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HEPPNER-RITTER ROAD IS COMPLETE

Bridge Across John Day Finished And Federal Aid Will Be Asked For Improvement of Road Through Forest Reserve. Road Means Much to Ritter.

There is now direct road connection between Heppner and Ritter. After several years of agitation and after more recent hard, consistent work, the greater part of which was donated by public spirited citizens of the Ritter community, the road has become a reality.

The north fork of the John Day river has been bridged and Ritter is now 35 miles closer to market than ever before. The road is a most natural one, being on a water grade the entire distance. Leaving Heppner, the highway goes up Willow creek, across the summit and down Ditch creek to the John Day river. In the entire distance there are only two steep pulls, one is out of the Willow creek basin and the other is up over the hill out of the North Fork into Ritter.

The road opens up a rich territory to Heppner and the substantial donations made by Heppner business men show they have not been slow in realizing the value of the road. Local men have subscribed nearly one thousand dollars toward the completion of the Ritter road. The last donation was completed this week when a committee from the Heppner Commercial Club raised \$285 as Heppner's part toward the building of the North Fork bridge.

About nine miles of the road passes through the National Forest Reserve. Inasmuch as the Morrow county court has offered to spend dollar for dollar for all the government will spend, it is likely the Federal Aid to Road Building commission will be asked in a short time to assist in improvements to this part of the road passing through the reserve.

The committee raising funds for the Ritter-Heppner bridge was in charge of W. O. Minor and in the raising of this last contribution, Mr. Minor deserves the larger part of the credit. Those who contributed to the fund were: First National Bank of Heppner, \$35; Sam Hughes Co., \$10; Gilliam & Bisbee, \$15; Humphreys Drug Co., \$5; Thomson Bros., \$15; Wells Bros., \$2.50; Patterson & Son, \$5; Oscar Borg, \$5; Henry Schwarz, \$2.50; Oregon Garage, \$5; Wm. Haylor, \$5; City Meat Market, \$2.50; Phelps Grocery Co., \$10; Heppner Milling Co., \$15; Vaughn & Sons, \$15; E. G. Noble, \$10; Albert Bowker, \$5; Minor & Co., \$15; Patterson & Elder, \$2.50; Phill Cohn, \$15; Heppner Light & Water Co., \$15; W. O. Minor, \$10; McAtee & Aiken, \$7.50; C. A. Minor, \$10; W. B. Barratt, \$5; Guy Boyer, \$2.50; Elkhorn Restaurant, \$2.50; City Bakery, \$2.50; L. R. Purkey, \$1; O. K. Restaurant, \$2.50; Louis Pearson, \$2.50; C. E. Woodson, \$5; Eastern Hotel, \$2; Wells & Nys, \$2; Sam E. Van Vactor, \$2.50; A. D. McMurdo, \$5; Nelse Magnusen, \$5; Farmers Union Warehouse, \$5.

Chas. B. Cox, west Heppner farmer was a Tuesday business visitor in Heppner. Mr. Cox is getting launched into the farming business in good shape. He recently purchased the Ham ranch and with the Her ranch, which he rents, has a good proposition.

SCHOOL NOTES

In District No. 54, Miss Marion A. Lee is the teacher. The enrollment is 11. This district has an excellent schoolhouse. The lighting is correct, the light being admitted from the left side and the window space being equal to one-fourth of the floor space. The water is kept in a closed jar with a bubbler fountain attachment. Two framed pictures are on the walls, and some more will be purchased soon. The heating and ventilating are correct, a Smith heating and ventilating plant being used. The school building and outbuildings have been painted.

Mrs. Beesie Hine line teaches in the Alpine district. The enrollment is 20. A new chair and desk have been purchased for the teacher. A closed tank is provided for the water supply. Plans are under consideration for changing the windows so as to give correct lighting. A number of other improvements will be made, also. Some of the pupils of this school have done excellent work in the industrial work.

In Joint-District 5-52 Miss Alice Wilkins is the teacher. The enrollment is eight. A new tank has been purchased for the water supply. This district hopes to build a new school house in the near future.

At Morgan, Miss Echo Githens is the teacher. The enrollment is 17. A new heating and ventilating plant has just been installed. One standard picture has been purchased. A basket ball outfit has been added to the play apparatus, and the pupils are making good use of it.

Miss Lera Githens teaches in District No. 28. This school has a new framed picture. Water is kept on the stove to furnish moisture for the atmosphere. A new barn and a new outbuilding have been built recently. The pupils were engaged in a lively geography match when the writer visited the school.

In District No. 15, Miss Pearl O. Streeter is the teacher. The enrollment is 13. This school is provided with a good stove, surrounded by a good jacket. The windows are provided with good window-boards, water is kept on the stove, and a thermometer hangs in the room to aid in the regulation of the temperature. This school has three standard framed pictures. The water is kept in a closed tank. An excellent book-case is provided for the library.

Miss Sylvia Severance is the teacher in District No. 53. The school is small, the enrollment being seven. New blackboards have been purchased recently. The heating and ventilating are accomplished by a good jacketed stove and window-boards. Water is kept on the stove. This school has a good globe, a set of maps and an International dictionary. The library books of a few districts are in the office. The writer visited the schools in these districts before the books arrived, hence he has not delivered them. If some person from each of these districts will call for the books, the books may be sent to the schools.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Galloway Telephone Company will be held in the office of the Humphreys Drug Co., in the city of Heppner, Oregon, on Saturday, December 30th, 1916, for the purpose of electing officers and the transacting of such other business as may come before the meeting. D. O. JUSTUS, President.

Weds Hermiston Girl.

James Edward Warfield of Ione today secured a license to wed Dottie Wilds of Hermiston. — Pendleton Tribune.

President Wilsons Thanksgiving Proclamation

"By the President of the United States of America.

A Proclamation:

"It has long been the custom of our people to turn in the fruitful autumn of the year in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for his many blessings and mercies to us as a nation. The year that has elapsed since we last observed our day of thanksgiving has been rich in blessings to us as a people, but the whole face of the world has been darkened by war. In the midst of our peace and happiness our thoughts dwell with painful disquiet upon the struggles and sufferings of the nations at war and the peoples upon whom the war has brought disaster without choice or possibility of escape on their part. We cannot think of our own happiness without thinking of their painful distress.

"Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States of America, do appoint Thursday, the thirtieth day of November, as a day of national thanksgiving and prayer, and urge and advise the people to resort to their several places of worship on that day to render thanks to Almighty God for his blessings of peace and unbroken prosperity which he has bestowed upon our beloved country in such unstinted measure. And I also urge and suggest our duty in this, our day of peace and abundance, to think in deep sympathy of the stricken people of the world upon whom the curse and terror of war has so pitilessly fallen, and to contribute out of our abundant means to the relief of their sufferings. Our people could in no better way show their real attitude toward the present struggle of the nations than by contributing out of their abundance to the relief of suffering which war has brought in its train.

"In witness, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this seventeenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-first.

"WOODROW WILSON"

"By the President, ROBERT LANSING, Secretary of State.

HENRY BLACKMAN VISITS FORMER HOME HERE

Henry Blackman, pioneer Heppner merchant and at one time one of Oregon's foremost citizens, is up from San Francisco this week looking after business matters and visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phill Cohn. Mr. Blackman is feeling good over the re-election of Woodrow Wilson being a democrat and a staunch believer in Jeffersonian principles. He was prominent in city, county and state politics while residing here, representing this district in the state senate, served as mayor of Heppner and was at one time collector of internal revenue under Grover Cleveland's administration. Mr. Blackman took a lead in Heppner's industrial and civic life, and when he and his good family left here for Portland several years ago, the county lost one of its biggest and best boosters. Mr. Blackman is now engaged in business in San Francisco.

His sons are scattered. Hep, the cartoonist, is in Fort Worth, Texas, Leo, the mining engineer, is in Chile South America and Abe is traveling salesman for a wholesale silk firm, with headquarters in Los Angeles.

"Morrow County is a land of milk and honey" said Mr. Blackman, in referring to the four million dollar wheat crop which was raised here this year. "The people are prosperous, happy and contented. It is truly a wonderful country."

Local Nimrods Successful.

Several local sportsmen attended and participated in the big turkey shoot at Pete Sheridan's on Butter creek last Sunday. They were successful and brought home about twenty turkeys and geese. S. W. Spencer won the big prize of the day, a twenty-four-pound turkey gobbler. A large number of nimrods from Pendleton, Echo, Stanfield and Hermiston were also there. Those who went down from Heppner were S. W. Spencer, Thos. Brennan, Harold and Henry Cohn, Dr. R. J. Vaughn, Dr. A. D. McMurdo and B. R. Patterson. The Morrow County Rod and Gun Club will act as host to a similar affair in this city on the 17th of December. At that time a large number of sportmen from Umatilla county will be here as guests.

S. E. Notson, recently elected district attorney, has taken offices in the Roberts building. He will move his office furniture and law books from his old office in the court house early in December.

BUTTER CREEK HOME SCENE OF WEDDING

The Butter creek home of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Corrigan was the scene of a quiet wedding on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock when their daughter, Miss Lucy, became the wife of Thomas O'Brien of Heppner. Rev. P. J. O'Rourke of St. Patrick's rectory of Heppner performed the ceremony in the presence of near relatives and a few friends.

Immediately after the wedding the young people left for Portland and other points for their honeymoon trip of several weeks. They will make their home in Morrow county.

Mrs. O'Brien is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Corrigan and a very popular young lady of the Butter creek section, where she has a host of friends. Mr. O'Brien is a sterling young man who came to Morrow county nine years ago. During the most of that time he has been in the employ of Minor Bros., extensive sheep and cattle men. We join with their many friends in extending congratulations.

J. E. Hale, who has been connected with the Minor & Co. store in this city during the past year, has resigned his position and will move shortly with his family to Echo, where he has taken a similar position with a merchandise store in that city.

Searches For Lost Brother.

Postmaster Richardson received a letter recently from a man in Connecticut who is searching for a lost brother, and asks Mr. Richardson for any information he may be able to give. The man in quest is Thomas Henry Reynolds and he was supposed to have been herding sheep in Morrow county during the summer of 1913. The letter from the brother is as follows:

Postmaster, Heppner, Ore. Dear Sir: I had a brother in your city in November, 1913. His occupation was herding sheep in the summer. His name is Thomas Henry Reynolds, age 30, height 5 feet, 10 inches and weight about 175 pounds. His complexion is light, and he has red cheeks. I have not heard from him in four years and would appreciate very much any information you could give me of him, dead or alive.

I remain, Sincerely yours, BERNARD REYNOLDS, 174 Gregord St., Bridgeport, Conn.

BOARDMAN

John Mack, son of E. W. Mack, was taken suddenly ill Tuesday. Dr. Nainscot of Hermiston was called by phone.

J. C. Ballenger received a car of lumber today.

O. H. Warner has commenced his new livery barn.

F. F. Klitz is building a nice comfortable room for his father-in-law, Mr. Wheeler.

E. P. Dodd and Wm. Kennedy were in town Monday in the interest of the school election.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Voyer returned Monday from Hermiston.

Mr. Tallman and L. Darley stopped over night Monday on their way to Portland by auto.

Quite an interesting school meeting was held in Castle Rock Monday. Most of Boardman was there to help elect a new director. Mr. C. C. Paine was unanimously elected.

POSTMASTER WILL AID IN RECRUITING

Washington, Nov. 27.—Postmasters are to lend assistance to the United States Marines in the securing of recruits and will be paid \$5 for each accepted applicant, according to an official announcement made by the Major General Commandant of that organization.

Hereafter the military-looking youth who appears at the post office may fall to be attracted by the gaily colored poster depicting the life of a Marine, but he can scarcely escape the appraising eye of the postmaster or the latter's query, "Say, young fellow—why don't you join the Marines?"

Doubtless the young man with military inclinations will bring little apprehensive shivers to his sweetheart when she suspects his frequent conversations with the postmaster are relative to the arrival and departure of "males."

MORROW VICTORIOUS AT BIG CORN SHOW

Newlon Exhibit Wins Second Prize In Grand Sweepstakes Event at Walla Walla Corn Show.

Morrow county strengthened her claim as a corn producing section when W. D. Newlon was awarded second prize in the sweepstakes event at the Walla Walla Corn Show last week. The following letter was received by this office from Mr. Newlon which tells of his prize winning exhibit.

Walla Walla, Wash., Nov. 26. The Gazette-Times, Heppner, Ore. Gentlemen:

I am proud to say that my Morrow county corn exhibit has won second prize in the sweepstakes event, winning over hundreds of exhibits from Idaho, Washington and other parts of Oregon. I also won three other second prizes and one fifth prize. This will help to put Morrow county where it belongs, along at the head with the rest of the best counties in the state of Oregon.

Yours respectfully,

W. D. NEWLON. Mr. Newlon's exhibit came from corn grown on dry land under dry farming conditions. The results that have been obtained in the first year are only indicative of what may be done after a series of years.

Dr. Purkey Moves.

Dr. L. R. Purkey has taken office rooms in the Roberts building where he is now receiving his patients. The new office rooms are thoroughly up-to-date. One feature is the plate glass doors leading off from the main hall way. This feature allows an abundance of light to enter every corner of every room. The office is also fitted up with dressing rooms for the convenience of patients.

SALE! SALE! SALE!

A bunch of fine Jersey heifers and some other property which a lack of time prevented us from selling last Saturday.

At John Hughes Ranch, 4 Miles Below Heppner SALE BEGINS AT 1 P. M.

FRANK PARKER, Owner; E. E. MILLER, Auctioneer

WE ARE THANKFUL

—for you sake, because our own prosperity depends on what we do for you—

THAT we have succeeded, as far as we have, in making our business more of A HELP TO YOU;

THAT whereas we handle only RAW MATERIALS, yet we are now equipped to help you make such a use of those materials as will contribute to your comfort, health and prosperity;

THAT we have been able to make ourselves, through our Architectural, Engineering, Plan Book and Service departments, an economic necessity to this community and thus justify our being here in this business;

THAT we have passed the experimental stage of SERVICE and can devote our efforts in the future to being of still GREATER HELP TO YOU IN SOLVING ALL OF YOUR BUILDING PROBLEMS;

THAT we can bring to pass your hopes of a home properly heated, or a BARN or a SILO or ANY AND ALL BUILDINGS;

THAT it is again "Turkey Time" and we hope that yours will be large, fat, sweet and juicy;

AND WE ARE THANKFUL THAT WE CAN BE THANKFUL FOR ALL OF THESE THINGS.

R. F. WEIGEL, Mgr. TUM-A-LUM LUMBER CO.

THANKSGIVING BALL

THURSDAY, NOV. 30 AT THE FAIR PAVILION

Music by the Bungalow Orchestra of Portland

A Good Time Is Guaranteed

TICKETS \$1.50