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CREAMERY ENLARGES ITS SCOPE

Products of Alfalfa Lawn Dairy Will be Handled at Local Butter Factory, Where Bottling Works Will be Installed.—W. Claude Cox Will Deliver.

The Morrow County Creamery Company has enlarged its scope of business by taking over the retail business of the Alfalfa Lawn Dairy. Hereafter the creamery will buy all the milk products from the Alfalfa Lawn Dairy, the milk and cream will be bottled at the creamery, where bottling works and ice coolers will be installed, and W. Claude Cox, a man experienced in the delivery business, will have charge of the milk wagon.

At the present deliveries will be made from the dairy farm of Wightman brothers until special arrangements suitable for handling the milk are made at the creamery.

During the several years that Wightman brothers have supplied the people of Heppner with their pure milk and cream they have given entire satisfaction. Under the new arrangement, they will not go out of the dairy business, but they will have more time to devote to their dairy herd and other farm work. The creamery wishes to assure the public it will receive the same courteous treatment as was accorded them under the old management and a continuation of patronage will be appreciated.

A. K. Fuller Dies at Castle Rock.

A. K. Fuller, for many years a resident of Morrow county, died at his home near Castle Rock, Wash. last Sunday. Death was the result of poor health, Mr. Fuller having been falling for some time. The deceased was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge of Lexington and leaves a host of friends in this county who will learn with regret of his untimely passing away. A wife and several children survive him.

Osmin Hager Builds Fine Residence.

Osmin Hager has about completed the erection of a fine residence on his property in East Heppner. The house is a story and a half with a full basement and is arranged to give every modern convenience. A modern heating plant of the hot water system will be located in the basement as also will be the laundry. One of the features of the new house is the furniture, this being built in. Harry and Tom Johnson have charge of the contract work and Gilliam & Bisbee are putting in the plumbing. All of the interior walls are of plaster finish and the furniture will be finished in golden oak. When completed, Mr. Hager will have one of the few really modern homes in the city. He is making extensive plans for the improvement of his several acres of land which surround the house.

A Georgia negro last summer left the plantation and spent three or four days in the city. When he returned he was envied by every one of his old friends, for he was the possessor of a diamond of unusual size and luster.

The boss said to him one day: "Sam is it a real diamond?"

And Sam replied: "Now look heah, boss, if it ain't, I've been skun out of foah bits!"

SHEEP SCABIES FOUND IN JOHN DAY VALLEY

John Day, Ore., May 29.—Sheep scabies has broken out on the ranges in the lower John Day Valley, Wheeler county, according to Dr. W. B. Henneburger of the United States bureau of animal industry, who recently made an inspection of the sheep in that vicinity. So far as Dr. Henneburger could determine by a preliminary inspection, the disease is confined to one band, although several other bands are under inspection.

The infected sheep belong to Mrs. Donald MacDonald. They have been grazing on the breaks of the lower John Day river all spring, and it is feared that they may have spread the infection to several other bands grazing on the same range.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM IONE AND VICINITY

W. R. Wyrick, an extensive farmer of the Pendleton country, was in Ione the first of the week looking after interests in this section. He has charge of the farm of Mr. Hastings, west of this place and early this Spring planted a large acreage of the same to barley. The grain is doing fine at this time, and Mr. Wyrick expects an abundant yield. He also states that grain is doing much better in Morrow county than it is in his part of Umatilla, and his report of conditions over there is rather discouraging.

Numerous excursion parties are passing through Ione every day now. They constitute travelers by auto who are wending their way towards Portland to attend the Rose show and visit other points of interest in the Willamette Valley. We had expected that when the World's Fair at San Francisco was over, there would be less travel of this nature through our town, but it seems that it has made little difference and the summer travel promises to be as large as ever.

Miss Ruth Bowman, who recently closed her term of school in the Mason district on Rhea creek, has gone to Berkeley, Calif., where she will attend the Summer school of the University of California.

C. W. Swanson has just finished plowing a tract of 350 acres of land for John Harbke, a few miles north of Ione. Mr. Swanson uses an oil tractor and is able to get over a lot of land in a day. He finds that it is getting too dry for successful plowing, though some of our farmers are still at it.

An attraction of interest at this place is the little band of Shetland ponies belonging to Miss Josephine Woolery. She is now the proud possessor of six head, and two of these are tiny colts foaled this Spring. It is Miss Woolery's intention to become possessor some day of an extensive horse ranch, and we doubt not that she will prove herself capable of taking good care of it and making a grand success.

Chas. Pointer and Johnnie McMillan, of Lexington, passed through Ione one day the past week on their way to Portland, where they were going to purchase a new threshing outfit. The Pointers and McMillans will have plenty of grain to keep a machine busy this season. They will head and thresh.

Nothing but good reports reach us at present concerning the crop conditions round and about Ione and Morgan. While the weather has not been as warm as we should like, yet grain has been growing and the fall sowing is now beginning to head out well. Weather conditions are now greatly improved and there seems to be nothing to prevent an abundant harvest.

A. B. Grover is another farmer of this section who rejoices over an abundance of good well water on his place. He recently had his well deepened by Charley Shaver and there is now an abundant flow which promises to be permanent.

Frank Engelman is making an extension of his building occupied by F. M. Holmes. He is enlarging the billiard room and will add another table. Larry Londergan and Perry Hopkins are doing the work.

P. G. Balsiger and family departed this morning for White Salmon, Wn., where they will visit for a short time with his brother, Fred Balsiger.

Rufus Cochran has joined the rapidly increasing crowd of auto owners, and he arrived home on Tuesday from The Dalles with a new Dodge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Knappenberg, Miss Josephine Woolery and Miss Catherine Jones, make up an auto party leaving this week for Portland and the Rose Festival. They will be gone for a month or six weeks, traveling over the Willamette Valley and the Western part of the state, camping and enjoying a good time.

A large party of Ioneites attended the ball at Heppner on Tuesday night, and pronounce it a grand affair.

Hay harvest has begun in this vicinity and some of our ranchers along the creek are cutting their first crop of alfalfa which is yielding well.

Mrs. Nora Mulvaney met her old friend, Mrs. Bridget Carr, carrying in her arms her twelfth child.

"Arrah now, Bridget," said Nora, "an' there ye are wid another little Carr in yer arms."

"Another, it is, Mrs. Mulvaney," replied her friend, "on' it's me that's hopin' 'tis the caboose."

"The byes say ye licked poor Clancy, Mike. Shure, an' he niver hurt any man's feelings."

"He's a snake in the grass!" averred Mike. "The blackguard referred to me as his contemporary, an' I'll be the contemporary to no man livin'!"

MR. AND MRS. B. M. BOOHER CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Booher, of Lexington, Morrow county pioneers, have been married half a century. The fiftieth anniversary of this event was appropriately observed and Mr. and Mrs. Booher were agreeably surprised last Friday afternoon.

A big dinner was prepared by the good people of Lexington to do honor to the occasion and at the proper moment the old folks were ushered into the town hall. Mr. and Mrs. Eph Eskelson were responsible for getting the old people out to the banquet in a manner not to arouse their suspicion of what was about to take place.

Rev. J. L. Jones then proceeded to marry Mr. and Mrs. Booher and they renewed the vows which had been made fifty years before. S. E. Notson of Heppner, who has been a close friend of the Boohers for many years, was called upon to speak. He told of the wonderful growth and the many changes which had taken place during the past fifty years. All of this progress Mr. and Mrs. Booher have witnessed since they were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Booher were married at Darlington, Indiana, and came to Oregon in 1880, settling first in Umatilla county near Athena. After living there for one year they came to Lexington and Mr. Booher took up a homestead north of that city. Mrs. Booher is 68 years of age and Mr. Booher is one year younger. Mr. and Mrs. Booher have three children, two of whom were present at the anniversary reception. They are Mrs. Effie Parker of Palouse City, Wash., and Mrs. Tom Beymer of Lexington. Another daughter lives in Canada. They have 13 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. All are living.

Nearly everybody in Lexington attended the reception, as well as many friends from Ione and Heppner. Those who were present from Heppner were Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Parker, Mrs. Clyde Wells and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Notson. Wm. Booher and wife, Chas., Albert and Henry Booher of Athena were also present.

Mr. and Mrs. Booher were the recipients of many presents, among which were some nicely coined double eagle gold pieces.

IRRIGON WILL CELEBRATE 4TH OF JULY

The Heppner Commercial Club met in special session at the council chamber Monday evening to discuss matters of importance. Among the most important were the Monument mail route and the Ritter road. The club has kept alive a continual agitation on these two matters and as a result something is finally about to be accomplished. The postoffice department has about reached the point where they are ready to receive new bids for the mail route. It is understood that they will let a contract providing the bids are within reason. Different parties are now arranging their bids with a view of sending them to Washington soon. The club feels that this route is about to be established.

The subscription list for building the Ritter road has long since been completed but only a few of the subscribers have paid in cash. The list was again referred to the original committee in charge of the Ritter road fund.

It has been announced that Irrigon is making extensive preparations to celebrate the 4th of July and they have invited the people of Morrow county to join them in observing the anniversary of the nation's birth. The club has taken the matter up and will strive to work up some enthusiasm in Heppner and in the event a special train is run from this city to the town on the Columbia, many of the local people will no doubt avail themselves of an opportunity to take an excursion trip to the sister city on the north.

At the conclusion of the meeting manager Ira Morgan of the Morrow

MORROW PIONEER IS DEAD IN PORTLAND

Thos. Quaid, one of the early pioneers of Morrow county, passed away at his home in Portland last Sunday morning after an illness of several months. Mr. Quaid had been in failing health for the past two years and he had been spending the winters in California in hopes that the milder climate would prove beneficial.

The funeral was held in Portland, where the deceased had been a resident since leaving Heppner several years ago. He leaves a wife and one daughter. Both were with him when the sad came.

A complete obituary will appear in our next issue.

County clerk Waters issued a marriage license Wednesday to J. A. Cox and Golda F. Barlow. Both are popular young people of Rhea creek, the groom being a son of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Cox and the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barlow. They will make their home on Rhea creek.

Miss Ella Sorber of Goldendale, Wash., arrived in the city Tuesday to visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Gay M. Anderson.

J. J. Nys, local attorney, is spending the week in Portland.

County Creamery brought in refreshments of Willow brand ice cream and ice cold butter milk. The butter milk was substantially strengthened with a "kick," the "kick" being no stronger than some of that pure cream that goes into the Willow Brand butter. Mr. Morgan was given a vote of thanks for the feed, before the members adjourned.

STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE REGENT THINKS EASTERN OREGON GREAT COUNTRY

N. R. Moore, regent of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis was in Heppner Sunday, "just to see the town." A newspaper man, he came to see the editor in his sanctum, and hoped to find O. Crawford, former, O. A. C. student, tuba player and printer who was about the Corvallis offices when Mr. Moore first invaded the Willamette Valley town seven or eight years ago. However this of other days is now in La Grande, where the two will probably meet.

Mr. Moore was surprised to find such a healthy looking town stuck away off up here in the mountains. While Heppner is generally known as an unusually good town, most visitors are surprised to find such evidence of a truly big country. After seeing scores of Eastern Oregon towns, the wonderful shadiness of Heppner struck him, and he was enthusiastic over the court house and its trim, well-kept appearance. Down in the Valley where everything grows without effort, such an excellent lawn about a public building can not be found, was Mr. Moore's assertion.

Touching upon Corvallis and O. A. C. Mr. Moore said in part. "Corvallis has really had an excellent growth and progress in recent years, and now numbers 6500 people. It is a fine resident town with seven miles of paved streets and every modern convenience. O. A. C. is graduating more students this year than

the total enrollment fifteen years ago. 1080 enrolled in agriculture courses this year, 862 in home economics and lesser numbers in manual training, commerce engineering, etc. Were over 1657 in the trial year courses. Regent Moore said every effort possible is put forth to make the work efficient and at the least cost. The entire membership of the Board thirteen busy men from all over the state, was present at the meeting April 21st and considered the financial budget with all the seriousness and care they give their own business.

While a library building and an engineering structure are badly needed, but one small building, an experimental foundry was authorized. Special emphasis is to be placed on the extension service, now engaged in the effort to help the farmers and home-makers solve their problems. Mr. Moore said the experiment station demonstrations at Moro are nothing less than wonderful. The people of Sherman County swear by it, and Banker Barnum gives it credit for being worth a hundred thousand dollars to that county every year."

Mr. Moore thinks the Willamette Valley people should come up into Eastern Oregon to get in touch with the big way of doing things, but also thinks it would be a splendid thing for us to get down to the Valley to learn how to take things easy after we have made our money.

MURDER AND SUICIDE OCCURS AT HERMISTON

Hermiston Herald.

Goaded on by a crazed brain cying for a righting of fancied wrongs, Joe Roth Thursday lay in wait for James Ralph, shooting him twice and a moment later turned the gun to his own head and fired. The shooting took place just a few minutes past 9 Thursday evening. There was no warning and both apparently died instantly.

James Ralph had been out riding during the evening and on his return ran his car up to the front door of the Sapper Bros. garage. This large door has no lock on it nor no means of opening is from the outside. The garage was closed and Mr. Ralph did not have a key to the side door. He knew, however, that by taking a screwdriver he could lift the door sufficiently to get his fingers under and then raise it. He did this and just as he succeeded in raising the door as high as his shoulders there were two shots in quick succession and Mr. Ralph fell backward to the walk. A moment later a third shot was fired. Witnesses who had seen Mr. Ralph run his car to the garage, open the door and the shooting, summoned help and went to investigate. Drs. Wainwright and Monkman were sent for and also the chief of police. Examination of Mr. Ralph showed no signs of life and the physicians both gave it as their opinion that death was instantaneous. A hurried investigation showed that the person doing the shooting had gained entrance to the garage through a side door and apparently left by the rear door. The only theory advanced was that Mr. Ralph had come upon some one in the garage with no business there and who had shot to protect himself. More careful examination later disclosed the body of Joe Roth lying in the rear of the building with a bullet wound in the head.

As soon as the shooting occurred a telephone message was sent to Pendleton for Coroner Brown. Accompanied by Sheriff Taylor, Mr. Brown hurried down and after on investigation called a jury and held an inquest. Those who had seen Mr. Roth and Mr. Ralph earlier in the evening were called as witnesses. Tom Mooney, who was in front of the harness shop about half a block away, told what he saw. With the information gathered from those placed on the stand the jury returned its findings that James Ralph had died from a gunshot wound at the hands of Joe Roth and that Joe Roth had died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. When the coroner searched the body of Roth a second revolver was found in the left coat pocket. It had one expended shell. The first revolver was found near the body and had three shells that had been fired.

The unexplainable part of the tragedy is the cause. Neither Joe nor Frank Ralph could give any possible reason. There was occasional differences of opinion between their brother and Roth, but not serious and no more than thought would naturally follow with the conducting of a business in which several were associated together. Mr. Roth's daughter, Mrs. Hiatt, is as greatly troubled over the cause as the Ralph boys. Her father came home with the evening paper and after reading for a time left with the word that he was going to the office. This was the last seen of him alive by the family. Mrs. Hiatt knows of no differences which could possibly have caused the act. The only possible theory is that Roth, brooding over what he considered injustice from Ralph, became unbalanced and took this means of revenge. Even this does not seem possible for Roth had worked for Ralph seven years before coming here and they were stockholders in the same company in this city for four years.

The budding authoress had purchased a typewriter and one morning the agent called and asked: "How do you like your typewriter madam?"

"It's wonderful!" was the enthusiastic reply. "I wonder how I ever done my writing without it!"

"Would you mind," asked the agent, "giving me a little testimonial to that effect?"

"Certainly not," she responded. "I'll do it gladly."

Seating herself at the machine, she pounded out the following:

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GRADUATES RECEIVE THEIR DIPLOMAS

Students of Four Year Course and Those Going Out From Commercial Department Listen to Address of Judge S. A. Lowell. David Wilson Received Scholarship to Willamette U.

Nine seniors of the regular four year high school course and seven members of the seniors commercials, a two year course, were presented with their diplomas at the conclusion of the commencement program in the high school auditorium last Friday night.

The program on this commencement evening was opened by David Wilson, salutatorian for the class, who delivered an oration entitled "Patriotism." Mr. Wilson had his address well prepared and delivered it in a manner pleasing.

A solo, "The Keeper's Song" by Clarence Scrivner, a member of the class was so well sung that it called for an encore. Mr. Scrivner has a deep bass voice and sings with an ease and volume which is indeed pleasant to the audience.

A timely subject was outlined in a clear manner by Loren Mikesell, whose oration, "Shall we get our share of world trade" plainly shows the great opportunity which this country now has to build up a great merchant marine. Mr. Mikesell's oration showed evidence of considerable study and research work on his part. It was well delivered.

Miss Cornelia Johnson, class valedictorian delivered an oration on "A Man." She took for her subject Henry Clay. Had Clay been rewarded for his patriotic deeds by his fellow men, the presidency of the United States would have been the least they could have given him, but according to Miss Johnson, too often it happens that the truly great and deserving men of a nation are passed up for men of lesser worth. Her address of farewell to the class, in which she bid goodby to high school and the high tribute she paid to the faculty rang with a sincerity which cannot be doubted.

The high school quartet, consisting of Clarence Scrivner, Lester Ingram, Earl Gordon and Chas. Barlow, sang the "Rosary" in a very pleasing manner.

The address to the class was delivered by Judge Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton. Judge Lowell advised the members of the class to work for a definite ideal. His entire address centered on this theme and he clearly defined his subject in the course of his remarks. The Judge is a brilliant orator and his command of the English language is remarkable in that he is never at a loss for the right word at the proper time. The school was very fortunate in securing a man to deliver the commencement address who has at heart the welfare of the masses. His address on this occasion came up to the usual standard and we trust that the Heppner public will have the opportunity of hearing him on many more occasions in the future.

The diplomas were presented to the graduates by county superintendent of schools, S. E. Notson, after which the evening entertainment was concluded by the high school chorus singing "The Legends of the Bells" under the direction of Miss Marion Long, Supervisor of music.

David Wilson was presented with a scholarship to Willamette University.

LOCAL MAN DISCOVERED ASBESTOS YEARS AGO

The discovery recently of asbestos beds near Canyon City calls to mind the fact that county Judge C. C. Patterson in company with other parties discovered large quantities of this substance in the Greenhorn mountains. The Judge still has samples of the asbestos and has displayed it on various occasions at the county fairs. Nothing was ever done with the beds which they discovered, for the reason that marketing facilities made too costly and therefore impractical, the transportation of the asbestos to market. The beds near Canyon City are now being developed, the asbestos being shipped to Portland in its crude state and there made into the manufactured article.

LOST—Child's gold chain and lock at containing pictures. Finder leave at residence of Mrs. Mary Bartholomew and receive reward. Mrs. Elva Roberts.