

COMMERCIAL CLUB HAS COME TO LIFE

New Organization Begun At Elkhorn Restaurant Friday Evening.

SPRAY ROAD IS TOPIC

Van Marter Elected President and
Goodman Secretary; 54 Sign
Roll of New Body.

The Heppner Commercial club has come to life. At the banquet at the Elkhorn restaurant Friday evening 54 business men of the city gathered around the festive board, and with a responsive attitude to the matter in hand unanimously voted to resurrect the commercial club, which has been dormant for two years.

LaVerne Van Marter, due mostly to whose efforts the meeting was called, was elected president of the new organization, with Dean Goodman secretary-treasurer. Mr. Van Marter has been making a close study of the Heppner-Spray road situation, having been over the ground several times recently, and recognizing the great benefit Heppner would derive from the completion of the road. He started the ball rolling among business men to get an organization to again take up the matter, which was under consideration here two years ago but had to be given up then because other road programs were more important. The meeting Friday was to get an organization started and to discuss this road matter.

Mr. Van Marter had sketched a map of the state of Oregon showing the proposed road in connections with the main highways of the state, and in an introductory talk explained what he thought the road would do for Heppner. He pointed out that its completion would make a big shortcut between the Columbia highway to the east and the Central Oregon highway to California, thus making a great saving in distance to eastern Oregon and eastern Washington people going to California. It will not be very long, he said, before a good macadam road will be had between here and Pendleton, connecting us up with the Columbia highway at that point, and with the completion of the work now under way on the lower end of the Willow creek highway, a good macadam road will likewise be had with the Columbia highway at Arlington. Only forty miles remain to be finished between here and Spray, connecting us up with the John Day highway, and going right to the Central Oregon highway to California. "If this is done we can expect at least half of the traffic from the east en route for California," is Mr. Van Marter's opinion. He based his belief on the heavy traffic on the Columbia river highway, the shortening of the distance, the good road provided, and the scenery of the route.

George Bleakman of Hardman, who has been so closely connected with this road in his capacity as county commissioner in the county, having been county commissioner at the time the matter was under consideration by the county court two years ago, and having driven stage over this route for several years, was the first speaker called upon by Chairman Van Marter. Mr. Bleakman explained the connection he had had with the matter, and threw considerable light on what it might be possible for the Heppner men to do in the matter as well as how they should proceed.

"This road will cost the people of Morrow county \$350,000, that is without federal help," declared Mr. Bleakman. "However, as 10 miles lies within the Unaffiliated National Forest, this much is immediately open for government support, and the remainder, 14 miles between Hardman and Spray and 12 miles yet to be hard-surfaced between Heppner and Hardman, will likewise be subject to federal aid if the road can be placed on the state map as a post road, which it really is."

Mr. Bleakman said it was found a year ago, when he was over the ground in company with state highway engineers, that the entire road from Hardman to Spray could be made on a two per cent grade with the exception of a short distance which would have to be about five per cent. He said the state commission was favorably impressed with the road at that time, but was unable to do anything with it because of a shortage of funds, and pressure of more important roads.

Other speakers who gave the matter their support and added to the fund of knowledge on the road, past and present, were C. E. Woodson, Judge W. T. Campbell, S. E. Notson and H. L. Bengt. Every man present pledged his support to any program undertaken to put the road over, and 54 signed the roll of the new commercial club. Mr. Van Marter plans to appoint an executive committee of some four or five men in the near future, to take complete charge of the work.

The new organization also voted to entertain the farmers who will visit Heppner the 30th of this month on a tour of inspection of the farms of the county. R. L. Morgan, county agent, explained the purpose and scope of the tour.

TEACHERS AT SUMMER SCHOOL.

Teachers from practically every county of Oregon are planning to attend the summer sessions at O. A. G. beginning June 18. A good many college and high school students are sending in credentials to enter for special credits. A brilliant array of lecturers as well as teaching talent has been signed up for evening and day sessions. Charles Upton Clark, formerly director of the American school for classical studies in Rome, will discuss the near east and Balkans, Italy of today, and Rome of the Caesars. Courses in diet in disease, and principles of nutrition will be given by Mrs. Jessamine C. Williams, head of household science at the University of Arizona. Some 200 boys and girls club members are now at the college for special short courses.

IONE IS SHUT OUT IN SUNDAY'S GAME

A complete shut-out was Ione's portion in the ball game on their grounds last Sunday with Heppner. They had a new pitcher in the box but he was unable to keep the tatters from swatting the ball, and in the course of the game Heppner marked up four tallies, while Ione was not able to get a man across the home plate for a count.

The Ione boys have been working at a disadvantage recently, as Roche, their star pitcher for the past several seasons has developed a bad arm and has had to lay off, and a man his equal has not been found yet. In a game with Condon the previous Sunday, he was put in the box, and Condon walked all over him; in fact that game, according to the Ione Independent, was a farce, the score standing 24 to 12 in favor of Condon, which would indicate that there was not much real ball playing on the part of either team. A much better game was played at Ione last Sunday.

Heppner and Ione will play again at Ione on the 4th, as one of the features of the celebration, at which time Manager Mason expects to have his team up in winning shape. Heppner plays at Condon next Sunday.

CECIL NEWS ITEMS

"Anticipation"—"realization." The haymakers of a certain ranch, not one hundred miles from Cecil, anticipated a jolly night at the Ione show and dance on Friday. Carefully grooming themselves to perfection, they stood patiently waiting for the chauffeur to give the order "All aboard." They are all waiting yet for from some unseen cause the last thing seen of the chauffeur who was wearing a white shirt was he and his car (instead of going to Ione) speeding over the Old Emigrant trail to parts unknown, without one of his passengers. Sad to say the hay makers have feathers and tar in readiness for the missing chauffeur's return, and sadder to relate the gentler sex was represented in this "waiting at the gate" party.

"Wild" Palmater of Windybrook who was entertaining the people of Ione on Tuesday with big stories of the future of the wheat growers of Morrow county landed in Cecil store on Thursday with a proof of the valuable growing qualities of his ranch. The results can be seen, one lot of galgalis wheat grown in the canyon at Windybrook meadows, 5 ft. 2 in., and the other lot of galgalis wheat grown on the level on same land measures 2 ft. 7 in. Keep smiling.

"May making is the one thing in particular around Cecil at present. All busy amongst their alfalfa and stacking on all ranches within a matter of a day or two. Weather ideal for the hay. Heat registered 96 degrees in the shade at noon Thursday, June 7, at Cecil.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomson and family of Heppner, who were trying out the new road near Heppner Junction Sunday, made a short stay in Cecil to give Mrs. T. a chance to see all their improvements which have been made since she left Cecil a few years ago.

Don't forget the dance in Cecil hall June 16. The last of the season supper will be served in "summer" style by Mrs. T. H. Lowe. Good music. Good management. All welcome.

Master Jackie Hynd and Noel Henderson, who are together with their parents, are visiting at the home of her uncle, Leon Logan, at Four Mile, accompanied her aunt, Miss Olive Logan, to Cecil Tuesday and spent the day with their friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Tyler and family of Rhea siding spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. G. A. Miller at Higbyview.

JUNE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNTY COURT

County Court met in regular session on Wednesday, June 6, 1923, with all officers present, when were had the following proceedings:

The court authorized the Sheriff to issue to individuals requesting same certificates of delinquency on taxes delinquent since 1918.

Resignation of M. R. Morgan as district road supervisor accepted by the court.

Road petitions of T. J. Jones and J. R. Ashbaugh continued.

Court set aside \$1500 to be used in cooperation with the State Livestock Sanitary Board and Federal Biological Survey as outlined by chapter 236 of the 1923 Oregon Session Laws, thus eliminating the direct payment of bounties on predatory animals.

The road petition of O. T. Ferguson read and set with the regular viewers in viewing said proposed road.

The bond of Vivian Yocom as deputy sheriff was approved.

The following bills were approved and ordered paid:

The Jubilee Singers Coming to Chautauqua

An Organization of Seven Colored Artists to Croon the Lullabies and Sing the Songs of the Southland the Closing Day of Chautauqua.



Jubilee companies as a rule are limited in musical scope to a lively rendition of the old-fashioned melodies and songs of the Southland. The Jubilee Company and male quartet, however, is a very decided exception to this general rule. Here is a splendid organization which renders the old plantation favorites, the spirituals and the old folk songs of the South with all the exquisite beauty and expression so characteristic of the singing of their people. Then, they surprise their audiences with the most difficult of operatic selections and, with the finest numbers from the oratorio libraries and in fact with the best in classical compositions. One does not have to seek far for a reason for this very exceptional artistry. George R. Garner was organist and tenor soloist in the Chicago Olivet Baptist Church for the past five years and having access to the finest colored artists in America, he has had the opportunity of choosing a group of distinguished vocalists. The Jubilee Singers will be heard at Chautauqua on the closing day and you will get a real musical surprise when you hear them.

Mammoth Elks Parade Offers Special Features

Bands and Uniformed Men Coming; More Than 100 Indians Will Take Part

The monster parade of Elks at the state convention in The Dalles Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, June 21, 22 and 23, will be the big Saturday event. Bands will be interspersed at regular intervals and there will be special features such as the tallest and shortest man attending the convention, floats, and displays by the various organizations. It is predicted that every one of the nineteen lodges in the state of Oregon will be represented with the delegation of marchers. Portland lodge will be present with several hundred men in uniform. Minnerville is already preparing to bring a big delegation to take part in the entire meeting. Other large delegations are expected from Salem, Albany, Eugene, Astoria, Ashland, Pendleton, Baker, LaGrande, Bend and Heppner. The Dalles lodge will appear at least 300 strong, in uniforms, consisting of straw hats, or over-seas caps, white dark trousers, purple tie, can with a purple ribbon, and black or tan shoes.

The parade features of the convention will be in charge of Richard Webber, who last year demonstrated at the Legion convention that a parade could be pulled off on time and when announcement of the time is made for the Elks' parade, all visitors can be sure that there will be no extensive waits. Be on the side lines early, or if you are an Elk see that you are in your place promptly on the hour set.

One big feature of the parade will be the presence of more than 100 Indians in full regalia. These Indians come regularly to The Dalles every year to take part in the pageant and their costumes are magnificent beyond description. Many of the dresses worn by the squaws are decorated with Elks' teeth worth thousands of dollars, while the war bonnets worn by the bucks are the most magnificent to be seen anywhere in the world. This feature alone will pay for your visit to The Dalles. Get your reservations early. Come for the hand of Elksdom is extended to you.

Forest News Notes of the Gurdane District

Forest Casteel has begun work as
patrolman and has been assisting
Ranger Woods in maintaining the
telephone lines all of which are now
fully repaired. During the fire season
Mr. Casteel will be stationed at Ditch
Creek ranger station.

E. A. Culick is being employed in
clearing the roads and trails of fall-
en trees, brush and loose rocks and
making them ready for travel. Dur-
ing the fire season he will be in
charge of the lookout station on Ar-
butic mountain.

Mr. Rothrock began work as salter
on the Five Mile cattle and horse
range June 1 and was shown over the
range by Fred Casteel. Besides salt-
ing the cattle and horses, Mr. Roth-
rock has fourteen miles of drift fence
to maintain. He will make his head-
quarters at the Cow camp at Squaw
Flat.

William Troxel and wife stopped
over night at Ellis ranger station
early this week while on their way
to Bull Prairie station where Mr.
Troxel will be stationed this summer.
Mr. Yekum, Morrow county road
boss, has been clearing the Heppner-
Ritter road of logs and rocks and
making it ready for travel.

Fred Peterson, government trapper
from Elsie, was in this district re-
cently putting out a trap line. He
expects to work the territory east-
ward from the Potomac to Ukiah.

The frog orchestra at Ellis station
is in regular training but does not
appear to have all of the winter chill
out of its voices, but warm weather
and much practice will soon bring
them into tune. Ellis station pos-
sesses one of the most numerous and
most accomplished frog orchestras on
the Unaffiliated National Forest.

A small gold bracelet was picked
up on the school grounds. Owner can
get same by calling at this office.

Oregon State Bankers Propose Cooperation

Group Recommends Appointment of
Agricultural Committee to Con-
fer With State College

Recommendation that the Oregon
State Bankers' association appoint a
committee of specialists to confer
with specialists of the state college
on a program of economic production
and profitable marketing was made
by the group of bankers that met at
the college Thursday, June 7, to in-
vestigate the subject.

The conference was called by C. D.
Rorer of the United States Bank at
Eugene, who is chairman of the
agricultural commission of the Amer-
ican Bankers' association for the
northwest states in the twelfth feder-
al reserve district. The purpose as
stated by Mr. Rorer was to stimulate
the interest of the individual banker
in more profitable agriculture.

"It is not our intention to attempt
to teach farming and we hope you
will not go home and try to indict
such things on the already overbur-
dened farmer," Mr. Rorer asserted.
"We do hope from demonstrations we
see here today to point the way to
a solution of some of the problems of
agriculture and help solve its econ-
omic problems."

How Burton N. Smith, chairman of
the national commission, studied the
farmers' problems first hand and then
went to work on their solution, was
explained.

"We hope these demonstrations today
to sell you bankers the idea so you
can go into your respective com-
munities and put into actual prac-
tice some of the things Mr. Smith
has done. I do not want you to over-
look the importance of one thing I
have tried to bring out—Mr. Smith
went to the agricultural college of his
state often is my recommendation."

Safety Deposit Box Is Recovered; Bonds Gone

Something more than a year ago
the safety deposit box of R. W. Turner,
containing unregistered govern-
ment bonds to the amount of \$1300,
besides many other valuable papers,
disappeared from the First National
bank and since that time it has
been a profound mystery as to where
the box might be and how it came
to get away from the bank. The first
part of the mystery has been solved,
but the latter part still remains a
mystery that may remain unsolved to
the end of time.

While trailing sheep along the
road on Heppner Flat Sunday in the
vicinity of the Ben Buschke place,
Wm. Sprutlock picked up the box
found lying just over the fence and
near to a rock clip. He spied the box
as his horse was reaching over the
fence and breasting on the grass in-
side. He at once notified Sheriff
McDuffee, and that officer, accompa-
nyed by District Attorney Notson, went
out to see if they could discover some
clue as to how the box got there. It
would appear that the box might have
been hidden under the rock crib and
come out by being run in from the
field. Mr. Turner and his son J. O.
Turner also went out to get the
box, and on examination it was found
to contain all the papers except the
bonds, though they were in somewhat
damaged condition from exposure.

We have been informed that at
least one of the missing bonds had
been located in an eastern bank, and
it may be possible to trace the others,
but who got the box out of the bank
is the question that the officers and
Mr. Turner, as well, would like to
be able to answer.

WAS A GOOD ENTERTAINMENT.

The entertainment at the Star the-
atre on Saturday night, put on by
the California colored jubilee singers,
was good, and was greeted by a large
and appreciative audience. Their pro-
gram was varied in its nature and
numerous very high class numbers
were presented.

SLOGAN CONTEST STARTED BY CLUB

In order that a suitable slogan and
proper short description of Heppner,
its location, resources and advantages
may be set out in shape to be used
on the stationery and advertising mat-
ter of the Heppner Commercial club,
prizes are being offered in a contest
instituted this week by President Van
Marter.

For the best slogan, to be of ten
words or less, a prize of \$5.00 will be
given; for the best essay of Heppner's
location, resources and advantages
a prize of \$5.00 will be paid. The
executive committee of the com-
mercial club will pass upon the slogan
and essay and make the awards and
the competition will close
on June 30, entries to be sent to Dean
T. Goodman, secretary, at further
particulars, see Van Marter, presi-
dent of the secretary.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

C. W. McNamer and wife departed
the first of the week for points on
the Deschutes river, where they ex-
pect to do some fishing, and while
in that vicinity Mr. McNamer will
look over the cattle situation with a
view to buying up some shipments
for the Portland market.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bayless have
removed from the Gilman apartments
into the Coppenhaver residence on
Water street, and Clare Heppner and
wife have removed from the same
apartments into the residence of Mrs.
S. S. Whetstone on West Church
street.

Desiring to take in the Rose Festi-
val this week at Portland, Mr. and
Mrs. C. L. Sweek, accompanied by
his mother, Mrs. L. Sweek of Mon-
mouth, who has been a visitor here for
several days, departed on Tuesday by
auto for the Rose City.

Mrs. Leonard Bayer and daughter
Edna and Mrs. Ed Clark departed
Monday evening for Portland to take
in the festivities of the week. Mrs.
Clark expecting to go on to Forest
Grove to attend the wedding of her
father, Mr. Bretz.

R. L. Bengt and daughter, Miss
Luola left yesterday for Portland to
take in the Rose Festival. Mr. Bengt
will also attend the meeting of the
directors of the Oregon Grain Grow-
ers association which is being held at
the city.

A. H. Stamp, who has been spend-
ing a month at his Sand Hollow farm
in this county, returned yesterday
to Spray, where he has been residing
for some time at the home of his
daughter, Mrs. John Gates.

Charlie Cox and Andy Hayes arrived
home the latter part of the week
from their fishing trip to East Lake,
beyond Bend, where they enjoyed
several days of fine sport and caught
some big fish.

The marking of papers following
the June 8th grade examinations was
conducted at the court house on Mon-
day, Mrs. Lillian Turner and Mrs.
Opal E. Clark, officiating.

Miss Bertha Minert, who recently
arrived from Hamburg, Germany, will
make her home with her aunt, Mrs.
J. B. Natter and cousin Miss Katy
Minert in this city.

Mrs. Blanche Watkins and son Dale
of Irion, Arkansas, having the place
of Johnson rented, borrowed money
from the Bank of Ione, agreeing to
turn over wheat receipts as collateral,
according to testimony of plain-
tiff. To cover what was due him,
Johnson attached the wheat and sold
it. The court took the matter under
advisement and will hand down a
decision later.

Linnie Thornton vs. G. E. Thorn-
ton; decree and \$15 per month alimony.

Blanche Thorne Hummel vs. Er-
rett Hummel; decree.

Claude White vs. Cora Alice Whittey
decree.

Five applicants were examined be-
fore the court for naturalization by
E. C. Rowley, judge. They were: Cor-
nelius McLaughlin, Patrick McLaughlin,
Patrick Carrin, Edward Breslin and
Cornelius McLaughlin and Mrs. Breslin
received their final papers.

Sheep Company Asks For Return of Band

That a flock of sheep comprising
1,235 ewes and 1,175 lambs belonging
to the Sloan Sheep company were un-
lawfully seized June 7 while on the
range near Meacham by Charles
Weeks is the contention made by the
plaintiff company in a suit for dam-
ages in circuit court filed by Fee and
Fry.

The value of the band is given at
\$12,000 in the complaint. The plain-
tiff asks for the return of the sheep
and for a judgment for damages of
slightly more than \$12,000, which is
claimed to have been caused due to
the fact that the sheep were taken
off of good range and put on poor
range—East Oregonian.

FEDERATED CHURCH.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.
Sermon, 11 a. m., 7:45 p. m.
Christian Endeavor, 6:45 p. m.
Rev. Gillanders of the Congrega-
tional church of Lexington will fill
the pulpit Sunday morning.

The scholars of the daily vacation
Bible school will give a program Sun-
day evening, 7:45. A display of some
of their work during the school pe-
riod will also be on exhibition.

There have been 45 enrolled in the
vacation Bible school which closes
Friday morning. These scholars have
learned many valuable things and
have all shown splendid interest.
Next year we plan on a bigger and
better school.

NEW THRESHERS PURCHASED.

Latorail Auto company this week
disposed of a couple of Woods thresh-
ers with Fordsons for driving power;
the machines to be delivered in time
for the beginning of the wheat har-
vest. A full car load of Fordas also
arrived during the week and have
been placed in the store room at the
garage. There were eleven cars and
one tractor in the car and the most
of the machines will be delivered to
purchasers as soon as assembled.

ESTRAYED.

Iron gray mare, 3-year-old, invis-
ible brand, weight about 1100 pounds.
Left my place on Eight Mile during
March or 1st of April. Reward.
At HOWARD ANDERSON.

Butterick Patterns

with
The Deltor System

Buy them at
Minor & Co.

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