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Citizens Sponsor School Band in Public Concerts

Money Pledged to Aid Organization; Dates to be Set.

"In the near future, Heppner and Morrow county people will have the treat of their lives." Thus enthusiastically does John Anglin announce a series of concerts by the Heppner school band, under the able leadership of Harold Buhman, dates of which will be announced through the columns of this paper.

Mr. Anglin, Mark Merrill and Ray Oviatt this week circulated a subscription list which met with one hundred percent response from business men and women of the city. Signatories pledged themselves to contribute 50 cents or more for the benefit of the band after each concert. Concerts will be held every other Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock for three or four consecutive concerts, on dates to be set by the bandmaster.

Money contributed will assist in paying expenses of the band to the state contest, in which they last year emerged winners of the class D division, and to defray other local expenses. About \$55 is promised for each performance.

Each concert will be divided into districts. The send-off will be in front of the courthouse, from where they will progress to Main and May, Main and Willow, and Main and Center, for numbers at each principal intersection on Main street.

"The Heppner school band is known all over the state not only for its winning ability but for its high class music and performance," declared Mr. Anglin in welcoming the series of concerts for the opportunity afforded local people to really enjoy it.

Remember to watch the Gazette Times for announcement of concert dates.

List of subscribers is given as follows:

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Bessie Bruce Gibb Rites Tomorrow

Bessie Bruce Gibb, wife of Alex Gibb, died at the family home here yesterday morning following a prolonged illness. Funeral services have been announced for 2:30 tomorrow afternoon from the Methodist church, Rev. R. C. Young officiating, and interment will follow in Masonic cemetery. Besides her husband, Mrs. Gibb leaves two sons, Bruce and Allan, to mourn her loss, and relatives in Scotland.

Bessie Bruce was born in Scotland November 26, 1880. With her husband she came to Heppner some fifteen years ago, and had resided here continuously since while Mr. Gibb followed his trade of plumbing. She was a member of the Methodist church and active in its work, leading the church music for several years. She also taught piano at various times, having received a well grounded musical education in the land of her birth. Before leaving Scotland, she had taught in the schools there. In her passing the family has the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community, which feels a severe loss.

SUCCEEDS BEAN.

R. F. McNeill arrived this week from Portland to succeed R. Allan Bean as bookkeeper at the local branch First National Bank of Portland. McNeill, formerly of Spokane, has been undergoing training at the head office for some time.

Orris Padberg was treated for monoxide poisoning here Monday. He was overcome by the fumes while at work under his tractor in the Nordyke garage at Lexington.

LIONS HEAR TALKS ON WASHINGTON

LaVerne Van Marter, S. E. Notson Speak; Court Plan Discussed; Committee Set for BPW Dinner.

Washington, the man, was the theme of a clever tribute paid the "Father of His Country" by LaVerne Van Marter, Jr., at the Monday Lions luncheon. The high school youth brought interesting points in the first president's life not commonly touched upon, such as his great loneliness and his false teeth.

"Washington was said to be solemn and untalkative at the dinner table. Possibly that was accounted for by his false teeth," the speaker said. "His teeth did not fit well, giving him much trouble. . . We wonder what Washington thought about in his last moments. Whether it was Valley Forge, Mt. Vernon or Bunker Hill. It may have been the prospective relief from his false teeth."

Thus with injection of humor Van Marter pictured Washington as a man, though not attempting to detract from the great man's greatness.

Other tributes were also given by Joseph Belanger and S. E. Notson to Washington's greatness in commemoration of the day of his birth on

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March 1 Deadline For Compliance

March 1 has been set as the deadline for filling out new work sheets for the 1937 Agricultural Conservation program. Anyone having already filled out such a work sheet, whether or not he complied for a grant in 1936, will not need to fill out another work sheet for 1937. Instructions this year are that work sheets should be filled out for 100% of the farms in the county regardless of whether there is intention of compliance. Putting the necessary information on a work sheet takes about four or five minutes time. This can be done at the county agent's office or by contacting any of the community committeemen.

Several changes have been made in the program this year as compared to last year, and it would probably pay any farm operator who has not already done so to talk over the 1937 program with one of his community committeemen or to drop in at the county agent's office to discuss the new program in relation to his own farm operations.

VISIT FROM MICHIGAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Shuirman visited friends in Heppner last week end while visiting in the county at the home of Mrs. Shuirman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Feldman, near Ione, from their home at Flint, Mich. They visited in California before their arrival here last week. Mr. Shuirman, former high school athletic instructor here, now holds a position with a hardware company in the Michigan city. The company operates a chain of stores and Mr. Shuirman said one of the stores was forced to close down while the General Motors strike was in progress. That section of Michigan has enjoyed a milder winter than usual.

HONOR PAST EXALTED RULERS

Heppner lodge 358, B. P. O. Elks, is honoring its past exalted rulers at the regular lodge meeting tonight. All offices will be taken by past exalted rulers as follows: C. B. Cox, exalted ruler; C. J. D. Bauman, esteemed leading knight; J. G. Barratt, esteemed loyal knight; D. A. Wilson, esteemed lecturing knight; J. O. Turner, esquire; H. A. Duncan, chaplain; J. G. Thomson, Jr., tyler; H. A. Tambyn, inner guard. A special program has been arranged in charge of F. W. Turner and J. G. Thomson, Jr.

GETS NEW MACHINE.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo this week added a new electric cauterizing machine to his office equipment, which he says will be useful in surgical work. It cuts and cauterizes at the same time.

Ione, Lexington, Heppner Establish Uniform Tuition

Raise to \$60 for Grades Agreed Upon to Meet Rising Costs.

Grade school tuition fees at Heppner, Lexington and Ione will be uniform next year as a result of action taken at a joint meeting of school boards from the three towns held here Friday evening. The amount was set at \$60, representing an increase from \$45 at Heppner and Ione, and from \$30 at Lexington.

Necessity for increasing the tuition fee arose from reduced assessed valuation of the districts and increased costs, it was announced.

It was hoped the agreement on tuition would eliminate any tendency to compete for students from outlying districts that may have prevailed in the past, and also that the increased amount would more nearly compensate the districts for the cost of educating out-of-district students. Heretofore each of the districts has charged out-of-district pupils considerably less than the per capita cost of educating its own students.

While Heppner has had a considerably less per capita cost in the high school division, it was revealed that grade school education per capita was nearly the same in the three schools, Heppner's being \$72, while that of Lexington and Ione was given at \$75.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo, John Wightman and Spencer Crawford of the local board were all present at the meeting, while Mrs. Bert Mason and Paul O'Meara from Ione, and Arnold Pieper and Harvey Bauman from Lexington, represented boards of the other two towns.

\$5 Earned, Says Man Who Charged For Helping Self

Admitting there are two sides to the story, Judge Bert Johnson, one of the officials who complained through these columns last week of a man who charged five dollars for helping the CCC bulldozer out of the ditch by his place when it was opening up the road, believes that man's story should be told.

Complaint came to the court from reliable sources, but since the complain was aired the gentleman in question contacted the judge and told his side, which in all fairness the judge believes should be given.

The man had helped people out of trouble with his tractor many times, refusing no one day or night, and had made no charge. When called upon by the CCC boys, it was necessary to make a four-mile trip. He was tired, and learning who the boys were and that they could handle the tractor, he let them take it to help themselves out. In view of the fact that it was a costly piece of machinery, and understanding that the CCC equipment was being furnished at county expense, he made the charge only after insistence that he be paid.

The man offered to return the \$5 to the judge, and the judge refused it on learning the other side of the story.

Judge Johnson did not give the man's name in reporting the incident to this paper.

RESEEDING FACED.

S. G. McMillan and son Sam were visitors in the city yesterday from Lexington. They reported their wheat all sown late in the fall and apparently in good condition, though much of the earlier fall-sown ground in their section will need to be reseeded. A considerable amount of ground was left for seeding in the spring.

NEW GARAGE SET AT PALACE CORNER

Ed Dick to Erect Modern Structure for Milsom-Banister Motor Company; Work to Start Soon.

R. J. Crake and C. H. Redfield, representatives of Ford Motor Co., the latter with the service station and garage department, were in the city Tuesday conferring on plans for the new building on the old Palace hotel corner which will house the Milsom-Banister Motor Co.

Ed Dick closed the deal with the M. S. Corrigan estate this week for the lot, and will erect the building for the new business. He said if a town is good enough to make money in it is good enough to spend money in, thereby expressing confidence in the future business stability of the city.

Plans for the building call for construction of one of the most modern plants of its kind in Oregon. Its design includes all the latest features recommended by the Ford service department, and when completed it will not be excelled by any plant in Oregon for beauty and utility, say its sponsors. Construction will proceed just as soon as plans are finally okeed and materials can be placed on the ground.

Emergency Loans Available for Seed

Application blanks have been received at the county agent's office for filling out emergency seed loans. The maximum amount available for loans in 1937 is \$400.00. The money can be used for the purchase of seed, feed for work stock or fuel for tractors, for seeding or working summerfallow, the maximum amount per acre not to exceed \$3.00.

A new feature of the seed loans this year is that the interest rate has been reduced to 4% instead of 5½% as has been the case in the past.

In addition to loans for seeding wheat, money is also available for the purchase of feed and also the raising of feed crops. In the case of seed loans, such loans become a first lien against the 1937 crop, and, as has been the case in the past, it will be necessary to obtain waivers from landlords.

It has ordinarily taken about three weeks for the check to arrive after an application has been submitted in proper form. It is, therefore, advisable for anyone who intends to apply for such a loan to complete his application at the earliest possible moment. Assistance is available at the county agent's office for filling out applications.

ALFALFA SEED SCARCE.

Severe drought last summer in several of the heavy alfalfa seed producing sections has resulted in an extreme shortage supply of alfalfa seed. With 1937 spring plantings estimated to be considerably heavier than usual, the chances are strong that alfalfa seed will be higher as time for planting approaches. Already the prices are well up over those of last year. To relieve the alfalfa seed shortage, already more than one and one-half million pounds have been imported into the United States. It would seem advisable, therefore, for anyone who intends to plant alfalfa this spring to obtain his seed supplies as far in advance as possible.

IMPROVES STORE.

The Hanson Hughes grocery has just finished undergoing refinishing of the interior with installation of modern display fixtures. Shelving, counters and display bins have been trimmed in black and white, giving the store an attractive appearance.

WOOL CONTRACTED.

Wool contracts in this section were reported this week at from 27 to 37 cents. Charles McDevitt of Gurdane was reported among sellers. Some lambs were said to have moved at 7 cents.

Mrs. Ernest Lundell was up from the Ione home yesterday.

Three Counties Send Hoop Teams to Tournament Here

Games Tomorrow, Saturday; Eddie McMurdo to Officiate.

Eyes of basketball fans of three counties will be focused on Heppner tomorrow and Saturday to view emergence of the team to represent district 13-B in the larger tournament at Arlington the next week end. Appearing in the tournament here will be teams from Heppner, Ione, Lexington, Boardman, Condon and Fossil high schools, representing Morrow, Gilliam and Wheeler counties.

Eddie McMurdo of Walla Walla who refereed the district tournament here three or four years ago, will officiate. Games are slated at 7, 8 and 9 o'clock tomorrow evening, and at 2, 3, 7:30 and 8:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon and evening.

In the elimination, Heppner and Lexington will play in the first game, Condon and Fossil in the second, and Ione and Boardman in the third Friday. Winners of the first two games will play in the first game Saturday, the strongest loser of the first two games will meet Friday's third winner in the second game Saturday afternoon. Losers of these games will play for consolation honors at 7:30 Saturday evening, while winners will clash at 8:30 to decide the championship.

Season ticket admissions are \$1.10 for adults and 60c for students. Single admissions, 50c, 35c, 60c to respective sessions for adults, and 25c, 15c, 35c, to respective sessions for students.

Eligibility lists submitted to Alden Blankenship, tournament manager, give squad rosters as follows: Heppner: Len Gilman, La Verne Van Marter, Riley Munkers, Emery Coxen, Fred Hoskins, Chas. Cox, John Crawford, Wilfred Stone; coach Henry Tetz.

Boardman: Don Tannehill, Ralph Black, Bill Black, Stanley Partlow, Kenneth Ransier, Ted Wilson, Edward Skoubo, Ralph Skoubo; coach, Edwin Ingles.

Ione: Harold Buchanan, Herbert Davidson, Robert Davidson, William Davidson, Phil Emert, Henry Ring, Ted Peterson, Roy Pettyjohn; coach, G. S. Tucker.

Lexington: Lyle Allyn, Clayton Davis, Robert Campbell, Marvin Cox, Kenneth Palmer, Ellwynne Peck, Kenneth Peck, Henry Rauch; coach, Wm. D. Campbell.

Condon: Ted Hollen, Charles Burns, Harold Simonds, Bruce Mercer, Max Willis, Frank Potter, Dale Ashenfelter, Ross Cook, Alex Currie; coach, T. L. Baird.

Fossil: Viegas, Bird, Trimble, Nelson, Crawford, Jobe. (Fossil eligibility list not received. These names taken from team line-up as given in recent news report.)

Hunters, Anglers Set Annual Meet

Morrow County Hunters and Anglers club has set its annual meeting for 8 o'clock next Monday evening at the Elks club, announces Chas. B. Cox, secretary. Discussion of plans for conducting a campaign against crows and magpies, and election of officers are included in the business for the evening.

Mr. Cox urged attendance of all interested in hunting and angling, and preservation of wild life, to attend even though they may not be members of the club. Bert Mason of Ione is president.

FATHER DIES AT EUGENE.

Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Rice left for Eugene yesterday in response to word of the death of Dr. Rice's father. Mr. Rice had been ill for some time, Dr. Rice having visited him but recently.