FARMERS UNION HAS FORMER HEPPNER RESULTFUL MEETING

State Organization in Ses sion Three Days at The Dalles.

MEET AGAIN IN MAY

Favor Initiative Measure for New State Income Tax: Old Officers Reelected; Corvallis Chosen.

The Dalles Optimist.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Oregon State Farmers' Educa tional and Cooperative union closed

tional and Cooperative union closed in The Dalles Thursday evening after an eventful three day session.

Among the important features of the closing session was the re-election of all officers of the state union until the next session which will be held at Corvallis in May. This, of course changes the date of the annual session from December to May. Until that time Herbert Egbert of The Dalles will continue as president; W. P. Laird of Eugene, vice-president, and Mrs. B. Jones of Monmouth, secretary and treasurer.

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Members of the union almost unanimously went on record as favoring an initiative measure for a new state income tax to be placed on the ballot at the next election. Other changes recommended in the closing session yesterday were:

42 years of age, being born in 1882 in Burlington, Iowa. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cameron.

Nary-Haugen bill for farm relief.
Favored the principle of cooperating marketing.
Other legislative matters were taken up before adjournment.
Governor Walter M. Pierce was the principal speaker at a banquet given the membership by the Kiwanis club of this city Wednesday night.
Governor Pierce devoted most of his address to unequal taxation in the

on account of unequal assessments was intimated by the governor. In this connection he said that he had been reliably informed the growth of Portland in the past 11 years had been approximately 100,000 and that an immense amount of building and improvement had gone on. Yet in the face of this he stated that the assessed valuation was about \$13,000,000 less than eleven years ago.

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Due to bad weather only about 75 delegates were in attendance Tuesday.

President Herbert Egbert was the speaker of the morning session Wednesday. He talked at length as to the importance of dairying to the state and emphasized the fact that the state union had not given up the fight against oleomargarine. President Egbert read his annual report and then discussed measures of national farm relief. He went on record as lamenting the defeat of the McNary-Haugen bill and stated that he considered it one of the most vitally important measures of farm relief ever presented to congress. relief ever presented to congress. planning for the proper feeding of the said that it was the hope of all farmers that the next meeting of the state legislature would probably result in several measures being passed

aut in several measures being passed favoring the farmers.

Committee reports were heard dur-ing the morning seasion. Mrs. Ethel M. Jones, secretary and treasurer of the state union, showed in her report that the organization had a balance of \$585.17 in the treasury. Several presidents of county organizations spoke during the afternoon. The evening was more or less devoted to social

Before adjourning the union gave a unanimous vote of thanks to the Kiwanis club for the banquet and the county for the use of the circuit

Pat Ward, Sixprong, Wash. wrok; good home and salary. Address Pa tWard, Sixprong, Wash.

WOMAN PERISHES

Lives When Home at La Grande Is Destroyed.

FAULTY FLUE CAUSE OF FIRE

rapped on Sleeping Porch and Were Unable to Escape Before Being Overcome By the Flames,

In a fire that partially destroyed their home in La Grande early last Friday morning, Mr. and Mrs. Will Church, prominent residents of that city, perished. Their home was lo-cated in the western part of the city and the sause of the fire was said to

cated in the western part of the city and the cause of the fire was said to be a faulty flue.

Mr. and Mrs. Church, who were sleeping in the upper story, were evidently trapped and unable to get out or make any alarm. When found, Mr. Church was lying in a sleeping porch with one arm outstretched, as if he had opened the door from the hallway to the sleeping porch in an attempt to escape. Mrs. Church was found near her husband. The house was only partially burned. The bodies was only partially burned. The bodies were burned almost beyond recogni

changes recommended in the closing session yesterdsy were:

Lower assessed valuations of farm lands than other lands.

That the public service corporations be assessed at a fair price.

That Oregon Agricultural College cooperate in finding markets.

That county agents carry on work through farmers union locals as far as possible.

Opposed any increase in national forest graxing fee.

That all aliens committing a crime be deported.

Change in automobile license law putting automobiles on the tax list according to their value.

Change in election laws so that all initiative measures would be put on the ballot with the "yes" marking first.

Favored a ratification of the child labor law.

Opposed the repeal of the state market roads law.

Indersed the principles of the Me-Nary-Haugen bill for farm relief.

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That there is \$1,000,000 worth of privately owned timber in Wasco county sione, was another attaement made by Governor Pierce.

Frank B. Ingels of Dufur acted as toastmaster of the evening. A number of prominent local speakers responded during the banquet.

The public was invited to attend the opening day of the meeting. The remaining two days were for members of the union only. Committees were appointed Tuesday and an address given by A. R. Shumway, past president in reply to Miss Celia Gavin who gave the address of welcome in the absence of Mayor P. J. Stadelman. Mr. Shumway told of the local speakers of the county and speakers of the county are apprehensive lest the wheat may be pretty badly damaged, and much reseeding may damaged, and much research may be next the wheat may be protty badly damaged, and much research may be next the wheat may be protty badly damaged, and much research may be next the wheat may be pretty badly damaged, and much research may be next the wheat may be pretty badly damaged, and much research may be next the wheat may be pretty badly damaged, and much research may be next to strength and accumulating a competency. Some twenty was ago he retired from active work on the ranch and moved to Heppner.

The public was invited to attend the opening day of the meeting. The respected pioneer and resident of this community and departs this life leaving behind a host of friends.

Stormy, Cold Weather

Bad For Game Birds

The snow atorm and severe cold the section when a young man, following ranching and stock raising for many years and accumulating a competency. Some twenty was to extent, however, the grain may be hurt cannot be ascertained at this time, was, in most parts of the county, far enough along to save it from serious injury from the cold.

A heavy fall of anow before the cold snap set in would have proved a protection from the freezing weather and a help in storing conductive many farm. The county and there is of the county and there is of the county and there is of th

The snow atorm and severe cold

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore., Dec. 23.—Registered from Hardman this year is Adrain Bechdolt, freshman in commerce. Bechdolt is a member of the Wastina club and of the O. A. C. chamber of

ond largest school in the college. The school aims to train students in bus-iness efficiency and leadership. The course for all underclassmen is much the same but upperclassmen have their choice of majoring in general business, banking and finance, advertising and selling, secretarial training, economics and sociology, or mar-

IN FIRE ON FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Will Church Loose

In School of Commerce

rom Portland where he was called kets and marketing.

Morry

Refunding Bonds Are Sold to Portland House

Is Damaged By Cold

ture. Reports from Umatilla county state that similar conditions prevail there, and the farming community s pretty much worried over the spects as they stand at present.

HARDMAN NEWS ITEMS.

The next meeting of the literary oclety will be held next Friday, December 26th. The program for this meeting will consist of negro play, etc. This promises to be a very good ntertainment.

The Knightens were delightfully urprised Sunday evening when a number of friends dropped in to spend the evening. Everyone had a very enjoyable time. An oyster sup-per was served about midnight. Sevral sleighs went out from Hardman Everyone in Hardman is looking orward to the big Christmas dance o be given December 24.

For the past several days the therchool was dismissed for several days because it was impossible to make the school house comfortable. It was reported to be 20 below zero here at ne time.

Vacation will begin in the Hardman toward the rown.

Schools next Thursday and will last Mrs. John Wightman and daughter, until January 5th. The teachers and pupils who live out of town will go urday and will spend the Christmas holidays with Miss Ress Huddleston holidays with Miss Ress Huddleston had a making her home in that city

Pedigreed pups for sale; German olice, from prize winning stock. Ad-ress D. B. Beone, Roseburg, Oregon. W. E. Pruyn returned on Tuesday

on business the first of the week.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS Mrs. Frank Farnsworth

ents of Mr. Finch. Other teachers of assist their brother the school accompanying them were The body will probal Chas. Smith, going to Portland, Miss Heppner for burial. Elizabeth Carlton to Corvallis, Miss Josephine Kirtley to Eugene and Miss Annabel Denn to Roseburg, all to be absent from Heppner during the hol-

Ben Boone was in the city for hort time Wednesday, being on his ray to Milton to join his father, C Boone, who has been visiting there for some weeks and attending a bro-ther who is quit seriously ill. Ben was going through by car and has experionced some pretty tough weather n the trip.

Bob Wightman received some sever njuries at the farm Tuesday morn-ng. He was slopping the hogs when they made a rush at him and tripped him up. It was thought that his shoulder was dislocated by the im-pact with the frozen ground and he will be laid up for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Crawford ar rived last evening from Portland to spend Christmas with relatives here Ir. Crawford will return to the city after a day or so, but Mrs. Crawford and daughter, Miss Nan, will remain

or a more extended visit. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Darland of

ays. Garnet Barratt left yesterday torning for Portland to spend norning for Portland to spend bristmas with his parents, Mr. and frs. W. B. Barratt, Mrs. Barratt and Billy went below last week and Mr.

Anson Wright was down from his home near Hardman on Monday. There is no less winter out his way than about Heppner, and if anything the weather is somewhat colder up toward the foothills.

or the winter.
Mr. and Mrs. Will J. Hughes of Pendleton and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hughes of Portland were here over Tuesday to attend the funeral of the ate John Hughes, their father.

on business the first of the week.

Mrs. A. D. McMurdo returned on Sunday from Portland where she spent a few days the past week.

Mrs. A. D. McMurdo returned on around town yesterday from his Boardman Sunday, returning Monhome in Clarks canyon. Plenty of cold weather out in his locality.

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The junior class gave a dance last Friday evening at the home of William Bucknum. A large crowd attended and an enjoyable evening was Wheat At Pendleto

A Christmas tree and muscial program was held at the high school luesday afternoon. Immediately af-er the program candy and presents were distributed. After the program all the teachers except Mr. Hedrick ft on their vacation.

School will reopen Monday, Jan. 5.

STEREOPTICON ENTERTAINMENT. "Children of Many Lands," an en-certainment full of interest to both young and old, will be given at the Methodist Community church on Christmas night. Over sixty beautifully colored slides portraying the will be shown. The presenting of the views will be interspersed with Homestead, Oregon, are visiting with the views will be interspersed with relatives and friends in this city. Christmas music under direction of Mrs. Bessie Gibb. The entertainment lene Sprouls of Heppner. They expect to return home after the holisis cordially invited to attend.

W. J. Spillman of the United States Department of Agriculture, one of best posted men in the United States en agricultural economics, will ad-Billy went below last week and Mr. Barratt is joining them in the city. Mercury around 11 degrees and more below zero, and hanging on day after day is freezing the Columbia river at The Dalles. It is reported that the Deschuttes is also frozen price Levels of Agricultural Products," Mr. Spillman is a keen student unter Mr. Spillman is a keen student unter. ucts." Mr. Spillman is a keen student of agricultural conditions and is well informed on agriculture in the Pa-cific Northwest. In 1899, by crossing Jones Fife and Little Club he develped the hybrid wheats that are now widely grown. He was for a num ber of years on the staff of the Wash ington State college experiment sta-

> Miss Kathleen Monahan, a student this winter at Mt. Angel. Oregon, ar-rived home Saturday and is spending te Christmas vacation season with r parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mon-

FOUR HEAVY TOLLS ON GRAIN GROWER

By C. E. SPENCE, Market Agent. Inaccurate scales, bad order sacks foul dockage and smut lay heavy toll on the grain growers of Oregon and elsewhere and they are the causes of

many differences and misunderstand-ings between growers and buyers. There is absolutely no excuse for unreliable and inaccurate scales. The all scales used for weighing grain or other products that are bought and seld. There is no charge for the testing and therefore no excuse for the large variations which too often occur between the country and the terminal. terminals.

Many assume that scales are accu-rate that have not been tested or checked for months, or possibly years. against standard weights for accu-racy. In country elevators and ware-houses they should be tested and checked at least twice a year, and at preferably more often. When out B weights are accurate it is comparaweights are accurate it is comparatively easy to establish a check upon
weights received at the terminal
market, and in case of discrepancy
to afford a basis on which to file
claims for losses. Terminal scales
receive particular attention as regards accuracy, being tested several
times during the year by and aganist
standard weights, which have been
tested and certified by the U.S. Bureau of Standards. Because of the
unreliability of many country scales weights that are used with the scales. which very often results in apparent-ly correct scales giving an incorrect weight. One case showed an error of three pounds to the draft, which on not report, and these matters were pounds—the amount of grain billed out that was not put one. pounds—the amount of grain of the name of the recommended the re-election of the in many places scales have been president, vice-president and secrefound that were balanced by tying tary and moved that the executive nuts, washers and other articles on committee be selected, one member the counterpoise; thumb screws on poises lost or broken; levers broken by overloading; platform blocked; beam box locked and scales not prop-erly boxed etc.

erly boxed, etc.
It costs nothing to have accurate scales, and much trouble and misun-derstanding can be avoided in having them reliable. Every warehouse and elevator should know their scales are

If the amount of grain that is lost and wasted because of holes in the grain sacks, and leaking cars. The wagon or auto truck starts the stream officers. The installation follows:

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Wheat At Pendleton

During the past week a price of \$1.53 a bushel has been paid for western white wheat in Umatilla county, according to statement of H. W. Collins in the East Oregonian, He estimated that 200,000 bushels have been sold during that period. Most of the sales have been made on a basis of \$1.50 "as is," with some higher grading lots bringing \$1.52 and \$1.53. grading lots bringing \$1.52 and \$1.53.
Mr. Collins expresses the further opinion that the wheat is 95 per cent sold in Umatilla county, only a few scattering lots are still held by farmers. "I never saw such an early cleanup of wheat during the 30 county. leanup of wheat during the 20 years have been in this business," he

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

C. F. TRIMBLE, Minister, Phone 694
Bible School 9:45, A short program will be given by the school, the offering to be sent for benevolent

ork. Morning worship, 11 a. m. This is Membership Day, all members are invited and urged to be present, Friends of the church also invited. Basket dinner will be served at

Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. Sermon, 7:30 p. m.

Several hundred tons of hay for ale, including good block late fall, inter and spring range. Address Policy ale, including good block late fall, 183, Hermiston, Oregon.

For Sale-Bulbs, Hyacinths, Tulips, Crocus, Narcissi, Freesias, Calla Lil-lies and Chinese Lillies also take or-iers for cut flowers. Box 72, Arling-

Saturday from Eugene, where she is a student at the University. She will remain with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Clark during the heliday

shopping in the city on Monday. They report pretty severe cold weather in the country north of Lexington.

period.

ATTENDANCE AT FARM BUREAU MEETING SMALL

From County Meeting Here Last Saturday.

Cold Weather Keeps Many Away

OLD OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Reports Made by President Wilco and County Agent Morse; Paul V. Maris Principal Speaker

By R. W. MORSE, County Agent. The annual meeting of the Morrow county Farm Bureau was held in the odd Fellows Hall at Heppner, Satur-Odd Fellows Hall at Heppner, Saturday, December 20. Due to the storm the attendance was small. The morning program was postponed until after dinner, which was served by the Bethel Chapel in the LO.O.F. dining room. Immediately after dinner, a short report on the work of the Farm Retront for the very contract of the story. Bureau for the year was given by President R. B. Wilcox. County Ag-ent Morse made a short report on the

ent Morse made a snort report on the main points of the activities of his office during the year.

Paul V. Maris, Director of Exten-aion Service, Oregon Agricultural College, talked on the history of co-operation in Oregon. He reviewed cooperative activities for the past standard weights, which have been tested and certified by the U. S. Bureau of Standards. Because of the unreliability of many country scales many buyers prefer to make purchases from the terminal market scales at slightly additional cost.

Scale experts in testing and cheek-except volume in the scales at sightly additional cost. Scale experts in testing and checking at local elevators and warehouses have found those showing variations aggregating several hundred pounds to the craicad. Often scales are checked by warehousemen with the weights that are used with the craical. tom up rather than from the top down. There is much difference be-tween the romance and actuality of tom up rather than from the top States.

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isft to the executive committee to handle. The nominations committee recommended the re-election of the rom each community, by the vargave a brief report from the State Farmers' Union meeting held last week at The Dalles.

Two Masonic Bodies Hold Joint Installation

The Chapter officers were installed tion will come in men's brains, and to Frank Gilliam as follows: Theo.

that the outfit was one of the best seized in the county and that Walter nissing from the Echo country since the still was seized. One of the barreis of mash contained a dead jack-rabbit when the mash was emptied, the officer said,—East Oregonian,

This Week

Queer Dangerous Days. Above the Bandits. Cheaper Sugar, Please. Worth Ten Million.

By Arthur Brisbane

We live in queer, dangerous days, a Seattle the Government wants to dismantle an innocent looking broad-casting station. Every evening a lady, the wife of the proprietor, sent through the air a beautiful bed-time story. What could be purer, more innocent?

The Government says MANY things could be more innocent, for the bed-time story sent out contained code information for bootleggers. That's

Every week a firm on Long Island sends a \$5,000 payroll to Ney Jersey by flying machine. The idea is to keep above the bandits. In due time bandits also will get flying machines just as they got high-powered auto-machiles. mobiles.

Proxident Coolidge is considering the tariff on sugar. That tariff, so high, is a hardship on our friends in Cuba. Cuba complains that it is higher than it need be to give profit to sugar growers in the United

tilling inside of their own bodies.

The President undoubtedly will set tle the sugar question having in mind the needs of millions of American

concerning the magnificent Univer-sity of Michigan. Twenty years ago a mining property at Ligoma, On-tario, was deeded to the university. The giving of the mine was then ooked upon as a joke; it hadn't any But the Board of Regents of the

university will soon give details of the discovery that the mine is worth ten million dollars.

worthless mining stock.

Edison has his mind on flying. May it be many years before he starts his great flight. The belicopter will let men rise traight up from the earth. Eagles can't do that. We shall fly at speed undreamed

now and the flying machine will evolutionize civilization All that he says is true and much nore. But the revolution in civiliza-

machinery, although that will help. fastened wage slaves to the machines. They invented flying machines, and their first real use was dropping T. N. T. and poison gas on other white men and on savages. Science moves swiftly, the brain

toves slowly, and civilization moves Dr. D. F. Gerin, of France on his ray to America, should have as warm welcome as we usually reserve for

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SELFISHNESS

By EDGAR A. GUEST

Think of yourself from first to last: Guard yourself from the wintry blast; Feed your stomach and quench your thirst; Feather your nest and feather it first; Fly to your pleasures and dance them through-

Think of yourself-and right or wrong, Give no thought to the passing throng. What if your conduct should bring to shame Those who honor and share your name? What if they're hurt by the things you do? Why should their suffering trouble you?

There is nobody else in the world but you.

Live for yourself, but don't complain When you have come to the world's disdain. Don't return when the night comes on And wonder where all of your friends have gone. Carry no burden except your own,

But if you wish for the happy years And the love of a friend who sees your tears, And the world's respect and an honored name, And all the joys which the gentle claim, You must think of others in all you do-

You must think of them first, and last of you.

But always be ready to weep alone.