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RED CROSS COMES TO AID OF NEEDY

Permanent Disaster Set-Up Ready; Mrs. Sexsmith in Charge.

\$250 TO BE RAISED

Additional Help Promised by Regional Headquarters; Rehabilitation Program Undertaken.

The champion of suffering humanity everywhere, the American Red Cross has swung into action in Morrow county to give succor to the needs of those who sustained losses in the flood of last week. The Red Cross advance on the local front was started with the arrival of R. E. Carlson, regional worker, last week end, who assisted in organizing a permanent disaster relief committee for the local chapter Sunday afternoon. Joel R. Benton was named chairman of the committee and Chas. W. Barlow, vice-chairman.

Immediately plans were laid for launching a campaign to raise \$250 in the county to assist with the work. M. L. Case was named to head the campaign.

A rehabilitation committee was named composed of Mr. Case, J. O. Turner, C. W. Barlow, Chas. Thomson, Lucy Rodgers, Mrs. Elsie M. Beach and Mrs. Ed Dick. Mrs. Dick was also given charge of transportation. Mr. Case was given charge of the food division, Mrs. Clara Beamer placed in charge of clothing, Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers given charge of shelter, and Dr. A. D. McMurdo was made medical aid officer. Miss Evelyn Humphreys was named assistant treasurer.

Red Cross headquarters have been established at the council chambers with Mrs. Kathryn Sexsmith, regional worker who arrived Monday evening, in charge. Mrs. Sexsmith has announced the time for registration of relief cases from 2 to 5 o'clock each afternoon until June 12.

It shall be the purpose of the Red Cross to thoroughly investigate all cases registered and every case will be disposed of before the Red Cross closes shop, Mrs. Sexsmith said. She will write out a full report on each case investigated. Each report will be presented before a local advisory board by number (names being deleted), and the local advisory board will determine the amount of assistance to be given from the need shown. The \$250 asked from Morrow county people is not expected to care for the entire situation, as additional funds have been promised by the regional headquarters. Every cent contributed locally will go for relief and none for administrative costs, Mrs. Sexsmith emphasized.

While little complete destitution resulted from the flood passing down Willow and Rhea creeks a week ago Tuesday, much damage to homes and farms has been revealed, and it is believed that the help of the Red Cross will alleviate real hardships in many places. In several instances houses were wrecked by being moved from their foundations and the structures wrenched as they were jammed against some obstruction. Flood waters entered some houses, badly damaging furnishings. In some instances chickens, cows and other livestock, almost the sole support of families, were lost. The Red Cross work will be to assist in rehabilitating such cases.

GO TO STATE SHOOT.

Chas. H. Latourel, Adam Knoblock and Glen Hayes left for Portland today to represent the Heppner Gun club at the state shoot starting Friday. On Sunday a five-man team picked from these three and Marlon Hansel, Vic Bracher and Royer of Pilot Rock, will enter the shoot-off match of the Oregonian telegraphic trap-shooting tournament to represent the Heppner-Pilot Rock clubs which participated jointly in the telegraphic matches. Competition in the shoot-off will be for the Oregonian's big loving cup which Heppner won the year the tournament was instituted.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS.

Members of the Women's Missionary society of the Church of Christ met at the home Mrs. Tacy Parker on Heppner flat Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was preceded by a pot-luck dinner which was greatly enjoyed. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Marvel Jones; vice-president, Mrs. Millie Doollittle; secretary, Mrs. Lera Crawford; treasurer, Mrs. Emma Jones. Plans for a silver tea to be given in the parlors of the church Thursday, June 14, were discussed. The program topic was "Church on the American Frontier," with Mrs. Blanche Barlow as leader.

ELKS INSTALLATION SET.

Heppner lodge 358, E. P. O. Elks, will hold installation ceremonies at the regular lodge meeting next Thursday evening. A special program of entertainment is being arranged and a good time is in store for all members who attend, announces J. O. Turner, exalted ruler.

Mayor of Morrow Town Is Lexington Honoree

Lexington, Ore., June 4.—Mayor Thomas L. Barnett, with mayors and executive heads of twenty-four towns and cities in the United States named "Lexington," has signed a scroll to be presented to Captain C. A. Blakely of the airplane carrier, U. S. S. Lexington at a reception to be held Tuesday, June 5, in the Hotel Lexington, New York City.

Frederick H. Cone, president of New York Chapter Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, has arranged the presentation of the scroll to the commander of the U. S. S. Lexington as a gesture to keep alive the glory of the name "Lexington" and its distinguished place in American history.

The reception at the Hotel Lexington to Captain Blakely and his officers will be one of the outstanding events on New York City's official program of entertainment for the United States fleet of 95 vessels which sailed up the picturesque Hudson river last week for a review by President Roosevelt and other notables.

In a letter to Mr. Cone, chairman of the committee, Mayor Barnett extended his compliments to the committee, writing, "I have just received your telegram and am glad to comply with your request—that of signing my name. And to know that you will include my name and our town on the scroll along with the other twenty-four towns and cities named Lexington. I congratulate you on this and thank you to favor us with this request. I am unable to be with you but am proud of this airplane carrier which carries the name of Lexington."

Mayor Barnett further wrote, "I shall call the attention of our people to the date of the reception, Tuesday, June 5, in the Hotel Lexington at five o'clock. Again thanking you for this privilege of bringing more glory to the historic name Lexington."

Certification Rules for Seed Growers Ready

New certification rules and application blanks for growers of certified alfalfa and ladino clover seed and seed potatoes have just been issued by E. R. Jackman, extension agronomist at Oregon State college, and may be obtained from any county agent.

No changes in the potato certification rules have been made and only minor additions to the others. Hereafter the presence of any dodger in a field of alfalfa grown for seed will automatically put the seed into the yellow tag class. Heretofore the old rule allowed two patches before the seed was put into the yellow tag class.

The chief change in the ladino certification rules has to do with establishment of tolerance for buckhorn. The market for ladino clover is expanding so that it is being sold in some states where growers object seriously to large amounts of buckhorn.

AUXILIARY BIDS FAREWELL.

A farewell party to Mrs. W. E. Moore was given by the American Legion Auxiliary Tuesday evening in connection with its regular meeting. Mrs. Moore and children will go to Pendleton shortly to join Mr. Moore, manager of the Pendleton Food and Credit association, where the family home will be made in the future. Mrs. Lucille McAtee presented Mrs. Moore with an electric clock in behalf of the auxiliary and expressed the unit's appreciation of the wonderful service she had given to the unit and to the community. Seventeen members of the unit were present, and "Michigan" and refreshments were enjoyed at the party hour. Mrs. Lera Crawford, poppy sale chairman, reported proceeds of \$56.50 from the recent poppy sale, and she and Mrs. Helen Cash, unit president, expressed appreciation to those who helped with the sale. Florence Hughes won the crocheted bedspread made by Mrs. Georgette Morgan who turned \$8.50 to the unit's treasury and expressed her appreciation of the cooperation received. Mrs. Mae Gilliam was reported ill, though improving. Mrs. Lulu McCarty was assisted by other unit members as hostess for the evening.

DISTRICT TUITION LOWERED.

The Non-High School District board of Morrow county meeting at the court house Monday lowered the tuition rate to \$110 from that of last year of \$135 per pupil, while raising the transportation rate from 1 cent to 1 1/2 cent per mile. All claims for tuition and transportation from last year were allowed and warrants ordered drawn. Composing the board are Mrs. Elmer Griffith, Morgan, chairman; Cleve Van Schoiack, Heppner; R. B. Rice, Lexington; Oscar Peterson and Chas. McElligott, Ione.

WOOLGROWERS PICNIC SET.

The Umattila Wool Growers Auxiliary will hold a picnic at Battle Mountain park on Sunday, June 10. Competitive games will be enjoyed and a prize will be offered for the best lamb dish served at the picnic of \$2.00 for first, \$1.00 for second and 75c for third. All wool growers and their wives and families of Morrow and adjoining counties are cordially invited to come and bring their lunch basket filled with food.

Admin Engelman, Ione wheat-grower, was doing business in this city today.

COOKING SCHOOL TO START MONDAY

Two-Day Course at Heppner Hotel Open to All Housewives.

BAKING DAY START

Mrs. Audrey Herington, Noted Home Economist, to Conduct All Sessions.

"We are going to open our school with a good old-fashioned baking day. By 'old-fashioned' I mean we will bake lots of cakes and cookies, but as for recipes and methods, they will be as modern as tomorrow."

This is Mrs. Audrey Herington's promise for the first session of the two-day Heppner Cooperative Cooking school to be held here next Monday and Tuesday, June 11 and 12, at the Heppner Hotel.

"No, I can't give all the secrets away before the school opens," laughed Mrs. Herington when questioned further about Baking Day, "but I can say we have some dandy new ideas. For instance—there is that nine-minute chocolate cake. I suspect that there isn't a family here who hasn't a special fondness for chocolate cake. Well, I'll wager that when the cake-bakers of this community see and taste my nine-minute cake, they'll never bother getting out their old chocolate cake recipes anymore."

Besides a score of new baking recipes, the program for the opening day contains menus and recipes for jiffy meals, party triumphs, and some clever ideas for the arranging and serving of food.

The program for the second day of the school will be especially interesting at this time of the year according to Mrs. Herington, as the greater portion of it is devoted to the new and modern art of refrigeration cookery. "The old ice box was just a place to keep the meat and the milk and cream," explains Mrs. Herington, "but the modern electric refrigerator makes it easy to serve tempting and delicious meals in the hottest weather."

"I think there is no doubt but that this cooking school will be one of the most interesting and most complete ever presented here," the noted home economist continued. "The electrical dealers of this community are to be complimented upon the thorough manner in which they have supervised and arranged every detail of the affair. I expect the big auditorium will be filled to capacity on each of the two days of our school."

At times, the cooking demonstration will seem to enter the realm of magic. For instance, Mrs. Herington will cook an entire dinner in one pot—the meat and potatoes, vegetables, and even the pudding. When you see how tempting and delicious the entire meal looks, you'll agree with Mrs. Herington that you couldn't have prepared a better feast though you had had the entire stove covered with pots and kettles.

"Putting the oven to work" is almost a motto with Mrs. Herington. In the twinkling of an eye, it will seem to you, she will prepare a roast, get some vegetables ready, concoct a delicious dessert, pop everything into the oven, and an hour or so later, take everything out, cooked to a turn, piping hot, and ready to put on the table.

There are dozens of surprises in store for local homemakers, and it is hoped that as many as possible will attend the school on each of the two days. Months of research and effort have been devoted to the preparation of the two-day course. The electrical dealers of your community are confident it will make homemaking more pleasant and interesting. Those attending are cautioned to bring a pencil and paper to jot down the scores of interesting hints and suggestions that will be given each day.

Each session is scheduled to begin promptly at 2:00 o'clock and the doors will open at 1:00 o'clock.

RHEA CREEK GRANGE.

In spite of the fact that the hall was turned around and twisted out of shape by the flood waters, we held our meeting and decided to go to work at once to move and repair the building. The kitchen was moved back and over about one foot so needs new underpinning.

Mr. Addis of the East Oregonian gave a very interesting talk. Several of our grange members lost very heavily in the flood, among the heaviest losers being Wright Brothers who lost all hogs and chickens, farm machinery, hay and numerous other things.

EARL THOMSON IS MARKSMAN.

Earl Thomson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thomson and a student at University of Oregon, is a member of the university military division rifle team which recently placed second among 197 teams in a national rifle contest. The team was given the W. R. Hearst trophy for its work. Earl will attend the summer military school at Camp Huriburt, Vancouver, Wash., as a reserve officer.



A new thirst quencher. Mrs. Audrey Herington drops in a sparkling cube of ice. This noted Economist will devote considerable time to the art of refrigeration cookery when she conducts her two-day school here June 11 and 12 at the Heppner hotel.

Tales of Old Times

BY J. W. REDINGTON
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GRAND OLD PIONEERS

Men to be remembered are Jackson L. Morrow and Henry Heppner, Morrow County in Eastern Oregon, being named in honor of the former, and its county seat, Heppner, named after Henry Heppner. The latter had been running his pack-train over to the Idaho mines, and stopping over at Uncle Jack Morrow's store in La Grande, told him of a splendid opening for a general merchandise store at the forks of Willow Creek, then in Umattila County. Henry was tired of packing, and wanted to settle down, so he and Mr. Morrow formed a partnership and put in a big stock of goods where the town of Heppner sprang up around them, in 1873. It was a wild region then, the only settlers being George Stansbury, Tom Quaid, George Ganger, John Hinton, the Price brothers, Rhea brothers and a few others.

But new people came in and settled up the bunchgrass lands, and tributary trade came in for a hundred miles all around, and Morrow & Heppner's big store furnished them with all the goods they needed, and their credit was good for indefinite times, and the store used to have accounts outstanding for as much as \$60,000. Those merchant-princes wanted the country to settle up, and did everything they could to encourage the advancement of civilization. Tom Ayers and Felix Johnson brought in trade from Butte Creek, and soon Wm. Wallace and the Mallorys opened up ranches on Balm Fork, and Nelse and Jim Jones and Willard Herren started stock ranches. Business boomed. Phil Cohn and Henry Blackman joined the merchants.

The latter was elected to the state senate, and one of his sons, Heppner, is now a talented cartoonist and journalist on the staff of the Los Angeles Examiner, taking his first name from his uncle, Henry Heppner. Those pioneers are now pioneering in another world, but the good work they did in Eastern Oregon will long be remembered.

Cooperative Makes High Record in Wool Markets

Growers of wool who have marketed their crop cooperatively through the Pacific Wool Growers association have averaged returns of 3-1/3 cents a pound above the average shearing time prices paid non-members, according to a report on the 13 years of operation of the association received by George O. Gatlin, extension marketing economist at Oregon State college.

The Pacific Wool Growers has been under the same management since its organization. It has pioneered in the field of cooperative wool marketing and was one of the first such organizations to be approved under the regulations of the Farm Credit administration.

The Pacific now has member growers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada and California. E. A. McCormack, Eugene, is president; J. T. Alexander, Chehalis, vice-president; C. E. Grelle, Portland, secretary, and R. A. Ward, Portland, manager.

Charley Wright, chief inspector with the state grain inspection department at Portland, and two assistants, were in Heppner last evening on their way to a meeting of grain men at Walla Walla. Mr. Wright said that grain grading has become more complicated with recent federal regulations, and believes there will be considerable difficulty in getting a full understanding across to farmers and warehousemen.

A heavy rain all of last night and much of today has been the portion of moisture received by Morrow county. Much hay is down and received a thorough wetting, but on the whole much good will result. Just such a rain as this some six weeks ago would have insured a bumper crop for Morrow county.

Mrs. Ida Dutton of Portland was a visitor for several days the past week at the ranch home of J. J. Wightman. Mrs. Dutton is now visiting at the K. G. Warner home at Pilot Rock. Miss Vivian Warner came over for her Monday.

LIONS BACK DRIVE FOR RED CROSS AID

Solicitors Named; R. E. Carlson Outlines Relief Program.

NEED BASIS OF HELP

Losses Not to be Reimbursed; Holiday Plan Not Supported; President Bids Adeu.

Heppner Lions voted Monday to endorse the Red Cross drive to raise \$250 in Morrow county for the relief of flood sufferers, after Ralph E. Carlson, regional Red Cross worker, and M. L. Case, local drive chairman, had explained the nature and purposes of the relief program to be carried out by the Red Cross under the direction of Mrs. Kathryn Sexsmith. The club took no action on the holiday plan of relief offered for discussion by Mayor Anderson, with a number of objections being offered.

Named on a committee to assist with the solicitation of Red Cross funds locally were Jap Crawford, Dr. Richard C. Lawrence and Geo. Bleakman.

It was also expressed as the sense of the club, following an exhaustive discussion, that there is no duplication or interference of the Red Cross work with that of the city or other relief agencies, and assistance otherwise given should not be considered in responding to the Red Cross call.

Mr. Carlson emphasized the fact that the Red Cross program is purely one of rehabilitation to alleviate the needs of families and individuals affected by the flood. In no instance will cash relief be given, or in no case will there be any reimbursement of losses suffered. All assistance will be given strictly on the basis of need, and the amount of assistance will depend upon the amount of need—not on the amount of loss.

All Red Cross purchases will be made through local stores, with sufferers given requisitions on the store or stores which they wish to patronize. In this manner, the Red Cross aims to rehabilitate business in the district affected while rehabilitating the flood sufferers. The Red Cross has no desire to bring a large depot of supplies from outside which might act as a depressant on local business, Mr. Carlson said. He also emphasized that all money subscribed locally would go for relief and none of it toward administrative costs. He did not expect that the sum asked for locally would begin to meet the situation, and said that additional funds would be forthcoming from the national Red Cross.

With installation of new officers for the club slated for next Monday, Dr. A. D. McMurdo, retiring president, announced that the club would have to get along without him for the next few weeks. He announced his intention to leave the next day for Virginia to attend a reunion of his old class at the University of Virginia. S. E. Notson reported briefly on the river hearing at The Dalles on Saturday, saying there was some hot firework. Miss Mary Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Moore, who expect to move the family home to Pendleton shortly, obliged with a pleasing vocal solo.

NEW REGULATIONS FOR CONTRACTED ACRES GIVEN OUT

A new ruling which will affect a large number of contract signers in the wheat production control program in Morrow county has just been received at the office of Chas. W. Smith, county agent. The following telegram was received from George E. Farrell, chief of the wheat section of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in reply to an inquiry which was sent him relative to growing crops on the contracted acres in 1935:

"As to the growing of wheat as an erosion-preventing crop or for hay or pasture in 1935, it would seem that such a privilege would not be granted. This was one thing in 1934, as you know, due to the fact that land had been summer fallow during 1933 and if any crop had not been sown on that land serious losses would have occurred. Since the growers are now familiar with the fact that they will have contracted acreage in 1935 there will be no excuse for them to summer fallow such land and if they leave it in the stubble it will not be necessary to plant a crop on this land in the fall of 1934."

Local officials have been trying to figure whether or not this means that the planting of any crops on the contracted acres in 1935 will be prohibited since the last sentence in the wire states that if "they leave it in the stubble it will not be necessary to plant a crop on this land in 1934." The county allotment committee has encouraged everyone to leave their acreage to be designated as contracted acres in 1935 unplowed this season, however some have plowed all of their land and probably will be somewhat disappointed.

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Billion and Quarter Loans Made by FCA First Year

More than \$1,250,000,000 was loaned by the Farm Credit administration through all its agencies in the first year of its existence, according to a report received today from Washington, D. C., by A. C. Adams, general agent at Spokane. The first year of the administration dates from May 27, 1933, when the executive order of President Roosevelt became effective, consolidating all federal farm credit agencies into one organization—the Farm Credit administration.

In the Spokane district serving the states of Washington, Montana, Oregon and Idaho, the administration loaned approximately \$95,400,000 during the year through its four units, the Federal Land Bank, Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, Production Credit corporation and Bank for Cooperatives.

Of this amount, the Federal Land Bank of Spokane, making first mortgage loans on its own account and first or second mortgage loans on behalf of the Land Bank Commissioner, has advanced \$32,616,138 in 4,616 loans.

Production Credit associations though only having been completely organized in the 12th district one-sixth of the FCA year, loaned farmer-borrowers \$1,363,323, representing 1386 loans. This figure represents the sum actually advanced on commitments, which totaled \$5,965,000 on May 25. The money advanced was provided by the Intermediate Credit Bank of Spokane, which acts as a wholesaler of farm credit, discounting farmers' notes.

The Intermediate Credit Bank, including its discounts to the PCA's loaned approximately \$62,300,000. The Spokane Bank for Cooperatives advanced its first loan funds on February 8. As of May 27, the bank had distributed among cooperative associations \$458,816 to assist in effective merchandising of agricultural commodities or in financing the cost of marketing facilities for storage and processing of commodities. Total commitments as of the date were in excess of \$1,500,000.

Growers Reject All Bids As 250,000 Lbs. Wool Up

Woolgrowers proffering more than 250,000 pounds of wool at a sealed bid sale here Saturday, rejected all bids which ranged from 17 to 19 cents. Representatives of eight wool firms attended the sale.

Uncertainty in the wool market due largely to pending tariff and other legislation before congress was said to make buyers hesitant in placing bids and little competition was evidenced. Buyers showed more willingness to accept wool on consignment but woolmen preferred to hold awaiting a more favorable market.

Among growers offering wools were Mike Kenny, W. P. Kilkenny, Lottie Kilkenny, W. H. Cleveland, J. H. French, Zetta Brosnan, John Darcy, Raymond Wright, Tom McIntyre, Ada Cannon, W. T. Reynolds, Geo. Hayden, John Stevens, F. S. Parker, Wm. Greener, Neil Knighten, N. P. Doherty, Jr., McNameer & Co.

LEAVES FOR VIRGINIA.

With 25 years elapsed since he left the University of Virginia, diploma in hand, Dr. A. D. McMurdo smiles as he left Heppner Tuesday afternoon headed for Charlottesville, Va., and his first reunion with his U. of V. classmates of the class of 1909. The reunion will be held from June 10 to 12 on the university campus. Not only the renewal of university friendships but the visitation of scenes of boyhood days about Charlottesville, offered Doctor McMurdo promise of a pleasant visit, and to his son, Scott, who accompanied him, an exciting time, indeed. The doctor and son took the train from Pendleton where they caught the Portland Rose east. Going by way of Kansas City, they will return thru Omaha, and the doctor expected to take time out on the return for a visit to the famous Mayo Brothers clinic at Rochester, Minn. On the list of members of his class expected to attend the reunion, Dr. McMurdo was farthest removed from the alma mater, and his cross continent trip promised to be the longest to be made by any member of the class. The doctor's brother, Dr. P. F. McMurdo of San Francisco, made the trip east possible by taking care of the doctor's practice while he is away.

TULLOCK SHEEP SHIPPED.

Chas. Tullock shipped some 6000 head of ewes and lambs from the local yards Monday night destined for summer range in Montana. The sheep were to unload at Blackfoot.

Mrs. Ellis Irwin and Misses Betty Irwin and Dorothea Anderson arrived here from Rockaway the first of the week for a visit of a fortnight with relatives. Miss Irwin was just a little tot when she departed from Heppner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Irwin, a dozen years or more ago and this is the first visit to the home town since. Mrs. Ellis Irwin is visiting at the home of her father, I. A. Bennett, and Miss Anderson, who is a teacher in the school at Rockaway, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Anderson, at Eight Mile.

Degree of Honor Protective Association Will Hold Its Regular Meeting

at 8:30 o'clock next Tuesday evening in I. O. O. F. hall.—Clara Beamer, secretary.

DAMAGED DISTRICTS EMERGE FROM FLOOD

Losses to Exceed \$100,000 Indicated by Reports This Week.

WATER SCARS GOING

State-Federal Relief Work Doubled; Pavillon to be Restored; Outside Offers Received.

Heppner and the other areas on Willow, Balm and Rhea creeks stricken by the heavy storm and flood waters of May 29, are coming heads up from the disaster. Though time will be required to recuperate from the more than \$100,000 damage sustained, everyone is thankful no lives were lost, and victims have progressed well toward digging themselves out of the mud.

With the Red Cross ministering to those in serious need, with assistance being given in the general clean-up through expenditure of federal-state relief funds, and with the city busy getting the creek channel cleared, and straightening up streets and other public property, flood marks are being rapidly erased.

Reports of additional damage done by the storm have come in this week, indicating that all told considerably more than \$100,000 in damage was done. Besides the 800 acres of wheat reported to have been hauled out on the R. A. Thompson farm, it is reported the fields of Cleve Van Schoiack and Archie Ball in the same district were largely damaged by hail. No report was had last week of one of the largest volumes of water which ran down Sanford canyon into Rhea creek. Earl Hunt was reported as one of the large losers in this district, losing some cows and calves and sustaining considerable damage to his farm property generally. F. F. Weymeyer, local forest ranger, reported considerable damage to ranges in the mountains where the heavy hail struck. Snow and rain have visited the mountain district since, and some reports say that the benefit of needed moisture will more than offset the hail damage.

Dust from the dried flood mud which filled the city atmosphere for several days was allayed by a heavy rain which started early yesterday evening and continued thru the night and this morning. This rain was general over the county and should prove of benefit to crops not too far matured to be helped.

Rumor following the flood that the local telephone exchange was deserted on news of the high water is unfounded. Miss Opal Briggs, local manager, reports that the operators on duty at the time, had to their posts and handled all calls possible, while other operators with the exchange called at the office and voluntarily offered their services. It was on notification by Mrs. Osmin Hager when the high water reached the Hager place at the upper end of town that the operators turned on the fire siren to warn townspeople. The only regret expressed by Miss Briggs was that more time was not had in which to notify everyone.

The city council at its regular meeting Monday evening gave its time over largely to the discussion of clean-up plans, and matters of business connected therewith. The clean-up organization was placed under S. P. Devin, city marshal, who was detailed to handle volunteer labor to assist in cleaning up private property as well as to direct the clean-up of city property. The city was advised that work hours under the state-federal relief set-up had been doubled here to meet the emergency, permitting single men to work 24 and married men 48 hours out of the month, for which they would be paid with requisitions on local stores at the rate of 50 cents an hour from the relief funds. All men before on the relief rolls and those requiring relief because of the flood were eligible to work under this set-up. For additional hours worked the city voted to pay at the rate of 30 cents an hour in cash from city funds. Several crews have been busy this week under this set-up. First consideration of the city was to get the creek channel cleared.

Much of the large drift at the bridge at the lower end of Main street was cleared by men hired by Tum-A-Lum Lumber company which had an estimated 200,000 feet of lumber lodged there.

The county court yesterday had not reached a discussion of a program for repairing the large damage to county roads. It was waited upon yesterday afternoon by a delegation of local people interested in repair of the large dance pavilion and the court agreed to restore the pavilion to a usable condition. The court refused assistance from the city in making the restoration, preferring to keep the control centralized and to set whatever charge it decides upon as rental for use of the hall.

So far no plan for restoring the swimming pool has been worked out.

Several proffers of sympathy and assistance have been received from the outside. Besides the communi-

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