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BLUE TRAIL TO BE EXPLOITED BY HEPPNER

Famous Highway Is Not Receiving Recognition It Deserves Is Opinion of Heppner Business Men. Effort to be Made to Direct Travel This Way.

The Blue Trail, the best route of the National Highway through this section of Eastern Oregon has been passed up by the general traveling public, that great body of auto tourists and so far as Heppner is concerned, very little of the main travel has come this way.

The chief reason advanced for this is that the lower or Echo route is a few miles shorter. Secondly, bad reports have gone out concerning the condition of the Heppner-Pilot Rock road. There can be no doubt that part of the report was true. Every one acknowledges, who has been over the route, that the Hog Hollow road is in a poor condition. This is a case of hard luck more than anything else for early in the year considerable work was expended in putting that part of the road in good shape. Later the washouts occurred and since then no doubt Hog Hollow has presented a sorry appearance.

On the other hand, since the dry weather arrived, the Echo road in the lower Butter creek section has become badly cut up. As a consequence the past few weeks have seen a big increase in travel over the upper route. Many people contend that the upper route is better any time than the lower. We know it to be a fact in the winter time.

Recently many Blue Trail signs have been prepared with a view of better directing travel over this route. Some of the local business men have outlined a trip which will extend as far East as La Grande and as far West as Waco. At this time they will thoroughly inspect the Blue Trail, learn more of its good and bad points and be better prepared to exploit this highway for tourist travel.

YOUNG MAN LOSES LIFE IN ROCK CREEK

Ralph Lauder, age 22, lost his life in Rock creek five miles above Olex last Sunday evening about 4 o'clock. Young Lauder had gone in swimming and while diving was caught in some wire on the bottom of the creek, and drowning was the result. The body was recovered six hours later by a searching party.

Ralph Lauder graduated from the University of Oregon with the class of 1915. Since graduation he has been living on his 400 acre farm and an additional homestead he had taken up joining his land. His parents live in Moscow, Idaho.

A corner's inquest was held, and M. L. Case was called from Heppner to Arlington, where he prepared the body for shipment to Moscow, where the funeral will be held.

Will Return to Morrow County.

Joe Devine was a passenger out from Lexington Tuesday, going to his home near Portland where he has been living for a number of years. Mr. Devine has been up this way for several weeks completing arrangements to return to Morrow county and take charge of his farm northeast of Lexington. He reports that Mrs. Devine has entirely recovered her health and it was on this account that he decided to leave here when he did. He states that he is mighty glad that he can get back here again, and we are sure that his coming will be welcomed as he was one of our very best citizens.

Hon. T. J. Mahoney was a passenger for Portland Tuesday morning, being called to that city on business. We presume he would also take in the big Hughes meeting while in the metropolis and get a chance to shake the hand of the republican nominee.

Mr. and Mrs. Eph Eskelson and daughter left on Tuesday for Portland and will spend a few weeks of an outing at the coast. Mr. Eskelson has finished his harvest and the family will take this vacation before the Fall work commences.

Mrs. E. D. Brown departed for Portland Tuesday where she will meet her sister and then go on to the coast at Tillamook for a short stay. Mr. Brown is absent in the Alberta country where he will remain until about September 1st.

Ralph Johnson of the City Meat Market, made a business trip to Portland the last of the week.

BARLEY MAKES YIELD OF 52 BU. PER ACRE

Fall-sown bearded barley on the Rhea creek ranch of Jeff Jones has made a yield of 52 bushels per acre. Mr. Jones is following the system this year of heading and threshing together, the grain being hauled from the header to the separator. Sixty acres of barley which Mr. Jones has just completed harvesting, produced 1217 sacks and weighed 123 pounds to the sack.

Mr. Jones and his sons, Glenn and Alva have about 500 acres of wheat to head and thresh and it is estimated that the wheat will yield on an average of 25 bushels per acre.

BIG STRIKE WILL PROBABLY BE AVERTED

Each side in the big railroad controversy, which has caused a threatening cloud to hang over the industrial horizon of the country for many weeks, has agreed to submit propositions to the other.

The conference which has been carried on the past few days before President Wilson has not yet resulted in anything definite. The railroads are said to be willing to submit to the eight-hour day asked for by the brotherhoods but it is the overtime proposition which they fear most to meet. According to the statement of railroad officials there is scarcely a freight run in the entire country which could cover a run in 8 hours. Thus the "time and a half" which they would be forced to meet would run into the millions of dollars.

It is understood that the two sides are now nearer to a settlement than at any previous time.

New Apartments.

The Heppner Milling Company will have nice apartments in the second story of their building after J. H. Cox has completed the work of reconstruction which is now in process. The apartments will be nicely furnished and modern in every particular.

Mrs. John Portwood of Condon was severely burned about the face last Sunday when an oil stove over which she was cooking, exploded. According to reports received in this city, Mrs. Portwood lost considerable hair when the fire reached her head and face. Her condition is not serious.

FRUIT FOR SALE—Leave orders at home of Silas Wright.
ANDY COOK.

Tracy Wilcox of Monument was an incoming passenger Wednesday evening.

J. A. Gibbons and Mike Marshall were over from Castle Rock this week.

DEPUTY SHERIFF KILLS FIRST DEER OF SEASON

Deputy Sheriff Willard Herren killed the first deer of the season, according to game warden Robert Young. Mr. Herren got a big buck and sent one of the hind quarters down to George McDuffee.

Mr. Herren left Heppner Sunday evening in company with Oscar Borg, H. H. Hoffman and Loy M. Turner. Deer are numerous in the mountains this year, say those who have been scouting the high hills and it is safe to presume that several of our best hunters will probably get the limit this year.

Sewing Party.

(From Coos Bay Times)
Mrs. Chas. H. Curtis entertained several friends informally Wednesday afternoon for her mother and sister who are visiting here. The afternoon was very pleasantly spent at sewing after which the hostess assisted by Mrs. John McManamon served dainty refreshments to the guests.

Those present were, Mrs. W. J. Escoff, Mrs. O. S. Torrey, Mrs. J. O. Langworthy, Mrs. J. Q. Jarvis, Mrs. N. H. MacMillan, Mrs. John McManamon, and the honored guests Mrs. W. W. Smead and Mrs. W. O. Bayless of Heppner.

ICE FOR SALE—Stores supplied at \$12.50 per ton and ice delivered at your residence for one cent per pound. Phone City Meat Market, Main 563.

NEW GRAIN SIDING FOR IONE FARMERS

Egg City Is Scene of Harvest Activity. Other Items of Interest.

All arrangements have been completed for the putting in of a new siding at the C. R. Johnson place on the creek below Ione. The Wilson Siding Grain & Elevator Co. has been organized for the purpose of handling grain at that point, and will at once begin the construction of a platform to care for the grain that will be hauled there this season. The siding will be put in immediately by the railroad company, and next year the new grain company will put up an elevator; this is the plan in mind at the present and no doubt will be carried out. Some 50,000 sacks of grain will be shipped from this platform this season according to present estimates, and this may be increased as the location makes it very convenient for a large number of farmers in getting their grain to market. C. R. Johnson is the president of the new company and J. T. Knappenberg is secretary-treasurer. These two gentlemen with F. H. Wilson, W. T. McNabb and S. P. Wilson make the board of directors.

W. F. Palmateer, of Morgan, is sure some jitney driver, but he has a hard time making the blamed thing stay on the grade. It would not stay in the road, so he let it go over the embankment just below his place, the result being that the repairs made by the garage man cost him around forty dollars. This was the first time he had tried to drive the "critter" and he is sure that it acts worse than a contrary mule. Having a half interest in the machine he feels that he surely got his money's worth on this maiden trip and he may decide to take a lesson or two before he goes out alone again.

Some damage resulted to the cars of E. F. Day and French Burroughs in a collision a few days ago. Mr. Day drives a Franklin and Mr. Burroughs has a Ford, and the lighter machine was the most seriously damaged. The collision occurred at the point where the road comes out from the Ike Howard place and joins the public highway. The tall grass shut out the vision. Mr. Burroughs was compelled to put a new fender and running board on his car, and one wheel was somewhat damaged on the Day car. No injury to occupants resulted.

Charley Read, who with his son, Gus, is farming a large tract of land just north of Ione, is now in the midst of his threshing with the combine, and reports a yield of blue stem of 30 bushels to the acre. Mr. Read states that the field he is in now is his best wheat but he expects a good yield from the balance. Charley contracted a thousand sacks of this blue stem at \$1.12, which is the top price paid so far on the Ione market. We understand that W. G. Palmateer, of Morgan, beat this price just a half cent.

Irvin Wilks, who has charge of the hauling of the barley crop from the Baker place, returned from a trip to Pendleton Monday. Mr. Wilks has several of his teams here and the grain is being rapidly moved into the warehouse. He is a contractor on roads and street work at Pendleton. He was joined by Mrs. Wilks who arrived from Pendleton Tuesday afternoon.

Ray Bonine came down from Heppner the first of the week to fix up a Rumley tractor for use in the harvest fields. The machine will be used by A. M. Zink to run his thrashing machine purchased this week from W. F. Palmateer of Morgan. This will give one more machine on the north side and will help the people out that way in getting their grain in the sack.

A. C. Ruby, importer of blooded horses, came up from his Gresham home Monday. Mr. Ruby owns a large wheat ranch near Ione, and he is also engaged at the present time in buying horses and mules on a government contract. He is assisted in the work here by W. N. James who has been in this section for the past ten days.

Algott W. Lundell, prosperous young farmer of Gooseberry, this week purchased a fine player piano from C. Guy Wakefield. As part payment on the instrument, Mr. Lundell turned in a Cadillac car which Mr. Wakefield will convert into a truck or the purpose of delivering pianos.

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NEW LOAN BILL DISCUSSION IN SPOKANE

August 22 Is Day Set On Which Herbert Myrick Will Speak.

Spokane, Wash., August 15.—To discuss means of securing for the Inland Empire the greatest possible benefit from the new federal farm loan system, a special meeting of farmers, bankers and business men of all lines will be held in Spokane Tuesday, August 22.

The principal speaker will be Herbert Myrick, president and editor-in-chief of the Orange-Judd agricultural publications, who has agreed to come to Spokane at the solicitation of the Inland Empire Development league and Spokane Chamber of Commerce, according to M. E. Hay, president of the former organization.

"Mr. Myrick was one of the originators of the federal loan system," states Mr. Hay. "He was present by special invitation when President Wilson signed the bill on July 17. For some time he has been addressing mass conventions in the south relative to the plan.

"Inasmuch as this new system promises to be of vital importance to the agricultural development of the Inland Empire, I think it wise that our farmers, bankers and business men become thoroughly familiar with it. Mr. Myrick has agreed to explain the entire subject, and tell how it is possible to reap the fullest benefits through cooperation between the various chambers of commerce and the farmers.

"We are extending an open invitation to the people of the Inland Empire to hear Mr. Myrick at the Spokane Chamber of Commerce Tuesday noon August 22."

"A Law Unto Himself" Features Crane Wilbur at Star Next Sunday.

Crane Wilbur, that popular romantic star who has appeared to such good advantage before Heppner audiences on former occasions, will be seen in David Horsley's great five-act production, "A Law Unto Him-



Crane Wilbur, Star in the Horsley-Mutual Masterpicture, De Luxe Edition,

self" at the Star theatre Sunday.

The Sunday features have been causing comment among theatre-goers in this city. They are pictures of high class. That play, "The Oval Diamond" shown here last Sunday was replete with mystery and filled with interest. These features come up to all promises made for them and are meritorious of the full houses which greet them.

Cupid Is Out Done.

Cupid can feel that it was a case of his labors lost in the case of Henry Bode and his wife, Arminda Sayles Bode. The nuptial knot was tied only a little more than a week ago and now Mrs. Bode has decided the short courtship and hasty marriage was a piece of hastiness on the part of Dan Cupid, or at least this is probably her own conclusion. At any rate Mrs. Bode packed up all her belongings and returned to her former home this week. Mr. Bode, for so young a groom, does not feel at all disconsolate, but feels that it is probably better as it is. He has strong hopes for the future.

FORD DEMAND GREAT-ER THAN THE SUPPLY

That the demand for Ford cars is too great for the supply is the substance of a statement made by Chas. Vaughn of Vaughn & Sons, local Ford agents. Mr. Vaughn states they have orders for Fords now that they are unable to fill simply because they are unable to get the cars here at this time.

The present shortage it attributed to the \$80 reduction in price recently made by the Ford company. This reduction has served to greatly increase sales and the distributing agencies have run short of cars as a consequence.

CHAS. E. HUGHES OPENS WESTERN CAMPAIGN

Chas. E. Hughes, republican nominee for president of the United States has launched his campaign on the Pacific Coast after making three speeches per day in the cities of Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane respectively. Today, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes are passing through the state of Oregon on their way to San Francisco.

Portland was host to M. and Mrs. Hughes yesterday and since Portland is the only city in Oregon included in Mr. Hughes' western itinerary, Portland acted as host for the entire state as well.

In speaking of Mr. Hughes' appearance in Spokane, the Spokesman-Review has the following to say:

An arraignment of the anti-dumping clause of the democratic revenue bill was a feature of the candidate's speech in the Spokane stadium. The theory that Mr. Hughes lacked humor was disproved as thoroughly as the theory that icicles cling to his whiskers by the time the audience had laughed for a full minute at his shafts of ridicule, directed against this measure.

At both the Coeur d'Alene and stadium meetings Mr. Hughes talked principally protection and the Mexican question. He made his first reference to Colonel Roosevelt at the stadium when he spoke of President Wilson's early statement that there was no need for special attention to national defense, and added:

"Then there came a great leader who went through this country stating the contrary, and overnight opinion in Washington changed under the pressure of that leadership."

The audience greeted this reference with strong applause. Regular and progressive elements of the republican party joined in harmony in the reception to Mr. Hughes. Such representatives of diverse views as Senator Miles Polindexter and National Committeemen S. A. Perkins rode in a car with Mr. Hughes in the parade of downtown streets and on the platform at the stadium speech virtually all former Spokane progressives who have had part in the local organization were represented.

Probably 10,000 people greeted Mr. and Mrs. Hughes as they covered the downtown parade route yesterday morning. The trip to Coeur d'Alene followed, where Mr. Hughes addressed 4500 people for an hour. Upon his return to Spokane he addressed a capacity audience of 2000 women voters at the Auditorium, hundreds being turned away for the lack of space. The reception at the Davenport hotel followed, and then the stadium speech.

By making arrangements for a special train out of Spokane last night Mr. Hughes was able to devote more time to Spokane people at the stadium than other wise would have been possible.

Mr. Hughes speaks at Tacoma and Seattle today and Portland Wednesday. He was accompanied to the Coast last night by Millard T. Hartson of Tacoma, republican state chairman.

Social and political barriers, which some supposed would limit the number to shake the hand of Charles Evans Hughes and Mrs. Hughes at the reception at the Davenport hotel yesterday afternoon, were entirely ignored when the committee saw the immense crowd that jammed the lobby and the entrances to the hotel, as well as lining the sidewalks to the curbs. In 30 minutes, as a result, policemen on the door estimated that 3000 people had shaken hands with the republican candidate for the presidency and his wife.

A large crowd was at the Northern Pacific depot when the train departed for the Coast at 9:45.

LOCAL WHEAT SELLS FOR \$1.12 1-2 PER

Morrow County Farmers Are Slow to Contract, Thereby Indicating They Will Hold For Higher Prices.

Top prices were paid for wheat in Heppner last week but comparatively few sold. In fact the local market was stronger than it was in neighboring counties. While \$1.12 1/2 was being offered here, \$1.08 was the highest paid in Sherman county.

Very little of the 1916 crop has yet been sold by the contract method in Heppner, although a large number in the lone country have contracted a part of their crop. None of it has yet been bought for less than a dollar per bushel.

Those who sold here last week at \$1.12 1/2 were Harvey Young and Jess Coats of Eight Mile. They each sold 1000 sacks at that price.

During the present week the market has been off a little and no wheat has been sold in Heppner. Present indications are for a stronger market and in a few days buying will probably be resumed with vim. Today's quotation in Heppner on bluestem is \$1.06.

Ayers-Butler.

Wm. Ayers, janitor at the court house, and Ella Butler, his housekeeper, were married at the groom's home in this city Wednesday evening. County Judge C. C. Patterson performed the ceremony. Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Ayers were given a hearty shivaree by their many friends. We extend congratulations.

Dr. D. R. Haylor went to Portland this morning on a brief business trip. Mrs. Haylor and son, who have been visiting in the metropolis for several weeks, will return home with him.

LARGE CROWD GREET'S JOLLY ENTERTAINERS

"Daddy" Draper and his Jolly Entertainers have been to town and everyone who attended their shows, if shows they might be called, are much happier and have been strengthened in their belief that this old world is not all bad after all. This bunch surely deserve the title of Jolly Entertainers for their power to both entertain and amuse is almost unlimited.

In telling of his home at Des Moines, Wash., Mr. Draper said that he and Mrs. Draper have adopted many of the children they have under their care and have gathered the little folks around them in a happy family. Each child is learning something useful and the home is made entirely self-supporting through their efforts. Every summer they tour the country presenting their entertainments and everywhere they meet with the best success. In a musical way the children are surprising and they more than deserved the many words of praise which local people have given them. Their appearance on the stage almost makes one forget they are only children, so easily do they perform.

The children made many friends while in town, and all of them were invited to partake of the hospitality of our people.

Mr. Draper has the sincere thanks of this community for bringing his troupe here and we all wish him to return.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

People of Morrow county who want concessions at the Morrow County Fair should make their choice of location at once as outside concessionaires are asking for space daily, and it is the desire of the Board to give home people first choice where possible.

W. W. SMEAD, Secretary.

THE WEATHER

The following is the report of the weather for the past week as given us by Cooperative Observer Frank Gilliam:

Date	Temp.			Char. of Day
	Highest	Lowest	Rain/fall	
9	75	55		Clear
10	81	48		Clear
11	85	53		Clear
12	85	54		Clear
13	85	54		Clear
14	87	55		Clear
15	84	52		Clear