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HOTEL MERGER IS IN PROSPECT

Heppner Hotel Co. and Heppner Improvement Co. Negotiating for Central Location, and Pooling of Interest.

This paper is informed that there is now a good prospect that the Heppner Hotel Co. and Heppner Improvement Co. will come together on the proposition of putting up a hotel in this city.

The hotel question has had time to quite fully mature during the past few weeks, and this has brought about the rather natural sequence, one good hotel. The two companies have seemed to have in mind the thought that Heppner must have a hotel and that the capital of the city must be brought together to build it. Acting upon this premise, two companies were formed and the work of raising this capital was started. It has seemed that two hotels would be the result, but as stated before, opinion has been ripening on the question and it has come to the point where the companies themselves feel that the only right thing to do is to secure a centrally located lot, pool their interests and put up one hotel.

While we cannot announce definitely that the merger has been made, as we understand there are a few points yet to be worked out, yet it is quite safe to predict that this will be the result. The property belonging to Mrs. George Fell of Pendleton, on the corner where the Star Theater now stands will be taken over, this having a frontage of 62 feet, and to this they wish to add 20 feet more from E. G. Noble. This is the location now being negotiated for, but as yet the deal has not been fully completed. We shall be pleased to be able to make definite announcement regarding this merger in our next issue. The eleven in working.

To Organize Band.

With the assistance of the Civic League of Heppner, Roy Cochran is undertaking to get a band started in this city. He has been soliciting old band men, as well as new prospects, and feels much encouraged with his efforts so far. The need of a band in the city has appealed to people here from year to year, and it has been realized that we were behind the times in not having such an organization. Mr. Cochran would be much pleased at this time to get in touch with all those who would be interested in joining a band and those who have instruments. Let him know what you have and what your desires are. It is hoped that an organization can be completed promptly, in order that it may be in shape to handle the music for the coming County Fair. A good band for Heppner will receive the proper encouragement at the hands of our citizens and business men, we are sure.

Enjoy Social Afternoon.

The ladies of the Christian Women's Board of Missions of Heppner were entertained on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. T. J. Humphreys, Mrs. E. R. Huston, Mrs. Butler and Mrs. W. P. Cox, and Mrs. Humphreys being hostesses for the occasion. The ladies brought their fancy work and there was present to enjoy the hospitality of the Humphreys home about 45 members and friends of the C. W. B. M. Music was part of the entertainment and this was furnished by the Misses Leta and Evelyn Humphreys, Elizabeth Huston, Mrs. Joe J. Nys and Mrs. J. O. Turner. For refreshments, tea and cake were served.

Walter E. Moore returned to Heppner Monday and is again at his desk in the First National Bank. Mr. Moore has been serving with the U. S. Army for the past year, being located with the spruce division and stationed at Vancouver and Portland. After his discharge he spent several days in Seattle, visiting with a brother and was there during the tie-up of the big strike. He is glad to be back at his old post of duty in Heppner.

Ralph Akers, who remained in bed for 32 days while wrestling with the flu and its complications at his home in Ione, when that epidemic first hit this section, has been back on the job at the store of Bristow & Johnson for the past two weeks. He still feels the effects of the ordeal he went through and regaining his normal strength seems to be a very slow process.

The new truck purchased by Morrow county is now on the job. It is a Nash Quad, four-wheel drive and has the appearance of being a very useful machine.

FIRE LADDIES HOLD MEETING

The fire company held a meeting at the council chambers on Thursday evening last and it was decided to give a dance on Saturday evening, Feb. 22nd, to raise money to be applied on the purchase of rubber hats, rubber coats and rubber boots for the use of the firemen, which articles will be ordered immediately. Chief Curran states that they will not be able to get just as much as this equipment as is needed at the present, but will make a fair start in that direction and hope to be able to get a full outfit before many months. The fire boys have confidence that the citizens of the town will rally to their support on this occasion, giving their efforts liberal financial support in a worthy cause.

At this meeting four new members were received. Fred Tash, who was foreman, was promoted to the place of assistant chief. Leo Hill was made foreman and Clarence Scrivner first assistant foreman.

The new fire auto truck will be here by the fifteenth of March and the same will be housed next door to the Universal Garage, where it can be readily handled by Leo Hill, who will be living there as soon as the new Gilman building is ready for occupancy. As soon as this new truck arrives, the fire company will begin active drilling and thoroughly familiarize themselves with the workings of this valuable acquisition.

Is Called By Death.

Amie Leota McHaley, adopted daughter of Mrs. Mary McHaley, died in Portland on Monday, Feb. 17, being close to 29 years of age. The remains were prepared for burial and brought to Heppner on Wednesday and funeral services were held at the McHaley residence this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, Frank A. Andrews of the Christian church officiating.

Miss McHaley took very sick about a month ago, her affliction being tuberculosis and heart trouble. After weeks of suffering here, she was removed to Portland, where, for a short time she seemed to rally, but the improvement was only temporary and she answered the summons on Monday evening last.

Miss McHaley grew up in Heppner and was a graduate of the high school here. She was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McHaley when a very small child and they were greatly attached to each other. Her demise is a great shock to her foster mother.

COOKED FOOD SALE.

The ladies of the Altar Society of St. Patrick's Church will hold a sale of cooked food on Saturday, March 1st. The viands will be on display at the windows in Humphreys Drug Co. store. Many good things to eat will be there. Keep this in mind.

LIBRARY WILL BE STARTED

The rehabilitation of the Heppner Library is at hand, and that very useful institution will be given new lease of life immediately. The ladies met on Saturday and completed their plans and we are requested to call on the public in their behalf for the donation of books. A committee was appointed by Mrs. VanVactor, president of the association, to make selections of new books to be paid for out of the funds the association have on hand, and book cases will be installed for the time being in the lobby of the Masonic building for the accommodation of all the books. It is hoped that the ladies will be able to shortly restore the library to the place it occupied before the fire of last May destroyed their fine collection of books and periodicals. If you have any books that you wish to pass along, hand them in to the librarian and thus help in the work of getting the Heppner Library established again.

RED CROSS WORKERS BUSY.

The ladies of the Red Cross Chapter are busy these days working up their allotment of refugee garments, which they wish to get ready for shipment by the first of March. Those registering at the work rooms for the week ending Feb. 18, were Mrs. H. A. Noyes, Mrs. J. A. Patterson, Mrs. C. E. Jones, Mrs. V. Crawford, Mrs. W. G. McCarty, Mrs. C. L. Sweek, Mrs. M. Church, Mrs. Carrie Vaughn, Mrs. Wm. Campbell, Mrs. Mattie Adkins, Mrs. W. B. Barratt, Mrs. Chas. Cox, Mrs. Wm. Haylor, Mrs. John Her, Mrs. Gus Wilcox, Mrs. Ed. Patterson, Mrs. Dr. Butler, Mrs. Jeff Neal, Mrs. E. R. Huston, Mrs. W. E. Pruyn, Mrs. E. J. Starkey, Mrs. Michael Kenny, Mrs. Jeff Jones, Mrs. F. N. Frye, Miss M. E. Hunter, Mrs. A. M. Phelps.

Which shall it be? Which shall it be?
—I looked at John; John looked at me



HIBERNIANS PLAN FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY BASKETBALL GAME WITH IONE NEXT SATURDAY

After a long period of enforced inactivity, the Hibernians met on Sunday last in regular session. The first business before the meeting was the Irish Race Convention in Philadelphia on the 22nd, 23rd and 24th inst. Resolutions affirming complete accord with the desire of the vast majority of the people of Ireland in their establishment of a Republic were unanimously passed, and ordered sent to the Philadelphia Convention. Plans for the fitting observance of St. Patrick's Day were formulated. For the entertainment on March 15, the services of Thomas Mannix, an able and forceful speaker, were secured. George C. Hennessey, so well and favorably known to Heppner audiences, has promised to be present. On March 16, initiatory ceremonies will be held. On March 17 the Hibernians will go to St. Patrick's Church. In the afternoon, a football game under Gaelic rules, and field sports will be held. Frank Monahan has kindly offered the use of one of his fields for these events. As many of the boys were football players in the past, keen rivalry is expected in the game. The field sports will also arouse much interest. John C. McEntire claims the championship in the Fat Man's Race, but two or three others will contest his claims. The Committee on sports, John J. Kelly, James F. Sheridan, and Joseph E. Kenny will attend to the details. A banquet will be served on the evening of the 17th. After the palate has been regaled and tickled, music, song and story will while away the remaining hours of St. Patrick's Day.

Early in December the County Sunday School secretary issued an appeal to the Sunday Schools of the county on behalf of the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief for Christmas offerings for the work of relief in Bible lands. The flu closing order was issued about that time and stopped all Sunday School activities. One school, however, did not forget the appeal reporting an offering of \$10.25 forwarded to the committee. This is the Boardman Sunday School. The need is still as great as ever and it is not too late for other Sunday Schools to help in this work, and by request of the County Secretary we make this appeal at this time and urge that all Sunday Schools that have not yet taken an offering for this work, will please do so and make their report to Wm. C. Worstell at Lexington.

Messrs. Wade & Jefferies, who are in the well drilling business, with headquarters at Ione, have recently completed a good well on the Pat McDaid place, now owned by the McDaid Bros. They got a good flow of water at 90 feet and the hauling of water at the McDaid place will be at an end henceforth.

The first game of the H. C. boys quintet with an outside team will take place at the Fair Pavilion next Saturday night. The admission price will be the nominal sum of 25c and every one who enjoys a fast game should not miss this.

Don't forget the lyceum number next Wednesday night. It is going to be a fine entertainment. Price of admission for this number is 75c for adults and 35c for students and children.

The Junior class was entertained at a banquet at the school house last Friday evening by their class advisor, Miss Martha B. Struck, who, aside from advising the Juniors as to the proper way to conduct themselves, instructs the fairer sex of the High School in the science of cooking and the art of sewing. After enjoying the most delightful dinner, the class was informed by Miss Struck that they would have to look around for a new advisor for the coming year. That is she passed around place cards announcing her betrothal to a young man who resides in Hood River, so naturally the class concluded the rest.

After having been beaten by the Grammar basket tossers the Freshies came back strong last Friday night and defeated the younger lads by a very large score.

Last night (Wednesday) the Senior girls' basket ball sextet, known as the Submarine-Chasers, engaged the team of the two lower classes, or the Submarines, in battle which waxed ferocious for near onto an hour. But the agility and speed of the surface craft proved too much for the less active Subs and the latter were forced to surrender to the tune of an 8 to 7 score.

Sells Gooseberry Farm.

C. E. Lundell of Ione this week disposed of his Gooseberry farm to Jess Warfield. The Lundell farm consists of 800 acres and is one of the best wheat producers on the ridge between Eight Mile and Gooseberry. For several years past it has been rented as Mr. Lundell retired from the farming game some time since and has been living in Ione where he could have school facilities for his children. Mr. Warfield is being assisted in the purchase of the place by the Carson boys, Emil and Leonard, whose brother-in-law he is, and being naturally a good farmer, Jess will have no difficulty in making good on the Lundell place.

Ready For Well Drilling.

T. B. Buffington, who has been in the well drilling game for many years past, announces that he will be prepared for work by the first of March. All those contemplating putting down wells, should consult with Mr. Buffington at Ione. 120-4t

BUSY BUNCH AT SHERIFF'S OFFICE

There is a busy bunch at the office of Sheriff E. M. Shutt these times. The entire force are working like trojans to get the tax notices and putting the records in shape to expedite collections. It is expected that the work of getting the notices ready will be completed by the end of this week and all notices mailed to the taxpayers. Under the new system adopted there is more detail work than heretofore but Sheriff Shutt expresses the opinion that regardless of the extra work it makes right now, it will prove for better in the end and make the work of hecking up easy and more certain. There is a compliment due to our assessor, J. J. Wells, also, for the very neat set of records he has placed in the hands of the sheriff. We doubt very much if a handsomer set of books can be produced in any county in Oregon. The rolls, consisting of two large volumes, were made up on the typewriter, and Mr. Wells has produced a piece of work that he has a right to be proud of. This is in keeping with his highly perfected system of making the records up in each department of his office.

Squirrel Poisoning Demonstration.

County Agent Brown held a squirrel poisoning demonstration at Morgan on Saturday last. About twenty farmers of that section were present and gathered valuable information from the County Agent.

In this connection we have been requested to publish the following directions for poisoning ground squirrels, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture and coming from the Bureau of Biological Survey, Washington, D. C.:

Mix one tablespoonful of gloss starch in one-half teacup of cold water and stir into one-half pint of boiling water to make a thin, clear paste. Mix one ounce of powdered strychnine (alkaloid) with one ounce of baking soda (bicarbonate) and stir with the starch to a smooth, creamy mass, free of lumps. Stir in one-fourth pint of heavy corn syrup and one tablespoonful of glycerine, and finally one scant teaspoonful of saccharine. Four tablespoonfuls of table salt added to the boiling water before making the starch increases the effectiveness of the poison during crop growing season. Apply to 20 quarts of oats and mix thoroughly to coat each kernel.

Each quart of poisoned grain is sufficient for 40 to 60 baits. This quantity, scattered (one teaspoonful to a place) along squirrel trails, or on clean, hard surfaces near the holes, will not endanger stock.

Poison may be obtained at cost by applying at County Agent's office at Heppner.

STARVING PEOPLE NEED HELP

The week from February 23 to March 3 has been chosen as the time for America to make an offering to save the starving Armenians and others of the "Near East." For political and economic reasons Congress has appropriated \$100,000,000 to save the starving of Europe. And the people of our happy land are requested to raise \$30,000,000 to keep these others from death for want of food. Schools, churches, lodges and individuals are requested to take this up in earnest. Not a person in Morrow county will know what it is to suffer from want of food this winter, and as we sit down to our well-laden tables shall we forget the thousands who without our help must die of starvation? Some very handsome contributions are coming in. Send your share to Jos. Nys, treasurer of the fund, and every cent will go to save a life.

H. A. NOYES
S. E. NOTSON
M. D. CLARK
MRS. BINNS
JOS. NYS.
Committee.

THE FEDERATED CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
A gold star will be placed on our banner this week, and a short service at Sunday School next Sunday will commemorate this sad honor.
Regular Service 11:00 a. m.
Sermon Theme "The New Era for The Whole Church."
Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.
We shall use the topic for Feb. 9, entitled "I Will."
Leader, Miss Slate.
Evening service, 7:30.
N. A. NOYES, Pastor.

HAD SPORT WATCHING THE ARMEN FIGHT

Before the Armistice, Emery Hatt Was in the Thick of the Fight

A couple of interesting letters were received by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hatt, of Kelso, Wash., from their son Emery Hatt, who is still with the A. E. F. in France. The first letter was dated Oct. 4, a little over a month before the hostilities ceased, and from this we see that Emery was in the midst of hard fighting, with everything moving as though the war would not end for months to come. Because of the censorship, Emery did not state just where he was located, but it is indicated that he was right up to the very front. Speaking of his situation, Emery says:

This is a pretty good place. We have all kinds of sport watching the air battles. Already today we have got seven of old Fritz's planes in this immediate vicinity, and should get three or four more before night. This war will soon break Fritz, trying to supply our aviators with machines to bring down. The Americans are certainly good aviators and so after all of the Boogie machines.

Fritz dropped a few shells in around us, wounded one of our men and killed a Frenchman and a few Amex, and one came close enough to me to knock me over and I was rather flighty for several hours. One of the boys just said "Hatt you are going to lose your horseshoe some of these days."

At the time of writing this letter, Emery was OK. The second letter, dated at Amity, France, Dec. 28, 1918, gives an interesting account of his movements, and we give it in full.

At last we moved from the sea of mud at Brocourt, to another just as bad at Amity, which is about nine kilometers from Gondcourt, or about six miles. Amity is a wee little place, with one store, or what the frogs call a store, a town mayor, and a public wash house. Every town in France (large or small) has a public wash house, where a mob of French Madams can be seen any time a day down on both knees with a paddle in one hand and a brush in the other, and dabbling in water that is about freezing.

At Brocourt the morning we left we had reveille at 4 a. m., breakfast at 4:30 and rode to Froidos in trucks, arriving about 6:30 and had our guns and material all loaded by 9:30 but didn't leave until 10:30 a. m., and it took us until 3:00 a. m. next morning to reach Romange which was not a great distance from where we started. Owing to the amount of traffic we were held up for quite a while, and at one place I think we laid on the side track for five or six hours. Two hours after we landed at Romange we were unloaded and had breakfast which consisted of two pieces of bread and a cup of coffee. At daylight we started a long and tiresome march for Amity, which was eighteen kilometers away or about twelve miles. Owing to the fact that we were not used to such long hikes and besides wore rubber boots and carried a heavy roll over our backs, when we reached Amity only about half of the bunch that left Romange were able to walk. I managed to make it with pack and all but my feet were so badly blistered when I got through that I could hardly walk the next day. This was the day before Christmas and the prospects for a merry Christmas certainly looked pretty slim.

Our meals on Christmas were the same as usual. I spent all day Christmas in bed trying to keep warm as it sure was cold in the old barn we were billeted in. It snowed Christmas eve and most of Christmas day but just today it moderated and begun raining, and is still at it and the snow is all gone now, but we have mud enough to make up for the snow.

There is all kinds of dope flying around. Some say we go to Russia, others say to the Rhine, while some say the next move will be to Bres, to take the transport, and as for me I prefer the latter.

EMERY.

Mrs. Richard McElligott Passes.

Mrs. Richard McElligott passed away very suddenly on last Sunday afternoon at the McElligott farm, home 12 miles south of Ione. Mrs. McElligott was a pioneer resident of the Ione section, having settled in the locality many years ago with her husband. She had been in rather poor health for the past year or more, and lately suffered a severe spell of influenza, which left her with a weak heart. Besides her husband, she leaves several sons and daughters, all grown.