

Smallpox outbreak nixes 1918 EHS graduation

OUT OF THE PAST

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100 YEARS AGO
May 16, 1918

School will not resume in Enterprise this spring and there will be no commencement exercises for the graduating class of the high school. These changes were caused, of course, by the appearance in town of a number of cases of smallpox.

Taking advantage of an offer made by the U.S. government, Enterprise High School will offer a new course in agriculture next year. The co-operation between the government and the school districts is part of a new national endeavor to increase production on American farms and make rural life more attractive and profitable.

70 YEARS AGO
May 13, 1948

A new saddle and sporting goods shop will be opened



PFC Wilfred G. Sasser, a paratrooper from Enterprise, recently received 75 letters in one day during a stay at 1,500-bed Baxter Army Hospital in Spokane. The facility opened in 1943 and closed in 1945.

in Enterprise within the next few weeks, according to an announcement by Al Harris of Klamath Falls. Harris is associated with an expert saddle

maker with 46 years of experience and specializes in high-grade saddles.

A delegation of farmers led by Fred Himelwright met with

the county court last week to express opposition to further testing under the Bang's disease control law. The delegation said they believe the pro-

gram would be ineffective unless enforced throughout the county and on both beef and dairy stock, and further expressed that the slaughtering of infected animals at this time would work an undue hardship on the dairy farmers who have wintered their animals on high priced feed and are now getting them into production again.

A proposition to license slot machines in Enterprise under an arrangement whereby the city would receive one-third of the proceeds, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Legion one-third and the operator one-third, was made to the city council last week. A motion to this effect failed for want of a second.

Power Co. fish biologist, reported that 549 anglers caught a total of 149 steelhead on the Snake River between January and May. "That figures out to one steelhead for every 3.68 fishermen, which is very good for steelhead fishing," Smith said.

The Mezzo Forte Singers, a group of young musicians consisting of David Morgan, Henry Kinsley, Kathy Wolfe and Connie and Chris Callahan, presented a concert of folk, rock and variety songs with group participation.

of over 250 friends last week in the Wallowa High School Gym.

25 YEARS AGO
May 13, 1993

A 38-foot 25,000-pound sculpture called "The Day the Wall Came Down," is taking shape at Valley Bronze Foundry in Joseph and will make its way to Berlin, Germany, to commemorate the collapse of the Berlin Wall.

50 YEARS AGO
May 16, 1968

Sandra Buckley and Dan DeBoie have been named this year's valedictorians for the Joseph High School Class of 1968.

Wendell Smith, an Idaho

Barklow honored for more than 65 years of Masonic service

Family, friends and a delegation of Freemasons from Oregon and Washington gathered in Walla Walla recently to present an award to a long-serving brother.

Kenneth Barklow, 93, is known among Masons as "Worshipful Brother" for being a past master of his lodge and has been a member of Lostine Lodge 123, Standley Lodge 113 (in Wallowa) and Joseph Lodge 81, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon, since 1951.

The ceremonies were held in Walla Walla where he now resides.

The 65-year award certificate and pin were generated after records indicated to the Joseph Lodge that Barklow was to be honored. Lodge officials learned that he was not far away.

After coordinating with the two state-level executive offices, the ceremony was scheduled with the family. Barklow's wife, Irene, then



Worshipful Brother Kenneth Barklow, center, is joined by wife Irene and Worshipful Brother Bill Williams, secretary of Joseph Lodge 81 of Oregon.

got in touch with the couple's daughter to share news.

"My mom told me that daddy perked up and got a big smile on his face when we told him the Masons had something special planned for him" said daughter Christine Schwanenberg. "Mom immediately remembered all

the lodge events and programs, going back to 1968 when he was Master of the Joseph Lodge. She was almost as delighted as my father!"

Being a man of few words these days, Barklow expressed his great appreciation through his still-strong grip, warm

smile and nods of gratitude and friendship.

The events were hosted by a special appointee of Most Worshipful Brother Warren Schoeben, the current Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington. Dutch Meier, a Past Master of Blue Mountain Lodge 13 in Walla Walla, presided as master of ceremonies and host.

The ceremony was turned over to the Oregon Masonic delegation and the award was presented by several distinguished Masons who had come from Joseph Lodge 81.

Worshipful Brother Bill Williams, Joseph Lodge secretary, introduced the Lodge's Worshipful Master, Worshipful Brother Skip Weisgerber and Right Wor-

shipful Brother Kenneth Briggs, Deputy of the Grand Master of Oregon for District 22.

The certificate was read and presented, Barklow's wife attached the pin to his suit jacket, and several attendees shared their thoughts and recall about events then and now in the Lodge.

Barklow was joined by four generations of the ladies in his family: wife Irene, daughter Christine, granddaughter Margo Delavan and great-granddaughter Roaryanne Delevan. Other members of his Lodge on hand were Bros. Kent Parsons, Douglas Wickre and Jim Eldred.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, condolences, and support through this difficult time. God Bless.

The Family of Doris Barton

Births

Ason, Kurry Franklyn Wall, was born May 11, 2018 in Enterprise to Sweyn and Beckijo Smergut-Wall of Wallowa. Grandparents are Teresa Smergut, Bill Smergut, Marilyn Wall and Frank Wall.

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