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Experience Shows Lighted Field Pays

Towns that have lighted athletic fields are in the best position to offer testimony as to whether night games pay best. Since the question of lighting the Rodeo field is uppermost in the minds of numerous athletic-minded citizens, the experience of Prineville will prove of interest.

A statement from the Central Oregonian tells the story and we quote from the Prineville newspaper: "The first season's experience with football under the lights has indicated that at least three times as many people can be expected to attend football games if they are held at night, instead of in the afternoon, according to Cecil M. Sly, Crook county school superintendent, and Donald M. Gabbert, Crook county high school principal. The 1947 season was the first in which Prineville had a lighted football field, and receipts from the five high school games played here in 1947 totalled \$1,434.25 compared with \$478.75 gate receipts at five afternoon games in the 1946 season. Prices charged were the same both years, 75 cents for adults and 25 cents for children. The increased income at night games will aid the coach to equip players properly and so prevent injuries. It will enable the high school to provide adequate transportation for its teams. Probably, however, these are not the main advantages of night football. The night games make it possible for many working parents to see their sons and daughters in action. The larger crowds inspired several organizations, such as the Pep club, and the student

body police, to greater effort, and it is better also for the band. In addition to these benefits, five half days of school have been saved that would otherwise have been devoted to afternoon football."

That is the football picture. Locally, some interest is being manifested in the possibility of night entertainment in connection with the county fair and rodeo. Many people feel they cannot leave their work or their places of business to attend afternoon performances, while if there was something at night they would be interested enough to go. Night shows at the Rodeo grounds would relieve the community of being gyped by carnival outfits, or if it were still felt that a carnival is necessary, the night shows would afford entertainment for those not interested in patronizing the carnival.

It is largely a matter of selling the public on the field lighting project. Once it is installed it won't take long to prove the desirability of having night games and other forms of outdoor entertainment at night.

A recession is a period in which you tighten your belt. In a depression you have no belt to tighten, and when you have no pants to hold up, it's a panic.—Farm Implement News.

It is currently reported that Willowa county has a hospital but is without funds to operate it. Contrasted to that situation is Morrow county's status: We have the funds but no hospital to operate. Should Willowa county send us its hospital, or should we send them our funds?

News From Irrigon

By Grace Shoun

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fitzwater have purchased the Don Smith place (the old Russell McCoy place) and are living there. Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith of Mt. Vernon came over to get their household goods that were stored there.

The fire ladies had a benefit ball Saturday night. They had a good crowd and a good time, and served refreshments of pie and coffee. The exact amount cleared has not been determined yet, but they did well.

Irrigon plays Boardman Tuesday night here. They will have refreshments.

Miss Beth Russell of Pendleton who is convalescing after an appendectomy came home Saturday, and Mrs. Louis Rucker of Arlington came up Sunday. They are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Russell, and family.

H. H. Smunk and E. S. Pelton went to Portland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Hinkley went to Ontario Saturday, returning home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Rogie Hinkley (Harriet Smith) accompanied them back. Both families are living in Meadow Camp cabins.

The Irrigon basketball boys played the lone basketball team Friday at lone. The Irrigon A team won and the lone B team won.

The Boy Scouts, No. 65, met at the school house each Monday evening with Scoutmaster John Allen. There are 11 cubs and 18 scouts.

Mrs. James Phillips and Mrs. Ruth Umiker are sponsoring a bridal shower at the Umiger home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Mrs. Luella Volle. Everybody is invited.

The Seventh Day Adventist church is having revival meetings at their new church with the meeting being Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday and Friday. Elder Houser is the speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dexter, Mrs. Ruth Umiker, Mrs. Charles McFall, Tom Caldwell, Paul Haberman, Leroy Mathena and J. A. Shoun were Heppner business visitors Monday.

Mrs. Birdie Stewart and baby of Island City are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McCoy. Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Charles McFall, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCoy, Mrs. R. M. McCoy, Mrs. Marshall Markham and Mrs. Bill Graybeal enjoyed a good dinner and a few social hours with Mrs. Josephine Graybeal Monday. Marvin Ames returned home Home and Auto Supply in Baker. Rev. Chas. Eble left Sunday for La Grande where he was to have part in the installation of the new pastor, Rev. Sampson, in the La Grande Presbyterian church. Mrs. Eble and sons accompanied Mr. Eble as far as Pendleton where she stayed with friends.

Don't forget the "March of Dimes" dance to be at the Boardman school gym Saturday night, January 31. Music will be by the Boardman Scatter Notes.

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from a trip to Madras where he has purchased a farm that will be watered as soon as the project is finished. He purchased the F. C. Aldrich place and moved here last spring. They will move about February 15, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Doyle and two small children from near Winchester, Idaho, will succeed them. Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Snasner and son Jimmie are newcomers. They have purchased a small acreage west of town and have moved. Carl Haddock has also purchased a farm at Culver (near Madras). He sold his farm to the Frank Greens, and the family is

living at Sunnyside while looking for a new location.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Watson (Ella May Grim) are the parents of a son, Steven Earl, born Friday at the Pendleton hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Grim are grandparents. Mrs. Don Kenny is expecting her husband home from a trip to St. Paul, Minn. His father, James Kenny, three sisters and a brother live there.

Miss Betty Acocak of Pendleton and James Shook of Walla Walla spent Sunday with relatives.

COUNTY CLERK'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT, JULY 1, 1947 TO JAN. 1, 1948

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT	
July 1 Warrants Outstanding	\$ 2,123.13
Total of 481 claims allowed by County Court	31,402.31
Warrants issued for above claims	33,525.44
	31,136.79
Total warrants paid by Treasurer	\$ 2,388.65
GENERAL ROAD FUND ACCOUNT	
July 1 Warrants Outstanding	\$ 3,011.87
Total of 136 claims allowed by County Court	14,950.09
Warrants issued for above claims	\$17,961.96
	17,530.76
Total warrants paid by Treasurer	431.20
DOG FUND ACCOUNT	
One claim allowed by County Court	\$ 54.00
Warrant paid by Treasurer	54.00
RODENT FUND ACCOUNT	
July 1 Warrants Outstanding	\$ 46.70
Total of 6 claims allowed by County Court	2,021.64
Warrants issued for above claims	2,068.34
	2,068.34
Total warrants paid by Treasurer	9.00
COYOTE BOUNTY FUND ACCOUNT	
Total of 3 claims presented and warrants issued	\$ 9.00
Warrants paid by Treasurer	9.00
FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF MORROW COUNTY, OREGON, DEC. 31, 1947 (Less County Owned Properties)	
ASSETS	
Cash in hands of Treasurer	\$431,749.32
United States War Bonds	26,000.00
Estimated Revenues (Taxes)	20,197.17
Taxes receivable (Delinquent)	41,306.68
Taxes Receivable (Current)	\$519,246.17
LIABILITIES	
Warrants Outstanding (General Fund)	\$ 2,388.65
Warrants Outstanding (General Road)	431.20
Estimated Revenues (Taxes)	61,496.85
Current Surplus (Includes amounts due all funds, including School Districts)	454,929.47
	\$519,246.17
Outstanding Road Bonds	\$140,000.00
	Respectfully submitted, C. W. BARLOW, County Clerk.

DISBURSEMENTS	
General County Expenses	\$ 31,136.79
General County Roads	19,072.57
General School Fund	1,740.44
School District Specials	29,814.22
Non-High School Districts	12,284.53
School District Bond & Interest	1,026.25
City Specials	2,042.57
County Bonds redeemed	22,000.00
County Bond Interest	3,950.33
Irrigation District Orders Paid	7,848.56
County Fair Funds	9,807.82
Rodent Control	2,068.34
Rural Fire Protection District	290.39
Claims on Dog Fund	54.00
State Game Commission	50.00
Coyote Bounty	9.00
Discount on redeemed War Bonds	510.00
Balance on hand January 1st, 1948	\$147,749.32
	L. W. BRIGGS, County Treasurer.

SHERIFF'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT, JULY 1, 1947 TO JAN. 1, 1948	
TAX COLLECTIONS	
Receipts	
On Hand and on Deposit, June 30, 1947	\$ 490.54
1947-48 taxes	\$282,863.00
1946-47 taxes	14,967.67
1945-46 taxes	1,052.82
1944-45 taxes	355.83
1943-44 taxes	60.71
1942-43 taxes	39
1942 taxes	14.74
1941 taxes	9.11
1939 taxes	6.62
1938 taxes	5.53
1937 taxes	5.36
1936 taxes	4.21
1935 & Prior	1,445.05
1930 & Prior	369.06
Land Sales	4,862.67
Over Collections	\$ 28.10
Total on Hand and Received	\$306,582.03
Disbursements	
Turned over to County Treasurer	\$ 287,415.47
On Deposit in Bank	\$ 18,021.45
On Hand, Dec. 31, 1947	1,145.11
Total Disbursements and Balance on Hand	\$306,582.03
TEMPORARY AUTO PERMITS	
Receipts	\$144.75
Disbursements	\$144.75
CIVIL FEES AND MILEAGE	\$ 81.23
	Respectfully submitted, C. J. D. BAUMAN, Sheriff, By FRANCES MITCHELL, Deputy.

30 YEARS AGO

From Heppner Gazette Times Jan. 31, 1918

The city council has decided to spend \$7000 to improve the city streets. Crushed rock will be put on the main thoroughfares and the council will use the county rock crusher.

Cecil Shurte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shurte, died suddenly at Oakland, Calif., the first of the week. For two years she was in charge of the local office of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.

J. L. Taylor, for several years agent for the O. W. R. & N. Co. at Heppner Junction has been appointed agent at Heppner to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of J. B. Huddleston. Mr. Huddleston was forced through ill health to give up his position and is undergoing medical treatment in Portland.

A daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barlow in this city last Friday.

BOARDMAN

Friends were surprised to hear of the recent marriage of Frank Kunze of Quincy, Wash., to Miss Eleanor Hahn of Portland at Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 29. Frank is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kunze and from a lad grew up on the project. After February 1 the young couple will make their home in Portland.

At a special potluck dinner in the church parlor the Boardman Ladies Missionary society entertained ladies from the Umatilla society. Present from Umatilla were Mrs. Laura Hadley, Mrs. James Burns, Mrs. Donald Alstott, Mrs. Wm. Gray and Mrs. Roy Etter.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Wilson and daughter of Baker stopped at the home of Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Wilson Friday on their way to Portland. Mr. Wilson is the owner of the Wilson 18th place in the list of towns and cities whose banks have over one million dollars in deposit. Only four other towns in eastern Oregon rank ahead of Heppner. They are The Dalles, Pendleton, La Grande and Baker.

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Who's jamming a wrench in the gears?

3 Unions Block Labor Peace—Refuse Wage Boost Already Accepted by 19 Other Railroad Unions!

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen and the Switchmen's Union of North America, representing 125,000 railroad employees, have refused to accept the offer of the Railroads of a wage increase of 15% cents an hour.

This is the same increase awarded 1,000,000 non-operating employees by an arbitration board in September, 1947.

This is the same increase accepted by 175,000 conductors, trainmen and switchmen by agreement on November 14, 1947.

Agreements have been made with 1,175,000 employees, represented by nineteen unions. But these three unions, representing only 125,000 men, are trying to get more. They are demanding also many new working rules not embraced in the settlement with the conductors and trainmen.

Incidentally, the Switchmen's Union of North America represents only about 7% of all railroad switchmen, the other 93% being represented by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and covered by the settlement with that union.

Strike Threat

The leaders of these three unions spread a strike ballot, while negotiations were still in progress. This is not a secret vote but is taken by union leaders and votes are signed by the employees in the presence of union representatives.

When direct negotiations failed, the leaders of these three unions refused to join the railroads in asking the National Mediation Board to attempt to settle the dispute, but the Board took jurisdiction at the request of the carriers and has been earnestly attempting since November 24, 1947, to bring about a settlement. The Board on January 15, 1948, announced its inability to reach a mediation settlement. The leaders of the unions rejected the request of the Mediation Board to arbitrate. The railroads accepted.

Compare these wages with what you make!

Type of Employee	1939 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings	1947 Average Annual Earnings with 15% Cost of Living Allowance
ENGINEERS			
Road Freight (Local and Way)	\$3,966	\$6,126	\$6,757
Road Passenger	3,632	5,399	6,025
Road Freight (Through)	3,147	4,584	5,139
Yard	2,749	4,061	4,539
FIREMEN			
Road Freight	2,738	4,683	5,268
(Local and Way)			
Road Passenger	2,732	4,544	5,165
Road Freight (Through)	2,669	4,460	5,091
Yard	1,962	3,196	3,553

Railroad wages computed from Interstate Commerce Commission Statement M-300. Full year 1947 estimated on basis of actual figures for first eight months.

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