

## Wheat Growers Choose Heppner For 1941 Meeting

### Pendleton Conclave Hears Speakers, Acts on Many Problems

The thirteenth annual conference of the Eastern Oregon Wheat league surpassed all former attendance figures and established this growers' organization as a body of such proportions that Moro, entitled to be the host city next year, declined to attempt to house it. Heppner, as the next city whose turn it should be in the order of precedence, put in its bid through representative citizens in attendance and was awarded the privilege of entertaining the conference in 1941. Mayor-elect J. O. Turner and B. C. Pinckney, president of the chamber of commerce, pledged coordination of all facilities to entertain the group in the manner to which it has been accustomed.

Morrow county's past record of taking an important place in the league's work was again borne out this year by the attendance of a hundred people. E. Harvey Miller, state representative-elect and a past president of the league, responded to the speech of welcome extended by Mayor C. L. Lieuellen, himself a former Morrow countian.

Informed national speakers, including Lynn R. Edminster, special assistant to Secretary of State Cordell Hull; Grover Hill, assistant secretary of agriculture and Paul J. Raver, Bonneville-Grand Coulee administrator, brought important messages to guide major action of the conference which emanated from the various committees.

Chosen to head the league in 1941 were Sim J. Cully, Weston, president and Robert Taylor, Adams, vice president. Louis Bergevin was named Morrow county executive committeeman for the ensuing year, while Chas. W. Smith was retained to begin his 13th year as secretary.

Headlining the entertainment features were a dinner dance at 6:30 Friday evening in the Vert Memorial building, and a vaudeville show featuring home talent following in the main auditorium of the same building. This fine edifice afforded excellent facilities also for housing the league's business sessions.

Highlights of committee recommendations called for permanent diversion of 52,000 acres from wheat to perennial grasses in the Columbia basin counties, of which 5,000 acres are located in Morrow county. The land so specified is that which average from 8 to 10 bushels an acre average annual production of wheat.

Reaffirmation of its endorsement of the federal wheat production control program was given, with exception of the financing plan, for remedy of which the certificate plan proposed by Congressman Walter M. Pierce, was recommended.

Recommendation that present laws regulating percentages of matched funds for public assistance be unchanged, in the field of taxation and legislation was made. Counties may be benefitted by earlier collection of personal property taxes, payment of funds in lieu of taxes by federal government on acquired lands, and provision to require the state to dispose of acquired lands within two years, it was believed.

Allocation of gas tax proceeds to counties on the basis of 20 percent rather than 15.7, and basing the allocation on tax commission equalized valuations instead of upon an arbitrary basis as at present would be beneficial to eastern Oregon wheat-raising counties, it was recommended.

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## What Tot Lost A Little Black Purse Containing a Dime?

The story is simple, or so it seems. Ex-Mayor Jeff Jones, on walking up town Tuesday morning, picked up a small black, considerably used coin purse. In it was a note—in itself not conclusive evidence, but as it directed the expenditure of the ten-cent piece, also inside the little wallet—a strong clue.

Mr. Jones left the find on the editor's desk, and it may be had by the owner—or the owner's parent, for a tot seems almost definitely involved—by revealing the contents of the note.

## Heppner Wins Twice From Pendleton

The Heppner first and second teams won a pair of games from the Pendleton "B" and "C" squads in Pendleton Saturday night. The score of the preliminary game was 1-8. The first squad really went on a rampage in defeating the Buckaroos, 45-12, despite the fact that two of the first team, Hugh Crawford and Buddy Blakely were not in uniform. The Mustangs set a blistering pace that practically swept the Bucks off the floor. The score at half time was 15-7. In the third quarter Heppner really opened up and put the game on ice in short order. Barratt of Heppner was high point man with 10 points. Kerby of Pendleton scored 6 points.

This Saturday night the first squad goes to Condon for a basketball "jamboree." Arlington, Condon, Fossil and Heppner will each play the other two quarters. The action should serve as a preview of the 1941 Wheat league.

The first game line-up at Pendleton follows:

Heppner—Barratt 10, Skuzeski 9, Snow 1, Pinckney 7, Scrivner 4, Evans 8, Aiken 6, Ferguson.

Pendleton—Duff 1, Perkins 0, Kerby 6, Porter 0, Bruthscher 2, Cooper, Kelly, Eickner, Peters, Lieuellen, Cathnall 3.

## AAA Elections Come Next Thursday

Explanation of the 1941 AAA farm and range programs, and election of community committeemen for the coming year, will be the order of business at a county-wide meeting slated for the Odd Fellows hall in Heppner next Thursday, beginning at 1 p. m.

The place of meeting has been changed from the courthouse, as previously announced.

Both Bill Steen, chairman of the State Agricultural Conservation committee, and Earl Thompson, district farmer fieldman for AAA, will be present to assist in explaining the coming year's programs for both farmers and livestock men. Several changes have been made in the programs for 1941 that it will interest operators.

One change is the combining of farm and range allowances. The combined allowances may be used on either the farm, or range, or both.

Following the discussion program each community will elect its community committeemen for the coming year, and it is in the interest of each operator to attend and help elect the men whom he wants to represent him.

## DALLAS WARD VISITS

Dallas Ward, assistant coach at University of Minnesota which just went through an undefeated football season, and former star end on the O. S. C. football team, arrived this week at the home of his mother, Mrs. L. Redding on Eight Mile, for a ten-day visit. He came to the coast to scout games for the Minnesota football staff, and will attend the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena on New Years day.

## Heppner Elks Burn Mortgage at Big Saturday Event

### Sweek to Speak; Special Class Honors General Pershing

Heppner lodge 358, B. P. O. Elks, will celebrate one of the red letter days in its history next Saturday when a big celebration will be held for the burning of the mortgage which represents the last vestige of indebtedness against the lodge.

The observance will start with a special lodge session beginning at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at which Judge C. L. Sweek, a past exalted ruler of Heppner lodge, will be master of ceremonies and the principal speaker.

A large delegation is expected to be present from The Dalles lodge which instituted the Heppner lodge and which will officiate at the initiation of a large class of candidates to be inducted in honor of General John J. Pershing in accordance with the desires of the grand exalted ruler. Other delegations are expected from Pendleton, Hood River and Baker on special invitation issued by Harold Cohn, district deputy grand exalted ruler, on his recent visits to these lodges.

During the afternoon lodge session all ladies of Elks will attend a dessert bridge at Lucas Place on invitation of the hostesses, Mrs. J. G. Barratt, Mrs. P. W. Mahoney and Mrs. Gene Ferguson. This affair was mistakenly announced as a luncheon in the recent lodge bulletin.

Following the lodge session, where honored visitors, including Frank Lonergan of Portland and Francis V. Galloway of The Dalles, past district deputy exalted rulers, will be recognized, a stag party and open house will be held at the hall. Luncheon will be served throughout the day featuring barbecued elk, the contribution of Logie Richardson, chairman of this event.

A ball starting at 9 o'clock in the evening will conclude the day's events. Featured will be a six-act floor show from Portland, which will include two of the best numbers available in the city, according to word received this morning by J. G. Barratt, chairman of the general entertainment committee.

Handling details of arrangements in addition to Mr. Barratt and Kenneth M. Akers, exalted ruler, are Gene Ferguson and Logie Richardson.

## Charming Operetta Slated Tomorrow

An exceptionally large pre-sale of tickets presages a full house for the reception of "An Old Kentucky Garden," to be presented at the high school gym-auditorium at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening.

Given as the annual high school operetta, this symposium of popular Stephen C. Foster songs and music presented in story form is expected to entertain those attending in a most charming manner.

Characters are Stephen C. Foster, Hugh Crawford; Jeanie, Lucile Barlow; Colonel Staunton, Jack O'Hara; Phillip, Don Bennett; Joy, Dorothea Wilson; Hannah, Peggy Tamblin; Henry, Bud Blakely; Richard, Jim Barratt; Majundahr, Tom Starkey; Joe Buzzard, Don Evans; Elmina, Kingsley Chapin; William, Norval Osborne; Andrew, Bob Swick; Seth, Allan Gibb; Adaliza, Frances Wilkinson; Lily, Pat O'Hara; Tom, James Kenny; Mr. Moneyfold, Walter Skuzeski; Mr. Artichoke, Phil Cohn.

The most individual gift—a permanent from Myrtle's 37tf.

## B. Ross Evans Holding Evangelistic Meeting



Meetings with B. Ross Evans continue throughout the coming week at the Church of Christ. Mr. Evans has just concluded a very successful meeting in Hermiston. He is a man of the people who knows how to talk about things that are vital to them with conviction, yet understanding, says Martin B. Clark, local pastor.

In the past few years Mr. Evans has held meetings in every section of the state with great success.

## Progress Reported in Sale of Health Seals

The Christmas seal sale under sponsorship of Morrow County Public Health association is progressing normally with \$100 paid in for seals by residents of Heppner and with \$27.50 additional brought in by Leonard Carlson from the Eight Mile and Gooseberry districts, reports Rose Liebrand, chairman.

The health association, in addition to meeting its pledge of \$200 towards the salary for the county nursing service, also buys supplies for the baby clinics held in every community in Morrow county by Miss Lucile Vale, county nurse. Baby and pre-school age clinics, school health examinations are all financed in part by your contribution via the Christmas seals.

At the present moment Morrow county has no new tuberculosis cases, no epidemics in progress and Miss Vale will return January 1st to re-check all dormant tuberculosis and other cases needing her supervision. By buying Christmas seals you are assuring yourself, your family and your community of aid in the prevention and control of disease.

Anyone who has not been contacted by the local chairman of their community may secure Christmas seals from Rose Liebrand, county seal sale chairman, at Humphreys Drug company.

## COURT SESSION SHORT

Judge C. L. Sweek dismissed the a few minutes after the scheduled a few minutes after the scheduled opening of circuit court last Monday morning, as the one case to be tried was not ready. Jurors empaneled and summoned for the December term were ordered to report for duty at 10 o'clock a. m., on Wednesday, the 18th, when the trial case was expected to be ready.

## HUNT BOY PASSES

Funeral services are being held from Phelps Funeral home at 2 o'clock this afternoon for Edward Baker Hunt, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hunt, who died Tuesday morning from complications following a tonsilectomy Monday evening. The small boy is survived by his parents, and sister, Mary Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Luttrell of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lane of Pendleton were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Clark last Sunday.

## Guessing Contest Finale Saturday Big Holiday Event

### Awarding of Grand Prizes to be Made at Christmas Tree

Major interest of the Christmas season that has centered to date on the big guessing contest at local stores will come to a head next Saturday evening with presentation of grand prizes at the community Christmas tree on Main street. Some novel guessing games will be presented for the public's amusement at that time, and the word is for everyone to be on hand.

The chamber of commerce sponsored guessing contest has created much enthusiasm from the public so far and it is expected the remaining two days will see much impetus added. Nearly every store in town has some guessing game, and those who have not tried their prowess of solution will find much pleasure in doing so, the committee in charge states.

Announcement of winners at each store will be made in these columns next week and all winners are expected to call for their prizes by Saturday, the 21st.

The second big community event of the holiday season will occur at the school gym-auditorium, Friday evening, the 20th. Special entertainment features will be offered at that time by the school band the the grade school choruses who will present a program of Christmas music beginning at 7:30 o'clock. At 9:15 Santa Claus will make his appearance under sponsorship of the fire boys, and all kiddies attending should be served with a treat from the 1000 bags the firemen are preparing.

Kiddies will again be afforded a treat Saturday afternoon at 2:30 when they will be given free admittance to the Star theater to see a special matinee presented by the theater and the Heppner lodge of Elks.

The evening of the 21st will be staged the firemen's ball at the Elks hall, to benefit the firemen's fund which is assisting in sponsorship of the community treat on Friday the 20th.

Heppner stores now have their beautiful stocks of Christmas gift goods on display, and are attracting many shoppers from adjacent territory. Main street is being lined with Christmas trees, and the city generally is being made aware of the closeness of Santa's arrival—now but ten shopping days away.

## Mr. and Mrs. Devin Married 60 Years

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Devin passed their 60th wedding anniversary on December 9, but owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Devin the event was not observed.

Mr. and Mrs. Devin came to the county in 1884 from Missouri and have resided in the county continuously since, living most of the time on the farm in Sand Hollow, but for a number of years at the home in Heppner.

## RECEIVES PROMOTION

Erling Thoen, a member of the soil conservation service staff at camp Heppner for the last year, left this week for Salem to accept a promotion to a position as district mechanical inspector. Mrs. Thoen and family will join him at his new location later.

## CORRECTED DATE

Date of the free Christmas matinee sponsored by the Star theater and Elks lodge has been mistakenly reported as set for Christmas day. The event will be held at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, the 21st.