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UNION OIL COMPANY OPENS NEW STATION

Erection Completed and Business Will Start Tomorrow.

PLANT ATTRACTIVE

Three Buildings, Four Large Storage
Tanks and Two Delivery Trucks
Will Serve the Trade.

With the completion of its new station here this week the Union Oil company of California will begin operations in this field tomorrow, August first. The plant was erected in the short time of four weeks, having been started the first of the month. Painters have not yet finished their work, but the tanks and buildings are rapidly assuming the hue of the company's colors—red, white and blue—and when the final touches have been applied the station will present an attractive appearance.

H. M. Cummings, special agent of the company for eastern Oregon and Washington, is here this week helping local agent Andrew Olson get things arranged for the opening of business tomorrow. Mr. Olson arrived Tuesday from his former home at Baker. Jared Aiken has been engaged as clerk at the new station, and Fred Butler of Pendleton will drive the company's trucks. Mr. Butler arrived in the city yesterday.

The station is favorably situated on the Willow creek highway at the north end of Gale street. It consists in all of three buildings and four large storage tanks, surrounded by a high wooden wire fence. The approach to the large gate and the runways are gravelled, and grassy plots aid in the attractiveness of the grounds.

The large, galvanized iron-covered warehouse occupies the lower end of the grounds, to which is run a spur track of the O. W. R. & N. railroad. Next to the warehouse, about in the center and in front of the main entrance is the small office building, thoroughly and modernly equipped to care for the company's business. Just back of the office is another small building containing the pumping plant for pumping the gasoline, distillate and kerosene from the tank cars to the storage tanks. The four big storage tanks are erected in a row at the upper end of the grounds, each being of 20,000-gallon capacity. Two of these will be used for gasoline, one for distillate and one for kerosene.

Two delivery trucks will be run. One large tank truck and one smaller combination tank and package truck. The company also furnishes a car for its agent. This car, a Ford coupe, was purchased this week through the local Ford agency.

CEREAL CROPS IN MORROW COUNTY

According to Oregon Experiment Station Bulletin No. 204, entitled "Spring Crops for Eastern Oregon," the average value based on pre-war prices (1906-1914) and the average acre yields of the grain crops in Morrow county for the 5-year period 1919 to 1923, inclusive, were as follows:

(Last figure, total acreage; 2nd, total production in bushels; 3rd, yield per acre in bushels; 4th, yield per acre in pounds; 5th, value per acre.)

Wheat: 1,085,542; 1,641,560; 15.2; \$72; \$12.96.

Spring wheat: 17,149; 180,862; 11.2; 672; \$8.96.

Oats: 235; 5,192; 18.2; 582; \$8.01.

Barley: 5,044; 97,722; 19.6; 941; \$11.37.

The average 5-year production of wheat in Morrow county was 1,822,422 bushels. Two other eastern Oregon counties, Umatilla and Sherman, exceeded Morrow in total wheat production. By far the largest proportion of the acreage in Morrow county is sown to winter wheat.

Morrow county ranked third in winter wheat production for the state and ninth in spring wheat production. The average 5-year yield for all wheat was 15.8 bushels. Morrow ranked thirty-fourth for all counties of the state in acre yield of wheat, only one county, Jefferson, being lower.

Based on average pre-war prices the average value of an acre of winter wheat in Morrow county was \$12.96. Barley ranked second in acre value, \$11.37. The average 5-year production of barley in Morrow county was 97,722 bushels. In barley production Morrow ranked eighth for all counties of the state. In average acre yield of barley Morrow county ranked thirty-fourth.

Like most eastern Oregon counties Morrow raises very little oats, the total average production for the past five years being only 5,192 bushels. The figures in Bulletin 204 show that winter wheat is the most valuable of the grain crops to grow in Morrow county, barley being second, spring wheat third and oats last.

Information about varieties of spring crops including wheat, barley, oats, corn, potatoes and flax and cultural methods for eastern Oregon conditions, is given in Station Bulletin No. 204, copies of which can be obtained free by writing to either of the Branch Experiment Stations at Moro, Union, or Burns, or to the main Station at Corvallis.

MASSONS ATTENTION.
Regular communication of Heppner Lodge No. 69, A. F. & A. M., Saturday evening, August 2. Work in M. M. degree. Visiting brethren welcomed. By order of W. M.

L. W. BRIGGS, Secretary

Furnished House For Rent at Lexington. W. P. McMillan residence, 8 rooms, all modern conveniences. Preferably to family wishing to keep boarders, for at least 10 months. Must rent by Sept. 1.

W. E. Bell Purchases the Heppner Hotel Company

W. E. Bell, proprietor of Hotel Heppner, has purchased the entire holdings of the Heppner Hotel Company. The deal amounted to around \$40,000 and was consummated yesterday at a meeting of the directors of the company. The amount paid by Mr. Bell includes only the mortgaged indebtedness against the holdings, and does not include the initial investment made by Heppner citizens to procure a first class hotel building for the city. Mr. Bell contemplates no changes in the present business policies of Hotel Heppner.

UKIAH CHAMP TO SEEK LAURELS AT LOCAL SHOW

Big Array of Buckers, Buckaroos, and Relay Racers Coming to Heppner Rodeo.

Kenneth DePew, winner of the bucking contest at Ukiah on the 4th of July, is coming to the Heppner Rodeo, September 25, 26, 27. DePew is a veteran rider capable of sticking to the toughest ones and will offer formidable competition for local buckaroos, said C. W. McNameer who returned from Ukiah the first of the week. Other Ukiah riders who will contest for the Rodeo championship are Kender, Wilson, brothers, Lorenz, Gerking and Forth.

Coming along with the riders are 12 of Ukiah's worst outlaws, which combined with the present local string will total 25 of the worst buckers obtainable to take on the broncho-busters as fast as they come. McNameer, in charge of obtaining the stock, declared there is absolutely no doubt that the best bucking exhibitions ever put on at the Rodeo will feature this year's show.

Ukiah, not being satisfied with sending this array of talent, also furnishes the Gilliland relay string which will arrive in time to compete in the races. This is a fast string and with a good rider will make the others step to keep up, "Mac" asserted. Another fast relay string which is promised to be on hand is the Claude Brown string from Yakima. These, together with local strings that may be entered will make this part of the program in the big arena bigger and better than ever before.

"In fact, the whole show promises to far outclass previous performances at the Rodeo," McNameer predicts, and the experience gained in handling events in years past, it is going to be put on with a snap and ginger that will keep the crowd on benches from start to finish. You needn't ask me going to be a hummer."

Activity in Wool Market.

Several wool sales were reported here the first of the week. J. B. Starnfield of Pendleton, wool buyer for E. J. Burke Wool company of Boston, was the principal buyer. All sales were for 28c excepting that of the clip of Hyde Bros, which brought 28.5c. Those selling for 28c were Krebs Bros, Dan C. Doherty, John Kelly and Jas. Carthy. Only two holders of this year's clips have not yet sold. They are Mike Kenny and Ralph Thompson. We were unable to learn the exact amount of wool disposed of this week, but it ran well into the thousands of pounds.

Bank Cashier Resigns.

J. E. Higley, cashier of the Farmers & Stockgrowers National bank for the past year, this week resigned the position. He will leave tomorrow morning for Portland, not making known his intended location. Earl Hallock, assistant cashier for the last several months has been promoted to the position of cashier, and Miss Lillian Allinger of Ione has been placed as his assistant.

\$250.00 REWARD.

Stolen from my ranch near Ritter in the early spring, one bay mare, weight about 1100 lbs., white spot in forehead, branded "A" on left side; one bald-faced sorrel horse, weight about 1150, white spots around eyes, branded "LR" connected on left shoulder. I will pay \$100.00 reward for the recovery of each of these animals and \$250.00 for evidence leading to the conviction of the culprits taking them. L. F. RESING, Ritter, Ore.

Mrs. W. P. McMillan of Lexington was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

LOST—Near Parkers Mill, July 4,

black and white spotted bird dog, license number 777. Suitable reward. Notify Bert Bleakman, Hardman.

WHY SENATE MAY CHOOSE PRESIDENT

Maybe Neither Coolidge, Davis Nor LaFollette Will Be Picked.

RACE WILL BE CLOSE

Unusual Political Situation Makes Possible Final Presidential Choice of Either Bryan or Dawes.

Written for The Gazette-Times
By EDWARD PERCY HOWARD

Fancy a conservative newspaper publishing on its first page a story to the effect that neither Coolidge nor Davis nor LaFollette will be elected President of the United States in November. At first glance such a statement might seem outside the realm of possibility, but the political situation is complex and the election machinery such that it does not require much imagination to foresee the possibility, if not the probability, of such a situation. Almost anything may happen in November.

There are 531 votes in the Electoral College, the electoral college is composed of electors from each state, equal in number to the number of Senators and Representatives to which the state is entitled. For example, New York state has two Senators and 43 Representatives. Therefore, New York has forty-five votes in the electoral college. The total membership of the electoral college equals the total membership of the Senate and House—531. In voting it will be remembered that the people vote for the electors of their states, these names appearing on the ballot, and not those of Coolidge or Davis or LaFollette.

The Constitution provides that a majority of these 531 electoral votes, or 266, is necessary to the choice of a president. The person having the greatest number of votes, of course, wins when there are only two candidates in the field, but with three the complexities begin.

Here is the constitutional clause: "The person having the greatest number of votes (in the Electoral College) for President shall be the President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of electors appointed; and if no person having such majority, then from the persons having the highest numbers, not exceeding three, on the list of those voted for as President, the House of Representatives shall choose immediately by ballot, the President."

Electing a President.

Now let us turn to the situation. If the candidate receiving merely the largest number of electoral votes could be chosen, then the entry of LaFollette into the field would be unimportant, according to unbiased and astute political judges. But this is not the case, and there are many political observers who regard it as highly unlikely that a majority of the electoral vote will be won by any of the candidates.

The second Monday of the following January the electors in each state chosen at the November election meet in their respective state capitols and declare for their candidates. The votes will then be sent by messenger to the president of the Senate in Washington. They will be counted on the second Wednesday in February before the joint session of the House and Senate.

Then the result will be announced. If no candidate has a majority—two hundred and sixty-six votes—then the House of Representatives must immediately convene for the purpose of electing a President. The choice being limited to the three highest candidates, would mean that the House would have only the option of choosing one, either Davis, Coolidge or LaFollette.

How House Votes.

Here is where the election machinery takes on a different color. There is no voting by individuals in the House. Moreover, each state has only one vote. Rhode Island's vote equals that of New York. The vote of each state is determined by a majority of the Congressional Representatives.

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"AND THEY ARE NOT IRON CROSSES EITHER"



LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Dr. A. D. McMurdo attended the Eastern Oregon medical convention at Bingham Springs the first of the week. Bingham Springs is a mountain resort 30 miles from Pendleton, and Dr. McMurdo reports a good attendance and an enjoyable time there. Some very profitable discussions were had at the business sessions, also, several prominent Portland doctors taking part. He drove over Sunday evening and returned home Tuesday.

A. D. Leedy and G. E. Hamaker, law partners of Portland were in Heppner yesterday evening on business. They were accompanied by J. S. Beckwith, court reporter of Pendleton. The three gentlemen returned to Portland this morning. Mr. Beckwith will join his family who are spending their vacation at Seaside.

Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford and Arthur R. Crawford and family are expected to arrive in Heppner today by car. Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford have been visiting at the home of their son in Berkeley, Cal., for some time, and the party left the California city last Saturday afternoon on their northward journey.

Ray Young had the misfortune of cutting a leader in his right thumb while extracting a cyst from his combine Wednesday morning. He came to town and had Dr. McMurdo dress the injured member. Ray says his wheat is producing 20 bushels to the acre an exceptionally good yield for this year.

Miss Lillian Allinger of Ione has taken a position with the Farmers and Stockgrowers National bank of this city. Miss Allinger was formerly bookkeeper in the Bank of Ione and was a student at Willamette university last year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Allinger of Ione.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Troedson of Morgan were visitors in the city yesterday. Mr. Troedson finished his harvest last week with an average yield of 15 bushels, which he considers a very fair yield for the adverse season.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Redding of Eight Mile were Heppner visitors on Saturday. Mr. Redding's wheat crop, which is making a good average yield, is now being brought to a Heppner warehouse.

Miss Frances Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Parker of this city, returned home Monday evening after

Seed Wheat is Certified By Specialist and Agent

During the past month E. R. Jackson of Corvallis and County Agent Morse inspected a large number of wheat fields with a view to their certification for seed wheat. The following is a report of the fields that passed the field inspection for class A wheat. There will be a few additional names made to this list as soon as threshed samples have been obtained and examined.

(Data arranged as follows: name and address, variety, acreage, purity, moisture.)

Frank Mason, Lexington: Turkey Red; 140; 9.5; B. S., H. 128, Beardless Red.

Fred Raymond, Ione; Turkey Red; 160; 9.88; H. 128, B. S.

Frank Mason, Lexington: Turkey Red; 150; 9.7; B. S., H. 128, F. F.

Ed Gillispie, Echo; Hard Federation; 80; 9.88; Barley T. R., B. S., H. 128.

Charles McElligott, Ione; Hard Federation; 300; 9.55; H. 128, T. R., B. S.

C. F. Henrich, Heppner; Hybrid Red; 60; 9.72; T. R., B. S., other hybrids.

T. O. Goodman, Eight Mile; Fortyfold; 80; 9.45; T. R., Hybrids.

H. D. Green, Eight Mile; Fortyfold; 100; 9.36; T. R., B. S., H., Beardless Red.

Oscar Keithley, Eight Mile; Fortyfold; 100; 9.97; T. R., B. S., Club.

Strayed—From my place in Eight Mile about the 8th or 10th of July, one chestnut sorrel horse, 5 years old, white feet, branded "H" on left shoulder and "heart" on left side. Guy Huston, Eight Mile.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Prophet, daughters Margaret and Shirley, and W. W. Smead returned yesterday from a week's outing at Lost Lake. They are now feasting on huckleberry pie.

H. H. Brown and H. L. Barzee, road agents for the Union Oil company, are here today to assist the local office of the company in opening for business.

Harry Welch and C. D. Kays, two Union Oil company employees brought the new trucks to be used at the local station to Heppner yesterday.

Frank Turner is hauling wheat with his big truck for R. A. Thompson and C. H. Van Schoick, from their Balm Fork fields.

CECIL NEWS ITEMS

The Mayor and his daughter, Miss Annie Hynd, are still having an enjoyable holiday in Canada. Last reports heard of Jack, he was in Prince Rupert, B. C., singing, "Here I am in Iceland, cool at ease I sit on a barrel, drinking, drinking, etc." The Mayor doesn't tell us what he is drinking. Oh, lucky Jack! how thy Oregon friends envy thee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Palmateer of Windybrook were visiting in Cecil on Sunday. "Wid" is still busy hunting for every grain of wheat on his big ranch and declares if wheat still goes up by the time he has all his wheat sacked ready for sale, he may be a millionaire by the end of the season.

Walter Pope, accompanied by Noel Streeter of Cecil, left on Friday morning for a trip into the mountains. We expect to hear all sorts of "saps" and fish stories, and stories of big game that was sighted while their guns were at home, etc., etc., when our travellers return home.

Cecil has been visited with some very warm weather during the last week. Heat registered as follows: Thursday, July 24, at noon 95 degrees in the shade; Friday, noon 100 deg. and 4 o'clock in the evening 95 deg.; Saturday noon 100 degrees in the shade.

Elmer Tyler of Rhea Siding was visiting his pal Noel Streeter at Cecil on Sunday and also to see if Cecil was still on the map after the heavy deluge of rain which fell on Saturday afternoon, July 19.

A Rhode Island Red hen belonging to Mrs. H. J. Streeter of Cecil has recently laid an egg, perfectly round, measuring 6 1/2 inches circumference, and is still producing eggs as round as ever.

W. G. Hynd of Sand Hollow spent Sunday and Monday with his sister Mrs. T. H. Lowe at Cecil. Misses A. C. and M. H. Lowe returned home with their uncle for a few days' holiday.

R. E. Duncan of Busy Bee ranch is a busy man these days amongst his bees, rabbits, ducks and chickens, while his neighbors are all busy stacking their second crop of alfalfa.

Al Henriksen and son Orval from the Moore ranch near Heppner, and also W. V. Pedro and niece Miss Josie Peave of Pendleton, were calling in Cecil on Thursday.

Geo. and Henry Krebs and Frank Connor, all of The Last Camp, left on Wednesday for the mountains, returning home Thursday well laden

NATIONAL FOREST AREAS CLOSED TO CAMPER, SMOKER

The well known Larch Mountain Trail, on the Mt. Hood National Forest, is closed to travellers, according to a statement just issued by the District Office, U. S. Forest Service, Portland. The area closed embraces nine sections of land, and takes in practically all of the mountain, and the upper portion of the trail. This action was taken by the District Office at the request of Forest Supervisor Sherrard, who stated that the strip of deadfall and broken limbs along the trail as the result of the ice storm of 1921-22, constituted a serious menace especially in conjunction with the great number of pleasure seekers who climb the mountain.

While some of these visitors are said to be careful, reports indicate that others are irresponsible, careless and thoughtless, and it is therefore necessary to keep everyone out in order to remove the fire hazard. The fact that this region is adjacent to the famous Bull Run watershed of the Mt. Hood National Forest, which furnishes the city of Portland with drinking water, makes it of utmost importance to protect the region from forest fires.

Three watersheds on the Whitman National Forest, in Eastern Oregon, have also just been closed, according to the report. These are: The Baker watershed, the Mill Creek watershed and the Black Pine watershed—an area of 17,900 acres.

In addition to these regions, the following areas have been reported closed to camping, smoking and use of matches in the National Forests of Oregon and Washington:

Mt. Baker National Forest: The portion of the Skagit River valley lying within one half mile of the city of Seattle railroad, from the point where it crosses the National Forest boundary, to the end of the railroad near George creek.

Colville National Forest: Boulder Creek, Deadman Creek, and Sherman Creek watersheds.

Chelan National Forest: All of the Forest is closed to campers except under permit, and on designated camp grounds.

Cascade National Forest: Fall Creek and Salt Creek watersheds.

The Forest Service contemplates the closing of other National Forest areas, should the high fire danger continue. In particular, certain important areas on the Wallawa National Forest will probably be closed in the near future, according to the report.

Forest officers state that they dislike very much to close these areas to the camping and travelling public during the vacation period. Many visitors are careful with their fires, but there are others who still continue to come into the forests who are either thoughtless, careless, or just don't know, it is said. It is to protect the public resources from the careless and the thoughtless that the Forest Service finds such drastic measures necessary.

Mrs. G. Leach, who has been working for Krebs Bros. for several months, left on Tuesday to spend her vacation with her friends in Montana.

Max Gorkie and brother from the Army and Navy store at Pendleton were doing a rushing business in the Cecil vicinity on Saturday.

Mrs. Jackson and family and also Mrs. Crowell and family from their ranch near Morgan were doing business in Cecil on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Shaw of Arthur, Ontario, Canada, was visiting friends in Heppner on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Logan and son Gene and Spayley Wilcox were the dinner guests of Leen Logan at Four Mile on Sunday.

Frank Montague, E. Miller and Geo. Shane, prominent citizens of Arlington, made a short call in Cecil on Wednesday.

Misses Lela and Carly Crowell from the Sullivan ranch near Morgan were calling in Cecil on Sunday.

Mrs. Weitha Combest of Fairview was visiting with Mrs. H. J. Streeter at Cecil on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krebs and sons of The Last Camp were visiting in Ione on Saturday.

This Week



Take Your Choice. Another Milestone. Merchant Farmers. Valuable Wasps.

Republicans demonstrate to you beyond the shadow of doubt that LaFollette will take his votes from Coolidge. LaFollette is a Republican, his following is chiefly among farmers of the Northwest. They are Republicans. LaFollette will carry Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, cradle Coolidge and elect Davis. That is what the Democrats say.

Democrats can prove, if you have any intelligence at all, that LaFollette's vote will be taken from Coolidge. LaFollette is a Republican, his following is chiefly among farmers of the Northwest. They are Republicans. LaFollette will carry Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, cradle Coolidge and elect Davis. That is what the Democrats say.

Civilization continues to pass important milestones. The end of slavery was one. The steam engine another, the electric dynamo another, telegraph and telephone others. The most romantic milestones is soon to be labeled "Around the World in a Flying Machine."

Twenty-five million dollars' worth of grain elevators are included in a big merger that will allow them to grow grain to control marketing. This is one of the biggest cooperative marketing enterprises ever organized. The farmers owning this concern, if they own it, and if they control its management, would have storage for 50,000,000 bushels of grain, in Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, Minneapolis, Fort Worth, Texas, etc.

Men that produce the wheat, pigs, corn, potatoes, etc., ought to have something to do with the marketing and price regulation. They haven't managed it yet, but California has proved that it can be done.

United States athletes have secured the track and field championship in the Olympic games. These are the most important events, since they indicate possession of the most intense nervous and mental concentration.

Running, jumping, etc., mean nothing now except as they indicate brain and nerve power behind the record. This mixed race of ours, which is NOT a "Nordic" race, a Latin race, a Semitic or Celtic race, is doing as mixed races have done for centuries, in Greece, Rome, France, England—losing races that have allowed the breed to stagnate.

B. G. Lamme is dead. How many of our 112,000,000 know his name? He was one of the four greatest electrical scientists in this country. Edison, Tesla and Steinmetz were the other three. Lamme and Steinmetz are gone.

A master of electrical science, Lamme was creator of 150 useful inventions, and called "the greatest mathematician."

At his work as chief engineer for the Westinghouse company, Lamme was helped by two sisters, one with a desk beside his was chief designer of direct current motors.

Those two sisters worked with their brother, as the sisters of Herschel and Renan worked with their famous brothers.

Such work is better than the fame that passes with the death notice.

Of all the news today, for permanent value nothing is more important than the importation by the state of Ohio of seven thousand wasps from France. These peculiar French wasps are brought here to fight the corn borer. They and their children's children might save the country hundreds of millions a year.

United States ceases issuing Treasury savings certificates and stamps that have paid 4 1/2 per cent. The government can borrow money from big banks and financiers at a lower rate. So why pay 4 1/2 per cent to the little people?

What about the high minded, magnificent, unselfish, patriotic desire to "cultivate thrift in the masses"? Did that die suddenly when interest rates fell? Did the Government want to help the masses, or only want the savings of the masses?

The prosperity outlook is cheerful, even for farmers, something that couldn't be said a few weeks ago.

"Ten dollar pork," which means \$10 a hundred for hogs on the hoof, is in sight. That's due to the high price of corn. Pork is corn transformed in the pig's digestive apparatus. Farmers that raise the pork also raise the corn. They'll get the money. And cattle are going up.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.
Miss Faith Burk of Portland announced her engagement to Mr. Herman Hill of Lexington, at the family home in Portland last Saturday evening. Miss Burk is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison Burk of Portland and a student at Oregon Agricultural College. Mr. Hill has a position as deputy county clerk in the Morrow county clerk's office here. The date of the wedding is withheld.

CARD OF THANKS.
To all old friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted at the funeral of our beloved husband and uncle, we wish to convey our sincere thanks and appreciation.

MRS. W. P. DUTTON.
W. H. DUTTON.

Heppner Rodeo Arena Showing Part of Large Crowd Attending the 1923 Performance

