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Umatilla Gets Big Tel. Office

\$27,000 BEING SPENT BY TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Largest Repeater Station North of San Francisco Being Installed in Hotel Building

Umatilla, Oregon, July 28.—The Western Union Telegraph company will spend about \$27,000 on Umatilla between now and December 1 fitting out what will be the largest repeater office north of San Francisco.

A force of five men are now at work. The office will occupy a part of the first floor of the Cline hotel building. C. A. Williamson of Seattle, equipment supervisor of the company is in general charge of the work, but he is not here and F. A. Murphy is actually managing the work for the present. The crew are all outside men.

Modern Equipment Planned

The office will relay messages between coast cities and eastern points and it will be equipped with powerful electric apparatus of the most improved type. Mr. Murphy states that \$5,000 will be spent remodeling the room which the office is to occupy. A hot water heating plant will cost \$2400 more.

The equipment will include two 16 horse power gas engines. There will be two fifteen foot repeater tables, eight Universal repeaters and a 7 1/2 K. V. A. generator. The office will give permanent employment to a force of four men. There will be three operators, so that there will be a 24 hour service.

The office will be equipped with an auxiliary power plant. Two hundred amperes will be required to run the plant. The power plant will have 110, 160 and 320 volt machines, both poles. There will be a pin type switch board of the latest type. There will be 180 circuits in the office.

\$27,000 to be Spent

The new office space has been vacant for some time. It is believed that the improvements will be completed about December 1. The work will cost in the neighborhood of \$27,000 altogether and will make Umatilla one of the big spots on the telegraph map of the west.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN STARRING IN "THE KID" IS COMING

"Six Reels of Joy," A Million Dollar Picture to be at the Play House Sunday and Monday

Rumors which have been current in the motion picture industry that Charlie Chaplin longed to forsake the field of buffoonery and appear in a dramatic role on the screen have been verified as having a substantial basis, for the picture has been completed. The idea, however, that he would adopt the matinee idol make-up and attempt to make the public forget the character which is identified by his name all over the world is merely a mistaken idea engendered from the report that he was working in a dramatic picture.

The comedian has accomplished the impossible in his latest picture, "The Kid." First National's six reels of joy, which will be the attraction at the Play House Sunday and Monday. Directors, previous employees and others associated with him in his screen career had pronounced it impossible—that he appear in his screen character in a semi-dramatic story and succeed in gaining sympathy as well as laughs from his audiences in the plight which the plot developed.

In "The Kid," however, according to critics and others who have seen it, he accomplishes it. Charlie is there in the same character which has gained him the place as the world's most popular comedian, but in situations which combine an occasional sob with shrieks of laughter. Charlie becomes the guardian of a two weeks old baby, and expands upon him all the love and devotion that any father could. His character, however, makes his every attempt a humorous circumstance, but the heart throbs are ever present in the main theme of the story.

PUBLICATION DAY NOW THURSDAY

With this issue The Herald changes its day of publication from Friday to Thursday. This is done to avoid confusion as the paper is really printed on Thursday and much copy comes in late as a result of people misunderstanding our real time of going to press. We shall try to have the paper in post office by five p. m. Thursday, but we cannot promise this for sometimes we are delayed with machinery trouble. If correspondents will get their copy to us by Wednesday morning it will be very much appreciated. Classified advertisements must be in by nine a. m. Thursday. The paper will be able to handle late news items up to nearly noon. Most country papers are printed two pages at a time so the paper you get has really been through the press four times. That is why it takes us so long to get out after we go to press.

Hotel in Echo Burns Thursday

HOSKINS HOTEL LOSS \$6,000 WITH NO INSURANCE

Nearby Buildings Are Endangered But Fire Fighters Save Them; Furniture Insured

Echo News

Fire destroyed the Hotel Hoskins building and most of the furnishings yesterday. The fire started at noon in the upper story and had gained such headway before being discovered that there was no chance to save anything except a little of the furniture on the ground floor.

J. T. Hoskins is owner of the property and it is reported he carried no insurance. The hotel furniture which belonged to Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Shannon was insured. The total loss is between five and six thousand dollars.

Mrs. Shannon succeeded in saving her personal belongings, which were in a room on the ground floor. Tex Henderson was the heaviest loser among the tenants, all of his clothing and possessions except a trunk being burned. Most of the roomers had very little in their rooms, and being the dinner hour they were in hand to save their belongings. A dog belonging to Mrs. Shannon followed her into the room and could not be rescued.

In a very few moments after the alarm was sounded the department had two lines of hose in action, but the fire spread so fast in the flimsy construction of the upper floors that it was soon evident nothing could be done except to save the adjoining buildings. Fortunately there was little wind so the department was able to keep the church building from catching fire, although it was only a few feet from the hotel. At the Echo News, across the street, a shower of burning embers endangered the building, but with the aid of wet blankets and a line of garden hose the sparks were extinguished. At one time the roof of the News building was on fire, and some of the front windows were cracked by the heat, but no serious damage was done. The church building was lightly scorched and the windows cracked. Several small fires started near the Tum-A-Lum yards and at the stockyards, but watchers soon extinguished them.

Hotel Hoskins was built in 1906 by J. T. Hoskins, and has been occupied as a hotel ever since. The construction work was done by H. T. Frick, who erected several buildings in the city about that time. For the past year the hotel has been under lease to Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Shannon. Mr. Shannon was on a camping trip at Hidayay Springs when the fire occurred. He phoned down yesterday afternoon that he would return today.

Dale Hinkle and wife of San Francisco arrived this morning for a visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hinkle.

Hay Men to Open Office Here Soon

L. A. HUNT, MANAGER TO MOVE TO HERMISTON MONDAY

Oregon and Washington Growers Will Have Cooperative Selling Agency to Handle Product

The Oregon Hay Growers association is getting under way in good shape. Its central office will be in the Western Land & Irrigation building across the street from the Hermiston Auto Co.

L. A. Hunt, the new manager was in Hermiston Tuesday, leaving in the evening for Heppner. He and his family will move over here next Monday. He had just returned from a trip to Yakima and Tappanish, Wash., where he conferred with officers of the Washington Hay Growers association. The headquarters of this organization are at Tappanish.

Plans are now under way for uniting the selling activities of the Washington and Oregon associations. A committee consisting of Manager J. N. Price and E. O. Dobie of Tappanish met representatives of the Oregon growers in the office of Raley-Raley and Steiner in Pendleton last Saturday to make the final draft of the plan for the creation of the joint hay selling agency to handle hay for the two associations.

The trustees of this agency expect to hire a manager within the next few days to enlarge the selling campaign for the territory served by the two associations. To illustrate the weakness of the present system of distribution, Mr. Hunt informs us that Yakima hay is now selling to net the growers \$12 per ton.

There is to be a directors meeting here tonight and the local officer should be doing business next week.

FORMER HERMISTON MINISTER NARROWLY ESCAPES DROWNING

News that will be of interest here is contained in a brief dispatch to the Sunday Oregonian from Prineville. Rev. M. R. Gallaher and daughter Ella had a narrow escape from drowning in the Crooked river near Prineville last week.

It seems that Ella Gallaher got beyond her depth and her father who could swim only a little went to her rescue. Both would probably have been drowned but for timely help from a third party. Rev. Gallaher was formerly Baptist minister here. The news article is as follows:

What came near being a double tragedy occurred last night in the Crooked river when Rev. M. R. Gallaher went to the rescue of his young daughter Ella, who got beyond her depth. A large party was near the Crooked river bridge swimming when it was noticed that Ella was struggling in deep water. Mr. Gallaher, who can swim but little, reached her, but her struggles were pulling him down when T. J. Minger went to their assistance and dragged them to shore. Aside from their being badly frightened, there was no serious results to either of them.

Baptist Notices

R. V. Ashmun Minister. Sunday school at 10:00 o'clock. Lesson, Paul becomes a missionary. This is a good time for those who have been out of Sunday school to join with us in the study of Paul's missionary journeys.

The agitation has begun for the Sunday school picnic which will come this month. We want this to be a record breaker in attendance, in good times and in the size of the dinner. Get in on this big event.

The Young Peoples society meets at 7:00 o'clock Sunday evening. Topic "The Influence of the Bible in Literature, music, art and law." The young people of the community are cordially invited.

The morning worship at 11:00 o'clock. Theme "Getting out of ruts." Miss Mumma will sing at this service.

Evening worship at 8:00, theme "Christain optimism." A Christain welcome is extended to all.

Gordon Shotwell returned Wednesday afternoon from Redmond.

Umatilla News Items

Music Festival Coming
The Baptist church people of Hermiston are coming to Umatilla next Wednesday evening to stage a music festival. This entertainment has recently been given in Hermiston. It is for the benefit of the Baptist church.

There will be instrumental music, songs and readings. Admission is to be 35 cents for all over six years. It will be held in Pound's theatre and will begin at 8 p. m.

The program follows: Piano duet, Lucy Sullivan and Mable Brown; the bear story, Wilma Waugaman; solo, Mr. Waugaman; solo, Mrs. Ashmun; piano solo, Miss Mumma; reading, Miss Callahan; solo, Emily Shotwell; reading, Miss Bensei; cornet solo, Henry Shelleday; solo, Mable Brown.

Big Day at the Beach

Last Sunday was another big day at the Umatilla beach. Most everybody from here was in the water and there were perhaps 50 from Hermiston. People came from as far as Pendleton and Arlington.

The beach is now equipped with dressing rooms for both men and women and there is a scow to dive from. It is considered the best bathing place in this part of the state and people are coming from long distances every week to swim.

Ladies Leave for California

Mrs. F. E. James and Mrs. Jennie Blakely left last Thursday for California where they will visit friends and relatives. They will travel together at least as far as Oakland. Mrs. James goes to Los Angeles and is to be gone for one to two months. Mrs. Blakely will visit a son at Santa Rosa. She is the mother of Mrs. W. A. Ford.

Sunday evening witnessed a community picnic. Mrs. McKenzie and

NORTH MORROW FAIR AT BOARDMAN TO BE WINNER

Committees From Irrigon and Boardman Meet to Draw Up Plans; Date is Sept. 13

Irrigon, Oregon, July 28.—The North Morrow County Fair at Boardman this year has to be a success. The Irrigon committee attended a joint meeting at Boardman Tuesday evening and drafted rules, methods of display and prize lists. Also they selected a number of names who will be asked to act as judges for the various departments.

The members of the Irrigon committee attending this meeting were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Glasgow, Mr. and Mrs. Frederickson, Mr. and Mrs. Riels, Hugh W. Grim and N. Seaman. Chas Powell of the finance committee was unable to get away and Mrs. H. C. Wolfe is in Portland but Mrs. Riels who is assisting her in the canning department, acted in her behalf. The fair will be held on Tuesday, September 13th which is two days ahead of the county fair.

The meeting was held in the dining room of the Boardman school and the usual after business feast served consisting of fried chicken, cake, sandwiches and coffee. The committee reports having had a fine time and most cordial treatment at all the meetings and this insures success in any undertaking.

Baptists Enjoy Picnic

The Baptists enjoyed a "get-together" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. August Bensei Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock.

The affair was in the nature of a surprise party to Mrs. Bensei as it was her birthday. A birthday cake was provided in honor of this and the Ladies Aid society presented her with a picture. Most of the Baptist congregation attended, there being perhaps 100 present.

A picnic supper was served on the lawn. The "kiddies" played games while the older people enjoyed a talkfest. After the supper a business meeting was held. The occasion was a very enjoyable one to all who were there.

The second cutting of alfalfa is now almost all in the stacks and an unusual heavy crop is reported by the farmers throughout the project.

Mrs. L. W. Compton seem to have originated the idea but everyone "pitched in" and the affair was a big success. It is believed that as many as 125 persons were present. It was held early in the evening. A picnic supper was served and a good time enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Anna Llewellyn of Clinton, Indiana, is visiting her son W. P. Llewellyn. Mrs. W. P. Llewellyn went to Spokane to meet her.

H. B. Whitman, president of the Pendleton Meat company was here Tuesday and bought a truck load of hogs from the farmers.

Robert Warwick in "Jack Straw" is to be the feature at Pounds theatre Friday evening. "Fickle Fancy" will be the comedy.

Andy Berosek of the Pacific Fruit Express arrived here Monday night and left Tuesday afternoon.

Umatilla men who have been in Hermiston this week are Frank Payne, A. E. McFarland and Eugene Dexter.

Miss Dixie Parker of Buhl, Idaho is here for the summer visiting Mrs. Zella Brownell.

A. L. Nichols made a motor trip to Hermiston last Thursday.

O. G. Stangby made a trip to Hermiston Wednesday.

Dr. C. O. Wainscott of Pendleton was in Umatilla Sunday.

F. E. James made a trip to Hermiston Tuesday.

G. R. Robinson of Hermiston was in town Tuesday.

RETURN OF "MUGGS" GIVES INSPIRATION TO E. O. WRITER

"Jim" Smith Gets Back His Famous Duck Hunting Spaniel. Feature Story Results

Just what pull "Jim" Smith has in Pendleton we do not know, but he got a man's size writeup Tuesday as a result of his getting back his celebrated spaniel, "Muggs." The E. O. Article follows:

"Down at Hermiston there are two happy 'guys' and their names are Jim 'Alabam' Smith and 'Alabam's' dog Muggs. The happiness is caused by a reunion that was effected yesterday afternoon.

"About ten days ago Muggs took the idea into his head of getting out and looking over Umatilla county during harvest time, so he boarded the running board of a car that happened to be passing and deserted his own home town. 'Alabam' missed Muggs, and he mourned his loss, because the spaniel has a reputation with duck hunters all over the county of being one of the best retrievers in this section of the state.

"Yesterday, however, there was some good news flashed to 'Alabam' to the effect that Muggs had been found on a wheat ranch northeast of Pendleton, and the master didn't do a thing but crawl into a car and go right after his dog. He approached the ranch to which he had been directed, and there sure enough, was the brown retriever, sitting on his haunches in front of a grain elevator. 'Muggs!'

"When the dog's name was called he looked just once, then there was a streak of brown between where he had been and where the car stood and when that streak stopped, Muggs had leaped over the side of the machine and was letting 'Alabam' know that he was tired of wandering.

"Muggs formerly was the property of George Rayhill when he lived at Hermiston, but when he left, the dog was given to 'Alabam' and the two are the best pair of duck hunters in Umatilla county."

California Woman Here

Mrs. Emma Wright of Richmond, Cal. is here visiting her brother W. H. Troutman. She arrived last Friday.

Public Schools to Open Sept 5

THIRTEEN TEACHERS TO BE EMPLOYED; ALL HAVE SIGNED

High School to Give Instructions in Both Boys' and Girls' Athletics; A. C. Voelker in Charge

September 5 has been set as the date for the opening of the public schools. There will be eight teachers in the grades and five in the high school. All have signed contracts and we are able to announce their names at this time.

Grade Teachers Named

Miss Edith Graves will have charge of the first grade. Miss Graves was here last year and is well known to all local people. Miss Hazel Bogard will teach the second grade. Her home is at Glide, Oregon. Mrs. Ruth Wiley Lteualen, who taught the third grade last year will have the same position again. Mrs. M. S. Miller will also have the fourth grade again.

Miss Bernice McCoy will teach the fifth grade room. Miss Margaret O'Leary of Grass Valley will handle the sixth grade work. Miss O'Leary taught at Mount Angel last year. Mrs. L. C. Morris who comes here from Portland is to teach the seventh grade.

A. C. Bensei will have the eighth grade again.

Athletic Coach Coming

In the high school there will be one teacher more this year making five in all. Superintendent A. C. Voelker will be in charge of all the schools, but will do some of the mathematics teaching in addition. Arnold L. Gralapp will have charge of science and athletics. Mr. Gralapp is a graduate of the University of Washington. He was at Adams last year. He will have charge of boys' athletics and will coach the teams.

Mrs. Roberta M. Gunn will have charge of the English department this year. Miss Jessie Brierley, who taught here last year will teach Latin. Miss Florence Long will teach history and will handle girls' athletics. Miss Long is a graduate of Whitman college and taught at Pomeroy, Wash. last year.

Good Year Expected

The repairs at the school building are not finished, but everything will be ready in plenty of time to start work the first Monday in September. The board is looking forward to a very successful school year.

It is expected that a very attractive feature will be made of athletics. Competent instructors have been engaged to handle both boys' and girls' athletics. There will be a football team this fall and there will be basketball in the winter.

NORTHWEST MERCHANTS HAVE GREAT TIME IN SPOKANE

Many Enjoy Convention in Inland Empire City; Visitors Get Many Real Thrills

Business men representing the entire Inland Empire thoroughly enjoyed the Merchants convention at Spokane last week. Actual trading was subordinated to the "get-together" idea with the result that close personal contacts were established that are certain to be of sterling value. It is safe to state that the foundation for many warm personal friendships were laid during the week. The presence of Fred P. Mann, America's prince of small-town merchants, was one of the convention features. His personal experiences and his handling of the question-box plan were exceptionally interesting and useful to visiting merchants. The culminating feature of the convention was the wonderful entertainment at Natatorium park where 1,000 persons were served with dinner among the beautiful scenery of this favorite park. Staid Inland Empire business men cast convention to the wind and with the abandon of small boys on pleasure bent patronized the Jack Rabbit, shot the chutes swam and dived in the huge pool, extracted all the "kick" afforded by the Whip, the Dragon Slide, the Joy Wheel and the Airplane Swing. The evening closed with a remarkable success.