

# Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Becholdt of Boardman are claimants to an enviable county record, that of having been subscribers to the Heppner Gazette-Times continuously for more than 28 years with their subscription never having been delinquent for so much as a day. Mrs. Becholdt, who has been spending the week in Heppner, came in the office this week to renew next year's subscription before it is due and point proudly to their excellent record in this respect. The G. T. unofficially grants Mrs. Becholdt right to this claim, fervently wishing there were more applicants for the honor.

Mrs. Clara Beamer, executive secretary of the Morrow County Relief Association, County Commissioners George Peck and Frank S. Parker, Mrs. Frank Rumble and Mrs. James Gentry motored to Pendleton Tuesday. The county officials attended the conference on the new state social security and old age pensions plans which was conducted in Pendleton that day by staff members from the state office. Mrs. Gentry visited her husband, who has been a patient at St. Anthony's hospital for several weeks. His condition seems to be showing improvement.

Members of the Bookworms club made up a line party in attendance at "Midsummer Night's Dream" Tuesday night. Later the group met at the McAtee home for a discussion of the play. They enjoyed a reading of an original version of a sketch including "Midsummer Night's Dream" characters which Mrs. McAtee wrote while a Shakespearean student at the University of Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Notson are in receipt of word from their son, Lee, who resides in Logan, Iowa, that he has been laid up several weeks with a badly injured knee. The injury, sustained in a fall, was so serious that physicians predict it will be several months before Lee is able to get around again, except by the aid of crutches.

Cars driven by Faye Prock and Wayne Swaggart were involved in a minor accident at Main and Center street intersection in Heppner Sunday. Prock's truck, making a left turn, collided with the Swaggart car. Since neither was traveling at a very high speed damages were slight, with no one injured.

Frank Turner, local horse fancier, is busy grooming his thoroughbred, "Little Gypsy," for the spring races at Hermiston and La Grande. The new track recently completed at Hermiston is rated the best in the state, according to Mr. Turner, with a half-mile track laid on ideal running surface.

Mention by the Portland Oregonian Sunday as an Oregon poet outstanding enough to have had her work published in national magazines was Irma Grace Blackburn of Heppner. Mrs. Blackburn is the wife of Walter Blackburn, local garage man.

Anabel Turner has returned from Oregon State college and will remain at home for the duration of the spring term. She is assisting her father, Frank W. Turner, in his real estate and insurance office.

Mrs. Victor Peterson and small sons of Heppner have been visiting relatives and friends at Ione for the past week while Mr. Peterson is covering his territory in the interests of the Federal Land bank.

Lotus Robison of the Rhea creek farming community was in Monday. The big blow of last week was pretty general out his way, although not nearly so disastrous as in other parts of the county.

Mrs. Neal Knighten of Hardman was greeting friends in Heppner the first of the week, having recently returned to this part of the country following residence in Portland for several months.

Joseph Belanger, Morrow county agent, is in Corvallis this week attending conferences of county agents and agricultural experts relative to the new federal crop arrangements.

Mrs. E. B. Rice of the Artesian well district out from Lexington managed to dig out of the dust in her part of the country and come in to Heppner to shop Tuesday.

Mrs. Glenn Jones and son, Billy, returned Sunday for a week's visit in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Currin were over from their Pilot Rock home Tuesday.

## Want Ads

Want to rent typewriter. Mrs. Charles Becket, city. 1tp.

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"The Exile," a story of the life of Pearl Buck's mother, written by Pearl Buck, has been purchased by the Heppner Public Library and placed upon its rental shelf.

Wayne Stevens, special investigator for the state liquor commission, has been in this district this week working with law enforcement officials.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray P. Kinne and son Dicky returned Saturday night from Portland. They made the trip home in a new car purchased in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Shaw of the Lexington section spent part of Monday in Heppner shopping and attending to business matters.

Mrs. Ben Crisman is in a serious condition at the Heppner hospital, following a second major operation performed Saturday.

Vere Hale of Lena and Mrs. Tom O'Brien and son Gordon of Butter creek represented that part of the county in town Monday.

Lola Keithley was able to leave the Heppner hospital Tuesday and return to her lone home following a major operation.

D. P. Phelan is able to be about town again after undergoing a long period of hospitalization in Portland.

Dr. J. E. Stewart, Eye-Sight specialist of Pendleton, will be at the Heppner Hotel on Wednesday, April 8.

### Oregon 4-H Clubs Again Set New Records in 1935

Four-H club boys and girls of Oregon rolled up a new record in number of projects carried during the past year, with a total of 22,313 members enrolled in 2303 standard clubs, according to the annual report recently filed by State Club Leader H. C. Seymour. This was an increase of 1676 members and 216 clubs over the previous year. Club work was conducted in every county in the state.

The value of club work in dollars and cents was also considerably increased, Mr. Seymour's figures show. Completed projects for 1935 had a gross value of \$228,221.43, a cost of \$143,661.47 and a net profit of \$84,559.96, as compared to a gross value of \$193,997.29, a cost of \$119,912.63 and a net profit of \$74,084.66 in 1934.

Thirty-seven different kinds of projects were carried by Oregon clubbers last year, although not all of these are recommended as standard or state-wide projects. The clothing project proved the most popular, with 5,326 members enrolled in 629 clubs. Cookery was next with 4,909 members, 540 clubs, followed by health and growth with 3,551 members in 249 clubs; dairy calf with 1,101 members in 136 clubs; gardening with 872 members in 96 clubs; marketing with 859 members in 63 clubs; handicraft with 788 members in 90 clubs, and forestry with 755 members in 81 clubs.

Other projects in which Oregon 4-H club members were engaged last year were swine, sheep, beef calf, dairy record keeping, goat, poultry, corn, potatoes, wheat, canning, homemaking, room improvement, home beautification, rabbit, bee, farm accounting, forage, rose and flower, pigeon, coin, art, household engineering, building, rodent control, agricultural engineering, seed production, gas engine, range management, and quilting.

Lane county had the highest club enrollment, with 3,556 boys and girls enrolled in 262 clubs. The City of Portland was next with 2,311 members and 256 clubs, followed by Douglas with 1,762 members and 142 clubs; Clackamas with 1,709 members and 157 clubs; Linn with 1,202 members and 138 clubs, and Marion with 1,108 members and 124 clubs.

Douglas county had the highest percentage of members completing their projects, and Clackamas clubbers showed the greatest monetary value for their work. Mr. Seymour pointed out that "local leaders form the real backbone of club work throughout the state" and deserve a great deal of credit for their unselfish service to the boys and girls of Oregon.

### Erosion Control Must Be Had to Save Fields

Athens, March 3.—Eighteen years ago soil erosion wasn't an important enough topic in eastern Oregon to be discussed on a county agent tour, C. E. Hill, district manager for the Soil Conservation service activities in north central Oregon, recalls. Hill refers to a trip which the county agents made years ago when he was associated with Superintendent D. E. Stephens at the Sherman County Experiment station.

"Today erosion and increased run-off, along with the spread of wild morning glory, are considered major agricultural problems," Hill asserted. "Fields are showing severe washing, gullying and blowing. Yields are being reduced, and tillage and harvest costs have greatly increased."

"By 1933 the menace of erosion to Oregon agriculture was easily visible. One farmer that year, reported that it took two men with a walking plow 22 days to plow in gullies and ruts which occurred in a 500-acre field of winter wheat in order that the crop could be harvested with a combine."

"In the same year, a blacksmith reported that he welded 42 spokes on one combined harvester in 10 days as the result of breakage in crossing ruts and gullies in the field. Farmers are now realizing that unless erosion is controlled it will soon be impossible for them to harvest

crops with their large combines.

"Because ruts and gullies result in the concentration of run-off, the damage from erosion increases rapidly. The best topsoil that is worked into these ruts and gullies by plowing and cultivation is carried away by the next heavy rain. It is obvious that unless drastic measures are taken to curb this gullying and loss of fertile topsoil, thousands of acres of the best wheat land and pea land in the northwest will be ruined within the next few years."

"Damage from erosion is not confined to farm land alone," Hill stated. "The rapid run-off is increasing the damage from floods, and the soil it carries causes further damage by silting-in dams that are constructed for flood control, power, irrigation, and navigation."

"In fact, soil erosion is a problem which concerns everyone. A productive soil is the nation's greatest asset and the chief collateral behind most of our loans. The present rapid depletion of the soil by erosion is creating problems profoundly affecting the general welfare and prosperity of the entire nation."

"Contrary to the general belief, there is not too much good land under cultivation at the present time. Productive land is needed to replace the big areas damaged and worn out by erosion. Worn land should be permanently retired from cultivation and seeded to grass or grass-legume mixtures. This treatment will rebuild soil structure, restore fertility, and provide a protective cover which will effectively control erosion."

### APPRECIATION.

We, the members of the Woolgrowers' auxiliary, wish to express our appreciation for the wonderful cooperation we received in putting on our first style show. We wish especially to thank the J. C. Penney Co., Curran's Ready-to-Wear, Francis Shop and David Wilson for their part in furnishing costumes and models; Lucille's Beauty shop and Chapin's Beauty shop for their finger waves; the models, particularly the school children, for the way they displayed the costumes, and all those who helped with the program.

We feel the style show was very successful, not only in bringing before the public the usefulness of wool in clothing, but as a financial venture as well. In spite of the stormy weather, the show was exceptionally well attended.

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### Heppner Band Prepares for Contest

On April 10 the Oregon School Band contest will be held. Class 25 bands are allowed to present 25 student musicians. At this contest, Heppner will be represented by the twenty-five students who have worked the hardest and made the most advancement in the band during the past year. The trip to the contest is enjoyable, and the contest itself is highly educational. All of the students who have attended former contests are enthusiastic over a chance to go again. Everyone should be proud of a community and a school that can send such a representation three hundred miles. That is splendid advertising for any enterprise, and it also develops the culture of the young people in the community. The band contest offers a great opportunity and there is every reason to believe that Heppner will make a good showing.

### Club News

The Girls' League held a cookie sale last Thursday in the Home Economics room.

The Benzine Ring did not hold a meeting last week because of operetta practice.

The Glee clubs have started work on the Spring Festival numbers.

Grade News

The first grade is making a study of the different kinds of dogs.

Eldon Tucker, who is in the second grade, built a very attractive bird house which he brought to school.

June Hughes, who is in the second grade, has moved to the country where she will finish the term.

The fourth grade is making nature study charts. They are dividing the animals into their different classes, and are bringing pictures of each class.

Tuesday the biology class completed the study of physiology. They are now studying botany.

All students wishing to see "A Midsummer Night's Dream" were excused from school Tuesday afternoon. This show will be discussed in the English classes.

The Sociology class has been giving reports on social and governmental topics.

The Home Economics students have begun the study of foods.

The American history class has been studying the elections of the presidents of the United States. They are at present studying the elections of the early 1900's. As most of us know, this was during the time that Teddy Roosevelt was the leading national figure. He was elected as vice-president in 1900, and following the assassination of President McKinley, he became president. He was elected for a second term in the elections of 1904.

After serving his second term, he announced that he would not run again; he recommended Taft as the next candidate. Taft was elected. During most of Taft's administration, Roosevelt was abroad hunting big game in Africa and visiting important political centers of the world.

Upon his return he again became a figure of national interest. After his return a very sorrowful thing happened: Roosevelt and Taft, who had been close friends, became very bitter enemies. This was caused partly by Roosevelt's belief that Taft had not carried out his promises. In 1912 Roosevelt announced that he would run again on the Republican ticket; greatly to Roosevelt's bitter disappointment, Taft was again nominated. Roosevelt and his followers then formed a party of their own. Because of this split in the Republican party, the Democrats' candidate, Wilson, was elected.

### Boys' Sports

The Heppner high school baseball players are getting in shape for their first game of the season. If not hindered by adverse weather, the team will meet Lexington high school April 7 on the latter's diamond. There will be several regulars of last year's team in the starting line-up. It is predicted that the Heppner stalwarts will return home with the laurels of victory.

### Personals

Norton King has been confined to his home with the measles. Norma Becket has returned to school after an absence of several days. Dick Wilkinson was absent from

school the latter part of the week suffering from a sore throat.

Harriet Hager is confined to her home with the flu.

Marjorie Parker was absent from school the first of the week.

### HUMOR

Paul McC.: I'm going to marry a pretty girl and a good cook.

Flo. B.: You can't do that—that's bigamy.

Richard H.: I think you're "it."

Marjorie P.: I know, I was just tagged by your brother.

Nonie: Let's put something else in besides jokes.

Louise: Yeah, somepin' funny.

Joe A.: There's no justice in this school; I never get what I deserve.

Ellis W.: Boy, you're lucky!

Judge: The evidence shows, William McRoberts, that you threw a stone at the officer.

Willie: It shows more than that, it shows I hit him!

Mr. Blom: I forgot my umbrella.

Mrs. Bloom: When did you miss it?

Mr. Bloom: When I raised my hand to close it after the rain stopped.

We heard—

Margaret B. sorta likes Everett C. Riley had to shoot a squirrel in self-defense the other day.

Molly McIntyre had never attended a fish ball.

Emercy Coxen singing "Waitin' at the Gate for Katie"—We didn't know Kay had a gate.

Don Jones' theme song was "Truckin'."

Pinky singing "I Wished I Was Single Again."

Mr. Evans say, "various and sundry other things."

Bill Browning sing, "I Got a Feeling 'You're Foolin' to Hannah M."

That Ruth Green thought the guards on the lights over at the gym were waste-paper baskets.

Spud Furlong got to school on time the other morning.

Marjorie Parker singing "Dust Off That Old Piano."

**10 Years Ago**  
THIS WEEK  
(from Gazette Times, April 1, 1926)

Governor Walter M. Pierce is president of organization meeting of Morrow County Pomona franchise.

Prospectors reported good for early construction of Heppner Spring town.

Heppner town team loses 1926 baseball opener to Boardman town team by score of 15-1.

Fred Steiner of Pendleton visits Heppner in interests of his candidacy for United States senator.

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