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27 Seniors Receive Diplomas Before Large Audience

Dora Bailey, Neva Bleakman Honored; Dahlberg Speaks.

All 27 Heppner high school graduates were on hand at commencement exercises in the gym-auditorium Friday evening with the exception of three—Charles Cox, Leonard Gilman and Norton King, who had gone to Eugene the day before to participate in the state high school track meet. The three absentees received their diplomas later, while the others were given theirs by Dr. A. D. McMurdo, chairman of the board of education, as a part of the exercises.

W. A. Dahlberg, U. of O. professor of public speech, addressed the class in an interesting and entertaining manner, injecting much humor into the discussion of philosophies appropriate to the occasion.

Chosen for special honors were Dora P. Bailey and Neva Bleakman, class members, whose selection as recipients of the Norton Winnard Memorial cup and the Balfour plaque, respectively, was kept secret until time for the awards. Dr. McMurdo presented the Winnard cup to Miss Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bailey, whose exemplification of the characteristics of Norton Winnard, honored member of the class of 1918, was considered by the award committee to entitle her to the recognition. The Balfour plaque award to Miss Bleakman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bleakman, was on the basis of rank in scholarship, achievement and loyalty. Spencer Crawford made the presentation.

The class, wearing gray caps and gowns, was seated on the platform, surrounded by a profusion of spring flowers. Rev. R. C. Young pronounced the invocation. Norbert Peavy played the prelude, "Scarf Dance," Chaminade, and procession-al, "Coronation March," Meyerbeer. Musical numbers included a vocal duet, "Indian Love Call," Friml, by Harriet Hager and Gerald Cason, and trio, "Indian Dawn," Zamecink, by Gerald Cason, Jackson Gilliam and Ellis Williams. Alden Blankenship presented the class, as follows: Louise Anderson, Lois Ashbaugh, Dora P. Bailey, Norma Jean Beckett, Zara Neva Bleakman, Paul C. Brown, Gerald LaMar Cason, Necha Colblantz, Vivian Ruth Cowins, Charles Marion Cox, Elsie Marie Crump, Melissa Mae Edmondson, Rosanna Farley, Leonard Gilman, Fred Hoskins, Jr., Norton King, Wm. Lee McCaleb, Jr., Louise McFerrin, Riley Munkers, Kathryn Parker, Marjorie Parker, Andrew M. Shoun, Donald Edwin Turner, Elizabeth E. Van Schoja, Erma Van Schojaek, Helen Van Schojaek, Ellis K. Williams.

ERECTING COTTAGE.

Mrs. Martha Wright is constructing a small cottage on the corner of her property adjoining her apartment house in south Heppner. Excavating was completed the first of the week and material was being placed on the ground. N. D. Bailey is the carpenter in charge.

BAND CONCERT SATURDAY.

A free street concert by the school band is announced by Harold Buhman, director, for Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The band will follow its usual itinerary, and no collection will be taken.

FINISHES SHEARING.

Shearing on the J. G. Barratt ranch was completed last week end with a satisfactory clip. Mr. Barratt expected to start some of his sheep to the Montana range within the next two weeks.

Joe Hayes was in the city today from Lone Rock.

BRAHMAS ARRIVE FOR CONDON SHOW

Clarence Warren Horses to Try Tophands at Neighboring City Next Week End; Plan Big Time.

A carload of Brahma and bulldogging steers, direct from Tucson, Arizona, arrived in Condon Tuesday morning for the city's first annual spring rodeo to be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 4, 5 and 6. Fans from Heppner and neighboring vicinities are invited to attend, the rodeo committee writes.

With these imported animals and the Clarence Warren string of bucking horses the three day show is expected to be packed with thrills and spills comparable with the much larger shows. The same horses, steers and riders will put on the Molalla Buckaroo, which is considered the Valley's leading Wild West show, July 4 and 5; and the Labor Day show at Longview, Wash.—both big shows.

"Arrival of the 'wrestling' longhorns and bucking Brahmas, black, roan, and motley in color, climaxes the rodeo features and leaves no doubt in minds of Condon's celebration committee members but that an outstanding show and an outstanding crowd will be the results of their efforts," reports Sid Casteel and Stewart Hardie, president and secretary, respectively. "The imported steers may be seen at the fair grounds during the coming week."

Warren's horses were bucked at Molalla, Longview and the Gilliam County fair last year and need no introduction to those who saw them perform. The \$600.00 prize list is attracting riders and others from various sections of this state and from Washington, Idaho and California.

Who will be queen of the rodeo, is a question attracting much interest locally. Candidates from Kinzua, Fossil and The Dalles seem to be running close for first honors, the committee reports. Condon's attendant will be selected at a Rodeo dance at the Rink hall Saturday evening, May 29.

Local Survey Meeting Bears on AAA Future

On Friday and Saturday of last week, E. R. Jackman, extension agronomist, Harry Lindgren, extension animal husbandman, and Chas. W. Smith, assistant county agent leader, met at the county agent's office with the directors of the agricultural conservation association and representative stockmen to work out the answers to questions submitted by the department of agriculture, to be used in guiding the formation of a long-time agricultural program in the United States. Such meetings have been held at the request of the department at Washington in every county in the country.

Three questions were submitted by the secretary of agriculture. The first one referred to actual acreages, and this question was answered on the basis of available records. Question number 2 was "What would be the probable acreage and production of the various farm products if farming systems and practices necessary to control erosion and maintain fertility were actually adopted?" Question number 3 was "What is the estimated probable production of the various farm products in the county after all land not adapted to agriculture has been shifted to other uses, and after sufficient time has elapsed to permit such changes in farm management practices as are necessary to maintain soil fertility and control erosion, and to permit those shifts between agricultural enterprise which seem clearly desirable and susceptible of practical accomplishment?"

Orders for Peonies taken til noon Saturday for Decoration Day. Call Phelps Funeral Home.

Bobby Robinson is in Heppner from Arlington, transacting business.

14 4-H Members Win Scholarships to Summer School

School Superintendent, County Agent, Name Winners.

Winners of scholarships to the 1937 4-H club summer school have been announced by Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, county school superintendent, and Joe Belanger, county agent.

In the girls' division, county scholarships were awarded to Lola Cannon, Hardman, for her activity in the clothing project; Mardell Gorham, Boardman, room development; Echo Coats, Boardman, homemaking; Asta Skoubo, Boardman, cookery; Joy Markham, Irrigon, canning; Echo Aldrich, Irrigon, cookery.

In the livestock division, James Peck, Lexington, won the scholarship offered by the Lexington grange with a total score of 147. Frances Wilkinson, Heppner, with a score of 131, won the scholarship offered by Heppner Branch of the First National Bank of Portland. Guy Moore, Echo, with a score of 122, won the scholarship offered by Braden-Bell Tractor company. Alec Thompson, Heppner, with a score of 107, won the scholarship offered by Jackson Implement company. Billy Biddle, Lexington, was the high-scoring dairy club member and won the scholarship offered by Beach Hardware company. Ellwynne Peck, Lexington, Jack Van Winkle, Lexington, and Malcolm O'Brien, Echo, won scholarships at the state fair last fall.

Summer school this year begins on June 7 and continues through June 18. All of the club members in Morrow county will be attending on scholarships which provide room, board and tuition for the full two-weeks' session. Winners of scholarships will be informed by mail as to details of transportation to and from Corvallis.

STORES WILL CLOSE DECORATION DAY

Business houses of Heppner will be closed all day Monday, the day following Decoration Day. People are urged to shop as early as possible tomorrow and Saturday.

Trombone Changes Destiny of Billy Cochell in Navy

The career of Billy Cochell, Heppner boy enlisted in the navy, had its course definitely changed by a trombone.

Billy, as announced in these columns, had received his transfer to the naval air service after serving for a year as a mailing clerk in San Diego, and with sailing orders for Honolulu in his pocket, started aboard the Saratoga at Long Beach.

An officer noted the trombone and accosted him. Finding that Billy tooted the instrument, he signed Billy up in the navy band. Now, instead of facing a career in the air, Billy will stay on land and sea. He participated in the annual maneuvers of the Pacific fleet, and informs his mother, Mrs. Neva Cochell, deputy sheriff, that he expects soon to be stationed at San Francisco.

Billy received his first band experience in the Heppner school band.

KENNETH SMOUSE HONORED.

Kenneth Smouse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smouse of Lone, is one of a class of initiates taken into Pi Mu Epsilon, national honor society in mathematics, at spring initiation ceremonies at Oregon State college. He is a junior in civil engineering. The ceremonies were held Tuesday evening with banquet, in the Memorial Union building.

KNOX SUCCEEDS TETZ AS COACH

Home Economics and Smith-Hughes Instructors Named at Special Meeting of Board.

Robert D. Knox of Eugene will be physical education director and vice-principal of the Heppner schools next year, according to announcement of the board of education following action taken Tuesday evening. The board also announced the election of Cecelia Nordstrom of Birkenfeld, Ore., as home economics instructor and girls' physical education director, and William Bennett of Arlington as Smith-Hughes instructor.

Knox is a graduate of University of Oregon, having received his B. A. and M. A. degrees from this institution. He took post graduate work at Columbia university, New York, and at Stanford. He has been at Eugene for five years. He succeeds Henry Tetz who will head the Adams schools next year.

Miss Nordstrom graduates this year from Oregon State college with high scholastic rating and a professional degree in home economics. Bennett, Oregon State college graduate, has had teaching experience in the Hawaiian islands and at Arlington. These two succeed Miss Dorothy Peterson and Randall Grimes whose resignations were received by the board. The only other vacancy, that in the sixth grade, was recently filled by the election of Kenneth McKenzie of Rufus.

The board also awarded a contract for partial rewiring of the school building to Harold Hill at Tuesday's meeting.

Groundwork Starting for Airplane Survey

Ground work for an airplane survey of crop land in Morrow county starts today with Ralph Harris, lone, in charge of ground crews, according to word received from the county agent's office. Jack Ahearn, assistant state engineer of the agricultural conservation program, is in the county to outline the work necessary in establishing ground contacts for the planes which will make the photographs.

There is considerable sentiment, at the present time, in favor of a complete airplane survey of all farming lands in the United States. The work in Morrow county is partly in the nature of a trial balloon. Two or three counties in Oregon already have used this method of measuring acreages with gratifyingly good results. Just when the actual taking of pictures will begin, it is impossible to say but the delay will not be long, according to Mr. Ahearn.

TEMPORARY OFFICERS MEET.

Temporary directors of the Morrow County Farm Bureau Federation met at the county agent's office last night to prepare a constitution and by-laws for the county organization. Temporary president J. G. Barratt and vice-president E. H. Miller met with the directors who are Frank Wilkinson, J. J. Wightman, Henry Baker, Harlan McCurdy and J. O. Kincaid. Wednesday evening, June 16, a county-wide meeting will be held at the Heppner hotel at which time permanent organization will be effected. Dinner will be served and the business meeting held afterwards. The program committee will arrange for outside speakers. Both men and women interested in the new organization are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS.

Miss Dora Bailey and Miss Kathryn Parker, members of this year's graduating class, were awarded scholarships to Oregon higher educational institutions in recognition of outstanding accomplishments, by the system of higher education institutions. Miss Bailey was given a scholarship to Oregon State college, and Miss Parker to Eastern Oregon Normal school at La Grande.

Lions Back Meeting To Discuss Annual City Lilac Festival

Oppose Sending Band To Rose Festival; Tetz Reports Meet.

Stimulation of a city beautiful movement was given by the Monday's Lions luncheon, when the club acted upon the suggestion of Heppner's holding an annual spring lilac festival. It was decided to sponsor a community meeting to decide whether the suggestion offered by Horace Addis, East Oregonian representative, would prove feasible.

Expressions of opinion by club members indicated the belief that some such celebration with the offering of prizes for the most attractive garden, the best lilac, etc., would promote a city beautiful consciousness. Named on the committee to feel the public pulse on the matter were Jack Milsom, E. L. Morton and M. L. Case.

Acting on a suggestion coming to it that the Lions sponsor the appearance of the school band at the Portland Rose Festival, thumbs were turned down. While Harold Buhman, band leader, was present and expressed willingness to take the band if the community wished it, it was the opinion of club members that the trip would be too gruelling upon the band youngsters to be worth the price. Aside from the estimated cost of \$300 for the band to appear in the festival parade, the advertising value to the city would be slight, it was believed, when it is considered that many other bands, some much better than Heppner's, would be sharing attention. Then, too, it was considered that many of the band members were too young to stand the parading they would be asked to do.

Henry Tetz, coach, who accompanied the track team to Eugene, expressed appreciation of the club's assistance in making the trip possible. While Heppner did not place in the finals, he considered the trip had been justified as a reward to the boys for expressing a proper attitude in this line of sports. As it was, he said, King missed placing in the broad jump by only half an inch, and Gilman lacked but 10 inches of placing in the javelin throw, putting each man among the six best in the state in these events. In the relay, Heppner was unfortunate in drawing the two teams in the preliminary heat which placed second and third in the finals. They were thus prevented from qualifying for the finals, whereas they would undoubtedly have qualified had they drawn but one of the stronger teams at a time.

Nomination of officers was held, with election announced for next month. Capt. W. R. Reynolds and F. F. Wehmeyer were introduced as new members. Corporal F. A. McMahon was a guest and announced his transfer the first of the month to John Day, also thanking the Lions for the good cooperation he had received from them in his seven years in this district.

The club's swimming pool committee, Dr. L. D. Tibbles, C. J. D. Bauman and Joseph Belanger, were delegated to act with a committee from the council to contact the WPA office in Pendleton in an attempt to get assistance from that source in constructing the pool.

Bauman announced the club's sponsorship of the Plunkett Minstrels who appeared in the city last night as a benefit for the swimming pool fund.

LIBRARY MEETING SET.

A meeting of Heppner Public Library association will be held at the library at 4 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) evening, announces Mrs. Elaine Furlong, president. Important business will be transacted. Everyone interested is invited to attend.