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SCHOOL OFFICERS HEAR NEW PLAN County Unit of Organization and Taxation Presented Here

BILL LITTLE KNOWN

Mr. Smith, Mrs. Shurte and Others
Talk in Favor of the Plan to
Adopt Modern Methods.

At the meeting of school officers and citizens held in the circuit court room at the court house on Friday afternoon, in response to the call issued by Superintendent Shurte, there was a representative gathering of directors, clerks and patrons from over this part of the county. A similar meeting was held at the office of Mr. Wheeler, a modern business man. Forthwith he became entangled in the private affairs of the Wheeler family, when, after being admitted to Mr. Wheeler's private office, several members of the household called on Mr. Wheeler to straighten out some domestic affairs.

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"Clarence" Makes Hit With Local Audience

High School Production at Star Theater
Cleverly Played Before
Packed House.

"Clarence," Heppner High school dramatic production, was played before a packed house at the Star theater last night, when it completely captured its audience. The play, written by Booth Tarkington, depicts the experiences of an ex-soldier in the post-war period, and is one of the cleverest comedies being played on the legitimate stage. It is divided into four acts, and each act is filled with suspense and laughter.

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YOUNG MEN HELD IN JAIL.
Tom and Richard Cawdson, aged respectively 20 and 18 years, are being held in the county jail, charged with the taking of several articles of clothing from the store of W. T. McRoberts on last Sunday. The boys had been working at the barn, and they are charged with leaving early Sunday forenoon with a sixahorse belonging to McRoberts, a saddle, the property of a customer of the barn, and a pair of chaps belonging to Jack Terry that were also left in the barn. Shortly after dinner McRoberts missed the articles and reported the loss to the sheriff, who dispatched McRoberts and Walter Mattison on their trail. They overhauled the Cawdsons three miles this side of Pilot Rock and returned them to Heppner along with the missing articles. They are now awaiting the return of District Attorney Nelson, who is in the east, when they will have preliminary hearing.

GEORGE WASHINGTON PARTY.
A George Washington Party will be given in the parlors of the Christian Church on February 22 at 7:30 p. m. There will be a program and refreshments. No admission will be charged, but a silver free-will offering will be received at the door. Come and enjoy yourself for the evening.

There will be a special communication of Heppner Lodge No. 69, on Saturday evening, February 23. Work in the M. M. degree. There will also be a special meeting on Tuesday, February 26, beginning at 3:30 in the afternoon. There will be a banquet at 6:30 in the dining room, and further work after the banquet. It is hoped that all members will be present, as it will be one of the most enjoyable occasions of the year. Visiting brothers always welcome. By order of the W. M., L. W. BRIGGS, Secretary.

STILL GOING STRONG-- THE GREAT HAT TRICK



Positions Are Asked For Disabled Vets

Rehabilitation Men of Northwest
Receive Through Training, Making
Them Good Workers.

With 592 World War veterans of this district completing vocational training during the first six months of this year, L. C. Jessup, Pacific Northwest manager of the United States Veterans' Bureau, earnestly requests active cooperation of local employers in the matter of furnishing employment opportunities for these men who have successfully overcome vocational handicaps due to war injuries.

Of the total number of training completions, 237 are being rehabilitated in trades and industries, 96 along commercial lines, 98 in professions and 151 in agriculture, according to Mr. Jessup. Special appeal is made to employers place bookkeepers, accountants, watch repairmen, shoemakers and auto mechanics, a large percentage of the rehabilitants being in these occupations.

"One hundred and twenty-eight ex-service men of this district will complete their training courses during the month of March," said Mr. Jessup. "It is essential that they be provided with suitable employment immediately upon their rehabilitation under the jurisdiction of the Veterans' Bureau. It should be kept in mind that the war disabilities suffered by these men do not hinder them in carrying out of their newly chosen occupations. A large percentage of these men have had training before the war. Much interest has been shown in the Bureau's rehabilitation and employment program by employers of this district in the past and further cooperation is looked for in order that the task of restoring these ex-service people to economic usefulness may be properly completed."

Mr. Jessup stated that on January 1, 1924, there were 65,000 ex-service men and women in vocational training in the United States. More than 400,000 others had completed their training courses and many of these are now earning more than they did before the war. President Coolidge, governors of a dozen states and numerous national civic organizations have called upon the citizens of this country to join actively in the solution of this employment problem.

Employers in sympathy with actual and complete rehabilitation of World War veterans should write to the district office of the Veterans' Bureau at Seattle, it was urged.

**President Will Endorse
Measure Says Thompson**
That President Coolidge may be expected to endorse the McNary-Haugen bill within a few days is the prediction made by S. R. Thompson, president of the Oregon Export Commission league, in a telegram received from him Monday morning by the Pendleton Commercial association, states the East Oregonian.

He expressed the belief that the bill will pass and designated eight states that stand behind it at present. Secretary Hoover of the department of commerce is opposed to the measure. The telegram in full is as follows:

"Looks like bill has good chance of passing. Expect president announcement in a few days. Secretary Hoover against us. The states for bill now assured are Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, South Dakota, Iowa, Illinois and Indiana. Can give you more in a few days."

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Lena-Jones Hill Gap May Be Constructed

Engineers Klein and Baldock Look
Situation Over; Mr. Klein Thinks
Work Should Be Done.

State Highway Engineer Klein, accompanied by District Engineer Baldock, was here during the week, and with Judge Campbell and Commissioner Benze went over that section of the O. W. highway between the end of the macadam on Jones Hill and Lena postoffice, a stretch of about 3.12 miles. This short piece of road is now in bad condition but has been much worse, and the engineers could readily see what the people and the public in general that have to travel over that route are up against in the winter months. It has been just next to impassable, and will never be better until put on the grade and macadamized.

In going over the route, the engineers discovered that someone who had been enroute to Heppner with a load of sheep pelts, had hit on the idea of a pelt covering. One of the worst places the road had evidently promised to swallow up truck, load and all, and to prevent this the driver had made a covering of pelts and extricated himself from the mire, leaving the pelts in the road as evidence of the season he desired to save himself.

In talking over the situation with the members of the court, Mr. Klein left the impression that something tangible might be worked out with the highway commission, and that before the year was over, the state in cooperation with the county would be able to get this piece of road graded and macadamized. Commissioner Benze informs this paper that there is much to be encouraged about Engineer Klein's views. The members of the court to be present at the March meeting of the highway commission in Portland, when it is expected that the plans would mature that will permit the work being done. The state stands ready now, we are informed, to do the grading, on the promise of the county that they will put on the crushed rock. This the county can not do at this time for lack of funds, but the way seems to be opening up.

People of Heppner and Pendleton will welcome the day when the entire gap between Jones Hill and Vinson is completed, thus closing the final link in the construction of the Oregon-Washington highway. This may come, also, within the next two years, and perhaps sooner, Commissioner Benze thinks. He has his opinion on the general program of the state highway commission, and is pledged to this policy of closing up the gaps in the main highways before other roads are placed on the map.

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ARLINGTON DEFEATS HEPPNER.
Heppner team journeyed to Arlington Saturday night where they met the Arlington team in a game of basketball. Heppner had a make-shift team, got together on the spur of the moment, but nevertheless played their opponents a close game. The final score being 16-14 in Arlington's favor. Those playing for the locals were "Spec" and Paul Aiken, "Jap" Crawford, Aiken brothers scored all the points for Heppner. A return game is being arranged to be played here, the date to be announced later.

SEED POTATOES TO BE BOUGHT.
Arrangements are being made by the county agent to bring certified Netted Gem seed potatoes into the county to be distributed to the farmers at actual cost. The seed brought in last year from Weston Mountain gave exceptionally good yields the past summer and it is planned to obtain the seed at the same place again this year. The cost will depend somewhat upon the quantity ordered, but will not exceed the price of last year, which was \$2.75 per hundred. If enough seed is ordered so that a carload can be shipped, the rate will be cheaper than it will if it has to be shipped by truck. Anyone wishing good seed potatoes should put their order in with the county agent at once.

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

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This Week

To Land of Promise.
Forcing Young Minds.
Ramsey and His Pay.
They Killed Gee Jon.
The Place for Alcohol.

Everybody on this train is going to Palm Beach, via the Seaboard Air Line. A solid row of twelve Pullman cars left New York via the Pennsylvania Sunday evening at seven-seventy, with everything full.

Back in your little room. You study the map and realize that these pilgrims of fashion all testify to unseemly wisdom. They are taking their money to be spent in developing a magnificent state. They will return to make known a marvellous climate, the wonderful land of Florida, with its sensible, industrious people, the land that in years to come will be a great garden for the nation, a marvellous playground in winter for millions of real workers, the permanent abode of contented, prosperous tens of millions.

The train travels along the edge of the Atlantic, carrying its precious freight, of which 98 per cent would be about as useful in heaven as it is on earth. Philadelphia, Washington, Richmond, day past, and Jacksonville, that one day may be greater than all of them, as the seaport of a southern empire.

A young Czechoslovakian, assisted by all the people in his town, is working at the problem of transmitting power without wires. Whoever solves that can command hundreds of millions for himself and endless billions for the world. Waterfalls could run machines hundreds of miles away, and airplanes fly with power taken through air, through ether plants.

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POLITICAL KETTLE WARMS UP SLOWLY

Only Two Men Announce
Their Candidacy For
County Offices.

MANY RUMORS OUT
Aspirants Being Groomed, Is Heard,
and Next Few Weeks May Bring
New Hats Into Ring.

Public office appears to be less attractive in Morrow county than in other years, judging from the lack of material that has so far stepped into the arena to ask favors of the electorate. It is perhaps a little early, and this may be the reason, so we in the ring within the next week or shall look for more hats to be placed two. It is understood that various and sundry persons are being groomed and our fears that enough men would not get into the game to make the race exciting may prove groundless.

Besides state, congressional and district offices, the following county offices are to be filled at the coming election: judge, sheriff, clerk, superintendent of schools and one commissioner. To date but two have ventured into the ring, Gay M. Anderson for county clerk and G. A. Bleakman for county judge, but rumors are spreading that others will announce for these two prominent places—how many, we cannot say, nor are we in any way to be surprised at it. For sheriff there is at present no avowed candidate, but we presume that Mr. McDuffee is receptive and may announce for the place and become his successor in the office, while the office of county school superintendent may be eliminated, in the event that the county unit plan is adopted; but to date we have heard of no aspirant for the place of Mrs. Shurte. The commissioner job will likely be left to fate, as it is conceded that end of the county is entitled to name a successor to Mr. Davidson, whose term expires at the end of the year. We have understood that Lou would run again, and there will doubtless be others induced to get into the race from the north end of the county.

Mr. Nelson will make the race again for district attorney and we understand that he has been groomed by the secretary of state. He is not likely to have any opposition.

Morrow county should also be interested in the legislative ticket. As we are backed on to Umattila, forming a joint district, this plan usually goes to the big county unless Morrow gets a hustle on and presents a good man for the place. Umattila had the joint representative at last election because our county failed to get behind a winning ticket. Corporal Fisher is authorized to make enlistments for practically any Camp or Station on the Atlantic or Pacific Coasts, Mexican border, Philippine Islands, Hawaii, or Panama. The Corporal is making special call this year for the 16th Infantry, which is stationed at Governor's Island, Statue of Liberty and Fort Wadsworth, all in New York Harbor. Five cents care fare from any of the stations to 42nd street and Broadway, New York City. The 16th Infantry was the first regiment of Infantry to go to France during the World War and the last to return.

Men enlisting for the 16th Infantry and other organizations on the Atlantic Coast, will be sent from San Francisco, California, by transport through the Panama Canal to New York City.

HARDMAN NEWS ITEMS.
Hardman High won their second basketball victory over Heppner High for this season, when they played on the Hardman floor last Friday night. The game was rough and one of the fastest of the season. During the first half the teams were evenly matched, with neither side having a decided lead at any time. At 9:19 in Hardman's favor. In the second half Hardman set the pace too fast for Heppner, and this, in addition to their accurate shooting, put them so far in the lead that Heppner was unable to keep up. The final score was 12-22 in Hardman's favor.

The lineup:
Heppner—13
Devine
Doherty
Bell
Lee
Moore
Hardman—22
RF—P. Bleakman
LF—C. Bleakman
C—Howell
RG—Williams
LG—Knights
Substitutions: Heppner—Cason for Bell; Heppner for Moore; Bell for Heppner.

The biology class went on a hike last Monday afternoon and collected a large number of specimens for the laboratory. The day was perfect for the trip, and the students combined business and pleasure. They report a most delightful day spent in the woods.

Elbert Gibson, a brother of Mrs. L. G. Heron, accompanied by his son, Elbert, Jr., arrived the past week from Birmingham, Alabama. He contemplates locating here and engaging with Willard Heron in the business of the Blue Mountain Fur Farm.

A Real Bargain

880 Acres, comprising 550 acres of good plow land and 330 acres of good grass land. This place is a producer with good marketing facilities.

\$11,000

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REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE
Money to Loan on First Class Securities