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Official Paper for Morrow County

In the press of putting out the paper short-handed last week the word "fiend" incongruously appeared where "friend" was meant. This was a result of one of those idiosyncrasies of the linotype where the letter "r" failed to respond as it should, combined with a bit too hasty proof reading. Our apologies to those who may have been given a false impression by the error.

And while speaking of matters close to the editorial heart, may we add a note of appreciation to the many subscribers who have responded to the recent statements of subscription standings. There have also been many kind words, along with some criticisms, all of which are necessary to guide any institution of public service, and therefore are welcome.

About the time we believed we were sailing blithely into springtime, having escaped severe winter weather, Old Man Boreas decided to throw his snowy cloak about us. His thoughtfulness so far has brought appreciation for heavy moisture content of the garment and its freedom from extreme refrigerating qualities.

As a result of the moisture one visitor to Walla Walla the first of the week declared, "We're going to outdo that section this year." His prediction was based on the fact that the Washington city district had not been blessed by the wet snow—in fact the landscape there was snowless.

Honest Abe Lincoln will have his day Saturday, sweethearts will be remembered with the exchange of valentines Monday. Two great days of the year in which to promulgate needed virtues in a strife-torn world.

And Uncle Sam must arm the more. That is the edict written by Japanese action in refusing to reveal their intentions in the building of large ships. A balance of power on the seas is required for world safety, and the taxpayers must foot the bill—whether they like it or not.

Some millionaire taxpayers who didn't like it elsewhere have found a storm cellar for tax dodging in Nevada where the only state tax is that on property by virtue of constitutional provision, and the state and all political subdivisions are on a pay-as-you-go basis. Nevada is being blessed by millionaires as a result and an example is set for emulation by far more favorably situated states, such as Oregon.

SISTER IN EUROPE

Europe is all right, but Mrs. R. Leutwyler wrote Joe Snyder, her brother, from there this week that she was looking forward to an early visit at his home in Heppler and some good old home-cooked victuals. Mr. and Mrs. Leutwyler, who make their home at Seaside, have been visiting Mr. Leutwyler's old home in Switzerland, and Mrs. Leutwyler's card this week was mailed from Czechoslovakia.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends for their help and expressions of sympathy at the time of our bereavement. We are deeply grateful for the fine floral tribute.

The Lovgren Family,
Mrs. Ella Davidson,
E. E. Lovgren,
Mrs. Emma Johnson.

"PORKY" LOOKS LIKE BROTHER PADDY; WILD LIFE NOTES GIVEN ON FOREST

By F. F. WEHMEYER

According to estimates made and records kept, we had the following game killed on the Oregon part of the Umatilla National forest in 1937: 60 bear, 400 deer and 300 elk. There were 4500 hunters. In addition it was estimated that predators accounted for the killing of 100 elk and 600 deer.

All small fur bearers are represented and well distributed but not very plentiful. The porcupine whose fur is far from popular and who is a sort of Russian thistle of the animal kingdom, always holds his own in numbers, which is estimated to be well above the five thousand mark. One sheepman said he never had the heart to kill them because they looked so much like his brother Paddy, but aside from this, nearly every man's hand is against them as a pest and few pass up the opportunity to kill one. Of all animals they have the greatest life tenacity and one will walk off carrying more lead than a grizzly bear.

Reports from the Biological survey indicate they killed 46 bob cats and 1,377 coyotes on or close to the national forest on the Oregon part of the Umatilla.

There is also an estimated five hundred bear, five thousand deer and nearly five thousand elk, with a mild winter and a normal increase, these numbers should assure future hunting. While these figures are founded on estimates given in by hunters, stockmen, forest guards, survey crews, they need not be discredited too much as areas where actual counts have been carried out have shown that previous estimates were not very far out of line. Several national forests have made actual winter census with CCC labor, covering winter feed areas with the strip method and making actual tallies. It is expected this type of census

will be carried out on the Umatilla within the next few years if winter weather conditions are favorable and the CCC labor is available.

Elk have multiplied in a gratifying manner in the Heppler country, but there is a rather heavy concentration in the Penland Prairie-Potamus area, where herds of fifty or more have often been seen. It might be that the opening of the season one year to scatter the elk would prove beneficial.

The ruffled grouse, who ushers in the break of day with his drums, has become very rare in our country and unless some action is taken to curb the hawks and big horned owls, will be extinct in a few years. The big horned owl is a real villain and capable of carrying off several times his own weight. Undoubtedly many fawns are swooped up by this rascal when their mothers are out feeding in the false security of the night. His eyes are keen and his flight noiseless. A few years ago after missing several mammoth Pekin ducks, I caught the robber. It was a big horned owl with a 56-inch wing spread.

Coyotes seem to maintain their numbers in spite of the best efforts made to control them. Scientists claim animals live by instinct. This is pure rubbish. Anyone who has endeavored to trap these sly scamps know they use plenty of reasoning power or a sheepman can testify to the plans they will execute to gratify their taste for mutton. In fact, anyone raised on a ranch and who has had cows dabble their tails in the gutter, then wrap it around their neck about three turns and grin as they pull, knows that the instinct angle is pure bosh. Anyhow, the coyote grins in sardonic good humor at man's efforts, ignores Margaret Sangster's advice, and is on hand to imitate Swiss yodlers with each threatened change of the weather.

HARDMAN NEWS

Lovgren Rites Held; Tom Merrill Dies

By OPAL HASTINGS

In spite of the disagreeable weather the funeral of Frank Martin Lovgren was one of the largest attended in recent times. Mr. Lovgren was long a resident and respected citizen of Morrow county. Rev. R. C. Young of Heppler preached the funeral service. Mrs. Neal Knighten and Miss Iris Morton sang two duets accompanied by Mrs. G. I. Clary. Mr. Lovgren is survived by his wife and twelve children.

Tom Merrill passed away Friday, Feb. 2, at his home in Monument, at the age of 91 years and 2 months. He resided here at the Bechdolt place till 1909 when he moved to Monument where he has lived ever since. In October, 1917, Mrs. Merrill passed away. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Nan Bundy, two daughters, Mrs. Emma Emory and Mrs. Jennie Devore; four sons, E. Jay, Alonzo, Harvey and Cliff; 25 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Rev. Mr. Cookson of Monument preached the funeral service. Three duets were sung by Miss Iris Morton and Mrs. Neal Knighten, accompanied by Mrs. G. I. Clary. In spite of the very bad roads there was a good attendance.

Oscel Inskip with Neal Knighten's tractor opened the road to the Odd Fellows cemetery and while he was about it he cleaned the most used streets, for which the townspeople are very appreciative.

Miss Delsie Bleakman and Raymond Reid went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDaniel on the McIntyre ranch to help celebrate Sam's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Collins came in to attend the dance. On the way in they had much difficulty on account of the depth of snow. They spent Saturday night at the Dick Steers home.

The upper grade girls organized a sewing and handicraft club called "Stitch in Time" which meets on Monday noons. Officers elected were Advisors, Mrs. McCutcheon and Miss Morton; president, Maxine McDaniel, and secretary, Alene Inskip.

Darrel Farrens drove to The

Dalles Saturday to meet Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright who were returning from Portland. Mrs. Wright has been in the hospital there.

Richard Robison went to Heppler Monday where he is going to work for Mr. McNamer.

J. W. Stevens was attending to business in Heppler Friday.

Hardman has been visited by old man winter the last few days. Ten and a half inches of snow has fallen and more is coming. Skiing is excellent but many roads are almost impassable.

The weather conditions being as they were made it impossible for all of the orchestra to get here, tho a good impromptu dancing party was held here Saturday night. The musicians were Kinnard, Oren, Dallas and Ed McDaniel, Richard Robison, James Stevens, Jim Matthews and Harlan Adams. The Rebekahs sold most of their hot dogs that night and sold the rest the next day. Though it was a pick-up orchestra the music was very good and many people said it was the best time they had had for a "coon's age."

Lewis Batty was a business visitor in Heppler Friday and again on Monday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Batty.

Bill Mahrt and Mr. Anderson passed through Hardman Sunday on their way to Monument.

The last Community Sing was held on Wednesday. Singing was enjoyed for an hour and their were no specials.

The tiniest building in the group belonging to the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, the little Chick Sales apartment, was unable to withstand the ferocious wind of Saturday night and was found lying feebly on its side on Sunday morning.

Raymond Huddleston has been visiting in Heppler, and on Saturday evening attended the dance with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parrish and Miss Jeanette Turner. This is the first time Mr. Huddleston has been in Hardman in 13 years, most of which time he has spent in Alaska.

Last week Everett Harshman was given the initiatory degree at the I. O. O. F. lodge. He and others were to appear for further degrees but the weather would not permit them to get here on time.

The high school's new badminton set came and the pupils are trying to acquire some degree of efficiency.

Union Tactics Gravely Concern Producers, Shippers

Assn. Manager Tells Highlights of Situation on Labor Front

By W. H. PERKINS, Manager,
Oregon Producers and Shippers
Association

Ample evidence that the racketeering labor leaders of the west coast C. I. O. have started their promised march inland was recently disclosed by officials of the state and national wool growers associations. Harry Bridges, the alien C. I. O. leader, has sent word that the wool growers must employ C. I. O. wool shearers "or else."

For more than a year the threat of these labor barons that they would disrupt Oregon's wool industry has caused officers of the Oregon Wool Growers association much concern. When Harry Bridges accepted his reputed \$10,000-a-year leadership of the west coast C. I. O. he is said to have promised John L. Lewis that he would extend his unionizing activities to the farms of the Pacific northwest states.

And now he has come out into the open. He has notified the wool growers that unless all wool from this section bears a stamp showing it was sheared by men connected with the C. I. O. union, the longshoremen would refuse to handle it, and other affiliated unions would assist in the boycotting of this extensive Oregon industry.

Oregon wool growers are frankly worried. At their recent convention at Prineville they voted unanimously not to submit to these racketeering demands, and unless they are given whole-hearted public support, they are fearful that their industry will be plunged into chaos this year.

While agriculture is thus having its troubles with the C. I. O. there has just been brought to light in Portland the asserted gangsterism and reign of terror on the part of officers and members of A. F. of L. unions in that city. Following the bombing of a cleaning and dyeing plant which had been having difficulties with the union for more than a year, city, county, and state police, working together, have started a round-up of union gangsters.

More than a dozen men are under arrest and reported confessions have been made of beat-ups and attempted dynamiting of those at odds with the labor gangsters. An innocent baby narrowly escaped a tragic death

in the bombing of the cleaning and dyeing plant.

It is such ruthless, lawless tactics as these brought to light in Portland which are causing citizens in up-state communities to demand legislation be enacted to curb these racketeering labor leaders.

Only a week ago the Pomona grange of Washington county adopted a resolution to support grangers of Marion, Polk, and other counties in their determined program to initiate a fair labor measure at the general election next November. Grangers have become aroused as they never were before, and they intend to lead the fight to clean up this reign of terror on the part of labor gangsters.

This arrogant defiance of the law and utter disregard of the rights of others are bringing the orderly and law-abiding labor unions into dispute and making it necessary to bring all labor organizations under legal restraint as the only method of insuring proper protection to the public.

FRANK B. WILKES PASSES

Frank B. Wilkes, well known in this county, died January 29, according to word received from his daughter, Mrs. Lee Scheible, of Kelso, Wash. He was laid to rest Feb. 3 in the Athena cemetery beside his wife who preceded him in death 39 years ago. He made his home with Mrs. Scheible at Kelso, where he passed away. Surviving are three sons, James D. of San Francisco, Allen J. of Kelso and Frank J. of Alameda, Cal.; and two daughters, Josie B. Scott of Sonora, Cal., and Mrs. Scheible.

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DR. A. E. MARBLE
Chiropractor