

IONE NEWS

Ione Teaching Staff Set for Next Year

By KATHERINE GRIFFITH

The Ione school board has offered contracts to the following people:

Mrs. Harriet Brown, seventh and eighth grades; Richard Gronquist, fifth and sixth grades; Gladys Brashers, third and fourth grades; Frances Stewart, commercial teacher and girls' athletic coach for high school; Homer Williams, science teacher and boys' athletic coach; Mrs. Amy Sperry, English teacher, and Erret Hummel, principal. A primary teacher has not been chosen as yet.

The members of the Ione high school glee clubs presented a musical program entitled "Melody Cruise" Thursday evening. The stage was the deck of the S. S. Ione and took the passengers to different countries where songs and dances portrayed the life of the people. The cast included Mrs. Goldstein, Thelma Nelson; Percival, her son, Clinton Empey; captain of the S. S. Ione, Ernest Christopherson; First Mate, Phillip Renoe, and Horatio K. Boomer, Pal Rietmann. Miss Katherine Scharf, music teacher, was the director.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Christopherson and son Ersel went to Portland Saturday and returned Monday.

The Past Noble Grand club of Ione met in Heppner at the home of Mrs. Norton Lundell Friday. The following members were present: Mrs. Emil Swanson, Mrs. Ernest Heliker, Mrs. E. J. Bristow, Mrs. E. R. Lundell, Mrs. Ida Fletcher, Mrs. Milton Morgan, Miss Mildred Lundell, and the hostess, Mrs. Lundell. Guests were Mrs. Paul O'Meara, Mrs. Clara Newlin and Mrs. Lee Howell. A pot-luck dinner was held at noon and Mrs. Bristow was chairman for the day. The ladies will hold a fancy work sale and silver tea on April 8 at the Odd Fellows hall in Ione.

Miss Frances Stewart, commercial teacher at the high school, was indisposed over the week end and unable to teach Monday.

Gene Newlin is here from Seattle visiting his mother, Mrs. Clara Newlin. While in Seattle he got to visit a brother from Alaska who was there on business.

Robert V. Dygart of Portland is here acting as relief agent until a new agent is appointed to take the place of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Parker of La Grande who left Friday afternoon for another position.

Thomas Alfred Tripp preached at the Christian church in Ione Sunday morning. Mrs. Foster Odom sang a special number accompanied by Katherine Scharf.

The seniors gave an assembly at the school house Friday afternoon for the enjoyment of the school students and patrons.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mason enjoyed a visit last week with Mrs. Mason's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Delzall of Spokane.

Mrs. Laxton McMurray has as her guest, her cousin, Mrs. A. E. Hinckley of Kennewick, Wash., who arrived Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. McMurray motored to Boardman to meet her.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bristow motored to Walla Walla Sunday to take Roland Wade, a brother of Mrs. Bristow's, to his home there. They returned Monday.

The high school will present a three-act mystery comedy at the school gym Saturday evening, April 1, at eight o'clock. The play is entitled "Murdered Alive" and the students taking part are working hard toward presenting a good performance.

Mrs. W. H. Scharf left on the stage Sunday morning for her home in Silverton, after visiting her daughter, Katherine, for a week.

Following their business meeting Tuesday evening, the Eastern Star held a white elephant sale. Families of the members were present and a social hour was enjoyed with refreshments served.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lindsay and daughters were hosts to the following people for dinner Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. John Bryson, Mrs. Lana Padberg, Dorothy and Melvin Brady, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Woods, Mrs. P. C. Peterson, Elmer Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Heliker, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ball and family, Mrs. D.

W. Akers, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Schleevoight, Mrs. Tillie Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yarnell and son, William Howard and Cecil Thorne.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Woods of Portland spent Sunday in Ione at the J. H. Bryson home.

Mrs. Wallace Matthews left Wednesday for her home at Umpqua. She has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Ely, for some time.

HARDMAN NEWS

Grade Teachers Named at Hardman

By HARDMAN HIGH SCHOOL

The grade school board met Saturday and sent contracts to Miss J. Blackman of Klamath Falls and Miss O. Rainy of Condon, to teach here the coming year. Miss Blackman is to have the upper room.

The Birthday club met for a surprise party at the home of Mrs. Lewis Batty in honor of Mrs. George Hayden Monday afternoon. Mrs. Hayden is leaving for the mountains before her birthday arrives.

Mrs. Neal Knighten was a business visitor in Heppner last Thursday. She also went to Pine City where she visited with her mother, Mrs. L. D. Neill.

Tommy Graham who is still suffering from a badly cut hand, went to Heppner during the week to have it dressed. On Friday he went to The Dalles to see his mother.

Mrs. Roy Robinson, Mrs. Carey Hastings and two daughters, Mrs. Sam McDaniel and Maxine, Mrs. Max Buschke and children and Miss Pat Bleakman went for a picnic at the Bernard Bleakman place Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren McDaniel and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McDaniel went to Lonerock Sunday for a day's visit with relatives and friends. Oren brought back his hounds.

Vera McDaniel, Riet and Creston Robinson and Marvin Saddler enjoyed a picnic at Glutton falls Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Leathers and Jean took Mrs. Holly Leathers and Grace home Saturday. They have been staying here for some time.

It was very careless of the news gatherers to neglect to mention the biggest piece of news for last week's column. And it also shows that the high school really tries to get the community happenings and not only our own. We forgot to say that the high school had given a dance in the auditorium on Saturday, March 18, to which the community was invited. Everyone had a good time, enjoyed the pot luck supper and went home promptly at twelve.

Mrs. Carl Leathers, Mrs. Holly Leathers and Grace, Mrs. Roy Robinson and Miss Pat Bleakman were in Heppner Thursday shopping and attending to business.

Richard Robison has pneumonia and is in St. Vincent's hospital in Portland.

On Tuesday Pad Howell went to help in lambing at Dr. McMurdo's ranch.

An accumulation of ticks and sunburns are the main evidences of Sneak Day, which was enjoyed by the high school students Wednesday. They went to the Devil's Backbone where Creston Robinson and Irl Clary prepared an edible dinner of potatoes, bacon, and eggs. Other foods supplemented this fare and it's needless to say that all ate too much.

Miss Pat Bleakman entertained the Birthday club on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bleakman. There was an unusually large attendance. Refreshments consisted of coffee, sandwiches and pie.

Kinnard McDaniel, who is farming Dr. McMurdo's ranch, was here Thursday and Mrs. McDaniel's mother, Grandma Allen, returned with him for a visit.

April 1, 8 p. m. sharp! The four one-act plays promise to be entertaining and the dance to be especially good on Saturday night. The casts have been slightly changed and Mrs. Max Buschke is taking the part begun by Miss Murl Farrens. Mrs. Owen Leathers is to be the teacher in place of Miss Pat Bleakman. And Vern McDaniel has the part formerly assigned to Alene Inskeep. All is in readiness, and the high school looks forward to a good attendance.

The ladies in charge of raffling of the crocheted table cloth held the

drawing at Miss Pat Bleakman's birthday party, and number 346 was the lucky one, with Bert Johnson, our county judge, as winner. Mrs. Neal Knighten crocheted the cloth, and \$33.30 was cleared, which sum will be applied on a piano for the church.

John Monahan of Condon and Creston Robinson and Marvin Saddler went out to the Robinson cattle ranch Saturday.

The weather this week was excellent. One of the common ailments was sunburn which was gotten on various picnics during the past ten days. The ground is mostly dried up and further snow storms are not expected.

State Chewing Fescue Seed Production High

Chewing fescue, one of the grasses introduced as seed and forage crop by the OSC experiment station, has become so popular that approximately a half million pounds of seed will be produced in this state this season, estimates G. R. Hyslop, head of plant industries at the college.

Production of seed last year jumped to 140,000 pounds compared with 40,000 pounds in 1937. Oregon production is rapidly replacing exports from New Zealand, and with much higher quality seed, according to tests at the state seed laboratory.

Mrs. Lee Beckner and nephew, Eugene Normoyle, were visiting in the city Monday from the Ione section.

WILLOWS GRANGE NEWS

Willows Grange Plans for New Hall

By MARY LUNDELL

On Friday evening, Lexington grange again proved their hospitality when twenty members of Willows grange were graciously received. Delicious refreshments served by the Lexington Home Economics club after the degree work by Willows team, completed an evening enjoyably spent.

The Saturday regular meeting was well attended at the Cecil hall. Outside guest speakers were Mrs. Everson of Ione and Mr. Kinne, representative of the P. P. & L. Co., of Heppner. Mr. Kinne gave an interesting and enlightening talk on bringing electricity to the proposed new hall.

By motion, the ballot concerning the new building site was reconsidered. Grange law provides that the business of acquiring new property, moving meeting places or grange halls, must lay over from one meeting until the next before balloting. Hence the motion for reconsideration.

During the interim, other possible sites were investigated by the committee which had not been dismissed.

By proper motion from the floor and sustained by the grange, the question of new building site will be re-ballotted on at the next regular meeting, April 8th. At that time discussion will be heard and any new sites submitted will receive due

attention by the voting body. Sites now under consideration are those offered by Ralph Akers, near Ione; Elmer Griffith, Morgan, Martin Bauernfeind, near Morgan; Roy Ekleberry, Horseshoe Bend; Milton Morgan, Sr., Ione; Mrs. Everson, Ione, and Osborn Estate, Cecil.

All members are requested to be present as this matter concerns you and the future welfare of the grange and should merit your interest.

BROTHER DIES AT BAKER

Funeral rites were held from St. Patrick's Catholic church here yesterday morning for John Mollahan, brother of P. H. Mollahan of this city, who was found dead in his living quarters at Baker last Saturday. Father Healy officiated and interment followed in Heppner cemetery. Mr. Mollahan's death was said to have been from natural causes. He was living alone at time of death. Born in County Leitrim, Ireland, May 1, 1884, Mr. Mollahan came to the United States as a young man and was a resident of this county for several years. He left here in 1925 and had since resided in the Baker country.

A device consisting of a red reflector button attached by leather and elastic band to the back of the hand will be introduced on the market soon by a Portland inventor, as a means of aiding motorists and pedestrians to signal their presence or intention to change direction at night. The device is similar in purpose to a reflecting ring also designed by an Oregon inventor.

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"PURPLE TOWERS"

ALL HOME TALENT

Musical Comedy Show

SCHOOL GYM-AUDITORIUM

SAT., Apr. 8

HELP SEND THE BAND TO THE STATE CONTEST

ADMISSION: Reserved, 75c; General, 50c and 25c
Reserved Seat Tickets on Sale at Gordon's

DANCE

After the Show

\$1.00 the Couple

Proceeds of Dance and Show Go to Help Send the Heppner School Band to State Contest