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## MORROW - UMATILLA I. O. O. F. TO MEET

District Convention Set  
for Ione Saturday; Big  
Turnout Expected.

## DEGREE TEAMS VIE

Large Class in Waiting for Evening Initiation; Banquet  
Set for 6 o'Clock.

One of the largest events in local Oddfellowship is expected to be the Morrow-Umatilla county convention to be staged at Ione Saturday. Arrangements are being made to entertain all the lodges of the district, each of which is expected to be represented by a large delegation.

The day's program begins at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and includes 6 o'clock banquet, entertainment program at 7:30 and exemplification of the initiatory degree beginning at 8:30. Hermiton and Standfield degree teams will exemplify the work in a contest, and a large class is in waiting.

The afternoon program will include opening, singing, introduction of grand and past grand officers, address of welcome by Lee Howell, response by S. F. Bowman of Eureka, roll call of officers, appointment of committees, reports of vice-presidents, general business, reports of committees, selection of meeting place for 1936, election of officers, good of the order and address by grand and past grand officers and others.

Presiding officers will be George Ely, president; Lee Howell, vice-president; D. W. Davis, secretary; E. L. Pearson, treasurer; E. L. Ayers, warden; E. N. Panko, conductors; H. E. Cool, chaplain; G. W. Wicklander, inner guard, and J. R. Stuber, outer guard.

Members of the reception committee are J. P. Louy, Edward Powell, P. J. Linn, E. J. Bristow, Rod Ekeberry, J. A. Treodson, W. G. Roberts, Henry Clark and J. O. Kincaid.

On the resolutions committee are A. J. Chaffee, Will Reeves and O. F. Steele.

A visiting delegation from Ione was present at the meeting of the local lodge last evening, which was reported to have been a lively and interesting session with a good attendance.

## Superintendent Warns Against School Agents

Edward F. Bloom, local school superintendent, is endeavoring to warn all parents and young people recently out of school against correspondence school agents.

"Some of these agents represent approved institutions, but many are simply racketeers who induce students to make a down payment toward some correspondence course. Too late, the student discovers the course is largely worthless and he forfeits the money deposited," Mr. Bloom said.

"These agents frequently get students by falsely claiming endorsement of the local school administration, and also by rash promises to secure civil service or commercial positions for those who subscribe. Citizens would aid in suppressing this racket by refusing to give unknown agents information about recent graduates."

## RULING AFFECTS MORROW.

That HB 143, passed by house and senate, which would place Morrow county in the senatorial district with Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler counties instead of with Umatilla and Union as it is at present, may be unconstitutional is the opinion of Attorney General Van Winkle, as reported in the morning press. A ruling on the bill was asked for by Senator Franciscoovich of Clatsop county.

## HAVE BIRTHDAY PARTY.

A birthday party was held Sunday at the F. D. Cox Hinton Creek home honoring Miss Frances Cox, their granddaughter, and Mr. Bill Mayes. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Cox, those present were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mayes, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Saling, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Cox and children, Nina, Frances and Stanley, and Mr. Reese Burkenbine. The afternoon was spent in playing cards.

R. E. Harbison, pioneer wheat-raiser and warehouseman of Morgan who now resides at Cottage Grove, is visiting friends in the county for a few days. He now spends much of his time with a daughter in Eugene, and on the way up stopped for a visit with his son at Hood River. He gives his Eugene address as 1793 Hilyard St. He was in Heppner this morning and was looking forward to the district Odd Fellows convention at Ione Saturday night, looking forward to meeting many of his old-time friends in the order. He reported the rainfall at Morgan yesterday to have amounted to .21 inch. This amount was mighty welcome but more is needed. Morrow county must grow crops before it can prosper, he said.

## IONE

By MARGARET BLAKE

Paul G. Balsiger was called to Troutdale and Portland last week end by business connected with the recent death of a distant relative, Mr. Byrre. He was accompanied from The Dalles on by his son, Alfred Balsiger.

Misses Eva Swanson and Harriet Heliker entertained about thirty young people with a party at the social room of the Legion hall. The evening was spent playing games and dancing. Refreshments were served at a late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Atherton and son of Gibbon are spending some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bergevin. Mrs. Atherton is a sister of Mrs. Bergevin.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mankin drove to Thornton, Wash., for a short visit with Mrs. Mankin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Misker.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bergevin have received word that their son, Denward, a student at Gonzaga university at Spokane, has been elected to serve his class as president for the remainder of the school year.

Mrs. Emily McMurray celebrated her eighty-fourth birthday at her home on Monday. Due to her recent illness no special plans were carried out but a number of her friends and relatives dropped in during the afternoon to call on her and help her eat the lovely birthday cake baked for her by her daughter, Mrs. Loren Hale.

Mrs. Lillian McMurray underwent a major operation at the Hood River hospital Monday morning.

Mr. McMurray who went to Hood River to be with her wrote to his sister, Mrs. Ralph Harris, of the operation before Mrs. McMurray came out from the anesthetic saying that the operation was very serious but that her physician, Dr. John Balsiger, was sure she would recover from it nicely.

Mrs. Louis Bergevin returned home Saturday from spending a week at Pendleton.

The program to be given at assembly in the school gym on Friday will be appropriate to the day, Washington's birthday. The patrons of the school are invited to attend it.

The benefit card party given last Thursday evening by the senior class in the Auxiliary room over the Independent garage was well attended. Prizes at the pinocle tables were won by Mrs. Roy Brown and Donald Heliker. At bridge high scores were won by Miss Kathryn Feldman and Harlan McCurdy, Jr., and low scores by Miss Mildred Lundell and Emil Swanson. Cake and coffee were served.

Mrs. Elmer Griffith was pleasantly surprised last Tuesday evening by a few of her neighbors dropping in to wish her many happy returns of her birthday. Pinocle was played. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howk, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Parker and children, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Rietmann and sons, Wm. Parker, Mrs. Geo. Krebs and Miss Kathryn Feldman.

Mary Lou Hagewood who has been quite ill from whooping cough and complications following it is reported to be improving nicely.

Mrs. Victor Rietmann entertained with four tables of bridge at her home last Wednesday afternoon. High score was won by Mrs. Cleo Drake, second high by Mrs. Dorra Mason and low by Mrs. E. R. Lundell. Delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. C. W. Swanson, Mrs. Frank Lundell and Mrs. Ciel Rea were luncheon hostesses at the home of Mrs. Rea last Thursday. Bridge followed with eight tables at play. Mrs. Dorra Mason won high score, Mrs. Paul O'Meara, second high, and Mrs. Lana Padberg, low.

Mrs. Johnny Turner, Mrs. Ed Dick and Mrs. Harold Buhman were visitors in town from Heppner last Thursday.

A number of friends and relatives met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Blake last Friday evening in honor of the birthday of Mrs. W. J. Blake. Pinocle was played with high score being won by Mrs. Roy Brown and second high by J. H. Blake. Cake, fruit jello and coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blake and granddaughter, Betty Belle, of Kinzua spent the week end visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Swanson drove to Seattle last Saturday. They will spend a short time visiting relatives near there.

The benefit card party and dance given at the I. O. O. F. hall at Morgan last Saturday night was the second of a series of parties arranged to secure funds for the purchase of a piano for their hall. The piano has been bought and another party will be given in the near future when it is hoped that enough money will be raised to complete the payment on it. The past two parties have been well attended and greatly enjoyed.

The Past Noble Grand club met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Howk Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was held on that day instead of their regular meeting day which would fall on Washington's birthday. Plans were made for the banquet, etc., with which the Rebekahs are to assist during the I. O. O. F. convention to be held here next Saturday.

B. P. W. BALL ENJOYED.

A large crowd enjoyed the St. Valentine's ball staged by Business and Professional Women's club at the Elks hall Saturday evening. Decorations were in the Valentine motif, and music was played by Beckett's orchestra. Net proceeds amounted to \$50 the ladies report.

## FATLAND EXPLAINS LABOR BILLS STAND

Files Showing Support of  
Constituency Said to  
Have Been Lost.

## PASS ONE MEASURE

Grange Leaders Claim Producers  
Not Authors, and Legislation  
Against Their Interests.

Representative Fatland was not misled in his support of "anti-labor" bills defeated in the House Tuesday, according to a communication received by the Gazette Times this morning. But on searching his files for the preponderance of communications favoring the bills which had been received from his constituency, he found the files to be misleading. In regard to these bills, Fatland writes:

"HBs 225 and 272 were defeated in the house yesterday (Tuesday). HB 242 carried by a small majority. There was a very bitter fight on these bills. Morton Tompkins and Ray Gill as spokesmen for the Grange joined with organized labor, along with Homer Angell, Clint Haight and Wm. Dickson.

"The spokesmen for the Grange claimed they represented the farmers and that these measures were instigated at the request of capital and the Portland Chamber of Commerce, and that the real dirt farmers were being misled or were actually opposed to their passage.

"Since these bills were introduced I have received letters and resolutions from practically every co-operative grain growers organization and commercial club, shippers and farmers, in my district, urging that I support them.

"When debate on the floor began I searched my letter file and found that the entire file on these bills had also been removed. I did my very best to carry out the wishes of the people of my district, but through untold efforts of members who are afraid of organized labor, those of us who have the interests of the farmers at heart were defeated in our efforts.

"Since my correspondence on these bills has disappeared and I cannot answer the letters I had in my file, I am appealing to you to get this story over to the interested people in my district."

A. L. Lindbeck, our Salem correspondent, in his late news dispatches received this morning, touches on the fate of these bills. His news follows:

Only one of the four anti-labor bills sponsored by producer organizations of central and eastern Oregon succeeded in running the gauntlet of the House when the measures came in on a divided report from the committee on labor and industries Friday. This one authorizes members of the state police to intervene in labor disputes. The other three went down to overwhelming defeat with Representative Fatland voting for the bills and Representative Lynch aligned with the majority of the House members in opposition.

One of the deciding factors in the defeat of the measures was the argument by labor leaders in the House that the State Grange was opposed to the bills. This too, in spite of the fact that the bills were said to have come to Salem with the blessing of the wool growers, wheat growers, apple growers and other producer organizations. Statements were made on the floor by Representatives Bull and Angell who led the fight against the measures, that the Grange wanted the bills killed and that the claims that the measures were of producer sponsorship were merely a smoke screen to hide their real origin.

The Fatland bill which would have vested in the county courts the authority to fix salaries of county officials was consigned to the legislative graveyard Wednesday when the measure was indefinitely postponed on recommendation of the committee on county and state officers.

The bill by Senators Best and Allen providing for the creation of junior high school districts failed of passage Wednesday by only one vote. Fifteen senators supported the bill, one short of the required constitutional majority. The measure was vigorously opposed by senators from counties in which non-may schools and other institutions of higher learning are located. Several senators said that they would support the measure if its provisions could be confined to Umatilla county but objected to opening the way for the establishment of a state-wide system of junior colleges.

Two bills by Senator Steiwer providing for free ferries across the Columbia river at Biggs and Arlington were killed this week through indefinite postponement. The bills came back from the committee on county and state highways on a divided report, a majority of the committee favoring a substitute bill which would have left the establishment of ferries up to the highway commission without attempting to dictate to the commis-

## General Rain Brightens Crop Outlook in County

The first precipitation of moisture to visit Morrow county in several weeks arrived yesterday in the form of a warm rain. The amount of fall here is reported by Len L. Gilliam, government weather recorder, to have been 29 inch. From Morgan comes the report of 21 inch there.

General reports indicate growing crops were sadly in need of the moisture, and yesterday's rain is expected to be of much benefit. Overcast skies prevailing today threaten more rain, which would be gladly accepted.

## Tales of Old Times

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

## Hound Dogs, Goats and Coyotes.

Almost all almanacs tell us in their vital statistics stuff that the human race has been trying for a million years to kill off the coyote race, but still the latter refuses to be exterminated. Every lady coyote obeys what she has read in the scriptural injunction to increase and multiply, takes it literally, and sheds a washub of offsprings every dry moon, and raises them in the good growing weather of a follow-up wet moon.

In the pioneer days when sheep-raising was an infant industry in Morrow County, there were so many sheep that never lived to tell the tale about being murdered by coyotes, that the county commissioners paid a bounty of \$250 for all their scalps taken inside the county between certain dates. The coyotes had to be sent to the happy hunting grounds between these dates, the scalps brought in, an affidavit made, and the county clerk paid the bounty. After it became evident that such rewards were going to empty the treasury the law was repealed, canceled, and laid over under the table.

When Attorney Allen found litigation low, he hiked out on the range, made camp, and stuck up a small stockade that would hold puppy coyotes. By lashing a couple of beer bottles (empty, of course), together with barbed wire, he made a pair of powerful field glasses to scan the landscape and see mother coyotes returning to their dens from foraging forays. He hiked over there and dug out armfuls of pups, taking them to his stockade, which was low enough so that the mothers could jump over in the night and nurse their young. When the right date rolled around, Attorney Allen practiced painless dentistry on his captives, and took the scalps in for bounty.

Acting as road agent securing subscribers for the Gazette, Capt. H. B. LeFever struck the Allen camp, and swamped a year's subscription for a live coyote pup, gave him a comfortable bed in a ventilated gunnysack, tied him on behind his saddle, and brought him in for a printshop pet. I can still hear his nightly serenades.

Many of Lum Rhea's sheep in the mountains were being grabbed off by the coyotes, so he bought five big billy goats and had them turned loose with the sheep. When the camp tender came in he reported that the coyotes attacked the sheep, the big goats, instead of protecting the band by butting hell out of the coyotes, milled right into the middle of the band, behind breast-works of sheep, and proved positively useless.

Lum was a good loser, would try anything once, as was usual smiling away his losing loss.

Then Jim Sperry sent away to some kennels and bought a bunch of the swiftest greyhounds on earth and turned them over to his herders, who soon reported that the hounds could outrun the coyotes, but when the latter turned on them the hounds proved pacifists, kept at a safe distance, were too proud to fight, and failed to reduce the coyote population.

## Elks Annual Ball to be Staged Tomorrow

The annual Washington's birthday ball of Heppner lodge 358, B. P. O. Elks, is on the calendar for tomorrow evening at the hall, with plans announced by the entertainment committee for the outstanding lodge social event of the year. Kaufman's orchestra of Pendleton has been retained to play music for the occasion, and a number of special features are arranged. The ball is slated as a program event for Elks and their ladies.

## TED MURDO'S HOUSE WINS.

Ted Murdo helped his fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon, win a dual swimming meet on the Oregon State college campus recently by placing first in the 100-foot breast stroke event. Ted's house was also highest among fraternities in grade averages for the last term with a 1.91 average. The SPE's were outdistanced in grades only by two sororities, Kappa Delta with 1.97 and Delta Zeta with 1.92. Ted is the son of Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Murdo of this city.

While in Portland Sunday, Dr. A. D. Murdo took in an invitation trapshoot at the Portland Gun club, and turned in a score of 94 out of a hundred birds.

## WASHINGTON TOPIC OF BLOOM ADDRESS

Human Traits of Great  
American Cited Be-  
fore Lions.

## TELLS ANECDOTES

Bravery, Strategy, Sympathy and  
Humility, Said Tttributes; Glee  
Club, Piano Solos, Features.

"The Human Side of Washington" was interestingly discussed by Edward F. Bloom, superintendent of schools, before the Monday Lions luncheon at Hotel Heppner, honoring the first president's birthday anniversary tomorrow. A special feature of the meeting was the appearance of the high school boys' glee club who sang "On the Road to Mandalay," accompanied by Mr. Bloom and directed by Miss Shirlee Brownson. Two piano numbers by Jimmie Williams of Condon were well received. Mr. Williams has been in the county for some time as accompanist for Laurel Beach, Lexington, who is preparing to appear in troupes at Portland soon for a national audition. H. M. Burchell, Sheridan, F. A. McMahon, state policeman, and Alvin Kleinfeldt, local Christian minister, were guests.

C. J. D. Bauman, president, urged members to be thinking of the model luncheon which the club is to stage at the state convention at The Dalles early in June, and Spencer Crawford reminded the members of the joint luncheon with the Business and Professional Women's club, March 18.

In his address on Washington, Mr. Bloom reminded his listeners of outstanding characteristics of the first American, citing historical anecdotes in illustration of each. Washington is probably better known for his bravery, the speaker said. Incidents revealing this trait not only show him to have been brave, but also lead one to believe that he may have been protected by a divine providence. For instance, shortly after he had succeeded General Braddock, he led his troops in battle and his clothing was pierced four times by bullets without so much as scratching him.

Many times did Washington show himself adept at strategy, that qualification which made it possible for the much inferior revolutionary army to defeat the well trained redcoats. One of the greatest examples was his reply to France following the close of the war, when that nation asked for assistance in carrying on its war with Britain. In saying that the account of the color of Britain had been settled, the general made possible the birth of the independent union, to which further conflict must surely have proved disastrous.

One of the greatest traits of Washington, however, was his deep human understanding and sympathy exemplified by an account of the winter at Valley Forge. Washington, overcome by the sight of one of his men whose shoes were worn through so that blood was seen in the tracks on the snow left by his raw feet, broke down and cried. He felt responsible for the agony endured by his men, and it was almost more than he could bear.

At Valley Forge also was shown his humility. Though in position to have commanded extra comforts for himself and Mrs. Washington, they shared the same rations as the men and lived in quarters little, if any, better than the rest. The conditions were described in a letter from Mrs. Washington to a friend, from which Mr. Bloom quoted.

Water Shortage Faces  
Willow Creek Farmers

Requesting farmers of upper Willow and Rhea creeks to discontinue irrigation until the allotted time of March 1 under their water rights, the Morrow county court announces that shortage of water is causing much inconvenience and expense to lower Willow creek farmers.

Some lower creek farmers are being compelled to haul hay several miles in order to keep their stock near water, while others are compelled to haul water. Reports indicate a prevailing shortage of water in all the creeks for this season.

## LEGION AUXILIARY MEETS.

The American Legion and Auxiliary will have part in the patriotic program to be given by the grade school Friday afternoon at 2:30 at the school. Spencer Crawford will make the address and a trio composed of Mrs. Estes Morton, Mrs. Ray Ferguson and Miss Juanita Leathers will sing.

At the meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary held Tuesday evening, the members tied a comforter which will be sent to the Welfare Center in Portland. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Loyal Parker and Mrs. Ida Macomber.

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## LEXINGTON

By BEULAH NICHOLS

The SERA project for the local school has been approved and the work will be started Friday. The work will consist of kalsomining and painting the interior of the school and some plumbing improvements. Harry Schriever, chairman of the board of directors, left for Portland Monday to see about purchasing the materials required for the work.

Due to the grange play being given on Thursday evening the schedule for the adult class has been somewhat rearranged. Monday, February 25, 7:30 p. m., "How Would You Answer," and spelling; Thursday, February 28, 7:30 p. m., "Can the United States Have Plenty Without Sharing It?" and arithmetic; Friday, March 1, 2 p. m., Dialogue, "Help Yourself to Honor Value;" discussion, "What Should Children Learn from Play." The sewing instruction will be on adapting patterns.

The Lexington Home Economics club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Marion Palmer with twelve members and five visitors present. After a short business meeting the afternoon was spent in finishing the new grange table cloths. The hostess served delicious refreshments of fruit salad, cake and coffee. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Merle Miller on March 14.

The Three Links club met at the home of Mrs. Earl Warner on Tuesday evening. After a short business meeting the ladies spent the remainder of the evening playing "Bug." Those present were Mary McMurry, Eva Lane, Ola Ward, Golda Leathers, Lou Broadley, Emma White, Merle Carmichael, Naomi McMillan, Laura Scott and Mrs. Warner.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Stockard and daughter Alice of Hermiton spent Sunday visiting with relatives in this community.

Mrs. Eva Lane has returned to her home here after spending several months in Portland.

Laurel Beach spent the week end in Walla Walla. On Sunday evening he was heard as tenor soloist in the concert of the Portland Symphony orchestra.

Mrs. George Gillis spent the week end in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Brown and Mrs. Roy Johnson were business visitors in Walla Walla Thursday.

Mrs. E. B. Wilcox of Hermiton is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Majeski were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted McMillan Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Rauch were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rauch Sunday.

The regular meeting of Holly Rebekah lodge was held at the hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 19.

Mrs. George Peck's father, Mr. Millett, is very ill at the Peck home in Clark's canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hunt of Heppner were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hunt on Sunday.

Joe Clark of Arlington was visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ted McMillan, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Burchell of Sheridan are spending the week with relatives here and at Heppner.

Miss Clara Rue of Boardman was a week-end guest of Miss Shirlee Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rauch and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ted McMillan, Delpha Merritt, Helen Breshears and Bill, Alfred and Jack Van Winkle attended the dance at the home of Julian Rauch Saturday evening. The party was in honor of Mrs. Rudolph Klingler, the occasion being her birthday.

The Three Link club will give a dance at the hall on Saturday night, March 2. Music will be by Beckett's orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth and Marcella Jackson were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Duval Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Johnson entertained the following guests at dinner Monday evening: Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Burchell of Sheridan and Mrs. Mae Burchell and family of Heppner.

## School Notes

The members of the first and second grades, assisted by their teachers, entertained their mothers at a Valentine party at the school house Friday afternoon. The third and fourth grades also had a party the same afternoon.

A meeting of the student body was held in the auditorium last Thursday afternoon.

A new student, Ray Jack, has entered the sophomore class.

Edith Edwards was absent from school one day last week.

The pennants have been cleaned and placed in tubes and are now in the trophy case.

The basketball tournament will be held in Arlington February 28 and March 1 and 2. The teams competing are Lexington, Boardman, Condon, Irrigon, Fossil, Heppner, Ione and Arlington. The price for a season ticket is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students.

The Lexington basketball team met defeat on the local floor Friday when they played Echo. Three games were played with Echo winning them all. The scrub team played first with a score of 16-9, then the first team with a score of 16-12. The town team also played. Woodrow Tucker is still absent from school, having suffered a relapse of flu.

Rose Thornburg spent Monday evening in Heppner.

Delpha Merritt was a guest of Edna Rauch one day last week.

## F. & S. BANK TO PAY DEPOSITORS IN FULL

R. F. C. Loan Obtained  
by Receiver for Final  
30 Pct. Dividend.

## MARCH 20 PAY DATE

J. L. Gault Believes Record Unique  
for Northwest Banks; Urges  
Presentation of Claims.

J. L. Gault, receiver of the Farmers & Stockgrowers National bank of Heppner, announces that his recent recommendation to the comptroller of the currency that a loan be secured from the Reconstruction Finance corporation to augment the funds now on hand so as to permit of a dividend of 30 percent, or an amount sufficient to fully liquidate that bank's deposits, has been arranged through that office in Washington.

This dividend will be available probably about March 20th at which time the depositors will surrender their receiver's certificates and secure final settlement. The receiver states that the remaining uncollected assets are now assigned to the Reconstruction Finance corporation as collateral to such loan and that the collection of all indebtedness due the bank will be continued through his office as heretofore.

In commenting upon the situation Mr. Gault stated that a full 100 percent liquidation of a closed bank in receivership is unusual, especially in a two year period of the worst depression in the history of the country and that he believes it will stand as a rather unique record as he knows of no other bank in the northwest that has equalled it.

Mr. Gault further expressed his appreciation of the fine cooperative attitude of the comptroller and his office in helping to bring about this favorable result. The receiver also desires to call attention to those depositors who have not filed their claims that he would like to have them do so promptly as it is the comptroller's desire that all the bank's creditors receive their deposits in full.

## Past Noble Grand Club Guests of Wightmans

Past Noble Grand club of San Souci Rebekah lodge were guests at an enjoyable party yesterday at the farm home of Mrs. J. J. Wightman. Mrs. Wightman and daughter, Miss Anna Wightman, were hostesses. Mrs. Wightman was presented with a beautiful birthday cake at the noon pot-luck luncheon, in recognition of the anniversary next Saturday. Emma Brown, retiring president, and Kate Swendig, retiring secretary-treasurer, were presented with gifts.

Besides the hostesses those attending were Ella Bengte, Tacey Parker, Alice McDuffee, Mable Chaffee, Etta Parker, Anna Brown, Margaret Phelps, Mae Burchell, Bernice Bauman, Helen Christenson, Opal Ayers and Kate Swendig.

## HONOR PAST RULERS.

Members of Heppner lodge 358, B. P. O. Elks, to a large number, honored past exalted rulers at the regular meeting last Thursday evening. Past exalted rulers who presided at various stations were J. O. Turner, exalted ruler; Clarence Bauman, esteemed leading knight; F. W. Turner, esteemed loyal knight; J. G. Barratt, esteemed lecturing knight; D. A. Wilson, esquire; Dean T. Goodman, secretary; Gay M. Anderson, tyler; E. E. Gilliam, inner guard; P. E. R. Chas. B. Cox and L. E. Bisbee officiated in their usual capacity as trustees besides serving lunch following the lodge session.

## BOYS ENLIST IN MARINES.

Don Cowdry, son of Virgil Cowdry, and Gene Mikesell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mikesell, departed Sunday evening for Portland in response to acceptance of their application for enlistment in the U. S. marine service. Both boys are graduates of Heppner high school. They expected to be sent to San Francisco or Los Angeles as soon as the necessary red tape was gone through with in Portland.

## LOCAL CLUB IN SHOOT.

Heppner Rod and Gun club has affiliated with Pilot Rock again this year for participation in the annual Oregonian telegraphic trap-shooting tournament, slated to begin Sunday, March 3. Entrance into the competition was effected the first of the week by Chas. H. Latourell, president, and Adam Knoblock, secretary of the local club.

## TO ELECT NEW CLERK.

Due to the appointment of Chas. W. Barlow as county clerk, the office of clerk of School District No. 1, formerly held by Mr. Barlow, has become vacant, and official notice is given this week of an election to be held at the council chambers on Monday, March 4, for the election of a successor.

Chas. H. Latourell returned yesterday evening from Seattle where he went for a new Ford pickup. On Tuesday he attended a meeting there of Ford dealers from Oregon, Washington and Idaho.