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HEPPNER ELKS TO ENTERTAIN VISITORS

Lodge 358, B. P. O. E. Will Hold Annual Ball—Elks From Afar Will Attend—Large Class Will Be Initiated.

Heppner Lodge No. 358, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will hold their annual ball at the Fair pavilion on Thursday evening, Feb. 22. This holiday event gives promise of being one of the smartest events to take place in Heppner in many a day.

The committee in charge is sparing no efforts to bring the affair to a successful climax. For the dance, Parson's orchestra of Portland has been engaged. This orchestra consists of eight or nine pieces and the quality of their music is said to be of rare excellence.

Another feature of the ball this year will be the banquet which will be served in the pavilion, buffet style. There will be many outside visitors here according to Secretary W. Prellitt Cox, who says he has received many letters and cards from brother Elks announcing their intentions of coming. It is said that Condon will bring even a larger representation than that sent to their city last month by Heppner.

Mr. Cox says that considerable work will be spent in putting up attractive decorations and in this part of the program, Heppner merchants and business men have been asked to co-operate. The colors, purple and white will predominate throughout the city and the town will have a gala appearance that will well bespeak the occasion for the celebration.

Beginning in the afternoon of the 22nd, a large class of candidates will be initiated into the lodge and the greater part of the early evening will be taken up with the lodge work.

Mrs. A. A. Curtis Dies in Pasadena, California.

Word was received by relatives in Heppner this week of the death of Mrs. A. A. Curtis in Pasadena, California. Mrs. Curtis had been ill for several months and her death was not unexpected.

The deceased formerly lived in Heppner and was well known here by many of the older residents. She is survived by Mr. Curtis and four children, Mrs. John Mock of Portland, who was with her when she passed away; Mrs. Leavitt of Paris, France; Alfred Curtis of Arizona and Henry Curtis of New York. One sister, Mrs. Andrew Neel of Lone Rock and three brothers; John of Portland; James and Joseph Hayes of this city also survive her. Mrs. Curtis was 56 years of age, her birthday being on Feb. 3, 1861.

Holdings Are Increased.

A deal was recently made whereby Stanfield Brothers, of this city, purchased the Wilbur H. Mather, ranch on Snake river, near Huntington, Oregon, the consideration being \$15,000. Included in the sale were 900 head of sheep.

This ranch is partially under cultivation and has some improvements as to fences and buildings. The Stanfield Brothers expect to combine this with their already extensive holdings in Umatilla county and throughout Eastern Oregon.—Stanfield Standard.

Good Display Window.

One of the seasonal decorations put in the store windows by local merchants during the week is that of Wm. Haylor, jeweler. A large portrait of Lincoln adorns the center of the display, over which two American flags are crossed. In one corner of the window hangs a copy of the New York Herald of 1865, telling of the assassination of President Lincoln. This copy has been in Mr. Haylor's possession for more than twenty years.

"The Great Divide" is heralded as one of the most expensive productions which has been produced by any of the makers of motion pictures and it abounds with thrill upon thrill and a standard of photo-playing which bespeaks credit for everyone of its cast from the stars to the most humble player.

Manager Sparks of the Star theatre has booked "The Great Divide" as the attraction at the Star Theatre for Monday only, Feb. 19.

Dr. Turner, the well known eye specialist of Portland will be in Heppner again Friday, Feb. 23rd., at Palace Hotel. In Ione Saturday February 24th. Dr. Turner is a specialist of experience and standing and you will make no mistake in consulting him about your eyes and glasses. Your eyes are the most precious sense you have, and why not have the best, when it costs you no more to consult a specialist than it does to consult those who make it a side line. Headaches relieved, cross eyes straightened, satisfaction guaranteed. No charge for consultation or examination. Don't forget the date.

Boardman

J. C. Ballenger went to Hermiston Sunday.

C. G. Blayden returned Sunday from The Dalles.

S. C. Mack and C. Voven went up to Hermiston Tuesday.

Mrs. M. Voven went to Hermiston Wednesday to help her father.

S. H. Boardman went to Irrigon Sunday to attend a road meeting.

Mr. Hango's father-in-law is here from Hood River and expects to locate.

Mrs. Carley of Carley, Wash., came over Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. C. Coykendall.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Paine entertained the F. F. Klitz family at dinner Monday evening.

A big crowd enjoyed the social dance given at Messner Saturday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Calvert.

Chas. Hango went to Hood River Saturday. He expects to drive a team back, which he will use on the ranch.

Miss Chiberton will give lessons in Spanish, French, Latin or German. Phone Main 533.

We have three dwellings in Heppner. Some of the best property in town, would sell or trade either or all for land in the county. Geo. J. Currin.

Mrs. Celsus Keithley and Mrs. Carrie Vaughn returned last Friday from an extended trip in the middle West and California. The prime object of the trip was for the benefit of Mrs. Keithley's health, and they went to Rochester, Minn., where she received treatment at the Mayo Brothers hospital. Her condition is greatly improved.

W. D. Newlon, of the artesian well country was in the city to day on matters of business. At the present time Mr. Newlon is a busy man selling large acreages of land north of the base line. He has already disposed of several sections and in the near future expects to sell several thousand acres. Soon, a party of thirty one people from Missouri will come out to look at land here and invest. Mr. Newlon has already sold some of the land to some of these people.

WHAT IS DOING IN OREGON INDUSTRIES

Eugene—S. P. Co. pays \$10,000 monthly to 138 Eugene employees. 42 employees of Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. here receive \$1865.15 bonus.

Medford—City council agrees to assist proposed establishment of box factory by extending water main to north boundary of city.

Reedsport—A new hotel is planned.

Albany—About 50 wagon loads of gravel are being hauled daily to nearby road districts and 3 to 5 carloads loaded daily for outlying districts in Linn county.

Florence—\$8389 contract has been let for new coast guard station.

Portland—L. C. Gilman, President of North Bank Road announces expenditure of \$1,250,000 by his road for 1917, mostly in Oregon.

Dufur—150,000 bushel grain warehouse completed here.

Bend—Bend Water, Light & Power Co. to install \$3000 pumping plant.

Bandon—Citizens working to get cannery.

La Grande is to have a new 3-story business block.

Agness—Longest suspension bridge on coast is about to be completed across Rogue river here. Main span is 365 ft., while its anchors are 635 feet apart.

Survey of Coos Bay-Eugene highway begun. If this road is ever completed it will eliminate one of the worst and most used roads in the world.

Donald sends out more freight than any other small station on Oregon electric.

International Paper Co., of Boston takes option on large timber holdings in Umpqua country at \$4,500,000 and prospects are for large pulp and paper mill on lower Umpqua river.

Astoria will build dredge for harbor work.

Coos Bay—During first half of January this port shipped more lumber to San Francisco than any other harbor on coast.

North Plains—Beaverton Brick & Tile Co., has been reorganized and will be put in operation with about 30 men.

Reedsport—S. P. Co. to build large floating dock here.

Cottage Grove—Utah-Idaho Sugar Co. is contracting beets at \$6.50 f. o. b. cars here. The sugar factory recently built at Grants Pass is a great asset to farmers of that section as it permits development of one of the most staple farm crops, sugar beets.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE EGG CITY

New Cashier Arrives at Bank of Ione—Construction Starts On New Garage.

A change was consummated this week in the management of the Bank of Ione, Mr. Crawford, having a short time ago tendered his resignation as cashier. The position is to be filled by Mr. H. M. Cummings of Portland. Mr. Cummings was for four years auditor of the Portland Commercial Club and he comes to Ione not without considerable banking experience having been associated with the Woodbury County Savings Bank, of Sioux City, Iowa for a number of years before coming to Oregon. He takes up his work with the Bank of Ione at once, as Mr. Crawford has already returned to Heppner, having severed his official connection with the bank this week. Mr. Cummings is a man of very pleasing personality. He has a wife and two children and his family will shortly move to Ione and take up their residence here. We bespeak for them a hearty welcome and hope that they will find Ione just as pleasant and enjoyable a place to live as has the retiring cashier and his family. Mr. F. E. Cronan will be assistant cashier of the bank.

H. V. Smouse and Laxton McMurray returned Sunday from Spokane, where they have been for a couple of weeks, taking instruction in the operation of Caterpillar engines. Their new machines are on the ground and will be put in operation at once. The Blake and Davidson machine was taken to the W. J. Blake place east of Ione on Monday and has begun plowing. It will go to the Davidson ranch later. These new machines appear to work perfectly and they will no doubt give good satisfaction.

J. T. Knappenberg and wife were passengers to Heppner on Tuesday evening, visiting in that city over night. They just returned the past week from a visit of six weeks at the old home of Mr. Knappenberg in Buffalo, N. Y. On their return they also visited at the home of Mrs. Woolery, mother of the late Joseph Woolery, who resides on the old home farm. Much very bad weather was encountered during the entire trip, which makes Oregon seem all the better.

J. L. Kincaid has just had a fine well completed on his farm. For years Mr. Kincaid has been hauling water up to the Cox place, on which the new well is located, and now these troubles are all over. M. E. Cotter did the work. The hole is 685 feet deep and will give an inexhaustible supply of good water. A pumping outfit will be installed, propelled by a large windmill.

Cecil Tuper, a student at the Bible University at Eugene, was in Ione over Sunday last and preached at the Christian church both morning and evening. He graduates in the ministry in June and has been called to take the pastorate of the church at this place. He will be here every two weeks until the close of school.

Work will commence the first of the coming month on the new Mason building, and will be rapidly pushed. Mr. Mason was held up so long on getting material on the ground that he was compelled to await better weather conditions before finishing the job.

Some land marks have been removed this week in taking out the big trees on the Holmes property. This was made necessary to give place to the new garage that is to be put up on the lots. Some of the oldest trees of the place were felled.

Mrs. W. C. Cason came down from Heppner on Tuesday to make a visit with her new grand-daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cason. The new arrival was ushered into the realities of this life on Monday the 12th, and Guy is the happiest daddy in the country.

Preparations are being made for the erection of the new garage for the Rivers Auto Co., just as soon as the weather settles. The new building is to be of brick and thoroughly up-to-date in every respect.

J. H. Bryson of the Ione garage has worked busy putting up an addition to his building, this being made necessary on account of his increasing business.

E. M. Perfect is up from Albany to look after his land interests in this section. He owns a good farm here and raised an abundant crop of corn the past last season.

Oscar Veatch, Condon meat market man, was over to Ione on Monday being interested in a bunch of beef cattle near this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Saling were over from Pendleton on Sunday for a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Cronan.

L. P. Davidson and wife returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Spokane on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Minor have returned to their home in this city after spending several weeks in California.

MORE LAND IS OPEN TO ENTRY

1300 Acres in Second Unit of West Extension Ready for Filing.

The Secretary of the Interior announces the opening to entry on March 6, at 9 o'clock A. M., of approximately 1,300 acres in the second unit of the West Extension of the Umatilla, Oregon, reclamation project.

Persons desiring to acquire any of said public lands must execute a homestead application subject to the provisions of the reclamation law, with the required fees and commissions, accompanied by a certificate of the Project Manager at Hermiston as to the filing of water right applications and payment of water right charges, may be presented to the proper local land office, either La Grande or The Dalles, Oregon, in person, by mail, or otherwise, within the period of five days prior to the opening, to-wit: on and from March 1, 1917, to and including 9 o'clock A. M., March 6, 1917.

Where there is more than one application for the same land a drawing will be held to determine the successful applicant. Unsuccessful applicants will be permitted to amend their filings and apply same to other farm units which have not been entered.

The building charge of \$92 per acre, 5% of which must be deposited with the Project Manager at Hermiston, Oregon, before application for entry will be received. The balance is payable in fifteen additional annual installments, the first of which will be payable December 1 of the fifth calendar year after the entry. The first five of such installments will each be five per cent of the construction charge, and the last ten installments each seven per cent.

The Umatilla Project includes approximately 36,000 acres in Umatilla and Morrow counties, and is traversed by the O-W. R. & N., and N. P. Rys. A portion of the project lies on the south bank of the Columbia River, which affords water transportation.

The lands of the project are rolling in character and the soils are sandy loams. Climatically the region is adapted to the growing of alfalfa, fruits, berries and vegetables. The average value of all irrigated crops on the project in 1915 was \$29 per acre. Farm units average about 40 acres each, the irrigation of which is provided for by the irrigation system recently completed.

Forest Service Uses Water Alforjas For Fire Fighting.

Water alforjas will probably be used in the first protection work of the Forest Service in Oregon and Washington the coming fire season, according to District Forester George H. Cecil, Portland, Oregon. They consist of a pair of water-proof panniers or saddle bags holding about 21 gallons of water and are transported on horseback. An ordinary pack-saddle, or in emergencies a riding saddle may be used.

This equipment was tried out successfully last season on the National Forests in Utah, where it was found to be very useful in putting out glowing embers, extinguishing fire in down timber, applying water directly to small fires, and putting out burning snags. It was also convenient for supplying drinking water to fire crews. A hand pump is used with the alforjas which throws a perpendicular stream about thirty feet.

The water is taken from the top of the alforjas to prevent leakage and from both sides at once, thus keeping the load properly balanced on the packhorse.

Improved methods of fighting fire are constantly sought by the Forest Service, according to Mr. Cecil, and these water alforjas are expected to increase the efficiency of the fire fighting force.

T. J. Mahoney and family departed on Wednesday for Portland where they will make their home. Mr. Mahoney has resigned his position as cashier of the First National Bank of Heppner to become affiliated with Portland banking interests. He has accepted the trusteeship of the Portland Cattle Loan Association, of which he recently became a stockholder, and will also be cashier of a new bank that is being organized at the North Portland-Union Stockyards. Mr. Mahoney still retains his interest in the First National of this city, being recently elected to the position of vice-president and a place on the board of directors. The best wishes of their large circle of friends go with Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney.

Bernard Bleakman of Hardman suffered from an attack of appendicitis last week. His physician, Dr. G. G. Gaunt brought him to the Heppner Sanatorium on Sunday where an operation was immediately performed by Drs. Gaunt and Winnard. His condition is said to be improving nicely.

Mrs. R. W. Turner is slowly recovering from her recent attack of rheumatism and is once more able to be about the house.

Morgan

Miss Ackerman's sister of Pendleton is visiting with her.

Miss Alma Dunn spent the week end with friends in Heppner.

Miss Lera Githens spent the week end with her parents in Heppner.

Miss Lillian Troedson was a weekend guest of Miss Doris Wilt of Ione.

Edwin Burlingham of Fairview visited with H. O. Ely and Bert Palmateer a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sorenson and family and Geo. N. Ely were the guests at the home of A. Pierce of Wells Spring Sunday.

H. O., Geo. N., and Fred Ely, B. F. Morgan, James Allen and Wid Palmateer attended the Odd Fellows lodge at Ione last Saturday night.

Do not forget the literary society meeting at the school house Friday, Feb. 16. Among the main features of the evening are a mock trial and a dialogue entitled "From Down East."

A very pleasant party was given at the home of B. F. Morgan last Friday night in honor of Wm. Martin, it being Mr. Martin's birthday. A number of the young people of the neighborhood were present and reported a very good time. They only regretted that Toots did not have a birthday more often.

JOHN BUSH SELLS FARM TO BRUCE B. KELLEY

John Bush this week sold his 320-acre farm to Bruce B. Kelley for a cash consideration of \$3200. Mr. Bush took up a homestead a few years ago, the land being situated almost in the center of the Kelley sheep range. It will make a valuable addition to the Kelley sheep plant.

C. W. Shurte has taken charge of affairs at the Morrow county creamery, filling the vacancy made by the resignation of Ira Morgan. Mr. Shurte is a practical creamery man and butter maker. He has been running the Arlington creamery during the past several months.

Albert Lawson, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Lawson, who has been quite sick for the past month has improved sufficiently to be able to leave the sanatorium on Monday.

TRAIN MAIL SERVICE IS FURTHER CRAMPED

Another "economy" step at the expense of the railway mail service's efficiency will be taken tomorrow when the O-W. R. & N. mail car run from Spokane to Portland will be cut in two. Instead of running into Portland, the mail cars will be sent to Walla Walla via Wallula and the mail will be forwarded on to Portland in closed pouches, aboard baggage cars.

Under the arrangement all mail that has not been sorted by the railway mail clerks, either must continue on to Portland or lay over at Walla Walla for 12 hours. In either case, it is asserted, deliveries in Portland from Spokane and its eastern connections which extend to St. Paul, will be delayed more or less.

At present two railway clerks are employed in handling the mail enroute to Portland. Under the half run system about to be inaugurated an extra man will be put on the run it is said. Action in curtailing the railway mail service is in line with the general policy of the postoffice department which for some time has cut down the efficiency of the railway mail service in an effort to build up a reputation of economy.

In numerous cases in the Northwest the size of mail cars has been reduced, and the number of clerks decreased with a result that the amount of "stuck mail" has steadily increased. The present policy accounts for the delays of mail deliveries which business houses are experiencing all along the Pacific Coast. It is rumored that more cut runs will be ordered soon.—Telegram.

WOOL CAR HERE ON FEBRUARY 24

Local Sheepmen Will Have Opportunity to See All Classes of Market Wool—Breed Types Will Also Be Shown.

Morrow county sheepmen will have an excellent opportunity to see all kinds of market wools in all stages from the back of the animal to the back of mankind when the wool demonstration car visits Heppner on February 24th.

The car will arrive at 10 a. m., and will be in the city until 5 o'clock in the evening. The car is operated by the United States Department of Agriculture and the O. A. C. Extension department. Their itinerary includes all the principal wool shipping points of Eastern Oregon. The purpose of this demonstration is to acquaint range wool growers with the market demands and the best methods of meeting them. It will show him how to improve his wool clip by breeding and management, and how to handle the clip to get maximum profits. The present high prices for wools offer the most opportune time to adapt wool production to market requirements. It is safe to predict that the demonstration car will receive a warm welcome when it arrives in Heppner, since Morrow county sheepmen have always stood well at the top of the list in adopting modern methods in sheep raising and the growing of better wool.

Establishes New Store Here.

M. H. Kapple, who formerly conducted the Fair store in this city about two years ago, has again opened up for business in the building just north of the Palace hotel. While the present quarters of the new store are somewhat cramped, Mr. Kapple announces that he will move into larger and more commodious rooms just as soon as he can find a suitable vacant building.

New Strain of Horses.

Dell Blacett and Barney Sherry have returned from Lexington where they attended a horse sale at the Ben Swaggart place. They purchased a number of good animals, among them being two creams, a new strain in which Swaggart is specializing.—Pendleton E. O.

Dr. Winnard was called to Social Ridge Monday to see Mrs. Walter Eubanks, who is quite sick. She was brought to the Heppner Sanatorium immediately. As we go to press we learn that her condition is improving.

Ira Morgan, until recently manager of the Morrow County Creamery, has resigned his position here and will move with his family to Wenatchee, Wash., where he has taken a similar position. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan have the best wishes of their many friends here.

Mrs. A. L. Ayers left this morning for Portland, where she will visit with relatives for two or three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford and daughter Mary have returned to Heppner to again make this city their home, after having spent a year and more in Ione. Mr. Crawford will again be associated with his sons in the publishing business and will have charge of the business management of the Gazette-Times.

Romig Bros. Minstrel show, with eight people, band and orchestra will entertain Heppner audiences next week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday with a two hour program each evening. Music by the best six piece orchestra on the road. Come expecting to see a good show and have a good time at the dance and you will not be disappointed. Your money back if you are not satisfied, is our guarantee. Prices 25 and 50 cents.—J. B. Sparks.

I WANT LAND

TO SELL TO THE 31 BUYERS WHO WILL BEGIN TO ARRIVE HERE ON THE 20th OF THIS MONTH.

If you want to sell, send me the full particulars, and description of your land, also a full list of what goes with your ranch if improved, and a full description of ALL improvements. Land NORTH of the Base Line preferred but can sell land anywhere in Morrow county.

THE LARGER THE RANCH THE QUICKER I CAN SELL IT. My charge for selling land is FIVE Per Cent.

The quicker I hear from you the quicker your ranch will be sold.

W. D. NEWLON
LEXINGTON, OREGON