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ACCIDENT NEAR IONE FATAL TO YOUNG MAN

Arch Cochran Killed Instantly by Discharge of Rifle.

By the accidental discharge of a 25-30 rifle on Wednesday morning, Arch Cochran was killed instantly at his home on the Lax McMurray farm some six miles south of Ione. Just how the accident occurred will always remain a mystery, as there was no one near when the gun was discharged, and the position in which the body was discovered a few moments later by his mother, Mrs. J. H. Cochran, was the only evidence of what had taken place.

Mr. Cochran had arisen a few minutes before 5 a. m., having been preceded by his father, John Cochran, who was up at 4:30 and had gone out to the barn to perform some of the morning chores. It is presumed that on going out doors, Arch discovered something disturbing the chickens, either a hawk or coyote, as these had been giving trouble, and that he returned to get the rifle. The gun had been placed in a corner in the milk room where it was picked up by the young man and he had started for the outside. In going out he had to pass by a table and the cream separator, and the theory is that the hammer of the gun caught on one or the other of these and it was discharged. The slug entered the mouth near the corner on the right side and ranged up through the head, death being instantaneous.

Mrs. Cochran was arising and dressing in her bedroom when she heard the report of the gun, and she stepped outside to see what her son was shooting at, but did not see him, and on entering the door of the milk room, discovered the boy on the floor in a pool of blood. She gave the alarm, and this brought Mr. Cochran to the house, the first he knew that anything had happened, as he did not hear the discharge of the gun. The parents were overcome for a time by the shock of the accident.

The remains were taken in charge by Coroner Case, who brought them to Heppner and prepared the body for burial. Funeral services will be held at Ione tomorrow at 10 o'clock, with burial following in the cemetery at Heppner, where a younger brother is buried. He is survived by his little son, Bobby, four years of age, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cochran of Ione, and two sisters, Mrs. Branner Reese, and Mrs. Holmes Holman, who reside at Yakima, Wash., besides a host of friends in this county, where he was reared and spent his entire life.

HEPPNER HOSPITAL NOTES.

Estlie Walker was thrown from a horse on Sunday afternoon and his right arm fractured. The fracture was reduced and an x-ray picture shows that it is getting along in fine shape.

E. B. Ledbetter had a narrow escape Sunday night when a front wheel of his car broke, throwing him out and causing a severe laceration of the scalp, which required several stitches to close. The accident occurred on the highway just south of Heppner.

Mrs. Joe Moyer underwent a major operation at the hospital recently. She was able to return to her home at Boardman this week.

Geo. Morris, while at work on the county road, had a severe laceration of his third finger on the right hand when a piece of machinery he was loading on a truck caught it. The wound required several stitches to close.

Mr. and Mrs. Suprean Marciel of Eight Mile are the proud parents of a 7-1-2 pound daughter, born on June 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peck of Lexington are the parents of a son, born at the hospital on June 17th; weight 10 pounds.

MORROW GENERAL HOSPITAL.

Paul Rietman, aged 72, of Ione, underwent a major operation Tuesday for the removal of a tumor of the bladder. The operation was done under spinal anesthesia by Dr. Johnston. Mr. Rietman's condition is good.

Ernest Clark, young son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Clark, underwent a minor operation Monday at the hospital.

Carl Miller of Lexington, underwent a minor operation Thursday for removal of a foreign body embedded in the ear drum.

Sterling Fryrear underwent a minor operation Saturday for an abscess of his thumb from an infection.

Lewis Ball of Ione, who has been ill at the hospital the past week with tonsillitis and rheumatism, has left for his home.

Mrs. Augusta Mason Was County Pioneer

Mrs. Augusta Mason died at her home on Rhea creek at 7 o'clock Saturday morning, June 16th, at the age of 79 years, 2 months and 8 days, following an illness of some weeks, due to the infirmities of old age. Funeral services were held at Ione on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and burial was in the Ione cemetery. The services were largely attended by relative, friends and neighbors, who came to pay respect to one who had lived so long in the community.

Augusta Bates was born in Bellville, Ill., April 8, 1849, and came to Oregon with her parents in 1852, the family settling at Salem. Here she was married to Joseph Mason in 1870, and together they came to this county in the spring of 1871, settling on Rhea creek on the place where Mrs. Mason had continued to reside for a period of 57 years since.

Mrs. Mason passed away a good many years ago, but to them ten children were born, by whom she is survived. These are Frank Mason of Ione; Miss Ella Mason of Portland; Mrs. Clara Kincaid, Bert Mason, Mrs. Helena Buschke, Mrs. Mabel Cotter all of Ione; Jess Mason of The Dalles; Joe Mason of Prineville; Mrs. Nettie Lundy and Harold Mason of Portland. One sister, Mrs. A. Richter, of Vashon, Wash., also survives.

Mrs. Mason was one of the very early settlers on Rhea creek, and her home has been there on the same place all these years since. For a great number of years she always took a keen interest in the affairs of her community. The Mason ranch was a gathering place for all the neighbors up and down the creek and many a round up of stock was held there in the years when the country was given over largely to cattle raising. Her attachment to the old homestead was such that she never had a desire to leave and live elsewhere, and was content to be always among the scenes where she with her family had made for themselves a pleasant and comfortable dwelling place. A kind, loving neighbor and friend, she has passed on to her reward.

NEIGHBORS MOVING UP.

Just at present Maple Circle, Neighbors of Woodcraft, have a contest on for new members, and each member of the circle should see the Captain at once and find out which side they are on, that they may get busy immediately. Credits to be given in the contest as follows:

Each new benefit member initiated, 25 points; each social member initiated, 10 points; each juvenile member initiated, 25 points.

Attendance: 1 point for each member present for each captain and 20 points additional to the side that has the largest number of members present each evening. Members attending who have not been present at a meeting for at least three months, 20 points.

Entertainment: Instrumental solo, 5 points; vocal solo, 10 points; dialogue, 3 or more people, 20 points.

Prizes worth while will be given members on each side securing the largest number of candidates. When contest ends, the losing side will entertain the winners. Maple circle now has 242 members, with several to be initiated, and are out for as many more.—Correspondent.

AUXILIARY MEETS.

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary was held on Tuesday evening at Legion hall, with 13 members present. The new bulletin was read and the convention at Medford discussed. Delegates to this convention from the local unit will be chosen at a special meeting in July. Mrs. Smith gave a report of the Hermiston trip. The officers of the county council were ratified by our unit. A letter from Congressman Hawley was read by Mrs. Jones. On Monday evening, June 25, all committee chairmen are to come to the auxiliary hall and make out reports. The auxiliary is to send Miss Daisy Albee as a delegate to the summer camp of the Camp Fire Girls at Sandy. Mrs. Gemmill won the special kitty—a beautiful red tray made by the veterans of Hospital 77. Mrs. Wells won the regular kitty. Hostesses of the evening were Mrs. Gemmill and Mrs. Gilliam.—Secretary.

FREDERICK W. VOLLE.

Funeral services are being conducted at the grave this afternoon at 2:30 for the late Frederick W. Volle, who died at his home in the mountains about two miles south of the Hamilton ranch on Monday, Rev. F. R. Spaulding conducted the services. Mr. Volle was aged 68 years, 8 months and 1 day at the time of his death. He had been ill for some time, suffering from heart disease and diabetes. He is survived by three sons who reside in the vicinity of the Hamilton ranch. He was a native of Germany and a widower.

Mrs. Glenn Burroughs and two children are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. French Burroughs on Rhea creek. Prof. Glenn Burroughs, who has been detained by his duties in connection with the summer sessions of the State Teachers college at Kirksville, Mo., will join them later.—Ione Independent.

Judge Bengel and family motored to Portland on Sunday, going back with their daughter, Miss Lulu, who returns to Eugene for the summer sessions at the university.

THE REPUBLICAN NOMINEE



Herbert Hoover

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Boardman Youth Killed; Is Shock to Community

Boardman friends were immeasurably shocked by the sudden death of Clifford R. Olson who met death Friday, June 15, while on duty as signal maintainer. The accident occurred about the noon hour near North Powder as he was going home for lunch. A freight train struck his speeder, hurling him some distance and killing him instantly. Clifford Randolph Olson was born October 28, 1902 in Brockett, N. D., and was 26 years of age at the time of his death. He was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Olson. He spent his childhood in Dakota, later moving to Canada about 10 years ago, moving to Boardman with his parents where he has since made his home. He has been employed with the O. W. R. & N. for the past two years and in April took his first patrol. He was a splendid chap and had always been unfailingly kind to his family and was especially devoted to his mother who is broken hearted over his untimely passing.

The I. O. O. F. of which the deceased was a member, had charge of the funeral services which were held from the community church at 2:30 p. m. The building was inadequate to hold the throng of friends who wished to attend the services. Rev. Gibson of Stanfield former pastor here, gave the funeral address, and music was rendered by a quartette composed of Madames Ralph Davis, Chas. Goodwin, A. W. Porter and Marguerite Johnson, with Mrs. Mead at the piano. The sympathy felt for the family and the friendship felt for Clifford was shown by the profusion of beautiful flowers which were present in such great abundance that a car was required to transport them to the cemetery.

Services at the grave were in charge of the I. O. O. F. with Robert Smith acting. N. G. and Geo. Wicklander, chaplain. Pallbearers were brother Odd Fellows, Tom Hendricks, F. F. Klitz, Sanders, N. Kristensen, W. Knauff and Mr. Ross of Hermiston. The quartette sang "Rock of Ages" at the cemetery. A great many of the railroad men from various places were in attendance. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to those who survive him, four sisters, Mrs. Pat Pattee, Elida, Norine, Ivy and two brothers, Roy and Earl, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Olson and Miss Blanche Inus, his fiancée, are left to mourn his passing.

The freer step, the fuller breath, The wider horizon, the grander view, The sense of life that knows no death, The life that makes all things new."

GRAIN DESTROYED BY FIRE.

About 20 acres of the grain on the Harry Duval place north of Lexington was destroyed by fire recently. The fire had been set in grass along the market road, and got out of control, getting into the Duval wheat and it took some lively work to put it out. Mr. Duval carried grain insurance. The loss was adjusted on Monday when a representative of the company arrived on the ground. Mr. Duval crops consist of one of the very best stands of wheat in this field and the one adjoining that is to be found this season in the Lexington wheat belt. It will certainly yield better than 30 bushels to the acre, and the crop is now well matured.

GRAIN DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Earl Ingles, who has followed railroading for a number of years, came up from his home at Portland on Tuesday for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Hattie Kinney. It had been about six years since Earl was here last. He returned home today.

J. O. Turner will take charge of running the Raymond Ferguson combine during harvest. He has been at the W. G. McCarty Sand Hollow farm this week getting the machine in shape to begin cutting shortly after the first of July.

A. R. Cox arrived here on Tuesday with two cars of bucks from Woodland, Calif. He has disposed of a large number of the animals to local sheepmen, a truck load going out to the ranch of Hynd Bros. Co., on Wednesday.

Earl Warner, Lexington wheat raiser, was looking after business here on Wednesday.

"It" is hard to describe but you can see it, Star Theater, Sunday and Monday.

ALFALFA NEMATODE ON WILLOW CREEK

Microscopic Parasite Very Destructive; Nature of Pest Described.

The alfalfa stem nematode, a parasitic elworm, very destructive to alfalfa plants, according to word from the county agent's office has been found on Willow creek, the first appearance of the pest in this district, though it has been prevalent at Hermiston for 9 years. Accordingly, Mr. Smith warns farmers to be on the lookout for it and to report any appearances to him immediately.

This parasite has been under observation in isolated districts in America since 1921, according to department circular No. 297 from the United States Department of Agriculture, saying: "It is proving itself to be an extremely dangerous pest and one that deserves prompt and aggressive measures to check before it becomes more widespread." Because of the very serious nature of the malady a large portion of the pamphlet, entitled, "The Elworm Disease; a Menace to Alfalfa in America," written by G. H. Godfrey, as given herewith. Though this pamphlet was issued in 1923, it contains nearly everything that is known of the parasite, according to Mr. Smith.

Description of Disease.

The disease is manifested by a thinning out of the alfalfa in spots in the field, due to the dying of some of the plants. This leaves a poor stand of dwarfed plants, with a reduced number of stems, some of which may be more or less yellowed and distorted. In an early stage of the disease a wilting of some of the stems may be the sign by which the presence of the parasite may be recognized. A close examination of affected plants shows that the disease is localized in the crown of the plant. Stems are swollen at the base and brown in color. They are often brittle and easily broken off. In fact, this brittleness is one of the means of easy diagnosis. New buds and sprouts arising in the crown may be swollen, pale yellowish or cream colored, and of a spongy texture. Rapidly growing, succulent shoots that are affected are often swollen at their tips, or they may have swollen side shoots, thus carrying the disease from a few inches to a foot or more above the ground. * * * A normal stem is smooth and slender to its very base.

When examining a "sick spot" in a field for the possible presence of the disease one should take into consideration more than one of the symptoms listed. A thin spot may be caused by a variety of conditions, such as (1) a poor initial stand, (2) too little or too much water, (3) the presence of alkali in the soil, (4) a deep cut when the ground was graded, or (5) some other disease, such as Sclerotinia wilt. The surest symptoms by which the elworm disease may be recognized are the swollen buds and sprouts and the enlarged browned stems already mentioned. When once the disease is seen, the striking contrast between an affected stem and a healthy one is very evident.

Badly diseased plants show a distinct rotting of the stem bases and crown, with some or all of the stems completely killed. The rot in such plants extends into the roots, hence the names "stem-rot" and "root-rot" which are sometimes applied to the disease, though there are other roots distinct in origin which affect the stems and roots of alfalfa. Plants in such condition rarely survive the winter.

Season of Appearance.

The spring of the year is the best time to look for the disease. The symptoms described are more prominent before the first cutting than after it. The typical symptoms can be recognized at any time, however, though in mild cases, the occasional affected plants may be completely covered up by the vigorous growth of surrounding healthy plants. A favorable time for a survey is the period of two or three weeks after the new growth has obtained a good start, following a cutting. Diseased plants can then be easily recognized by their generally weakened condition and off color. Much of the spread of the disease appears to take place in the fall, winter, and early spring. Diseased fields, therefore, are invariably in much worse condition in the spring than they were the season before.

Cause of the Disease.

The organism that causes the disease is an elworm or nematode, technically known as *Tylenchus dipsaci*, a small roundworm, scarcely one-twentieth of an inch long when fully grown. It multiplies by means of eggs, as many as 200 being laid by a single individual. The newly hatched young, or larvae, are the same shape as the adults but only about one-tenth as large. Under moist conditions these larvae migrate or are carried by irrigation water or other means to new plants. Penetrating the plant through tender succulent parts, they grow to maturity within the plant tissues. Their presence there acts as a stimulation which causes the swelling and abnormal development, and their parasitic action robs the plant of its power to produce a strong

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Annual School Election Monday Creates Interest

The annual school meeting for district No. 1, on Monday afternoon was the occasion for more interest than is usually manifested by the patrons of the district, and yet it was not a representative vote by any means.

The interest seemed to center around the election of a director for the term of three years to succeed Mrs. Ealor B. Huston, whose term expired. While Mrs. Huston was not a candidate for re-election, her name was proposed, as was also that of Dr. A. D. McMurdo. In the balloting, Dr. McMurdo received 26 and Mrs. Huston 9, while one vote was cast for F. R. Brown.

For clerk V. Crawford and Mrs. Claude Cox were placed in nomination, the latter receiving 21, the former 17 and one vote was cast for Opal Briggs.

The retiring officers have been connected with the school board for many years. Mrs. Huston served the district well as director for two terms, and retires with a splendid record, for she has always taken a keen interest in the affairs of the school. Mr. Crawford has held the office of clerk for 22 years, all told, and if there was ever to be a change and he was to find relief from this duty, it was time it was being done. This paper believes he had about reached a point where he thought no one else could hold down the job—at least there was danger that this might happen, and he is indeed glad to turn the job over to capable hands.

The annual report of the clerk would indicate that about \$75,000 in money had been disbursed for the district during the past year, some \$25,000 of this being on account of construction of the new gym-auditorium. The building and equipment cost the district more than this and the difference had to be cared for in warrants, of which some \$5200 are now outstanding. The total cash receipts of the district for the year were \$50,885.12; outstanding warrants, \$5225, making a total of \$56,080.12. Bonds sold, \$20,874.00; not accounted for in clerk's report, being handled by the county treasurer. Against this there was a total expenditure of \$33,328.85. The large item of expenditure is on account of teachers' salaries, \$20,714.84. The report of expenditures in detail follows:

Salaries of principals	3,391.23
Salaries of teachers (men)	1,305.00
Salaries of teachers (women)	13,488.26
Salaries of janitors and other employees	2,568.15
Salaries used in instruction	882.56
Census enumeration	12.00
Fuel	1,380.92
Water	375.25
Light and power	275.25
Janitor's supplies	606.83
Repairs & improving grounds	1,397.68
Rent & replacement of equipment	287.77
Library books	217.99
Insurance	698.19
Redemption of bonds & loans	13,520.00
Interest on bonds & debts	2,985.14
Equipment of new buildings & grounds	4,784.25
Amortization of old buildings	2,708.29
Paid for other purposes	317.45

MORO STATION VISITED.

Fifty-two farmers from the various communities of Morrow county represented the industry of this section at the experiment station at Moro on Sunday. The trip had been arranged by County Agent Smith, and it proved entirely successful. In going over it was noted that Gilliam and Sherman counties will each have good crops this season, and a lot of good wheat was seen on the way. Sherman county seems to be especially favored and should harvest a very large crop.

The visitors to Moro on Sunday were especially interested in the experiment that has been carried on for the past few years in furrow seeding, and also in the deep plowing experiments, tested out at the station during a period of 14 years. Ten inch plowing and 5 inch plowing were used in this experiment, and the latter has proved to be the most practical. Early plowing has also proved to be the best method at the station, as it is from the experience of the most of the farmers of this county who follow that practice.

FAMERS PICNIC SUNDAY.

There will be a picnic of the farmers of the county at the Akers' grove on Eight Mile this coming Sunday, beginning at 10 o'clock. The picnic is sponsored by the Rhea creek Grange, everybody is invited, and a good time will be had. There will be horseshoe games for both men and women, for which prizes will be given; also a medal is to be awarded in the "liar's contest" to the one telling the biggest lie. At noon will be the picnic lunch, and in the afternoon a visit will be made to the wheat nursery on the farm of Lawrence Redding, where some interesting experiments will be found. D. E. Stephens of Morrow experiment station is to be present, and will have an address of much interest to all farmers.

FORMER RESIDENTS PICNIC.

From Mrs. Fannie O. Reed, secretary, we have the announcement that the Morrow County Reunion association will hold its twenty-first reunion at Laurelhurst park, Portland, on July 4. All former residents of Morrow county, who are now living in Portland, and any others from the home county visiting in the city are urged to bring their lunch and meet their old friends and neighbors. They desire to make this the best attended of all picnics.

IONE IS DEFEATED IN LEAGUE CLOSER

Hectic Game Recorded; Condon Win Pennant in 15-6 Fray.

Heppner and Ione gave fans a hilarious exhibition of baseball in the closing game of the Wheatland league season on Rodeo field Sunday, the locals emerging victorious 7-2; too late to get a chance at the pennant, as Condon at the same time was drubbing Wasco 15-6 in the deciding game, thereby keeping their lead secure and winning top honors. One of the largest crowds of the season witnessed the closing game here.

The Heppner gang expect to remain organized for a time at least, and next Sunday will play Fossil on the local diamond. Fossil has a fast bunch of ball tossers, having given a good accounting of themselves in their own ballwick this season, and it shall be their endeavor to break the "at home" jinx that has allowed Heppner to win every league game played at home this year.

Bill Ford, the visiting pitcher Sunday, just naturally tried so hard that he became wild in his anxiety, causing to have credited against him several wild pitches, and a couple of walks besides 13 safe bingles, this combined with three fielding errors being responsible for Heppner's seven runs. On the other hand "Ducky" Drake retained all the confidence that a winning pitcher should have, striking out 13 batters and at no time having to get himself out of any bad holes. He was just naturally "on" and pitched a wonderful game. Combined with this Heppner's fielders were all going good, and the only triple play of the season was exhibited, added to many other fast plays to give the fans a rare treat. In the eighth inning Ione started what promised to be a real rally. Smith singled and went second on Cochran's burst, Cochran himself reaching first when Drake smeared it up. Then it was, in much less time than it takes to tell, Rietman's knuckled a line drive into Solvester's hands at short, "Bus" racing with the catch across second bag and heaving the ball to first, making the three outs in one play.

Heppner might have had two more tallies but for Van Marter and Anderson, each of whom tried to stretch things on two occasions and were nabbed at home. Another time Van apparently scored but was called back to second with the declaration that he overstepped the sack. In spite of this Van had a good day at bat, getting four hits out of as many times up, three of which drove in runs.

In the season's batting averages, compiled to date, Anderson is leading the local hitters with .408, Drake coming next with .400, and Van Marter third with .288. The team average is around .230. Anderson was at bat 49 times, Drake 50 and Van Marter 52. The other averages are: Thorn .117, Erwin .245, Cason .085, Mathews .222, Hiskier .115, Aiken .208, Hoskins .280, La Mear .250 and Solvester .125.

HELD TO GRAND JURY.

Ralph Butler, who resides on the creek below Heppner, was held to the grand jury on a bond of \$1000, by Justice Huston on Friday, the complaining witness being his neighbor, Chris Moehler, who charged Butler with taking a shot at him. It is alleged on the other hand by Butler that Moehler was trespassing on his premises at the time of the shooting which it is charged he did, and which, we understand he does not deny, and that he, Moehler, was at the time tearing down a trespass notice on the Butler place, which he was warned not to do. Butler was standing in his garage door and fired in the direction of his neighbor, using a shotgun, with a desire to emphasize his demand to let the notice alone, and it will now be a matter for the grand jury to investigate and determine just what justification there was for the act. There has been a feud between these neighbors for some ten or eleven months past, growing out of the use of irrigation water.

HELD TO GRAND JURY.

A heavy downpour of rain hit this section late Wednesday afternoon and the soil received a good wetting. If other parts of the county got what Heppner did, there will be much good done to maturing crops. The weather is still threatening, and more rain seems to be in the offing. It all helps to make more bushels of wheat, and will be a big boost in many parts of the county.

HELD TO GRAND JURY.

Clara Bow in IT, Star Theater, Sunday and Monday.