

THE GAZETTE-TIMES

The Heppner Gazette, Established March 20, 1882. The Heppner Times, Established November 18, 1887. Consolidated February 15, 1912.

YAWTER CRAWFORD, Proprietor. ARTHUR R. CRAWFORD, Editor.

Issued every Thursday morning, and entered at the Postoffice at Heppner, Oregon, as second-class matter.

ADVERTISING RATES GIVEN ON APPLICATION

Subscription rates table: One Year \$1.50, Six Months .75, Three Months .50, Single Copies .05

THE KAISER'S LAST CHANCE.

It has been predicted and speculated upon a great deal—that drive against the Allies on the western front. The Germans have already announced they will make such a drive soon and developments on other battle fronts would indicate the drive is coming soon, long before the opening of Spring.

In a recent article in the American Reviews of Reviews, Frank H. Simmonds, well known writer and war correspondent, in "war weariness," says that it is well to face things as they are. He says "in all the nations that have been fighting since the beginning of the war, there has developed war weariness and a certain measure of pessimism."

More notably than others, has Germany been affected and even France and England have had a touch of it. In Italy there has been a growth of anarchistic sentiment and Russia has collapsed under the strain of domestic disorders.

Germany knows all this and much of the disorder in domestic affairs of the enemy countries has been due to German intrigue. Germany still believes that through her alleged victories in Russia and Italy, she is still invincible. Could Germany but bring about conditions in France, through war weariness, she could make a separate peace and escape defeat in the west and, in a measure, win the war.

Continuing, Mr. Simmonds says: Now just as no man at this time last year could have forecast a Russian collapse, no man can today foresee what will happen in France, Italy or Britain. One or all of them may go down as Russia has, although nothing seems less likely or more preposterous. But it is clear to all, that if none of those three nations collapse during the next campaign, then German ruin is assured, and the outcome of the war can no longer be hidden from the German people.

But before this time Germany will have approximately a year in which her foes will lack the numbers to crush her, and she will have the numbers needed to conduct one or several great attacks. If she does not conduct these attacks this year, if she accepts the defensive, then she will still be outnumbered in 1919 and condemned to the defensive then, for her reserves are below a million and by no means first class. But for a year she can stake all, her last mark and her last man on seeking to break the will of her opponents and persuade them to quit while she still has a reserve.

Accordingly I look for German attacks on the west front, in the Balkans and in Mesopotamia, where she is now free to use all Turkish troops released from the Russian front in Armenia, Salonica, Bagdad and Venice may be prizes of her new efforts in the next six months. No one of these successes would win the war or change the actual situation, but each would contribute much to creating

just the atmosphere in Britain, France and Italy, which Germany desires to create. Taken together with some major German offensive against the British or the French on the west front, they might do the trick and bring Europe to a peace by negotiation within the next twelve months and before the United States can become an active factor on land.

And this, I believe, is the sum of what we have to fear for the campaign of 1918. That the Germans can succeed now against the British where they failed in the first battle of Ypres, with everything in their favor, that they can succeed against the French, when they failed at the Marne and at Verdun, with the odds overwhelmingly with them, seems unbelievable. But they are condemned to try, because they are in no temper to admit defeat, and have still the resources for a new bid.

OUR WAR AIMS.

President Wilson has clearly stated our war aims and they tally closely with the aims of our allies. Following as it does the speech of Lloyd George, in which Great Britain's war aims were so ably set forth, there can no longer be any doubt, even in the mind of Germany that the Allies are solidly united as to what shall and must come out of the present struggle.

A notable feature of the address was the sympathetic attitude of the President toward the Russian representatives who dealt with the Germans at the recent peace conference, saying that the Russian leaders were sincere in the proposals made to Germany.

Following are the necessary elements of world peace as stated by President Wilson:

First—Open covenants of peace without private international understandings.

Second—Absolute freedom of the seas in peace or war except as they may be closed by international action.

Third—Removal of all economic barriers and establishment of equality of trade conditions among nations consenting to peace and associating themselves for its maintenance.

Fourth—Guarantees for the reduction of national armaments to the lowest point consistent with domestic safety.

Fifth—Impartial adjustment of all colonial claims based upon the principle that the peoples concerned have equal weight with the interest of the government.

Sixth—Evacuation of all Russian territory and opportunity for Russia's political development.

Seventh—Evacuation of Belgium without any attempt to limit her sovereignty.

Eighth—All French territory to be freed and restored and reparation for the taking of Alsace-Lorraine.

Ninth—Readjustment of Italy's frontiers along clearly recognized lines of nationality.

Tenth—Greatest opportunity for autonomy and development of the peoples of Austria-Hungary.

Eleventh—Evacuation of Roumania, Serbia and Montenegro, with access to the sea for Serbia and international guarantees of economic and political independence and territorial integrity of the Balkan States.

Twelfth—Secure sovereignty for Turkey's portion of the Ottoman Empire, but with other nationalities under Turkish rule assured security of life and opportunity for autonomous development, with the Dardanelles permanently opened to all nations.

Thirteenth—Establishment of an independent Polish state, including territories inhabited by indisputably Polish populations, with free access to the sea and political and economic independence and territorial integrity guaranteed by international covenant.

Fourteenth—General association of nations under specific covenants for mutual guarantees of political independence and territorial integrity to large and small states alike.

COUNTY COURT REPORT

County Court appropriated \$1500. toward the support of a County Agriculturist for the year 1918, in accordance with Chapter 110 of the 1913 Oregon Session Laws.

C. A. Minor appointed member of County Fair Board for term of three years to take the place of outgoing member, E. R. Huston.

T. E. Chidsey appointment as Deputy Sheriff approved by Court. Jury List for the year 1918 drawn at this term of court.

Election Board appointed to serve for 2 years by County Court, 2 Judges and 3 Clerks for each Election Board.

The matter of appointing a Road Master was continued until a later date.

Claims allowed at January term of County Court:

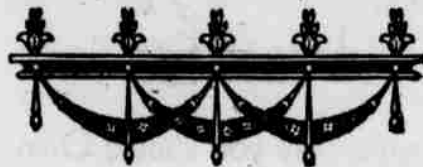
General Fund table listing various claims and amounts: C. C. Patterson, salary county Judge \$75.00; Geo. McDuffee, salary county Sheriff 166.74; J. A. Waters, salary county Clerk 166.74; Gay M. Anderson, salary deputy county Clerk 83.37; T. J. Humphreys, salary county Treasurer 41.74; J. J. Wells, salary county Assessor 100.00; Sylva Wells, salary deputy county Assessor 60.00; Lena Snell Shurte, salary county School Supt. 100.00; Mattie W. Adkins, widow's pension 10.00; Harriett Baird, widow's pension 10.00; Charlotte Brown, widow's pension 17.50; Mary McDaid, widow's pension 32.50; Sarah F. Sperry, widow's pension 10.00; Cora Walker, widow's pension 17.50; Boys and Girls Aid Society 6.00; J. O. Rasmus, Assessors exp. 40.25; R. E. Taylor, Circuit Court 4.80; Geo. J. Currin, Commissioners exp. 56.75; E. L. Padberg, Commissioners exp. 12.00; J. A. Waters, office expense 31.00; T. E. Chidsey, Sheriff's office Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co., Current exp. 17.65; L. M. Turner, Surveyor's exp. 72.85; National Surety Co., Prem. on official bonds 50.00; W. O. Hill, Agent, Prem on official bonds 135.00; Bushong & Co., office exp. 21.46; S. E. Notson, Dist. Atty. exp. 20.20; Sam Hughes Co., ct. house exp. 8.50; Heppner Light & Water Co., court house exp. 92.70; Patterson & Son, court house and poor 8.60; Gazette-Times, County court exp. 3.90; School Supt. exp. 7.20; Heppner Herald, Supt. exp. 9.60; Sheriff's exp. 15.00; Humphreys Drug Co., office exp. 1.75; Glass & Prudhomme, Treasurer's exp. 70.25; Total General Fund Claims \$1635.55

Road Claims table listing various claims and amounts: W. F. Drum \$4.25; Chas. Hams 74.25; Mrs. E. Perry 40.60; Ben Moore 28.50; J. T. Knappenberg 27.29; J. F. Barlow 166.00; Jesse Hall 124.50; Jim Cowin 93.50; Gilliam & Blsbee 109.77; W. G. McCarty 12.00; J. H. Gentry 28.75; J. V. Cowdry 526.05; E. M. Matteson 21.00; Weeks Bros. 86.00; A. O. Hoekins 21.00; B. H. Bleakman 37.10; Ben Moore 4.50; R. F. Fraser 24.00; L. D. Neill 93.50; Henry Clark 66.00; Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. 14.05; G. A. Miller 136.25; C. W. Caldwell 1732.75; Frank Cramer 21.00; A. Ayers 31.50; G. Cummings 42.50; J. L. Jenkins 43.50; C. Partlow 2.50; H. C. Hendrix 17.50; C. Henderson 15.00; F. R. Kiltz 21.85; E. Rand 3.50; Boardman Lumber Co. 274.32; A. P. Hughes 139.00; Total Road Claims \$4089.63

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wright of Hardman were visitors in Heppner Wednesday.

Wm. Hendrix, Heppner Flat farmer, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday and while in The Gazette-Times office to pay another year's subscription, told the editor that the premature spring weather was going to prove fatal to the fruit crop in the Snake river country. According to word he has received from relatives there, the fruit trees have all but bloomed out and the leaves were out on the sarvis bushes. The cold weather and the subsequent freezing has just about put the fruit industry out of business so far as the 1918 season is concerned. Mr. Hendrix is hoping the report is somewhat exaggerated.

Nearly Twenty Years of Successful Merchandising



We commence the new year of 1918 with a complete stock of Dry Goods and Groceries which we are selling at less than we can buy the same on today's market. We also have on our tables piles of remnants and odds and ends at reduced prices.

Come in and see our ladies' and children's coats at reduced prices.

Thomson Bros.

Creston Maddock Given Farewell Party.

An enjoyable party was given last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilkins for Creston R. Maddock, who is attending the University of Oregon and was home for the holidays. The evening was spent in playing progressive 500. Bert Stone and Miss Joey Woolery won the prizes. Refreshments were served. Those enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, besides Mr. Maddock, were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cochran, Misses Muriel Cason and Joey Woolery and Stephen Irwin. Mr. Maddock returned to Eugene last Friday.

David Hynd, Sand Hollow sheepman who was in the city Monday from the Rose Lawn ranch, says he never saw general conditions in December and January in this country as good as this year. Mr. Hynd says with the exception of a months feeding just after the sheep were brought from the mountains, no hay has been fed and grass on the range is getting better every day.

Flivver Almost Went Up In Smoke.

The little flivver which has done such valient service for the Heppner Light & Water Co., nearly went up in smoke one day, or rather one night last week. George Blahm, mechanic for the company was filling the gas tank in the car from a big supply tank stored in the garage. A lighted lantern was being used to furnish light for the occasion. In some manner the fumes from the gas attracted the flames of the lantern and before anyone realized what had happened the entire top of the car and all the cushions were ablaze. The Ford was rushed hurriedly out of the garage and the flames were extinguished, but not before the top of the car and the cushions had been burned completely up.

Mrs. Josie Jones has returned from Portland after spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Harold Stiles.

Andy Rood, young wheat farmer of Heppner Flat, returned the last of the week from Portland, where he spent the holidays.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Sheriff of Morrow County on the Republican ticket at the coming Primary Election.

I am a pioneer resident of this county and heretofore have never asked any favors of the voters, and I would not do so at this time did I not know that I am competent to administer the affairs of the office in an efficient manner.

If nominated and elected I will endeavor to enforce the law, and handle the affairs of the office as economically as is consistent with the duties of the office.

Yours truly, WILLARD H. HERREN.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I will be a candidate for the nomination for county commissioner on the republican ticket before the coming Primary Election.

Respectfully, G. A. BLEAKMAN, Hardman Ore.

I haul baggage and passengers to and from the depot to any part of the city. Phone 555 or 183. Lee Cartwell.

LAST YEAR—AND THIS

1917 gave a marked demonstration of the patriotism of American farmers.

1918 opens with new and increased demands upon all of our citizen patriots.

Farmer, merchant, manufacturer, business man, banker—each must do "his bit" wholeheartedly and unreservedly.

Our Officers are ready to cooperate with the farmers of this vicinity in their plans for increased production in 1918.

FARMERS & STOCKGROWERS NATIONAL BANK

Heppner - - Oregon

SAVE MEAT

and help observe the MEATLESS DAYS by using more MACARONI.

FOR ONE WEEK we will make some very SPECIAL PRICES on Macaroni, Spaghetti, Vermicelli

REGULAR 12 1/2c PACKAGES..... 10c

REGULAR 10c PER LB. IN BULK..... 8 1/3c

You may never be able to duplicate these prices again during the war.

PHELPS GROCERY COMPANY