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Trade Day Plan To be Studied by Local Merchants

C. of C. Proposes to Augment Free Show With Special Sales

Expressions of general satisfaction with the free matinee sponsored by the business houses the first Saturday of each month prompted the Heppner chamber of commerce at the monthly meeting last night to undertake an expansion of the idea by adding a trade day with merchants offering a limited number of specials. This conclusion was reached after discussion of a plan in use elsewhere in the country and that to be practical here.

W. C. Rosewall, chairman of the trade relations committee of the chamber, submitted the plan which calls for organization of the retail merchants for what may be termed "Heppner Trade Days." It is proposed to work the trade day in connection with the free matinee to offer people of the county more inducement to trade at home. The trade relations committee will undertake the task of organizing the merchants.

Quick action is needed if Morrow county is to receive any highway work through the state highway commission this year, said George N. Peck, county commissioner. He advocated contacting the new commissioner from eastern Oregon, Herman Oliver, within the next few days, outlining to him this county's needs. At present the county court has two pieces of road projected for finishing and the commission has already given some assurance that at least one will receive attention this year. Peck says it is up to Morrow county to get this assistance as the funds are available, or can be made so, and unless we press our claim the commission will place it elsewhere. It has been indicated that a sufficient sum to complete some four miles of secondary surfacing will be available by July 1.

A report by the membership committee showed the club membership has passed the 60 mark set as a goal two months ago. The committee is not stopping with that figure and will press the campaign to enroll every business house and all citizens interested in the welfare of town and county.

A change was made in the schedule of meetings. Under the original schedule there has been one membership meeting and two board of directors meetings each month. The change calls for two membership meetings each month with the directors meeting afterwards. The meetings will be held in the evening and will be dinner affairs.

At suggestion of C. D. Conrad a membership board will be placed in a prominent spot on Main street. The present membership will be enrolled on the board and each new member's name will be entered. Conrad and Ray P. Kinne were assigned the task of preparing the board.

The next meeting of the chamber of commerce will be held Wednesday, June 19.

Mrs. Lutie Dinsmore arrived last week from her home in San Francisco to spend a month visiting her relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Sanders of Seattle were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kinne.

Mrs. Alma Carlson of Boston, Massachusetts is visiting at the home of her son, Walter Carlson.

For Sale—John Deere mower and 12-foot McCormick rake. Raymond Blahm, Box 151, Heppner. 13-14p.

COUNTY STOCK TO COMPETE AT UNION

Ten Future Farmers Take Calves for Judging at Eastern Oregon Stock Show

Morrow county cattle will form part of an exhibit at the Eastern Oregon Livestock show at Union this week end. Ten boys of the local Future Farmers of America left yesterday for Union taking 12 head of calves selected from their projects of the last year for entry in competitive judging.

Included in the group are Dean Gilman, Arthur Vance, Pat Healy, Jimmy Johnson, James Moyer, Bruce Lindsay, Bernard Doherty, Douglas Drake, Claude Drake and Don Fell. They took three dairy type calves and nine fat steers. One of the steers weighs close to 1100 pounds, according to W. S. Bennett, FFA leader and Smith-Hughes instructor at Heppner high school, and it is expected that all the steers will command a good price at the auction which is a feature of each closing day at the stock show.

The beef animals were developed on a half and half ration of wheat and barley and all the alfalfa hay they could eat. In some instances Bennett says calves have gained nearly two and one fourth pounds daily on this ration.

Representatives of the office of the state supervisor of agriculture will be in the county Monday to judge a Future Farmer project. Some fifty similar projects will be judged over the state for the purpose of selecting exhibitors at the state fair. The 20 best projects will go to the fair. Bennett has selected William Padberg's hog and poultry project for consideration in Morrow county.

Band Concert Set For Saturday Night

The Heppner school band under the leadership of Harold Buhman will play a concert on Main street Saturday evening of this week. The young musicians have been rehearsing on some new marches since the close of school and will be prepared to give the public some snappy entertainment for a half hour or so. Program plans also include the awarding of senior pins, a matter that could not be attended to before the close of school.

Arrangements have been made for the band to represent Heppner lodge No. 358, B. P. O. E. at the district convention to be held in Pendleton on June 15. Several lodges of the district will sponsor the appearance of school bands, including the crack La Grande high school band.

Wightman Hears Grant County Case

A case bringing numerous attorneys and claimants to town was heard before J. J. Wightman, conciliation commissioner, Tuesday. It was the second hearing in the bankruptcy proceedings of Hugh McKenna of Gant county. McKenna was represented by E. B. Moore of Canyon City. C. Kilpatrick of Canyon City represented one of the creditors, B. E. Stewart and the First National Bank of Portland was represented by V. V. Pendergrass.

Creditors were asking for delay of compromise proceedings until conflicting claims between creditors and debtor now in litigation in the Grant county court have been decided.

BUILDING CABINS

John Houlton has started erection of a six-cabin court on north Chase street on property recently purchased from Mrs. Mahala Minor. Houlton has been working on ranches in this vicinity for many years, having been in the employ of Ralph I. Thompson until recently. He plans to operate the cabins himself.

Summer Session For 4-H Clubbers To Open Monday

Morrow County Enrollment at State College Reaches 27

A peaceful invasion, although a veritable blitzkrieg of boys and girls, of which Morrow county will be an ally, is impending for the Oregon State college campus as some 2000 members of Oregon's 4-H clubs converge on the campus for the opening of the twenty-sixth annual 4-H club summer session June 10. The session will continue to Friday, June 21.

The "invaders" will reach the campus by special trains, busses, and private cars. The largest special will start from La Grande at 7:30 o'clock Monday morning, and will pick up delegations along the route as it proceeds west to Portland. There it takes on the Clatsop and Columbia delegations, as well as those from Portland, and growing as it continues up the valley, the special will pull into Corvallis that evening with 1200 to 1300 aboard.

A smaller special will come from Klamath and Lake counties, while the boys and girls from southern Oregon points west of the Cascades will reach Corvallis by bus.

Last year total attendance to the session reached 1975 and, while the attempt was made this year to have approximately the same number, indications are that the total may go slightly over 2000, says H. C. Seymour, state club leader in the O. S. C. extension service. All dormitory facilities on the campus, as well as 30 fraternity and sorority houses, will be used to provide accommodations for the clubbers.

Donors of scholarships to Morrow county boys and girls are as follows: Heppner Branch First National Bank of Portland, Gene Majeske; Braden and Bell Tractor Co., Don Campbell; Morrow County Wool Growers Auxiliary, Jack Edmondson; Elks Lodge, Irvin Rauch; Safeway Stores Inc., Frances Skoubo; J. C. Penney Co., Malcolm O'Brien; Lexington Grange, Buddy Peck and Jean Rauch.

Rhea Creek Grange, Marjorie Peterson; Greenfield Grange and Boardman P. T. A., Edwin Ball, Ivera Olson and Hilma Tyler; Hardman 4-H clubs and community, Alene Inskeep, Vera McDaniel, Jeanne Leathers, and Irl Glary; Lena Grange, Anne McGill; Alpine 4-H club, Ina Rauch; Morrow county, Mildred Clary, Vern McDaniel, Margaret Tambllyn, Mary McIntyre, Neta Bleakman and Rae Cowins; Oregon State Fair, Bruce Lindsay and Tad Miller.

Most of these scholarships were given as awards at the county fairs last year.

Mrs. Ethel Knighten and Mrs. C. D. Conrad, both local club leaders, will chaperone the Morrow county group to Corvallis. C. D. Conrad, county agent, will attend the last week of the session to assist with the school and make arrangements for the return trip.

Petitions Filed for Consolidation Move

Two school districts have filed petitions for election under the consolidation law, according to announcement of Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, county school superintendent. District No. 32, lower Rhea creek, and district No. 35, Ione, have asked the consolidation board to set a date for voting on the question.

Other districts have shown a reticence to take action, Mrs. Rodgers says, fearing they might be the only ones to attempt consolidation. Now that districts 32 and 35 have taken the initial step it is believed others will fall in step.

LOCAL EDUCATOR DINNER SPEAKER

Mrs. Lucy Rodgers on Program at Luncheon Honoring New E. O. C. E. President

Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, Morrow county superintendent of schools, spent Tuesday in La Grande where she attended the luncheon given in honor of Dr. Roben J. Maaske and commencement exercises for the class of 1940 at Eastern Oregon College of Education. The luncheon was held in the ballroom of the Sacajawea inn and marked the inauguration of Dr. Maaske as president of eastern Oregon's institution of higher education.

Mac Hoke of Pendleton, member of the state board of higher education, presided. Greetings to the new president were given by Roy L. Skeen, representing the college; Ted Wilson of Boardman, student body president-elect; Mrs. Rodgers, representing the school executives and teachers of eastern Oregon; Fred E. Kiddle, Island City, speaking for La Grande and eastern Oregon; the higher educational institutions in the northwest, by Dr. Robert E. McConnell, president Central Washington College of Education, Ellensburg, Wash., and Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor Oregon state system of higher education.

Dr. Maaske was installed as president at the commencement exercises held in the college auditorium at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Beatrice Walton Sackett, vice president of the state board of higher education, was the installing officer.

One Morrow county girl, La Vern Baker of Boardman, was a member of the class of 43 graduates receiving certificates for teacher training courses. Junior certificates were awarded 29 others who have completed junior college work and are eligible to enter the college or university as juniors.

Mrs. Rodgers stated she was proud of the manner in which Ted Wilson delivered the greetings of the student body to Dr. Maaske. She feels that Morrow county was quite well represented on this occasion.

Tentative Date Set for 3-C Camp Party

June 23 is the date selected by Lieut. Marius P. Hanford, commander of Camp Heppner, for the annual CCC party. This date will hold, Hanford says, unless something unforeseen arises to change it or possibly cancel the party. This information was given to the Lions club Monday.

With the war situation what it is and the status of the local camp what it has been for several months, nothing is certain, Hanford explained. The camp is going ahead with plans and with the date definitely settled will be prepared to receive guests on that date, be they 150 or 1500.

Nomination of officers was the principal business claiming the attention of the Lions Monday. The nominating committee submitted a list including W. C. Rosewall for president; Tom Wells and Frank C. Alfred, first vice president; Dr. A. D. McMurdo and C. D. Conrad, second vice president; J. O. Turner, secretary-treasurer; C. J. D. Bauman, tail twister and D. M. Ward, lion tamer.

VISITORS ENJOY STOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Nelson of Portland were guests the last week end at the home of Mrs. Nelson's father, W. H. French, at the Blue Mountain ranch. They were accompanied by Dr. Ben Wade, veteran Portland physician. The visitors enjoyed the stock, especially the more than a hundred little pigs, the young calves and seven mule colts that comprise some of the increase on the ranch this spring. Mr. French had to leave Friday with a shipment of cattle for the Portland market, and the guests remained until Sunday.

Population Here Shows Small Loss Since 1930 Count

Preliminary Figures Give Town 1,138 in Census of 1940

Preliminary figures submitted by W. W. Sirmine, district supervisor, show that Heppner has experienced a small decline in population in the ten-year period, 1930-1940. The first returns of the sixteenth census, taken as of April 1, 1940, give the town's population as 1,138 as against 1,190 in 1930. The 1940 figures are preliminary and subject to correction, Sirmine states.

Under the agricultural census, as shown by a preliminary count of the returns of the supervisor of the 1940 census of agriculture, inventory as of April 1, 1940, the number of farms in Morrow county is 539, as compared with 632 on January 1, 1935, and 628 on April 1, 1930. This figure is also preliminary and subject to correction.

In making this report the supervisor states that "while these figures are preliminary and subject to correction, they are believed to be substantially correct. Please examine them carefully and if you think any residents have been omitted from the enumeration or if you have any other criticisms to offer, please advise me at once so that the matter may receive prompt attention."

A few weeks ago it became apparent that numerous citizens of Heppner had been overlooked in the enumeration. The matter was taken up with the supervisor and additional blanks were forwarded to the chamber of commerce. Several persons called for and filled out blanks and doubtless there are others here who have not been counted. The chamber of commerce made no organized drive to uncover those missed in the count and is not so disposed to do so now, although it will assist wherever possible in adding names to the census.

Range Contest Winners Announced

Winners in the preliminary district judging of the electric range essay contest sponsored by electric range dealers and Pacific Power & Light company are as follows: Electric roaster, Mrs. Edna V. Woodworth, 504 N. W. 8th St., Pendleton, Oregon; \$10 merchandise award, Mrs. Cliff Dayhuff, 217 S. W. 3rd St., Pendleton; and \$5 merchandise awards, Miss Katie Minert, No. 6 Chase St., Heppner; Mrs. Cliff Dayhuff, 217 S. W. 3rd St., Pendleton, and Rose Leibbrand, Heppner.

The entries of all these winners will now compete with the winning entries from the other districts served by Pacific Power & Light company for the five electric ranges to be given as grand prizes in this contest. Judges of the final contest are Mrs. C. W. Wall, president of the Oregon Parent Teachers association; Miss Elizabeth Prior, principal, Yakima Valley Junior college; and a member of the staff of Whitman college. The five grand prize winners will be announced as soon as possible.

The judges of the electric range contest in this district were Mrs. Aileen Moreland, county health nurse; Mrs. Dorothy Bishop, home demonstration agent of Umatilla county; Miss Margaret Struthers, case worker of welfare commission of Umatilla county.

A group of Heppner men went to Pendleton Tuesday evening to attend an Odd Fellows meeting. They included C. A. Howard, C. W. Barlow, Cornett Green, Ralph Beamer, Harold Hill, Browning, Lee Howell.