

**Wolf, Wolf, But It Was  
A False Alarm—No Fire**

The shepherd of old played an exceedingly good joke on the townspeople by crying "Wolf, wolf, there are wolves among my sheep." And he had the laugh on the foolish townspeople when they arrived in the pasture, clubs in hand, to find there were no wolves. However, one day the wolves came, but the people from town would be no longer fooled, and the herder was out a few perfectly good sheep.

These care-free jokesters who find delight in sounding the fire alarm whenever the fancy strikes them are enacting the old story "wolf, wolf" in a new way. But Heppner people can't afford to take any chances. Past experience has proven that. Such a misdemeanor as sounding a false alarm should be followed by the strong arm of the law with a heavy penalty and such an act as that perpetrated last Tuesday morning would not soon be repeated.

**President of Farm Bureau  
to Hot Lake for Treatment**

Oscar Keithley, eight mile farmer and president of the Morrow County Farm Bureau, left this week for Hot Lake, where he will take treatments for a few weeks. Mr. Keithley has been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism, and his condition has grown to be serious.

**NEW LODGE QUARTERS.**

E. H. Lundell is having the partitions in the second story of the Independent garage removed and the entire space remodeled and converted into a hall for lodge purposes. The main room will be 26x35 feet, with ante rooms 12x14 feet, and lavatory, toilet and kitchen will also be arranged. When completed the premises will be occupied by the Masonic and Oddfellow fraternities and their auxiliaries. The new quarters will be commodious and much more pleasant than those now occupied by the lodges.—Ione Independent.

**Rettie Buys Fine Shorthorn.**

William Rettie led as fine a Short-horn bull for his age through town going to his ranch last Wednesday as ever trod these streets, says the Fossil Journal. Mr. Rettie purchased the splendid fellow at the Portland stock show last week. The bull is registered under the name of "Britisher" and is eighteen months old. He is red with tinges of roan. The purchase price was \$1150.

Little Pearl Blackwell who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Moore hospital two weeks ago, returned to school Monday, strong and well. Owing to her mother being unable to secure a house in town, Mrs. Moore kindly volunteered to keep her, that she would lose no more schooling. Pearl is a winsome child and since her convalescence has been the pet at the hospital living cheer and sunshine to others.

**THE SLUMP.**

(Harvey's Weekly.)  
There is, we are told, a "slump" in business. Prices have fallen and are falling; the numbers of the unemployed are increasing; and there is talk in some quarters of hard times. Therefore some of our captious friends of what is presently to be the Opposition, seeking solace for their election smarts, exploit these things to the n-th degree, and demand to know if we regard them as satisfactory results of the Republican victory, and if, in case there had followed a Democratic victory, we would not have charged them to that party's account; to which we cheerfully answer, both yes and no.  
We have never been inclined to attribute, as fully as some have done, great economic changes to the partisan results of elections, unless the elections in question turned chiefly upon great economic issues. For example, if the tariff were the issue, and the result of the election meant a reversal of policy from protection to free trade or vice versa, we should expect important economic effects. But in the late campaign and election there was no such dominant economic issue, and therefore we do not consider all the changes which are now occurring or are likely to occur as due in any way to the result on November 2.  
In one respect, indeed, they may thus be attributed: namely, the fall in prices. That which is surely not to be considered an unwelcome or undesirable change, may be in a measure due to the Republican victory. That is because the coming of that party into complete control of the Government is recognized to mean a change in fiscal policy which will make an end of the processes of inflation which have unwisely prevailed under the present Administration, and which will lead directly to liquidation and to a return to normal conditions. Anticipating that, no doubt many business concerns are making haste to "get in on the ground floor" by being among the foremost to get back to rational standards. To that extent we are quite willing to regard the "slump" as a satisfactory result of the election.  
Beyond that, however, thoughtful men must realize that the present processes in business have or nothing to do with the election, but are a part of the natural and inevitable progress of events following the cataclysm of the great war. There must be a reaction from the inflation, and it is unpleasant to add, the profligacy, of war time. That reaction will doubtless be marked with a fall of prices, with lower wages and with a decreased demand for some forms of labor, and with an apparent decline of prosperity, chiefly of the profiteering type. It would have come, soon or late, just the same if the Democrats had won and if Mr. Cox had continued Mr. Wilson's policy. We have only to recall what happened at the close of the Civil War. There was great inflation, with high prices and prosperity for a few years. In 1872 Grant was re-elected and a continuation of his policy was assured. Yet there followed one of the worst financial crises and business depressions in all our history. That was not because of his re-election, but in spite of it, and because of other influences.  
So it is at the present time; though we have no idea that the "slump" is going to be anything like as serious as some are predicting. The decline is chiefly seen in quarters where inflation was most marked. Many employees are being thrown out in some quarters, but there is an ample demand for them in others. There is business depression in some cases, but on the whole there is and will continue to be prosperity, which will be all the more wholesome and substantial because we shall have got rid of the specious and spurious prosperity of wartime profiteering and inflation.

**LIVE CECIL NEWS ITEMS**

W. G. Palmateer of Windybrook was a busy man around Cecil on Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Henriksen of Rhea spent a short time in Cecil on Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie O'Neill and family of Ione honored Cecil with a visit on Sunday.

J. J. McEntire and his brother Mike of Killarney were doing business in Cecil on Monday.

Cecil was well represented on Saturday night at the literary meeting at Rhea siding school.

Mrs. Jack Hynd and sons and Misses Bristow and Shaw were calling on Mrs. Tyler of Rhea on Tuesday.

Mrs. Karl Farnsworth who has been in Portland for some time returned to her home at Rhea on Sunday.

O. E. Lindstrom and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Morgan and family of Morgan were Cecil callers during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Warfield and family from their ranch near Morgan visited in Cecil for a short time on Saturday.

Lester Goodrich of Ione made a short visit in Cecil on Monday and found "248" still in the same old spot more quiet than ever.

Dinner parties were all the rage up and down Willow creek on Thanksgiving Day. Every home entertaining their many friends.

R. E. Duncan of Busy Bee ranch (the famous Cecil apinery) passed through Cecil on Monday with a ton of honey for Ione and vicinity.

State Engineer Ballock and Surveyor Smith have been busy around Cecil with work in connection with the grading of the new road.

Joe Marcus, who has been working for Everett Logan at Fairview ranch, left on Sunday for a short visit among his friends near Blalock.

J. W. Osborn of Cecil, Clarence Winter of Shady Dell, Ralph Winter and Leon Logan of Four Mile paid Arlington a visit during the week.

Mrs. Dell Ward, who has been visiting at the home of Karl Farnsworth of Rhea for some time returned to her home at Heppner on Sunday.

Miss Zella Kelly, teacher of Cecil school left on Wednesday for her home in Hood River where she will spend Thanksgiving Day with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Krebs and Miss Georgia Summers of The Last Camp were among the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Brady at their home near Ione on Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Bristow of Heppner and Miss Louise Shaw of Butterby Flats, also Henry and John Krebs of The Last Camp took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lowe at The Highway House on Sunday.

The many friends of Oral Henriksen of Willow Creek ranch will be pleased to know that he is progressing fine after his operation in Portland hospital and expects soon to be able to return home.

Mrs. Everett Logan and children of Fairview ranch arrived from Merrill, Oregon, on Tuesday. Mrs. Logan was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Cummins and sister Miss Merle who will visit around Cecil for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Minor, accompanied by W. T. Matlock, arrived in Cecil from Portland on Friday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Krebs at The Last Camp during their short stay in Cecil and before their departure for Heppner.

Jack Hynd left on Monday for Portland, returning home Wednesday accompanied by his brother David and sister Miss Annie of Sand Hollow who have been visiting in Portland for the past few days, and also Joe Doney of Yamhill. They will all visit the beauty spots on "Cecil scenic Highway" before going to their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis of Hamilton brought their daughter Della over to Heppner last Saturday for surgical treatment. The girl was suffering from tonsillitis and her tonsils were removed in successful operation by a local doctor. Mrs. Lewis is a sister of Mrs. Thos. E. Chidsey of this city.

**Counties Exceed Quotas  
In W. C. T. U. Home Drive**

Portland, Ore., December 1.—Better progress is being made in every part of the state in the W. C. T. U. children's farm home drive for \$125,000. This is shown in reports being received at state headquarters during the past few days from county chairmen who give promise that their full quotas will soon be procured and over-subscribed.

Hood River county, with a quota of \$100, had practically obtained this sum during the opening day of the drive, and a message received here today from Leslie Butler, Hood River banker and chairman of the county drive, states that field workers have brought in a total of \$102.

With a total of \$1000, the city of Ashland bids fair to exceed this quota by the end of the week. On the opening two days, field workers obtained between \$400 and \$500, and found that people generally were in hearty sympathy with the movement to establish a farm home for dependent and orphan children.

"Although the campaign was a trifle slow in getting under way in various counties of the state, it is now gaining momentum and there is no question in my mind but that the full state quota will be obtained," was the assuring prediction of State Chairman John E. Wheeler.

With the \$125,000 fund assured, arrangements for the purchase and establishment of a farm home in Benton county will be completed, and the home will be put in readiness for the little waifs of Oregon early in the year.

**THE HIGHWAY GRADE.**

Last Monday the Independent reporter made a trip over the new highway grading from Ione to Jordan Siding in company with Engineer Vinton. The grading has been done in the best possible manner, so far as the unprofessional eye can see. The grades are nil, the drainage perfect, the roadbed substantial and above high water mark. The work reflects credit on Engineer Vinton and Superintendent of Construction Quale.

With the entire route from Heppner to the Gilliam county line surfaced it will be a pleasure to travel by automobile to Portland. While the consummation of that event may be distant judging by the progress in which the state highway commission moves, it is hoped the road will be completed within a reasonable time—before the work so far done will be worn and washed away.—Ione Independent.

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