which approximated \$207,000. The revenue foregone through free use of grazing lands is estimated to exceed \$120,000. Other miscellaneous free uses would yield if charged for, approximately \$100,000. These values, it is pointed out, have never been entered formally as a credit to the Forest Service business, yet this should be considered among the very definite benefits from national forests.

The average price of stumpage disposed of in commercial sales was \$2.48 per thousand board feet. The increase of 16 cents over the price of 1914 was due chiefly to large sales of western yellow pine in Oregon, easily logged and of unusual quality. Broadly speaking, there has been no increase, so the report says, in the value of western stumpage during the past eight years, and hence no ground for a general advance in the prices of national forest timber. The timber sold to settlers and farmers at cost, brought an average of 74 cents per thousand feet. In District 6 this class of material brings 50 cents per thousand board feet and 25 cents per cord for cordwood.

The receipts for grazing permits show an increase of \$127,031 over 1914, due partly to the increase in fees charged for grazing of cattle and horses, and partly to the increased number of the former. Improved methods, too, have increased the carrying capacity of the range. Perhaps the most striking feature of the national forest grazing business is the increase in the number of livestock associations cooperating with the Forest Service. They numbered 226 at the end of the fiscal year, an increase of 60 over 1914. In District 6, there are 44 of these associations cooperating with the Service. The Forester points out that the desire on the part of the stockmen to be thus recognized by the Forest service emphasizes their general satisfaction with the grazing administration, and adds that this cooperation has been very beneficial to the Service in working out many grazing problems.

HIGH SCHOOL PARAGRAPHS

The next literary program will be given Friday afternoon, January the seventh. One of the principle numbers will be a debate. Resolved, That the Monroe Doctrine should be abolished as a national policy of the United States. This will be the first debate given by our recently organized debating society. At this time two Sophomores debate against two Seniors. Norton Winnard and Earl Gordon champion the affirmative side of the question while David Wilson and Thomas Hughes will defend the negative.

The Freshman class seem to be in a good humor this week and the reason is very plain to the upper classmen. Just before Christmas the Freshmen needed a present. An appropriate one was secured and Kenneth Binns presented it to them. At the close of a flowery presentation speech the present was unwrapped and handed over to the Freshmen. It was a bottle of milk equipped with the other necessities a Freshman needs in using that kind of a beverage.

Last Thursday the Grass Valley team secured a 14 to 37 victory from us. Although the game was a hard contested one from start to finish, the visitors won by superior team work.

The next game will be played Saturday night. At that time the Ione boys will play here. The turn-out for practice has been good this week, so the indications look good for a fast game. We would like to have a good crowd out as the team is twenty-five dollars in debt.

A dark room is being fitted up by the Biology class. A machine has been secured, so now the class can see slides pertaining to the various parts of biology.

Most of the classes are having their pictures taken for the Annual this week. The pictures are being taken early this year so as to allow plenty of time to get first-class cuts made.

The midyear examinations will begin January the eighteenth.

The Wells Entertainers.

The next number on the Lyceum course will be presented at the high school auditorium on January 26, by the Glenn Wells Entertainers.

Subscription Law.

Few readers of newspapers fully and clearly understand the law governing subscription. Below are the decisions of the United States Supreme court upon the subject.

Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered as wishing to renew their subscription.

If a subscriber orders a discontinuance of their periodicals, the publisher may continue them until all dues are paid.

If subscribers continue to take the periodical from the postoffice to which it is directed, he is responsible until he has settled the bill and ordered the paper discontinued.

If subscribers move to other places without informing the publisher and the papers are sent to the former address the subscriber is held responsible.

The court has held that refusal to take periodicals from the postoffice, or removing and leaving them un-called for, is prima facie evidence of intention to defraud.

If subscribers pay in advance, they are bound to give notice at the end of the time if they do not wish to continue taking it, otherwise the publisher is authorized to send it and the subscriber will be responsible until express notice with payment of all arrearages is made.

Cut this out for future reference.

ALTAR SOCIETY SOCIAL

The card social given by the Altar Society on last Thursday evening was crowned with a success beyond even the most sanguine expectations of its promoters. Nearly 100 people were present, and it is safe to say that everyone had a very enjoyable evening. The musical program which preceded the card playing, was thoroughly enjoyed, as was evidenced by the hearty applause given. Mrs. C. L. Sweek, Mrs. R. J. Vaughn and Miss Margaret O'Rourke were the participants in the program. The honors for the gentleman's prize fell to John Vaughn and J. L. Wilkins, and another game was played, with the result that J. L. won the fine fountain pen donated by Oscar Borg. There were three contestants for honors among the ladies, namely Mrs. C. Vaughn, Miss W. Winnard and Miss M. Power. A drawing was made, and Mrs. C. Vaughn received the beautiful brooch donated by Wm. Haylor. Thursday evening's social is a happy augury of more pleasant ones to come.

CLUB COMMITTEE MEETS WITH SUCCESS IN TRIP TO UMATILLA COUNTY

Representatives of the Heppner Commercial Club who made an invasion into Umatilla county Tuesday, returned home yesterday afternoon enthusiastic over the reception which they received, both at Pilot Rock and Pendleton.

The trip by these men was a result of a letter received a short time ago from the Pilot Rock Commercial Club asking Heppner's co-operation in locating the Columbia Highway from The Dalles to Pendleton by way of Olex, Ione, Lexington, Heppner and Pilot Rock. The Heppner delegation, consisting of A. M. Phelps, J. L. Wilkins, H. W. Vance, Leo Hill, L. K. Harlan, Glenn Y. Wells and Arthur R. Crawford met with the Pilot Rock Club on Tuesday afternoon. Judge Gilliland presided over this meeting. After a complete discussion of the roads between Ione and Pilot Rock, it was decided that the best way in which active work in a permanent manner of carrying out the good roads idea along this route would be to appoint committees in the various towns along the route of the proposed highway, that they might work together in close union at all times. Upon a motion this idea was carried out and Chas. J. Miller and J. N. Burgess of Pilot Rock and A. M. Phelps and J. L. Wilkins acting as a nominating committee chose the following men to serve on permanent good roads committees in the various towns: Ione—Bert Mason, J. T. Knappenberg and Vawter Crawford; Lexington—W. E. Leach, W. G. Scott and W. F. Barnett; Heppner—C. C. Patterson, J. L. Wilkins and A. M. Phelps; Lena—John Kilkenny, Percy Hughes and John Brosnan; Vinson—Pat Doherty, Dillard French and Chas. Ely; Pilot Rock—T. P. Gilliland, E. B. Casteel and C. J. Miller. The Pilot Rock Commercial Club entertained the visitors with an inner at the Pilot Rock hotel and about 4

o'clock the Heppnerites left for Pendleton, accompanied by a strong delegation from Pilot Rock to meet in the evening with the Pendleton Commercial Association.

Pendleton, being the center of Umatilla county commerce, is confronted with the proposition of meeting demands from every point in the county. At the present time Echo, Hermiston, Stanfield and Umatilla in the north are clamoring for better roads to the county seat. Pilot Rock is asking for road improvements from the metropolis out to the Morrow county line by the way of Pilot Rock, Vinson and Nye. Yet when the Morrow county representatives asked for the co-operation of the Pendleton Commercial Association in building a graded highway out of Pendleton to Pilot Rock and on to the county line, the association was unanimous in favoring the plan and at once went on record by appointing a committee to act in conjunction with other committees already appointed along the route of this new highway. Pendleton business men were surprised when they learned of the excellent condition of the Franklin hill road, for none of them had yet been over the new grade.

Hog Hollow canyon was the most discussed piece of road during the two meetings and it was plainly shown that when this piece of road is worked over, travel from Heppner to Pendleton will be made comparatively easy.

It was the unanimous opinion of those who mentioned the matter that the Columbia Highway travel will go over the road which affords the greatest convenience, whether it be the official route mapped out by the state highway commission or not. The Heppner-Pilot Rock route was the one chosen by the Blue Trail men recently when they came through here from Pendleton.

BIG RABBIT DRIVE AT EWING SUNDAY

Arrangements are being made by the O-W. R. & N. Company to accommodate the several hundred people who will participate in the big rabbit drive at the Ewing station below Cecil next Sunday.

Special rates have been made by the railroad company and the round trip fare will be \$1.40. An extra coach will be placed in service to take care of the crowd of drivers.

The drive will begin as soon as the train arrives at Ewing. Farmers in that vicinity have charge of the arrangements. It is reported that rabbits have become such a pest on lower Willow creek that they are proving a serious menace to farmers there. It has been necessary to build fences of wire netting around the hay stacks to prevent total destruction by the rabbits.

Miss Winnifred Winnard returned to her home in Portland last Sunday morning after visiting through the week at the home of Dr. N. E. Winnard in this city and at the country home of Frank Winnard.

COMMERCIAL CLUB WILL ELECT OFFICERS

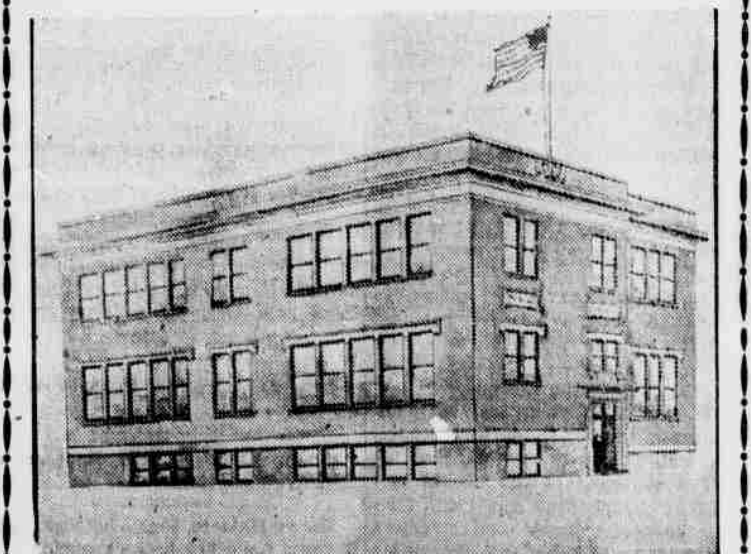
The Heppner Commercial Club will hold their regular meeting on Friday, January 14, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. President Notson urges the attendance of every business man of Heppner whether he is a member of the Club or not.

At this meeting some important matters concerning future road work in Morrow county will be taken up. The committee who met with the Pilot Rock and Pendleton clubs in regard to the Heppner-Pilot Rock road will make their report at that time.

Married, at the home of the bridegroom's father in this city, Saturday, January 1, Mr. S. O. Esteb and Miss Sue O. Sperry, both of Morrow county. Rev. W. B. Smith officiated. The Gazette-Times joins with the many friends of the contracting parties in wishing them happiness.

Dan Henshaw was in the city from his home in the Black Horse district yesterday.

LEXINGTON'S NEW SCHOOLHOUSE COMPLETED JANUARY 1st, 1916



THIS FINE NEW BRICK BUILDING COST THE TAXPAYERS OF DISTRICT NO. 12 \$18,000, AND IT IS EQUIPPED WITH FURNITURE COSTING \$2,000.

YOUNG FORGER ARRESTED

Lloyd Meyer, a boy about 18 years of age, was arrested Tuesday by Marshal F. N. Frye and placed in the county jail on a check forging charge. It is alleged that young Meyer gave Ben Yen, a Chinese restaurant man, a check for \$12.50. The check was made in favor of Meyer and the name of W. O. Minor was signed. When Ben Yen took the check to the First National Bank, payment was refused. It is said that the forged name was a very poor imitation of Mr. Minor's signature. Meyer has a mother living in Spray and his father is in Walla Walla. Just what action the juvenile court will take in the matter has not yet been learned. The young man has been living in Heppner for the past six months and has been gaining a livelihood by doing odd jobs about town.

OREGON IRRIGATION CONGRESS A SUCCESS

The session of the Oregon Irrigation Congress held at Portland last week was one of the best since the organization of the congress. Morrow county was represented by Jos. Hayes, Andy Rood and S. E. Notson. The congress was unanimous in its endorsement of the Jones Bill, now before Congress. This bill provides for the guaranty of interest on irrigation district bonds, by the general government. If the bill should pass, it will enable any meritorious project to finance itself. The congress also passed a resolution favoring the same kind of guaranty by the state. The general government and the state would be perfectly safe, as the entire property of the project would be liable, and everything in the way of development would add to its value. The money would be spent on the project, and this would come as nearly to the "eating of your cake and still having it" as can be devised. The plan proposed is to provide in the bonds enough funds to cover the interest the first four years; four per cent would be charged until the end of forty years; at which time the additional two per cent would extinguish the bonds.

After hearing the report upon the possibilities of irrigation in Morrow county, one of the government engineers said that the land subject to irrigation in this county, considering amount, quality of soil, climate, elevation, nearness to market, and quality of products constitutes the best proposition in the whole West, and that it had not received proper attention.

First Interscholastic Game Saturday.

The first game of basketball in the Morrow County Interscholastic League will be played in Heppner Saturday, January 8, at the skating rink. The teams of Ione and Heppner high schools will be matched for the principal game of the evening, while teams representing the senior and junior girls and the sophomore and freshman girls of the local high will play a preliminary game. The boys' teams are in fine trim and will undoubtedly offer some good fast basketball. The nominal sum of 25 cents is asked for the two games and as the local athletic association is in need of finances it will not be out of the way for all lovers of good clean athletics to drop around to the rink Saturday evening and give them a boost. The first game starts at 7:30 sharp.

S. A. Harris is down from his mountain home for a few days. Mr. Harris says it has been quite cold out that way, the thermometer falling to 8 below zero a few nights ago.

A. O. H. INSTALL OFFICERS

The installation of the A. O. H. officers for 1916 was the occasion of one of those gatherings which serve to drive dull care away, and make life better and brighter. The officers were installed in the afternoon and in the evening a merry crowd of Hibernians and their friends assembled in the banquet room of the Odd Fellows building and proceeded to do full justice to the many good things provided by the fair ladies who had charge of the culinary arrangements. After the inner man had been satisfied, all trooped out to the hall and made the welkin ring with music and song. Vocal and instrumental solos and recitations succeeded in making the hours pass so quickly that the chairman, on looking at his watch, could hardly believe that five hours had nearly gone by. The crowd realizing that it was time to make an exit, with fervor sang "The Star Spangled Banner, God Save Ireland and a Nation Once Again," and then departed, well satisfied that 1916 had been so pleasantly begun.

COLLEGE BOYS GIVE HIGH CLASS SING

O. A. C. Glee Club Program Replete With Songs and Stunts.—Audience Well Pleased.

Heppner was again put in direct touch with some real college life last Saturday evening when the Glee Club of the Oregon Agricultural College made its third successful appearance in the city. Although not as large as former crowds, the audience which filled the High School auditorium very comfortably was none the less appreciative and the college boys left Heppner with the knowledge of having made good.

The program this year was unusually interesting, combining the classic and the popular in such a manner that the most critical listener could find no fault, and the seeker after popular entertainment certainly had no room for complaint. The concert opened with a selection by the club, "Twilight is Lovelight," Lewis-Rubinstein. The audience was at once set at ease concerning the rest of the program for in this opening number it was plainly evidenced that the boys had been trained to sing well. The second number was a solo by Mr. Stewart Tulley, a young man, small of stature, but blessed with a big baritone voice. He was scheduled to sing "Evening Star," from Tannhauser, but reserved the right to change, singing a song the title of which the writer did not ascertain. He responded cheerfully to a very vigorous encore. "On the Road to Mandalay" was a popular selection by the O. A. C. quartette. Messrs. McCollum, Olsen, Tulley and Miller comprise this very popular branch of the club, and while not as strong as the quartet which traveled with that organization two years ago, they rank well with the troops of that nature now on the road. "Undine," Cadman, was another offering of the club which pleased immensely and was responded to with a popular song. Olaf Jonason, student director of the club, had a hard time to get away from the audience after his song "Mavourneen Roamin'." While his name does not suggest Ireland or the Irish to any great extent he sings their songs in a manner genuinely Irish. He responded to the hearty encore with another verse of the song. The closing number of the first part of the program was "Recessional," DeKoven. This number was of unusual interest to Heppner people as the obligato was sung by Victor Orr, formerly of this place and well known here. Since leaving Heppner Victor has studied both voice and piano and in the concert Saturday evening performed very creditably in both branches. He has a very pleasing voice of first tenor quality and uses it to good advantage.

The second part of the program was devoted to funmaking. The first scene opened with the familiar minstrel setting, Martyn and McCollum playing "ends" and Victor Orr acting as interlocutor. The ends pulled off some good ones and the club sang a popular melody. Mr. Tulley made a hit with his reading "And So Did I," responding with an encore. J. E. McCollum was exceedingly clever in his Scotch dialect impersonations. Martyn and Jonason stirred things up in a lively manner and threw in one heaping cup of cheer to stem the fast waning tide of holiday jollification. Martyn is a natural comedian and leaves his audience with a desire for more. The club was then assembled to represent a typical gathering of college lads and sang in succession "Hall to Old O. A. C.," "Down Among the Sheltering Palms," "The Sweetest Girl in Monterey," O. A. C. Medley; Finale, "My Honolulu Maid."

Prof. W. F. Gaskins was unable to accompany the club this year owing to an unusual press of business at the holiday season. The work of the club however, is exceptionally meritorious and reflects great credit upon this capable director.

Patrons Take Notice.

The People's Cash Market is on a strictly cash basis after the first of the year. We would kindly ask that all patrons now owing us please pay up. By putting our business on a cash basis, we will be better able to satisfy the public and do justice to ourselves. We will then be able to go out and buy the best stuff that cash will buy, and you in turn will be assured of better meat on the cash basis.

Respectfully,
PEOPLES' CASH MARKET,
Henry Schwarz, Proprietor.

Rev. Van Waters will hold services in the Episcopal church in this city next Sunday, January 9, both morning and evening.