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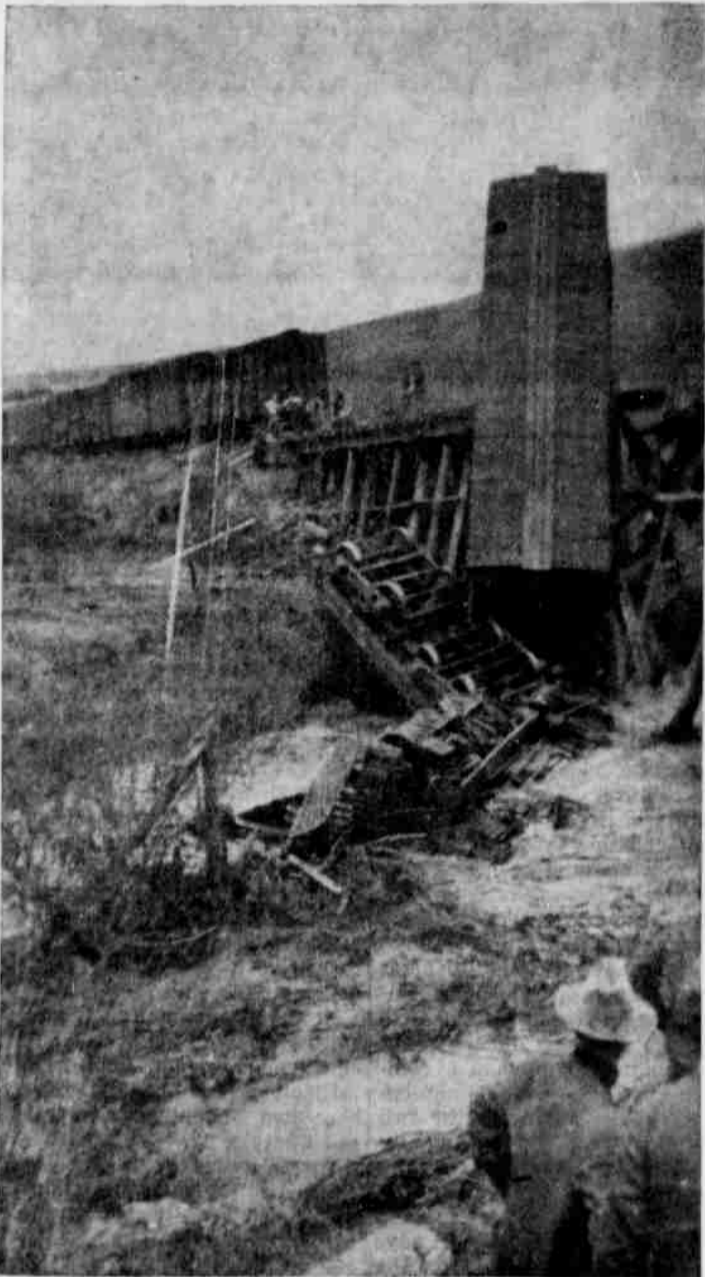


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A Centennial Year Historical Feature—



TRAIN WRECK NEAR MORGAN—The engineer was drowned and his fireman seriously burned when this old steam locomotive went through a flood-weakened trestle just above Morgan and wound up on its side in Willow creek. This newspaper was unable to uncover the exact date of the wreck, but the best guess that could be obtained was that it occurred in the spring of either 1919 or 1920. It attracted many persons for miles around and several made the trip by automobile from Heppner, which was not nearly as easy to do at that time as it is today. Another wreck occurred about 1940 just above Lexington, and there have been several instances over the years of runaway cars on the downhill run from Heppner to Heppner Junction. The last runaway was about seven years ago when three cars got loose at Heppner and were derailed in a pile at lone after a fast 17 mile trip.

County Agent's News

By N C ANDERSON

Forty five 4-H saddle horse members, leaders and parents from Morrow county attended the 4-H saddle horse field day held in Condon last Saturday. This group was part of 165 persons attending the field day from Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler, Sherman and Wasco counties. During the day those in attendance were given instructions on what to look for in selecting a horse, horse judging, showmanship and horsemanship. Club members judged a class of four quarter horses. Everyone present was intensely interested in the horsemanship demonstration given by Ward Wells, horse breeder and trainer from Oswego who went through the paces explaining how to train a horse; demonstrating the simple fundamentals working into the more difficult aspects when the simple steps have been accomplished. Mr Wells demonstrated on his palomino stallion, Hreks Son, who has appeared on numerous television programs and has shown in many of the exhibitions throughout the entire United States and Canada. Those who attended the field day indicated that their day was well spent.

Congratulations are in order for Raymond Lundell, Gooseberry community farmer, who was selected for Conservation Man of the Year winner for Morrow County. Raymond was selected by Morrow County Wheat Growers Association Committee last week and honored Tuesday night at the annual spring meeting. The conservation program carried out on his farm is one that can be adapted to every farm in his community. We urge all of the readers of this column to read the news story on Raymond's activities that won for him this honor.

Recently we announced in this column that Oregon State College would hold beef and swine field days on May 18 and 19.

To The Editor:

As usual, I was interested in the old Gilliam & Bisbee picture published Thursday, April 23. I do not know for sure the exact month this old picture was taken, but I will be pretty close to the date. I am positive the picture was taken in the spring, probably in April, of 1894. In 1894 my father, J L Yeager finished our new house on what was then Alkali Street, now called Water Street, on the S E corner of what is now Water and Jones Streets. There was no Jones Street then, as that part of Jones street was part of our barn yard. N D Bailey now owns our old home. I remember it was during the school term in 1894 when we moved into our new home from across the street where Adelle Wright now lives. I remember when Gilliam & Bisbee had the "Majestic Range" display that year. My mother told me that she purchased one of the very first Majestic ranges brought in by the famous old hardware Co. I recall very clearly that my father had Mr Harris the old tin-smith working for the hardware store come down to our new house and install the stove and put in a new hot water tank, with a hot water faucet right over the range. This old range was in constant use clear up to the time of my father's death when it became the property of my brother James W Yeager. So, I am pretty sure this picture was taken either in March of April of 1894. At that time the Majestic range was thought to be the last word in modern cooking.

Very truly yours,
P W Mahoney,
Chairman, Board of Trustees
Pioneer Memorial Hospital

O M Yeager
Castle Rock, Wash

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From the Files of the Gazette-Times
May 2, 1929

The competition was keen in the "Story of the Poppy" contest of the American Legion Auxiliary, and the judges after much consideration named the following winners: Roberta Thompson, upper grades; Cleo Hlatt, intermediate and Dorothy Dale Monroe, primary section.

Shearing is on the Krebs Bros and Hynd Bros places at Ceel.

Mr and Mrs Vawter Crawford, Mrs F S Parker and son John and daughter Kathryn visited at the home of Mr and Mrs O G Crawford in Walla Walla on Sunday.

New Chevrolets were disposed of this week by Ferguson Chevrolet company to Henry Peterson, Wayne Neal, coaches and Henry Rigel, roadster. Used cars were sold to F M Akers and Hubert Mahon.

We now have a copy of the program for the two days which looks to be very interesting. The program has been developed for beef on the first day, May 18 with the Swine field day following the next day. A special ladies program has been arranged for both days.

The beef cattle breeding research program at the college, a discussion on improving reproductive efficiency and improving beef cattle through breeding research will be part of the morning session which will be led by various members of the livestock department. Recent developments in cattle nutrition with discussion on white muscle disease, pellet feeding, and feeding experiments; techniques for red meat determination, a panel question period and a tour and demonstration at the barns will make up the afternoon program.

Featured at the swine field day will be discussions on feeding pre-weaning pigs, improvement of barley rations, swine disease prevention a carcass demonstration and a presentation by Stanley Green, Stanfield on how he carries out his commercial hog operation. The afternoon will be spent in observing the OSC swine herd through a tour and demonstration at the barns as well as a panel question period and an outline of swine breeding research in Oregon.

Ruby Setzler, extension animal husbandman from Washington State College will outline the Washington swine testing program. Those interested in being

brought up to date on the newest techniques in beef and swine production should keep these two dates in mind.

Word has just been received from Oregon State College that the state has been assigned six IFYE exchanges for the coming summer. Since these exchanges must live and work on Oregon farms it will make it necessary to have some 20 or so host families. Applications are now being taken for farm families who wish to provide homes for visiting IFYEs. We would be happy to visit with families who might be interested in the opportunity of being a host family this summer. While we do not know yet the countries that will be represented in this year's IFYE program, they come from all over the world.

From Purdue University comes word that good quality early cut alfalfa hay has three times the feeding value of average hay. The average daily intake of the better kind for a 1200 pound cow would be 35 pounds daily. Of this 17 pounds will be required for maintenance leaving 18 pounds for production. This amount would produce enough energy for 32 pounds of milk and in addition, will have enough protein and calcium for 80 and 220 pounds of milk respectively. On the other hand, if given hay of average quality the same cow would eat but 25 pounds daily. Because this inferior hay has lower digestibility 19 pounds would be required for maintenance, leaving only 6 pounds available for milk production. This hay would only be equivalent to the good quality hay about 9 pounds of grain would be required. The value of beef cows and other stock is in proportion to the figures given for dairy cows. In addition this early cut alfalfa hay would provide much of the vitamin A requirements, if put up properly, that is so badly needed by our range livestock.

Recently chairman George Rugg of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association appointed committees for the new year. In line with action taken at the annual meeting to incorporate the association there will be 11 persons on the executive committee beginning this year. In addition to president George Rugg; vice president, Beamer and treasurer, Gerald Swaggart; executive committee members will be membership and finance chairman, Raymond French; legislation and taxation chairman, Barton Clark; predators, insects and rodents committee chairman, Bob Van

Schiack; disease control committee chairman, Ron Currin; Marketing and production committee chairman, Dick Wilkinson; game and theft and brand chairman, Gordon O'Brien; range and pasture improvement committee chairman, John Graves and meat promotion committee chairman, Frank Anderson. Some committees have met; others are expected to meet as problems and projects present themselves.

Those ranchers who have been bemoaning the price of the commodities which they produce should make comparison with recent parity percentages for some of the farm commodities. While wheat and hay men are receiving 75% of parity, the potato man is receiving only 45% of parity. On the other hand calves are bringing 109% of parity, beef cattle — 100%. The sheep man is getting 2% of parity for sheep, 74% for lambs and only 49% for wool. Again, the wheat man should know that oats is bringing but 70% of parity, rye — 64% and corn, 63%. Barley and hogs are each bringing 71%. Dairyman are getting 84% of parity on their price for wholesale milk; 80% for butterfat. Turkey men, on the other hand, are receiving 65%, chickens, 62%. Find anything in the list that you would rather be growing?

Flowering ornamentals are now due for a pruning. Some of this can well be done as you cut flowers for inside use as they bloom. Most of the flowers are born on new shoots produced during the early summer, so we prune during or right after blossoming. To thin out and allow for a healthy production of strong new shoots from the base

of the plants. For ornamental trees blossoms should be cut with pruning and shaping of the tree in mind.

SOCIAL CLUB TO MEET

The OES Social Club will meet Saturday afternoon at the Heppner Masonic hall.

Father Claire Hayes of Portland visited in Heppner Wednesday afternoon.

Smorgasbord

Our Lady of Angels Church Parish Hall
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Sunday, May 3
2:00 TO 6:00 P.M.

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TO THE EDITOR...

Dear Editor:
It would be greatly appreciated if you would publish in your Letters to the Editor, the following comments:
Due to the fact a great many citizens of this county have inquired of various members of the Pioneer Memorial Hospital board as to the possibility of air conditioning the hospital, in answer to these inquiries the board of trustees has made an investigation as to the cost of the same that meets the standard requirement of hospitals and we find if the whole building is air conditioned in one contract the cost will be approximately \$20,750.00 and that if we do it step-by-step in three stages the cost will be approximately \$21,770.00. No funds are available for this purpose and the board has decided against requesting any appropriation from the county to cover this improvement. It is felt that the only way the same can be accomplished is by levying a special tax for that sole purpose or

from donations of a sufficient amount to cover the cost of the same.
When the last monthly meeting of the board was held our budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1959, and ending June 30, 1960, was discussed. We find that from experience our income from the operation of the hospital is only sufficient to pay actual operating expenses and does not leave any margin for the maintenance of the plant. We are going to submit to the County Budget Committee a request for \$8,000.00 for the ensuing year. These items are as follows:
1. Repair to the heating system in the basement \$1,000.00.
2. Treatment and repair of roof, \$1,500.00.
3. Repair to inside of building, including repainting job, where necessary, \$2,000.00.
4. Purchase of awnings for all ward rooms and labor room on main floor, \$1,000.00.
5. Emergency fund, \$2,500.00. For a total of \$8,000.00.
The board has found that as our plant grows older the cost of upkeep increases and in order to preserve the plant in good condition all of these repairs are necessary.

STAR THEATER
Thurs., Fri., Sat., April 30, May 1, 2
The Littlest Hobo
Fleecie, London, Buddy Hart and Wendy Stuart. PLUS
Bullwhip
Guy Madison, Rhonda Fleming.
Sun., Mon., Tues., May 3, 4, 5
The Perfect Furlough
Tony Curtis, Janet Leigh, Keenan Wynn, Elaine Stritch, Linda Cristal. Sunday at 4, 6 and 8.

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