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CONTRACT AWARDED FOR NEW CITY WELL

Strausser & Co. Successful Bidder; Work to Start at Once.

FIVE BIDS RECEIVED

Durand, Edwards, Scott, Jantzen Also Make Offers; No Guarantee Of Striking Artesian Flow.

R. J. Strausser & Co. of Portland was the low bidder at the council meeting Friday, held for the purpose of opening bids for drilling a second well for the city at the forks of Willow creek, and was awarded the contract. The drilling outfit was brought through the city Monday with the expectation of starting operations immediately.

In connection with letting the contract the council passed a resolution in which it was set out that the present supply of water provided by the existing artesian well is insufficient to meet the needs of the city, making it necessary to drill a second well, and stating that the bid of Strausser & Co., being satisfactory the contract be awarded them.

First 250 Feet, \$5.75.
Strausser & Co.'s bid provided for drilling 250 feet at a cost of \$5.75 a foot, the next 250 feet at \$6.25 a foot, and the next 100 feet at \$6.75 a foot. The contract calls for furnishing of bond to the extent of the cost of the well to a depth of 600 feet.

Other bidders were A. A. Durand of Walla Walla, driller of the present artesian well; A. M. Edwards, Lexington; Jantzen Drilling Co., Portland, and Scott Co., Portland. Durand's bid was the same as that submitted for drilling the first well, or \$10 a foot for the first 300 feet and \$1 a foot additional each hundred feet thereafter. The present well was drilled to a depth of 210 feet, costing the city \$2100.

Mr. Strausser, who presented the company's bid in person, was interviewed by the council on his drilling experience, revealed to have covered a period of at least 18 years with the majority of his operations having been in the Willamette valley and along the coast. He could see no very good reason why they should not expect to strike water at about the same depth as in the first hole, saying that it has been his experience that the flow is generally increased if the hole is put deeper after striking the first flow. Should the city wish to go deeper in the present hole after water is secured in the second well, he offered to do the work at the flat rate of \$2 an hour.

Site Not Decided.

Other drillers who presented bids in person were Mr. Durand, Mr. Scott and Mr. Edwards, each of whom was then an opportunity to explain his bid to the council.

The council had not decided at the time of the meeting just where they would have the well drilled, but in talking the matter over with Mr. Strausser, they were given the driller's opinion that he did not believe the site made very much difference except that the matter of convenience be taken into consideration. It appeared probable that the council might choose to drill on the land now held by the city, below the present artesian well. While hope is held of obtaining another flowing well, thus eliminating the necessity of pumping, there is no guarantee that such will be the case.

Mr. Strausser estimated that the new hole would be put down at the rate of from 5 to 7 feet a day, leaving little probability that water will be secured from this source before the end of the present dry season. To meet an emergency, however, the city has put its chlorination plant in shape so that water may be taken from the creek at the old intake on short notice.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford were over-Sunday visitors at Walla Walla, Wash., the former home of Mrs. Parker and Mr. Crawford. The occasion of the visit was the celebration of the 65th anniversary of the organization of the Christian church in that community and the opportunity offered of meeting with many friends of the long ago. But one living charter member of the church now remains, Mrs. T. J. Holwell, a pioneer resident of the Walla Walla valley, 97 years of age, who was especially honored on this occasion. The program presented a feast of good things spiritually and a grand picnic dinner was served in the city park at midday, the afternoon being given over to recital of early history pertaining to the church and in reminiscences by visitors and older members present. Accompanying the above party as far as Walla Walla was Miss Gladys Bengt, who enjoyed a visit at the home of Mrs. Ella Webb in that city and with the family of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hughes at Umpqua.

Come! See! Wonder! Back of the scenes with an air show in the making—THE LOST SQUADRON with Richard Dix, Star Theater Sunday and Monday.

LOCALS IN CELLAR AS SEASON ENDS

Sunday's Game Lost to R-B, 11-4; Arlington Has Pennant; Harold Gentry Injured.

Heppner secured uncontested position on the dank cellar floor of the Wheatland league in the final round of games Sunday, when they lost 11-4 to the Rufus-Ballock gang at Arlington, while Arlington walked triumphantly away with the pennant when they defeated Ione 24-15 on the Egg City ball lot.

Sunday's games were entered into in a spirit of levity as indicated by the scores, as the outcome of the series had been previously decided. Glen Hayes, who had last appeared officially as a pitcher some fifteen years ago, held down the mound for Heppner for the first six innings, and was not batted hard at any time. He turned the job over to Manager McCrady in the seventh with Blalock in the lead 6-3. Four hits and two walks off McCrady in the seventh netted the R-B. gang their extra five scores.

Heppner scored their first run the first time up when Roy Gentry, singled, stole second and made home on his brother Harold's single. After going scoreless in the second and third, the boys came across for two more in the fourth when Rohrer hit, Homer Hayes fanned, Crawford walked and both runners advanced on Glen Hayes' pop fly and scored on Ferguson's hit. The last score came in the eighth, when, with one away Rohrer walked, advanced on Homer Hayes' hit and scored on Crawford's hit.

Harold Gentry was forced from the game in the third inning with a bad eye occasioned by a play at third in which he attempted to take a hot peg from Turner at first in a try for a Blalock runner. The runner dodged the ball which caught Gentry with full force squarely in the eye, badly injuring the member.

The R-B. scores came one in the first, one in the second, two in the third, one in the fifth, one in the sixth and five in the seventh.

Heppner's batting record for the game follows:

	AB	R	H
Roy Gentry, c	5	1	1
Harold Gentry, s	2	0	1
G. Rohrer, 3	3	2	2
H. Hayes, r	4	0	1
J. Crawford, l	3	1	1
G. Hayes, p	4	0	0
R. Ferguson, 2	4	0	1
L. Turner, 1	4	0	1
R. Thomson, m-2	4	0	1
M. Cummings, m	3	0	0
Totals	36	4	9

System for Irrigating Developed at City Park

All the trees and plants at the city park have so far been kept alive and growing largely through the industry of Paul Marble, director of the park holding company, who for a considerable time carried water to them daily. Carrying water from the creek proved quite a chore, and Mr. Marble thought to lighten the burden by an improvised irrigating system, extension of ditches for which was assisted by members of the Lions club and residents of the vicinity who gathered there Monday evening to burn off the dry grass as a protection to the trees.

Mr. Marble received sanction from the Pacific Power and Light company of which he is local manager, to use their water rights in a canal and pipe line which carries water from the creek at the Covins place along the front of the park, and made a hole in the pipe at the highest point from which water is taken through ditches to all the plants and shrubs, and all the trees but two, to which it is still necessary to carry water.

TAKING P. G. WORK.

Miss Dorothy Herren, who completed her course as a nurse and graduated in May from the General hospital in Los Angeles, is now taking post graduate work in that institution, where she expects to be for the remainder of the summer. Miss Herren is expected to return home the latter part of September and on October 1st will assume charge of the General hospital in this city, now operated by her mother, Mrs. L. G. Herren.

CALL FOR BIDS.

The Clerk of District No. 9 calls for bids for transportation of school children from said District to Ione. Bus to take the children from W. T. Doherty, Wells Springs, Neil Doherty and Edward Rietmann ranches.

Kindly specify vehicle to be used. All bids must be in by July 15, 1932.

LEO GORGER, Clerk, Lexington, Ore.

Happy Hearts Meet.

The Happy Hearts 4-H club met June 29 at the home of Florence Green. Those present were Betty Snider, Patsy Smith, Margaret Doolittle, Frances Egan, Mary Emma Curran and Betty Adkins. Betty Hapgood was a visitor. Some are finishing their club work. The next meeting will be July 6.

Betty Adkins, reporter.

Sam McDaniel was in town from his ranch south of Hardman on Saturday and reports plenty of summer up that way.

Receives Severe Burns From Flaming Paraffine

Mrs. Spencer Crawford was severely burned at her home in south Heppner Friday afternoon when she carried a stew-kettle of blazing paraffine from the house. After receiving treatment at Morrow General hospital she returned home yesterday, having made rapid recovery, though it is still necessary to keep some of the burned area in bandages.

Mrs. Crawford had set the kettle of paraffine on the electric plate to melt for sealing some jam, leaving it for a minute to attend to other household work. She returned shortly to find the paraffine afire. Her first thought being to keep the house from catching on fire, she picked up the kettle of blazing wax and rushed outside. The flames burned her face, hands and neck and some of the blazing paraffine spilled out onto the floor, burning her about the legs. Neighbors assisted her in summoning a physician and in dressing the burns, as she was alone at the time, and she was removed to the hospital.

For a time Mrs. Crawford believed she was burning up as some of the flaming paraffine caught on her dress and it appeared to be on fire. The paraffine burned off, however, without catching the garment. When she discovered that she was still able to wiggle, and was not burned to a char, she was pleased, and her fine spirit was helpful in treating the injury, her physician said.

Heppner Forest District Offers Tourist Attractions

By F. F. WEHMEYER, Ranger.

Just north of Turner mountain and south of China Gap is an area called Hell Hole, so named by pioneers as there was a vent there that emitted steam. Steam no longer issues from this place but subterranean heat keeps the area sufficiently warm that no snow ever lies there. It would seem from this particular area is not far from hell. Centuries ago the Wall creek area was the scene of violent volcanic action. The great flows are still visible as they terrace up and with what was evidently successive flows of lava. The breaks as they are called are giant ballistics of black basaltic rock standing in perpendicular formation and the stratas must be highly ironized for the black has been turned to a white glaze on many of the edges where the lightning has hit throughout countless years.

These natural lightning rods are crystallized in many places, leaving streaks of pure glass running down the sharp edges of the cliffs. These catch the sun rays and reflect with all the beauty of rhinestones. On Camas prairie, large hunks of pumice have been noted, some as large as a half water-bucket. This would indicate that the crater was not far distant, though time and erosion have completely concealed its whereabouts.

In the Henry creek area there is much petrified wood, probably sequoia or redwood, but interesting for its great age and the fact that we were one time in the redwood belt.

In the Spray and Fossil country one can mine bones from most any cliff where they were probably buried a million years ago by volcanic ash. Nearly every prehistoric mound has left a record of its species in fossilized bones in this part of the country.

Over around Arbuckle there are the old coal fields and the evidence of palm trees, ferns and other tropical vegetation imprinted in the rocks. One can visualize the time the old earth's crust first became firm enough to support a vast vegetable growth under tropical skies. On Opal peak there are the old opal mines, where men dug the semi-precious stones from the mountain top. Close by is the old Pat Shea mine to intrigue one's curiosity.

From Madison butte one may see the greater part of eastern Oregon; can look down upon the lights of Condon, Heppner, Hardman and Long Creek at night. From here one views the great rugged peaks of the Cascade range, Hood, St. Helens, Adams, Jefferson, the Sisters, etc. Some days Hood and Adams appear to be almost within reaching distance.

While this country is interesting geologically it also has many other attractions. Due to its location where the Hudsonian and temperate zones overlap, it has probably the greatest variety of vegetation in the greater American.

Deer, bear, elk, cougar, wildcats, coyotes and numerous other species of wild life are much in evidence and may be seen on occasion.

The Heppner district is traversed by approximately 300 miles of road and an additional two hundred miles of trail, allowing of free and easy access to enjoy its beauties and recreational possibilities. A hundred and seventy miles of telephone add much to the peace of mind of camper and tourist as there is always an instrument or ranger station within easy access or at a reasonable distance in case of sickness, accident or distress.

Camp fire permits may be had at any ranger or guard station. Both hardware stores here in town carry the blanks and are authorized to issue permits on request.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES.

Rev. S. W. Creasey will hold holy communion at All Saints Episcopal church next Sunday at 11 o'clock, and at Hardman at 2:30 Sunday afternoon.

RAILROADS OFFER COMPROMISE RATE

Would Establish One Basis for Wheat Into Portland.

SHIPPERS REJECT

Arlington Conference Brings Reply To Demands of Growers Who Are Not Yet Satisfied.

A compromise rate, amounting to 19 cents a hundred pounds on wheat from Heppner, Lexington and Ione to Portland, to replace both the intrastate and interstate rates now in effect, was offered the growers at Arlington yesterday by officials representing the railroads. While the growers, representing all the principal wheatraising counties of eastern Oregon, considered that the compromise rate would give them a large saving if put into effect this year, estimated at \$25,000 for Morrow county, they rejected the rate because they did not want to injure their case before the Interstate Commerce commission which is to be heard at Seattle soon.

The compromise rate offered the growers at Arlington yesterday was the response of the railroads to the recent demand of eastern Oregon wheatgrowers that all their wheat shipped to Portland be carried at the intrastate rate, which now amounts to 15 cents from here. The majority of wheat from here is now charged at the interstate rate of 22 1/2 cents.

In their resolution rejecting the compromise rate offer, the committee of growers viewed with approval the attempt of the railroads to give the growers fair and equitable rates. They rejected the offer, however, as not meeting with the full ideas of the shippers, and because they did not wish to put themselves on record as favoring such compromise as being final and acceptable. The resolutions committee consisted of James B. Adams, Bert Johnson, A. B. Robertson and Chas. F. Story. J. W. Shepherd was chairman of the meeting.

These men expressed the feeling that the proposed compromise rates, if put into effect, would work a substantial saving to the shippers; would be greatly appreciated by them for the movement of this crop, and would have a tendency to check the rapidly growing losses of traffic by carriers to truck transportation.

Lafferty Teaches Life Saving at Vancouver

Camp Hurlburt, Wash., June 29.—Boys attending the 1932 Citizen's Military Training camp here who will go home at the close of camp as members of the American Red Cross lifesaving service, providing they pass the test include Charles McMurdo of Heppner, Junior and senior courses are being taught daily by Lieutenant Paul R. Lafferty, who was detailed to this job by Brigadier General Paul A. Wolf, camp commander, because he is an examiner in the lifesaving service as well as a University of Oregon swimming star and Olympic games contender. The boys are learning how to approach and rescue drowning persons, how to escape when clutching the victims, how to perform artificial respiration, and other phases of water first aid work.

Lafferty was in charge of the Heppner swimming tank year before last.

POMONA PROGRAM REVISED.

A revision of the Pomona grange program to be presented at the meeting in Irrigon next Saturday has been made as follows: music, Irigan band; reading, "Old Flag, Respect to Flag," Mrs. Carrie Bock, et al.; Rhea Creek; piano solo, Jeanette Turner; reading, Margaret Smith; song, mixed quartet; talk, Bert Johnson; music, Irigan band; talk, Ray Gill, master Irigan State Grange; address, Judge Calvin, L. Sweek; vocal duet, Mrs. Trannie Parker, Mrs. R. B. Rice; music, Irigan band. The program, starting at 1:30 in the afternoon, is open to the public.

GO TO RENO.

Chas. H. Latourell and Dr. A. D. McMurdo left by car this morning for Reno, Nevada, where they expected to participate in the big international trapshooting tournament to be held Saturday and Sunday. Both men have won many laurels for the local road and gun club and hope to place Heppner's banner in the winning list in this outstanding sporting event. Dr. McMurdo returned this morning from the Northwest Medical association convention at Spokane. Dr. R. M. Rice of Portland is caring for Dr. McMurdo's practice during his absence.

SETTING UP CRUSHER.

The county has had a crew of men busy the last week setting up the rock crusher on McKinney creek preparatory to starting surfacing of the Heppner-Spray road between Rhea creek and Hardman. It is expected surfacing operations will be under way within a few days.

Veterans' Term Insurance Renewed Without Exam

Confirmation of recent newspaper reports announcing the privilege of war veterans of renewing their five-year term government insurance policies for another five-year period without having to undergo a physical examination was received by W. E. Moore, service officer of the local American Legion post, this week. The confirmation follows:

"Section 301 of the World War Veterans act as amended June 24, 1932, provides for the renewal of a five-year level premium term government insurance policy at the expiration of the five year period for a second five year period at the premium rate for the attained age without a medical examination.

"The insured should execute page one of form 739 (application for government life insurance) endorsing under line covering question 15, the following question, 'Are you now totally and permanently disabled. (Answer "yes" or "no").

"The completed application should be returned to the bureau together with the expiring policy and the first premium payment at the insured's attained age."

Mr. Moore believed it important that veterans who hold term insurance policies take notice of this action, which may keep them from dropping their policies.

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Catherine Peterson, director of young people's work of the local Episcopal church, with her company of young people returned from attending the sessions of summer school of the church held at Cove during the past two weeks. Miss Peterson reports a very successful session of the school with an enrollment of 120, the largest in its history. Members of the Young Peoples Fellowship attending from Heppner were the Misses Alva McDuffee, Beatrice Thomson, Annie Crump and Adele Nickerson, and Billy Thomson and Bernard McMurdo.

J. A. Laher is expected to leave the Heppner hospital by ambulance this evening for his home at Walla Walla, having recovered sufficiently from the serious injuries sustained in an automobile accident recently to be able to make the trip. During his confinement at the hospital here, Mr. Laher had the company of Mrs. Laher and their son, and received many visits by relatives and friends from Walla Walla, as well as many friends here who he had made in connection with his business as a wool buyer.

THE LOST SQUADRON, with Richard Dix and a fine cast, Star Theater Sunday and Monday, July 3 and 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ferguson and children returned the end of the week from a two weeks' visit with Mr. Ferguson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Ferguson, at Gold Beach. Mr. Ferguson reports lively activity at the little coast city following completion of the mile and a half highway bridge across the mouth of the Rogue river between Gold Beach and Wedderburn.

J. B. Huddleston and sister, Miss Bess Huddleston, visited over the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wightman, coming over from their Lone Rock home, and enjoyed greeting old-time friends here whom they had not seen since last fall on their last trip over. Huddleston said he would shortly be moving his sheep to the mountains for summer range.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boyd arrived in the city the end of the week and visited at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Miller Huston, until yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd now run a grocery store at Beaverton. Mr. Boyd was employed as engine watchman at the local O. W. R. & N. station for many years, during which time he made many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Sackett and Miss Margaret Notson left for Salem Monday morning after visiting for a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Notson, parents of Mrs. Sackett and Miss Notson. Miss Notson will attend summer school at Willamette university.

Frances, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson of Willow creek underwent an operation at the hands of a local physician Friday for the removal of tonsils and adenoids. She soon rallied from the ordeal and was taken home by her parents.

Mrs. Fay Umphres, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Murray of Ione, took the stage at Heppner this morning on her way home to Walla Walla, after visiting at Ione for some time. She was brought to this city by Bert Johnson who transacted business in the city.

Geo. J. Currin visited in Heppner Friday while on his way to visit his son, Hugh Currin, and family at Pilot Rock. Mr. Currin for many years engaged in farming and stock raising in this county and now makes his home at Gresham.

Albert Shunk sustained a fracture of the skull Saturday when he fell head-first off a haystack at the R. A. Thompson farm, where he was working. He was brought to Heppner hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Adkins of Emmett, Idaho, were visitors in the city for a couple of days the past week, guests at the home of Mr. Adkins' mother, Mrs. Mattie Adkins.

Mrs. Nettie Flower Lievalten departed yesterday on her way to Hollister, Calif., where she will make her home in the future with a daughter.

GOVERNOR MEIER OPPOSES MERGER

Move to Consolidate Schools on Single Campus Rapped; Would Break Faith With Eugene.

In no uncertain terms, Governor Julius L. Meier last week declared himself strongly opposed to the proposed initiative measure that would move the University of Oregon to Corvallis, move the state's three normal schools to Eugene, move the law school to Salem, and establish junior colleges at Ashland and La Grande.

The governor's statement was made in the form of a letter to Henry Zorn, president of the Marion County Tax League, backers of the initiative measure.

"After a careful study of the matter," Governor Meier stated, "I am of the firm opinion that the proposed measure would not be conducive to saving to the taxpayers, but on the contrary would result in large economic losses, greatly increased taxes and decreased efficiency in the functions of the university, the college and the normal schools."

The governor defended the unified plan for the state schools as outlined by the board of higher education and to go into effect on July 1. Under this plan, the institutions will be operated as one unified system under a single chancellor.

"In my opinion," Meier said, "both the taxpayers of the state and higher education will be better served by the merger of the management of these higher institutions of learning under a single chancellor, as contemplated by the act creating the state board of higher education."

The board has effected a saving of approximately \$1,000,000 a year, and under the new set-up further economies will be possible. It has been the experience of states operating consolidated institutions that costs are considerably higher than in those states, like Oregon, which maintain university and college separate. The average cost per student in consolidated schools is \$395 or \$47 more per year. In Oregon which is even below the average for non-consolidated schools, the cost per student is \$91 less. These figures were compiled by the U. S. office of education prior to the recent operating cuts made by the state board.

The governor also expressed the opinion that to place the two schools on one campus would mean the loss of identity of Oregon State college. He referred to the experience of other states, where university functions almost completely submerge the functions of the college division. He expressed fear that the same situation would arise in Oregon were the two schools merged.

Aside from the more economical aspect of the proposed merger, Meier discussed the question of whether the state has a right to violate a faith placed with the people of Eugene at the time the university was established. He quoted the bill passed in 1872 providing for the establishment of the university, which clearly states that if the people of Eugene would provide a site and donate \$50,000 for the initial building, then "such university is hereby permanently located at the town of Eugene City."

Meier also expressed regret that an officer of the Marion County Tax league had threatened to throw the support of the group against the worthy tax measures which he and the Oregon Taxpayer's Equalization and Conservation leagues were supporting unless a member of the state league did not cease attacking the school-moving bill.

"Although we may have honest differences of opinion, we should not allow either passion or prejudice to enter into our disagreements and should consider all legislation on its merits," the governor stated.

Farmers Picnic and Tour Draw Many to Lexington

More than 200 people attended the farmers' picnic at Lexington, and 15 cars participated in the field trip of inspection to fields and nurseries, reported C. W. Smith, county agent. The Karl Miller farm proved ideal for the occasion with spacious tables set in the cool shade affording fine accommodation for the large picnic lunch. A program featured by the address of C. R. Hyslop, extension farm crops specialist from O. S. C., and games was enjoyed by all.

While the tour was in progress, Mrs. W. F. Mahoney and Mrs. Lucy Rodgers had charge of the afternoon entertainment for the ladies and children.

BALL TEAM TO UKIAH.

Heppner's Wheatland league ball team will journey to Ukiah to meet the Pendleton team at 10 o'clock Monday morning, the Fourth, as a part of the annual cowboy convention and celebration. The same Pendleton team will meet the Mission Indians there Sunday morning, July 3.

TO SCOUT CAMP.

Bernard and Scott McMurdo and Dan Chinn are Heppner Boy Scouts in attendance at the Rotary summer camp of the Blue Mountain council near Milton, being escorted over this week by Clarence Bauman, member of the executive committee, and Marvin Wightman, scoutmaster of the local troop.

RESEARCH SET-UP FOR FARMS CITED

That Agriculture Getting More Than its Share Is Disputed.

HYSLOP GIVES TALK

Work of Moro Station Praised Before Lions; Road Committee Named; Park Gets Work.

"Agricultural Research" was the topic discussed by Prof. R. G. Hyslop, Oregon State college farm crops specialist, before the Lions club Monday, in the course of which discussion he asserted that much of the propaganda emanating from the East aimed to cripple the work of the United States department of agriculture is ill-founded.

"Only a small part of the department of agriculture's appropriation is spent in a manner to be of sole benefit to agriculture, with a large proportion of its money going into work of general public benefit," Mr. Hyslop said, "giving little basis for the argument that agriculture is receiving too much benefit from the federal government." Among work carried on by the department not purely agricultural in nature, Mr. Hyslop mentioned the forest service and road work which takes a big cut out of the appropriations. After deductions for such work of general public benefit are made, there remains some \$30,000,000 out of a total appropriation of \$350,000,000, which is spent on work of a purely agricultural nature including agricultural research of which the department is the head, the object of which is to give the farmer a greater return for his labor through lowering operating costs, improving varieties of products, increasing yields and controlling diseases.

Experiment Stations Assisted.

The department is assisted in this work by state appropriations, and by a central experiment station in each state as well as branch experiment stations where problems of the different sections are taken up. The central experiment station in Oregon is located at Corvallis. Branch stations with the special problems studied by each were given as follows: Talent, fruit; Astoria, dairy and forage; Hood River, fruit; Hermiston, light land irrigation; Union, livestock, Burns, forage and cereals; Pendleton, cereals, especially from standpoint of rotation; Moro, cereals.

The work of the Moro station has been of especial benefit to Morrow county and eastern Oregon generally. Mr. Hyslop said, by establishing the practice of early plowing which has resulted in increasing the per acre yield of wheat on an average of six bushels; by bringing about a standardization on a few good wheat varieties which have proved superior to the many varieties formerly grown, and otherwise assisting in establishing profitable farming practices. He cited the work of D. E. Stephens, superintendent of the Moro station, as being outstanding throughout the world in furthering the study of wheat varieties.

Disease Work Told.

Work in the development of disease-resistant plants was touched upon, as well as disease-control work. It is hoped to develop a smut-resistant wheat that will mean to the wheatgrower what the introduction of Ladak has meant to the alfalfa grower. Ladak alfalfa, introduced from Cashmere, apparently is not attacked by alfalfa wilt, a disease that shortens the life of the plant from 10 to 3 years, thus saving alfalfa growers many thousands of dollars annually.

G. A. Bleakman reported visiting the new construction work on the Heppner-Spray road Sunday when C. L. Andrews, division engineer for the bureau of public roads, made an inspection of the work. Mr. Bleakman reported that there still remained 300 yards of cushioning to be done on the road and that the grade between Chapin creek and Haystack canyon would not be open to travel before the middle of this week. If the emergency measure for forest roads is passed by congress it is expected surfacing will start almost immediately, and this part of the road will again be closed to travel. A committee was appointed to keep in touch with the road progress, as follows: Al Rankin, Earl Eskelson, S. E. Notson, Earl Gordon and G. A. Bleakman.

It was decided that a group of the members would burn off the dry grass from the city park to protect the trees planted by the club there this spring, which was done Monday evening.

RUHL-GRAY.

Laurel Elmer Ruhl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Ruhl, and Miss Viola Fay Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gray, all residents of the Lexington vicinity, were married at the home of Joel R. Benton, Christian minister, in this city yesterday, Mr. Benton performing the ceremony. Both the bride and bridegroom are prominent young people of Lexington, Mr. Ruhl having been graduated from Lexington high school in the spring.