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FARMERS OF COUNTY WILL HOLD MEETING

Farm Bureau Will Elect Officers at Odd Fellows Hall Here Saturday

MARIS ON PROGRAM

Important Matters to be Acted Upon Include Child Labor Amendment and Wild Horse Situation.

By R. W. MORSE, County Agent.

Many matters of importance to all farmers and stockmen of Morrow county will be considered at the annual meeting of the Morrow County Farm Bureau to be held at the Odd Fellows Hall at Heppner, Saturday, December 20, starting at 10:30 a. m.

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TEST FOR OIL TO BE MADE AT IONE

Ione Gas and Oil Company Preparing to Start Operations; May Cost \$150,000.

That a real test for oil will be made in Morrow county is the assurance given this paper by Sam Ganger of the Ione Hotel, who is authorized for the statement that it will not be long before actual work of drilling is begun.

Mr. Ganger bases his statement upon the information gathered the past week from members of the Ione Gas & Oil company who were in his town. Mr. and Mrs. Frank McConnell of Long Beach, Jack Teeters of Lomita, and Robert A. Gutherie, Jr., of Hermosa Beach, California, arrived in Ione Tuesday last week and departed on their return to California on Monday, spending the six days in looking over the situation.

Mr. McConnell, president of the company, says he will return with all the material necessary for setting up a complete drilling rig within 90 days, and that the cost of the rig being placed in position work of drilling will start. The test hole will be sunk to a depth of 5000 feet if necessary, states Mr. McConnell, and the estimated cost will be around \$150,000.

Jack Teeters will superintend the work and John P. Louy of Ione will be the business agent of the company, which is known as the Ione Gas & Oil company. They have under lease at the present time some 20,000 acres of land and the promise of about that much more, as well as the backing of the local Morrow county boosters when the material is on the ground. Operations will begin in the vicinity of Wells Springs, where it is informed.

LEXINGTON BRIEFS

The Lexington high school basketball team and the Pine City basketball team played their first game of this season at the Lexington gymnasium, Tuesday, Dec. 16th. The score was, Lexington 22, Pine City 8.

The Lexington high school presented the play "It Pays to Advertise" Saturday, December 13, at the high school auditorium. The cast included: LaVelle Leathers, Russell Wright, Clarence Carmichael, Lester White, Neva Shinn, Bertha Tucker, James Keller, Glenn and Harold Sherrick, Marion Palmer, Paul Nichols and Alice Palmer. The play was well presented and was enjoyed by a large audience.

Money, representative of the Harris Combined Harvester Co. of Walls, Walla, was transacting business in Lexington on Wednesday. Owen Helms, who is engaged in the sawmill business at Ostrander, Wash., is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Helms.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Piper and family who have been visiting in Salem the past month, returned home this week.

Harvey McAlister went to Pendleton Tuesday on a business trip. Attorney Woodson of Heppner was a business caller here Monday.

Methodist Community Church You will receive at your door a printed copy of the Holiday Program to be given at the Methodist Community Church. The Christmas program will be given by the Sunday School and by the church on Sunday morning next, and by the church in the evening. Special Christmas music will be given at both morning and evening services. A beautiful feature of the Sunday School service will be the presentation of the class gifts for the Near East Relief.

The New Year's program will consist of a play "Old Father Time" to be given by the two Epworth Leagues on New Year's eve. Preserve your printed program for this occasion.

FOR YOUR UNCLE SAM



Severe Cold Snap Hits This Section

Following a couple of weeks of very mild and spring-like weather and coming with a rush, this part of the country was hit by a cold snap that began at Heppner on Monday.

The sudden advent of Old Man Winter caught the most of the Heppner denizens unawares. Frozen water pipes quite generally prevailed and the plumbers have been a busy bunch.

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VOLUME OF FOREST BUSINESS LARGER

Portland, Ore., Dec. 17.—Sales of timber from the 147 National Forests during the fiscal year, reflects a steady and substantial westward movement of the lumber industry from the cut-over regions of the East.

AUTO ACCIDENT NEAR CECIL

While on his way to a ranch near Alderdale, Wash., F. A. McMenamin's car and a Ford driven by E. H. Turner collided about one mile below Cecil last Saturday night.

PIONEER VISITS MILTON

C. C. Boone, step brother of H. B. Lee is here visiting, having come from the Old Soldiers' Home at Roseburg. Mr. Boone came to this county with Mr. Lee in 1867, and settled at Milton making claim to the quarter section on which the O.W. R. & N. depot now stands.

PASTOR TO THE DALLES

Rev. E. C. Alford, pastor of the Methodist Community church, departed for The Dalles on Wednesday to spend a day in that city attending a group meeting of pastors and laymen of the Methodist church. This meeting is for the purpose of discussing ways and methods of raising a permanent fund for the support of the retired ministers of the church.

LEGION WILL PLAY SANTA TO CHILDREN

All Kiddies 12 and Under to Be Guests of Post on Christmas Eve.

As has been their custom for a couple of years past, Heppner Post No. 87, American Legion, will play Santa Claus to the kiddies of Heppner again this Christmas eve, and will have a big community tree and treat for all of the youngsters of the city and immediate surrounding territory.

The Legion's annual Christmas dance will be given at the Fair pavilion on Christmas night. Good music has been obtained and this dance will be one of the features of the holidays.

Mrs. Francis J. Gordon Passes After Long Illness

Following an illness of several months, during which time she suffered from the result of a severe stroke of paralysis, Mrs. Francis J. Gordon answered the summons of the Grim Reaper at her home in this city Saturday morning.

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at the Christian church, Pastor Trimble delivering a short but impressive address that was listened to by a large number of the friends and neighbors of the deceased. Burial was in the family plot at Masonic cemetery, where the beautiful ceremony of the Rebekahs was held at the graveside of a departed sister.

Lexington Has Six Students at O. A. C.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 17.—Lexington is registered at the college. Many of the Lexington students take part in college activities.

P. T. A. Has Profitable Meeting Last Tuesday

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher association held at the high school auditorium on Tuesday afternoon was very profitable and instructive to all those in attendance.

FARM POINTERS.

Success in controlling Oregon fruit tree pests and diseases depends upon having everything ready at the right time, counsels the state college. The spray outfit is overhauled and spray materials arranged for so they will be ready for use in the spring.

CHURCH OF CHRIST. C. F. TRIMBLE, Pastor.

Bible School at 9:45. Classes for all ages with competent teachers. The pastor urges the men to attend and help build up a big class for men.

RABBIT DRIVE AT ECHO.

Sunday, December 28, has been set for the big rabbit drive in the infested district west of Echo. Wire corals and wings are being prepared by hundreds of that community to handle what is expected to be the largest drive of its kind ever held.

NOTES FROM THE GIRL RESERVES

Wednesday, December 10, the Girl Reserves made scrap books for the poor children of different homes in Portland.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC PROGRAM FEATURE

Annual High School Program to Be Given Tuesday, Dec. 23; Public Is Invited.

The Heppner high school will give its annual Christmas program Tuesday afternoon, December 23, at 1 o'clock in the school auditorium. The Glee Clubs will sing carols, and the chorus and orchestra will provide numbers.

Standard Oil Men In Conference at Pendleton

A conference of agents of the Standard Oil company in Umatilla and Morrow counties was held at the rooms of the Pendleton Commercial association in Pendleton on Tuesday, states the East Oregonian.

The conference had to do with company business and methods and was attended by agents from Hermiston, Stanfield, Condon, Heppner, Arlington, Pendleton, Pilot Rock and Heppner. Several officials were there from the district offices in Walla Walla to participate in the conference.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

From the Pilot Rock correspondent in the East Oregonian, we have the following: Miss Margaret McDevitt, who teaches the Warner school on Butler creek, invites all persons and friends to attend the Christmas play to be given by the school next Friday, December 19.

W. A. McClintock was in the city today from his farm in the Gooseberry section. Winter has hit his farm and he has no snow to cover the sprouting grain and furnish additional moisture. Mr. McClintock states that a mask dance will be given on the evening of January 10th at the Dry Fork hall and a jolly good time is anticipated.

Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Vaughan and their niece, Miss Edna Vaughan, will leave January 19 for an extended trip. They will go directly to New Orleans, then to Florida, and from Havana, Cuba, will sail by way of the Panama Canal for New York City, stopping enroute at Bermuda. They will be away two months.—Oregonian.

John Hughes of this city is reported to be very ill at a hospital in Portland, where he recently underwent a serious operation. Members of the family have been called to Portland and there are grave doubts entertained for his recovery.

Mrs. Nellie Bissette and son, Gordon, were called to Heppner on Saturday by the death of Mrs. Bissette's mother, Mrs. Francis J. Gordon. They returned to their home at Portland on Tuesday.

State Senator elect, Robert J. Carner of Spray, was a visitor in Heppner on Tuesday, being called to the city on business matters. He was on his return home from a trip to Portland.

Elsa G. Sutton and wife of Springfield, Oregon, arrived at Heppner on Saturday to be present at the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Francis J. Gordon.

Now is the time to buy Christmas Seals and by doing so not only help tuberculosis sufferers but diminish the danger to the rest of the people.

Your purchase of Christmas Seals will be an investment in health for the State of Oregon and will hasten victory over tuberculosis.

Bishop Remington will be in Heppner on Sunday, Dec. 28th, and will conduct services at the Episcopal church at 11 a. m.

Buying Christmas Seals is the big humanitarian work that confronts Oregonians from now until Christmas.

Herman Nelson of Reed Canyon was down this way on Friday last to attend to matters of business in the city.

The Christmas packages look much more attractive when decorated with Christmas Seals.

HARDMAN NEWS ITEMS.

The play, "The Poor Married Man" was given by the high school girls last Saturday evening. It was well attended and the play was enjoyed by everyone present.

A Christmas dance will be given in the basketball hall December 24th. The Hardman people are beginning to realize Christmas is nearly here for now the ground is covered with snow and it has been several degrees below zero the last two nights.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors, the Rebekahs and the Elks, for their kind assistance and sympathy during the long illness and death of our mother, Francis J. Gordon, and for the many beautiful floral offerings.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAY DRAWS BIG CROWDS

Light Comedy Presented in Pleasing Manner by Local Talent.

"DULCY" TRIUMPHS Some New Talent Appears to Prove Their Ability Before the Footlights; First Play Successful.

The first play of the season, presented by the students of Heppner high school under the direction of Miss Annabel Denn, music instructor, and Miss Hazel Martin, teacher of domestic science and art, was greeted by good audiences at both the afternoon and evening performances on Monday and its splendid success not only deserves favorable mention on behalf of each and every performer, but is due to the young ladies who had the work in preparation and direction as well. It was doubtless no easy matter to bring out the best points of the individual performers in the manner in which it was done, and is evidence of the fact that the students gave it much hard work and followed the interpretation of the directors in a strict manner.

"Dulcy" the dumbbell, is a comedy in three acts and will cost laughs all the way through. Each part was particularly suited in the cast. The leading lady, Dulcinea, was taken by Kathleen McDaid, and she was suffered a whirlwind when it came to assisting her husband in his business transactions. Her propensity for "doing things" got both her husband and her guests into serious and amusing situations, and while she proved to be the blunderer supreme, success finally crowned her seemingly misapprehensions. Her position was just right in the character she assumed. Her husband was Austin Smith, manufacturing jeweler on the verge of bankruptcy, but on a big business deal with C. Roger Forbes, capitalist, a part well sustained by Elmer Becknum. A week-end party planned by Dulcy brought an ill-assorted group to the Smith home. Among these were William Parker, brother of Dulcy (Crocker Sprouls); Mrs. Forbes (Mary Patterson) Park; and a beautiful step-daughter, Angela Forbes (Marjorie Clark), while others of the party were Schuyler Van Dyke (Harold Becket), Tom Sterrett (Earl Merritt), Vincent Leach (Joe Devine), Blair Patterson (Walter Parker), and Henry, the butler (Merle Beckum).

Van Dyke was somewhat eccentric and wandered off into great financial deals at times, while being somewhat of an artist at the piano and thus impressing himself upon the female portion of the party. After the failure of Smith and Forbes to complete their business deal because of the mischief wrought by Dulcy, the proposition was mentioned in the presence of Van Dyke, who took to it at once and promised to finish up the deal in his heart's desire. Just about this time Patterson appears on the scene and it is made known that Van Dyke is not a capitalist—just thinks he is—and as Patterson is his guardian he is bound off to the city and the Smith financial boom fades into thin air, giving Forbes his chance to crow and retaliate for the cold-blooded turn down from Smith. The business proposition is now up in the air.

Mr. Vincent Leach is a great scenario artist and in a very dramatic manner he illustrates his ability before the party. Miss Angela Leach, though she has been the object of the affections of William Parker, here again Dulcy shows her wonderful ingenuity in managing all affairs, either of business or of the heart, and when informed that Leach and Angela desire toelope and get married, she arranges this; they are to leave in the Forbes car and William goes along to help in securing the license and to perform other menial duties. Forbes, being defeated in more ways than the entire outfit, desires to return to the city, but his daughter and his car are gone and he is compelled to make a few fits of anger and make preparations to take the train. Whereupon, Angela and William return and announce their marriage—Leach having been appropriately ditched on the way after the marriage license—and all ends well between the Smiths and Forbes, both socially and financially.

Several of the performers appeared for the first time in public, but the parts they took did not suffer because of this. Merle Beckum made a good butler and played his part well. Mary Patterson, Marjorie Clark and Cretchet Sprouls were also new on the stage, but they carried their roles in a natural way, and proved that stage acting was easy for them. We gladly testify the entire production was one of the best yet presented by the students of the high school and it well deserved the applause of the good audiences by which it was greeted.

WILL HOLD JOINT INSTALLATION.

Heppner Lodge No. 49, A. F. & A. M., and Heppner Chapter No. 26, R. A. M., will hold their installation of officers jointly on Saturday evening at Masonic hall. The Chapter holds its sessions on Wednesdays and the meeting, and the Blue Lodge will elect as well as install on Saturday evening. The attention of members of both branches of the order is particularly called to these meetings and a goodly attendance is looked for. A big claim fund will follow the installation ceremonies.

NOTICE.

The next regular meeting of the O. R. S. Social Club has been postponed until Saturday, January 24, 1925.

NELLIE G. ANDERSON, President.



Jeane and George Neely De Wolfe of Marion, Ohio, children of Mrs. Warren G. Harding's son by her first marriage, will receive the most of the \$600,000 from the late President's estate, as will by Mrs. Harding before her death last month.