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LIONS WANT WATER FOR SWIMMING POOL

Sanction Irrigation Ban Two Periods a Week For Purpose.

PAGEANT GOES OVER

Guest Tells of Gathering Wheat-Handling Data; W. C. Howard Early School Head.

The American Legion swimming pool is of major importance to life in Heppner these hot days, is the belief of the Lions club who Monday voted unanimously in favor of discontinuing irrigation two periods a week in order that the tank may be kept filled. This action was taken following an explanation by Spencer Crawford, chairman of the Legion swimming pool committee, of why there was no water in the tank Monday.

The tank must be drained and refilled once a week in order to keep the water in fit condition for swimming. Arrangements had been made with the city water department to do this Sunday night, turning the water from the lead main directly into the tank as soon as the city reservoirs were filled. It so happened Sunday night after the tank was drained that the reservoirs did not fill in time to get any water, so the tank remained dry Monday. To assure getting water for the tank the irrigation ban for two periods a week, which after this week will be Sunday evenings and Monday mornings, was asked.

Paul M. Gemmill, chairman of the committee having in charge selection of Miss Heppner, told of the success of the local pageant and plans for her participation in the state pageant held at Portland yesterday as part of the Northwest Lions frolic at Jantzen beach. Plans for her Portland appearance, as well as that of other entries from over the state, include a reception Tuesday evening, participation in the pageant Wednesday and banquet Wednesday evening. Miss Heppner is being accompanied to Portland by her mother, Mrs. F. H. Wehmeyer and Mrs. Paul M. Gemmill. Expenses of Miss Heppner and chaperones are paid by the Lions club. Mr. Gemmill stated the belief that the advertising to be gained from participation in the pageant would mean much to Heppner. Should Miss Heppner be so fortunate as to be picked as Miss Oregon, she will be entitled to participate in the International Pageant of Pulchritude to be held August 4 and 5 at Galveston, Texas, with all expenses paid, he said.

F. L. Gaston, from the University of Idaho agricultural experiment station, was a guest at the meeting. He told briefly of his work which brought him to the county, with two other men, to gather data on various methods of handling wheat. After the data is assembled it will be compiled and analyzed for the purpose of advising farmers in the various wheat raising sections as to the best handling method for each section.

W. C. Howard, pioneer school teacher and one-time superintendent of Heppner schools, another guest at Monday's luncheon, congratulated the club on its worthy work. He was head of the Heppner schools at the time a hand bell was used to call the children to classes, and in his 33 years of teaching, he said the most outstanding time of all was when he was in the Heppner school. At that time the bond issue which provided funds for the building of the old schoolhouse on the hill was passed through the industry of Henry Heppner, the city's god-father, who, in the face of strong opposition, headed the fight to put it across. That Mr. Heppner's interest was humanitarian was indicated by the fact that he himself had no children to educate.

That interest in Lionism in Heppner is being maintained is shown by the large attendance at meetings during the summer. Earl Hallock, secretary, announced that at least one member has been added to the roster each month since the club's inception. Last month there were ten, and so far in July one new member has been received.

Miss Heppner Introduced To Pendletonians Friday

Miss Heppner, in the person of Miss Alma Wehmeyer, who represented this city in the state finals of the International Pageant of Pulchritude at Portland yesterday, was presented at Pendleton Friday night through the courtesy of the Pendleton Lions club. Her appearance was made at the Rivoli theater in connection with a Lions program sponsored by the Pendleton club and given through the courtesy of the theater management.

Miss Heppner's appearance was made in bathing attire, and was greeted with hearty applause. A number of local people were present for the occasion.

Mrs. M. A. Leach of Pendleton, accompanied by her children, Jane and Jimmie, visited at the home of Mrs. Leach's sister, Mrs. A. D. Murdoch, the first of the week.

EIGHT MILE CLUBS PRESENT PROGRAM

Achievement Day Draws Good Audience; Fire at Fraters Home Causes Delay.

At Eight Mile schoolhouse on Saturday evening the Poultry club, Mrs. Floyd Worden, leader, and the Nimble Finger Sewing club, Miss Alena Redding, leader, presented their achievement day program to a fair sized audience. It is reported that the audience would have been larger but for the excitement caused by the burning of the farm residence of Frank Fraters, which event occurred just prior to the hour for the program at the schoolhouse, causing delay in starting. Visitors attending from Heppner were County Agent Smith, Superintendent of Schools Rodgers, and County Nurse Stallard. A representative of the United States Navy, Vernon C. Brown, was also present, and each of these had a place on the program.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Boyd Redding, and the first number on the program was the flag salute, joined in by the audience, followed by the Achievement song, motto and pledge, and reports, given by Myrtle Green and Jean Adkins; song, "Our Club Will Shine."

Mrs. Rodgers gave a talk on club work. Miss Stallard spoke of health work in communities and Mr. Smith presented club work and judging. The club yell, "America," was followed by a sewing demonstration, hemming a tea towel, by Edna Lovgren and Nola Keithley. Song, "Cheer, Cheer, Cheer," and yell, "Hail," preceded a poultry demonstration on culling chickens, presented by Myrtle Green, Leah Adkins and Gordon Akers. Vernon C. Brown then entertained with a description of his travels and experiences as a member of the U. S. navy with the battleship Maryland. Then followed a social hour of games and refreshments.

Former Resident Here Passes at Joseph Home

From the Joseph Herald we have the following account of the passing of Mrs. Lydia Baker, who was for many years a resident of Heppner prior to her going to Wallowa county:

Funeral services for Mrs. Lydia Baker, who died at her home in Joseph Tuesday morning, July 8, will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Methodist church, with Rev. S. E. Smutz officiating. Interment will be in Prairie creek cemetery.

Although Mrs. Baker had been unwell for some time, she had been seriously ill and under the doctor's care for only about a month.

Lydia M. Kirk was born at Kirksville, Missouri, January 11, 1862, and died in Joseph at her home Tuesday, July 8, 1930, at the age of 68 years, five months and 27 days.

Mrs. Baker, who was one of a family of 14 children, crossed the plains with her parents in a covered wagon when but a small child. The family settled near Heppner. There she was married June 11, 1879, to James C. Dodson. They resided in Heppner until about 1887 when they removed to Wallowa county.

Mr. Dodson passed away at Walla Walla, Wash., on July 17, 1919, and on August 29, 1922, Mrs. Baker was married to John Baker at Joseph where they resided until Mr. Baker's death on February 21, 1930.

Mrs. Baker leaves to mourn her death, three sons, Arthur, Willie and Delbert Dodson; two daughters, Mrs. Mabel Stone of Joseph and Mrs. Audrey Coleman of Enterprise; three sisters, Mrs. Fannie Howard, Mrs. Zula Lee of Junction City, Mrs. Leahy Hendricks of Homestead, and two brothers, John T. Kirk of Vernonia and George Kirk of Hardman, Oregon.

Mrs. Baker had one daughter, Amy, the eldest of her children, who passed away when she was 11 years of age.

The entire community extends their sympathy to the family during their bereavement.

10 Cent Gasoline Has Short Life in Heppner

Gasoline was flowing freely at 10 cents a gallon in Heppner last Thursday evening when the first effects of the gas war raging over the entire Pacific coast were brought here through the pumps of Vaughn & Goodman at the Heppner garage. A limited supply was available for sale at this price and they were sold out early Friday, local people being quick to take advantage of the drop from 23 cents.

Other service station owners followed suit and obtained limited quantities for sale at a lower price, this being trucked in barrels from the outside as supply plants of oil companies operating locally maintained their former price to service stations. Saturday, gas was selling at 16 cents, and Sunday a supply of "red" gas was retailing at 20 cents. When pumps were again supplied in the old order Sunday the price came back to 25 cents.

CONSTRUCTION UNDER WAY.

Work of construction was begun the first of the week on the new gas station being erected by the Standard Oil company on the Ashbaugh corner on Main street. Forms for the foundation are being placed and work will soon proceed on the superstructure. T. G. Denisse has the contract.

OUTLOOK GIVEN FOR FALL SOWN WHEAT

Curtailement of Planting Forseen; Two Measures Advised Farmers.

The farm marketing service of Oregon State Agricultural college sends out the following information on the market outlook for wheat to be planted in circular No. 15 entitled, "Agricultural Situation and Outlook," under date of July 10, 1930. In the preparation of this statement liberal use was made of information contained in a report entitled "The World Wheat Outlook," prepared by the Federal Bureau of Agricultural Economics and released on July 3, 1930, a copy of which may be secured upon request at the college.

Farmers are now concerned about the market outlook for wheat to be sown this fall for harvest in 1931, and to be marketed during the 1931-32 marketing year. Because it takes time to plan and modify systems of farming to meet changes in marketing conditions, they are also interested in the long-time outlook.

The world supply of wheat for the next twelve months will likely total about the same as during the past twelve months, but some increase in demand may occur, and prices should recover somewhat from the present low levels. The world supply to be marketed during the 1931-32 year will depend much as usual, upon the average of yields, although some contraction of acreage in some part of the world may result from the present low prices. It is unlikely that yields in exporting countries will be so large as in 1928 or so low as in 1929.

Because the exportable surpluses of wheat from Canada, Argentina, Australia and the Balkan countries are expected to continue to increase, and Russia may again become a large exporter of wheat during the next seven years, world prices for wheat within the next seven years are expected to average lower than during the past seven years. Demand will likely increase about in proportion to the increase in population, with the upward trend fastest in the Orient and in other countries outside of North America, Europe and Australia.

United States wheat growers must be prepared to meet increasingly severe conditions in international trade. Lower world prices affect not only the prices for hard red winter, durum and the wheats of the Pacific Northwest of which we produce an exportable surplus, but also the prices of soft red winter and hard red spring wheats of which we ordinarily produce only about enough for domestic demands. While premiums over export values are ordinarily obtainable in our domestic markets for the last named kinds of wheat, because of competition from the substitution of surplus kinds of wheat, the amount of the premiums and the price is only partly determined by the supply of them.

Two major suggestions are being made by the Federal Farm board and the United States department of agriculture: (1) That wheat growers individually seek further to reduce the cost per bushel of producing wheat, and (2) that collectively they should adjust the acreage downward to bring the total United States crop more nearly in line with domestic requirements. Educational and organization work under the personal direction of Chairman Legge of the Federal Farm board and Secretary Hyde of the department of agriculture is now in progress in the hard red winter wheat states.

Wheat Handling Data Is Gathered in County

Morrow county farms are being visited this week by a group of outside men for the purpose of gathering cost and efficiency data on the various ways of handling wheat for market. The survey is being conducted throughout the northwest and when the data has been obtained it will be compiled and analyzed for the purpose of advising farmers of the best method of handling in each section. At present the men have no recommendations to make in regard to bulk vs. sack handling of grain. The survey is being made by the U. S. department of agriculture, bureau of economics, in cooperation with northwest states.

Included in the party are Neil W. Johnson, representative of the department of agriculture; Gordon Klemgard, interested farmer representing the state of Washington, and T. L. Gaston from the University of Idaho agricultural experiment station. Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Klemgard are accompanying their husbands.

CALIFORNIA VISITORS HERE.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace L. Olden of Los Angeles have been visitors in this section during the past two weeks. Mr. Olden is an uncle of H. M. and Grant Olden and Mrs. A. McCabe, of Rhea creek, and he and Mrs. Olden have enjoyed their visit with these relatives very much. They are leaving on the return journey south this week.

WATER METERS HERE.

The city water department received a shipment of the new meters the first of the week. The work of installing the machines will proceed as speedily as possible, the council having let the contract for the boxes to T. G. Denisse, who is busily engaged in getting them out.

Winners In Lions' Beauty Pageant



Left—Miss Delia Ulrich, second place winner in local pageant, and right, Miss Ella Fell, winner of third place.

Thomas Brennan Funeral Here Monday Afternoon

Funeral services for the late Thomas Brennan were held on Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in the hall of Heppner Lodge No. 69, A. F. & A. M., with interment following at Masonic cemetery. The beautiful burial service of the order was used, and prayer, scripture reading and a short but appropriate address were given by Rev. Glen P. White, pastor of the Methodist church.

Final Wheatland Game Here Won by Condon

Heppner had the satisfaction of leading in the first two innings of the last scheduled game of the Wheatland league season to be played on the local field, when they crossed bats with Condon Sunday. One run in the first inning and two in the second gave them their lead and constituted their entire scoring for the day. Condon made one run in the second inning. In the fourth they stepped into the lead with four additional markers; and two more in the fourth, two in the fifth, one in the sixth and one in the ninth—the latter a home run by Bud Fisk—gave them the game 11-3.

Robertson relieved Aune in the box in the fifth and Hake went in to receive him. As each team had but nine men in uniform there was no change in the batting lineup. Aune taking Robertson's berth at second base, E. Palmer relieving Hake at third and M. Palmer going into right pasture for his brother.

The wind-up of the league season next Sunday when Heppner plays at Arlington, will not affect Heppner's secure position in the cellar. Arlington had half a game lead over Wasco for top position before last Sunday's games, in which Arlington played Ione and Wasco played Fossil. The half game difference was caused by a tie between Heppner and Wasco, which may necessitate a play-off game between the teams to decide the pennant winner. Returns from outside games were not had at this writing.

Box score and summary for Sunday's game follows:

HEPPNER	B	R	O	A	E
Arlington	4	10	10	0	0
R. Turner, m	4	1	0	1	0
Aune, p-2	4	0	1	4	3
Robertson, 2-p	4	0	0	3	7
Hake, 3-c	4	1	1	3	2
Ferguson, 1	4	0	0	1	0
M. Palmer, cf	4	1	0	1	2
E. Palmer, r-3	3	0	1	1	0
Totals	35	3	5	19	7
CONDON	B <td>R <td>O <td>A <td>E </td></td></td></td>	R <td>O <td>A <td>E </td></td></td>	O <td>A <td>E </td></td>	A <td>E </td>	E
R. Fisk, c	6	2	4	0	1
B. Baker, m	6	2	4	0	0
Ashenfelter, 3	5	2	3	0	5
Board, 3	5	1	1	4	1
P. Fisk, c	5	2	2	6	0
Hollen, 1	5	1	1	3	0
Clow, p	4	2	0	7	0
Hecker, 1	5	0	1	6	0
Hess, r	5	0	2	1	0
Totals	47	11	15	27	3

Earned runs, Heppner 2, Condon 3; first base on balls, Heppner 2; left on bases, Heppner 3, Condon 1; first base on errors, Heppner 2, Condon 3; two base hits, Hake, Clow; home run, Bud Fisk; struck out by Clow 6, by Aune 3; Hecker 1; double play, D. Bleakman to Robertson.

ENJOYED MOUNTAIN CLIMB.

Rev. Stanley Moore and cousin, Robert Lower, and Theodore Thomson returned on Monday from their trip to Hood River, from which point they joined the American Legion hike up Mount Hood which began Friday and ended Saturday. There were 135 in the party making the ascent to the mountain summit, and in point of time the trip was a record breaker. Mr. Moore and party remained over Sunday for a trip to Elliott glacier, taking in the ski races and having a view of the vast crevasses at this point. Monday time was taken off for a visit to Lost Lake and a swim in that beautiful body of water. Mr. Moore reports that they met Phillip Von Lubken at Mt. Hood. He is a government ranger there this summer. The family of Paul Marble was also at Tillie Jane camp on Sunday night, on the first lap of their vacation trip.

LOCAL PLUNGE GIVEN BOOST

Red Cross Swimming Instructor Praises Equipment and Advantages of Legion Pool.

By PAUL R. LAFFERTY, Red Cross Instructor in Charge of Legion Plunge.

For any town to exist and grow it must not only have its economic possibilities, but to make people satisfied, content and permanently settled, it must also have its social and recreational attractions. I cannot think of a greater social attraction for the town of Heppner, situated as it is in one of the drier parts of the state, than the fine swimming tank that it can give everyone has a sport that they closely follow for pleasure and exercise. Witness the growth of golf and tennis—but swimming always has been and always will be one of the greatest and most universal sports of all. Most universal because it takes no matched set of equipment to acquire proficiency. Greatest because young and old, good swimmers and only fair swimmers, obtain the same amount of enjoyment and relaxation from the sport, regardless of whether they are topnotchers or not. Swimming is also best suited to the average majority as it is the only sport in which a person can obtain complete relaxation and yet exercise every muscle in the body.

Swimming should not only be considered from the standpoint of pleasure and physical merit but also from the standpoint that every good swimmer is capable of doing a real service to his fellow men in time of emergency. Witness the fine and widespread program of the Red Cross in teaching and promoting life-saving work. To my mind a person who can so fit and prepare himself that in time of quick action and great need he can lay aside his own duties or pleasures and save another from drowning, is certainly a fine type of person and a real American citizen.

Regarding the equipment and the sanitation of the Heppner swimming tank. Facilities for learning to swim are very good, as it is a large 60 by 40 cement tank with graduated depths from 2 feet to 8 1/2 feet, and has a special crib all marked off for beginning swimmers. For experienced swimmers it has a low spring board and a high spring board, both in fine condition.

The water comes from the new artesian well, goes into the tank at 65 degrees and is soon warmed by the sun to around 72. The water is very clear, making for safe and enjoyable swimming. The water is changed every Sunday night, 6:00 to 8:00, and the tank is cleaned and refilled for Monday classes. Samples of the tank water are sent each week to the State Board of Health for analysis, and all persons diseased in any way are barred from use of the tank. So the sanitary factor is well and rigidly taken care of.

The following classes have been organized and very well attended during the past week: Children's beginner class from 10 to 12 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning. Women's beginner class from 4:30 to 6 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon. Men's beginner class tentatively from 6 to 7 Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Mrs. Harold Cohn, a very excellent local swimmer, has consented to help with beginners' classes. This increases the effectiveness, and affords more opportunity for personal attention. Red Cross life saving classes are to start immediately as soon as those who are interested will register. Through arrangement with the local Red Cross chapter there is no extra charge for instruction in swimming or life saving.

Lockers, equipment, tank and program all compare very favorably with other civic tanks throughout the state mostly located in much larger towns than Heppner. So, for a small organization, the comparatively small group of men in the American Legion, to erect and maintain such a public and civic attraction as the Heppner swimming pool, it is certainly a very commendable project, and should go a long way in making Heppner a much larger, better known and more enjoyable place in which to live.

GIDEONS VISIT HOTEL.

Forty Gideon Bibles have been placed in the rooms of Hotel Heppner through the courtesy of Al Rankin, manager, as a result of a recent request by this nationally known organization. Manager Rankin considers this recognition by the Gideons as a tribute to his hospitality, since their work usually does not extend into towns the size of Heppner.

DEPARTS FOR OLD HOME.

After spending a few days in Heppner closing up her business affairs, Mrs. Nettie Flower Lietualen departed Saturday night for her old home in Iowa, where she contemplates remaining with sisters residing near Council Bluffs. Mrs. Lietualen had just recently returned from the east via California where she enjoyed a visit with her children living in that state.

Mrs. Mary A. Adkins accompanied the family of Will Dutton to Portland today, and from that point Mrs. Adkins will go on to Oakland, Calif., for a visit at the home of Mr. and W. L. Houston. She expects to be gone for several weeks.

OUTLOOK FOR FARM DOLLAR IS BRIGHTER

End 1930-31 Period May Find More Equitable Adjustment.

"The present business recession began about a year ago, but its occurrence was not generally recognized until some months later," says circular No. 15 issued by Oregon State Agricultural college and dealing with the agricultural situation and outlook under date of July 10, 1930. "Now the question is being asked: when are conditions likely to improve?" It continues:

Fourteen other business recessions have occurred in the United States during the past 45 years. Ten of these lasted from 12 to 15 months from the peak of prosperity to the bottom of the recession, and 3 over 15 months. Some well informed observers think that the present recession has about reached bottom.

Prices paid to farmers vary mostly with supply, but demand conditions also affect prices for farm products. It is estimated that the demand for farm products in general has been reduced 10 to 15 per cent because of the curtailed buying power in the United States and abroad. It is pointed out that the general level of farm prices recently has been about 10 per cent less than last year, although marketings will have been about 5 per cent less. An unofficial preliminary estimate indicates a decline of 15 per cent in cash receipts for farm products during the 1930-31 marketing year compared to the 1929-30 year.

This reduction in farm income has reduced the farmers' purchasing power. The ratio between prices received by farmers and prices paid by farmers has recently been the most unfavorable to farmers since the business recession following the World war. The present business recession has not affected the prices farmers have to pay for the goods they usually buy, to any great extent, although there has been a general decline in wholesale commodity prices.

The following summary paragraphs from the 1930 Agricultural Outlook report prepared last January by the Federal Bureau of Agricultural Economics with the assistance of representatives from 45 state agricultural colleges and the Federal Farm board, remains of interest:

"In view of the decline in domestic business activity from the high level attained in the summer of 1929 to the low prevailing at present, the remainder of the 1929 production will be marketed under domestic demand conditions materially less favorable than those of the first part of the season. The domestic market may improve later in the year, but it is not likely that the demand for farm products in the summer and fall of 1930 will be as good as that which prevailed during the summer and fall of 1929. It is quite probable that during the first half of 1931 the demand for farm products will be materially better than it now promises to be during the first half of 1930, but it is doubtful if it will reach the high level of demand that prevailed during the first half of 1929."

"Despite the increasing foreign competition, the foreign demand for our agricultural products of 1930 is likely to be better on the whole than during the rather depressed situation encountered abroad by our products of 1929. In the first half of the 1930-31 marketing season, foreign demand may be less than it was for the first half of the 1929-30 season, but is likely to improve as the season advances and be considerably better during the last half of the 1930-31 season than in the corresponding period of the present season."

RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA.

Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford reached home Friday evening after a stay of a month in California where they visited at the homes of their sons, Arthur of San Francisco and Wm. V. in Oakland. Going south, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford left Heppner on June 9th, being accompanied by Mrs. W. V. Crawford and two daughters whom they delivered safe and sound to Mr. Crawford at Oakland, where the family expects to reside in the future. The return trip was made by way of the Redwood highway to Grants Pass, thence to Klamath Falls for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Crawford, and where they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson in a trip to Crater Lake, parting with them at Eugene and coming on to Heppner over the McKenzie highway. They report enjoying their visit and the automobile journey.

CONTESTANTS RECOGNIZED.

Miss Alma Wehmeyer, who appeared as Miss Heppner in the state division of the International Pageant of Pulchritude at Portland yesterday, was given a charming beach coat by the Curran Millinery shop. All the contestants in the local pageant were given complimentary passes to the Star theater for a month by E. G. Sigabee, manager.

Mrs. M. C. Twist, state field nurse from the Oregon State Board of Health, was in the county the first of the week working with Miss Edith Stallard, county nurse.