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Where Honor's Due

WHETHER it be fate, it too often happens that those who pioneer steps of progress are unsung, and sanitarium at The Dalles. those who are more prominent at the time of fruition of the pioneers' dreams receive recognition, at least part of which should be the pioneers'.

It is without desire to detract from the good intentions of the county court in naming the diversion channel from Ditch to Willow creeks for a man who labored whole heartedly in its interest and much as a father would look after his child, that attention is called to the fact that the channel was first conceived by Oscar Minor, a pioneer to whom attention is called by a correspondent this week as "a man who did Stephenson, O. B. Spaulding and L. more for Morrow county than any six men today, or since the city was called Heppner, and if there's even a badger hole with his name, it's unknown to me."

The correspondent tells the story that many years ago when an encampment of more than a hundred people, including all the Minor family, was present on Ditch creek, Oscar Minor told of the possibility of diverting Ditch creek waters into Willow creek. Mr. Minor surveyed the intervening terrain, and later nouncing a lively card for next with team and plow, himself plowed Thursday evening beginning at 7:30. the first furrow to realize his idea. Just a ltitle water was let through at first, as water in Dith creek was low. The ditch was damaged from time to time and Mr. Minor repaired it. As the correspondent says:

more cut just where it turns over. from-the-shoulder puncher, and in This was left go for some time, can't say, maybe another year. But this time Oscar went back, and I think boys are 155-pounders, and are took two men and worked several slated for six rounds. Chuck Johndays. This was paid by the county, I think. Then the matter lay dormant for several years, but Oscar miston, in what is expected to be a always kept harping about this

Conception of the Ditch creek diversion channel is but one of Oscar Minor's contributions to Morrow county. Our correspondent calls attention to his early interest in roads, when as Heppner merchant he would leave the store and himself go out to assist with some needed road improvement. The Ritter road was mostly laid out by him, our correspondent says, and with the help Rodeo Rulers Set he enlisted it was first opened without cost to the county. Mr. Minor and flowers as a lover of horticulture, and in bringing game birds of the various granges at the city to the county. With his brother, hall. First and final dances will be Arthur, who later spent much of under Rodeo association managehis own money in introducing Chinese pheasants and quail of different kinds, the first steps were laid Lexington, July 29 at Rhea Creek, for the fine bird hunting enjoyed in August 5 at Lena, and August 12 the county today.

It is true that today "not so much as a badger hole" is named for Os- made by the association again this car Minor. And possibly other pion- year, with each participating grange eers have passed without monuments being erected other than in no voting at the dances. Dates for the minds of people of their day to the Rodeo were set this week for perpetuate their memory to pos- August 24-25-26. terity. It would be well if fitting tribute were made to the memory Heppner, Ione Schools of these men, in the way of lasting monument, before the all too fleeting years carry away those who may attest to properness of such enter-

Former Residents With Lodge Visitors

When officers of The Dalles lodge 303, B. P. O. Elks, came to Heppner Saturday to exemplify initiatory work at the annual Washington Birthday meeting of Heppner lodge 358, they were attended by a large delegation, including one native son and another former resident of

Sam E. Van Vactor was a leading attorney in this city for many years and while the family lived here Sam the second was born. It was Sam the second, now a leading attorney of Wasco county who returned to the native heath and was welcomed by many old-time friends. Former resident was Peter Spehr, barber here for several years and who now follows the same profession, part-time, at the Wasco county seat after several years' successful treatment at the Eastern Oregon

Also with the delegation was Francis V. Galloway, district deputy grand exalted ruler, Oregon north. Officers included Robert M. Poole, exalted ruler; J. E. Merritt, leading knight; Kenneth Grossmille, loyal knight; Howard Peterson, lecturing knight, and John H. Young, esquire. Also from The Dalles came Geo. A. W. Sparks, Ed Rorick, W. R. Webber, C. H. Thode, E. E. Phetteplace, W. H. Johnston, C. W. Walker, Frank Johnson, Dr. J. M. Odell, J. E. McMahon and John Helzer. Other out-of-town visitors for the occasion included Lawrence V. Wheelhouse, Arlington, and Jim Carsner of Spray, the latter three accompanied by their wives.

Firemen Set Lively Card at New Ring

Heppner firemen's new ring in the city hall building, where bleacher seats (all ringside) will accommodate 300 customers will not unprobably be christened with blood, says Dick Sperry, promoter, in an-

Stanley Partlow, Boardman whirlwind who won main events at the recent smokers here and at Boardman, is expeted to have his toughest match in some time when he meets Darrell Maynard, Heppner "But the ditch required a little CCC. Maynard is a hard, straightstiff workouts this week showed that he can take punishment. These son, 138, of this city will match it with Sammy McCracken, 135, Hersnappy semi-final.

Four 4-round preliminaries will show Ervin Greener, Young Newport, Dimit (CCC) who won at Boardman, Cramer of Boardman, Darby (CCC) who lost to Harris of Hermiston at Boardman, these boys mixing it again. Dr. L. D. Tibbles will referee.

Dances to Honor

Schedule of dances to honor queen also pioneered in raising purebred and court of the coming Rodeo were livestock, in introducing many trees set last night when Earle Bryant, manager, met with representatives ment at Heppner, and dances in between will be held July 22 at at Ione by Willows grange.

Appointment of queen will be naming an attendant. There will be

Receive Shrines

Facsimiles of the United States declaration of independence and constitution, and portraits of signers Frank S. Parker went to La with replicas of their signatures, Grande the last of the week to see are displayed in attractive shrines his brother, Howard Parker, who in the Heppner and Ione schools, was reported in critical condition at the gifts of respective Masonic lodges a hospital there following an ex- in appropriate presentation cereploratory operation for stomach monies this week. The gifts were inspired by the sesquicentennial

celebration this year of origin of

Judge Bert Johnson made both presentation addresses, at Heppner Tuesday afternoon and at Ione yesterday afternoon, substituting here for Judge C. L. Sweek who was prevented by illness from giving his sheduled message. Judge Johnson made stirring addresses touching upon the importance of perpetuating the principles of freedom and liberty incorporated in the original government documents by the country's founders. The program here was augmented by patriotic music by the band and other school organizations. A Washington birthday program was presented in connection with the presentation by pupils of Ione.

INSTALL APARTMENTS

Construction of living apartments in the rear of the Patterson & Son store is nearing completion, and Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Patterson have moved their home into these from the Heppner hotel, Mr. Patterson, who was laid off by illness for several months, is back in the store as

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