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City Auto Camp, Work on Roads, Proposed by Mayor

Vigilance Needed to Keep Condon, Willow Roads Going

Citing accomplishments of the city administration before the Monday Lions luncheon, Mayor George Bleakman emphasized the need for concerted action in obtaining a city auto park, and in keeping work of improvement going on the Heppner-Condon and upper Willow creek roads, which he termed two of the most important roads in the county.

Having served as county commissioner for 16 years before becoming Heppner's mayor, Mr. Bleakman gave as his opinion that reason for the state's expending \$58,000 on the first six miles of the Heppner end of the Condon road, thus making it the highest type road in eastern Oregon, is that the highway commission has in mind the ultimate completion of this road on through Condon and Wasco through Tygh valley to connect up with the Wapinitia cut-off into Portland as an auxiliary to the Columbia river highway, to relieve this main artery of much heavy vehicle traffic going to and coming from the metropolis.

This idea has been in the backs of the commissioners' minds for many years, he believed from contacts with that body when he was county commissioner. Another lesson learned, too, he said, was that it pays to keep road projects before the commission constantly to vie with the many demands made upon it from all parts of the state.

Need for a city auto park grows constantly more acute with increase in auto trailer houses, he said. He suggested a site that might be reasonably acquired for the purpose of accommodating visitors who come in trailer houses, and believed that such accommodation would be a real asset to the city.

As the shortest route to the timbered region, he believed the Willow creek road entitled to more consideration. A good grade has already been constructed from Heppner to the top of the Coal Mine hill, but plans should be laid for giving it a good surface.

These were suggestions made from his experience as mayor of the city, from his long service as county commissioner, and from 56 years of residence in the county, from which he hoped the service club might draw some inspiration for its work in community betterment.

It was the mayor's belief that residents again next year would have benefit of the lower water rates to encourage irrigation which were inaugurated this year. The recently installed pump has been supplying plenty of water, many flaws in mains overcome, with plans for further improvement in the water system, one of the city's big problems, this year.

That the city is in sound financial condition is indicated, he said, more particularly by the present outstanding bonded indebtedness of \$58,000 which is a considerable decrease from the peak of \$115,000.

F. W. Turner reported favorable progress in obtaining contributions for paying rental on Boy Scout meeting quarters, Lions, American Legion and Elks each having subscribed a dollar a month toward the \$4 charge as the only organizations that had been contacted to date.

BAG THEIR ELK

Clifford Conrad, county agent, hunted elk in the early days of the season with his father from Imbler in the Ukiah district. The county agent landed his bull, a five-pointer, the first day out, but it was the sixth day before Mr. Conrad, Sr., got his animal, another five-pointer.

HOUSE OF HORRORS COMES TOMORROW

Large Cast Set for Senior
Class Comedy Play; Curtain
Scheduled to Go Up at 8

Tomorrow evening (Friday) at 8 p. m., will mark the opening of the curtains on the "House of Horrors," senior class comedy-farce. This year's play is being presented to start a tradition for further senior plays. You will all remember the success of last year's farce, "The Lucky Accident." The "House of Horrors" will be presented by the same class that gave you "The Lucky Accident."

The cast follows: Janice Cantrell, an attractive girl of 20, Norma Prock; Chloe Clark, a pretty girl of 25, Shirley Wilson; Guppy, a man of 20 with a mind of a child of 9, Harold Armstrong; Mrs. Shump, a woman in her forties, Juanita Phelps; Maryan, a young woman of 28, Dorothy Howell; Dick, a capable young man of 25, Jack Merrill; Singh, a tall, dark Hindu, Don Jones; Cantrell, a tall man in his sixties, Wilbur Worden; Herbie Hipper, a young man of 28, Bill Blake; Wanda Wilde, a young woman of 22, Lois Jones; Pansy, a good natured woman of 22, Margaret Doolittle; Variloff, a too-sleek-looking man, Howard Wray.

Dont forget! The curtain goes up at 8 o'clock on Friday, Nov. 17, and the prices are 15c-25c-35c.

Anna M. Natter Was Resident Since 1882

Last rites for Anna M. Natter, 84, resident of Heppner since 1882, were held from Phelps Funeral home Monday afternoon. Mrs. Natter died at the home on South Main street Saturday, after being bedfast for 23 days from pleurisy, and death came from a heart attack. She appeared to be progressing favorably from the pleurisy when she was stricken by the heart attack shortly before death.

A large group of friends attended the memorial service. Martin B. Clark officiated and paid tribute to the substantial life of the deceased as a loving mother and considerate friend. Interment was in Masonic cemetery beside the graves of her son, Frank, who passed away in 1904, and her late husband, John Natter, whose demise came in 1922.

Anna M. Natter was born at Blangenmoor, near Hamburg, Germany, to Karsten and Helena (Rader) Minert, October 29, 1855. She came to the United States in 1873 when 17 years old, stopping in Wisconsin and Iowa for two years before arriving in Oregon in 1875 and locating at Albany. Here she met John Natter and they were married in Seattle, Wash., February 6, 1876. They first made their home at Albany, moving to Pendleton in 1880 and to Heppner in the spring of 1882, with the family home made here since. Mr. Natter conducted a brewery here for many years. Their only son, Frank, was a member of Heppner's early day football team that played in toughest competition in the northwest and was highly respected for its prowess. Mrs. Natter took a brother's daughter, Miss Katie Minert, in infancy and reared her as her own child with loving care.

One of nine children, Mrs. Natter is survived by a sister, Mrs. Katie Peters of Albany, and two brothers, Wilhelm and Peter Minert who reside in Germany; nieces, Miss Katie Minert and Mrs. Bertha Wells of this city, Mrs. Helen Schoel of Seattle who attended the funeral rites and remained to visit Miss Minert for a short time, besides a number of other nieces and nephews residing elsewhere. Mrs. Natter brought Miss Bertha Minert from Germany in 1924.

STAGE LINE TRANSFERRED

Announcement was made this week that transfer of management of Heppner-Arlington Stage line had been made from Owen Bleakman to Paul Pettyjohn.

America Must Keep Out of Wars In Europe, Plea

Judge Johnson Sounds Armistice Day Note Here

Expression of thanks for the armistice marking cessation of hostilities at the end of the great World war, as well as for the fact of America's present peaceful situation in a world again torn by strife, as told in Judge Bert Johnson's address, sounded the keynote of Armistice observance in Heppner.

Judge Johnson praised the American Legion for its protection of peace-loving principles, and declared that the United States should keep out of the present European conflict at all costs, on the Legion sponsored program which drew a large audience to the Star theater.

The school band played the Star Spangled Banner, joint salute was given the flag, invocation was pronounced by Rev. R. C. Young, a technicolor movie, "The Bill of Rights," was shown, a minute's silent tribute was paid to World war departed, taps were blown by Jack Merrill, and the band again played, "American Patrol," preceding the address. "Field Tactics," played by the band, and benediction by Rev. Young completed the program.

In the afternoon a large crowd assembled at Rodeo field for the annual "civil war" grid game which Heppner took from Hermiston by a 25-7 score, and the day closed with dancing at the Elks hall where the Legion's annual ball was staged.

Wool Auxiliary Sets State Contest

A state-wide contest in lamb cooking for high school home economics girls throughout the state has been launched by Oregon Wool Growers auxiliary, announces Mrs. Ralph I. Thompson of this city, president. A first prize of \$5 and second prize of a cookbook in each county is being offered from funds raised recently at Pacific International Livestock exposition with the booth conducted by Mrs. Thompson, and donation from Safeway stores.

The contest was conceived by the wool auxiliary to promote the virtues of lamb in the diet, helping create a larger demand for this meat and hence stimulate the market and assist one of Oregon's leading agricultural industries. Copies of contest rules have been sent to each high school in the state.

County Officials Attend State Meet

Judge Bert Johnson, Commissioner George Peck and Engineer Harry Tamblin are in Portland attending sessions of the state associations of county judges and commissioners, and engineers, which opened yesterday and continue over tomorrow.

Judge Johnson drew appointment on the association's committee handling relief problems, and Commissioner Peck is chairman of the committee on taxation. Sessions of the engineers' association are being held separately except for one joint meeting with members of the county courts. Commissioner Roy Neill, visiting in the valley with Mrs. Neill, is also in attendance, says report from Pine City.

G. T. TO ISSUE EARLY

To enable members of the Gazette Times force to enjoy their Thanksgiving turkey to the fullest, this paper will issue on Wednesday, a day early, next week. It would be appreciated if advertisers and correspondents would cooperate by setting up their copy delivery date accordingly.

HERMISTON BEAT IN ARMISTICE FRAY

Mustangs Go Wild in Second
Half After Scoreless First
Period; Play Arlington Saturday

Seemingly disregarding the fact that Hermiston-Heppner games are supposed to be played tightly, closely, and with few scoring sprees, the Heppner Mustangs not only ran over the Hermiston Bulldogs but also passed over them here Saturday afternoon before the largest crowd of the season. The score was 25-7, the largest for this Armistice Day classic in over five years.

There was no score in the first quarter. The period was characterized by steady gains by both teams. Hermiston ran most of its plays from reverses or double reverses.

Heppner's first score came in the second quarter in an end run by Moore. Finding Hermiston's weakness against end sweeps, Heppner went down the field almost solely on end runs. Moore ran 17 yards to score.

In the third quarter the fireworks began to pop. Heppner scored on an end-around pass to Merrill. Then Hermiston took heart and scored on straight plays. They converted thru the line. Heppner having converted after its first touchdown, the score was 13-7. Heppner again scored in that quarter on another pass from Drake to Merrill.

In the fourth quarter Heppner scored again on a pass from Moore to Drake. Hermiston failed to score again but scared the Heppner fans when they shook a man loose for a run of approximately 40 yards.

Hermiston made a total yardage gain of 194 to Heppner's slightly over 200.

Heppner's season closes with a return game at Arlington Saturday in acceptance of the Honkers' challenge.

Elk Barbecue Slated For Hunters-Anglers

Members of Morrow County Hunters and Anglers club and their families are invited by J. Logie Richardson, president, and Camp Heppner, CCC, to be their guests at a free barbecue at the camp at 5 o'clock, Sunday, December 3.

The animal to be barbecued is the forest monarch which fell victim to Richardson's marksmanship in the early days of the elk season just closed. It was rolling in fat and the club president guarantees it to tickle the palate of all who attend. Lt. Marius P. Hanford, camp commandant, offered to barbecue the animal and lend facilities of the camp for the dinner, which, Richardson says is being given to make up for the dinner that was to have been held at the close of the crow-magpie contest some time ago.

Members of the state game commission have been invited as special guests for the occasion, and a program of entertainment will add to its enjoyment.

35 Elk Checked Out Through Heppner

With end of the elk hunting season Sunday, 35 elk had been checked out through the local checking station, including 29 bulls and 6 cows. All local nimrods who brought in their kill did not check through the local station.

Among the Morrow county men checking in their kill in the last week were Lewis Cason, Larrence Matteson, Kenneth Bleakman, Bert Bleakman, Heppner; A. D. Forbes, Boardman; John Hastings, W. C. Hastings, Hardman.

FIREMEN SLATE BALL

Heppner Firemen's second annual ball is announced for the Elks hall, Saturday evening, December 16. Plans for the affair were talked at Monday evening's meeting. Blaine E. Isom was named manager for the affair.

Plans Encouraged For Replacing Heppner Mill

Insurance Adjust- ment Made; Wray Goes to View Plants

Encouragement was given plans for replacing the mill of Heppner Lumber company, razed by fire last week, when satisfactory adjustment of insurance claims was made Tuesday.

H. O. Wray, partner of Orville Smith, in the stricken operation, departed yesterday morning for Spokane on a tour of inspection of plants that may be available for purchase, with view of lining up machinery to replace that which was put beyond hope of repair by the flames.

While the mill's replacement is contingent upon satisfactory solution of several problems that now face them, it is the hope of the owners that these may be solved satisfactorily within a short time, said Mr. Smith.

The operators are planning for a bigger and better operation than existed before, and if such obstacles as appear are overcome, construction of the new plant will be under way within a few weeks. Two or three months, at least, will be required to rebuild, however, and it is not to be hoped that operation can be started again before spring.

In the approximate total of four months of operation, the razed mill had produced three and a half million feet of lumber, and had just reached a profitable production basis when the fire happened.

Many men thrown out of employment have moved away, with majority of the log haulers going to Oregon Lumber company near Baker. A total of 55 employees, many with families, were mostly thrown out of work immediately by the fire and some who are still working in the woods end are uncertain just how long their operations will be continued.

Good Response Made To Annual Roll Call

Two hundred memberships had been reported this morning in the annual Red Cross roll call in Morrow county, said Russell McNeill, county chapter chairman. Featuring the report was completion of the campaign in Ione which reported 60 members obtained by the workers, Mr. Hugh Smith, Mrs. Fred Mankin and Mrs. Werner Rietmann.

Other memberships so far reported were obtained by workers in Heppner, as other outside communities had not reported. Workers in Heppner are Mrs. B. C. Pinckney, chairman; Mrs. H. D. McCurdy, Mrs. H. R. Gaily, Mrs. W. C. McCarty, Mrs. D. A. Wilson, Mrs. W. S. Bennett, Mrs. Floyd Jones, Mrs. Russell McNeill, Mrs. P. W. Mahoney, Mrs. W. C. Rosewall and Harold Buhman.

Chairman McNeill said the roll call, ordinarily ending at Thanksgiving, will continue til the end of the month. Reports to date are especially encouraging, and he commends the workers over the county for their fine efforts.

SNYDER LEAVES SATURDAY

J. B. Snyder will leave Saturday for Miles City, Mont., where he has accepted a position with the Miles City Saddlery company. Mr. Snyder has been assistant saddle maker and shoe repair man in the pioneer establishment of E. G. Noble here for several years. Since announcement last week of his intention to leave, he has been busy receiving regrets of his going from friends and many well wishes for success in the new field. Mrs. Snyder will remain at the home in Heppner until spring.