

Heppner Ranks First in Cities' Traffic Safety Race

State Secretary Snell Compliments City on Fine Record

The only city in the contest to go through the year 1940 without a traffic death or injury, Heppner was declared winner in the fourth division of the 1940 Oregon Cities Traffic Safety contest today. The contest is sponsored by Earl Snell, secretary of state, in the interest of stimulating greater community safety activity.

Winner of second place in the fourth division, which includes cities of from 1,000 to 2,000 population, was Myrtle Point while honorable mention went to West Linn, Ontario and Reedsport.

Cities compete against their own record in this contest. The average accident experience for the past three years is used as a base in computing each city's standing. The 1940 record is compared to this average and the city is graded according to the improvement or lack of improvement in relation to the three-year average.

In winning first place, Heppner went through the year without a traffic fatality or a traffic injury and the city's traffic accidents were on a par with the normal accident expectancy of the city, as shown by the three-year average. The fact that there were neither deaths nor injuries as a result of accidents in the city during the year made Heppner unique in the 56 cities entered in the four divisions of the contest.

Other winners in the contest were as follows: First division, cities of 10,000 population or over, Portland, first; Salem, second. Second division, cities of from 5,000 to 10,000 population, Corvallis, first; Marshfield, second; Bend and Baker, honorable mention. Third division, cities of from 2,000 to 5,000 population, McMinnville, first; North Bend, second; Dallas and Hood River, honorable mention.

As winner of first place in its division, the city of Heppner will receive a set of highway plaques, designating the city as a 1940 traffic safety winner, which will be erected at the city entrances. In addition, a handsome, hand-drawn certificate of award, framed and ready to be hung in the city offices, will be presented city officials at an appropriate ceremony to be arranged in the near future.

"The city of Heppner is to be congratulated for its fine record during the year 1940 and I sincerely

EXINGTON NEWS

Lex Grange Host to All-Day Soils Meeting

By MARGARET SCOTT
The Lexington grange held an all-day session Saturday to discuss soil erosion problems common to Morrow county. Speakers were Joe Belanger, former Morrow county agent and now working on erosion control research for the soil conservation service; Arthur King, extension soils man from Oregon State college; Lynn Harris of the farm crops department who has conducted the

hope residents of this city will accept this award as a challenge to show even greater improvement during the present year," Snell said, in announcing the winner. "The most effective means of making Oregon a safer state in which to drive and walk is a well-integrated program of community safety activity, with the various communities of the state conducting year-round projects in traffic safety. Through such combined action, we may be confident that the present rate of improvement will be continued and even bettered."

morning glory control experiments in Umatilla county, and Roy Chapin, soil technologist from the soil conservation service in Pendleton.

E. D. McMillan returned home Friday from Ostrander, Wash., where he visited his daughter, Mrs. Elmer Pomeroy.

The Christian Endeavor members held a Valentine party Friday evening at the Marshall home. Games were played under the direction of Louise Hunt, after which refreshments of pie and cocoa were served.

A. M. Edwards and son Albert were business visitors in Walla Walla Sunday.

Mrs. Buel Harshman and Mrs. Dallas McDaniel of Hardman were visitors last week at the Dan Way home.

George Peck was a Pendleton visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Slocum and family were Saturday visitors at the S. G. McMillan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Padberg entertained with a pot luck dinner at

their home Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burnside and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bauman and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baun and family.

Lillian Cox of Ione visited the local high school Friday.

Dorothy Cutsforth was a guest of Lavonne McMillan Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Hunt and George Tucker spent Tuesday in Pendleton.

Sunday supper guests at the Wilbur Steagall home were Mr. and Mrs. Willie Steagall and son and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Whilock and daughters.

Edith Edwards was a dinner guest at the Art Hunt home Monday evening.

PINE CITY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bartholomew and on Bobby of Estacada spent Sunday with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bartholomew.

Mrs. Jasper Myers gave a Valentine card party Friday evening. Six

tables were in play. High score went to Mrs. Clair Caldwell of Ir-rigon and Mr. Russell Moore. Low score was made by Miss Betty Finch and Mr. Hugh Currin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Barnes are working for Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bartholomew.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid J. Buseick and family of Long Creek were Sunday dinner guests at the E. B. Wattenburger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wattenburger and son Freddy and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Budick of Pasco spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wattenburger.

Miss Betty Finch and Mr. Ray Ayers spent the week end at their home. They attend high school in Heppner.

Mrs. Neal Knighten of Hardman is spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Roy Neill.

Roy Neill and Mrs. Gladys Corrigall were Pendleton callers Saturday.

R. E. McGreer was called to Bend by the illness of his grandmother.

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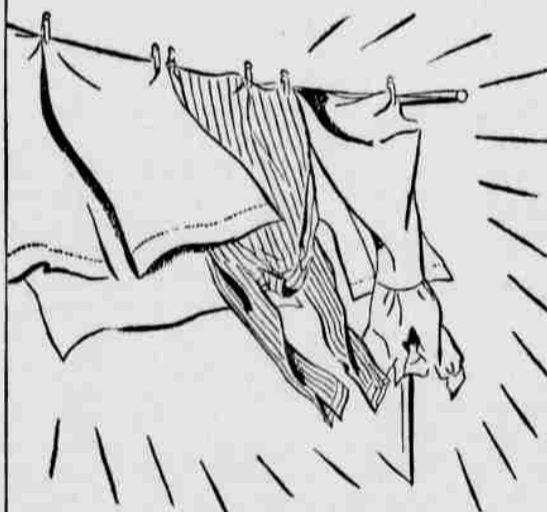
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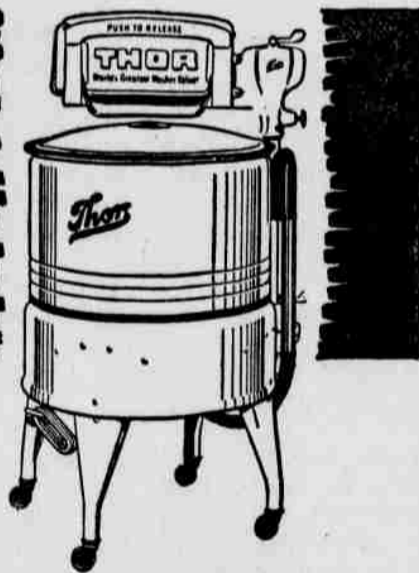
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