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EARLY WINTER CALLS ON COUNTY

Snow and Rain Bring an Abundance of Needed Moisture.

FARMERS REJOICING

Barometer Fall Indicates More Weather in Offing; Precautions Should be Taken.

With a fall of snow that lasted all day Saturday, and furries of snow and rain since, Morrow county is getting its first touch of winter. Snow started falling Saturday morning following several days of threatening weather. An estimated fall of about three inches has been received to date, and has been general over the county. Though rain and sunshine have melted the snow to a considerable extent, freezing nights have converted the remainder into ice, and it is going off slowly. Drops in temperature have been gradual, and although thermometers have dropped below the freezing point, no zero weather has yet been experienced.

The greatest barometer drop was recorded Tuesday evening, indicating a change in the weather. Yesterday was foggy with a cold rain descending, but weather men predict a cold snap in the offing. For this reason it is believed cold weather precautions should be taken immediately. It would be well for automobile owners to protect radiators at all times, it is believed, while house-holders would be wise in draining water pipes at night. No alarm is present over the fuel situation as fuel dealers are well supplied at present, and a great number of people have already provided for winter needs.

As far as the farming industry is concerned, it is only too well pleased, says Roger Morse, county agent. Crops are in and up just enough to welcome a heavy blanket of snow, should it come, while moisture in any form is most acceptable as the ground is in excellent condition to receive it. A heavy snow fall now would insure plenty of moisture for proper growth while it would protect the crops from extreme weather. However, no fear need be felt for a big freeze now, Mr. Morse believes, as the moisture already received is itself sufficient protection, and at worst only the least hardy crops would be damaged should such a freeze come.

The thing that hurt in the big freeze two years ago, Mr. Morse said, was that the ground was dry at the time it struck, previous winds taking what little moisture there was from the ground, and the grain which had grown rank for a time was in just the right condition to suffer. No repetition of this kind of disaster is at all probable this season, Mr. Morse declared.

The snow brought gladness to the hearts of kiddies while it lasted, as evidenced by the number of sleighs brought from the sheds. And all Morrow county is now hopeful for a white Christmas, believing it to be the best thing possible for our economic prosperity and individual happiness.

DEVIN-CLAUSTON.

On November 21, at a beautiful home wedding, Alma D. Devin became the bride of John G. Clauston of Pomeroy, Wash., in the presence of the immediate families of the bride and bridegroom. Rev. M. W. Bower officiated, the ring ceremony being used.

The bride was attractively gowned in a dress of white satin and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Etta Devin, who wore a dress of powder blue satin and carried an arm bouquet of rose chrysanthemums. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Glenn Charlton of Ellensburg, Wash.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served after which the young couple departed on a brief wedding trip. Mr. and Mrs. Clauston will return to Pomeroy to make their home, where Mr. Clauston is connected with the Forest Service.

Mrs. Clauston is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Devin. She is a graduate of Heppner High school and last year attended the Oregon Normal school. Mr. Clauston is a graduate of Washington State college at Pullman, Wash.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Clauston of White Salmon, Wash., Mrs. Etta Shaner of Independence, Mo., Miss Mary Gingsberg of Hardman, Ore., and Glenn Charlton of Ellensburg, Wash. Miss Leora Devin, sister of the bride, was over from Stanfield where she is teaching school for the winter.

Lexington Christian church, E. L. Wool, minister, Bible school 10:00 a. m., preaching and communion at 11:00. A cordial welcome to you.

JAMES CRUZE PRODUCTIONS
THE PONY EXPRESS
Star Theater Sunday and Monday

"My Irish Rose" Rocks Audience With Mirth

(Heppnerian News Item)

Scintillating flashes of Irish wit; delightful tinges of Irish brogue; picturesque bits of Irish scenery and costumes together with wholesome bits of Irish sentiment all combined to make "My Irish Rose" one of the most successful class plays ever presented to the citizens of Heppner by the public schools. The play was a success from every angle: in matter of presentation as well as financially, and the large audience was very appreciative of the entire production.

Beginning with a pleasant and homelike scene on the prosperous farm of Colum McCormick the scene shifts to Dublin for its finale, thus affording opportunity for a variety of action and scenes. It would be difficult to name a star for all of the leading parts were well sustained. Eva Hiatt as the Rose of Kidare carried an extremely difficult part with a great deal of grace and ability. Her characterization of the Irish lassie was life-like and clever. Playing opposite her was Onex Parker, in the character of Maurice Fitzgerald, a wealthy young Dublin artist who capably wooed and won the Irish Rose.

Ellis Thomson, who has already won some reputation in local theatricals, exceeded his previous roles, as Colum McCormick, the prosperous bachelor uncle of Rose Kidare. Ellis deserves much credit for the manner in which he entered into this character, acting his part with ease and ability.

In the humorous leads, Mae Doherty, as the widow Hannigan and Mildred Green as Pagen Burke made an admirable team, both sustaining their parts exceptionally well.

Harold Edwin, acting the part of Shawn McGilly and John Conder, the smirking Englishman convulsed the audience with laughter whenever they appeared. Rosella Doherty, as Colum's sister, Claud Conder, an eminent Dublin lawyer, and Jerry Brosnan, as Colum's nephew, each carried their parts ably and in a pleasing manner. Margaret Smith, as Eileen Fitzgerald, and Letha Hiatt, as Lady Agnes Farricklow, both capably enacted the parts of English ladies in a manner characteristic of the English social sets.

The Junior class deserves much credit for so successfully presenting their play—possible only through the untiring efforts of each member of the class, and the unlimited patience and effort on the part of Miss Miller, their class advisor and coach of the cast. To her can be attributed, in a large measure, the success of the play, a production which would do any school credit.

WILMA LEACH HONORED.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Nov. 24.—Wilma Leach of Lexington was initiated into membership of the Oregon State chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholastic fraternity, at the annual homecoming breakfast Sunday morning. That Phi Kappa Phi membership is the greatest achievement a student at O. A. C. can attain is the opinion of Dr. Kate W. Jameson, dean of women, as expressed by her in a talk at the breakfast.

Miss Leach is also a member of the winning team in co-ed interclass hockey. Class numerals are awarded to members of the winning team by the Women's Athletic association in recognition of this accomplishment in addition to granting 100 of the 1000 points toward the Orange "O" sweater for having participated in more than half of the class games. She is already a member of the Orange "O". Miss Leach is a senior in the school of vocational education. She is a member of Delta Psi Kappa, women's honorary in physical education, and of Alpha Chi Omega, social sorority.

OBITUARY.

Eugene H. Slocum was born in Susquehanna county, Pa., October 28, 1853, and died at his home at 244 Portland Blvd., W., Portland, Oregon, November 9th, 1926, aged 73 years and 12 days. For 30 years Mr. Slocum made his home at Heppner, where for 25 years he was engineer for Hopner Light & Water company, a noteworthy term of service that speaks much of his ability and faithfulness. He was married in 1913 to Mrs. Cora Thorley of Heppner, and to this union one child was born, Imogene Dolores, now aged 12, with the widow survive.

Mr. Slocum was known as an honorable, kind and helpful husband and father, a loyal and respected citizen. His passing marks the end of the career of a man loved and highly respected by all whose good fortune it was to know him. He will be remembered for his many sterling qualities of manhood that made him an upright citizen of the communities in which he lived.

The death of Mr. Slocum was the result of paralysis. He suffered a severe stroke on September 9, from which he did not recover, and on November 9 a second stroke proved fatal. Funeral services were held at the chapel of Chambers & Son in Portland by the Christian Science church, after which the remains were given over to the Portland lodge of Odd Fellows, who conducted the services at the grave. Mr. Slocum was a member of Willow Lodge No. 68, I. O. O. F., of Heppner. —Contributed.

Wednesday, December 15th, is the date set by the ladies aid of the Methodist Community church for the holding of their annual Christmas bazaar, at the church parlors, beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Get your Christmas gifts then. O28-D7

Thanksgiving 1926

How few there were in that little band
Huddled upon the frowning shore!
Pilgrims into a stranger land,
Cold and lonely, simple and poor,
With never a friend to share the feast,
But furtive savage or prowling beast.

Yet for the blessing of life and food,
For the harvest yield their strength made good,
Braved hearts welled with gratitude.

Vast rich acres tamed and tilled,
Heavy cargoes for steam and sail;
Forests felled and mountains drilled,
Nerves of wire and sinews of rail;
Beautiful cities towering high,
Comfort, peace, prosperity.

A Land undreamed by those grave men,
Built by forces beyond their ken,
Saved and blessed again and again.

We have conquered the earth, the air, the sea,
Bridled the waves of light and sound.
Space is less than it used to be,
Hearts are closer the whole world round.
Love can reach with a wider scope,
Millions live in a higher hope.

Could they have seen these golden days,
How would our Fathers wonder and praise!
Come, let us glad voices raise.

—Abbie Farwell Brown in Youth's Companion

John Hiatt, W. O. Dix Buy Sam Hughes Store

John Hiatt has extended his grocery business, W. O. Dix has entered same, and Sam Hughes company have retired from this field of endeavor in Heppner as a result of a business transaction this week. The deal was consummated a short time after negotiations started, the purchasers, John Hiatt and W. O. Dix, taking immediate possession of the Hughes store. The financial consideration was not mentioned.

The new owners expect to abandon the quarters occupied by Hiatt's Cash and Carry grocery, moving the entire stock into the Masonic building store room held by Hughes, immediately after Thanksgiving.

The families of Sam and Hanson Hughes have not made known their future intentions, though they do not expect to leave Heppner immediately. Announcement of the policy of the new owners will be made later.

G. HOLBOKE DIES

Notice of the death of G. Holboke at his home on the Barnes road near Portland, November 22, appeared in Tuesday's Oregonian. Mr. Holboke, the father of Joseph, Leo and Herman Holboke of Heppner and Mrs. Charles McElligott of Ione, was 72 years of age. Other children of Mr. Holboke were Henry, Bernard, Frank, and Mrs. George Moskofsky, all of Beaverton.

R. A. M. NOTICE.

Heppner Chapter No. 26, Royal Arch Masons, will meet the first Thursday in December. By order of the High Priest.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Regular meeting Tuesday, Nov. 30 of Doric No. 20. Important business on hand.

JASPER V. CRAWFORD, C. C.
AUSTIN I. SMITH, K. R. & S.

All Saints' Episcopal church, Rev. B. Stanley Moore, minister. Sunday School 9:45; morning prayer 11:00 o'clock. There will be no evening service this Sunday, as Mr. Moore will be at Arlington and Cecil.

New Plan for Gymnasium Bonding Thot Best By Supt. Burgess; Luncheon Club Backs Move

Should the bonding plan for a \$20,000 gymnasium-auditorium, outlined by Supt. Jas. M. Burgess at the Luncheon club meeting Monday, be accepted by the voters of the district when it is put to a vote in the near future as it probably will, not a cent more will need to be raised by taxation of coming year than was raised for this year. This, due to the fact that the special school tax to be raised under the present budget is two mills less than the same tax levied for this year, while the amount that would be raised for the proposed building under the bonding plan cited would add on an average between 1 1/4 and 1 1/2 mills per year for 20 years, the duration of the bonding program, at which time all bonds will have been retired.

The outlined program contemplates issuing bonds in serial form to be retired on an installment plan, so much over a year, with a lapse of five years between time of issuance and payment of the first block of bonds. The bonds will draw 5 per cent interest, the interest now being paid on bonded indebtedness by the district, it being believed no trouble will be encountered in disposing of them at this rate. The taking up of the bonds will be in the following amounts: \$1,000 a year for five years after a lapse of five years, and \$1500 a year for the remaining 10 years. Interest of \$1000

a year would be paid for the first five-year period, and thereafter would decrease at the rate of \$50 with each \$1,000 bond retirement, and \$75 with each \$1500 bond retirement.

This program is the best method of payment that those sponsoring the move have thus far encountered, as it fits in with the present schedule of bond retirement now being carried out by the district.

At the present time the bonded indebtedness of the district is \$39,000, which will be paid on a serial basis as follows: Jan. 1, 1927, \$1,000, and the first of succeeding years, in amounts as follows: two years \$1500 a year, two years \$2,000 a year, two years \$2500 a year, four years \$3000 a year, four years \$3500 a year, covering a 15-year period in all. Interest decreases as bonds are retired in the following amounts: with the \$1000 payment, \$50; with each \$1500 payment, \$75; each \$2,000 payment \$100; each \$2500 payment, \$125; each \$3000 payment \$150; each \$3500 payment \$175.

Though the addition of the proposed bond issue would increase the amount to be paid on bonds a considerable amount for several years after the first five years of non-payment on the new issue, the program throughout makes about as even a distribution of payment as has so far been devised. If a better means of financing the project can be proposed

Predatory Animal Inspector In County

Harold Dobyns, assistant predatory animal inspector under Stanley Jewett with headquarters at Portland, is in Morrow county this week, visiting Heppner for a short time on Tuesday. He went out to Hardman and expects to visit the territory of the three different government hunters, Adam Knoblock, New Matteson and Harold Ahalt.

Mr. Dobyns states that now is a very excellent time to get the coyotes and a poison program would be very effective. In this connection, those desiring poison for this purpose can get their supply from the county agent's office at Heppner, which cooperates with the government hunters in the work of getting rid of predatory animals.

Mrs. Henry Ames of Ione who was recently confined to the Morrow General hospital has returned home.

CITY ORGANIZATIONS UNITE FOR LIBRARY

Preliminary Steps for Organization Taken; Cost Nominal

Initial steps for the reestablishment of a library in Heppner were taken Monday evening by representatives of various organizations of the city at the council chambers, following the lead and directions given by Miss Mary Jane Dustin in behalf of the state library when in Heppner a week ago. Mrs. Arthur McAtee, representing the American Legion Auxiliary, was chairman pro tem of the meeting and the organizations represented were Elks, Eastern Star, Masons, Knights of Pythias, American Legion Auxiliary, and City of Heppner. Supt. Jas. M. Burgess and Rev. B. S. Moore were also present. The I. O. O. F., Rebekahs and American Legion will also cooperate, it is expected.

Committees were appointed by Mrs. McAtee to work out the various details pertaining to cost and organization, and will report at another meeting to be held next Monday. Data read at the meeting regarding cost of libraries at other places revealed that the cost here should not exceed \$500 a year. Mayor Noble was confident the city could guarantee from \$50 to \$100 of this amount, but could not go stronger at the present time because of the budget having already been made up for the year. No trouble is expected to be encountered in raising the needed funds.

The sentiment of the meeting was that the council chambers be used for library purposes since the city fathers offered the same rent-free, and that the library be open two afternoons and one evening each week for a period of two hours. It was thought unnecessary to try to provide a reading room at the present time.

Not less than 200 books may be borrowed from the state library to begin with, according to Miss Dustin, and these may be supplemented at intervals later. It was also pointed out that the school library is available to residents of the district and that this might be used as a nucleus to build upon.

A suggestion that met with favor was that plans for a library room in the proposed school auditorium be made, and should this project be sanctioned by the voters of the district, the school and city libraries be combined, with high school students to act as librarians. Superintendent Burgess was partial to this plan, stating that the school library is fast outgrowing its present quarters, there being now more than 2400 books in its collection.

The question of the possibility of securing a Carnegie library for Heppner was discussed and will be looked into later. It is believed to be wholly within the realm of possibility for Heppner to get one.

Miss Dustin will be in Heppner again on December 6 to meet with the city council and help perfect organization of a city library association.

BOARDMAN

MRS. A. T. HBREIM, Correspondent.

On account of the evangelistic services beginning earlier at the church than was contemplated, the date and place of holding the bazaar has had to be changed. This will be held at Root's hall which has been kindly donated for the purpose, on Saturday night. The sale will open promptly and there will be no reservation. Besides the articles of fancy work there will be a cooked food sale and picture gallery. Send old pictures of yourself and family to Mrs. Boardman. Remember the date, Saturday evening, Dec. 4.

Mrs. Jess Allen was hostess to the Ladies' Aid on Wednesday, a guest being Miss Mary Jane Dustin, representative of the state library, who spoke on the question of books for children and young folks, listing books that should not be read and recommending a number of good books. Explaining the traveling library, Miss Dustin urged that some local organization sponsor it, and also that the community make more use of the school library. This was the annual praise meeting of the Aid and was in charge of Mrs. J. R. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman A. Fortier returned home Friday from a pleasant trip to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Macomber and Sybil Grace spent the week end at Pilot Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Falor and R. Wasmer motored to Lexington Sunday of last week for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schriever.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Spagle motored up from Fossil Sunday.

Tom Hendricks has two young bear cubs at his camp on the highway which are the source of much interest to the children of the community.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Houghton were recent visitors at the D. F. Ransier home. Mr. Houghton is the project manager.

Friends are glad to know that Ople Waggoner is recovering nicely from another operation on his leg. "Buck" was injured in France and has had several operations. Boardman people call on him frequently at the hospital.

Boardman friends are sorry to hear that Mrs. Ellis Garrett, formerly of

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

Noise Cuts Life. That Vehement Flame. World Money Lender. Farmers Need Canals.

Dr. Bundeson, Chicago's Health Commissioner, says human life would last eleven years longer, on the average, if nerve-destroying noises were eliminated.

We think we are "used" to a certain noise, but use up as much energy conquering noise, crowding it out of the brain, as in doing real work. Millions of brains are cut down 30 to 60 per cent in efficiency by noise. Absence of noise means greater efficiency, less wear in machines. But men pay no attention to their own machinery, worn away by noise every day.

And to complain of noise is considered effeminate. If unnecessary noises were accurately classified with assault and battery, life would be longer.

When the Bible says jealousy hath a most vehement flame, it doesn't exaggerate. Horrible testimony given by a doctor as to the killing of Mrs. Mills, in the Hall-Mills murder case, proves it.

The unfortunate woman, after three bullets had been fired into her head, was dreadfully mutilated. Her throat was cut twice, her tongue cut out, and there were other horrible wounds inflicted on the dead body. The tongue is supposed to have been cut out because the woman's singing had charmed her clergyman from his straight and narrow path.

The horrible case will again remind men that whoever stirs up jealousy stirs up danger. They have been reminded of it, often enough, for five hundred thousand years, by blows on the head with sharp flints, by poison in the Middle Ages, by pistols later. But they never seem to learn.

Wall Street is very proud of having "supplanted London as the world's money lender." This year the United States will lend more than a thousand million dollars in gold to foreign borrowers. In three years past this country has lent Europe four thousand million dollars. Gratifying, of course, but when will they get that money back?

London as world money lender charged usually moderate, and always legal, rates of interest. Our financiers lend money to Europe on a basis that makes the borrower pay as high as 13 per cent for the first year, as much as 7 and 8 per cent thereafter.

The usurer in many States loses principal and interest. Some of those American lenders will get unpleasant replies later when they ask for their principal. Meanwhile, it is profitable for middlemen that get the "rake-off."

All farmers and some Congressmen are wondering what "can be done for the farmer." The farmer says: "Guarantee me a definite price for my crops." Common sense says that invites overproduction, such as now breaks the price of cotton.

With wheat at \$1.40, farmers will increase their acreage by 15 per cent. How much wheat would they plant were the price \$2.49, which the farmers feel they ought to have? And where would the Government get the money to buy the surplus \$2.49 wheat?

Farmers can help their wheat situation by backing Secretary Hoover's plan for a canal to the Gulf through the Mississippi valley and another from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic ocean.

That would make every bushel of wheat worth from six to eighteen cents more.

Since the war railroads have raised rates six to eighteen cents a bushel, and surplus American wheat on its way to Liverpool pays that tax.

Argentine and Australian wheat has the six to eighteen cents advantage per bushel over American wheat at Liverpool, where the price is made.

A nine-foot canal from the lakes to the gulf would send freight in barges, carrying a thousand tons, as against box cars carrying fifty tons, hauled by a tugboat instead of a locomotive. And ten such barges, carrying ten thousand tons, would require no more men than one of the old-fashioned river boats carrying one hundred and fifty tons.

BAZAAR DECEMBER 4.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of All Saints' Episcopal church will hold their annual bazaar and sale of fancy articles suitable for Christmas gifts and useful for many purposes, on Saturday, December 4, at the new parish house.

Mrs. Alex Green and baby daughter have returned home from the Morrow General hospital.

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