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SMILEAGE BOOK SALE ON SOON

Local Campaign Will Begin Feb. 18
—W. W. Smead Is Morrow County Director.

The Smilage Book Campaign will soon be under way in Morrow county, according to the announcement of W. W. Smead of this city, who has been asked by the State Council of Defense to take charge of the campaign here. Mr. Smead has his organization perfected and he has no doubt but what Morrow county will be among the first in the state to complete its quota. However, there is no limit set as to the number of books that may be sold, and the generosity of our people may mean that great numbers of the books will be sold here. It simply amounts to you buying a ticket for some soldier boy so that he may have the opportunity of attending the high class entertainment which is being provided at specially built theaters at all the big army training camps. These tickets are bound in little books and sell for so much a book.

Many a boy in the army has taken up his pay check for months to come by making an allowance for his folks at home and paying for his war insurance. The theater he must forego, unless he is fortunate enough to get a small Smilage Book. The campaign is primarily intended to extend that feature of "keeping the home fires burning" for the boys who are going to lay down their lives to the end that democracy may be made safe for all time to come. Remember you can help bring a smile to their faces by investing a dollar or more in some Smilage Books.

Mr. Smead has appointed the following assistants to aid him in conducting the campaign: W. G. Scott, Lexington; W. H. Cronk, Ione; T. H. Lowe, Cecil; and G. A. Bleakman, Hardman.

Farmers Attention.
County Agent Brown is now making up a list of growers who wish to secure Early Bart wheat for seeding this spring. A car load has been located and is available for immediate purchase. Those desiring to secure seed should communicate with Mr. Brown by phone or in person as soon as possible.

COWBOYS WILL DANCE AT CECIL

The coming event at Cecil is the Stockmen's and Cowpunchers' dance that will be given in Cecil Hall on Saturday evening, Feb. 16. Prizes are offered for the best dressed cowboy and cowgirl, also for the homeliest and toughest cowboy of the lot. The idea, of course, is to feature times of the years gone by, when the cowboy was in his glory and to that end you are asked to bring your chaps, spurs and big hats and look natural. Parson's orchestra will furnish the music, and a grand good time is assured. The net proceeds go to the Red Cross.

HENRY CORNELIUS BECKET.

Henry Cornelius Becket was born at Weston, Oregon, Jan. 15, 1881. When five years old he came with his parents to Morrow county, at Eight Mile, where he grew to manhood. He was of a kind and cheerful disposition and to know him was to love him. He later attended Pacific Academy and at Pullman Washington, later going to San Francisco, where he was employed with the Bekins Van & Storage Co. for over ten years. When inside work began to tell on his health he resigned and decided to travel for awhile.

After visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Becket in Portland, he went to Seattle and from there on East, visiting all the principle cities and writing to his parents wherever he stopped. The last letter was written on Christmas Day stating he was well and would be employed for a time at the ship building plants near Philadelphia. This was the last heard from him until the telegram was received by his parents announcing his death from pneumonia at the Methodist Hospital Philadelphia on Jan. 21.

The remains were shipped to the family home in Portland and laid to rest by loving friends and many old associates in Rose City Cemetery on January 31.

To mourn his loss, besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Becket are the following brothers and sisters, Mrs. Theodore Anderson, Miss Mary, Ralph, Walter, John and Charles Becket.

135 Men Have Been Called Up For Examination.

To date, 135 men have been called up for examination under the selective draft act in Morrow county, for the second call. Of this number, 91 have appeared for examination, 64 have been accepted and 30 have been rejected. Of the 44 who have failed to appear, County Clerk Waters is of the opinion that the majority of them have been slow in receiving their notification, due to the fact that many of the boys are now scattered about over the country. Stragglers are coming in daily. Orders were received by the local board this week from Gen. Crowder to hold up examinations until further notice.

Pioneer Pendleton Merchant Retires.

Announcement reaches this city from Pendleton of the retirement of R. Alexander from his active career of 40 years as a Pendleton merchant. His large department store has been taken over by a corporation headed by H. W. Collins, his son-in-law. Mr. Collins is a prominent young grain buyer and warehouse operator in the Round-Up city. Mr. Alexander still retains a block of stock in the new corporation. Carl Cooley will be store manager.

Echo Man Dead In France.

News has reached Echo of the death of her first son in the service overseas, when word came telling of the death of Manuel Monese, in France, from pneumonia. Young Monese was 27 years old and entered the service of the United States Army, October 3. He was sent first to Camp Lewis but remained there only a short time before being sent east to help fill up a machine gun battalion. Few of his friends knew that he had reached France. The young man was a native of Portugal and had been in this country about ten years. He was a naturalized citizen.

High School Notes.

On Monday evening last the Seniors and Juniors tangled in a basket tossing contest which resulted in a score of 58 to 5, the big end going to the Juniors. It was a hard fought game from start to finish, but the Seniors had a lot of hard luck in connecting with the basket. The points which the Seniors did get were mostly obtained by fouls, three points were thus netted to them while they also shot one field goal. The Junior scores were all obtained through field goals.

The semi-annual election of student body officers takes place next Friday. Things are already warming up in the political line and it stands fair to be a hard fought election. Many candidates have already announced themselves for various offices and their campaign managers are taking things by storm.

There will be a double-header basket ball game tomorrow evening, the boys and girls of the Ciceronian Literary Society playing the boys and girls of the Philomathian Literary Society. The teams are evenly matched and with the feeling between the two societies it is expected that there will be some spectacular basket tossing. The small sum of 15 cents will be charged for admission.

The Seniors were banqueted at the home of Dr. and Mrs. N. E. Winnard last Friday evening. The members of the class prepared the feed themselves each member of the class having a certain part to prepare. Dinner was served at close on to midnight and judging from this the Seniors are some whirlwinds when it comes to getting something to eat. It is reported, however, that the meal was eatable. The faculty was also present and had their hand in fixing up the good things to eat.

The Junior class took advantage of the little snow last week and gave a sleighing party on Friday evening. Aside from a few rough places the track was in fairly good shape and a good ride was enjoyed by all. Several of the grade teachers were present and showed that they could ride a sled as good as the next one. Refreshments consisted of roasted weiners and marshmallows. A good time was enjoyed by all.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all our friends and to those of our departed daughter and sister Cecile W. Shurte, for assistance and favors rendered during this our recent trial, and to all those who sent so many beautiful flowers as a tribute of their love and sympathy.

Yours in sorrow,
C. W. SHURTE and Family.

New York.—A summary of reports on general operating conditions of railroads in the eastern territory has been made public from the office of A. H. Smith, regional director, which indicates steady progress in the movement of coal and the return of many cars. The car situation for all eastern roads was reported above normal.

REPORT RED CROSS CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN MEMBERSHIPS FOR MORROW COUNTY, OREGON.

HEPPNER:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	1367	\$1367.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	23	46.00	
Contributing Subscriptions at \$5.00	2	10.00	
HARDMAN:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	157	157.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	6	12.00	
MORGAN:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	5	5.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	2	4.00	
IRRIGON:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	44	44.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	10	20.00	
GOOSEBERRY:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	9	9.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	1	2.00	
EIGHTMILE:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	52	52.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	4	8.00	
BOARDMAN:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	44	44.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	4	8.00	
FAIRVIEW:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	9	9.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	5	10.00	
LENA:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	192	192.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	17	34.00	
CECIL:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	56	56.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	4	8.00	
IONE:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	201	201.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	9	18.00	
Contributing Subscriptions at \$5.00	1	5.00	
LEXINGTON:			
Annual Subscriptions at \$1.00	403	403.00	
Magazine Subscriptions at \$2.00	1	2.00	
Contributing Subscriptions at \$5.00	2	10.00	
Total Subscriptions and Cash	2630	2736.00	

Respectfully Submitted,
SAM E. VAN VACTOR,
County Campaign Manager.

SAILOR SIGHS HIS FIRST SUBMARINE

Joe Pickett Is Now An Able Seaman Working Full Time For His Uncle Sam.

Joe Pickett of this city, who enlisted several months ago in the United States navy, writes the following interesting letter to his mother, Mrs. P. H. Pickett in Heppner.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 27.
Dear Mother:
Well still I don't get a letter but I think my mail is sent some place else. We have been out of the harbor having target practice the last couple of days and are going to shove off for "cut by censor" soon, this afternoon I think.
We had a nice trip to France, only we didn't go all the way. We turned back after we got through the danger zone. We took twenty five thousand ***** boys over, two big ships full. We only saw one sub all the time we were gone but we got the first shot and ***** bingo. At least we never saw it any more. It is very cold here, and I don't know how we are going to stand it when we get up to ***** although we won't be there long. The skipper says we will never go across again. I don't know of anything more to write so will ring off until I hear from you again.
Your son,
Joe Pickett.

C. E. Woodson is County Chairman.

C. E. Woodson of Heppner has been appointed county chairman in the W. S. S. and Thrift Stamps Campaign by Leon Cohen of Pendleton, who is manager of the campaign in this district. Mr. Cohen was in Heppner Wednesday, on his return home from a tour of the district which took him as far west as Hood River.

FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning service 11:00
Sermon theme, "Thy Kingdom Come."

The C. E. societies will hold a union meeting at the Christian Church 6:30 p. m. The Federated and Christian congregations will also hold union evening service at the Christian Church to consider National Prohibition. Hon. George Morrow of Michigan, representing the national Anti-saloon League, will be the speaker.
H. A. NOYES, Pastor.

HEPPNER BOY FLYING HIGH IN TEXAS

Ralph E. Gilliam Now Corporal In the 136th Aero Squadron at Dallas, Texas.

Another Heppner boy is getting on in the aviation branch of the service. He is Ralph E. Gilliam, who is now a corporal in the 136th Aero Squadron at Lone Aviation Field, Dallas, Texas. Young Gilliam enlisted several months ago as a mechanic, and in a letter to Jasper Crawford of this city, tells something of his camp duties, camp life and the training which he is receiving.

"With the Colors."
Lone Aviation Field,
Dallas, Tex., Jan. 30.

Dear Friend Jasper:
Thought I would write and let you know I am making it fine. We have been having good weather and it has rained only twice since I have been here.

We have the best of barracks and officers, as they are out of our squadron. The ships are flying every day, except Sunday, and so far we have only lost one man killed and one smashed up a little.

We have been here since the 17th of November and have the field in good shape. The country here is very level and the planes can make a good landing most anywhere. We have two kinds of planes and they are supposed to be the best for students, the Curtis and the Wright-Martin.

This is now a flying school and we have a number of cadets and instructors. Most of the instructors are civilians but quite a number of our men have their commissions and now they instruct the cadets.

My work is with the planes, as mechanic. I have two men to help me and we keep the plane in good condition. There is one man in charge of ship and he is called the crew chief. Any time after 4 o'clock p. m. we can take a ride if we can get any officer or instructor to take us. I have been on some nice long trips, and every time I get a chance, I go. I made my first trip in December with one of the majors of this post and he gave me a fine ride.

I have been to three different fields Rockwell Field, San Diego, Cal.; Kelley Field, San Antonio and Rich Field, Waco, Texas, but this field has it over the others on condition of surrounding country.

Two squadrons left night before last for Garden City, New York, where they will go to school for one month. We may be called anytime as we have everything in good order. There is only one more Oregon boy here with us and we have boys from every state in the Union. We have a fine Y. M. C. A. here and we have shows three times a week and boxing and wrestling every night. The Red Cross has done much for the boys here and the people of Dallas are very good to us.

Write and let me know how school is, as I am always glad to hear from anybody at home. I get the Gazette-

County Council of Defense Met in Heppner Sunday.

The County Council of Defense met at the office of chairman Sam E. Van Vactor in this city Sunday afternoon and the organization was completed, M. D. Clark being made secretary and Phill Cohn treasurer.

There was a good representation of committeemen at the meeting. J. C. Ballinger, Boardman; Jack Hynd, Cecil; Mr. Holmes, Irrigon; W. H. Cronk, Ione and W. G. Scott and W. O. Hill of Lexington all being present.

The local defense council, in taking up work outlined by the state council of defense, will begin work soon of indexing every citizen in Morrow county and when the list is completed, it will be known who were the sponsors and what they have given thus far in every patriotic drive yet. Likewise it will be easy to determine who have not subscribed to Liberty Bonds, Red Cross memberships or donations to other war work. A closer organization working throughout the entire county will be a great aid to the administration in working out plans for carrying the war to a more successful and earlier conclusion.

Morrow County School Notes.

District No. 48 has purchased some curtains for their school room, also a table and they are serving hot lunches.

District 19 is a school of boys only. They report the purchase of a large globe.

District No. 4 gave a basket social which netted \$42.25. They have bought a pencil sharpener and will purchase window shades and other necessary articles for their school room. The teacher and pupils make either postum or cocoa for their lunch but say they do without the sugar.

District No. 3 came to the front this year in progressiveness, by purchasing many needed articles for the school. Besides giving the schoolhouse a painting, they purchased a box of maps, teachers chair, sanitary drinking fountain, large globe, good school clock, paper towels and towel rack, large bell, silk flag, new window shades, black board, thermometer, new seats for the entire building besides brooms, mats, no-dust, etc. The teacher says this is the kind of a school board to have.

LENA SNELL SHURTE,
County School Superintendent.

FORMER PRINCIPAL DIES IN RENO, NEV.

A. D. Weir, noted educator of the middle west and principal of the Heppner schools from 1891 to 1895, passed away at the home of his daughter, Jeanne Elizabeth Weir, professor of history at the University of Nevada, in Reno, December 19, 1917.

For a number of years, he lived at Auburn, California, but went to Reno about a year ago to take up his residence with his daughter.

Professor Weir came to this country in the early fifties from Germany, having been in sympathy with the revolutionary movement in that country in 1848. He enlisted in the Union army at the outbreak of the Civil War, his home at that time being in Wisconsin.

After the war he went to Grinnell College, Iowa and upon leaving that school took up educational work, gaining an enviable reputation throughout the middle west, in his profession. He served as superintendent and principal of various educational institutions in Iowa, Oregon and California.

He was 73 years of age at the time of his death.

G. T. Family Grows Apace.

The Gazette-Times family continues to increase and during the past week we added the following new subscribers, Barney F. Doherty, C. M. Sims and J. S. Taylor of Heppner, R. K. Drake and L. A. Anderson of Gooseberry, T. E. Hendricks, Boardman and Mrs. Jess Beardsley, The Dalles. Renewals for the week were D. E. Gillman, Henry Schwarz, M. J. Devin and Martin Reid, Heppner, Alonzo Hurd, Sawyersville, Vt., R. E. Tyler, Lexington; O. C. Stephens, Hardman; N. M. Johnson and Rufus Farness, Gooseberry; E. C. Heilker and N. M. Morgan, Ione; Roy Missildine, Heppner; Walter Luckman, Lena and E. C. Ashbaugh, Portland.

The Morrow County Creamery now has a nifty little Ford delivery car, which they are using to a good advantage in their business. Its an all-weather car and manager Cox can now brave the most severe storms and continue to get the milk and cream to our back doors on time.

Times quite often.
Your Old Friend,
Corporal Ralph E. Gilliam,
Lone Aviation Field, Dallas Texas.

FATHER AND SON WEEK HERE NEXT

Heppner Will Duty Observe New Move—Banquet Will be Served.

Heppner will observe National Father and Son week February 11 to 17. H. A. Noyes, pastor of the Federated Church has been appointed chairman of the committee on arrangements as a result of a meeting held last Tuesday evening.

The entire week will be given over to the observance of this event and on Tuesday a banquet will be held. Full details for this part of the week have not yet been completed.

That a more complete knowledge may be obtained as to the full meaning of Father and Son Week, we reprint the following from the Portland Telegram.

Throughout the United States the week of Lincoln's birthday will be observed as Father and Son Week. It is so entirely new that we can not instantly grasp its full meaning, but we know that it has been inspired by the need of perfect unity in the war. The natural relation between father and son in normal times is purely personal. Our participation in the war and the supreme sacrifices that must be made to win it, have added a value to the relationship which could not rightly be appraised until the great struggle was upon us.

What do we understand by this nationwide movement to bring the fathers and sons of every American community together in song, feast, patriotic speech and prayer? In its larger sense it can mean nothing else and nothing less than further preparation of the soul. We know that the soul of America is going to be tried in a furnace of fire, and almost involuntarily father and son are seeking strength from the Almighty to sustain them during the ordeal.

In a co-related sense, Father and Son week is a non-sectarian religious revival under the auspices of the non-sectarian Young Men's Christian Association. Our religious emotions must be quickened, and they will be aroused at numberless meetings where men and boys gather to voice the longings of the soul and receive a new baptism of the national spirit. May we not expect from Father and Son week less of sordidness and more of the higher life; less indifference and more sympathy; less aloofness and more friendship; a deeper, closer relationship; a keener sense of interdependence; a strengthening of the fighting spirit and a firmer reliance on God?

Ciceronian Patriotic Program to Be Feb. 15.

The Ciceronian Literary Society will present the following Patriotic Program on Friday night, Feb. 15. Much effort has been made in preparing this entertainment and with the talent which the students possess a rare treat is assured. There will be a moderate admission charge and the proceeds will go to buy a bust of Abe Lincoln which will be placed in the assembly hall beside the bust of Geo. Washington which the Philomathian Society purchased last year.

Program.

1. Song, "My Native Land"—Chorus.
2. A Word from the Boys in the Service.
3. Patriotic Drill—Ciceronian Girls.
4. Song, "Swing Song"-----
5. Anecdotes of Lincoln-----Neva Chidsey.
6. The Perfect Tribute-----Ruth Van Vactor.
7. Two National Airs:
"God Save the King"—English.
"The Marseillaise"—French.
8. Playlet
"Washington's First Defeat."-----CAST.
George Washington—Garnet Barratt.
Lucy, "The Fairland Beauty"—
-----Cecile De Vore.
Camellia, A Colored Servant-----
-----Neva Hayes.
9. The Birth of the Flag.
10. Song, "Dearest May"-----
-----Boy's Glee Club.
11. Presentation of Service Flag.
12. "A Little Home in the U. S. A."-----
-----Patriotic Sketch.
13. CAST.
Sen. Stonewall, Political Leader,
-----Everett Pattison.
Theodore Becker, An Alien-----
-----Harley Anderson.
Col. Spence, A Politician-----
-----Elmer Peterson.
Sen. Mason, A Politician-----
-----Jasper Crawford.
George Washington—Garnet Barratt.
Benedict Arnold—Roland Humphrey.
Abraham Lincoln—Ted Young.
Sen. Stonewall's Maid-----
-----Florence Ralston.
14. Tableaux.
15. "The Star Spangled Banner"-----
-----Chorus.