

DEATH TOLL TAKEN IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Frank Tracey Killed and Elmer Hake Seriously Injured in Wreck.

Death stalked the car of Marion Cunningham on Saturday night, when in an automobile accident near the Ed Clark place on the highway just a mile and a quarter below the city, Frank Tracey of Heppner was killed.

The car, a Star touring, owned and occupied by Cunningham as driver, Tracey, Onex Parker and Elmer Hake, who were on their way to a dance at Lexington after having attended the show at Heppner, had just passed another car driven by Jack Wittercraft, and evidently from evidence produced before the coroner's jury, was moving at a high rate of speed when the curve in the highway was encountered and the car left the road, running along some little distance before striking rocks that turned the machine completely over and it was badly wrecked, though the engine was running and the lights burning when it stopped.

Onex Parker and Elmer Hake were riding in the back seat, and Parker states that when he realized the car was leaving the road, he dropped down between the seats, and this action no doubt saved him from being hurt and he came out with only slight bruises. Hake was badly hurt, and has been confined at the home of his father, Harve Coxen, since. His head was badly cut and he was bruised seriously on parts of the body. Cunningham was hurt on the arm sufficiently to cause that member to be carried in a sling, but no bones were broken.

Tracey was found to be unconscious with cuts on head and face, and on being rushed to the hospital at Heppner the examination by the physician revealed fracture of the skull and broken neck. He died a few hours later, never having regained consciousness.

Coroner Case called a jury on Wednesday, and after deliberation they brought in the following verdict:

"We, the jury called this 20th day of December, 1928, before Coroner M. L. Case, of Morrow county, to inquire into all the circumstances attending the death of Frank Tracey, find that the said Frank Tracey came to his death in an automobile wreck, said automobile being then and there operated and driven by one, Marion Cunningham, on the Oregon-Washington highway about 1.4 miles northwesterly from Heppner, Oregon, said operator apparently then and there driving said automobile in an imprudent and careless manner." The jury was C. N. Jones, John Iler, Adam Blahm, S. H. Shannon, H. C. Case and Hanson Hughes.

Tracey had no relatives residing here, but on his body was found an identification card which said to notify G. A. Tracy, Brainard, Minnesota, in case of accident. This was done immediately, and upon instruction received from his relatives the body was prepared by Undertaker Case and will be shipped to Brainard by train this evening. He had been living at Heppner for some time and was engaged at the lunch counter of Edgar Copenhaver at the Curran & Barr pasture. He was 30 years, 9 months and 12 days of age, and was a young man well thought of by all who knew him here.

Wittercraft, and Lewis LeTrace, who were on the scene immediately after the accident, assisted in getting the injured men to town.

PARKERS ENTERTAIN.

At their home on Willow creek below Heppner Friday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Parker entertained a large number of their neighbors and friends at a 500 party, and the occasion was very enjoyable. During the evening delicate refreshments were served by the hostess. Those reported present were Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Blahm, Mrs. Hazel Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Valentine. First honors for men went to Mr. Hughes, and for the ladies by Mrs. Valentine while Mrs. Shaw and Mr. Blahm received the consolation prizes.

EMPLOYEES ENJOY CHRISTMAS.

As the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Thorn, the local employees of Pacific Power & Light company enjoyed a fine Christmas party at the office building on Saturday night. Following a general business meeting there was a Christmas tree, a treat of stocking-full candy and nuts for each one present, and then a big chicken feed. Dancing followed for a time with music coming over the radio, and it was made an occasion long to be remembered.

BEAUTIFUL CALENDARS.

The business houses of Heppner have been distributing some very beautiful and attractive calendars this week, reminding us all that the year 1929 is right at hand. Some of these are quite elaborate and illustrate to "nth" degree the excellence of the printer's art, as well as illustrating numerous historical events, and are such remembrances on the part of the business end of the community as the people appreciate.

JACK HYND, CECIL BADLY INJURED IN CAR ACCIDENT

Party on Way to Entertainment When Mishap Occurs; Auto Nearly Demolished.

Jack Hynd, prominent stockman of the county, and one of the members of the firm of Hynd Bros. Co., was the victim of an automobile accident on Saturday evening, and as a result he is now confined at Heppner hospital in charge of Dr. McMurdo and recovering from a pair of broken legs, and some minor injuries.

With Mrs. Hynd, Miss Vada Montague and Messrs. Willie George Wilson and Jim O'Neil, who are members of the Hynd household, he was going to the basket social and school entertainment at Cecil Hall. When about sixty rods up the highway from the home place, Mr. Hynd attempted to pass a car in front of him, belonging to Elmer Tyler, who also works on the Hynd ranch, in which Taylor and Jackie Hynd were riding. The sedan of Mr. Hynd was speeded up for this purpose, and he had no sooner passed the smaller car than he realized the steering of the car was difficult, and apparently the front wheels had locked. This took him into the ditch at the side of the highway, then the car suddenly reversed its course obliquely across the road to the opposite side, in the meantime scorching and then landing right side up in the concrete irrigation ditch, practically a total wreck. All the doors but one were taken off, the left front door only remaining intact, the glass all smashed, the top off and the occupants of the machine scattered about. Mrs. Hynd landed along side the car near the rear, was bruised in several places about the body, but received no cuts, though her coat and dress were badly cut and torn by the broken glass and she was slightly dazed by the force of the impact with the ground. Miss Montague was near with cuts to her left knee and leg below the knee, but none very serious, and she was also bruised some. Mr. O'Neil received some cuts on the head that required bandages, and Mr. Wilson came through entirely unharmed, evidently being caught in such manner by the top of the car as to escape cuts and bruises.

Mr. Hynd, who was driving the car, was not quite so fortunate as the others, and when discovered he was sitting in the back seat, having received a break of one leg near the ankle, and a fracture of the bone in the other about the same distance from the ankle joint. A black eye resulted from a glass cut just below that member, and there was some sore spots here and there as a result of bumps he received, but otherwise he escaped serious hurts.

Just exactly what went wrong with the car is not known, but it is surmised that the steering gear was faulty as it had been giving some trouble previously, and the cut of the fire in the macadam would indicate the locking of the wheels. At any rate the car is seriously wrecked, and the miracle is that not more of the party were hurt, or that any escaped fatal injuries. Mr. Hynd is reported to be doing fine, and expects to be whole again before long, and in the meantime he will greatly appreciate calls of friends while he is laid up in the hospital.

Episcopalians Enjoy Christmas Cantata

The Episcopal Sunday school had its Christmas cantata on Christmas Eve. The title of the cantata was "Grandfather's Christmas." Mrs. Paul Gemmill told the story while members of the school and the church choir rendered the music that illustrated the beautiful story. Solo and duet parts were taken by Miss Patricia Mahoney, who sang a solo, Alice Cason and Virginia Dix, two duets, W. O. Dix and the Rev. Mr. Moore, a duet, Dean Goodman, Jr., and Viola Kirk, a duet. Two choruses, one composed of girls of the Sunday school and one by the boys, helped in the musical rendition.

Mrs. W. P. Mahoney directed the cantata and had charge of drilling the children for the cantata. Although many were sick and others were preparing for the Christmas festival, many were out to hear the program and to enjoy the good fellowship together.

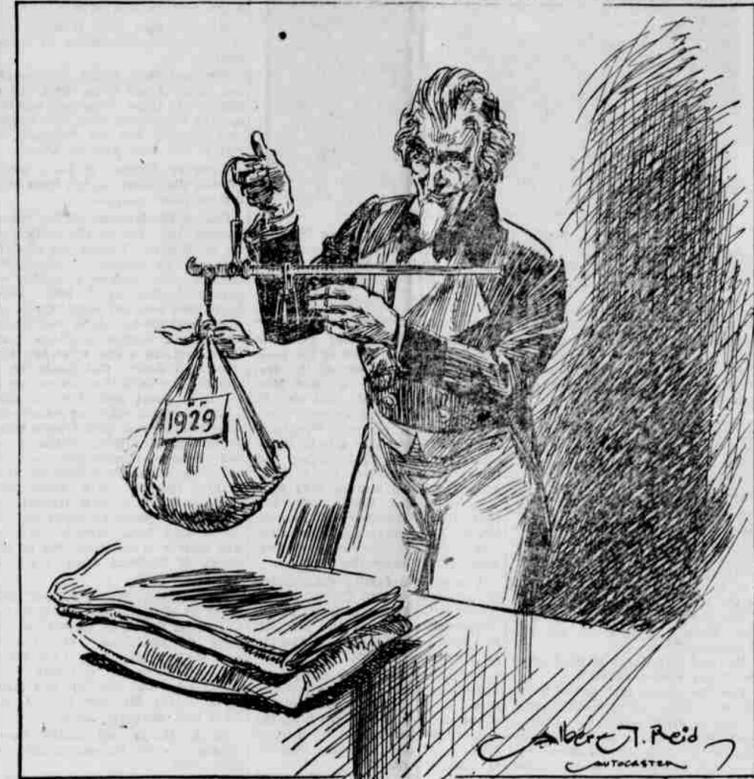
The church was beautifully decorated with the brightly bedecked Christmas tree centering the Christmas motif, and when the lights went out candles placed in all the windows were lighted, making the decorations more impressive than before. The children enjoyed the treat dispensed at the close of the program.

All Saints Episcopal Church.
Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m.
Sunday school at 9:45.
Morning prayer and sermon at 11.
"Oh give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever."—Ps. 107:1.
REV. STANLEY MOORE,
Missionary in Charge.

Gay Anderson, county clerk, has been confined at home some time this week by illness.

Very Promising

By Albert T. Reid



Evangelistic Meetings Begin Sunday Morning

The series of evangelistic meetings at the Christian church will begin with the morning service at 11 o'clock on Sunday, and will continue through the most of January, or as long as the interest justifies. The meetings will be in charge of Evangelists Drill and Farnum. Mr. Drill is the popular pastor of First Christian church at Pendleton, and he will do the preaching each evening, except Saturday, while the singing will be in charge of Lester Farnum of Eugene, and the music promises to be one of the striking features of the series of meetings.

Some sermon themes announced by Mr. Drill follow:
"The Worst Gambler in Heppner."
"Will We Know Each Other in Heaven?"
"Standardized Religion."
"A Clean Heart, or Heart Religion."
"Is There a Hell or Is It a Myth?"
"The Worst Thing Anyone Can Do."

"What Must I Do to Join the Church?"
"How Can One Be and Not Be a Christian?"
Evangelist Drill announces that he preaches sermons, not harangues; gospel, not hobbies; Christ, not creeds, without offense; differences in faith and opinion treated with courtesy.

College Short Courses Will Begin in January

Detailed plans are now complete for the opening of three special agricultural short courses scheduled to begin in January at the Oregon State college at Corvallis. Descriptive folders on these may be obtained by addressing the school of agriculture there.

The first course to open is a power farming conference and school from January 11 to 23, conducted by the department of agricultural engineering under Professor W. J. Gilmore, head of the department. From January 14 to 26 a hay, grain and seed grading school will be conducted by the farm crops department. Several visiting instructors and government officials will assist the resident staff headed by G. R. Hyslop and D. D. Hill.

The eighth annual canners school, which draws students from all western states and Canada every year, will be held this year from January 28 to February 13. This is conducted in the horticultural products department under the direction of Professor E. H. Wiegand.

COMMITTED TO ASYLUM.

Wm. Gorgor, age 66, of Ione, who has been at the Heppner hospital receiving medical attention, was committed to the asylum at Pendleton on Wednesday forenoon, after a hearing before Judge Benge. Mr. Gorgor has been ill more or less for the past two years, his condition being brought about it is thought, by injuries he received while on a visit in the east a couple of summers ago; at any rate, since that time he has suffered from illness. Mr. Gorgor has been cared for by his sons who reside near Ione, but his condition having reached such a stage that it was feared he would soon be beyond control, it was thought best to place him in the hospital where he can receive proper attention at all times.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Nickerson have been confined to their home all the week, suffering with influenza.

West Point, Annapolis Examinations, Jan. 12

Congressman Robert R. Butler announces that he will arrange for a competitive examination open to all qualified young men in his district on January 12, 1929, to fill vacancies which will occur in 1928 in the military academy at West Point and the naval academy at Annapolis. The mental tests covering both academies will be conducted by the U. S. Civil Service Commission on Saturday, January 12, 1929, at 9 a. m., at the postoffices in the following cities in the Second Congressional district of Oregon: Baker, Bend, Klamath Falls, Pendleton, The Dalles.

Candidates for designation to West Point will be examined in algebra, plane geometry, English composition and literature, United States history, general history, and English grammar. They must be actual residents of the Second Oregon Congressional district, not less than five feet four inches in height; they must have reached their 17th birthday, but not have reached their 22nd birthday, on the date of entrance, which is approximately July 1, 1929. Congressman Butler will appoint the candidate receiving the highest rating in this test as determined by the Civil Service Commission principal cadet and the two ranking first and second alternate cadets.

Candidates for designation to Annapolis will be examined in algebra, plane geometry, English composition and literature, United States history, ancient history, and physics. They must be citizens of the United States and bona fide residents of the Second Congressional district of Oregon, and must have reached their 16th birthday on April 1, 1929, but not have reached their 20th birthday on March 31, 1929. Congressman Butler will appoint the candidate receiving the highest rating in this test as determined by the Civil Service Commission principal midshipman and the three ranking next first, second and third alternates.

Any qualified candidate may take both examinations if he desires. Those wishing to enter this competition should immediately write or wire Congressman Butler at Washington, D. C., so that they may be listed with the Civil Service Commission to take the examination and a set of question papers for each competitor sent to the local Civil Service board at the post office in the city where the examination will be held. Candidates should inform the Congressman in which city they desire to take the examination. Those requesting it, will be sent a circular of information regarding the scope of the examination in the different branches.

ROYAL ARCH INSTALL.

The regular meeting of Heppner Chapter No. 26, Royal Arch Masons was held at Masonic hall on last Thursday evening, when the annual installation of officers took place. Frank Gilliam was installing officer and the new officers for the chapter are Fred E. Farrior, high priest; Bruce Kelley, King; Hanson Hughes, scribe; Alfred H. Johnston, captain of host; Spencer Crawford, principal sojourner; Paul Gemmill, Royal Arch captain; Gay M. Anderson, master third veil; Charles Cox, master second veil; John Wightman, master first veil; W. E. Pruyn, sentinel; E. R. Huston, secretary and Frank Gilliam, treasurer.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Revival services begin on Sunday morning at the regular morning hour. Our song evangelist, Lester F. Farnum, will be with us at this service and the sermon will be preached by the pastor.

At the evening hour Guy L. Drill of Pendleton will preach. He will be with us every night except Saturday for the duration of the meeting.

We are going to have great services and we urge and invite the attendance of the community.

MILTON W. BOWER,
Minister.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET.

The regular meeting of the Woman's club will be at Legion hall on Saturday afternoon at 2:30. There will be a round table discussion on the Indians of Oregon, several book reports, and musical numbers.

M. E. Sunday School Has Christmas Pageant

"Star Beams," a Christmas pageant, was the feature of the exercises at the Methodist Community church on Monday evening. Led by a few of the older children, the little tots of the primary department delighted their audience with their verses, songs and drills. The parts were well played throughout the pageant.

Mrs. C. W. Smith, Mrs. Lola Taylor and Mr. Harold Case, assisted by other members of the primary department, had charge of the drilling of the children. The stage was decorated in white with evergreen trimmings, and in one corner of the church a miniature forest was arranged to show Santa and his sleigh. The small fir tree with cedar and Oregon grape made a pretty setting for St. Nick and his red suit. At the close of the pageant Elizabeth Vance gave a recitation and Misses Lucile Moyer and Ireta Taylor entertained with a piano duet. Santa met all the children at the close and presented each with a treat.

Talking Movies to Have First Showing Locally

On Monday, December 31, there will be a road show demonstration of Melophone, one of the new systems of talking-movies, with Patsy Ruth Miller in "Beautiful But Dumb," coming to the Star theater on that date. The big theaters have been taking all available machines, says Manager Sigbee, but the smaller towns will soon be able to give their patrons the "talkies" and Mr. Sigbee welcomes this opportunity for the people of Heppner to see and hear this new development. Rest assured that your candid opinion will be appreciated, he says.

PLEASING PROGRAM GIVEN at the Church of Christ

"The Christ Child the Best Gift to all Children," was the theme of the special services given on Christmas eve at the Christian church by the Bible school, and the thought therein contained was carried thru the exercises. The program was not long, but it was well rendered in both song and recitation and pantomime. Appropriate scripture readings were given as introductory to the program, and then children from the primary department came with their gifts. Decorations were appropriate to the season. At the close of the program children were given their Christmas treat. The offerings of this service will go to the orphanage work of the church, helping to make others happy who are less fortunate than the members of the local Bible school.

MASONIC BODIES INSTALL JOINTLY FRIDAY EVENING

Banquet and Program Feature Ceremonies; Officers for New Year Named.

Joint installation of Heppner Lodge No. 69, A. F. & A. M., and Ruth Chapter No. 32, O. E. S., was held at Masonic hall Friday evening. Preceding the installation, at six o'clock, the annual installation banquet was served in the dining room. Turkey and all the "fixins" was served to about 150 members of the two orders. After the banquet a short program of musical numbers and readings was presented.

Heppner Lodge No. 69 installed the following officers: A. H. Johnston, W. M.; Frank S. Parker, S. W.; Earl W. Gordon, J. W.; Frank Gilliam, Treasurer; Leon W. Briggs, Secretary; Earl D. Hallock, S. D.; John Forbes, J. D.; W. O. Dix, Chaplain; R. C. Wightman, Marshal; and W. E. Pruyn, Tyler. Spencer Crawford was installing officer.

R. C. Wightman, retiring master, was presented with a beautiful past master's jewel.

The beautiful and impressive installation ceremonies of Ruth Chapter were presided over by Mrs. W. O. Dix, past worthy matron, who inducted into office the following: Charlotte Gordon, Worthy Matron; Frank S. Parker, Worthy Patron; Hattie Wightman, Associate Matron; Gertrude Parker, Treasurer; Vivian Ball, Secretary; Sara McNamner, Conductress; Florence Hughes, Associate Conductress; Eloise Johnston, Ada; Lera Crawford, Ruth; Lena Cox, Esther; Hazel Vaughn, Martha; Clara Cox, Electa; Selma Bauman, Chaplain; Hanna Jones, Warder; Coramae Ferguson, organist; Ealor Huston, Marshal and Chas. B. Cox, Sentinel. Jessie Pruyn was installing marshal.

The Past Matron's club presented the new worthy matron with a beautiful bouquet using a very impressive ceremony. The installing officer was presented with a large bouquet of roses, and the retiring worthy matron, Carolyn Johnston, and retiring worthy patron, Harvey Bauman, were presented with gifts from the chapter officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Thorn played and sang during intermissions and Miss Kate Francis Ede sang during the installation.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Tom Hughes is leaving this evening by train for Portland, and after a visit a day or so in the city will take a boat for Los Angeles, going from there to Tucson, Ariz., where he expects to spend the coming months in an effort to build up his health. Mr. Hughes has been a sufferer for several years with tuberculosis, and he hopes that the warm, dry climate of Arizona will be beneficial. He has resigned the office of justice of the peace of this district to which he was elected in November, and it will now be up to the county court to fill the vacancy at the coming January meeting.

Supt. Jas. M. Burgess, accompanied by Mrs. Burgess, is spending the vacation season at Hood River and Portland, visiting with relatives. Mr. Burgess will take in the meeting of the State Teachers' association at Portland before returning to Heppner for the opening of school after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving A. Mather of Prairie City, where Mr. Mather is superintendent of schools, are spending the holiday season here, guests at the home of Mrs. Mather's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mahoney. Philip Mahoney is also home from Portland for the holidays.

Charley Smith, county agent, who was laid up for more than a week while recovering from an attack of influenza and threatened with pneumonia, is now about his duties again.

Miss Evelyn Humphreys, who has a place with Pacific Christian hospital at Eugene as bookkeeper, is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Humphreys.

Mrs. S. E. Notson and Miss Mary Notson have both been confined to their home this week by illness. Mrs. Notson is reported better and will be able to be out soon.

Floyd Adams of Hardman departed for Portland on Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Adams.

Miss Viola Brown is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orve Brown. She is attending St. Mary's academy at Pendleton.

Born at their home in this city, this, Thursday morning, to Mr. and Mrs. Milton W. Bower, a daughter. All reported to be doing well.

The family of Carl Gilliam came up from Portland the first of the week to spend Christmas with Mr. Gilliam here.

For Sale—200 acres good pasture; 40 tons good grain hay; good place to feed, plenty of water. Ralph Butler, city. 40tf.

GEO. MAHEW KILLED IN AUTO COLLISION

Condon Man, Well Known Here; Cars Hit Head on in Fog.

George Mayhew, prominent citizen of Condon, and well known in Heppner, was instantly killed on Thursday evening last in a head-on collision of two automobiles on the John Day highway about four miles north of Condon. Mr. Mayhew had been a visitor in Heppner a couple of days preceding the accident. From the Condon Globe-Times of Friday, we have the following account of the accident.

George Mayhew was instantly killed and Mrs. Mayhew is in the local hospital with severe scalp wounds, the result of a head-on collision four miles north of town on the John Day highway at 5 o'clock Thursday evening. "Mr. Young believed Mrs. Mayhew will recover.

H. Dean Young, sole occupant of a Studebaker car with which the coupe driven by Mayhew collided, received only minor injuries. A heavy fog is thought to be responsible for the accident. Mr. Young is district manager for the White Sewing Machine company with headquarters at Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayhew had started for Seaside to spend the holidays with the latter's mother and sister, Mrs. Crownover and Mrs. Ed Hawkins.

The accident was directly in front of the A. C. Wells ranch house on a straight road. Young says he had just turned on his parking lights and that Mayhew had not done so as it was hardly dark. Mr. Wells and other men on the ranch were first to appear on the scene. They found Mr. Mayhew with his head and arm beneath the running board of his car, his face mutilated almost beyond recognition. Mrs. Mayhew was on her feet near by. The Mayhew car was completely demolished.

The cars, it appeared, had collided by the left front wheels. Traffic officer Pyle examined the wreck Friday morning. "Mr. Young was exonerated from all blame," says Officer Pyle. Tracks show plainly that the Mayhew car was on the wrong side of the road and also he did not have his lights turned on.

Mr. Mayhew was born in England about 44 years ago. He came to America when a lad and was raised by A. C. Ruby of Portland, by whom he was employed at the time of his death as a loan broker. He was a corporal in the 162nd infantry, U. S. army during the war and was discharged at San Francisco, October 3, 1919. He had made his home in the Condon community for many years.

CAR WRECK AT IONE.

Herbert Taylor, son of sheriff Taylor of Lane county, accompanied by Otis Boyd, a student of Wasco, wrecked his car at the railroad crossing at the lower end of Main street at 3:30 a. m., Thursday. The car, a new coupe, was badly wrecked and the body completely ruined. The young men escaped with minor cuts and bruises. A bottle of liquor and a revolver were picked up at the scene of the wreck, and a broken bottle was found in the car by Marshall Franks. The young men denied ownership of the liquor in Justice Robinson's court, but Taylor, who is a deputy sheriff in Lane county under his father, claimed the revolver. No charges were placed against them.—Ione correspondent in E. O.

PIONEER RESIDENT DIES.

G. W. Bush, who first came to Unadilla county in 1873, died here on December 24. The funeral is to be held from the Folsom funeral parlor at 2 p. m. Thursday afternoon and burial will be in Olney cemetery. Mr. Bush was born at Jacksonville, Oregon, on January 22, 1861. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. William Eldridge, Pendleton and Mrs. Ralph Shafer, Hermiston, by two brothers, T. M. Bush of Pilot Rock and Willis Bush of Lexington, Oregon, also by a sister, Mrs. E. F. Swaggart, Lexington, Oregon.—Wednesday's E. O.

Mrs. Lillian Turner departed on Wednesday morning for Portland, going to the city to attend the State Teachers' association meeting, as one of the delegates from Morrow county. Other delegates are E. J. Maaske, principal at Irrigon, L. A. Tolles, principal at Pine City, and L. E. Marschat, principal at Boardman.

As the next regular meeting of Heppner Unit American Legion Auxiliary comes on Tuesday evening, January 1, a holiday, the meeting has been postponed until Wednesday evening, January 2, at Legion hall. All members are requested to take note of this change in the meeting time.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hynd of Cecil came to Heppner this morning, bringing with them Miss Vada Montague who was hurt in the automobile accident at Cecil on Saturday evening and received cuts on her left leg below the knee. She was brought to Heppner to have her cuts dressed.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Boyer of Kimberley, are spending the holidays at Heppner, visiting with friends.