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## Wisdom of Rodeo This Year Doubtful By Business Men

### Food, Refreshment Places Will Close, Owners Declare

Although restaurant and refreshment proprietors did not attend the meeting of the Rodeo directors held recently in Heppner and make their position clear relative to this year's rodeo, they emphatically declared themselves Tuesday evening to the directors of the chamber of commerce, and their sentiment is not favorable to holding the show in 1944, or any time so long as they are compelled to operate under the restricted point system. All are agreed that if they could secure enough meat and other rationed food supplies to operate the three days without cutting down their regular supply—and also if they could get enough help for the three days—they would be willing to carry on as in past rodeos.

Harvey White, proprietor of the Heppner Cafe, stated that when ration points were taken off of all meats except steaks and roasts of beef, it had not helped the restaurants because at the same time their points were reduced 50 percent. He cited the fact he closes his place one day a week and has one meatless day. "But I want you men to know that this is the biggest steak eating town I ever got in to and it would be impossible to hold back enough points to even start in to prepare for a three-day show," he stated.

White's statement was seconded by the other operators present. All agreed that if they spent their points during the Rodeo they would be forced to close up for the rest of the month.

A motion was passed by the chamber of commerce directors, the visitors concurring, that the Rodeo directors be requested to call a meeting in the immediate future to discuss the situation with the business men so that each side may make its case clear and remove cause for misunderstanding.

Mayor J. O. Turner reported proceedings to date with reference to sale of the CCC camp buildings. The government has announced the buildings will be sold and the mayor is trying to establish a priority.

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## Our Men In Service

### ON LEAVE

Robert Swick is visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Anna Bayliss, during his 10-day leave from the training base at San Diego. He has completed his training and is awaiting orders to report for active duty. Robert's father, Howard Swick, came from Monument the first of the week for a short visit.

### GUEST OF BARLOWS

T/Sgt Joe Corak of McQuade Field, Calif., is a guest at the C. W. Barlow home, arriving Wednesday morning. He is a cook in the army but declares he is not on a postman's holiday.

### RECEIVES PURPLE HEART

Con McLaughlin has received a Purple Heart awarded to his son, Pfc Jim McLaughlin, for wounds received Nov. 21 on Tarawa. Jim stopped several pieces of shrapnel with his shoulder. The father is very proud of the memento which his son sent him just recently.

## Farm Federation Power for Good in National Capital

Urging all agricultural groups to come into the fold, Mac Hoke, president of the Oregon Farm bureau, told a group of farmers at Lexington grange hall Monday evening, that the Farm Federation is one of the greatest influences for good in Washington today. With a lobby second to none the federation has been responsible for many bills passed by congress strengthening the cause of agriculture and that as its strength throughout the country becomes greater it will form a stronger bulwark to counteract forces that are working against it.

Hoke praised the gains by agriculture in the past 10 years and expressed the hope that none of these would be lost. At the same time he deplored the growing tendency towards bureaucracy, pointing out that the present army of federal employees is costing the taxpayers \$6,000,000,000 annually. A pruning of this huge army (more than 3,000,000) would effect a big saving and is most desirable, he declared.

A report by the secretary of the new Morrow county federation revealed a list of 59 names on the charter list. Several names were added at Monday night's meeting and it is the intention of the officers to carry on a membership campaign until most of the 247 farmers and stockmen of the county are enrolled.

Ice cream, cookies and coffee were served following the meeting.

## Kinzua Contributes \$400 to C & H Fund

Being outside of the Blue Mountain Camp and Hospital Council area has not hindered the people of Kinzua from doing their part in the work of providing comforts for hospitalized veterans of World War II. Inquiry made by the Kinzua Pine Mills company as to how the town might aid in the camp and hospital work brought the reply that anything the mill people wished to contribute would be acceptable. Consequently, Kinzua chose a furniture project for the naval base hospital at Pasco.

A fund of \$100 was subscribed by the Kinzua unit of the American Federation of Labor, the Woman's club and the state guard, and the Kinzua Pine Mills wrote its check for \$300. This is to be a continuing fund, it was reported in Heppner Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Baker, Mrs. Baker's daughter, Mrs. Torrington, and Miss Frankie Bishop of Kinzua who spent the week-end here.

### CALLED TO LAKEVIEW

Mrs. Roger Thomas was called to Lakeview the last of the week by the illness of Mr. Thomas who is state police officer in that district. It is understood that Thomas expects to be transferred or take up some other line of work when he is able to leave Lakeview.

## Three Lookout Stations to Be "Manned" by Women This Year

Shortage of men will not hamper the forest service too greatly this summer and unless something beyond the usual scope of surprises occurs officials expect to get thru the season as well as last year, says Fred Wehmeyer, ranger in charge of the Heppner district of the Umatilla forest.

Wehmeyer bases his prediction on the fact that women and teen age boys are stepping into the breach caused by the removal of men for war work. He is reasonably sure that the new help will see the season through, while there is an element of uncertainty regarding men hired for the summer.

Heading the list of lookouts engaged are three women. Colleen

## County Apprised Of Splendid Work Done By Council

### Heppner Meeting Acclaimed Success By Visiting Group

Morrow county citizens had an opportunity to learn a lot about the effective work being done for hospitalized service men when the Blue Mountain Camp and Hospital council held its monthly meeting in Heppner Friday. Although not attended as generally by local people as the council would have liked, enough citizens were present at the afternoon meeting to carry the story to neighbors and thus spread information regarding the work into neighborhoods where the most good will result.

The morning session was taken up with routine business matters—correspondence, reports from all counties in the council area, bills and other matters. This was followed with a luncheon attended by the visitors and members of the Morrow county committee.

Assembled for the afternoon session in the Elks building, reports on the work and needs of the various departments were made and cited for benefit of those not attending the morning meeting.

Miss Lammers, field director recited some of the needs as being fishing tackle, music records, spotlight (costing from \$20 to \$60), a coffee urn, large crocks, magazines and other items. A call was made for a crescent wrench for use by the boys riding bicycles. Such a wrench cannot be found in Walla Walla. Mrs. Earl Gilliam provided one.

Lt. Jackie, in charge of the reconditioning unit at McCaw hospital, gave an enlightening account of the work being carried on in his department, stating that 399 men have been discharged as ready for more service or taking care of themselves in civilian life.

Lt. Johannsson, a native son of Walla Walla, who was a member of the 82nd Airborne division, told of events leading up to the injury which invalidated him home. His division went through the North Africa campaign, into Sicily and finally Italy, where he was wounded.

E. F. Coleburn of the field division of Walla Walla air base told of the needs of the men at the base. Mrs. C. T. Dibley of the Red Cross area office at San Francisco voiced appreciation of the office for the work being carried on, and Miss Caldwell, recreation director at McCaw told how entertainment and recreation are managed for the boys. The government puts up the buildings and actual necessities, she stated, but the council is accorded the privileges of providing the comforts. She praised the

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## Plans Completed for Bond Kickoff Meeting

### W. G. McCarty Was Real Pioneer of Oregon—Born 1856

Death came Tuesday to William Granville McCarty, 87, at Portland where he has been hospitalized for several weeks. He was removed to the hospital when his condition became too serious for the family to give him the proper care at home. Funeral arrangements had not been completed at press time but presumably will be held Friday.

Counted among the oldest Morrow county pioneers, Mr. McCarty came here in 1883, settling in Sand Hollow where he raised grain and livestock for many years. In 1905 the family moved into Heppner where a comfortable home was later built. He entered into civic affairs of the town and served as mayor. The residence on North Gale street was built in 1912 and he and Mrs. McCarty settled down to enjoy their declining years.

William Granville McCarty was a native Oregonian, having been born Aug. 14, 1856 at Buena Vista, Polk county, the son of A. V. and Jane McCarty. He was one of a family of 14 children. The father was a pioneer circuit rider of the Christian church, officiating during Oregon's territorial days. "Gran", as he was familiarly known to his fellow townsmen, went to California at an early age, growing to manhood there. In 1882 he was married to Luella Jane Turner, who, with their four children, survives him.

With his bride he returned to Oregon in 1882, settling in Morrow county as stated before, and raising their family including Mrs. Sadie Sigsbee of Heppner, Mrs. Oscar Borg of Portland, Willis C. McCarty of The Dalles and Mrs. R. M. Rice of Vancouver B. C. Other survivors include five grandchildren and one great grandchild, making four generations born in Oregon.

### BERT KANE SUFFERS HEAD INJURY IN ACCIDENT

Bert Kane is in St. Anthony's hospital at Pendleton recovering from an accident that could easily have cost him his life.

Kane and helper were working on a truck at the shop of the Heppner Lumber company Tuesday. He was holding a wedge or something to be driven into an axle. His helper took a swing at the wedge with a sledge hammer but swung a little wider than he intended to. Kane was struck in the head with considerable force and knocked out. He was brought to town for medical service and it was advised that he be taken to Pendleton, where it was found that his injury was not as serious as it could easily have been.

### SPENDS FEW DAYS HERE

Pvt Andy Van Schoiack spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Van Schoiack the past week. He was called from Amarillo, Tex., where he is in training, to attend the funeral of an uncle who died in Umatilla county last week and accompanied his parents home for a short visit.

### IS PRISONER OF WAR

Mrs. Ed Burchell is in receipt of information relative to her husband's brother, Cpl William E. Burchell. The war department has just been apprised of the fact that Cpl Burchell is a prisoner of war in Germany. He was an aerial gunner in the raids over Germany and has been missing since March 16. He went overseas in December 1943.

Everything is in readiness for the kick-off program which is designed to start the bond selling campaign rolling in the Fifth War Loan in Heppner Saturday evening. Weather permitting the program will be held in the open on Main street, otherwise it will be held in the Elks hall, according to P. W. Mahoney, chairman of the Morrow county bond committee.

Main feature of the program will be the 25-piece band from the army air field at Walla Walla directed by Warrant Officer Mark W. Walker. In addition, five youthful veterans of the second world war will give brief accounts of their experiences gained in the arctic cold of the Aleutians, the denseness of South Pacific jungle, or the pre-invasion missions over western Europe. Four of the speakers are now serving as instructors at the Walla Walla air field, while the fifth is a patient at McCaw General hospital, and include Major Morris W. Slack, Capt. Daniel F. Stevens, Cpl Eldon L. Kauffman, S/Sgt Edward Martens and T/Sgt Hudson Sahrion.

Advance information on the experiences of these men prompts the suggestion that every possible effort should be made to hear them for, in brief, they've been places and seen things.

The band and speakers will be guests of the Elks lodge for noon luncheon and for dinner Saturday evening.

Chairman Mahoney and the bond committee are looking for a good start on the \$356,000 quota and to accommodate those who will be prepared to make purchases Saturday evening the First National bank will be open. Since Oregon's quota of \$125,000,000 is sufficient to run the war but 12 hours, it is hoped the people will buy promptly and unsparingly.

## William Baird Succumbs Tuesday

William Baird, 89, resident of Heppner for more than half a century, passed away Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Mattie Gentry where he had been cared for the past year or more. Services will be held from the Lawrence Case chapel at 2 o'clock p. m. Friday with O. Wendell Herbison of the Church of Christ officiating. Interment in Heppner Masonic cemetery.

(An obituary will be published next week.)

### NEW COMMISSIONER

J. G. Barratt Wednesday was appointed commissioner to fill the unexpired term of the late C. W. McNamer. Barratt accepted the appointment, was sworn in and went right to work with Judge Johnson and Commissioner L. D. Neill on the monthly grist of bills. Barratt was nominated on both the republican and democratic tickets, at the recent primary election and will be unopposed in the fall unless another write-in campaign is started.

### OBTAINS 3RD GRADE TEACHER

Miss Mildred Hajenga from Benchland, Mont., has been elected to teach the third grade in the Heppner school the coming year, Supt. George Corwin announced Tuesday. Miss Hajenga is a graduate of Eastern Montana normal and has been teaching at Utica, that state.

### VISITING PARENTS

Mrs. Harry Nelson is spending the week at the farm home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Parker.

### HAS SPOTTED FEVER

Ted Pierson, local manager of the Union Pacific freight truck service, is receiving treatment in a The Dalles hospital for spotted fever.