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## RHEA CREEK BOY IS BURNED TO DEATH

Three Year Old Son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Haverstick Consumed By Flames When Bunk House Is Destroyed by Fire.

Earl, the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Haverstick was burned to death between 3 and 4 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon at the Haverstick home on Rhea creek, about fifteen miles from Heppner.

Earl was the second of three children.

Mrs. Haverstick was attracted to the scene of the fire by the faint cries of the boy. The bunk house, which had a tent covering was engulfed in flames. She made a frantic effort to get the child and was badly burned on the hands in her attempt. Her screams brought the men hurrying from the fields and they arrived in time to prevent the fire from spreading to the house.

The floor of the bunk house had been covered by wheat headings and a mattress thrown over the top. Here the harvest men had made their beds. The night before the catastrophe, one of the men had carried some matches into the place and it is presumed that the little boy got possession of these and started a fire in the bed clothing.

The funeral will be held from the Christian church in this city Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Relatives will arrive from Bellingham, Wash., to attend the services.

## New Picture, "Let's Elope" Teaches Salutory Lessons

Salutory lessons to young brides who think themselves neglected by their hard working husbands and who engage in more or less harmless flirtations with other men, are embraced in the development of the story of "Let's Elope," the new Paramount starring vehicle of Marguerite Clark, which will be presented at the Star theater tonight. The theme is a fascinating one and its treatment by producer and star has been guided by delicacy and taste with superb effect.

The story is based upon Fred Jackson's successful play, "The Naughty Wife," which made a big hit in New York during the season of 1917-18. The adaptation was made by Katherine Reed and John S. Robertson directed. The photography is the work of Hal Young, who is generally recognized as a wizard with the lens.

The plot deals with a young wife of an author who believes herself neglected and plans to elope with a shallow-brained young man. How the husband learns of this and takes a hand in the subsequent proceedings combines to make this one of the greatest comedies in which Miss Clark has been seen in many a day. Miss Clark wears several stunning gowns in this picture, all of which will interest her women admirers.

One of the strongest companies ever assembled in support of Miss Clark appears in this picture. The cast is headed by Frank Mills who plays opposite to Miss Clark. Gaston Glass has an excellent role and others in the cast include Helen Green, Blanche Standing, George Stevens and Albert Busby.

## MANUFACTURERS AND JOBBERS WOULD BOOST PRICES ON CLOTHING

Special Assistant Attorney General Tells of Propaganda That Is Being Put Forth.

Washington—That manufacturers and jobbers are putting forth propaganda in an effort "to stamperle retailers and the public into a renewed fetid demand" for clothing and thereby force prices higher, is the statement made by Howard E. Figg, special assistant to the attorney general in the enforcement of the Lever law against profiteering.

"The department of justice," said Mr. Figg, "is fully advised of the several phases of this carefully planned campaign, and it only remains to fix the personal responsibility before applying the criminal provisions of the Lever act."

Mr. Figg said that the manufacturers and jobbers are even going to the length of "guaranteeing the retail trade against a declining market." He called attention to the instances where mills have been closed for the reason, he charged, of justifying market conditions on the plea of underproduction.

"The closing of mills is in turn being used in the price propaganda," Mr. Figg asserted. "The retailer in turn, then, being threatened with further curtailment and higher prices if he does not accept goods and order on the present market."

## Explosion Arouses Owner in Time to Save Car from Flames

A heavy explosion at the John Piper ranch recently was probably all that saved Arnold Piper's Dodge car as well as the garage and other ranch buildings from being consumed by flames. The explosion was heard by Mrs. Piper about six o'clock in the morning and other members of the family were aroused. Arnold rushed to the garage in time to find his car in flames. The fire had started from a shorted electric wire, had burned the insulation off the wires, burned up a foot board and had spread to the floor of the garage. The explosion was caused when the vacuum tank blew up. The fire spread from the tank to the floor. Mr. Piper succeeded in putting out the fire before it did serious damage.

## Ferguson's Turkey Red Is Making Yield of 30 Bushels

It has been said that this is not a Turkey Red year in Morrow county, so O. T. Ferguson, Sand Hollow farmer, thinks his wheat of that variety is making an excellent yield at 30 bushels per acre. Mr. Ferguson is harvesting his crop with a combine and the field that has been cut over resembles a field of shocked hay, as the straw piles are so large and numerous.

Mr. Ferguson brought a sample of his wheat to town yesterday and it made a test of 62, the highest test reported so far this season.

## Stephen Basey Injured By Kick From A Horse

Stephen Basey, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin E. Basey of upper Willow creek, received a deep wound in the forehead last Monday when he was kicked by a horse. The doctor found it necessary to take ten stitches to close the wound. Young Basey is reported to be improving nicely.

## Esselstyn New Tum-A-Lum Manager at Lexington Office

Clifford Esselstyn of Echo is the new manager of the Lexington yards of the Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co., succeeding D. L. Countryman, who has resigned to accept a position with a hardware firm in Nampa, Idaho. Mr. Esselstyn has had experience in the lumber business, having been connected with the Tum-A-Lum yard in Echo for a number of years.

## WM. PADBERG GETS HIGH PERCENT EFFICIENCY

Clarks Canyon Farmer Installs Bartell Automatic Feeder—Boxes Unload in Half Minute and Grain Is Through Separator in Sixty Seconds.

Wm. H. Padberg, Clarks canyon farmer, is getting about as near one hundred per cent efficiency from his threshing operations this year as is possible and its all largely because Mr. Padberg went up to Dayton, Wn. just before harvest started and bought a Bartell automatic feeder.

With the Bartell it is possible to unload a header box in half a minute and this machine was doing that very thing as regular as clock-work last Friday afternoon, when the writer made a visit out to the Padberg ranch.

When a man has got 7400 acres of grain to harvest, it behooves him to have a system with a mighty big capacity. Therefore Mr. Padberg has equipped his lay-out with a 40 inch Case separator and a Holt 75 caterpillar engine. The Bartell feeder is operated by power from the engine and is tied to the separator with a connecting rod. As the loaded box drives along side the feeder, a hook is fastened on the lower side of the box into a ring in the net on which the load rests, and a simple pull of a lever raises and rolls the entire load over into the feeder. From there the grain is automatically fed into the separator.

Mr. Padberg was operating three headers and eight boxes in the barley last week but as soon as the crew pulls onto the wheat he expects to add another header and two more boxes.

The visit to the Padberg ranch was made by the writer through the courtesy of County Agent Hunt, who took some pictures of the threshing outfit in action.

Mrs. G. T. Harrison of Froeman, Washington has been visiting for two weeks with relatives at Hardman and Heppner. While in this city she was a guest at the home of her cousin, Mrs. A. Z. Barnard. Mrs. Harrison will return home Friday. This is her first visit to her old Morrow county home in five years.

One of the nicest little homes in Heppner for sale at \$2800. Inquire Gazette-Times office.



## DO YOU 'MEMBER?

The old ball games out in the back lot? The time you used to have "choosin' up sides." Skinny Stearns and Fat always wanted to choose up and then the fun would start. Skinny would always claim that he could get those "three fingers" (he could get three fingers where Fat couldn't think of it) "Well a'right then, if you guys get yer ins we get the extra man and you can have Porge for right field."

Porge was usually dragging up in the rear carrying the bats and the much-coveted mask. Then, after about an hour's arguing over the sides, the old game would finally be on and everything going fine, and Ad Mercer would probably loom up in the background and that meant pull stakes for another field. Somehow, Ad never did like to have the fellas run through the potato field after a fly ball out there in center field. Someone would yell: "Here comes old man Mercer, we better beat it for" he gets here."—Finish ball game.

A feller isn't so awfully particular where he steps when he's after a ball and there were parts of Ad's potato crop that looked as though they wouldn't amount to very much, in fact, it didn't amount to very much. Between the corn silk pulled off the corn and the rails from the old rail fence down by the creek that the fellas used to make bridges with, Ad used to be kept pretty busy watchin' where the bunch was. It was a great life eh!—fellas.

## PUBLIC IS JOLTED BY INCREASED RAIL RATES

Railroads Meet Wage Increase of Half Billion Dollars By Increasing Passenger and Freight Rates to a Billion and a Half Dollars.

Old man public is again asked to foot the bill. But he has been doing it for so long that he is becoming "stolid and stumped, a brother to the ox" as it were, and his added burdens no longer affect his benumbed soul.

The railroad companies, in order to meet the recent wage increase of \$600,000,000 have been granted the right to increase their freight and passenger rates to the extent of \$1,500,000,000; passenger rates taking on an increase of 20 per cent and freight rates on an average of 35 per cent.

These increases will become effective within five days from filing of the new tariffs and the railroads expect to have all rates in force before the first of September.

## C. C. Patterson and Family Will Move to Portland

After making Heppner their home for twenty years, Judge C. C. Patterson and family are making preparations to move to Portland. They expect to take up their residence in the Rose City by the first of September, in order that Mary, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, may enter school on the opening date. Since retiring from the office of county judge, Mr. Patterson has been engaged in the insurance business, which he built up to fairly large proportions. He has sold his business to J. A. Waters and Gay M. Anderson.

While the Pattersons expect to remain in Portland the coming winter, they may decide to go east to Mr. Patterson's old home in Pennsylvania at a later date.

Roy E. Brown, who recently opened up a pastime at Hardman was in town Wednesday and reports business good. He also carries a line of drugs and his new place is located in the building formerly occupied by the Hardman Drug Co.

Mrs. Frankie Luper and two grandchildren, Mark and Francis King, left early this morning on a motor trip to Portland. Mrs. Luper expects to remain in the city two or three weeks.

Pictures of Huntington Beach, California were shown on the screen at the Star theater last Saturday evening. Huntington Beach has just completed a new \$100,000 pier at the water front, has many fine substantial business buildings and attractive residences and apparently has a big future. The films are sent out by the commercial club of Huntington Beach of which Chas. R. Johnson, formerly of this city and Ione, is a member.

## CONDON YOUNG MAN IS VICTIM OF DROWNING

James Dinnen, Gilliam County Sheepman and Member of Heppner Lodge of Elks Meets Death in Tragic Manner.

James Dinnen, young sheepman of Gilliam county, met death in a tragic manner last Saturday night at the James Murtha ranch on Rock creek, by accidental drowning. This was the verdict of the coroners jury.

Young Dinnen in company with Matt Creegan and Chas. Dinnen had gone for a plunge in Rock creek, the swimming pool being one that had been deepened and improved upon by the boys. Creegan and Chas. Dinnen left the hole first and upon looking back saw nothing of James. Creegan immediately made a dive, locating the body of young Dinnen but was unable to dislodge it to the surface. Whether the body was held to the bottom of the pool by suction caused by seepage or whether it became imbedded in the mud has not been determined.

The funeral was held in Condon on Tuesday morning at 10:30 from St. Catherine's church, service being conducted by the Fathers Wand of Condon and Cantwell of Heppner. Members of the Elk's lodge attended in a body, a number of Elks from Heppner being present.

Mr. Dinnen was a very popular young man. He was quite talented and a poet of ability. Many local Elks will remember the recitation of his poems at the time he was initiated into the lodge here. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Mr. Dinnen is survived by two brothers and two sisters, who live in this country, residents of Gilliam county and relatives in Ireland.

Among Heppner people who attended the funeral were J. G. Doherty, M. L. Curran, F. A. McMenamin, Pat Connell, Pete Farley, James Farley, John McIntyre, Frank Monahan, Jas. Sheridan, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kenny and James and Joe Kenny.

Misses Sigbee and Crawford Entertained on Wednesday.

Miss Elaine Sigbee and Miss Mary Crawford were hostesses on Wednesday evening at the Crawford home to nine of their young friends, Misses Margaret and Katherine West of The Dalles were the honor guests. The hours from seven thirty to nine thirty were delightfully spent in music and games. Refreshments of sherbet and wafers were served. In the guessing contest Marjorie Clark won high honors and Francis King received the consolation prize. Those present were Margaret and Katherine West, Mary Patterson, Francis King, Eleanor Cohn, Bernice Woodson, Dorothy Pattison, Lois Livingstone, Marjorie Clark, Elaine Sigbee and Mary Crawford.

FOR SALE—Several pieces of good furniture including piano and perfection oil range, almost new. M. CARVER.

## SHUTLER FLAT MAY BE INCLUDED IN PROJECT

Engineer Lewis Reports That New Survey is Obtained at 1250 Feet Elevation—Diversion Dam Site Selected at Clarno.

Shutler Flat, that level stretch of country just south of Arlington, may be included in the John Day Irrigation Project, as Engineer Lewis reports that it would be entirely feasible to include that body of land under the new high line survey which has been obtained at an elevation of 1250 feet.

However, before any action is taken in this regard, land owners residing on the east side of Willow creek under the 1250 foot level, will be interviewed as to their desire of coming into the project. The new line survey will add a strip of land from three to five miles in width, or approximately 10,000 acres to the project. Engineer Lewis reports that there is sufficient water obtainable for 300,000 acres, which just about covers the project.

At a meeting of the board of directors at the office of Secretary F. R. Brown in this city on Tuesday evening, which was attended by directors, M. D. Clark, Ed Reitzmann, and Mr. Brown and Mr. Lewis, the contracting engineer reported that Clarno had been selected as the site for the diversion dam. He estimates that it will require a dam 250 feet in height to turn the water at the elevation now deemed feasible.

In speaking of the Shutler Flat proposition, Secretary Brown pointed out that this additional land is of the best, being of heavy soil and easily developed.

The engineers have been running levels on Rock creek during the last week.

Petitions are now being prepared for circulation among land owners who may desire to bring their land within the district.

F. C. Dillard, assistant to Mr. Lewis in the field survey work was present at the meeting. He is spending a few days on lower Willow creek looking over feasible sites for supplementary storage reservoirs.

## Schlevoigt-Germinder.

John W. Schlevoigt and Stena W. Germinder were married in this city on Wednesday afternoon at the residence of Rev. W. O. Livingstone, who performed the ceremony. Both are residents of Morgan.

## Wheat Sales Reported.

Some wheat was sold during the last two or three days, the highest price paid being \$2.08, while another lot went at an even two dollars. For several days the wheat market has been on skids, due it is said to readjustments following the removal of government control. Growers are optimistic and believe that once the market becomes stabilized, the price will advance to a higher level.

## Fords Affected \$18.

The new freight rates will add an increase of \$18 to the cost of Ford cars, according to Chas. H. Latourelle, local representative for Ford sales and service. Under the interstate commerce ruling, the new freight rates took effect the first of August.

## Railroad Will Pay 6 Per Cent.

Freight traffic manager G. W. Luce notified shippers all over the Southern Pacific lines that the company would hereafter voluntarily pay 6 per cent interest on the amount of the overcollection in the cases of overcharge freight claims, on shipments made on and after March 1st, 1920. This policy will be followed whenever the interest amounts to 10 cents or more.

## Flier Locklear and Aids Crash in Performing for Movies.

Los Angeles, Aug. 2.—Lieutenant Omar Locklear, noted "stunt" aviator, and Lieutenant Milton Elliott, his aide, were killed tonight when their plane crashed from a distance of 1000 feet.

Locklear, who had gained the sobriquet "Daredevil" because of his many thrilling stunts in the air, was engaged with Lieutenant Elliott in performing a feat for a moving picture concern. The accident occurred in the midst of huge oil tanks in the La Brea oil field near here.

When 1000 feet high he was given a signal by the motion picture director and started into a nose dive. A battery of searchlights was playing on the machine and fireworks were being set off from the plane by Lieutenant Elliott. When he had dropped to within 200 feet of the earth Locklear was seen to attempt to straighten his plane out. He was too low, however, and crashed to the earth.

Locklear's greatest picture, "The Great Air Robbery," will be shown at the Star theater in this city on Saturday, September 4.

## Heppner Men Capture Two Jail Breakers Near Meacham

Two of the six escapes from the Umatilla county jail at Pendleton were captured in the Meacham-Kamela section last Saturday by two Heppner men, Barney Develin and John McCartan. The captured men are Richard Patterson and Lewis Anderson. According to reports, Anderson and Patterson were worn and haggard when they came up to the McCartan and Develin sheep camp and asked for food. They virtually gave themselves up. The men had lived for several days on nothing but green oats, which they had picked from the fields on the way from Pendleton to the mountains. McCartan and Develin, who have charge of Frank Monahan's sheep in the mountains, were unarmed when the pair walked in on them, but nevertheless they took the guns from the escaped prisoners while the latter offered no resistance. McCartan and Develin will receive \$500 each as the reward offered by Umatilla county for the capture of Anderson and Patterson. The men were first lodged in the city jail at Pendleton but later taken to the county jail for safe keeping.

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## Buster, Famous Badger, Will Have Home in Eastern Park

Buster, the famous badger, that is, famous locally, will be missed by his many Heppner friends. He left Wednesday morning for his future home at the Mayo Park in Rochester, Minnesota. Dr. A. D. McMurdo, who had given Buster a home or many weeks, shipped the badger a-la-crate and hereafter the king of diggers will be on exhibit in Rochester's most famous park. When in Rochester drop around and see Buster. He is all badger and a much beloved pet. Doc was forced to send him away after he had shown too much friendliness for the neighbors' chickens. The little animal was taken into captivity by Jack O'Neill and became easily domesticated.

## One Job Ed Didn't Do.

While we had Ed Buckman busy putting in a concrete foundation under the W. H. Cronk residence on Gale street last week, he was in reality enjoying the sights between here and Omaha. The forms for the concrete were constructed by J. H. Cox and the other work was done by Mr. Cronk and his men.

## Ship Fine Steers to Portland.

B. F. Sorenson shipped three carloads of prime beef steers to the Portland market Wednesday morning.

## FARM PRODUCTION COST FOUND TO BE HEAVY

Farm Bureau Surveys Show Leading Farmers Make only Modest Wage Labor Income.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Aug. 4.—The cost of produce is being determined by the farm bureaus of Malheur and Sherman counties.

"In solving economic problems cost of production is a fundamental item," says the Oregon Farm Bureau News. "This has been too generally overlooked in farm economics."

The cost of production survey of growing alfalfa in Malheur county showed that most of the money made by farmers there was on rising land values. It was found that after allowance was made for interest and normal depreciation of equipment and other investments, the labor incomes of more than 60 farmers were only \$1000 a year.

"Considering the size of their investments this labor should have brought the farmers managers' salaries rather than laborers' wages," said the News.

The cost of producing wheat in Sherman county was found to be about \$1.40 a bushel, ranging from \$1.11 to \$1.94. This reduces the labor income of the farmers far below what it is generally thought to be by the public.

The project of taking up cost production work where feasible is recommended to the farm bureaus by the News.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 8, 1920.

Usual services both morning and evening. Bible school, well organized, efficiently conducted, for all grades, ten o'clock. Communion and preaching service at 11 o'clock. Subject for the morning sermon will be, "The First Christian Martyr."

In the evening, Christian Endeavor service will be held at 8 o'clock, and song service and preaching at 8 o'clock. The evening theme will be, "Citizenship of the Kingdom."

The public will be cordially welcomed at all the services. W. O. LIVINGSTONE, Minister.

## HARDING AND COOLIDGE ENDORSED BY NOTSON

District Attorney, Returning From Meeting of State Central Committee at Portland Sees Success of Ticket in November Election.

"The nomination of Senator Warren G. Harding of Ohio to carry the banner of the republican party in the forthcoming elections was one that will unify the interests of the party and insure the success of the ticket," said S. E. Notson, district attorney and state central committeeman who recently returned from Portland, where he attended a meeting of the committee.

"Harding is a strong, clean, forthright American. He is American clear through. There is perhaps no man in public life today who so thoroughly typifies the spirit of true Americanism. Born of the soil, a toiler from boyhood, he knows the great mass of the people, the farmers, the toilers, as well as the big men of the country. He knows their needs and their requirements."

"At heart he is in sympathy with the masses. In all his long and useful public life he has never compromised with his duty to the people. His every vote and his every act have been for the people."

"Intensely just and fair-minded, he has weighed judiciously the rights of each and has never let prejudice influence his decisions."

"He has fought consistently for what he has believed to be the rights of the people. An analysis of his vote shows this judicial side of his nature. It shows his keen love for the people."

"When Mr. Harding is elected to the presidency, he will be everybody's president. The farmer and the laborer, the banker and the manufacturer, the clerk and the capitalist, the poor man and the rich man, all will find in Harding the champion of their just causes."

"Harding has been a consistent supporter of woman suffrage. His votes and his influence have been used alike in the cause that has become so important to our women citizens."

"Senator Harding is a practical man. He believes in the strength of organized minds and brains acting in unison. He has been a trenchant critic of autocratic government. In all his public acts he has been governed by the wisest counsel he could get. Like Lincoln, McKinley and other great Republican party chieftains, he believes in surrounding the executive with the strongest men available."

"Now that pre-convention personalities are beginning to fade, all the Republican men of influence feel that the selection of Harding was the best the party could make. All of us feel that we can go out and fight for Harding's election with a clean faith in his unalterable Americanism and his sterling honesty, his unquestioned ability and his strong party allegiance."

"Harding and Coolidge, for Home and Country, is a slogan all good Republicans can fight under with complete faith in the ultimate success of their efforts."

"No candidate has made such clear cut, pronounced stands on the great issues of this campaign. Warren G. Harding is the man that can bring order and happiness out of the chaos which the inefficiency and autocratic rule of the Democrats has thrust on the country."

## COUNTY FAIR WILL NOT BE HELD THIS YEAR

At the last regular meeting of the Morrow County Farm Bureau the matter of putting on some kind of an agricultural fair was taken up. A committee representing the Fair association met with the bureau and after due consideration it was unanimously decided that, inasmuch as the plans for an enlarged county fair had failed to materialize for this year at least, it would be a mistake at this late date to undertake to put on a purely agricultural exhibit, such as is so successfully carried on in various states of the Union. The men present all felt that as the county had planned for a real fair there should be a real fair or no fair. It was therefore decided to return the money received for stock and give up the fair for the present.

A committee was also appointed to confer with the county court with a view to providing for a fair next year when the financial clouds have somewhat disappeared. This committee met with the court at their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday and report progress. They will meet with the court at its next meeting to work out final plans.

Mrs. T. J. Humphreys and daughters Miss Letta and Evelyn Humphreys, returned Wednesday from a motor trip which took them to Portland, Hillsboro, Albany, Forest Grove and other Willamette valley points.