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Prominent Citizen Passes

Mr. E. L. Padberg Crosses the Silent River

A Native Son of Morrow County and Long a Resident of Ione dies at his Home After a long Illness

Edward Lee Padberg, whose death occurred Monday, January 26, 1925 was born on Willow creek, Morrow County, Oregon, September 1, 1871.

His father was one of the early settlers on Willow creek and the home stead was not only Lee Padberg's boyhood home but his farm from 1902 to 1920.

He was married, January 24, 1897, to Lana N. Wood, and to this union five children were born, Mrs. Opal Cason, now of Portland, Oregon, Arley Lee, Pearl, Hazel and Darrell.

After selling the farm he moved into Ione and engaged in the business of buying grain for Kerr Gifford and Company.

At two different periods Mr. Padberg served as mayor of the town of Ione, the last being the term from January 4, 1921 to January 2, 1923.

He served as County Commissioner for the two terms covering the years 1918 to 1921 inclusive.

For 20 years an Oddfellow, he

was distinguished for his loyalty to fraternal principles and his willingness in the service of his lodge as in the wider service of the community at large.

He is survived by his wife, and five brothers and sisters, William Padberg, John Padberg and Lewis Padberg of Morrow County and Mrs. Mary Weddle and Mrs. Lydia Heaton, both of Pendleton, Oregon.

Mr. Padberg was a stock holder and director of the Bank of Ione, and a director of the Farmers Elevator Company.

Card Of Thanks

We desire to express our thanks for the kindness shown us during the illness and death of our husband and father.

Mrs. E. L. Padberg and children.

Frank Engleman installed a radio outfit in the home of Frank Frater's last week.

The radio bug has a very virulent bite.

The printers devil of the Independent has been bitten but the application in time, of a full strength preparation of the anti-toxin of teetotal bustification has prevented the development of a case of radio itis.

Mr. W. A. Stanchfield of the Portland Roofing Co. was in Ione Wednesday, inspecting the roof of the new schoolhouse. This company applied the roofing material and contracted to keep the roof in repair for a five year period.

Senator Stanfield introduces Postal Bill

December 16th last, Senator Stanfield introduced Senate Bill, 3679 which provides that all postmasters of the first, second and third class shall be transferred to the Classified Civil Service.

Postmasters who have taken an open, competitive examination required by the executive order issued by President Harding on the 10th day of May, 1921, are to be continued indefinitely in their present positions unless removed for cause.

All candidates for appointment as postmasters shall be required to take an open, competitive examination under rules and regulations by the Postmaster General and the Civil Service Commission.

The Bill also provides the candidate receiving the highest rating shall be appointed, with preference to persons honorably discharged from military service because of wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty, if they possess the business capacity necessary and their Civil Service rating is not more than ten per cent below the highest.

Senator Stanfield, in giving his reasons for introducing this Bill, said: "No business management would think of dismissing an efficient, proven employee for a new untried and inexperienced one just because he liked him better for political, religious or social reasons."

I. L. Howard made a business trip to Hood River, Friday of last week, returning to Ione, last Tuesday.

Mr. Howard reports the fruit growers of Hood River jubilant over the 1925 crop prospect.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Last Thursday afternoon the Freshman class held a class meeting and decided to give the high school a party, Wednesday, February 4.

John Graves was absent from school two days last week, with a slight attack of tonsillitis.

Clarence Linn was absent from school one day last week.

Marvel Akers, who was absent from school five days, was quite sick with the chicken pox.

Huston Bryson was absent from school this week because of the death of his uncle, Mr. Lee Padberg.

Virgil Colvin, a former Ione High school student, has come to Ione for a short visit.

The entire school was dismissed Wednesday afternoon, in respect for the funeral of Mr. Padberg.

In a game marked by close playing, Condon defeated Ione 24 to 18 at Condon last Friday night.

It was a rough game few fouls were called, nearly all points were made from the field, Ione started strong, gaining steadily until at the end of the half the score was 14 to 10. In the second half Condon made several points from foul shots until at the end of the game the score was tied 18 to 18. An extra period of five minutes was played in which Condon completely overwhelmed the local boys, making three baskets in quick succession. J. B. Wheir of Condon, refereed the contest.

Ione's girls team added another victory to their already long string by defeating Condon 14 to 11 last Friday night.

Both teams showed excellent team work but Ione excelled their opponents in accuracy in making baskets. Altho Ione won they

were never sure of the game, the score being tied several times.

Ione plays Lexington next Friday night.

The basketball game between Lexington and Heppner high schools last Friday night at Lexington both proved to be decidedly one sided with the victory going to Lexington.

Both Heppner teams put up a good fight and were in the game from start to finish but could not come up to the standard of the Lexington aggregations.

Johannes Troedson, wife and son Carl, returned Tuesday of this week from King City, California, where they have been visiting for the past two months with Edwin Carlson and family.

Mr. Troedson reports a most enjoyable trip but says he is mighty glad to get back to little old Ione and the hills of Oregon.

While making his head quarters at King City, Mr. Troedson's party traveled over a great part of southern California by auto, visiting San Francisco, San Jose, Los Angeles and other centers.

Mr. Troedson reports a very dry season, no rain has fallen for a long period. On the return trip he stopped for a short time in Portland.

Mr. Ed Holmquist arrived in Ione last Saturday from The Dalles, where he has been spending the winter.

Mrs. E. E. Miller, who has been visiting friends and relatives, departed for Portland last Saturday morning.

Lew Davidson motored last Monday to Baker, Oregon, where he was called on business.

Estray Notice.

Strayed to my place Nov. 15, 1924, 13 miles southwest of Ione, one black yearling horse with no brands visible. Owner can have possession on payment of pasture bill and cost of this notice.

CHAS. W. CHRISTOPHERSON

Grain Men Send Out S.O.S.

Committee goes to Salem, after Coin for Seed

Will Join with Representatives from Other Counties in Asking For The Passage of a Relief Bill

Pursuant to call grain growers of Morrow County met at Ione, Monday of this week an arranged to act in concert with other counties affected, in petitioning the State Legislature for relief.

After general discussion covering all the features of the situation. A committee of five was appointed and instructed to proceed forthwith to Salem, and lay the state of affairs before the House and Senate and advise the legislature of the urgent necessity of a relief measure.

The committee consisted of the following named gentleman, namely:

George Peck, C. R. Gunzel, A. C. McIntyre, R. W. Morse and C. E. Woodson.

It was planned to meet the committees appointed from other counties, in Portland and from thence proceed to Salem, Tuesday.

The present condition is unique in the history of the State of Oregon, and the problem of relief to be presented to the State Legislature novel.

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