

THE Hehisch

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Calendar of Events

- Dec. 17—Operetta, "The King's Courtship."
- Dec. 21—Basketball—Grant Hi vs. Heppner Hi.
- Dec. 23—Free band concert and Christmas anthems by combined grade school choruses.

Christmas Again

"And lo the days are hastening on, By prophet bards foretold. And with the ever-circling years Comes round the age of gold."

Again it is the Yuletide season and slowly one by one the inhabitants of the earth are drawn, some willingly, some unwillingly, into that delicately patterned band of friendship which encircles the world each year at this time. Petty griefs and differences melt under the radiant warmth of the Christmas Spirit. The Scrooges of every city and village drop their miserly robes and emerge as kindly men. Just as the Wise Men and the Shepherds were moved to take gifts to the Christ Child in the manger, so many years ago at Christmas time, and it is this inner glow which keeps Christmas from becoming wholly commercialized in this age of modern sophistication. It is not man's place to say that it would be better to have this feeling reign in the world at all time, for perhaps its glamour would wear away and the world be left to selfish pursuits for all time. Indeed it is "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

—H.H.S.—

PINTO POINTS

If playing two games on consecutive nights, as Heppner did last Friday and Saturday, is any forewarning of what is to come on future dates of scheduled games, it looks as if the local boys are in for a few bad nights of ball hawking because the basketball menu has two more sets of games duplicating the same situation. The Mustangs play Condon and Arlington on the respective dates of January 7 and 8, and on the 14th and 15th of the same month, Fossil and Irrigon are slated as the opponents of the locals in the order named.

The Adams-Heppner game, which Henry Tetz, ex-Heppner mentor, termed his home-coming, displayed the type of aggressive ball playing that is shown in the Umatilla B league, plus the scoring power of the teams forming that conference. Adams is rated as team number three in the league, and by walloping Heppner as they did, a general idea may be gained as to the keenness of competition that is so common in our neighboring county. Mr. Tetz says that as far as athletic expenses are concerned in connection with the Adams student body, the answer is practically nil. The school district purchases all suits, with entire new outfits now in the making for his team. In addition, the district furnishes basketballs, and the startling fact is that no such item as money paid out for transportation is ever recorded in the books; the people of the small but amply-wealth-supplied metropolis are so anxious to see their team play ball that they come to him and ask if their car is needed for a trip to some distant game. The contrast between Adams and other schools is indeed noticeable.

The game this coming Tuesday with Grant Union high school of John Day and Canyon City will give fans an opportunity to see a team in action that never before has played on the Heppner court. Their games played thus far this season indicate they have not a team equal to that school's '37 edition, which was a semi-finalist in the district tournament last spring. The boys from the interior are on a road trip that pits them against some of the best quintets in this section of the country, including Hermiston and Pendleton. Tuesday's visitors will feel right at home in the local gymnasium, which happens to be the largest in the conference, as Grant Union has a ceiling

in their own gym high enough that any school player shooting a howitzer shot would not hit the roof supports. Andy Hurney, coach at this school and one-time athletic great from the University of Oregon, has an ideal set-up, that is, connecting Grant Union's basketball floor as one belonging to a high school with McArthur court at the Eugene institution. The playing court proper, by this writer's measurement, is 85 by 45 feet, has built-in lights, a press box for timers, score-keepers, sports writers, and an electric scoreboard, and microphone and speaker. There are no foot-diameter timbers on the sidelines to mar the view of spectators as is often found in smaller gyms so dominant in eastern Oregon. The casaba boys representing the country of old-day mining fame are barnstorming to condition themselves for conference play, and also to acquaint themselves with teams they may possibly meet in the '38 district session, their ultimate objective.

Curfew chatter . . . Heppner had its first basketball game on a Tuesday evening, which happens to be "bank night," a term with which we are all familiar . . . the attendance at the season's opener had nothing but superlatives of the smaller degree attached to it . . . one such game, on one such night, and resulting in one such a crowd was enough, but lo and behold, the powers that be came up with an added game to the schedule to be played with Grant Union on Tuesday, December 21. The spoken-of hibernation of Heppner's basketball team is now a thing of the past, as recently-scheduled games make it an impossibility.

—H.H.S.—

Here and There

Rooters who journeyed to Irrigon for the Heppner game were Bethal Blake, Dorothy and Sybil Howell, Bill Blake and Bob Scrivner.

The junior class received their numerals last Thursday and are now wearing them.

The following students received their driver's licenses last Thursday: Harold Armstrong, Johnny Hays, Douglas Drake and Bob Scrivner.

Bertha Akers journeyed to Portland Thursday.

—H.H.S.—

Past Events

1 Year Ago . . . Heppner hoop team starts off basketball season by defeating Echo 26-19.

5 Years Ago . . . The H club of Heppner high is planning to put on a benefit the 16th of December. . . Coach Mabee is working with the wrestlers, showing them some very effective and spectacular holds.

10 Years Ago . . . The Heppnerian staff holds its weekly meetings in Room 5 every Thursday after school. These meetings are held to discuss news and to plan for ways in which to improve the paper.

—H.H.S.—

Did You Know That—

In Lamar, Col., a gas station has been erected from petrified wood, approximately 175 million years old? The wood is fire proof as stone and the roof alone weighs 90,000 pounds.

The apparatus for weighing the earth at the National Bureau of Standards in Washington is so sensitive that an automobile parked outside the building will affect it?

A new German method of rust-proofing iron and steel uses a spray gun to apply a phosphate solution?

Although a hurricane may be blowing 200 miles an hour, there is a calm area in the center, usually about ten miles across?

A pneumatic tire spreader automatically opens tires for inspection and weighs but four pounds? It can be used wherever air pressure is available.

—H.H.S.—

Guess Who?

Forever a teacher of Ag,
Never a person to lag;
If we don't be still
About "Wild Bill,"
The name you're liable to bag.

Her first name begins with a B;
Her last name ends with an e.
We leave it to you
To try to "guess who"
This blonde junior may be.

—H.H.S.—

Miss Nordstrom: "You see, I cook by poetry. When I cook breakfast, I read Bacon. When I cook turkey, I read Browning."

Miss Smith: "Well, the next time you cook my roast, stop reading Burns."

Can You Imagine?

- Bethal Blake being a farmer's wife?
- Don Fredrickson with a girl?
- Dick Wilkinson without Rufus Hill?
- Douglas Drake walking straight?
- What keeps Carolyn Vaughn's hat on?
- A senior without a freshman?
- A 100% attended operetta practice?
- Howard Bryant in Jerry's tumbling class?
- Crawford without a Howell?
- Norval Osborne with Alice Latourell?
- Donald Edwards taking Maxine McCurdy to a dance?
- Ruth Green talking with her hands tied?
- Jackson Gilliam without something to argue about?
- Three senior girls with three freshman boys in a Lafayette coupe?

—H.H.S.—

Humor

Jack O'Hara: "Nowadays everything is done by machinery."
Pat Healy: "Well, I don't know. Talking is still done by hand."

Austin McAtee: "A good poker player can successfully run any business."

Andy Davidson: "What does a good poker player need with a business?"

She came into the police station with a picture in her hand.
"My husband has disappeared," she sobbed.

"Here is the picture; I want you to find him."

The inspector looked up from the photograph.

"Why?" he asked.

Dumb ???: "Aren't we beneath the mistletoe?"

Law student: "Fact admitted—but no cause for action."

Bill Blake: "You want to keep your eyes open around here today?"

Donald Evans: "What for?"

Bill: "Because people will think you are stupid if you go around with them shut."

There he was, battling against the waves. "Just a mile more" he thought, "and I'll make the shore."

His strokes were getting weaker. He could hardly lift an arm. The beach was only a few yards away. His last efforts were too much. He began to grow dizzy. Then his head began to swim and carried him to shore.

Wanted: By Hugh Crawford and Jack Vaughn, two good husbands.

Austin McAtee: "I'm the smartest one in the Biology class."

Are: "No wonder they are all getting fives."

IRRIGON NEWS

Irrigon Turkeys in Hermiston Pool

B. P. Rand has been quite ill the last ten days with an attack of flu.

Dee Gaston has purchased the Blanche Watkins place west of town.

Mrs. Milly Smith, L. L. Cork and wife, Ora Hathaway and Mrs. Anna Cork of Hood River spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom. They were enroute to Monument to attend the funeral of a brother of Mrs. Isom, Mrs. Smith and Mr. Cork who passed away at Bend Wednesday morning.

Frank Roberts is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jess White.

Mrs. Eve Fagerstrom who has been ill with pneumonia, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom, Mrs. Earl Isom and daughter Donna motored to Pendleton Thursday to visit Earl Isom who is ill in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagner who have been living in the James Warner place for the last year left by train from Messner Saturday for an extended vacation at Seattle. Mr. Wagner was employed on the dredge boat.

Rev. Parker from Spokane is a guest of Rev. and Mrs. Alcorn.

Mrs. Lyle Eddy left last week to visit her sister in Idaho.

R. V. Jones, W. C. Ismo, Paul Grannell and Batie Rand dressed out turkeys the last of the week to ship in a pool from Hermiston.

Lorraine Bell has been ill the last few days.

Joint installation of officers by

the Irrigon and Boardman granges was held Saturday night in the auditorium.

Mrs. Earl Isom accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kendler of Umatilla to Pendleton Sunday to visit her husband.

Will Scarlet was a visitor in town Sunday.

W. C. Isom and George Rand were called on the jury at Heppner leaving Tuesday. Mrs. Isom accompanied them. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bedwell are staying at the Isom home while they are away.

The Christmas program will be held at the schoolhouse Thursday night, Dec. 23. The Pentecostal program will be at the church Friday night, the 24th.

INFANT SON DIES

Chas. O. Botts, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Botts of Ione, died at the Corda Saling nursing home in this city Sunday morning. Commitment services were held in the Ione cemetery at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon with Phelps Funeral home in charge.

Herman Nielson was transacting business in town yesterday from the Rood canyon farm.

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