

THE GAZETTE-TIMES

VOL. 32. NO. 47.

HEPPNER, OREGON, FEBRUARY 17, 1916.

SUBSCRIPTION, \$1.50 PER YEAR

KNIGHTS OBSERVE 52ND ANNIVERSARY

**Doric Lodge No. 20 Presents Jewels
to Veterans Who Have Been
Faithful Members for Twen-
ty-Five Years.**

Doric Lodge No. 20, Knights of Pythias, held commemorative exercises in I. O. O. F. hall in this city last Tuesday evening in honor of the 52nd anniversary of the founding of the order. The feature of the occasion was the presentation by the local lodge of veteran jewels to members who have been affiliated with Doric lodge for 25 years. Those members who were entitled to this honor are Phill Cohn, James Cowins and W. B. Barratt of Heppner, Vawter Crawford of Ione, J. R. Simons and E. R. Hunlock of Portland, and E. S. Keithley of Napa, California. Only two of the above-named, W. B. Barratt and Vawter Crawford, were able to be present at the presentation ceremony.

Willard L. Marks of Albany, Grand Chancellor of Knights of Pythias for Oregon, addressed the knights and their friends assembled on the "Practical Phases of Pythianism." The address of the Grand Chancellor was replete with oratorical eloquence in which he paid tribute of high order to this fraternity which has made such a remarkable growth in 52 years. Mr. Marks was followed by Walter C. Gleeson of Portland, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, who spoke on the value of doing little things for good. Mr. Gleeson has been with the Grand Lodge only since last October, having succeeded Lou R. Stinson, who was for 19 years Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

The addresses by the Grand Lodge officers were interspersed with music which was furnished by Redifer's orchestra and pleasing solos were sung by Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Crawford.

At the conclusion of the program the knights and their guests sat down to a clam feed in the banquet hall which came up fully to the former feeds which the knights have given.

TO THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS OF MORROW COUNTY, OREGON:

About two weeks ago, I announced my intentions to become a candidate for the office of District Attorney. Since that time I have considered a proposition which will prevent me from devoting the necessary attention to the duties of the office for the ensuing term of four years.

I, therefore, desire to announce that I will not be a candidate for the office, and take this opportunity and means of thanking my friends for their loyal support offered me.

GLENN Y. WELLS.

Dr. N. E. Winnard made a professional trip to the E. O. Neill ranch on Butter creek last Tuesday evening.

OFFICERS CONFISCATE LARGE STORE OF BOOZE

Sheriff George McDuffee and his deputy, Willard Herren, made a raid on the O. K. restaurant this week and found a large quantity of beer and whiskey which they at once took possession of and hauled it to the court house. Ma Shoot, the Chinese proprietor, was charged with keeping on his premises intoxicating liquor for the purpose of selling.

The trial of Ma Shoot is taking place in Justice Cornett's court this afternoon. The defendant is being represented by Sam E. VanVactor, and Glenn Y. Wells, county attorney, is prosecuting for the state. A jury has been selected to try the case.

The confiscated booze was found in a store room at the rear of the restaurant. Ma Shoot and his family also live in the same building. It will probably be up to the jury to decide as to whether the intoxicants were kept in a public place or not. Considerable interest is being taken in the case.

REV. T. S. HANDSAKER TO GO TO SAN DIEGO

Rev. T. S. Handsaker has tendered his resignation as pastor of the First Christian church of this city and has accepted a call from the University Heights church in San Diego, California. The local board accepted his resignation at a special meeting Wednesday evening. He will take up his new work the first of April and expects to leave Heppner about the 20th of March.

The University Heights church has a large membership, but the thing which appeals to Rev. Handsaker and his wife, is the fact that the church is near a normal school of large enrollment. In Corvallis Mr. Handsaker met with success in his work among the students of the state agricultural college and this line of work appeals to him strongly.

The Heppner church feels indeed fortunate that they have been able to hold the Handsakers here as long as they have, and rejoice in the fact that they are going to a field where bigger work will be done.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

By Supt. S. E. Notson.

State Superintendent Churchill has designated March 7 as Burbank Day for the schools of the state. Within a few days each teacher will receive a circular containing suggestions as to the way in which the day may be observed. Let us make the day one worth the while. Luther Burbank has done a great work for the world, and it is fitting that we should show our appreciation before he leaves his present field of labor.

It would be perfectly in keeping with the proper observance of Burbank Day for those schools which have not done so, to organize their industrial clubs. I presume each teacher has received the information from the Agricultural College in regard to the plans for this year. If not, write Prof. H. C. Seymour, at Corvallis, for the circulars of information. This year, those who are of club age will not be permitted to enter any exhibits at the county fair except club exhibits. This does not mean that you must belong to a club, but you must enroll for club work and do project work. There will be some miscellaneous prizes for pupils under the club age, but none for those of club age. We have advanced to that place now where the pupils, patrons, and teachers understand the educational value of the industrial work, and it is not necessary to attempt to pay each pupil for his work in order to get them to do industrial work. The pupils are beginning to see that the biggest prize is in what they learn by doing the work. However, we expect to make the prizes worth the while, but the ribbon will be more highly appreciated, no doubt, than the money. I trust that many clubs will be organized on Burbank Day, and that those already organized will make the day one of profit.

Senator Lane has sent a quantity of garden and flower seeds to the office. Pupils who contemplate doing something in the line of gardening may have the seeds if they will call or write for them.

As the warm days tempt the pupils to play vigorously, they are apt to come into the schoolroom quite warm. Often they will throw open the windows and sit in a current of air for some time to "cool off." Teachers should see to it that no pupils sit thus in a draft. It may mean discomfort for a short time, but it is better to be somewhat uncomfortable for a few minutes than to take a severe cold. If the room can not be ventilated properly without a pupil sitting in a draft, it is advisable to have the pupils move about or take some light calisthenic exercises while the windows are opened wide.

Many teachers neglect to see that there is provision made for introducing moisture into the atmosphere of the school room. As I have suggested before, a tall baking powder can filled with water and kept on the stove will answer the purpose very well.

Episcopal Church Services.

Rev. George B. VanWaters, of Portland, will hold services both morning and evening in the Episcopal church next Sunday. Owing to delayed train service, Rev. VanWaters was unable to arrive in Heppner last Sunday as was announced. The public is cordially invited.

John Olden, of Rhea creek, was in the city on Monday.

IRRIGATION MEETING IN SALEM ON MARCH 9TH

Portland, February 15, 1916.—The State Irrigation, Drainage & Rural Credits conference authorized by the Oregon Irrigation Congress will be held at the Statehouse in Salem, March 9. Call for the conference has been issued by the special committee which was given the responsibility and more than half the delegates from representative state organizations have been appointed. The conference delegates are asked to formulate a plan for state guaranty of irrigation and drainage securities and a system of State Rural Credits.

It is proposed to draft a constitutional amendment for submission to the people at the next general election. The conference will probably decide whether to submit enabling legislation at the general election or, later, to the legislature.

Already there is sweeping the state conviction that no more important gathering has ever been planned in Oregon. It will have the bigness and serious responsibility of a constitutional convention. The best brains and experience from all walks of life and all occupations will be represented and will be called upon to produce the plan, which when enacted into law, and administered, will solve the state's great development problems of irrigation and drainage. All authorities—financiers and farmers, railroad men and organized laborers—have made statements recognizing the necessity of action and supporting the fundamental character of the procedure outlined. The only doubt has been as to whether prejudices and differences can be laid aside in the common purpose to do now a big thing for Oregon.

Because of the great public interest in, and the significance of, the conference, many will probably journey to the state capital from all parts of the state to witness the proceedings, their concern keener, even, than if it had been a session of the Legislature which they had come to attend.

LIVE NEWS FROM THE IONE COUNTRY

Quiet prevails in this little burg and things have settled down to their normal condition since the big snow is practically all gone. It was mentioned in these items last issue that high water was doing no small amount of damage to the ranchers at the confluence of Rhea and Willow creeks, and since the waters have subsided, it is quite apparent that a number of the people at that point have suffered to a considerable degree.

The water cut through the places of Alex Lindsay, Gus Wilcox, T. B. Buffington and Frank Akers, the latter two perhaps sustaining the heaviest loss. Sediment to the depth of a foot and more has been deposited over a large portion of the alfalfa fields, and this will doubtless prove beneficial. The residents below Ione and as far as Cecil suffered in like manner but the sum total of damage done will not be large. For a time it was expected that the levee at this point would break and the town be flooded quite extensively, and this would doubtless have occurred had the flood waters of Willow creek and Rhea creek reached this place at the same time. As stated above, the danger passed over and all apprehension from floods has ceased and our people are pursuing the even tenor of their way.

The sad accident at the Gus Wilcox place on Thursday morning, in which Pete Brad—his life, cast somewhat of a gloom over the community. When the report came down that the young man was in the creek, a searching party was immediately organized and the stream was thoroughly searched but to no avail. The body was found early on Saturday morning in the old channel at the rear of the Frank Akers place, nearly two miles below where it went into the creek.

W. T. Craig, who was in from Ella Monday, states that the snow has not disappeared from the hills out that way, and the feeding of stock still goes on. Some farmers in that vicinity have run very short on feed, and are hoping that a break will come and such weather conditions prevail as will bring forth the grass.

Report from the McNabb and Shutt ranches, below Ione, is to the effect

that while they had a lot of high water to contend with during the recent freshet, no damage was suffered.

Erik Bergstrom, Gooseberry farmer, was in Ione Monday and states that the fields in his section "would mire a saddle-blanket" at the present time. The big snow all went into the ground and he confidently expects an abundant harvest.

What appeared to be a bad coyote, was dispatched by Ike Howard early Monday morning. The animal had come into the corral at the Frank Akers place and bit one of his dogs. Being run out of there it bolted into the Howard place, and Ike shot it with a rifle. The animal was not stopped in its rush, even by the rifle ball, and ran on for considerable distance before falling over. The head was taken off and shipped to Dr. Calvin S. White at Portland, for examination as to rabies.

Chas. Ried, who owns the Geo. J. Currin place to the north of Jordan Siding, states that he has one thousand acres of grain up and it is growing fine. It seemed to grow and prosper while being covered with Mr. Ried and his son, Gus, are preparing to put in six hundred acres more of grain and will have something to turn to the mill this Fall, unless all signs fail.

Chas. Devin, owner of the Marcelus Williams place west of Ione, is just finishing a neat and commodious residence, and he and his good wife will live a little more comfortably from this on. Mr. Devin is one of those farmers who were fortunate enough to get in the most of his summerfallow ground last fall, and his wheat is now up and looking fine.

John Nielson, carpenter and contractor, who has been at work during the winter months on the new home of Chas. Devin, was in Ione Monday, accompanied by his son, Iver.

A road crew has been busy up the creek from Ione during the week, making needed repairs to the roads where they were washed out, and making it possible for travel to be resumed.

FORD MISSION NO FAILURE SAYS DELEGATE

University of Oregon, Eugene, Feb. 12.—The Henry Ford peace expedition has only begun its real work. Results lie in the future and depend on the work of the neutral conference which the expedition has secured. This is the opinion of Lamar Tooez, University of Oregon delegate on the peace mission, who returned to college yesterday morning.

"The two principal purposes of the mission were to attract worldwide attention to the cause of peace, and to enlist the support of the neutral countries of Europe. I am convinced that this far the mission has accomplished all it set out to do," said Mr. Tooez, "even though newspaper readers laughed."

In Europe, as well as in the United States, the mission attracted general attention, Mr. Tooez said. As to the second purpose, an unofficial conference of representatives from America, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland will meet with "permanent peace, or none at all" as its slogan.

On this conference the results of the Ford peace expedition will depend. It will draw up peace proposals and present them simultaneously to all the fighting nations. Presumably, these proposals will not recognize existing military advantage, but will, however, allude specifically to the Belgian and Balkan situations. The conference will dissolve itself automatically—to leave international diplomacy unembarrassed.

One reason that so much American "humor" has been directed against the mission is that the fifty newspaper people who went along were all "enterprising." "Fight in the Peace Party" was irresistible to a humor-loving correspondent, Mr. Tooez suggested. But the discussion reported was more animated discussion than active opposition he said. "It was part of Mr. Ford's idea to make his mission represent different opinions except on the one issue, peace in Europe."

A half million dollars—so Mr. Tooez was told—might cover the cost of the expedition. All legitimate expenses of the delegates, including laundry and necessary taxicab bills, were cared for by Mr. Ford. Seventy-two thousand dollars alone was paid for passage in the Oscar. The return passage doubled this. The captain of the boat was given a Ford automobile and a victrola. The stewards in the dining salons received \$50 each and the stokers \$10. A bonus of \$50,000 in addition to regular fares was required to get a special train across Germany—the first that had crossed the empire since war broke out.

Mr. Tooez has been invited, since his return, to speak in Eugene, Dallas, Falls City, Oregon City, Dalburn, Salem and Portland.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Neill, at their home on Butter creek on Tuesday, Feb. 15, a daughter.

HIGH SCHOOL PARAGRAPHS

W. Pearl LeTrace.

A little bit of sunshine,
And a whiff of the breezes faint,
Make the High School students
Seem what they ain't.

Thomas Hughes who has been very ill is reported by his doctor to be improving. School doesn't seem quite the same without him, and all will be glad when he can again be with us.

The Chemistry class is again doing laboratory work. They have been studying the text-book since before the mid-year examinations and all were glad of the change.

The Echo-Condon debate will not be held in Heppner. They have made arrangements to hold their debate either in Condon or Echo.

Edgar Copenhaver who has been quite ill returned to school last Monday.

Don't forget the literary program Friday evening, the 28th.

Basket Ball Notes.

Owing to the bad condition of the roads, the girls' basket ball team could not go to Ione last Saturday to play the Ione girls. They are planning to play Ione next Saturday, February 19th.

The boys' basket ball team played the town team last Friday evening. The first half of the game the town team was far ahead, but the High School boys braced up somewhat toward the last and finally won the game. The score was 30 to 23.

Those who played were: Center, Emmett Hughes; forwards, Engram, Hayes, Wilson, Smith; guards, Peterson, Wright.

The town line-up: Center, Gay Anderson; forwards, Art Crawford, Wm. O'Rourke; guards, Hlatt, Cochran, Morgan.

On Thursday of this week (tonight) the High School will again play the town team. The Freshman and Sophomore girls will also play the Junior and Senior girls.

A few of the girls who originally played in the team have dropped out, and two grammar grade girls will be substituted in their places. Everybody come, they need your support.

Losses Valuable Dog.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo this week lost his valuable Alredale pup, "Duke," who was the victim of the poison fiend. A post mortem examination of the dog's stomach revealed the fact that strychnine had been placed in something which he had eaten. Since "Duke" was a well trained dog of high breeding, Dr. McMurdo feels his loss very keenly.

Pendleton Orchestra to Heppner.

Arrangements have been made between the Heppner Lodge of Elks and the United Orchestra of Pendleton whereby the latter will furnish the music for the Elks' ball at Heppner, February 25. R. W. Fletcher, manager of the orchestra, has also arranged with the Heppner ladies to furnish music for a leap year ball the latter part of this month.—Pendleton E. O.

TIME TO HATCH FOR GOOD WINTER LAYERS

The farmer who is successful in getting his hens to lay when eggs are high in price, hatches the chicks early enough in the season so they will have time to mature before cold weather sets in, but not so early that they will mature in warm weather and when cold weather comes stop laying and go into moult, says Mr. Dryden of O. A. C. Experiment Station. This is an important point for the poultryman.

For Leghorns, and other small breeds, the best time on the average to hatch them is about the beginning of April or from March 20 to April 20. Chicks that are hatched within these dates with the proper care throughout the summer, will make the best late fall and winter layers.

If hatched a month earlier they will mature early and usually go into a moult and stop laying when eggs are at their highest. For heavier breeds that require longer to mature, the hatching season should be earlier. For Plymouth Rocks and breeds of that size, about the middle of March is a very good time, or any time between March 1 and April 1. There is very little profit in pullets that have been hatched later than the first of May. While it is possible to hasten or retard laying maturity by regulating the feeding and care, with good average care the dates given above will be about right.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hunt and daughter returned Wednesday evening from Seattle, where they had been visiting with relatives for several days.

J. B. Culick of Butter creek, returned to Heppner last night from Portland where he had gone previously on a business trip.

Dr. McMurdo made a trip down into the Sand Hollow country Friday night to administer medical treatment to Ralph Finley, son of William Finley. The young man is reported to be improving at this time.

NAVAL BASE BILL IS INTRODUCED

**Committee on Naval Affairs Takes Up
Bill Which Authorizes the Estab-
lishment of A Naval Base on
the Columbia River.**

Representative C. L. Hawley of the first Oregon district has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives which it passed will authorize the establishing of a \$3,000,000 naval base on the Columbia river, in or near Astoria.

The bill reads as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to secure a suitable site on the Columbia River, Oregon, as near to the entrance as may be deemed advisable, for the construction of a first-class naval base, including the following: Building ways, for building large and small vessels; dry docks, capable of docking the largest dreadnaughts; marine railways; machine shops; boiler shops; electrical shops; pattern shops; paint shop; galvanizing shop; joiner shop; ship-fitter shop; smithery and chain shop; sheet-metal shop; boat and aeroplane shop; sail, rigging, and flag shops; oxyhydrogen and acetylene shops; foundry; tracks and rolling stock; barracks; chemical laboratories; radio plant; magazines, hospital, dispensary; fire engine house; stables and garages; piers; fueling plant; storehouses; postoffice buildings; floating derrick and saw mill; and that \$3,000,000 be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the acquisition of a site and beginning of the work of construction.

The bill has been referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Christian Church Notes.

"The Gospel of Power" will be the subject of Minister Handsaker's discourse next Sunday morning.

At the evening service Rev. E. S. Muckley of Portland, representative of the National Benevolent Association will speak.

Next Saturday evening (Feb. 19) Rev. Handsaker will deliver a free stereopticon lecture in the church on the work of the National Benevolent Association of the Christian church. The lantern slides will show the work of the association as carried on in its orphanages, hospitals and homes for the aged. No collection.

The regular monthly meeting of the Heppner Commercial Club will be held at the Palace hotel tomorrow night. Among other things the creamery will receive attention. Action will also be taken in the matter of giving the Club's support to the Astoria Naval base committee in the work to get their bill passed by the present Congress. The membership committee will make their report.

GAME WARDEN HOT ON TRAIL OF BIRD KILLERS

Game Warden Robert H. Young is hot on the trail of pheasant shooters and last week arrested Henry Pless, a farmer south of Heppner. Mr. Pless pleaded guilty and was fined \$100. Pless then implicated Charles Crites, a young man who lives in the same neighborhood. Crites pleaded his innocence and after being arraigned in Justice Cornett's court, was found not guilty. Pless also "peached" on a German, Emil Wolf, but Wolf came up missing when his trial was called for Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Morrow county has taken pride in her stock of wild birds, which have been gradually increasing, and Warden Young feels that every law violation against these birds should be prosecuted hard.

W. L. Finley, of lower Sand Hollow, is a business visitor in Heppner today.

WRITER BELIEVES DOG POISONER DANGEROUS

It is hard to believe we have in our midst someone who is distributing scraps of meat poisoned with strychnine about the city to kill poor, innocent dogs, which in many cases belong to children who are wrapped up in them and the loss of which causes them to be almost heart-broken. Of course we know that no sane person would do such a low sneaking trick. It takes a degenerate of the lowest type to do such a thing and we regret that such a person is in Heppner. But unfortunately we can not deny the fact. Such persons allowed to run at large are dangerous to the community as any one whose mental faculties are so unbalanced may poison a little innocent child as well as a poor innocent, unsuspecting, harmless dog. Probably the only thing that saves our children from being poisoned by such sneaking scoundrels is the fear of a prison sentence. So let us hope and pray that this fear will increase rather than diminish.

—CONTRIBUTED.