

# Heppner Gazette Times

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## SCOUT COMMITTEE GETS NEW MEMBERS

### Organization for Year Completed at Meeting Monday Evening.

### ACTIVITIES PLANNED

#### Week-end Camping Trip and Contest at Kennebec on Calendar for Local Scout Troop.

The addition of fourteen members to the local scout committee was the principal order of business at a meeting of this group Monday evening at the committee's office. Chas. W. Smith, for the past three years chairman of the committee, presided. Appointment of committees and discussion of plans for the year consumed the balance of the meeting. New members added to the committee are Gerald Booher, Merle Beckett, Glen Hayes, R. B. Ferguson, J. O. Turner, Vawter Parker, John Anglin, John Vaughn, Alva Jones, Ray Kinne, Earl Eskelson, E. L. Morton, Dean T. Goodman and J. D. Cash. Former members who with Chairman Smith have served three years and who retain membership on the committee are Dr. A. D. McDuro, Edward F. Bloom, C. J. D. Bauman and Spencer Crawford. In addition to the committee the past year the troop has been served by Phillip Ford, scoutmaster, and Marvin R. Wightman, assistant.

Troop activities of the immediate future discussed Monday evening are the week-end camping trip for the entire troop to be made this week end, a court of honor to be held Wednesday, May 16, and the transportation of a patrol to the Scout contest camp near Kennebec the week end of May 19th. The camping trip this week will be a troop affair with many of the scouts preparing to pass test at court of honor. Also, on this trip it is expected to choose the patrol to represent the troop at the Kennebec meeting.

Plans for financing the troop for the year were discussed and the finance committee instructed to report to the committee soon with recommendations. The troop fees for the Blue Mountain council amount to approximately \$75 per year, and with the other expenses required for the proper carrying out of the program some additional funds are needed. It is expected the committee will formulate plans for taking care of the financial situation soon.

With a registration of 38 boys the troop contains practically all boys of scout age in the community, and the troop stands near the head of the council in the number of members in proportion to the eligible boys. Committees were appointed to have charge of the various divisions of Scout activity as follows: Outdoor activities: camping trips, hikes, transportation, etc.—C. J. D. Bauman, chairman; Gerald Booher, vice-chairman; Merle Beckett, Glen Hayes, R. B. Ferguson. Education and good turn, parent nights, contacts—A. D. McDuro, chairman; J. O. Turner, vice-chairman; Vawter Parker, John Anglin. Advancements—E. F. Bloom, chairman, Ray Kinne, vice-chairman, John Vaughn, A. W. Jones. Finance and publicity—Spencer Crawford, chairman; Dean T. Goodman, vice-chairman; Earl Eskelson. General—Chas. W. Smith, chairman; J. D. Cash and E. L. Morton, vice-chairmen.

### CCC QUOTA SET.

Morrow county has been given a quota of three enlistments in the CCC organization for the coming season, according to announcement by J. O. Turner, county relief manager. The quota includes young men between the ages of 18 and 21 with dependents. Local enlisters will report at Walla Walla. While the CCC quota is small, F. F. Wemeyer, local forest supervisor, reports some 30 men from this county will be used by the forest service. These men will be men trained in forest work who will help direct CCC workers. The only camp in the Umatilla forest this season will be located at Toll Gate.

### FIRE SCHOOL ON.

The annual spring fire school for this district of the Umatilla National forest started yesterday at Bull prairie and will continue until tomorrow evening. All employees of the local district are in attendance as well as instructors from the Pendleton and Portland forest offices. Invitations were extended to men from Heppner and other towns of the district who are expected may join emergency fire-fighting squads to be organized again this year.

### CONTEST WINNERS NAMED.

Mrs. Harold Cohn, poppy poster chairman of Heppner unit 87, American Legion Auxiliary, has announced the winners of the poppy poster contest as follows: High school division, Marjorie Parker, first; Willie Adkins, second; seventh and eighth grades, Leah Mahrt, first; Billy Barratt, second; honorable mention, Erna McFerrin, Paul McCarty, Irena McFerrin, Harriet Heppner.

## Mother-Daughter Dinner Given by B. P. W. Club

Ninety-nine mothers and daughters of Heppner attended the Mother-Daughter banquet sponsored by Business and Professional Women club at the Episcopal parish house Monday evening. Mae Rose Walker of Portland, chairman of music and arts department for the state B. P. W., was guest speaker for the occasion. A four-course dinner prepared by Mrs. Ada Casor was enjoyed.

Lucy E. Rodgers, toastmistress, steered an interesting program. Following the club collect by La Velle White, the girls sang a song entitled "Mother." "The Kind of a Mother I Like" by Lorena Wilson was responded to by Clara Beamer with "The Kind of a Daughter I Like." Frances Rugg gave a talk on "Chums." A vocal trio by Anabel Turner, Marie Barlow and Jessie French was followed by talks, "My First Beau," Lillian Turner, and "My First Proposal," Ealor Huston. Lucy Spittle of Ione sang a solo. Corsages were presented Eleanor Page, youngest mother; Ruth Stevens, oldest mother, and Mrs. Walker as honor guest. Margaret Williams, vice president, presided. Yellow roses were used in the table decorations, with place cards of purple and gold.

## Theater Opens Tonight With New Equipment

The Star theater will be open to the public tonight after being closed since Sunday for the installation of a new silver screen and new sound equipment. The new equipment is of the very latest and will afford the people of Morrow county the best in talking cinema reproduction, announces Mrs. Elaine Furlong, manager.

The new screen with porous glass beaded surface is five feet larger each way than the old screen, and will give a larger and truer reproduction of the pictures. It represents the latest development in silver screens. The new sound equipment is the latest development of Masterphone, giving a wider range of sound reproduction by reproducing higher and lower tones than the old equipment. It also uses alternating current from the light service instead of direct battery current as did the old. Much painting and general cleaning of the theater has also been done, assuring more pleasing entertainment for show patrons.

## C. P. Strain Gives Talk Before Local Audience

C. P. Strain of Grants Pass, for 18 years assessor of Umatilla county and known as father of the sales tax in Oregon, addressed an audience at the courthouse last evening. His argument favoring passage of the proposed sales tax for school relief contained a strong plea that in addition to ability to pay, taxes should be assessed a little bit along the line of benefits received. He also argued that all people should be tax conscious.

Mr. Strain is a granger and his talk was addressed mostly to the granger-land owner, whom he declared needs relief as well as the schools. The speaker spent four months last winter in California where the sales tax is now in operation, he said successfully, and he even paid part of it.

### SNELL CLUB ORGANIZED.

Friends of Earl Snell of Arlington, republican candidate for secretary of state, launched a Snell-for-Secretary-of-State club at the office of J. O. Turner last Friday evening. With more than fifty members the club is expected to give much impetus to Snell's campaign here. Turner was named president, Vawter Parker, secretary, and Marvin Wightman, treasurer. With the campaign now in its final stages, Snell will invade eastern Oregon this week in a plane piloted by Chester McCarty, a long-time friend. He will visit The Dalles, Pendleton, Baker, Ontario and Bend. Enroute to Pendleton the plane will circle several times over Arlington. He will send up his campaign with two radio addresses, one on May 16 over KGW from 9:15 to 9:20 p. m., and the other over KOIN on May 17 from 8:45 to 9 p. m. Snell clubs have now been formed in nearly every large city in Oregon, his headquarters reports.

### IONE

By MARGARET BLAKE

Mrs. Gist and her daughter, Miss Emma Gist, who is a beauty operator in Seattle were visiting old friends in Ione Sunday and Monday. The Gists made their home here several years ago. They were on their way to Idaho to visit Leo Gist who will also be remembered by many.

H. D. McCurdy made a business trip to The Dalles on Tuesday.

The Missionary society of the Congregational church held its monthly meeting in the church parlors last Thursday afternoon. A study of the life and work of Kagawa, a Japanese Christian Socialist, was made. Following this part of the program Mrs. L. D. Hale reviewed the teachings of the various religions practiced in Japan.

Mrs. Paul G. Balsiger who underwent a major operation in the Hood River hospital last week is reported to be making satisfactory recovery. Her daughter, Mrs. Allen Learned

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## MOVE TO OPEN TANK BOOSTED BY LIONS

### Retaining of Services of Band Director for the Summer Stressed.

### GRANGE HEAD GUEST

#### Ray W. Gill Entertains With Talk; Waterways Association Membership Drive Presented.

Unanimous endorsement of opening the city swimming pool for the coming season, and foregoing irrigation a few days a month if necessary in order to keep the pool open, was given by the Lions club at its Monday luncheon in response to presentation of the matter by Spencer Crawford in behalf of the American Legion. "The legion post invested \$3000 in the swimming tank without hope of returns, as a community enterprise. Now the situation confronting the opening of the tank is too large for the legion to handle and it is asking cooperation from the entire community," Crawford said.

In view of a predicted water shortage for the coming season, it seems certain that united support of the community in a measure of conservation is essential to opening the tank if sufficient water is to be available. But another large community interest is at stake in the opening of the tank, according to the outline given of the situation. That interest lies in obtaining the services of Harold Buhman, director, to continue his work with the school band during the summer months. If the tank is opened and Mr. Buhman is again retained to supervise it, he has agreed to continue his work with the band. In this respect, it was believed, opening of the tank is doubly important to the city, as much progress could be made with the band during the summer.

Several speakers emphasized the value of the tank in the past in making accomplished swimmers of many children of the city who otherwise would have had no opportunity to learn to protect themselves in the water. This, in addition to the fine constructive outlet it has afforded for the expenditure of the energies of youth, giving added incentive for making operation of the tank possible.

The club entertained Ray W. Gill, state grange master, as honored guest of the day, and he responded with an entertaining and enlightening talk on some fine points in recognizing good melons and vegetables when visiting the market. With melons and vegetables, as with fruits, nature has provided ways of telling the ripe and good from the not-so-good, Gill said, and told in an entertaining way what the indicators are in the case of certain melons and vegetables. He was in the city to argue against the proposed sales tax measure at a meeting held at the courthouse in the evening.

Another sales tax discussion, that of C. P. Strain in favor of the tax, given at the courthouse last evening, was announced by Edward F. Bloom.

Lawrence Beach of Lexington, county chairman of a membership campaign for Inland Waterways association, was a guest of the club and urged support of the waterways program through paying membership fees at a dollar each. Money is badly needed at present, Beach emphasized, to complete surveys and prepare the brief for presentation at a hearing before the engineers to be held at The Dalles. With alterations of plans in construction of the Bonneville dam, a saving of \$2,000,000 is estimated which should go to the benefit of the Inland Waterways association in their fight for the building of sea locks, Beach said.

## Gill-Notson Tax Debate Draws Good Audience

Ray Gill, state grange master and leader in the fight to defeat the proposed sales tax for school relief to be voted on May 18, was met in debate at the court house Monday evening by S. E. Notson, district attorney, who upheld the tax. The circuit court room was comfortably filled for the event which would have drawn a much larger crowd had it not been for a number of conflicting events.

Notson agreed with Gill in most of his objections to the tax, but contended that the need of relief for the schools more than offset the objections, and that much more good than harm should be accomplished by passing the tax as an emergency measure.

### DEGREE TEAM VISITS.

The degree team of Pendleton Rebekah lodge visited Sans Souci lodge of Heppner last Friday evening and conferred degree work for a class of candidates. A large attendance was had from Heppner and neighboring lodges of the county. Events of the evening included a bounteous supper, and the hall was brightly decorated with seasonal flowers. Mrs. Verna Hayes, local noble grand, reports the meeting as very successful and enjoyable.

## EARLY START TO IMPROVE RODEO

### Henry Aiken Named President at Organization Meeting; Officers and Committee Heads Set.

Looking to a bigger and better Heppner Rodeo, August 30-31, September 1, the organization meeting at the Elks club Tuesday evening was held a full month earlier than previous years. The early organization was planned in order that more time would be available to look after the details in connection with this year's show, and the large representative attendance of business men of the community presaged a widespread interest expected to make the 1934 Rodeo outstanding in the annals of the show.

Henry Aiken whose work as a vice president last year showed him to be well qualified for the position, was named president and general manager. D. A. Wilson was named first vice president, Earl Eskelson, second vice president, and Herb French, third vice president and arena director. Leo L. Gilliam, a fixture in the association for years through his loyal and capable services, was retained as secretary-treasurer. These men, all of whom have held administrative positions in the past, will comprise the board of directors. In addition to his position as vice president, Mr. Eskelson was named chairman of the finance committee.

A new system in setting up the various committees was adopted, the board of directors naming the chairman of each committee, who in turn will select his co-workers. The committee chairman with the number of persons to serve on each committee were given as follows: Advertising, Jap Crawford, 3; decoration, Ray P. Kinne, 6; parade, C. W. Smith, 7; concessions, Earl W. Gordon, 3; first aid, R. C. Phelps, 3; parking, S. P. Devin, 7; dances, Gay M. Anderson, 3; housing, H. O. Tenney, 3. J. O. Turner was named to take charge of ticket selling and collecting at the grounds.

Plans for the show discussed included holding of a queen contest conducted in a manner similar to that of last year. This year's plans call for starting the queen dances at Heppner on July 7, and to be held at two-week intervals in home communities of the contestants with the wind-up dance and the naming of the queen to be held at Heppner. Details of the various entertainment features are to be left largely in the hands of the various committees to work out as they see best under the supervision of the directors. The directors announced the determination of stopping all leaks possible and to conduct the show as economically as possible consistent with giving a good show.

Last year's financial report showed a deficit of \$183.34, resulting from the fire of the last day which razed the carnival grounds. Had it not been for the fire, last year's show would have paid its way nicely, it was believed.

## Tales of Old Times

By J. W. REDINGTON  
pioneer editor of the "Gazette" writing from National Military Home, California.

### TUFF TOBOGGANING.

The Gazette had some pretty hard sledding during the first year, when it was struggling to get on its feet. Quite often it needed \$50 or \$100, to encounter emergencies, and very often when it met its payroll Saturday night there was nothing left over for the editor. But he was always welcome to any reasonable amount from the big safes of J. L. Morrow & Son and Heppner & Blacklock, Will Morrow and Phil Cohn were princes, and always ready to accommodate. They kept their big ads, permanently standing, and recognized the poetic fact that he who whispers down a well, about the goods he has to sell, will never nab the nibble dollars, like he who runs an ad. that hollers!

The nearest railroad was at Alkali in those days, and quite often some big wagon-loads of goods would come up for the Heppner stores, and instead of having their ads reset and announcing the arrival of new goods, these merchants would tell me to write up a raft of reeling notices boosting the new goods, at ten cents a line.

Such liberality enabled the Gazette to pull through its infancy, and the big sheepmen stood by, many of them paying for copies of the paper to be sent to their relatives in distant states. They regarded the coming in of another paper into such a small town as pretty much the same as bringing a band of scabby sheep onto the adjoining range where a clean band was running. Among the Gazette's first and supporters in its infancy were Judge W. P. Dutton, Jim and Lisha Sperry, Bill Penland, Will Walbridge, Dan Stalter, John Natier, Frank Maddock, Ellis Minor, Chas. Wallace, George Noble, George Harrington, Price Florence and his two brothers, Martin Anderson, Tom Quaid, Pat Quaid, Jim Jones, Nelse Jones, John Elder, Joe Rector, Marlett Brothers, Tom Ayers, Pole Thompson, and many others whose names are now dimmed by the ailments of advancing age, but whose kind consideration will never be forgotten. When I climb the Golden

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## PILKDOWNERS EVEN SCORE WITH LOCALS

### Breaks and Bobbles Give Fossil 8-5 Win in Evenly Pitched Game.

### TEAMS TIE 3 WAYS

#### Arlington Dumps Ione to Knot Top Place; Umatilla Coming for Half-Way Battle.

TEAM STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Ione	3	1	.750
Arlington	3	1	.750
Fossil	2	2	.500
Umatilla	2	2	.500
Heppner	1	3	.250
Condon	1	3	.250

Last Sunday's Results  
Heppner 5 at Fossil 8, Arlington 6 at Ione 4, Condon 12 at Umatilla 13.

Where the Teams Play Next Sunday  
Umatilla at Heppner, Fossil at Ione, Arlington at Condon.

With the half-way mark in the Wheatland league series coming up next Sunday when Umatilla comes to Heppner, there is plenty of time yet for many things to happen. Three ties resulted from last Sunday's games with Ione and Arlington at the top, Fossil and Umatilla in the middle, and Heppner and Condon at the bottom.

Heppner journeyed to Fossil for the last mix, and took it on the chin, 8-5, from the team they defeated on the home grounds the week before. Some too many bobbles, and mayhap—so some of the home boys think—a rather bad end of the breaks, were responsible for Fossil taking what, on earned runs, should have been Heppner's game, 3-0. The game was evenly and well pitched with Kelsay for Fossil allowing but six safe singles, and exactly the same number being meted out by Bobbie Woodward and Ray Massey for Heppner.

Fossil stepped out in the lead by a scratch run the first time up when Woodward muffed up Jackson's bunt, Jackson stealing second and third and racing home when Bill Massey muffed his brother Al's peg in an attempt to cut the runner off. The Pilkdowners capped three more tallies the next time up on a little free-hitting and loose-fielding spree. They went scoreless from then until the fifth, and Heppner blotted out their edge in the fourth with some hot fireworks.

Thomson, first up, singled and advanced as Lieulien walked, both scoring on Al Massey's two base blow. Al's brother Bill next stepped up and clouted a hot grounder out through the gate in the woff fence in left field—the ball reported to have been retrieved by a service station man a few blocks away, but no one knows. Anyway Bill was forced to pull up at third as Al scored. Bill making it in a little later on Turner's fielder's choice.

But with one run each in the fifth and sixth, Fossil again stepped out into the lead, and two more in the eighth were pure velvet, as Heppner's lone marker in the seventh was Ray Massey's hit and H. Van Horn's bobble on Hayes' grounder, proved a belated rally.

Box score and summary:

HEPPNER	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Crawford, I.	4	0	1	0	0	0
Thomson, M.	5	1	0	1	2	1
Lieulien, S.	3	0	4	2	1	0
A. Massey, C.	4	1	1	0	0	0
B. Massey, S.	3	1	1	1	4	2
Hayes, J.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Turner, R.	3	0	0	1	0	0
Woodward, P.	2	0	0	0	6	1
Hayes, J.	2	0	0	0	2	1
R. Massey, P.	2	1	0	4	0	0
O'Rourke, R.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Merrill, F.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	5	6	24	17	7

FOSSIL

Jackson, J.	4	1	3	1	0	0
Roland, A.	5	0	0	1	2	0
H. Van Horn, 2.	4	2	0	1	2	2
H. Van Horn, 3.	4	0	3	3	1	0
Fisk, C.	5	2	1	1	4	0
Misener, R.	4	0	2	0	0	0
Schomp, J.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Healy, J.	1	0	1	0	0	0
Kelley, P.	3	1	0	1	7	0
Fraser, M.	2	0	0	1	0	0
O'Rourke, R.	1	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	8	6	27	18	4

Earned runs, Heppner 3, Fossil 8; struck out by Kelsay 8, by Woodward 5, by Massey 2. Base on balls, Kelsay 4, off Woodward 4, off Massey 1; hit by pitched ball, Miller and J. Van Horn by Woodward; two base hit, A. Massey; three base hits, R. Massey, Fisk, Umire, A. Kelly and Davis; scorer, Wm. McRoberts, Jr.

## Lexington Superintendent Takes California Position

James H. Williams has resigned the superintendency at Lexington to accept a position in Santa Monica Junior college, California, for next year, where he will have charge of the science department at a salary of \$2400 per annum. Mr. and Mrs. Williams will leave for California to attend the summer sessions at Berkeley where Mr. Williams will continue his work on the doctor's degree. Recently he received the master's degree from that institution. Mr. Campbell of Union has been elected to the superintendency at Lexington.

### SEEKS TREASURERSHIP.

Raymond H. Turner of Ione this week announces his candidacy for county treasurer in the democratic lists, asking his Morrow county friends to write in his name for the office at the primary election May 18. Mr. Turner said he decided to become a candidate for the office on insistence of many friends.

Gold fish and aquariums at Gordon's.

## Annual Poppy Sale Slated by Auxiliary for May 26

Memorial poppies which the women of the American Legion Auxiliary will distribute here on "Poppy Day," May 26, have been a means of providing employment to hundreds of disabled World War veterans through the winter and spring months. The little red flowers have made possible earnings of approximately \$100,000 for these disabled men.

"Making of the paper poppies which the American Legion Auxiliary offers on Poppy Day to be worn in honor of the World War dead is reserved strictly for the war disabled," Mrs. J. D. Cash, local president explained. "It offers a means of employment to veterans unable to do other work and not only brings them money for the support of themselves and families, but aids in their rehabilitation by giving them beneficial, interesting work."

"The poppies are made in government hospitals and in special poppy workrooms maintained by the Auxiliary. Employment is restricted to men unable to do work of other types and preference is given those with families to support. The paper poppy is used exclusively by the Auxiliary because its making is a hand rather than machine process."

"The best of working conditions are, of course, provided for the disabled men employed in the poppy project. The number of poppies a man can make in one day is restricted in order that the workers will not tax their strength. The work is directed in such a manner that it will aid in the physical and mental rehabilitation of the veterans, as well as give them financial benefits. The money contributed for the poppies pays the wages of the poppy-makers and helps support the Legion and Auxiliary's activities for the welfare of the disabled veterans and dependent families."

## Perlberg Named Prexy At Studentbody Election

Ervin Perlberg, a former student of Lexington high school who has attended Heppner high school for the past year, was elected president of the student body at the annual election Friday. Although Ervin has never participated in athletics, he was supported by the "H" club in the election. Ervin has been active in many school functions. He played one of the leading characters in the junior class play and has had a part in several skits presented before the Friday assemblies. He is vice-president of the Benzine Ring, high school science club.

The other candidates elected were vice-president, Don Drake; secretary, Lorena Wilson; treasurer, Chet Christensen; sergeant-at-arms, LaVerne Van Marter; yell duce, Ethyl Hughes. Members of the Hehisch committee are: seniors, Juanita Morgan, Cleo Hiatt; juniors, Betty Doherty, Boyd Redding, and sophomores, Marjorie Parker, Leonard Gilman.

## County Drilling Well On Courthouse Ground

Drilling operations were started back of the courthouse this week on action of the county court to provide water for fire protection. The court has the promise of a material reduction in its fire insurance bill if sufficient water is provided to give the courthouse protection during the dry season when pressure from the city mains is insufficient to give adequate protection.

Water from the well is expected to be used also for irrigating the courthouse grounds. In deciding to drill the well, the court reports, it had no intention of trying to beat the city of Heppner out of water revenue, but took the action entirely with a view to fire protection. City water will continue to be used within the courthouse.

### BLAKE-FELL.

A wedding of interest to Morrow county friends was that of Miss Ella Fell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Fell of Heppner, to Ted Blake, former Ione boy, which was solemnized at Vancouver, Wash., on May 8. Rev. T. J. Keating of the Methodist church officiated, and in attendance were Clell Ray of Ione and Mildred Miller and Anne McNamee, both of Portland. The young people will make their home in Portland.

### IONE GRADUATE HONORED.

Virgil E. Esteb, nephew of Leonard and Emil Carlson, was elected president of the Yeomen by a unanimous vote at Geflinger hall, University of Oregon, on May 3. Esteb graduated from Ione high school in 1931 and entered Linfield college the following fall. He transferred to Oregon as a junior last fall and was elected Yeoman treasurer to fill a vacancy in the winter term. Yeomen club is a campus organization for independent men with a membership of more than two hundred. The club will give an informal dance at Craftsman's club on May 19.

### SIREN TO SOUND MONDAYS.

The fire siren will be sounded at 12 o'clock noon each Monday beginning next Monday, announces Gay M. Anderson, mayor. The purpose of sounding the siren is to keep it in working order and to prevent if possible a recurrence of the situation which prevailed at the time of the early morning fire last week when the siren failed to work.

## KIDDIES MAY SWIM IF WATER HOLDS OUT

### Council Takes Favorable Action; Joins League of Oregon Cities.

### SIPHON HELPS FLOW

#### Watermaster Gives Encouraging Report; Ordinances Discussed; Other Matters Considered.

That kiddies of Heppner will be availed of the city's swimming pool this summer through use of city water if it is at all possible to spare water for the purpose was the sentiment expressed by the mayor and council at the monthly meeting Monday evening. Mayor Anderson and all councilmen were present, and expressed themselves warmly in favor of keeping the tank open unless a shortage of water such as would cause real inconvenience to the city should prevail.

Suggesting, amusingly, that the city might follow the lead of San Francisco in starting a move for smaller bathtubs, W. E. Pruyn, watermaster, gave encouraging news in reporting that the installation of a new siphon in one of the city wells had increased the flow of water. More water is now coming through the master valve half opened than flowed through it when fully opened before the siphon was installed, he said. The siphon has dropped the water in the well several feet, however, and the watermaster did not know whether the valve could be opened wide without the water dropping too low for the siphon to function. At the elevation of the well, the siphon should still draw water from a depth of twenty feet, he estimated.

The watermaster, City Attorney Nys and Recorder Huston were named on a committee to check up on the water regulations and ascertain just what control measures the city is permitted to take, and to prepare a new ordinance covering water control for presentation at the next meeting if they find the present regulations to need amending. The swimming tank matter was discussed on presentation of a resolution from the Lions club favoring the tank's opening. In the discussion consideration was given to the matter of keeping Harold Buhman here for the summer as swimming instructor so that he may continue his work with the school band, the band being highly complimented in remarks of the councilmen.

In the interests of better government for Heppner, the council unanimously voted a membership in the League of Oregon Cities, an organization with headquarters at the state university, comprising the principal cities of the state, which has for its purpose the promulgation of uniform ordinances and other measures for bettering municipal government throughout the state through expert study of general conditions based on intelligent operation of member cities. Councilman Goodman proposed the resolution adopting membership in the league.

Immediately upon joining the league action was taken to seek its cooperation in solving a knotty problem proposed, that of controlling itinerant peddlers. Councilman Goodman read a control ordinance disseminated by a national trade publication, an ordinance in effect in Green River, Wyo., which it was said has been fought in the courts by a large manufacturing concern and was upheld by the U. S. circuit court of appeals. The ordinance would ban itinerant peddling unless residents called on extend an invitation to peddlers to call on them. Action on the ordinance was deferred pending advice from the league.

A liquor control ordinance sponsored by the league and adopted by 16 cities was also discussed. It was turned over to a committee headed by Mr. Goodman for thorough study.

The council voted to contribute space in its chambers for a local employment and relief office to be used under the new relief set-up explained by Geo. N. Peck, county commissioner. A new program of rural work relief will be started soon to replace the direct relief program which has been in effect, according to Mr. Peck. The new program is under state control with the county cooperating, the work to be carried on with federal funds provided for the purpose.

A petition from residents of the section for a street light near the reservoir on upper Chase street was read and referred to the committee on streets and public property. The matter of compliance with state law in regard to deposit of city funds was discussed and the treasurer instructed to investigate. The water committee was given additional time in which to investigate the petition of Mrs. L. G. Rumble to be relieved of paying the commercial minimum for water at her hospital. Current expense bills were ordered paid.

### ELKS MEET TONIGHT.

Heppner lodge 358, B. P