

THE GAZETTE-TIMES

PUBLISHED WEEKLY AND DEVOTED TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF MORROW COUNTY

VOL. 36, NO. 39

HEPPNER, OREGON, THURSDAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1919.

SUBSCRIPTION, \$2.00 PER YEAR

CITY SHOULD HAVE THOROUGH COUNT

Census Will Be Taken Next Month and Citizens Are Asked to Give Every Co-operation—Count Ten Years Ago Was Not Thorough

The days for taking the 1920 census are near at hand. The Bureau of the Census back in Washington has sent out an appeal to every citizen of the land to give his sincere co-operation with the enumerators in order that the work will be well done.

Ten years ago in Heppner the work of taking the census proved not to be well done. In fact after the official enumerators had finished their task, the result of the count did not come up to expectations. The Commercial Club took up the matter and on a recount it was discovered that some three hundred of our inhabitants had been overlooked.

We should avoid a recurrence of this. Our population has undoubtedly increased a considerable number in a decade. Moreover we are deservingly a thorough count. Taking the census is tedious work and the enumerators have to go up against some difficult problems. People may be away from home. This necessitates another call, and care must be taken that the same noses are not counted twice. Therefore it is imperative that citizens give their best co-operation and answer all the questions asked by their enumerators.

It may be that sufficient enumerators have not been secured to do the work. In any event it presents a live question for the Heppner Commercial Club and we believe the Club has a right to see to it that the city receives a fair and impartial census.

Record-Chief Issues Splendid Christmas Number

One of the finest special editions ever coming to the Gazette-Times desk arrived last week. It was the 49-page Christmas number of the Enterprise Record-Chief, of which George P. Cheney is the able editor. The number will be of much value from an historical standpoint, as the events in the growth and development of Enterprise and Willows county are given chronologically. The business men of the progressive city of Enterprise ought liberally to give space in the Record-Chief columns, in order to tell the people of Willows county the advantages of doing their Christmas buying at home. Altogether, the paper is splendid and reflects credit upon both the Record-Chief and the people who make up the rapidly growing metropolis of Willows county.

ASTORIA READER THINKS PAPER HAS IMPROVED

The following letter has been received from "a friend" at Astoria: Astoria, Ore. Dec. 16, 1919. 634 Commercial Street. Heppner Gazette-Times, and Friends.

In looking over your last week's paper, which is always a welcome visitor to us people formerly of Heppner, I want to congratulate you on the improvement of your paper. It seems almost like reading the Oregonian. We noticed the announcements of the big things taking place at the mouth of the Columbia river, Seaside, Gearhart, good old Astoria. I am mailing under separate cover a booklet which I would like for you to read through. Just some facts about this part of Oregon, and if there are any statements which you doubt for a moment, will be glad to take them up with you at any time. We are all wonderfully taken up with this part of Oregon, but have not forgotten the good old wheat fields of Morrow County and some mighty good people of Heppner. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. A READER.

WHAT RANCH TO RENT

I wish to rent my wheat ranch on Strawberry Flat which I recently purchased of C. A. Morey and parties adjoining C. A. Morey and parties of 720 acres of level land. Every acre being good deep tillable soil. There is abundance of water centrally located with the improved methods of farming this locality is proving to be Morrow County's best wheat producing section. A. S. AKERS.

LIVE CECIL NEWS ITEMS

Wayne Forkner of lower Willow creek, left on Tuesday to join his parents in The Dalles.

Roy Stender and Miss Jaunita Crabtree of "Dothey's Hill" were visitors in Cecil on Saturday.

John H. Miller of "Boardless Barn" left on Tuesday for Milton, where he will visit friends for a few days.

Walter Pope of "Sunnyside" and George A. Miller of "Highview" were callers at Butterby Flats on Tuesday.

John Peterson, who is working with the highway surveyors spent Sunday with his parents at the Willows.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Minor are spending a few days at the Last Camp before leaving for their home in Portland.

Miss V. M. Hynd and Miss Lizzie Blahm of "Butterby Flats" were the guests of Miss Etta Barnes of Popular Grove on Thursday.

Grover Curtis, who has been on the sick list during the past week, was able to leave for his home at Grand Dalles, Wash., on Friday.

Wm. Matlock of the Hager ranch, who has been looking after his Cecil interests during the past week, returned to Heppner Friday.

George A. Miller of "Highview" accompanied by his nieces, the Misses Johnson of Battleground, Wash., were calling in Cecil on Friday.

W. G. Palmateer of Windy Nook was a business man in Cecil on Tuesday. He was accompanied by J. E. Crabtree of "Dothey's Hill."

We are pleased to hear that Henry Stender, who was severely injured by a kick from one of his horses, is able to be about once more.

Eight hundred head of cattle and eight thousand head of sheep are being fed around Cecil on the fine alfalfa hay for which Cecil vicinity is noted.

John Vickers of Hood River is visiting around Cecil before leaving for Idaho where he will visit with his daughter for an indefinite period.

Jim Whitney and Ed Comiskey arrived in Cecil with 4,000 head of sheep belonging to Minor & Matlock, which will be wintered here. Jim and Ed, have taken up their abode at the "Dove Cot."

We are glad to hear that Neil Nash, young son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nash, who underwent an operation sometime ago, is now able to be up and around, and was brought from Heppner to Ewing last Monday.

George D. Anderson, camp tender for Hynd Bros., left on the local for Heppner. George will resume his work for the winter at the Hynd Bros. ranch in Sand Hollow. He declares this is the coldest winter we have had in thirty years.

Miss Vivian Logan, whose school is closed on account of the severe weather, spent Monday and Tuesday with Mrs. Weltha Combest at Cecil, leaving on Wednesday for Heppner, where she will spend a few days before leaving for her home in Portland.

Pete Beymer of Lexington was in Cecil on Thursday, leaving during the day for Spray, where he will get about 400 head of cattle belonging to Bob Carsner and bring them to Willow creek to be fed for the market. Mr. Carsner has bought Everett Logan's hay on Lower Willow creek.

"The Last Camp" was the scene of a chivaree on a large and very noisy last Wednesday evening. The noise was kept up until George Krebs brought his bride to the door and invited the crowd in to partake of their hospitality. A very enjoyable evening was spent by the large number of friends present, who all wished the newlyweds every joy and happiness in their future life.

CUMMINGS WILL HOLD SALE

W. E. Cummings, who recently sold his wheat farm northwest of Heppner to Frank Akers of Ione, is preparing to return to the Willamette Valley, where he and his family resided before coming here a number of years ago.

Mr. Cummings will hold a public sale at the ranch, which is known as the old Myers place, on Friday, January 9th, at which time he will dispose of all his farming machinery and household goods, as well as a number of horses and cows.

Since coming to Morrow County, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings have done well and are not leaving here because of any fault of the country. As Mr. Cummings said the other day, "I am not saying that I won't return to Morrow County."

Wordly Wisdom

"Frankly, now, if you had to choose between me and a million, would you do?" she purred. "I'd take the million. Then you would be easy."

NOTICE

After January 1, 1920, the passway from my place on Willow creek across the hill to Hinton will be closed.

W. P. HILL.

PEACE ON EARTH



SCHOOLS WILL MAKE STUDY OF FOREIGN COINS

The schools of the Morrow County Chapter of the American Red Cross have received an unusually interesting coin set, including the unit silver coin and the smallest copper coin of thirteen great Nations of the world. This set was loaned free by the Department of Junior Red Cross, Northwestern Division, with headquarters in Seattle, for use in the schools.

Mrs. Lena Snell Shurte, County Superintendent and Director of the Junior Red Cross for the Morrow County Chapter, has charge of distribution of the coins in this community, and to her application should be made by schools wishing to borrow the coins.

- The following coins are represented in the set:
1. Austria—Krone, Heller.
 2. Belgium—Franc, Centime.
 3. England—Shilling, Penny.
 4. France—Franc, Centime.
 5. Germany—Mark, Pfennig.
 6. Holland—Guilder, Cent.
 7. Italy—Lire, Centesimo.
 8. Mexico—Peso, Centavo.
 9. Norway—Ore.
 10. Russia—Rouble.
 11. Spain—Peseta.
 12. Sweden—Krona, Ore.
 13. Switzerland—Franc, Centime.

In connection with the German mark it is interesting to note that this coin, which is normally worth about 24c, has fallen as low as 2c in value, while the pfennig, usually about 1/8c in value, is now hardly worth more than Indian wampum. From these enemy coins included, the children can understand better the enormous indemnity imposed upon the Central Allies.

Money is an interesting subject and teachers will find a limitless educational resource in this coin collection. When the ancient Spartan wanted to buy a sack of flour or something, he had to hitch up a yoke of oxen to haul his money to town—for the Spartans used iron money and trousers pockets were quite inadequate to carry enough for important purchases. A hero in a story made the statement that he would go so far West that he couldn't get change for a dollar and so far East that he could get change for a penny. Pertinent to both these observations is the currency of Korea today, where coins are strong by the hundred on grass strings and where it takes nine pounds to be worth about a quarter.

BENNETT-MATTESON

A quiet wedding occurred in this city on Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Matteson, when their daughter Lola was united in marriage to Edgar F. Bennett, a young stockman of this county. The ceremony was performed by Judge Alex Cornett. The young people expect to make their home in Heppner for the present, where they have a host of friends who will wish them well on their journey through life.

FARMER BREAKS LEG

Mr. Ferguson, who farms the Devin ranch in Sand Hollow, had the misfortune to receive a broken leg when his horse, which he was riding, fell with him one day this last week.

STUDENTS WILL WORK FOR WOMEN'S BUILDING

Mr. Arthur Campbell and Miss Cecil DeVore have been appointed by the student council of the University of Oregon to represent the Greater Oregon student committee in handling the local end of a \$30,000 campaign the students are starting to complete the unfinished Women's Building on the University campus, and have arrived here to take charge of the work.

The state has been divided for the purposes of the campaign into seven districts by the students of the University, who have taken entire charge of raising the last \$30,000 needed to finish the \$200,000 building. The district including this county is under the direction of Lindsay McArthur of Baker.

The Women's Building will house the women's gymnasium, the department of household arts and others of the women's activities on the campus. Half of the necessary \$200,000 must be raised by private subscription, the legislature having supplied \$100,000 to match the individual generosity of citizens of Oregon.

With its enrollment almost doubled since its last new building was completed, the University finds its buildings entirely inadequate to handle the students already there, to say nothing of the large increase certain for next fall. The students, aroused to the emergency, have called their "Oregon Spirit" to the rescue and have organized the present campaign in which they feel confident of success. The Greater Oregon committee consists of 159 members.

THE FEDERATED CHURCH

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. International Lesson, "The Training of Peter and John. Morning service, 11:00. The sermon theme will be chosen with reference to the sacrament of the Lord's Supper which will be observed. Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Topic, "My Next Year better than This." Evening service 7:30.

H. A. NOYES.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank the people of Heppner for their kindness, generosity and aid received since our recent fire. We also wish to express our appreciation to the men who worked so valiantly in the cold to extinguish the fire.

MR. & MRS. CHAS. SWINDIG.

The Accepted Time

A traveler journeying through the Straddle Ridge region of Arkansas came upon two men prone in combat in the dusty road, the upper gentleman, pounding the lower, similar to beating a big bass drum. The traveler, feeling for the under dog, resolved to interfere.

"It's a shame to strike a man when he is down," he virtuously chided.

"If you knowed the trouble I've had to get this yere cuss down," returned Huck Cuckey, who was acting the thumping, "you'd shut your mouth and go on about your by-gosh business."—Country Gentleman.

PERSONAL NEWS ITEMS

E. L. Mulvaney and family have moved to The Dalles to reside.

Ray Ager and family are spending this week and next in Portland.

Ralph Yeager and Sam Turner went to Portland Tuesday to spend the holidays.

Ben Buschke, Rhea creek farmer, was transacting business in Heppner on Wednesday.

Frank Roberts left on Wednesday for Portland to spend the holidays with his family.

Miss Melba Griffiths, popular teacher in the local school, left on Wednesday morning for Corvallis, where she will spend Christmas with her mother.

Leo Nicholson, prominent University of Washington student, arrived in Heppner on Tuesday evening and will visit with friends during the holidays.

C. M. Sims, assistant cashier of the Farmers & Stockgrowers National Bank, is driving a new Dodge touring car which he recently purchased through the local agency.

The Ladies Guild will hold their social meeting on Wednesday December 31, in Odd Fellows Hall at 2:15 o'clock. Hostesses are Mrs. W. R. Irwin, Mrs. Fred Case, Mrs. C. C. Chick and Mrs. Oscar Borg.

Jake Ostin is away from Madras to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents. Since leaving the service, Jake has been helping George Pearce run the Madras Pioneer, Jefferson county's leading newspaper.

Dave Wilson, who helps count the money over at the First National Bank of Pendleton, came over to spend Christmas with home folks. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson of this city and a well known and popular product of the local high school.

J. M. Spencer, who lives on the R. B. Stanfield ranch, put out four or five ounces of poison and estimated the number of rabbits killed at 1000. The weather is now ideal for rabbit poisoning, and all over the country people are making the best of their opportunity.—Echo News.

Lotus Robinson, Hardman stockman, who was in Heppner Tuesday, says that the snow in the Hardman hills has nearly all melted, with most of the moisture going into the ground. He views the future optimistically and believes the stockmen will now pull through the winter without serious loss to stock.

Chas. R. Johnson, formerly a business man of this city, who is now living at Huntington Beach, Cal., postcards the Gazette-Times that while he was having zero weather and worse, here last week, Huntington Beach people were enjoying warm weather, with the thermometer registering 64 on the shady side of the house.

Jess and Glen Richards, well known Butler creek ranchers, lost 11 head of horses the other day, the animals having been poisoned by eating of alfalfa after it had been mixed with strychnine and brought by them to their ranch from Stanfield.

On arriving here, the boys hustled to the house to get warm. They left the sacks in the vehicle, and on coming out later to put them away found them torn open and contents par-taken by the horses that died.—Hermiston Herald.

The Eagle has received the following letter from F. N. Noble, proprietor of the Mt. Vernon Hot Springs. He says, "I will drop you a line to let you know that I am at the Mayo Bros. institute at Rochester, Minnesota and have undergone an operation. I am on my 9th day and getting along fine. I will be glad when I can return home, for I have been away a month and am anxious to see some Grant county faces again."—Canyon Blue Mountain Eagle.

Lawrence G. Shutt is home from Portland spending the holiday season with his parents and his sister. Lawrence has spent the past couple of years selling newspapers and magazines in Los Angeles and Portland and having had several years' previous experience as a farmer and dairyman, he now feels that he is equipped to take up a larger and more active line of endeavor and after the first of the year he will join his father here in the real estate and insurance business. He will chiefly take charge of the office work.

E. C. Heliker, Ione farmer, has been a busy man the past two weeks. Mr. Heliker and Ralph Marlett have been going almost day and night to feed a band of L. V. Gentry's sheep in Eight-Mile canyon this side of Olex to Ione when they were caught in the snow storm. In spite of the severe weather and deep snow, Mr. Heliker says the sheep pulled through with but comparative small loss. There still remains in the Ione country about eight inches of snow which is gradually melting into the ground. Mr. Heliker was in Heppner on Tuesday.

High Grade Dairy Stock Distributed at Stanfield

R. C. Rasmussen, manager of the creamery at Stanfield has been instrumental in importing 50 head of high grade dairy stock which has been distributed among a dozen farmers at Stanfield. Fifteen registered cows and two registered bulls were bought from J. C. Brown of Shedd, Ore., and 11 registered cows and 27 graded cows were purchased from J. C. McConnell. This stock is known to be some of the best in the Willamette valley and will be of inestimable benefit in building up the local herds. The cost of the stock was \$10,000.

LENA CATTLEMAN RECOVERING

John Brosnan, a cattle raiser from Lena, Morrow County, will return to his home tomorrow after having recovered from a recent illness in the hospital here. Mr. Brosnan recovered by telephone today that all the snow around Lena has melted and disappeared except in the drifts. He has been here the last month.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

O. A. C. EXPERIENCES REMARKABLE GROWTH

While war conditions brought about an increased interest in agriculture and caused an unprecedented influx of students in the school of agriculture—total registration 725—engineering in its various branches leads in popularity at the college. Students studying civil, electrical, mechanical, mining, and highway engineering number 810. Forestry and logging engineering are represented by 77 and industrial arts by 25 students. Farm mechanics in the school of agriculture which has had an abnormal growth, owes its present popularity to heavy purchases of tractors and other power machinery in the last two years by farmers of the northwest.

An increase of approximately 160 per cent in engineering enrollment over registration in the fall of 1918 is largely attributable to the fact that the importance of engineering in winning the world war is fully realized, points out Dean G. A. Covell of the school of engineering. The greatest need in Oregon for high-way engineers. Because of the elaborate road building program the demand is not supplied. Graduates in other fields of engineering also have no difficulty in obtaining responsible positions.

Gain in number of students is shown in practically every division and department. The school of commerce has 543, home economics 497, pharmacy 154, school of mines 83. In the school of music 35 are registered in the full four year course, while 160, who are majoring in other branches, take incidental instruction in music.

The high quality of work being done this year is noticeable. Most of the 2906 students are high school graduates or have been transferred from other colleges or universities. Increase in faculty has been necessitated by heavy enrollment in some departments, and no pains have been spared in obtaining the best talent available. Men lead women 2070 to 826. The freshman class numbers 1081.

The number of applications for state aid for ex-service men sent to Salem for approval is 906. The federal board for vocational education has sent 122 rehabilitation men to O. A. C., which is reported to be the largest number assigned to any institution west of the Rocky mountains. A number of ex-service men here have received scholarships (tions among which are three whose expenses are being provided by the supreme council of Knights of Columbus.

That the college has a reputation over the country for efficiency is indicated by the fact that 129 students now in attendance were transferred from 53 institutions in 21 states and territories. The Universities of Oregon leads the list of transfers with 23. State universities all the way from the Atlantic to the Pacific are represented.

Due to lack of rooming facilities at the opening of the school year it is estimated that at least 200 persons who applied for entrance returned home or entered other institutions. The congested condition was relieved, however, soon after when the S. A. T. C. barracks were converted into a dormitory.

With accommodations for 940 additional students in this building and increased rooming facilities in Corvallis, it will be possible to care for all persons who desire to register January 5 for the work of the second term.

What is being accomplished at the college under adverse conditions is considered remarkable by persons who are familiar with the situation. More room is needed for class, laboratory and instructors work—and needed badly, it is pointed out. Seven instructors in one department have been forced through lack of office accommodations to use one room for office and conference purposes, and this is typical of the crowded condition in other departments.

NEW MARKET ROAD AND MAIL ROUTE

Farmers in Western Part of County Tire of Long Road to Market and Absence of Mail Service—Propose New Road

A new market road is being proposed by farmers residing in Gooseberry and Dry Fork Districts that will shorten the haul to market from 5 to 15 miles and will offer a better and shorter route for mail service, say those farmers of that part of the county who have given the matter much study.

The new road would follow Dry Fork Canyon to its junction with Rock creek, thence to the nearest station on the Condon branch of the O. W. R. & N. railroad. Reports from those having gone over the route claim it can easily be put on a five per cent grade.

Such a road, it is contended, would be a great loss to the commercial interests of the county, as it taps a vast area of Morrow county's best wheat land.

On the other hand, bonds have already been voted for a road leading from Ione into the Gooseberry section, and Gooseberry farmers are getting restless and want the work to start sometime in the immediate future. They have been without mail service for a number of years. Our farmers on the west are entitled to more consideration and The Gazette-Times would like to see the commercial bodies of Ione and Heppner co-operating in the matter of better roads and a mail service for the Gooseberry and Dry Fork districts.

MORE REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

E. M. Shutt reports the sale this week of the Frank O. Rasmus ranch of 320 acres, seven miles up Willow creek, to W. P. Hill, his neighbor, for \$5,000. This now gives Mr. Hill a section of good foot-hill land and he is much pleased with his acquisition.

Mr. Hill also sold his Heppner residence property. Just west of the First National Bank corner, to W. O. Bayless, for \$1700.

Frank Rasmus and his brother Orville have made arrangements to establish a cord wood plant in the mountains, consisting of a steam saw, truck and other necessary machinery to carry on an extensive business. They aim to supply Heppner with home wood next winter and to get it here in time to avoid the regular winter shortage. If they carry out their plans they will supply a long-felt want.

Poultry Information Wanted

Oregon poultry breeders will further their professional and commercial interests and promise the poultry industry by sending their names, addresses, name of breeds and number of breeders, incubator hatching eggs and chicks for sale next spring, to C. S. Brewster, poultry department O. A. C., Corvallis. They are invited to list the number of pullets, hens and cockerels they have for sale.

HEPPNER IS REPRESENTED AT STATE COLLEGE

Oregon Agriculture College, Corvallis, Dec.—Heppner is represented by five of the 2906 students now registered at the college. This is a new mark in total enrollment—an increase of 86 per cent over the figure for the corresponding period in 1918 and 1917, the last normal school year. Despite the fact that class, laboratory and office room has been at such a premium that every available space in basement and garret has been utilized, a high standard of efficiency has been maintained.

Kenneth Binn, one of Heppner's young men will enter O. A. C., at the beginning of the second term. Mr. Binn, a pressman and assistant foreman of the Gazette-Times of Corvallis, will leave his work to take up the study of industrial journalism.

Helen C. Barratt is studying home economics, James G. Barratt is a freshman in agriculture, William V. Crawford is a freshman in pharmacy, and a member of Kappa Psi. Emory Gentry is a freshman in Agriculture, and Avil L. Liewallen, a freshman in agriculture.

MADE TRIP TO MISSOURI

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Turner of Sand Hollow returned last Friday from a trip to Missouri and other middle west states. They report a most enjoyable time, the return being made over the southern route through California. They were accompanied home by Mr. Turner's little daughter Ruth, who has been living with her grandmother at Brownington, Missouri.