

SEWERAGE SYSTEM PLAN IS PRESENTED

Cost to City \$55,000; New Bridge Ordered on Cannon Street.

A preliminary report of the survey and estimated cost of a sewerage disposal system for the city, and methods of procedure were presented to the city council at an adjourned meeting Tuesday morning.

An instruction by J. J. Nys, city attorney, read by Mr. Stockman, stated that the city, under its charter, may proceed under the Bancroft bonding act.

According to the present rate of interest on bonds issued under the Bancroft act, Mr. Stockman declared the interest rate should not exceed 6 per cent, thus making the total assessment per lot, estimated on a cash basis at approximately \$87, approximately \$133 if paid under the Bancroft act.

The method of procedure that may be followed by the council, follows: "1. Whenever the Council shall deem it expedient to construct any sewer, it shall require the City Engineer, or any engineer it may employ to furnish plans, specifications and estimates.

"2. If the Council shall find such plans, specifications and estimates satisfactory, it shall approve the same, and determine the boundaries of the district benefited and to be assessed.

"3. The Council shall then by resolution declare its intention to construct such improvement, describing the same and the location thereof, including the Engineer's estimates of the probable cost and defining the boundaries of the assessed district.

"4. The resolution shall be published in a local newspaper for at least two weeks, and also notices of such improvement posted along the line of the contemplated improvement.

"5. Within twenty days after the first publication of the resolution, the owner or owners of any property to be assessed may file a remonstrance against the proposed improvement. Upon the hearing the Council may order the improvement or may discontinue the same.

"6. Within three months from the first publication of the resolution, the Council shall provide by ordinance for such improvement, which ordinance shall conform to the provisions of the resolution, and shall order such improvement. Within twenty days any property owner to be assessed, may file application with the Recorder to come under the Bancroft Bonding Act, to pay the assessment in ten annual installments, in case the assessment is \$25 or over."

Mr. Stockman quoted the state law prohibiting the dumping of raw sewage into streams, which makes necessary the construction of the sewerage disposal plant, in installing the system. The estimated cost of the plant, approximately \$25,000, is the largest item of construction.

The plan, a diagram of which was shown the council, will dispose of the sewerage for 1500 population, thus caring for a natural increase in population for a long term of years.

Beginning immediately, George Clark, local forest ranger, assisted by O. G. Rollins, who arrived on Tuesday from LaGrande, work of repairing and placing the telephone lines on the west end of the Umatilla forest will go ahead.

Mr. Clark states that the line up Willow creek will be the first to receive attention. These two rangers will be joined the coming week by Ranger E. A. Hinton of Ukiah, and it is the purpose of the force to proceed until the lines have all been put in good condition.

Mr. Clark, who has been spending several days in his territory, reports that there is still a lot of snow in the timber, and it has been going off slowly. The prospects for good range this coming season are good, and the water supply will be adequate.

COUNTY SCHOOL DECLAMATORY CONTEST, APR. 13

IRRIGON CLUB BAND AMONG PROGRAM FEATURES; TWO SESSIONS TO BE HELD.

The fourth annual Morrow county all-school declamatory contest is slated for Saturday, April 13, in the Heppner public school auditorium, with the grade section to be run off beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and the high school section beginning at 7:30 in the evening.

Entertainment features, including the appearance of the Irrigon club band, are planned to make this year's contest more attractive than ever, declared James M. Burgess, local superintendent of schools and president of the declamatory league.

The county all-school declamatory contest, started four years ago, has grown to such proportions, Mr. Burgess declares, that it now ranks as one of the largest of its kind in the state. Interest has grown to such an extent that a large majority of the schools of the county are represented, all hotly competing for honors.

Both the grade and high school contests are divided into three divisions, dramatic, oratorical and humorous. Contestants are graded not only on adherence to the verbatim rendition of the piece selected, but on stage presence and delivery as well.

Winners in the local contest go to Pendleton, probably the next week, to compete in the inter-county contest with the winners in Umatilla county. The Morrow-Umatilla contest was held last year at Heppner. The arrangement for holding it interchanges it between Heppner and Pendleton every other year.

Judges for the local contest are being selected by Lucy E. Rodgers, county school superintendent, and will not be announced prior to the contest. However, it is stated that the judges will be appointed from districts far enough removed to assure their absolute impartiality.

County Teachers Meet at Boardman for Institute

The teachers of Morrow county journeyed to Boardman on Friday for an all day session of institute.

G. W. Crites, assistant state school superintendent, was the principal speaker taking "The Changing Schoolroom" as his topic. A reading by Mrs. Johnston of Lexington, a vocal solo by Miss Ede of Heppner and the second appearance of Mrs. Marschat's Rhythm orchestra comprised the morning session.

At noon the P. T. A. served a chicken dinner. The tables were beautifully decorated with daffodils. Superintendent Marschat acted as toastmaster with responses by various teachers. Some peppy songs were sung and a social hour enjoyed. The Irrigon Club band gave a concert in the afternoon.

In the elementary conference, planned by Mrs. Rodgers, county superintendent, Mrs. Marschat gave a Palmer demonstration with some of her little people. Superintendent Burgess of Heppner spoke on spelling methods and Mr. Beigle discussed a county field day.

An O. S. T. A. report was read by Lillian C. Turner. In the high school department, Supt. R. J. Masack spoke on "Music in the High School," and Mr. Crites on "Educational Legislation in Oregon." The various exhibits were well worthy of mention and showed some excellent work in the various Morrow county schools.

P. T. A. WILL MEET TUESDAY. The Patron-Teachers association will meet in regular session Tuesday afternoon, April 9, at 3 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

An interesting program is being prepared, which will include selections from the operetta shortly to be given by the high school, one or more recitations by pupils preparing for the declamatory contest and a talk on "The Desirability and Practicality of Manual Training in the Schools," by Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, county school superintendent.

Dues which are being solicited now are for the full ensuing year till March, 1930. Since no solicitation was made for 1928, the treasury is practically empty and it is hoped that as many as possible can will pay their dues now so that we may have funds with which to work.—The President.

Al Troedson, Morgan wheat raiser, spent a few hours in this city on Wednesday, while looking after business matters.

TARIFF NOT TO CAUSE DROP IN WOOL PRICE

Nothing in Situation at Washington to Alarm Sheep Men.

The effect of possible tariff changes upon present wool prices is frequently referred to in current reports from the wool markets at Boston and Philadelphia, states a bulletin sent out by National Wool-growers' association, under date of March 29.

It should be understood by growers that there is no tariff change now in prospect or under discussion at Washington that would cause lower wool prices. During the hearings held last month by the Ways and Means committee of the house, the officers of the National Wool-growers' association presented data to justify their recommendation that the present duty of 31 cents per pound of clean content should be raised to 36 cents.

This data included figures upon nearly two million sheep owned in six states and showing a wool production cost of 40 cents per pound in the grease. Comparison with official reports of wool production costs in countries exporting to the United States fully justified the proposed rate.

The representatives of the wool growers who appeared in the congressional hearings did not oppose the recommendation of wool manufacturers for a rate of 24 cents, instead of 36 cents, upon wools of the common and braid grades which constitute less than one per cent of the United States clip.

The presentation was by the combined choir of the Methodist, Christian and Episcopal churches, and the work of preparation had been carried on for some three weeks, and it was indeed a real treat to all those who attended. It was noted that quite a large number of people came in from the outside and the church building was filled to capacity.

Miss Ede as director and Mrs. Milton W. Bower as pianist deserve much praise for the excellence of their work. At all times the singers were under perfect control and responded to the directing in a splendid manner, while the work of the soloists showed how well they had prepared their parts.

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In his testimony before the Ways and Means committee at Washington on February 6, President F. J. Hagenbarth of the National Woolgrowers association argued that the plan and purpose of the protective tariff upon wool was, to a considerable degree, being defeated by the large imports of woolen rags and of wool factory wastes, amounting in 1928 to the equivalent of 80 million pounds of grease wool.

The imports have resulted from the present unreasonably low duties upon such articles. Woolen rags are being imported in large quantities from Europe under a tariff rate of 7 1/2 cents per pound. This rate, Mr. Hagenbarth told the committee, was wholly unjustifiable and should be raised to 36 cents, since a pound of woolen rags represents the equivalent of more than a pound of scoured wool.

Rags, wastes, and other types of re-worked wool have been used in the effort to turn out cheaper cloth. Consumers do not know the origin of the material in such fabrics and seldom are able to recognize it until it is too late, the poor wearing qualities of cloth having a large proportion of such material.

Womans Club to Meet Saturday at Parish House

Members of the Heppner Women's club will be indebted to members and friends in Lexington for most of the numbers on the program to be given this month.

The study topic for this meeting, which will be held at the parish house in Heppner at 2:15 p. m., Saturday, April 6, will be the part missionaries and missions played in the early history of Oregon. An especially interesting meeting is promised and all women, whether or not they happen to belong to the club, are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Those who have read Honore Willis Morrow's recent book, "We Must March," will especially enjoy the informal discussion of it. The program is: Instrumental solo by Miss Falconer, music supervisor at Lexington.

Paper, "The Missions of Oregon," Mrs. Fred Lucas of Lexington. Reading, Mrs. Melvin Johnston of Lexington.

Discussion of "We Must March," led by Mrs. Glen Jones.

Many students have improved their grades after having properly fitted glasses to relieve eyestrain. The last few weeks of school are the hardest, so be sure your child's eyes are free from strain. Dr. Tyler, eyesight specialist, will be at Peterson's store, Heppner, Sunday-Monday, April 7-8. Correct glasses guaranteed if needed.—Adv.

APRIL 1 INSPIRATION AT LUNCHEON CLUB

The date of Monday's meeting of the Heppner Luncheon club was impressed firmly on the minds of those present at Mrs. Huston's Cottage Inn, in a manner causing a deal of merriment.

Just who the practical joker might be was not revealed, though considerable suspicion was reflected on C. L. Sweek as having been in league with Mrs. Huston, resulting in some unexpectedly strong beverages being served at the luncheon. One imbiber of the coffee broke the rules of etiquette by bolting suddenly out the front door, and thoughtlessly gave the joke away before many of the fellows were "stung."

Another, who ordered milk, became suspicious of it and had the waitress refill his glass. Forgetting the episode for a moment he became interested in the conversation and upon again desiring a drink, tilted his glass for a big draught, and immediately made the same social blunder as the aforementioned boiter.

Mr. Sweek, himself, being suspicious of the sugar bowl, preferred his coffee black, but declared it too bitter to suit his taste. Mrs. Huston was chastised by having the money for the dinner hid, though her relenting guests telephoned her its location shortly after their departure.

Easter Cantata Greeted by Large Audience

The presentation of the Easter cantata, "The Resurrection Song," at the Methodist church on Sunday evening was the occasion which brought together a large audience which listened in rapt attention to the chorus solo and duet work of the singers who had been trained to perfection under the leadership of Miss Kate F. Ede, director of music in the Heppner schools.

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Heppner Defeats Three Teams With Score of 73

Only one straight string of 25 was available from the list of scores from the first trip up at the local traps Sunday, and Heppner had to be content with a 73 team score, which nevertheless, was sufficient to defeat the three opponents in the Oregonian state telegraphic trapshooting tournament for the day.

The Dalles, Klamath and Salem, all of whom turned in a 72. Lester Doolittle broke into the team ranks for the first time this season by going straight. Dr. A. D. McMurdo and Glen Hayes, the other team members, broke 24 each. Next Sunday Heppner shoots with Birch Grand Monitor and Baker L. Van Marter, leading for the Latourell trophy being offered to the local high gun during the tournament, broke 94 out of a hundred Sunday. He now has a fairly secure lead, barring accidents. The local club is practically assured of making the ten high teams to compete in the tournament shoot-off match, with only three weeks of competition left.

Joe Brosnan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brosnan of Lena, was quite severely hurt Wednesday forenoon by being thrown from his horse while riding on the range horse back. The animal he was riding was perfectly gentle, but it evidently stumbled and fell and the boy struck on his head, being rendered unconscious, in which condition he must have laid for a couple of hours. When he came to he was able to get to the sheep camp where he was assisted home. Dr. Johnston being called, the boy was brot to Morrow General hospital where he is now recovering all right, all danger of brain concussion having passed. No bones were broken.

Paul Hiesler, who has been confined for some time, undergoing operations for removal of tonsils and appendix, has recovered sufficiently to be about once more and is fast regaining his strength. Paul was being looked to to fill the position of shortstop on the Heppner baseball team this season, but owing to his infirmity may not be able to play this season. His many friends are glad to see him progressing so well.

FREE CHAUTAUQUA BEGINS ON JUNE 8

Pioneer Reunion Features Again With Date Set for the 10th.

Heppner's free Chautauqua for 1929 will start June 8, according to announcement made following a meeting of directors of the association Tuesday evening. The Pioneer Reunion will be a feature again this year with the date tentatively set for Monday, June 10.

The directors were pleased to be able to obtain such an early date, feeling that it will be more satisfactory especially to the farming community. In previous years the date at times has come so late as to conflict with harvesting operations. Another welcome feature this year is the assurance of a larger tent, in fact one of the very largest that the chautauqua people put out, which will mean that the crowd will be taken care of more comfortably than last year.

No line-up on the talent has yet been given out, but it is expected this will be available within a few weeks. It has been assured, however, that a program of high caliber can be anticipated.

Business before the director's meeting included the election of officers, which was taken care of by maintaining the present men in office. F. R. Brown, president; J. W. Hiatt, secretary, and Gay M. Anderson, treasurer. President Brown has appointed as a committee to arrange details of the pioneer's reunion, S. E. Notson, Grant McCarty, and R. W. Turner, of Heppner; E. J. Bristow, of Ione, and Fred Kuntz, of Lexington.

The free chautauqua idea was instituted in Heppner last year and was so favorably received that more than enough money was subscribed last year to assure putting it on again this year. The committee plans to send notices in the near future to all those who subscribed.

That the pioneer's reunion was a welcome and popular feature last year was evidenced by the large number whose names appeared on the roster, and by the smiles of the old-timers wherever they were seen together. The reunion can be expected to be enlarged and improved upon this year, since it was an innovation last year and there were bound to be some rough spots in the organization.

Anyway, Heppner is planning to hold a homecoming for all Morrow county pioneers, whether they be now residing in the county or have moved away, if they can possibly come. Fix the date June 10, and plan to be in Heppner on that day sure, and for all the chautauqua as well, if you can conveniently do so.

Talking Pictures Coming To Star Next Saturday

The miracle of the age! That is the way talking and singing motion pictures have been described throughout the country. And now, through the energies of Manager Sigbee of the Star theater a series of talking and singing acts will be presented to Heppner people on Saturday.

The Paratone Talking Pictures corporation have been signed to bring a portable set to town, and install it in the Star theater. Then it will be up to picture patrons to decide, by their attendance and comments, whether they will want "talkies" permanently or not. If they should permanently, the advancement of science, the theater will install a Paratone equipment.

The Paratone equipment is probably the newest and most perfected of synchronized sets, bringing a perfect tonal quality and marvelous reproduction of voice to the otherwise silent drama. Many of the favorite stage and screen stars, vaudeville headliners and revue leaders have been signed by Paratone and are at present making singing and talking pictures in their big studio at Universal City, California.

TURKEY MEETINGS SUCCESS.

Turkey meetings at Ione and Boardman last week were a pronounced success, declares Chas. W. Smith, county agent. McKinley Huntington, president of the Douglas County Turkey Growers association from Roseburg, addressed the meetings, and showed himself qualified through his years of experience in the turkey business to discuss all phases. Success in turkey raising depends largely on looking to what might seem minor details, says Mr. Smith, and these were stressed by Mr. Huntington. A good turn-out was present at both meetings. Growers of the Boardman section are very largely signed up with the Idaho Turkey Growers Marketing association again this year.

NEIGHBORS OF WOODCRAFT.

You will not be fooled if you attend the meeting Monday evening, though the entertainment committee may have something of an April Fool's nature in store for you. A large class will be initiated to add to the interest of the meeting.—Correspondent.

The office of county school superintendent will be closed Saturday, April 6.—Lucy E. Rodgers, Supt.

HEPPNER BOYS TO APPEAR IN NEW UNIFORMS

DRAKE AND LA MEAR FORM BATTERY FOR LEAGUE OPENER SUNDAY.

Players on the Heppner baseball team will appear in brand spanking new uniforms when they meet Ione on Rodeo field Sunday in the opening game of the Wheatland league season. The familiar blue trimmed in white has been replaced by grey with blue stripes, with "Heppner" standing out in deep red and blue on the shirt fronts.

Thus attired the boys should make a good appearance in at least one way, though cold weather has prevented them from getting their eyes and arms in as good trim as might be expected.

"Ducky" Drake, Portland pitcher who has been with the team for the past two years, put in his appearance yesterday at the local camp and will do the heaving in the Ione game. "Ducky's" ability need not be cited as he is too well known to local fans. Suffice it to say, his pitching and hitting combined have been responsible for a large part of Heppner's success while he has been with the team. He will be received by his old running-mate, Clair La Mear.

A little disheartening to the team has been the announcement that Gay Anderson, veteran, has withdrawn from the lists, Gay deciding that he has served his time. Manager Ferguson has not announced the full line-up, there being some question as to some of the positions. However, it is quite certain that L. Van Marter will be found at his old stand at second, Carl Cason at third and "Mitch" Thorn and Guy Cason in the field. "Buster" Gentry, of Lexington, has declared his intention of playing with the locals and may be found either at short or first. "Bub" Bleakman, Lowell Hiatt, Crockett Sprouls, Vaughn Hiatt, "Slim" Edwards are other boys who have been warming up with the team and may be found in the opening line-up Sunday.

The game will start promptly at 2:30.

Grange Meets Saturday April 6th, at Boardman

Morrow County Pomona Grange will meet at Boardman on Saturday, April 6th, as guests of the Greenfield Grange.

The following program will be given in the afternoon and the public is invited.

J. D. Mickle of Portland, Dairy and Food Commissioner of Oregon the speaker of the day, is a very fluent orator and recently returned from a trip to Europe and Asia. His message will no doubt prove very interesting as well as of much value. Many have heard the Irrigon Club band, trained by Superintendent Masack, which has gained much renown throughout the state, having played at several Pomona Grange meetings, the State Fair at Salem, as well as for many entertainments in their own community.

The other numbers on the program are more or less of the entertainment type. Visiting grangers will please bring pastry and fruit salads for the banquet served at noon and in the evening.

The program: Music, Group Number — Irrigon Club Band Song, "Star Spangled Banner" — Grange with band accompaniment Reading — George Wilkins, Willows Duet, "Whispering Hope" — Mrs. Stephens and Mrs. Lundell Music — Irrigon Club Band Address — J. D. Mickle Dairy and Food Commissioner Reading, Mildred Morgan, Willows Singing — Famous Peck Family

Seniors to Present Play For Alpine Farm Bureau

Featuring the Alpine Farm Bureau meeting Saturday evening will be a one-act play by the senior class of Heppner High school. Slated for talks are Dr. J. P. Conder and C. W. Smith, county agent of Heppner. The live program announced for the occasion follows: Annual election of officers and other business.

Achievements of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League, Charles W. Smith, County Agent. Announcements, resolutions and introductions, Dr. Conder. Song, Dan Lindsay. Reading, Miss Irene Riechel. One Act Play, "A Bunch of Roses," Senior Class of Heppner High School. Scene: Petiove Court, Pass Christian. Cast: Mr. Petiove, Clair Cox; Mrs. Peter Petiove, Margaret Notson; Miss Hilda Graves, Patricia Mahoney; Mr. Molvina Pelkington, Dorothy Herren; Mr. Herbert Mason, Terrel Bengel; Higgs, Vivian Casan; Hopsob, Paul Jones.

Miss Velton Owens will entertain with a reading, "Aunt Cornelia Visits the Sick," between the scenes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. French were here from their home at Gurdane on Wednesday. Lambing is on at the French ranch, but the weather conditions are none too good, it being cold and stormy up that way.

WHITMAN GLEE CLUB WINS BIG AUDIENCE

Choral, Orchestra Music of High Type; Variety Adds Spice.

A near-capacity audience, of more than 500 people, at the Heppner public school auditorium Monday evening to greet the Whitman All-College Glee club from Whitman college, Walla Walla, evoked a deal of praise from the club management. Not only were they pleased at the size of the audience, but were enthusiastic in their praise of the fine behaviour toward and attention given the student musicians. A high compliment was also paid the building in which the concert was given, it far exceeding their expectations for a town the size of Heppner.

In turn, the fine reception given the concert can truly be said to have been but the natural result of such an excellent entertainment. The two hours and fifteen minutes captivated the audience so completely that it passed all too quickly.

In the club ensemble, the harmony seemed so nearly perfect, the effect was such that Howard E. Pratt, the director, appeared to be playing upon the voices much as a master violinist brings forth perfect tones from his instrument, with the least change of the baton bringing a noticeable response from the singers. "Greeting Song," by Wooler, "The Open Road," Stuckles, "Ah, 'Tis You," Scott, and "In the Merry Month of May," Gaines, were included in the opening group by the ensemble. Catherine Hoxsey played the difficult "La Ronde des Lutins," by Bazzini, in a pleasing manner, followed by "Song at Sunrise," Manney, a beautiful incidental duet by Sarah Somerville and Edwin Beach, with the first part of the program being rounded out by a second group by the ensemble.

"Would God I Were the Tender Apple Blossom" (Irish air) arranged by Fisher; "Water Million Time," Condyln, and "Seraphic Song" (choral paraphrase by Gaines) Rubinstein, with incidental contralto solo by Vaughn Haskins and violin obbligato by Miss Hoxsey.

Part two was partly given over to the orchestra, directed in a capable manner by Miss Hoxsey, acting director in the absence of Mrs. Esther Sundquist Bowers, who was unable to accompany the group due to a recent illness. "Orpheus in der Unterwelt," an overture by Offenbach, was the first offering, with a group of three numbers following a soprano solo, "Waltz Song of Love," Moszkowski, by Mary Catherine Breck. "Serenade," Drdia; "Menuetto All'antico," Karganoff, and "Serenade Espagnole," Bizet, composed the group.

A feature of the second part, lighter in nature, was of the ballet type, depicting through interpretative dances leading college activities, football, basketball, baseball and tennis. Dances were given by Helen Meyers, Marion LeFevre and Robert Garrett to the accompaniment of Whitman songs. The dances were thoroughly original and captivating by the manner presented. The second part ended with singing of the Whitman Hymn, by Penrose.

Part three opened with "Strolling Through Melody Lane With the Varsity Quartettes," in which a boys' and a girls' quartette exchanged in singing a group of songs including "Invictus" Huhn; "Spring-time," Donizetti; "The Bill of Fare," Zollner, and "Carmena Waltz Song." Favor this latest advancement of science, the quartettes were well selected and with the fine choice of numbers made a very favorable impression.

A unique finale was effected thru a libretto from the Chicago Record, an act of up-to-date grand opera, with music arranged by Frank J. Smith. Something of a parody in nature, the act contained familiar strains from leading operas, at the same time being humorous. Taking a lead part in the opera was Edwin Beach, of Lexington, whose fine tenor voice was well suited to the part. As most operas have their ballets; so was introduced a ballet. Russian in motif, which rounded out the operatic effect quite completely. Dancers were the same who presented the interpretative skills of the activities.

The entire personnel of the Whitman organization totaled 34 people.

Congressman Butler in The Dalles for Recess

Congressman R. R. Butler arrived in The Dalles on Sunday morning, and will remain here until about the tenth of April, when he leaves to attend the special session of congress, to convene April 15th. The past few months in Washington have been busy ones for the newly elected member from the Second Oregon district, and he is enjoying to the limit the change from Washington to his home district.

Congressman Butler left for Portland yesterday for a brief visit, and will make a stop at Vale on his way back to attend to some business connected with the project at that place. A number of people from all over Eastern Oregon have been in touch with him during the short time he has been in the city. —The Dalles Optimist.