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MINIMUM PRICE SET ON MILK AND CREAM

Oregon Control Commission Gives Order Affecting Sale Here.

EFFECTIVE MARCH 1

Temporary Schedule Sets Wholesale and Retail Levels Under Which No Producer May Sell.

An official order setting the minimum prices at which milk and cream may be sold within the Heppner milk shed was made this week by the Oregon Milk Control Commission, of which E. G. Harlan, one time Heppner newspaperman, is chairman. The order defines the milk shed as the city limits, and sets out the minimum prices at which all milk and cream must be sold therein on a temporary basis, beginning 12-01 o'clock, Thursday, March 1, 1934.

"All producers who were shipping into the area on December 15, 1933, shall be continued in that right," the order specifies.

The order says, "Such investigations and proofs as the emergency permits having been made, it is hereby ordered:

"1. The price of milk to be paid producers shall be \$2.10 per hundredweight, based on 4% fat test, f. o. b. market.

"2. The minimum prices for milk shall be as follows: Wholesale, quarts 9c, pints 6c, gallons in cans, one delivery, 30c; retail, quarts 10c, pints 7c.

"3. The minimum prices for cream, 30-33% butterfat at test; wholesale, half pints 12c, pints 23c, quarts 45c; retail, half pints 16c, pints 26c, quarts 50c.

"4. For each point butterfat in milk raised above 4%, the price shall be increased one cent per quart, one-half cent per pint or half pint. All milk from legal to 4.2 will take the price of 4%; over 4.2 and not over 5.2 takes the price of 5% milk. Average of test on 30-6 cents a point over whipping 33% cream, gallon price, \$1.95.

"5. No cash discounts, rebates, unusual extensions of credit, gratuities or free service of any nature shall enter into the sale or purchase of milk and cream.

"6. Bottles shall be charged for at 5c each and the same amount allowed upon their return."

Farm Debt Adjustments Being Made Rapidly

Farm debt adjustment committees, now organized in every county in Oregon, are already being highly effective in bringing debtors and creditors together on a basis agreeable to both, according to reports made by county farm debt adjustment committees to the Oregon Agricultural Advisory Council and the College Agricultural Extension Service.

The mere presence of these voluntary debt adjustment committees is proving a bulwark of public sentiment against severe actions by debtors and creditors in a time of emergency. Such was the case to a certain extent with the first system of voluntary committees last year. This year the committees are still stronger, and while still without legal status, they have the sanction and support of the state and national officials including the Farm Credit Administration.

Early reports show that most of the cases that are laid before the committee may be settled by the chairman or secretary of the county committee alone by merely analyzing the situation and pointing out to both debtor and creditor the possible adjustment in principal, interest rates, payments or other features of the debt. A small percentage must be heard by the entire committee, and a few find their way to the state committee. In all cases common sense is the first and most important rule of procedure, according to members of the state committee.

The volume of work this year is expected to be many times as large as last year, hence every effort is being made to lighten the burden of the committee members who work without compensation. County agents can assist in giving out information, having blanks filled out, and arranging for hearings, though the committees alone are responsible for decisions.

Around 2000 approved applications to the federal land bank for loans in Oregon have not been closed because of the necessity for adjustment between present creditors with debtors, usually arising from the fact that less money can be borrowed now than the old debts amount to.

MISS KILKENNY MARRIED.

The announcement of the marriage recently at Seattle of Miss Mae Kilkenny, daughter of John Kilkenny of Heppner to Mr. D. M. Lillevand, has reached Heppner friends. Mrs. Lillevand has been attending University of Washington, and following their wedding journey to Los Angeles, they will return to Seattle to make their home.

GROWERS TO TAKE CASE TO CONGRESS

Unanimous Spirit Shown in Meet at Portland Favoring Credit Association Establishment.

Livestock men representing 800,000 sheep and many thousand cattle voted unanimously in favor of a livestock production credit association to serve range operators outside the Baker and Klamath Falls districts, at a meeting in Portland Friday, according to J. G. Barratt, who with William Hynd, represented Morrow county producers of some 100,000 sheep and 2000 cattle who had signed petitions favoring such establishment. The meeting in Portland was called by livestock leaders to crystallize the sentiment of growers over the state on news that a charter previously issued for a state association was laid in abeyance.

J. A. Schoonover of the Spokane office of the production credit corporation, from whom news of the charter's abeyance was received, was present at the Portland meeting. He appeared firm in his stand against the charter's issuance. Mr. Barratt said, but the growers present showed determination to take their case to congress if action were not had otherwise.

A resolution expressed the sense of the meeting, asking that a charter be granted for an association to serve all range livestock operators outside the Baker and Klamath Falls districts where locals have already been established, and that the head office for such association be established at Portland. Mr. Barratt pointed out that the Baker and Klamath Falls locals were off in corners of the state and were not in a position to adequately serve operators of the large outside district. Actually the association asked for would serve only eastern Oregon livestock men outside the districts of locals already established, as livestock operations west of the Cascades are not on a range basis, Mr. Barratt pointed out.

Mr. Schoonover was quoted as saying that nothing less than a state-wide association would be considered by the Farm Credit Administration at Washington. However, Mr. Barratt said, Mr. Schoonover had his eyes opened to new phases of the case that were before unknown to him. It was Mr. Barratt's opinion that the federal officer was made aware of a strong case in favor of such an association. Among other things pointed out to him was the fact that the Spokane office had failed to take into consideration some \$6,000,000 in private livestock loans in the state in figuring the potential business for such an association.

Mac Hoke of Pendleton, who has taken a leading interest in working for the state-wide association, was retained by the meeting, along with five of the original directors of the state association, to head the fight which will be taken to congress if necessary. It is probable the campaign will need considerable finances, and local growers may soon be asked to contribute to the fund, Mr. Barratt said.

Heppner and Pilot Rock Join Forces for Shoot

Heppner and Pilot Rock Gun clubs have again united forces to compete in the annual Oregonian telegraphic trapshooting tournament, the entry having been made this week. The shoot is slated to start Sunday, March 4. Albert Pollock heads the hyphenated club, with L. P. Reilly as secretary. Both officers are from Pilot Rock. Fifteen clubs were announced as having signed up to date.

In the last two years in which Heppner has joined forces with Pilot Rock to participate in the shoot, they have made a strong bid for top honors. They placed first in the preliminary shoot last year, but were beat out in the shoot-off match. Chas. H. Latourell, Dr. A. D. McMurdo and Adam Knoblock from here were on the five-man team which entered the shoot-off last year. Heppner won this match the year the tournament was instituted several years ago.

ATTEND THE DALLES MEET.

Rev. Joseph Pope, Mrs. Pope and their daughter, Miss Joan, and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Briggs attended the Christian Conquest conference of the Methodist church for the Columbia district held in The Dalles on Friday. The program lasted throughout the day, with distinguished speakers making addresses. Among these were Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, Dr. Mark A. Dawber and Dr. W. S. Howard, representing the Board of Home Missions. These regional meetings are being held by the church to arouse a better interest in the work among the laity. Mr. Pope reports a very profitable and enjoyable program.

HEPPNER BEATS UMATILLA.

Heppner high school hoopers hit their stride last night when they defeated Umatilla high 40-18. Umatilla had previously beat every team in the district which had defeated Heppner. The locals took the lead from the start last night and were never headed. The game is taken as an indication of improved strength in the local aggregation which Coach Mabee believes will be further reflected in the tournament showing here next week end.

IONE

By MARGARET BLAKE

Mrs. George Tucker has been quite ill with influenza during the last week.

Miss Guyia Cason of Arlington spent the week end at the Padberg ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Allstott, Jr., and family have moved to Heppner. The last of a series of basketball games played on roller skates which have attracted much interest was played at the Legion hall last Wednesday evening. The final score was 16 to 18 in favor of the single men's team, giving them two games out of the three played.

The high school Basketball club will give a benefit dance at the Legion hall next Friday evening, music by the Columbians.

Mrs. Lee Beckner and Mrs. Roy L'Heuallen returned on last Thursday evening from the east where they have been visiting the past three months. Though they left West Virginia when the temperature was hovering around zero and encountered some snow in Wyoming, the return trip was made in a week. Mrs. L'Heuallen who underwent a very serious operation while in the east, stood the trip home very well. Both ladies were glad to see the wheat fields of eastern Oregon again, saying they compare very favorably with any scenery they saw on their trip and were especially glad to find spring weather when they reached home.

Mrs. J. W. Howk spent a few days of last week in Portland.

Mrs. Dale Ray returned to Hood River last week with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Breshears and twin sons who had visited at the Ray home a few days. Mr. Ray drove down to Hood River last Saturday to bring her home. He was accompanied on the trip by Claude Breshears, Mrs. Ida Fletcher and daughter, Rose, who visited with Mrs. Callandra, a daughter of Mrs. Fletcher in Hood River, and Mrs. Cole Smith who stopped in The Dalles for a visit with her daughter, Miss Mildred Smith. The party returned to Ione on Monday. Mrs. Ray brought back her grand daughter, Miss Thelma Jean Goodrich who will attend school at Burton Valley where Miss Gladys Breshears will begin teaching sometime in March.

A Portland Sunday paper carried the announcement of the marriage on February 10 at Salem, of Miss Genevieve Farrens, daughter of Mrs. Helen Farrens of this city, to Gerald Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Simpson of Salem. They were married at 9 o'clock on Saturday evening at the home of the groom's parents. They were attended by Mrs. Homer J. Lyons, sister of the bride, and by Fred Wolfe. They will make their home in Salem.

Carl F. Feldman and Miss Kathryn Feldman were hostesses to the Women's Topic club at a delightful party given at the Masonic hall last Saturday evening. Nine tables of bridge were at play. Besides members and their husbands there were present the following invited guests: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dick, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McNamer, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blake, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Swanson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smouse and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. O'Meara. High scores were won by Mrs. D. M. Ward, Mrs. C. W. McNamer, C. W. Swanson and Kenneth Blake and low scores by Mrs. Werner Rietmann, Mrs. J. E. Swanson, Bert Mason and Henry Smouse. At the close of play a delightful supper of whipped jello, cake and coffee was served.

On Sunday, Feb. 18, the McCarty family held a reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorgor on their ranch north of Ione. It was the first time in twenty years that the entire family had been together. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McCarty, their daughters, Lois and Vera, and their sons, Vere and Earl, all of Condon; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCarty and sons, Alvin, Tom and Forrest of Pilot Rock; Mrs. S. S. Grider and daughter, Vera of Condon; Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Howell and daughters, Wanda and Nona of Heppner; Raymond Baker of Condon, Noel Streeter of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorgor and children, Rose and Billy of Ione.

Mrs. Harriet M. Brown spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Kilcup on Butter creek.

A turkey supper was enjoyed on Wednesday evening by a large group of people at the Masonic hall. Masons and their families, members of the O. E. S. and their families and other invited guests gathered around the tables loaded with turkey and fixins and other good things to eat. Following the supper the Masons held their regular meeting after which they again gathered downstairs and enjoyed a general good time until the "two sma' hours."

Mrs. Helen Farrens and Dan Long of this city were married last week at Walla Walla. Mrs. Long is well known here where she has made her home for the last twenty years. They returned to Ione on Wednesday and were charivariated by their many friends who gathered that evening to wish them happiness.

Larry Ritchie who has spent the winter with his sister, Mrs. T. C. Troge, at Clackamas, Ore., returned on Friday and will work for Rietmann brothers this spring.

At a recent meeting of the school board it was decided to offer all of the teachers in the local school contracts for next year.

On Sunday, Feb. 18, the children of Mrs. Emily McMurray gathered at her home to celebrate her eighty-third birthday with a dinner, Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Robison, Mr. and Mrs. Laxton McMurray, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hale and daughter Miriam, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harrie all of Ione were present, also Fred McMurray, Ed McGuigan and Miss Crystal Sparks of Hermiston and Mrs. Rosa Jackson who has been visiting Mrs. McMurray the last few weeks.

BOY SCOUT TROOP PLANS GOOD TURN

Solicitation of Clothing for Relief Purposes to be Made Saturday: Part of National Movement.

On next Saturday, February 24, from 9 to 12 a. m., Troop 61 of the Boy Scouts of America is planning a city-wide drive for used clothing and bedding which can be employed in local welfare work. The project is in the form of a nation-wide "Good Turn" suggested by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, honorary president of the Boy Scouts of America. Similar projects are being carried out in every town and city in the United States where there are active troops of Boy Scouts.

The undertaking is in cooperation with local relief agencies and the American Legion Auxiliary which has already done some collecting of clothing. The boys will call on practically every home in Heppner and will appreciate it if any articles for donation are ready. Local welfare workers request that articles be clean and mended so as to be usable. The need for relief of this sort in Oregon has not been as great this year as usual, but the supplies will be available to meet present needs and any emergencies which may arise.

This drive, which is the last "community good turn" of the present Scout year, will be in charge of the scoutmaster and the following scout leaders: Senior Patrol Leader Gerald Cason, and Patrol Leader LaVerne Van Marter, Jackson Gilliam and Emery Coxen. Although the scouts will try to call at every home, it will be appreciated if those having donations will call 202 before Saturday morning.

Alfred Medlock Rites Held; Was War Veteran

Rites for Alfred Medlock, world war veteran who died at the veteran's hospital in Walla Walla early last Thursday morning, were held from the Christian church here at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon in charge of Phelps Funeral home, with Joel R. Benton, pastor of the church, officiating. Heppner post 87, American Legion, of which Mr. Medlock was a member, assisted with the services, post buddies were pallbearers, and the impressive burial service was used at the interment in Masonic cemetery. A large concourse of friends and former neighbors of the family attended.

Mr. Medlock had been in the hospital for more than a year, suffering from tuberculosis believed to have resulted from being gassed in the war. For several years up to the time he entered the hospital the family home had been made in this county on a timbered tract near the forks of Rhea creek, during much of which time Mr. Medlock ran a sawmill in partnership with Reuben Volle.

Alfred Medlock was born at Cold Springs, Mo., June 27, 1892, and died at Walla Walla, Wash., Feb. 15, 1934, being aged 41 years. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Grace Medlock and two children, Walter and Lloyd, who make their home at 824 West Chestnut St., Walla Walla; his father, Tom Medlock, in Missouri; four brothers, Monroe, Kelly and John in Missouri, and Jim in New Mexico; and a sister, Mrs. Mary Ellen Stout of Heppner. Besides being a member of the American Legion post here, Mr. Medlock was a member of Grant Farmer post 992, V. F. W. of Walla Walla.

He served with the engineers in France in the World war, and saw much service at the front, being honorably discharged at the close of the war. Among the major engagements in which he participated was the battle of the Somme.

CWA Quota Cut 46 Pct.; New Requirements Cited

Morrow county's quota of CWA workers has been cut 46 percent effective today, announces Vawter Parker, county manager, bringing the total employed down from 119 to 66. Crews under the new setup will not report for work until next Monday, Parker said. Projects now under way will be continued.

Because of the restricted quota, it is necessary to drop some men now on the CWA crews. In making these drops, Parker says, men who have other members in immediate family working, men who have farms, and men who have other resources will be discontinued first.

Harlan McCurdy, Ione sheepman, was looking after some business affairs here yesterday.

Third birthday with a dinner, Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Robison, Mr. and Mrs. Laxton McMurray, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hale and daughter Miriam, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harrie all of Ione were present, also Fred McMurray, Ed McGuigan and Miss Crystal Sparks of Hermiston and Mrs. Rosa Jackson who has been visiting Mrs. McMurray the last few weeks.

John Bruce, a horse buyer from Vancouver, Wash., was in town last week.

Last Saturday Billy, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorgor, was quite badly burned when a percolator of hot coffee was accidentally spilled on his back. However, since no sign of infection has shown up it is expected that the burn will heal in good order.

LEXINGTON

By BEULAH B. NICHOLS.

Pauline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Graves, was injured Thursday evening about 7 o'clock when the Graves car, going toward Heppner, collided with the car driven by F. M. Bell of Eight Mile, who was on his way to Iona. One tooth was knocked out and several others loosened and her tongue and lips were badly cut and bruised. She was taken to Heppner to a physician for treatment. The accident occurred about two miles west of Lexington on the Oregon-Washington highway.

A special business meeting of Lexington grange was held at the Harry Schriever home last Thursday evening for the purpose of discussing the hall proposition.

Relatives here have learned of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Percy B. Conner of Oregon City. Mrs. Conner was formerly Miss Elsie Tucker of this city.

At the Christian church parsonage Mr. and Mrs. Sias are busy making preparations to move. Their future postoffice address will be Molalla, Ore. Next Sunday, Feb. 25, will be Mr. Sias' last service in Lexington where he has served as minister for almost two years.

Among Lexington people who attended the school board conference at the court house in Heppner Monday were Miss Dona Barnett, Harry Dingee, James H. Williams, L. A. Palmer, Marion Palmer and R. E. Rice.

Lee Reaney and son Cedric of Salem are visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Bill Mays entertained with a delightful dinner Sunday honoring the birthdays of Mr. Mays and her niece, Miss Frances Cox. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. D. Cox Sr., Mr. and Mrs. D. Cox Jr., and sons, Percy Cox, Mrs. Jessie Cox and children and Mrs. Sara White.

T. L. Barnett and Lawrence Beach made a business trip to Walla Walla Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Breshears and daughters, Vera, Helen and Bunny, were guests at the Hynd brothers ranch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Steagall of Heppner spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Steagall.

James M. Burgess, assistant state superintendent of public instruction, was a business visitor in Lexington Tuesday.

C. D. Ashbaugh, manager of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company at The Dalles, Miss Agnes Warner, manager at the Arlington office, and Miss Opal Briggs, manager at the Heppner office, were business visitors at the local exchange Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Nan Robinson of Oregon City is a guest at the W. B. Tucker home this week.

Miss Dona Barnett is back at the store this week after being absent for a week on account of illness.

Henry Rauch Jr. is a patient at the Heppner hospital this week, suffering an attack of appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt motored to Pendleton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moyer returned Monday afternoon from a visit with friends and relatives in Oregon City and Portland.

Miss Katherine Robinson of Corvallis is spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. Mae Burchell while on her vacation.

School Notes

Mr. DeBunce of Heppner was at the school Monday, taking pictures of the grades, high school and basketball boys.

The Star and Atom club met at the school house last Wednesday evening. After choosing the club's name the body passed upon a charter which had been drawn up by a committee appointed for that purpose.

An interesting program had been prepared. When the club filed into the laboratory they were requested to take their cards which were lying on the table, each card exploding on being touched. To add to the fun all the seats had been loaded also. Reports were later heard concerning strange poppings inside some of the teachers' desks but these were thought to be some of the grades on the teachers' grade books gently falling off.

To add to the evening's entertainment more explosive mixtures were demonstrated. A weather indicator consisting of a figure whose dress changed color with an approaching rain, was shown together with some experiments with mercury and certain dyes. The evening closed with some "star gazing." Mr. Williams identified some of the more prominent constellations for the club.

The basketball team broke even last week, winning from Ione on Friday night at Lexington, 17-13, and losing at Fossil Saturday night, 24-18. Although they were lacking in experienced players there seemed to be an added light in both games. This week Lexington will play at Boardman on Friday and will play Stanfield here on Saturday. These are the last games on the schedule before the tournament.

On Friday, Feb. 15, the commercial law class tried out their legal training in a mock trial in assembly.

Six week's exams will end this week with report cards out on Wednesday, Feb. 28.

Relatives here have received announcement of the marriage at Stevenson, Wash., on Feb. 14, of Miss Iva Shinn and Mr. Joe J. Law, both of Portland. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shinn, formerly of this city. Mrs. R. B. Rice entertained about thirty ladies at a delightful party

NINE CAGE TEAMS TO COMPETE HERE

Schedule Set for High School Sub-District Tourney Starting Next Thursday.

Basketball teams of Arlington and Ione will take the lid off of what promises to be one of the most hotly contested sub-district basketball tournaments to be seen in these parts in years, when they meet in the tourney opener in the Heppner gym next Thursday evening at 7:30. With nine teams in all participating, the tournament is slated to run on through Friday and Saturday, with the championship game scheduled at 8:30 Saturday evening. The participating teams are Heppner, Lexington, Condon, Ione, Arlington, Boardman, Hermiston, Stanfield and Umatilla.

The Arlington-Ione game is the only game slated for Thursday. On Friday, Hermiston and Stanfield play at 3 o'clock, Condon-Lexington at 4, Umatilla-Boardman at 7:30, and Heppner meets the winner of the Thursday game at 8:30. On Saturday, winners of the Hermiston-Stanfield and Condon-Lexington games meet at 10 a. m., and winners of the Umatilla-Boardman and Heppner games meet at 11 a. m. Losers of these two games meet at 7:30 that evening in the consolation match, and the winners meet at 8:30 for the championship. The team winning the sub-district championship will go to the district tournament to be held later at Pendleton.

The past record of a team does not mean a thing this year, for the season has been one basketball upset after another. A team beaten badly on its own floor has in many cases turned the tables on the victor in a return game on the winner's floor.

On games won and lost, Condon stands out as the strongest team in the tournament. It has won eight and lost three games. However, in the tourney Condon's first game is with Lexington, a team that beat Condon on Condon's floor.

Boardman and Umatilla both have strong teams; but Boardman beat Umatilla badly and Heppner trounced Boardman twice.

Stanfield has won a majority of her games. Ione, the hard luck team, has shown considerable strength in the games in which her best five men have been able to play. Heppner has won seven and lost nine games. However, six of the games lost have been with teams outside of this district.

The following charges will be made for admission to the various tournament games: adult season tickets \$1.00; student season ticket 50c. Single tickets, day games 25c, night games 35c. Students 25c all games.

May Exchange Volunteer For Weedy Land, Ruled

Volunteer wheat on last year's summerfallow may be exchanged for a like amount of acreage cropped this year but which has been reverted to summerfallow to way-laid weeds, according to a ruling received by C. W. Smith, county agent, in reply to a telegram to Geo. E. Farrell of the Agricultural Adjudgment Administration. The ruling applies to wheat farmers who have contracted land to the government under the allotment plan. Mr. Smith points out, however, that any changes from the contract now in effect must be sanctioned by the county allotment committee.

While Farrell cited the ruling permitting substitution of volunteer acres, his telegram said, "Cannot allow farmers having clean wheat on summerfallow and good stand of volunteer to have all land in crop this year and all in summerfallow next. Cannot permit specified wheat acreage for 1934 or 1935 to be shifted back and forth solely because of direct influence of current weather conditions."

LITERATURE COURSE GIVEN.

Enrollment is still open for the short course in literature being offered under the government's adult education project. The course, which will be of a general nature, is open to anyone interested regardless of qualifications. The next meeting of this study group will be in the jury room at the court house Saturday evening at 7:30, and anyone planning to take the work is urged either to be present at that meeting or enroll with the instructor, Mrs. Harold Case, before that time. Her telephone number is 863.

CHEER CLUB TO MEET.

The O. E. S. Cheer club will meet at the home of Mrs. Ada Cason Saturday afternoon, Feb. 24, for work. All members are urged to be in attendance. Lillie Aiken, president.

at her country home Wednesday afternoon. Games were played during the afternoon. A piano duet by Mrs. James H. Williams and Mrs. George Gillis and a vocal solo by Mrs. Trina Parker were greatly enjoyed by the guests. Delicious refreshments were served at the close of a pleasant afternoon. Mrs. Rice was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Ernest Smith and Mrs. Edward Rice.

Mrs. Roy Johnson, Mrs. Guy Shaw and Mrs. Harry Duval are confined to their homes with measles this week.

SPRAY ROAD GETS FAVORABLE ACTION

Commission Promises Completion As Soon as Federal Funds Come.

RIVER GROUP MEETS

S. E. Notson Reports Meetings to Lions; First President Guest; Grain Bag Problem Cited.

That completion of the grading and surfacing of the Heppner-Spray road will be given first consideration as soon as expected federal funds are received, was the word given the local delegation by the state highway commission at its meeting in Portland last Thursday, according to the report of S. E. Notson, member of the delegation, at the Monday noon luncheon of the Lions club. Others in the delegation included Judge W. T. Campbell, Commissioners George Peck and Frank S. Parker and Harry Tamblin, county engineer. The delegation was pleased with the consideration which the commission gave the matter, and the Lions shared the delegation's pleasure.

The Lions club has worked for completion of this road as a major project ever since the club's inception four years ago, and it was gratifying that the good report concerning closing of the final gap should be made in the presence of James M. Burgess, assistant state superintendent of public instruction and the club's first president, who was an honored guest at the meeting. Mr. Burgess was in the city Monday conducting a school for school boards of the county, and was thus again permitted to break bread with his old fellow club members. In recognition of his former capacity as president, Mr. Burgess was given the presiding officer's chair by Dr. A. D. McMurdo, president.

Mr. Notson also reported the meeting at Walla Walla Saturday evening when the Inland Waterways association was launched for the purpose of uniting the district between the Cascades and the Rockies on a major program for development of the Columbia and Snake rivers. The program adopted at Saturday's meeting is the so-called "seven point" program including construction of welocks at Bonneville, channel development between Celilo and Umatilla rapids, and the construction of 5 dams on the Snake river to enhance river transportation as far inland as Priest rapids. Articles of incorporation have been filed for the association with the corporation commissioner of Washington, Mr. Notson said, and it is expected a widespread membership campaign will be launched shortly.

An enigma facing wheatgrowers of the section, was told by Chas. W. Smith, county agent, the solution of which had not yet been worked out. Recently the wheatmen registered protests in Washington against the jute bag processing tax being applied to wheat sacks causing a rise of 2 1/2 cents in the price per bag. Now comes word from Washington, Mr. Smith said, that all processing taxes, including the jute bag tax, go into the AAA fund from which funds are provided, among other things, to finance the present export bounty on wheat from which farmers are benefiting. Should wheat bags be exempted from the tax, the worst from Washington says, it is probable the export bounty plan will have to be discontinued, or at least curtailed. The question is, according to the county agent, whether the farmers are benefited more by the export bounty than they would be by being relieved of paying the processing tax on their grain bags. Mr. Smith announced this as a new angle on the grain bag situation which farmers' associations will shortly have to consider. In the meantime claims for removal of the processing tax on grain bags will probably be more lightly pressed.

POMONA MEET SET.

Morrow county Pomona council will meet with the Willows grange at Cecil on Saturday, Feb. 24, starting at 10 a. m. All grangers are invited to attend this meeting. There will be a pot luck lunch and dinner. All committees will meet in the morning to outline the year's program of work. All grange officers will confer in the afternoon. In the evening there will be a mock trial to which the public is invited, also other entertainment.

NEW PASTOR HERE.

Alfred R. Womack, wife and baby arrived here the end of the week from Trail, Oregon. Mr. Womack will be pastor of the Pentecostal church at Heppner, and began his work here Sunday.

NO SERVICES SUNDAY.

On account of illness, Rev. Tenyson will be unable to hold services at the Episcopal church in Heppner this coming Sunday, or during the week as planned.