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## FARMERS WILL FIND THEIR NEEDS

Temporary Organization Formed, Labor Question One of the Most Important County Problems.

At a meeting of Farmers held in the City Council Chambers of Heppner, Saturday, plans were perfected for the complete organization of the farmers of Morrow County. The meeting was well attended by representatives from every district in the county. R. W. Turner was elected president and C. E. Jones Secretary-Treasurer of the temporary organization. The purpose of the meeting was to more effectively carry on the extension work of the Oregon Agricultural College through the county agent and in cooperation with the county school superintendent with the boys and girls club work.

Paul V. Maris, State Leader of County Agents and L. J. Allen Assistant State Leader of Club Work were present and assisted in a discussion of the more important farm problems. It was decided during the meeting that a more complete organization of the farmers was not only desirable but necessary to carry out their part in the emergency war work. Further discussion brought out the fact that there was a great need for some special work in controlling weeds and to determine the best methods for keeping the wheat field free from these pests. That an effort should be made to standardize the wheat and definite figures should be obtained showing the yield of different varieties. The question of the amount of seed to be used per acre came up, and the discussion developed the fact that some definite information was needed along that line. Recommendations were made that a systematic effort be made to obtain figures showing the results of the different rates of seeding. The experience of many of the farmers with the Federal Income Tax Collector has brought out the importance of keeping a farm record. A number expressed their desire to cooperate with the Extension department and obtain the assistance of the county agent in introducing and keeping a simple form of farm accounts. A spirited discussion of the labor situation brought out the fact that many farmers were suffering because of the uncertainty connected with the wages being offered in this county. The suggestions resulted in the adoption of a plan for improving the labor conditions in this county.

### Exhibit Liberty Loan Posters.

As an inducement to bring out the qualities of the art students of the Lexington high school, W. G. Scott, a short time ago, offered a prize for the best Liberty loan poster, illustrative of the Third Liberty Loan, produced by members of this class. Some dozen or more specimens have been handed in and the selection and award of the prize is to be made today by the committee having the matter in charge. The posters selected will be used in advertising the loan to the people of Lexington and vicinity and will be on display there during the drive. It was the privilege of a representative of this paper to view the specimens handed in, while in Lexington last evening, and we must say that many of them were excellent in workmanship and sentiment, and would do credit to much older and experienced hands. They show originality and express in picture the thought to be conveyed far better than would the spoken word and there were many striking slogans. This paper hopes to announce the successful contestants in next issue.

### Remembered Her Birthday.

Grandma Ruth E. French was 93 years old the past week, and on Sunday last, though unable to be present herself, she sent her birthday offering to the Sunday school at the Christian church, which has been her habit for many years. Mrs. French is getting quite feeble and does not go about much but it is gratifying to her many friends to know that she still maintains a lively interest in affairs.

## THE LATEST THINGS IN MILLINERY

Will Be Exhibited In A Large Quantity At Our Store Saturday March 16.

We Cordially Invite Your Inspection.

MRS. F. LUPER.

## Wightman Brothers Will Put Fine Dairy Herd on Auction Block.

The fine dairy herd of Wightman Brothers, consisting of 40 head of blooded Jerseys will be sold at public auction. This determination was reached by the owners of the Alfalfa Lawn Dairy only after due consideration and according to John Wightman, because the labor shortage, brought about by the war, will not permit of the herd being given the care that such valuable stock should receive.

The herd is ranked as one of the best in the state, and it has, for the past several years, been the source of Heppner's main milk supply. After the sale, Wightman's will retire from the dairy business, keeping enough cows for their own use and as a nucleus from which another herd may be built up, in case they decide at a later date to again go into the milk and cream business on a large scale.

The auction sale, which will be held on Saturday, the 6th of April, will be in charge of Colonel J. W. Hughes, the veteran stock auctioneer of Forest Grove. With the cows will go the head of the herd, Onotos Jolly Fox, No. 134,760. This sire was obtained from the Clifford F. Reid herd of Portland, Oregon.

Sometime ago the Alfalfa Lawn Dairy discontinued selling their product direct to consumers and their entire supply since then has been bought by the Morrow County Creamery, which has in turn, retailed it to the Heppner public. Now that the dairy is about to be discontinued, furnishing the supply will fall largely upon the smaller dairymen, chief among them being Henry Blahm and Art Parker, both of whom have fine herds.

## Natt Webb Passed Away At Walla Walla.

One of Morrow county's sterling pioneers passed away in Walla Walla the first of the week, when Natt Webb died at the age of 84 years.

Mr. Webb had been in failing health for some time and his death was not unexpected, as his son, Paul Webb of this city, with other members of the family, was at his bedside when death came.

Natt Webb was one of the pioneer stockmen of this section and lived here for many years, although the last years of his life were spent in the Walla Walla country, where his son, Natt Webb Jr. operates one of the Webb ranches. He is survived by Mrs. Webb and two sons Paul and Natt Jr. A complete obituary will appear in this paper later.

## DAVIS DISTRICT.

Minnie Farrens and her son Rufus have gone to their place near Monument.

R. A. Farrens took Wm. Clark, who is sick, to Ione recently.

A. F. Young has been elected president of the Farmers Union at Gooseberry and Gwendolyn.

The cowboys dance was considered a grand success, and a large crowd was in attendance.

J. W. Christopherson and sons Charles and John went to Heppner to make a filling on a homestead.

Roy Ray made a trip to Ione Tuesday.

The pupils of District 4 have all enrolled in the Junior Red Cross.

Plans are under way for an Easter program to be given by the Sunday school on the evening of March 31.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Sunday, March 17.

Bible School at 10 a. m.

Morning worship at 11 a. m. Sermon subject: "A Weak Point in Our National Efficiency."

C. E. Meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Preaching service at 7:30 p. m. Subject: "The Relation of the Kingdom to the World."

## FEDERATED CHURCH

A fine new book on Psychology contains this sentence, "Religion is the highest activity and interest of the soul."

We conclude therefore:

1. That he who despises religion despises the highest activity and interest of his soul.
2. That he who neglects religion neglects the highest activity and interest of his soul.
3. That he who considers religion studies the highest activity and interest of his soul.
4. That he who cultivates religion develops the highest activity and interest of his soul.

In which class are you?

H. A. NOYES, Pastor.

## MORROW COUNTY WILL FURNISH 4 MEN FOR FIRST INCREMENT OF SECOND DRAFT

Washington.—Ninety five thousand more men have been ordered to prepare to enter training camps, the movement beginning March 29 and continuing five days. This is the last increment of the first draft, including 28,000 negroes. Because of the peculiar situation, some states with completed quotas are asking to send more men, who will be credited under the second draft. These include Oregon, which is asked to furnish 369 and Washington 638. The men will be used to fill vacancies in the existing organizations owing to transfers and deaths, and will also fill industrial calls. It is announced the first contingent of drafted industrial men is already in France.

The local draft board has been notified to provide four men as Morrow county's five per cent of its entire quota under the second draft. The men are to report during the five days period following March 29. It is apparent that Morrow county's gross quota under the second draft will be 80 men.

The total number of men called out in the second draft is 300,000 and of this number, 95,000 will be sent to Camp Lewis, American Lake, Wash.

Because of the scarcity of farm labor, the President has given orders that "the call to the colors of men actively, completely and assiduously engaged in the planting or cultivation of a crop, but who are in Class 1 and within the quotas, should be deferred until the end of the new quota."

## HEPPNER GUN CLUB DEFEATED BY YAKIMA

The Heppner Gun Club ran up a fairly good score last Sunday at the local traps, but it was a poor showing when contrasted with the record breaking score of Yakima. Yakima totaled 123 points last Sunday as against 116 made by Heppner. However, in the Northwest tournament of the same day, Heppner beat Pendleton 116 to 110.

Results of Sunday's shoot were:

A. Bowker, 19; Clark, 24; Adkins, 20; Mrs. Bowker, 17; Bert Stone, 17; Woodson, 12, 16; Borg, 20, 20; McMurdo, 23, 25; Patterson, 24, 21, 21; Henry Cohn, 24; H. Duncan, 20, 20, 14, 13; Dr. Vaughan, 20, 16, 20; Sims, 14.

Heppner is making a much better showing in the Northwest meet than in the Inland Empire tournament, and so far has not met with a single defeat.

## THIRD LOAN COMMITTEE MET IN LEXINGTON

The Morrow County Liberty Loan committee met in Lexington on last evening and listened to a full explanation of the duties they are to perform in the coming big drive from J. L. Campbell, representing Liberty Loan headquarters at Portland. Mr. Campbell is making a trip over the state and assisting in perfecting the organization that the Government has set in motion for the gathering in of the dollars, some six or eight billions of them, that will be asked for in the drive beginning on April 6th. He found that Morrow county is already quite well organized, having all the preliminary work in hand and all workers appointed, except the field workers, and this will be taken in hand at once by Chairman Waters and the solicitors named. In the meantime the work is going on of listing up the questionnaires and getting complete data with reference to every resident of the county. This part of the work is to be permanent, and it is the desire of the Government to have plans fully worked out and developed in the third drive that will be of a permanent nature and form the basis of operations for all future drives.

Mr. Campbell gave a full outline of the Government's purpose and stated the machinery was being put in motion that would get the money. He expects this drive, of course, to be the hardest to put over that has yet been undertaken, but it will be done and the full amount desired to be raised by the sale of Liberty Bonds will be realized, and in the future there will be less difficulty. The Government expects every citizen to "come across" and do his full share and what is more, will see to it that this purpose will be accomplished. Uncle Sam will have no shirkers and slackers behind the firing line; the time is past when any man can stand back and refuse to do his bit, and

## Booze Cases Still Hold Attention.

The smoke of the district attorney's guns scarcely clears away from the ruins of one objective point until they are trained and firing upon another. The public is always in suspense, ever waiting to see what the next objective will be.

Another case was quickly disposed of in Judge Cornett's court this week, when Guy Boyer was found guilty of giving intoxicants to one Harley Sprouls. Although Sprouls is a married man, he is not yet of age, for that reason the charge from the state was a heavy one and Mr. Boyer was fined \$500.

According to the testimony of young Sprouls, he obtained the liquor, one drink or more, at the Boyer ranch on Hinton creek.

Although nothing has been let out from the district attorney's office, it has been hinted that other important cases are coming up.

## Charged With Desertion.

John Schmidt, of Hamilton, Grant county, was brought to Heppner Wednesday and placed in the county jail on a charge of deserting his family. He will be given a hearing.

A rare treat of rich melody and song is in store for those who attend the Hawaiian troubadours at the Opera House Sunday night. They are here for one night only. In Ione Monday night.

## NO PRICE FIXING ON WOOL AT PRESENT

The Government has not, and from present indications, will not fix the price for wool, according to information received this week by W. B. Barratt, president of the Oregon Wool-growers' Association.

The Government's attitude on the wool situation will remain the same so long as there is no attempt made at speculation leading to increased prices. No one has recommended to the Government that the price on wool should be fixed.

It has likewise been learned that the Government will probably discontinue the use of shoddy in the manufacture of uniforms and revert to the all-wool basis for its army clothing.

Mr. Barratt has also learned from authoritative sources that Mr. Hoover has placed his approval upon the plan to allow the consumption of lamb on Tuesdays or any other days. His order to that effect will be in force until April 15.

## PROGRAM OF TALENT AT HIBERNIAN BENEFIT

The committee in charge of the Hibernian patriotic entertainment has announced all plans complete for the program to be given in the high school auditorium, Saturday evening, March 16th. The program will start promptly at 8 o'clock and is as follows:

High School Chorus....Patriotic Song  
Mrs. R. J. Vaughan.....Vocal solo  
Miss Peggy O'Rourke....Vocal solo  
Francis A. McMenamin.....

.....Patriotic Address

Miss Vitalia Pessemier....Vocal solo

Mrs. C. M. Sims.....Vocal solo

Mrs. C. L. Sweek....Piano selection

As announced last week, one half of the proceeds of the entertainment is to be given to the Red Cross and one half to the Knights of Columbus War Fund.

## Entertained at Bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert P. Stose entertained a number of their friends last Thursday evening at the Stone home on Gale street. The evening was pleasantly spent playing bridge. A feature of the occasion was the garbs of the various guests the men coming dressed in their wives' clothes and the ladies wore their husbands' apparel. Prizes were won by Mrs. Fred Lucas and Clifford Sims.

means are being adopted to bring to light every such unpatriotic citizen. Mr. Campbell was assured that there would be very few of this class show up in Morrow county and the committee will work to put this county in the blue column.

There was a full attendance of the committee at Lexington and from this on until Morrow county's quota has been raised, it will be their business to push the Third Liberty Loan.

## Chas. Reid Sells Ione Ranch—\$60,000 in 11 Years.

Another Morrow county wheat farmer has "cleaned up." This time it is Charles Reid of Ione, who with his son Gus has been following the plow in this county for nearly 11 years. Mr. Reid sold his wheat ranch, situated north of Ione, to Spokane parties for \$25 an acre. Some Spokane property was taken in exchange, up to a certain amount. There were 1765 acres in the Reid ranch.

Mr. Reid is another Morrow county farmer to make an exceptional record. He came to Heppner from Oregon City way back about 1907. Since that time he has rented farms and bought farms and sold farms and after making his last transaction, is ready to retire from business with some \$60,000 to his credit.

## Service Flag Is Found.

A little service flag, containing one star, has been found on Main street. The owner of the same may get it by calling at the Gazette-Times office.

## Thrift Sunday Will Be Observed.

"Thrift Sunday" will be observed in Heppner next Sunday by the churches of the town. The plan of church organization includes the formation of one or more War Savings societies in each organization, and the display of a W. S. S. poster in the vestibule or in some other prominent place in every church.

## Underwent Operation.

Mrs. Harold Cox was taken to the Heppner Sanatorium today for an operation. Her condition is not regarded as serious.

## Gazette-Times Family Grows.

The Gazette-Times family of readers continues to grow at a rapid pace and during the past week four new subscriptions were added. They are: Pendleton Marble Works; W. H. Pearson, Lena; Fred Albert, Lena and C. L. Freeman of Heppner. Among the renewals are J. M. Humphreys, Eight Mile; C. A. Stanton, Walla Walla; Mrs. M. A. Perry, Kansas City, Mo.; E. G. Noble, Mrs. Addie Roberts, W. A. French, W. O. Minor and N. S. Whetstone of Heppner; E. D. Brown, Grand Prairie, Alberta; A. W. Minor, Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Chas. Reid, Ione.

## Morgan Will Build Elevator.

According to advices received by County Agent Brown, work will commence on a grain elevator at Morgan. Corporation papers have been filed with the secretary of state and it is likely that work will start soon. The new elevator will be of forty or fifty thousand bushels capacity.

Chas. Chick and Miss Ruby Engelman, prominent students of the Ione high school, were visitors in Heppner today.

In Heppner next Sunday night and Ione the night following, is the Morrow county itinerary for Kuola's Hawaiians, fresh from the Pantages circuit.

## 50-50 FLOUR ORDER IS NOW IN EFFECT

State Food Administrator Ayer Issues Orders to People of State of Oregon to Buy Equal Parts of Substitutes With Each Purchase of Flour.

The people of the state of Oregon must buy substitutes in equal amounts to all purchases of flour and this order must be strictly adhered to, according to a telegram received in this city Monday by Chairman Notson from State Food Administrator Ayer of Portland.

The wheat flour is needed for our army and for the people of France and therefore, says Mr. Ayer, orders have been issued from the National headquarters to the various states, calling upon the people to exert their patriotism to the fullest extent and practise food conservation to the limit.

## Girls Had Unique Party.

A large number of high school girls, patronesses and teachers gathered at the Club building last Friday night and enjoyed a unique party. A large number of the girls went dressed in the masculine garb and considerable merriment resulted from this feature. Games and dances were indulged in. Those present were:

Anna Doherty, Neva Hayes, Isabel Wilson, Alma Akers, Sibyl Cason, Cecile DeVore, Lorraine Groshens, Opal Hall, Anna McDevitt, Kathryn Anderson, Virginia Barlow, Edyth Boyd, Arwilda Brown, Neva Chidsey, Ollie Cox, Margaret Doherty, Mae French, Bernice Githens, Odile Groshens, Ruth Huddleston, Eva Whittington, Velma Brown, Eulalia Butler, Charlotte Hall, Audra Grogan, Lois Hall, Pearl Hall, Cordilla LeTrace, Elma Moore, Reita Neel, Kathryn Pattison, Edna Miller, Flossie Barlow, Mary Stewart, Muriel Cason, Doris Mahoney, Esther Peterson, Helen Barratt, Kathleen Slocum, Miss Charroin, Miss Norris, Miss Lakenan, Mrs. Watkins, Miss Cox, Miss Harper, Miss Casey, Miss Baker, Mr. Binns, Mrs. DeVore, Mrs. Letrace.

## Big Masked Ball at Lexington.

A large crowd will attend the masked ball in Lexington next Monday night, if present signs do not fall. Contrary to the usual custom, there will be no prizes awarded, the money thus saved being added to the receipts of the evening and the entire amount will be turned over to the Lexington auxiliary of the Morrow County Red Cross Chapter. The Lexington auxiliary has been working hard, buying large quantities of supplies and have now run short of money. Every person who buys a ticket for the masked ball will be helping one of the big agencies in winning the war.

MRS. L. G. HERREN

ANNOUNCES HER

SPRING OPENING

SATURDAY

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