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2000 CELEBRATE AT CREEK FORKS

Artesian Well Fittingly Dedicated by Dr. E. T. Allen in Address.

SPORTS ARE POPULAR

Concessions, Band, Fireworks and Dance Enliven Day's Program; Picnic Parties Enjoyed.

There was no way of getting an exact check on the number of people who celebrated with Heppner at the forks of Willow creek July 4, and aided in dedicating the city's artesian well. Two thousand would appear to be a conservative estimate from all reports. Certain it was a large crowd was present, continually shifting, but withal apparently enjoying the occasion. For several miles above the celebration site both forks of the creek were dotted with picnic parties throughout the day.

Marked above all by the continuous noise of firecrackers, the afternoon's program was carried through smoothly, and was entered into with an intermingled spirit of gaily, reverence and passive curiosity. Dr. E. T. Allen of Walla Walla, speaking in the face of disconcerting difficulties from the surrounding noise, called attention to the high purposes of American citizenship which the occasion of the nation's birthday brought to mind. He dedicated the well to the purposes of God in a fitting prayer for the occasion.

The dedication program opened at 1:30 o'clock with the singing of "America" and invocation by Rev. W. W. Head of Ione. S. E. Notson was master of ceremonies. Solos were sung by Ellis Thomson of Heppner and Harvey Miller of Lexington. Singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" brought this part of the day's activities to a conclusion.

Competitive sport events immediately following the dedicatory services had been well organized under the leadership of Paul Marble, and were carried out without delay with a large number of entries in all events. Cash prizes were given in the children's events, while adults competed for merchandise awards contributed by Heppner business houses.

Soft drink, hot dog, and fireworks concessions served the celebrators with the necessary adjuncts of a real "Old Fourth," while "nigger baby" stands did their part. The Irrigon 4-H club band played lively music at intervals in the afternoon. In the evening a display of sky-rockets, torpedoes and Roman candles was enjoyed, and the open-air dance platform was crowded until after midnight with the Jazz Pirates of Heppner furnishing the music.

Children's Events

Boys under 8 years: 50-yard dash, Danny Dinges, first, Robert Marble, second, Hugh Crawford, third; potato race, Robert Marble, first, Hugh Crawford, second; Billy Barrett, third.

Boys under 10 years: 100-yard dash, Floyd Oliver, first, Robert Dexter, second, Floyd Jones, third; pack race, Floyd Jones and Ted Thomson, first, Pete Gentry and Asa Shaw, second.

Boys under 12 years: 100-yard dash, Robert Turner, first, Wilburn Stever, second, Willard Cool, third; three-legged race, Terrel Bengo and John Parker, first, Barton Clark and Kenneth Smouse, second; leap frog race, Marcel Jones and Herman Green, first, Terrel Bengo and John Parker, second.

Girls under 8 years: Relay race, Frances Cox, Joyce Reaney, Delma Miller and Betty Adkins, first, Ethel Oliver, Lois Jones, Virginia Pierce and Elinor Ball, second; foot race, 25 yards, Joyce Reaney, first; Elsie Brown, second, Lois Jones, third.

Girls under 10 years: Foot race, 75 yards, Lydia Ulrich, first, Gladys Reaney, second, Beattie Dexter, third; potato race, Lydia Ulrich, first, Billy Markham, second, Beattie Thomson, third.

Men's events: Fat men's race, Harry Dinges, first, Elmer Baldwin, second; three-legged race, Vawter Parker and Paul Lafferty, first, Stanley Moore and Fred Hoskins, second; 100-yard dash, Robert Turner, first, Howard Keithley, second; sack race, Lester Hunt, first, Loyal Parker, second; horseshoe pitching contest, Robert Burnside, first, Theodore Anderson, second; cracker eating contest, Loyal Parker, first, J. N. Taylor, second.

Women's events: Egg race, Beattie Thomson, first, Valice Jones, second; baseball throwing contest, Mrs. Robert Burnside, first, Beattie Thomson, second; balloon race, Elsie Tucker, first, Mrs. Ed Piercey, second; nail driving contest, Mrs. O. T. Ferguson, first, Elsie Tucker, second; flat tire contest, Mrs. O. T. Ferguson, Mrs. Ed Piercey, Mrs. Earl French and Mrs. Charles Jones, first.

300 AT IONE FOR POMONA MEETING

Grangers Raise Fund for School Band; Social Events Feature Calendar for Week.

JENNIE E. McMURRAY,
Correspondent.

It is estimated that 300 people attended the Pomona grange meeting held in Ione Saturday. The forenoon was given over to a business session at Masonic hall. Dinner was served at noon in the Masonic dining room and at 2 o'clock the following program was given at the school auditorium, open to the public: Music by the school band of Ione; reading by Mrs. R. S. Wilson of Greenfield grange; accordian solo by F. A. Lundell of Willows; presentation of a past master's jewel to Mr. Wicklander, who for several years has been master of Pomona grange, but recently was made deputy state organizer; piano solo by Harold Fimmel of Willows grange; talk by C. C. Hulet, state master; reading, "Ma's Monday Morning," Alma Van Winkle of Lexington; declamation by Donald Heliker of Willows; address by Hon. S. E. Notson of Heppner; music by the school band of Ione. Supper was served in the Masonic dining room, and in the evening at the school auditorium the Pomona degree was conferred upon a class of 67, the work being exemplified by the Willows degree team. Following the routine of work, dancing was enjoyed until a late hour. During the afternoon program a fund was raised by the grangers for the benefit of the Ione school band. The amount received was \$13. This gift is greatly appreciated by the members of the band.

Reports of committees showed a growth both in membership and activities. Especial interest has been shown in the field meets conducted at various points of the county, with an average attendance of 350 or more people. Reorganization of the Greenfield Juvenile grange was reported in the quarter, with Martha Titus, matron, and Margaret Myers, assistant matron. Grace Tyler made an excellent report of the recent state grange meeting at Redmond.

Secretaries of subordinate granges were instructed to file their "exchange wants" with C. W. Smith, county agent, who will issue an exchange bulletin each week to grangers for the sum of \$1 to cover postage, and stationery expense.

The beautiful memorial ceremony was held in memory of Sister Benefield, Irrigon, and Brother Frank Deos and Sister Rosetta Deos, both of Willows grange. Resolutions thanked the Masonic order and Ione school board for use of their buildings, Bert Mason for the range and coffee, and the several brothers and sisters who assisted in serving.

The fifth degree was exemplified by the Willows drill and degree teams to a class of 54. Greenfield grange was awarded the banner for having the largest representation at the meeting aside from the entertaining grange. Hereafter the registration book will close at noon, and only those present at the business session will be eligible to count. Pomona will meet next at Rhea creek, Saturday, October 4, with Rhea Creek grange as host.

Miss Lillie Allinger, assistant cashier of the Farmers and Stockgrowers National bank of Heppner, visited briefly with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allinger in Ione the first of last week, and then in company with her parents left for Portland, where Miss Allinger joined.

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Some Didn't Go, But Those Who Did —CELEBRATED

There were a few people in the county who did not celebrate at the Forks. Gene Mikesell took down with a siege of mumps on the day before, right in the middle of haying, and the W. E. Mikesell family of Heppner stayed home on this account, though they had planned to be among those present. Gene developed a stiff neck a few days before, attributing the soreness to having laid his head on a board while resting. The two immense bumps which appeared Thursday, however, left no question as to the nature of the malady.

John F. Kenny with his family had planned to join the picnic of Lenaites who helped to swell the celebration throng. An urgent message to attend his flocks on pasture in the vicinity of Ukiah forestalled their plans.

City Marshal Devin was forced to stay home to see that the city was intact when the rest of the folks got back. But to make his staying doubly sure his car was put out of commission when it collided with H. E. Rasmussen's truck on Main street early that morning. Mr. Devin's car was badly damaged, while the truck escaped still runable, with a bent front fender, twisted frame and squeeged spring.

The celebration on the whole was marked by the absence of accidents. A slight foreboding was had that there might be some mixing up of gas machines due to the road being narrow in places; but this proved unfounded as drivers of the more than 400 cars took all necessary

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CITY'S PROGRESS VEIN OF PROGRAM

Lions Told Heppner Need Not Hesitate to Push Swimming Tank.

STATES 4TH SUCCESS

Chairman of Celebration Committee Gives Report; Land Settlement Work Held Worthy.

That another project in which the Lions club took an active part has been recorded as a success was brought out in the report of Paul Cash, general chairman of the Fourth of July celebration, at Monday's luncheon. The success of the venture is accredited to the fact that a large number of people were entertained and nothing but favorable reports received. Commendation was given those who expended money and work in an unselfish manner to make the success possible. Though a complete check-up of expenses had not then been made, Mr. Cash was certain that little would be left to pay by the city, which expected to stand part of the expense due to the well dedication.

The possibility of Heppner deriving much benefit through advertising its swimming pool was brought to the attention of the club by Paul Lafferty, Red Cross swimming instructor and superintendent in charge of the American Legion pool. Heppner has a better tank, and better equipment than many larger towns of its acquaintance, Mr. Lafferty asserted, adding that there need be no hesitation in recommending it whenever the opportunity arises. Schedules for classes were given as temporarily arranged.

One of the primary objects of Lionism, the cementing of a closer relationship between town and country, was given the hearty approval of Garnet Barratt, who, himself operating farming and stock-raising interests outside the city, gave a practical exemplification of his belief by recently allying himself with the club. Attention to a field of eight contestants in the local division of the International Pageant of Pulchritude, sponsored by the Heppner Lions club at the Star theater last night. Miss Wehmeyer to represent the city in the grand finals to be held at Galveston, Texas, August 4 and 5. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Wehmeyer of this city. As Miss Heppner she has been asked to appear tomorrow night at Pendleton, in connection with Lions night at the Pendleton theaters.

Miss Della Ulrich was given second choice, and Miss Ella Fell third choice by the three judges. The winners appeared as numbers 7, 1 and 6 respectively. Miss Ulrich is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ulrich of Heppner, and Miss Ella is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Fell, also of Heppner.

The judges, to all of whom the contestants were complete strangers, were Earl Esselsteyne, Dr. N. A. Mann and Garland Gray, all of Pendleton. C. L. Sweek, president of the Lions club, cited the nature of the pageant and method of procedure in a short introductory talk.

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Swimming Classes Set For Children, Women

Beginners classes in swimming for children and women are open to any who wish to join, at the American Legion pool. Paul Lafferty, instructor, has announced the hours for children up to 14 years, from 10 to 12 o'clock Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. The hours for women are 4:30 to 6 o'clock afternoons of the same days. Tentative plans call for men's beginner classes from 6 to 8 p. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, which will be conducted if there is sufficient interest shown. Junior and senior life-saving courses, completion of which will entitle students to Red Cross life saving certificates, will be given as soon as a sufficient number sign up.

Combines Start Rolling In Lexington District

Harvesting commenced in the north-Lexington wheat belt the first of the week, with combines in action in the Christopherson, Chas. Marquardt and George White fields. The Turkey wheat being harvested at the Marquardt place is reported to be running from 15 to 18 bushels to the acre.

Farmers in this district are busy on every hand getting equipment in shape and crews together, and harvesting will be on in earnest in another week. So far plenty of men have been available to fill out the crews, with a surplus existing.

CITY DADS VIEW ARTESIAN FLOW AT WELL



From the 16-inch hole the water shoots 30 feet into the air through a 3-inch opening, as it was seen shortly after the well was capped. B. G. Sigsbee's camera caught Councilmen Gay Anderson, Claude Cox, Jeff Jones and C. L. Sweek (named in order left to right) as they admired the wonderful sight. Mayor W. G. Moore, not present at the time, is represented in the picture by his grandson, La Verne Van Marter, who with Jackie Sweek may be seen to the left of Mr. Anderson, also enjoying the water. Councilmen L. E. Bisbee and Frank Shively were also unable to be present when the picture was taken. The well, situated at the forks of Willow creek, 12 miles southeast of Heppner, furnishes the city with 500 gallons of water a minute.

MISS HEPPNER TITLE GIVEN AT PAGEANT

Alma Wehmeyer to Represent City in State Division Finals.

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The Water Comes

WATER, that God-given, life-preserving fluid; sparkling, clear, it soothes the parched palate of thirst; relieves the distressing fever when sickness comes; without it the fragrant, brilliant or subdued flowers, the gentle meadow pastures, the alluring forests, none of God's growing things would be possible. Life's provider of its greatest blessings, around it are woven life's greatest tragedies.

Wherever man has chosen to make his abode upon this earth one of his first concerns has been the obtaining of a water supply. Every settlement, from the lone hermit in the desert to the great metropolis, has had the problem to face, and never is it fully solved. The history of the water supply of any one of these settlements would make an interesting tale.

Heppner, like every modern town in existence for the same span of time, has gone through the primitive means of distributing water to its residents. There was once the community well with the windlass and bucket where people could be seen dipping water most any time of day. The village blacksmith, grimy, perspiring, mopped his brow

as he filled the dipper with a smile and quaffed the contents in great gulps, and the trim little calicoed housewife edged timidly up awaiting her turn, to fill the family bucket.

Then, the more industrious men about town dug wells of their own. No professors of social science these men; often they thought not of location so as to prevent contamination of the well from sewerage draining into it, nor did they have a modern chemist's laboratory at hand to test its contents for the harmful salts that might be dissolved in it, even had they known what to look for. The plague of dreaded typhoid followed. And then came the city's duty to protect the health of its citizens.

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Morrow Grain Growers In Contracting Field

The Morrow County Grain growers, local unit of the Federal Farm board's cooperative wheat marketing hook-up, are now in position to contract wheat of either members or non-members, says Henry Smouse, president. Farmers interested in contracting should get in touch with J. E. Swanson of Ione, manager. Bids are also being made by the association for 1929 wheat held by members.

Mr. Smouse said that no advances would probably be made until the contracted wheat is delivered to the warehouse. Attention of farmers is called to the fact that membership in the association is still open, and information may be had at any time from C. W. Smith, county agent, or R. W. Turner, secretary of the association.

DAVID WILSON III.

David A. Wilson was removed to the Heppner hospital the first of the week, suffering a severe attack of erysipelas. Reports yesterday evening were that he was holding his own quite well, but still in a critical condition. Mr. Wilson has been absent from his men's clothing store since early last week. John Farley being in charge. A specialist in Portland has been advised, and is in readiness to come to Heppner should his condition become worse.

TO CLIMB MT. HOOD.

Rev. B. Stanley Moore, missionary-in-charge of All Saints Episcopal church, and his cousin, Robert Lower, who is spending the summer at the Moore home from Philadelphia, will join Rev. Schuyler Pratt, Episcopal minister of Hood River, and together they will participate in the annual American Legion climb of Mt. Hood this week end. Mr. Moore made the climb two years ago and is enthusiastic about making the return journey.

CITY TAKES ACTION ON WATER MATTERS

Meter Boxes Ordered; \$125 for Dedication; Platform Received.

QUARANTINING NEED

Ladies Visit Council in Behalf of Disease Regulation and Ban on Advertising.

The city council, convening Monday evening, expressed pleasure with the success of the dedication of the artesian well and celebration in connection. To clean up its part of the expense the city is out-of-pocket \$125, voted to be turned over to Chas. Thomson, secretary of the general celebration committee, and in return it has received the dance platform which the celebration committee has turned over to it. Sense of councilmen was that the platform would be preserved for a time at least. Plans were discussed for planting trees and otherwise beautifying the grounds for future use.

Mayor, councilmen and other gentlemen present were on their good behavior for part of the evening when Miss Edith Stallard, county nurse, and a delegation of ladies representing the local W. C. T. U. called. In her capacity as health nurse, Miss Stallard approached the council asking if the body could do something to make quarantining of contagious diseases effective. For the protection of families affected and outsiders as well, Miss Stallard expressed the belief that the city should have proper disease warning signs prepared and posted wherever contagious diseases are found to exist. She cited the measles epidemic of the recent part as an example of the inability of "just talking" to prevent spread of such diseases.

As spokesman for the women's delegation, Miss Stallard asked if it were not within the city's power to stop cigarette advertising that was meant to appeal to young folks, especially girls, and women. The delegation wished to have the city join in a general remonstrance from Heppner to be registered with cigarette companies putting out such advertising, and if possible to prevent advertising of such nature appearing within the city. No action was taken Monday, though sympathy with the ladies' undertakings was expressed.

W. E. Pruyn, watermaster, presented proposals for boxes to house the new meters, to be installed in the near future, and on recommendation the council voted to purchase boxes to be constructed locally by T. G. Deinsse, contractor, under specifications and contract to be prepared by the city attorney.

Taking up for consideration the bill of A. M. Edwards, Lexington well driller, for locating the site on which the city's artesian well was drilled, the council voted to allow Mr. Edwards \$100. The statement of A. A. Durand, driller of the well, of expenses alleged to have been incurred, and which exceeded by a considerable amount the actual cost under the contract binding the city, was tabled for further consideration.

Reading of the treasurer's quarterly report showed a cash balance in both the general and water funds. Current bills were allowed and warrants ordered drawn in payment of the several amounts.

Local Girl to Attend Famous Passion Play

Miss Lillie Allinger, assistant cashier of Farmers & Stockgrowers National bank, departed last week for New York to join a tour party to Europe, thus spending what should prove an enjoyable vacation. Included in the tour itinerary is a visit to Oberammergau, Germany, where Miss Allinger expected to witness the presentation of the historic Passion Play, presented by the people of Oberammergau every ten years.

Miss Allinger will attend the international convention of Christian Endeavor while abroad. A special presentation of the Christ play will be made for the convention attendants, July 30.

GEO. MCDUFFEE INJURED.

George McDuffee suffered severe bruises about the chest and his car was damaged in an automobile accident near the Joe Rector place on the Oregon-Washington highway Tuesday night. Mr. McDuffee was returning to Heppner from Pendleton when he met a car coming around a curve on his side of the road. The other car, bearing an Idaho license, attempted to swerve into the clear, but hooked the rear of the McDuffee car, putting it into the ditch.

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED.

One hundred new books arrived at the Heppner Library this week, many of which are especially appropriate for children. The management wishes to call special attention to the fact that it is not necessary for children to take out memberships in order to borrow books, and urge that they make use of this free privilege. The library is open from 3 to 5 p. m. Tuesdays and Saturdays, and from 7 to 9 p. m., Thursdays.