

Local Happenings

Earl Simonton and family, accompanied by Miss Coshow, teacher of the Hodsdon school, were visitors in the city Saturday afternoon. Mr. Simonton is getting his harvesting machinery ready and says he will be cutting the barley crop the first of June. This is a volunteer crop that gives promise of a big yield. Wheat harvest in the Alpine section will be on in full blast by the middle of June, states Mr. Simonton. His wheat is heading out now.

President W. H. Padberg, and directors Earl Warner and Harry Duval of the Lexington Farmers Warehouse were in Heppner on Saturday. The organization of the new company is now completed and they are in charge of the Burgoyne warehouse at Lexington. Clarence Hesselbine, who ran the warehouse the past season, has been employed by the new organization as manager.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Swinburne of Seattle, were visitors at Heppner for a short time on Friday last. The doctor was looking after his property interests in this city. They departed late Friday evening, expecting to go as far as Hood River on their return to Seattle and enjoy a short visit at the home of J. R. Nunemaker, former Morrow county resident.

Mrs. Lena Coleman and daughter Mary returned on Saturday from Portland where they had gone to consult a specialist concerning the daughter's eye, injured several weeks ago when struck by a piece of wire. The little girl will be obliged to remain out of school for the remainder of the year, but with care the eye will be well in time.

Norman Florence of Willow creek thinks that cows are a pretty good investment, and he is pleased to bring to Heppner each week a fine lot of cream and get the check from the creamery. He is so well pleased with the business that he has added 12 more milkers to his herd. The dairying industry continues to grow in Morrow county.

Reid Buseick drove to Portland Friday, returning Sunday accompanied by Mrs. Helen Buseick and Mrs. Melissa Mariatt. The ladies had spent some time in the city visiting at the home of their sister, Mrs. E. F. Day. Dan Stalter, who had also been in Portland on a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Van Valkenberg, returned with the party.

D. M. Ward was in the city on Saturday from his wheat farm south of Ione. Crops in that vicinity never presented a brighter outlook than they do now, and Mr. Ward is hopeful that the yield may be abundant at harvest time. The grain is quite thick and will require moisture later on for full development, and it looks like we would have it.

J. B. Huddleston, extensive wool-grower of Lone Rock, arrived in Heppner the first of the week, and has been busy shaking hands with his many friends here. He reports the lamb crop in his district to be the best ever, and is much elated by climatic conditions and prospects in general.

Johan Troedson and son were visitors in the city Saturday from their farm near Ella. Crop conditions continue fine out that way and Mr. Troedson is looking forward to a very early harvest—fully a month ahead of ordinary seasons.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frates and their two daughters were visitors in Heppner Saturday from their Eight Mile farm. Frank has no complaint to offer concerning the present crop outlook. It was never better at this season of the year.

Mrs. Frances Rood returned from Portland on Saturday. She was accompanied by Miss Bernice Sigbee, and the ladies spent the most of the past week in the metropolis, visiting with relatives and friends and shopping around.

A. M. Phelps, along with a party of seven other Odd Fellows, journeyed to Pendleton Tuesday evening taking along a candidate who was given initiatory work in the order by a Pendleton degree team.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Huston were Eight Mile people in the city Saturday, spending a few hours here doing the week-end shopping.

J. G. Clouston, forest ranger who has been located at Heppner and vicinity for the past two years, has received a transfer to the Wenaha division of the Umatilla National forest with headquarters at Pomeroy, Wash. He will leave the coming week for his new location.

The Charles Barlow family arrived in Heppner Sunday and will again take up their abode here after living for a year in Portland. Mr. Barlow has resumed his old position with Latourell Auto company, and will be found greeting the public in the front office.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hall, for many years residents of this city, are making a call on their old time friends here this week. They have been located at Kelso, Wash., and having sold their interests there, may decide to locate here again.

Miss Elaine Sigbee came up from Portland on Friday and remained over for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Sigbee until Tuesday. She is taking a special business course at Northwestern Business college.

Invitations are being sent out for the American Legion Auxiliary party to be held at their headquarters May 3. Legion members are especially invited, is the word given out by Mrs. W. E. Moore, publicity chairman.

Vawter Crawford, Gazette Times editor, accompanied his son William on the latter's trip to Bend this week to look over that part of his territory in the interests of the Remington Cash Register company.

Charlotte Gordon, Alice McDuffee and Lillian Turner were named as delegates from the local Rebekah lodge at its regular meeting Friday evening to attend the state assembly on May 25 at Salem.

A. H. Nelson, wheat farmer of the north Lexington country, was a Heppner visitor the first of the week and while here had his tonsils removed by Dr. McMurdo. He returned home Wednesday morning.

James M. Burgess, city superintendent of schools, spent the week-end in Eugene, returning Sunday. Paul M. Gemmill accompanied Mr. Burgess, acting as chauffeur of the latter's new Dodge coupe.

A. E. Switzer was brought to Heppner Tuesday, suffering an infection of the eye, and placed in the Heppner surgical hospital for treatment. He lives below Rhea Siding on Willow creek.

Dr. McMurdo's office on Willow street is receiving a thorough renovating this week, and the interior is being brightened by the application of kalsomine.

Mrs. Waldo Vincent spent Saturday afternoon in the city from her home at Lena. Butter creek is presenting a very prosperous appearance this spring.

The Frank Turner shearing crew has finished on the Mike Marshall sheep and are now at the M. S. Corrigall ranch on Butter creek.

Francis Griffin, who farms quite extensively in the Eight Mile country, was doing business in Heppner on Saturday.

The young baby of Clayton Ayers of Butter creek is reported by Dr. McMurdo to be quite ill with pneumonia.

AUTHORITY IN CHRISTIANITY.
This was the topic of the sermon preached by the pastor of the Church of Christ on Sunday evening. He said in part:

If Christianity is without authority it can have but little claim upon the world. If the authority is only human we can not expect it to have any great weight.

We do not search far in the New Testament until we find that primary authority IS WITH GOD. II. Cor. 5:18. But all things are of GOD, who reconciled us to himself through Christ. John 20:21. As the FATHER has sent me, even so send I you. John 3:16. For GOD so loved the world that he sent his only begotten son.

These and other verses show us that Christianity is not the invention of man but that it is of the authority of the creator and ruler of the universe whose we all are. For he says,

"The earth is mine and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein." Ps. 50.

But although authority is from the Father it does not end with him for he gave authority to Jesus as the scriptures show. At the transfiguration scene on the holy mount the voice from Heaven said, "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased. Hear ye him."

In Hebrew 1:1 we learn that God has at the end of these days spoken unto us through his son. In John 17:12 it is recorded that Jesus said of himself that "Thou hast given him authority over all flesh." And after his resurrection he said, "All authority has been given unto me, in Heaven and on earth."

Thus we see that Christianity has back of it the authority of God and of his son Jesus. But even this is not all, for the apostles also are to speak with authority, for Jesus said "As the Father has sent me, even so send I you." Jesus gave them his words (John 17:18) authority to bind and loose and to forgive sin. (John 20:23). He sent them the Holy Spirit to guide them into all the truth. (Jn. 16:13).

We have now the authority of the Father and of the son and of the apostles and here authority ends. There is no indication that anyone else is at any time to have authority

either to change the things they have spoken or to add anything to it. In fact it is definitely stated that no changes can be made when Paul says, (and remember that Paul speaks with authority) "But though we or an angel from Heaven should preach unto you any other gospel than that which we preached unto you yet him be anathema."

This means then that Christianity as found in the New Testament is absolutely authoritative and that Popes, Kings, Councils, yea even angels, have no right to tamper with it. It means that where the book speaks there is no room for an opinion.

This also should be said, that it is possible for the people of God to unite if all will adhere strictly to those things which are authorized and will grant liberty of opinion where the Bible does not speak.

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