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AMERICAN LEGION POST FOR HEPPNER

State Organizer, E. J. Eivers, Will Arrive in Heppner Next Monday Night at Which Time Meeting of Ex Service Men Will be Held and Quarter Asked.

Heppner will have a post of the American Legion. O. G. Walker of Portland, advance organizer, arrived in Heppner last night and made arrangements for a meeting which will be held in the city council chambers in the Roberts building on Monday evening, August 25.

E. J. Eivers, state chairman and organizer, will be in this city that evening and will give full information regarding the American Legion and the work it is doing in all parts of the country.

It is very important that all ex-service men of the late world war be present.

The idea of forming a local post of the American Legion is to grow for some time. In nearly all towns where chapters have been formed, the post has been named for some soldier, sailor or marine who gave his life for his country, or distinguished himself by exceptional valor on the field of battle.

It is now generally realized that the American Legion is to the world war what the G. A. R. has been to the Civil War. And like the G. A. R., it will be non-political, "politics-not politics" being its slogan, and it is bound together by the ties of comradeship formed in common service. Every former service man in Morrow county is urged to attend the meeting in Heppner next Monday evening.

Bowker's Orchestra Will Play At Harvest Ball

Devotees of the dance will be pleased to learn that Bowker's Orchestra of Portland will play at the Harvest Ball which will be held in the Fair Pavilion Saturday evening. The ball gives promise of being a big success.

The Frank W. Turner family returned to their home in Heppner Sunday after spending a week in the mountains. They were camped at the Cohn camp on upper Willow creek.

Grain, Mules and Combine Lost to Waitsburg Farmer

Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 18.—A power combine used by Hollis Conover was set on fire Saturday afternoon following a runaway, and the combine, nine mules and 350 acres of standing grain owned by Conover and 80 acres of grain just threshed on the C. E. Shafer place, were burned. The loss was partially covered by insurance. The grain was going about 15 bushels to the acre.

Mr. Conover is quite well known in Heppner, having been engaged in business here about 1904. Vawter Crawford of this city is a cousin.

Father O'Rourke Appointed To The Dalles Pastorate

Rev. Father P. J. O'Rourke arrived last Thursday from his Eastern trip to find awaiting him here an appointment to St. Peter's church at The Dalles. He left Wednesday morning to take up his duties there.

Father O'Rourke left Heppner in June in company with his niece, Miss Margaret O'Rourke, for New York. Miss O'Rourke took passage on the White Star liner, "Cadric" from that city on July 29th for an extended visit to her old home in Darrow, Ireland.

While in Chicago, Father O'Rourke had the pleasure of hearing President DeValera speak on the cause of Irish freedom. He was there also when the race riots were taking place.

The announcement of Father O'Rourke's departure from Heppner will be received with regret not only by the members of his parish but by good citizens generally. During his pastorate here of not quite eight years he has built up his church, making improvements to the church property and beyond his endeavors in religious lines, he was ever active in civic affairs. Father O'Rourke's work during the months of war will ever be remembered here. His patriotic addresses and stirring speeches did much to keep a high spirit at home and were essential in putting over some big drives for the Red Cross and the Treasury department. This paper and his friends in wishing him well in his new field.

SURPLUS ARMY FOODS ARE ON SALE HERE

Uncle Sam has gone into the general merchandising business. He is placing on sale in every postoffice in his domain, surplus foodstuffs of which the army no longer has any need.

Postmaster Richardson of the Heppner postoffice has just received a list of food articles and a price list for the same. The list includes everything from baked beans and corn "wiltie" down to jam and pineapples. The foodstuffs which Pacific coast people have an opportunity to buy are now in San Francisco. Only orders for case lots will be received. The stuff will be shipped by parcel post from San Francisco, making a rate, as in the case of Heppner, of \$5.95 per 125 pounds.

Among the articles listed are baked beans, stringless beans, corned beef, roast beef, cherries, corn, hash, corn, peas, beans, rice, flour, rice, assorted jam, pepper, toilet soap, pineapple, tomatoes and bacon.

Just what quality the purchaser receives when he buys this merchandise from his Uncle Sam, is left in doubt, because it is not mentioned. But it is all stuff which the government bought for the army men. Price lists may be obtained from your local postmaster.

O. J. Walker of Portland, advance organizer for the American Legion in Oregon, arrived in Heppner Wednesday evening, arranged for a meeting of former service men next Monday and left this morning for La Grande. Mr. Walker has traveled all over the state of Oregon in his work with the Legion.

1919 CENSUS SUPERVISORS ARE APPOINTED

Job of Counting Noses in Oregon Will Be Under Way Early in 1920—Directors Early Named.

Washington, D.C. Aug. 16.—The Secretary of Commerce, upon the recommendation of the Director of the Census has made the following appointments of supervisors of the census for the state of Oregon:

First District—(To be announced later.)
Second District—William A. Terrell, Wasco, Sherman Co.
Third District—William D. Bennett, Portland, Multnomah Co.

The population of Oregon in 1910 was 672,765. Following is the population by districts as was found at that time:

First District—Counties: Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Tillamook, Washington, and Yamhill (17 counties), population, 395,634.

Second District—Baker, Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wasco and Wheeler (18 counties), population 142,870.

Third District—County of Multnomah, population 226,261.

Reuts Ranch near Athena has been running his Gemmill, who has been running the father's ranch just above Heppner for the past three years, has rented a farm near Athena, in Umatilla county, and will prepare to move up there this fall. Mr. Gemmill is a good farmer and what is Morrow county's loss is Umatilla's gain.

Returns From Southern Trip. Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Davidson and son returned last Friday from an extensive auto trip through California and Southern Oregon. They were accompanied home by Mr. Davidson's uncle who lives at Fresno and he will visit with his son at Pasco, Wn.

Alex Green, south Heppner farmer, has joined the ranks of those who ride on cushioned tires. He bought a Ford this week from Chas. H. Latourell, the local dealer.

Mrs. Amanda Kiser of Portland spent the week in Heppner on a visit to her son, Arthur McAtee. She returned to her home Wednesday.

OREGON STATE FAIR—

Salem, September 22-27.—Splendid agricultural, livestock and industrial exhibits, high class amusements, a superb racing card, bigger and better than ever.

A. H. LEA, Secretary, Salem, Ore.

SHERMAN-CLAY ESTABLISHES AGENCY HERE

The Sherman-Clay Co., well known musical instrument dealers of the Pacific coast, have established a branch agency in Heppner. Their representatives here will be Patterson & Son.

A shipment of pianos arrived this week, which includes the famous Aeolian pianola. Jack Mulligan, eastern Oregon sales manager, arrived in Heppner Wednesday to assist in getting the new agency established. The new agency here will also represent the Steinway and Weber pianos.

George Fell Loses Garage and Cleaning Plant at Pendleton

The garage and cleaning plant owned by George Fell at Bush and Washington streets were destroyed by fire Tuesday according to the Pendleton Tribune. The house was slightly scorched in one corner. The loss will be several hundred dollars. Some clothing was destroyed in the flames, but most of it was rescued, along with Mr. Fell's auto which was in the garage. The fire is believed to have started from an explosion of gasoline.

Dwight Misner, successful lone farmer was in Heppner Tuesday on business. Mr. Misner has just finished harvesting a fine crop. His wheat was of exceptional quality this year and his check for the same was right close to the twenty thousand dollar mark. Mr. Misner believes we have the greatest country on earth here, and is of the opinion that if the outside world ever became fully aware of what great opportunities exist here, Morrow county would be flooded with homeseekers in less than a month.

TOTAL WAR COST IS NEAR 200 BILLION

London, Aug. 18.—Lloyd George in a speech in the House of commons, declared the war cost was \$200,000,000,000. Britain's war debt has increased \$3,295,000,000 to \$39,000,000,000. He says the war expenditure was devoted largely to purposes of destruction and that the only way to meet the increased burden of the war debt is to increase production. He asserted the most outstanding fact of Britain's present situation is an alarming adverse trade balance. He said Britain's coal output is \$7,000,000 less than before the war. "Unless we are able to pay the way, stern events will drive a reduction in our standard of living," he stated. The introduction of a bill providing for a living wage and a 48-hour week was announced by the premier. He said the problem of production can't be solved until labor examines its grievances. He declared the new spirit of increased wages and shorter hours can not be maintained until production is increased.

FORMER HEPPNER MAN LIKES NORTH COUNTRY

E. D. Brown Regains Health in Canada.—Believes Great Future in Store for That Country.

In a letter to The Gazette-Times editor, E. D. Brown, former manager of the Heppner Milling Company, writes that "We are all in good health and like the country very well." Mr. Brown and family left Heppner for Grand Prairie, Alberta, about two years ago. They have a stock farm there. Continuing, Mr. Brown says, "I have got much stronger the past two years. I work outside all the time and have grown away from my old asthma trouble. At present we have a great many drawbacks to contend with but we look for a railway to the coast in the near future. I understand the Pacific Great Eastern is built from Vancouver to Fort George and some distance beyond on its way towards us. This is a fine cattle country though the winters are as a rule quite cold, but the cattle do not seem to mind it."

Mr. Brown tells of the death of little Jean, their granddaughter. The little girl was there on a visit with her mother, Ruth Livingston, and the other children. Jean died on July 19th. She was about 2 1/2 years old. About a year ago she had a seizure of the measles and never seemed to get over it. Mr. Livingston, Mr. Brown's son-in-law, was up north at the beginning of June, but went back to Harvard with Mrs. Livingston and their two little sons. He has another year at Harvard.

LEXINGTON PEOPLE ENJOY BIRTHDAY PARTY

Lexington, Or., Aug. 18.—A group of friends gathered at the home of E. L. Reaney last Thursday evening, to celebrate the birthday anniversaries of his wife and Mrs. Albert Kerber. A pleasant evening was spent in playing unique games and stunts. The birthday guests were pleasantly surprised with their birthday cakes, which were covered with blue and pink candles respectively. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Warner, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Reaney, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kerber, Lawrence Reaney, Gladys Reaney, Mr. Randall Averill Reaney, Cecil Ray Warner, Clinton Harper and Miss Grace Tyler of Salem. The hostesses were Mrs. Albert Kerber and Miss Grace Tyler.

Mrs. E. L. Reaney of Lexington spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kerber.

Geo. Allyn, Lexington game man, made a business trip to Heppner Monday.

Lexington People Get Thrill When Car Upsets With Them

A party of Lexington people received more than the ordinary thrill that accompanies auto accidents, when in Sand Hollow last Sunday evening, Mr. McMillan and wife and Mrs. McMillan's mother, Mrs. Wilmot, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ben J. Brown, had been to Irrigon and were on their way home when the accident happened. The road at this particular place had become undetermined and the weight of the car dived it in. The car turned completely over and probably only the top of the car saved the autoists from serious injury. As it happened was not a single member of the party was hurt in any way. Mr. McMillan, who was at the wheel, was driving slowly when the car turned over.

Visiting Dayton Relatives.

Lexington returned home this week after spending a few days at Dayton, Wash. He took his family up and they will remain there for an extended visit.

Sam Cochran, father of Mrs. Frank Turner of this city, came out from the Monument country last week with 11 head of horses which he took down to Hermiston. After selling part of them for ten acres of land under the ditch down there. He returned home the last of the week.

FRANK ANDERSON BUYS STANTON WHEAT RANCH

Frank Anderson, farmer of Jack Rabbit canyon, closed a deal this week for the Stanton ranch on Eight Mile. It is the old Stanton home place and has been in the past few years by Tom Arnold. It is considered one of the best in that section. The farm contains 640 acres and the price paid by Mr. Anderson was \$20,000.

In speaking of his purchase Mr. Anderson said, "I consider Morrow county farm land the best investment there is today. Nowhere is there land producing as this land does, that sells as cheap. And land won't always be cheap here either." With this latest purchase, Mr. Anderson becomes one of the very largest owners of wheat land in Morrow county, for he will soon have title to more than 2500 acres.

EXTENSIVE CAMPAIGN TO BE LAUNCHED FOR EXTERMINATING JACK RABBITS

During the last week, through the county agent an expert from the Biological Survey of the Washington Service has been in Heppner conferring with County Agent Hunt on a plan for the extermination of the jack rabbit. Following an announcement of the fact that Morrow and Umatilla counties would cooperate in this work, Agent Hunt and Mr. Jamison left for Hermiston on Monday to have a conference with representatives of Umatilla county to make a definite plan of cooperation for this work. Various sheepmen of the county, including Thomas Boylen, Jim Carby and Hynd Brothers and others, besides the alfalfa ranchers, are reporting tremendous depredation by these rodents; something clearly must be done. The great problem in taking care of the situation of this kind is the vast back pastures of Morrow county. It is of very little use to eliminate the rodents from immediately surrounding alfalfa fields when such countless thousands are bred in the vast sage brush areas of the John Day project and are continually coming in on the alfalfa fields.

The jack rabbit area of Morrow county reaches practically as far south as the base line. It will then be realized something of the magnitude of the work that is considered, when we say that it is planned to put out one ounce of strychnine for each quarter section of land in that territory. This will amount to more than two thousand ounces of strychnine. The plan as developed by these men in this conference will be put up to the Morrow county farmers and men who meet with the County Agent on Saturday, the 30th of August.

Their approval, cooperation and help will be necessary to the carrying out this program, and it will be subject to revision. It has been found that the best time unquestionably to poison rabbits is in the winter time when the rabbits are crowded for food, especially when there is snow on the ground. During that time we will have a government man preparing poison and mixing it with alfalfa leaves or chopped alfalfa to be distributed over the poisoned area. All the various poisoned pens will have to be visited, all the pos-

WOMAN KILLED WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTO

Mrs. M. H. Gillette Dies From Injuries and Husband in Critical Condition Result of Auto Wreck on Heppner Branch Last Sunday.

Mrs. M. H. Gillette, wife of Mel Gillette, is dead and Mr. Gillette is in a critical condition at the Heppner Sanatorium as a result of an auto accident on the Heppner branch last Sunday when the local train, No. 25, ran into their car on a crossing just below Ione.

Mr. and Mrs. Gillette were on their way from their ranch to Ione when they were hit by the train while making the railroad crossing near the Knappenberg ranch. The locomotive apparently struck the Gillette car square in the radiator. The injured couple were rushed to Ione, where first aid was administered and placed on a railway motor car and brought to Heppner. Mrs. Gillette succumbed to her injuries before reaching Heppner. Examination of the body showed that her skull had been fractured.

Mr. Gillette was taken to the local hospital, where he remained in an unconscious condition for several hours, but his chances for recovery are now considered bright by his physicians. Besides severe bruises, he received three broken ribs. It is feared that he has sustained internal injuries.

The body of Mrs. Gillette was shipped to Portland, where a daughter, Mrs. Joe H. Jordan, wife of a well known newspaper man, resides. The funeral was held in that city Wednesday from the Chambers chapel and private services were held at the Sellwood crematorium. Mrs. Gillette was formerly Mrs. Ella Pettigrew of Portland. She was about 50 years of age.

Mr. Gillette was a farmer in Umatilla county a few years ago and will and Ralph Gillette of Pendleton are sons of the injured man by a former marriage. Two brothers, Ad and Ben Gillette reside in Umatilla county.

Lee Notson, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Notson, arrived in Heppner Wednesday. He returned some time ago from service in France and had spent sometime visiting with relatives in Iowa. Lee was with the American Army of Occupation.

THERE'S A LIMIT!!

PROFITEERS

J. THOMAS

Announcement

To the People of Heppner and Surrounding Territory:

We are pleased to announce that we are now the established agency in this district for

SHERMAN-CLAY & COMPANY

and will handle their pianos and the celebrated pianola. Among the many high grade pianos which we represent are the

Steinway and Weber

We have just received a shipment of pianos, including the Aeolian player. We will be pleased to demonstrate.

Catalogue will be mailed on request.

Patterson & Son
Local Agents

oned bait assembled and clear instructions given to various men who will be selected from among the farmers to prepare the same and everything will be in readiness for the first big snow storm. When this storm comes without any further notice every man will clearly understand that his part is to put the poison out upon the ground. All the various details will have been clearly worked out in advance, every one will understand exactly the part that they have to play in the big game and the war will start from Arlington as far south as Cecil and Morgan, through by Pine City, thence on through the rabbit belt of Umatilla county. An extensive northern drive, which will reach as far as Boardman and every section of land in the project and in the whole territory will be thoroughly plastered with poison for these grass robbers.

It is difficult to realize the total loss that is caused by these rabbits each year, but if the testimony from one man may be taken as an example of several, undoubtedly hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of damage is being done, not only to alfalfa and hay stacks but through the sheep range as well. It cannot be ignored; they must be exterminated. It is hoped that by making one big extensive drive to cover the whole territory enough work may be done one year to free the county of these pests for every year to come.

It is hoped that any stockmen or other farmer interested will give the County Agent the benefit of any suggestions or criticisms that may occur to him that we may finally adopt the best and most workable plan possible.

L. A. HUNT, County Agent.

D. O. Justus and son Nels H. Justus, well known local sheepmen, were in Pendleton on business Monday.

He Had a Kick. Manager (to customer who has just ordered a glass of water and an empty plate, and furnished his own sandwich)—Bog fardish, sir, but this isn't— Customer—Say, who the devil are you, anyway? Manager—I'm the manager, sir. Customer—Oh, I was just going to send for you. Why isn't the band playing?