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## 4-H Clubs Choose September 23 for Annual Exhibition

### About 100 Young People Expected To Participate

Approximately 100 boys and girls of the 4-H clubs of Morrow county are expected to participate in the annual exhibit day for which Saturday, Sept. 23 has been set aside. The event will be held in Heppner at a place to be designated in later information to be passed out.

Members of the garden, canning, sewing, health, room improvement and cooking clubs will participate. There will be prizes for the best beef club members, who will show their calves at a later exhibit to be held in October.

Prizes will consist of defense stamps. These will be awarded all club members whose record books are up to date. The record books will be an important part of the exhibit and clubbers are reminded that they should start now to put them in shape.

The morning will be devoted to arranging and showing exhibits. This will be followed by a pot-luck lunch at noon which parents of clubbers will be invited to attend. A special prize will be offered for the club having the biggest percentage of parents at the lunch and program.

Each club will be required to present a demonstration or a skit as part of the afternoon program. There will be prizes for the best demonstration teams, a fact which should cause clubbers to get in touch with their leaders immediately to arrange for a spot on the program.

According to Arnold Ebert, Morrow county agricultural agent, it was deemed advisable to select a date following the Pendleton Round up. It had been planned to have it earlier and Ebert was considering Sept. 15, the final day of the Pendleton show. Sept. 8 was too early for the young people to prepare their exhibits and it was finally agreed that the fourth Saturday would be the best date.

## P-T. A. COUNCIL HAS MEETING

Executive council of the Heppner Parent-Teacher association met at the home of the president, Mrs. Stephen Thompson Friday evening. Officers and committee heads were in attendance including Mrs. Orville Smith, Mr. and Mrs. George Corwin, Mrs. O. E. Ferguson, Mrs. Oscar Kippe, Mrs. Blaine Isom, and Everett Smith.

It was planned that the association in place of a September meeting, sponsor the annual reception for the teachers on Sept. 20. More definite information will be released in the near future.

## SHORB PAYS VISIT

C. J. Shorb, candidate for congress from the second district on the democratic ticket, paid Heppner a visit the fore part of the week, coming in from Fossil and Condon after touring most of the southern part of the district. He headed on towards home at La Grande Wednesday to look after business interests. He is publisher of the Eastern Oregon Review, weekly paper, and proprietor of Shorb's Stationery store.

## MOVING TO PORTLAND

Mrs. John DeMoss, who has been making her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gemmill, and working at the Humphreys Drug store, will leave next week for Portland where she will make her home during her husband's absence overseas.

## City Council and C. of C. Consider Closing on V-Day

A movement was launched at the city council meeting Tuesday evening to ascertain the sentiment of business houses relative to closing on V-Day—the day the Germans surrender. Blaine Elliott presented the viewpoint of his company and others relative to a quiet observance of the occasion rather than a noisy celebration such as characterized the ending of the first world war. At Elliott's request a committee, D. A. Wilson and L. E. Bisbee from the council, was named to meet with the board of directors of the chamber of commerce which met Wednesday evening.

It is proposed that when news comes of the fall of Germany, all business houses will close on the following schedule: if it happens Sunday evening, close Monday; if it comes on a week day, close balance of day, unless it happens late in the evening, in which event close the next day.

When presented to the chamber of commerce directors the matter was placed in the hands of the business affairs committee of which Elliott is chairman.

It is argued that the war situation being what it is now, Germany undoubtedly will fall first and that the war will not be over until the Japs are brought into camp. With Germany conquered the war still will not be over and it would be out of order to stage a celebration. Rather, it was contended, a quiet day would be more fitting. This viewpoint was concurred in by the directors present.

In connection with the closing proposal, it was pointed out that the liquor stores over the state will be closed.

## Mayor Turner May Seek Third Term

Mayor J. O. Turner may enter the race for a third term as chief of the city government, following encouragement tendered him at the regular session of the city council Tuesday evening. Turner had announced that he had decided to stay out of local politics at conclusion of his term, whereon some of the councilmen demurred.

In making his announcement, the mayor cited some of the things started that should be completed as well as listing several items of civic improvement that will have to be taken up and finished if the town is to hold its rightful place in the sun. Having made this recital he expressed the hope that his successor would carry on. At this juncture the councilmen asked him to stay on the job and guide the work ahead started. Turner did not definitely commit himself but it is felt that he will reconsider in time to get his name on the fall ballot. Several councilmen are to be elected this fall.

## WEEK-ENDED IN PORTLAND

County Clerk C. W. Barlow and daughters, Marie and Mrs. Robert Walker, spent the week-end in Portland with Mrs. Barlow who is staying at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Akers, both of whom are in poor health. Accompanying the Barlows were Mrs. Joe Hughes and daughter Mary Olive, enroute to Salem, and Harriett Pointer Batty who was going to Corvallis to make her home with her mother, Mrs. Maude Pointer.

## VISITS SALEM

Mrs. Joe Hughes took her daughter, Mary Olive, to Salem Sunday where she placed her in school. Mrs. Hughes returned home Tuesday. The trip was made as far as Portland in the C. W. Barlow car.

## HERE FROM LA GRANDE

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Thomas of La Grande are business visitors in Heppner today.

## Housing Situation to Be Eased With Use of 3-C Camp Probable

An easing of the local housing situation was felt here this week when Mayor J. O. Turner and Councilman R. B. Ferguson brought back word from Portland that most of the red tape binding the CCC camp transfer had been unwound and that apparently the government is ready to turn over the buildings to the city and the C. W. McNamer estate.

Turner and Ferguson ran the matter down while in the city last week and feel confident that within a short time local authorities will be in a position to enter into a contract with the Heppner Lumber company to make a housing unit of the buildings remaining at the camp. The city has released the gov-

ernment from terms of the contract and in turn is waiting for papers indicating that the government is out of the whole deal.

In the meantime preparations are going ahead for converting the barracks and other buildings into housing units for mill workers. Several families are living at the camp and it will be necessary to renovate the place quite a bit before winter sets in.

The city authorities were informed that the government plans to remove one barracks from the city's land and one from the McNamer land, as well as taking out the mess hall. These buildings are of the knockdown type and will be moved to army camps short of housing.

## Jupe Struts Stuff After Long Holiday

Jupe Pluvius must have hit the wrong beam or something last Friday morning for we are quite sure he made an unscheduled call on this section of the domain. His visit was welcome, to say the least, for he passed up this region for the most of three months, having turned the sprinkler on in June to the tune of 1.20 inches of precipitation and again in July for .02 of an inch. During August he was tighter than old Scrooge, with no official recording of rainfall, although cloudy days were numerous and some citizens reported feeling a drop or two of the precious fluid on their bald heads or bare arms.

The old scout (or skate) made up for lost time Friday morning, Sept. 1 when he deposited .30 of an inch on the local terrain. The shower may have caused a slowing up of harvesting operations, but shucks, nearly everybody was looking for a chance to rest a spell anyway.

Usually one looks for a change in the weather, with the tendency towards fall and cool nights. The past week, since the rain, has been the exception. It has been almost as warm as the mid-summer hot spells, with the temperature ranging around in the 90's every day. Call it Indian summer or what you will, it is just plain hot.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST UNDERGOING REPAIRS

A general overhauling has been going on at the Heppner Church of Christ the past few weeks with the result that the edifice now presents a bright, new exterior.

A painting crew redecorated both exterior and interior, the furnace has been repaired, and a new roof has been put on as the crowning achievement. A church dinner will be served Sunday in observance of the work which will be completed by Saturday.

Special services are being held at the church beginning Wednesday evening and closing Sunday night. Arthur Charles Bates, former pastor of the First Christian church of Klamath Falls, is the speaker.

## TEACHERS ARRIVE

Miss Mildred Hajenga and Miss Elsie Jenny, new grade teachers in the Heppner school, arrived the first of the week from their homes in Montana. They have taken an apartment in the Case Hotel apartment house.

Miss Rose Hoosier, grade and music teacher here the past three years, returned to Heppner Tuesday evening, coming from Stanfield where she spent most of her vacation. Miss Hoosier will be president of the Women's Choral club for the year.

## Schools to Be in Full Swing Monday

With three schools of the county holding forth this week, it is expected that all districts will be going by next Monday. Irrigon, Eight Mile and Lexington got under way Monday of this week.

Teacher problems have been quite well disposed of although it is reported that one high school is minus one instructor. This will not delay the opening date and if a teacher is unavailable the other instructors will carry on.

## GRAVESIDE SERVICES TO BE HELD FOR REID BUSEICK

Graveside services will be conducted by the Heppner Masonic lodge at 2:30 p. m. Friday, Sept. 8 for Reid Buseick whose death occurred at Prairie City Wednesday.

All Masons are requested by the worshipful master, Dr. L. D. Tibbles, to turn out and assist with the services.

## CALLED TO CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. O'Donnell and Mrs. Grace Nickerson left today for Oakland, Calif., in response to a message that Mrs. O'Donnell's brother, R. M. Nickerson, had died suddenly from a stroke Wednesday. Mr. Nickerson, who passed away on the second anniversary of his brother Frank's death, had been planning to come to Heppner for a stay of several months. He was a retired railroad man. The Heppner people expect to return Tuesday.

## BACK ON JOB

Monday morning saw Lee Howell, genial manager of Heppner's Tum-a-Lum Lumber office, back at his accustomed place behind the counter after an absence of several weeks. Lee has been under a doctor's supervision but is feeling better he reports. His friends are glad to see him back in circulation again. Incidentally Mrs. Howell has returned to her post at the J. C. Penney company.

## GUESTS OF HIATTS

AMM3c Garnet Claud Snow and Mrs. Snow and baby are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hiatt. Snow has a three weeks leave from training at Tampa, Fla. which will be spent visiting here.

## CHORAL CLUB PRACTICE

Regular rehearsal for the Women's Choral club at 7 o'clock Monday evening at the home of Mrs. O. G. Crawford. All members asked to be present to get the seasons work started off in good shape.

## RETURN HOME

Mrs. J. L. McMurtry and son returned to their home in Philomath Tuesday after a week's visit at the home of her brother-in-law, R. G. McMurtry.

## Hospital Project To Be Placed on November Ballot

### Court Acts After Conning Petitions From Over County

Morrow county citizens will be given an opportunity to express their wills one way or the other on the proposed county hospital at the forthcoming general election on November 7. The county court this week took steps to place the measure on the ballot, or to have special ballots printed is that is found necessary.

Decision to call for a vote on the proposal was reached Wednesday after the court perused the several petitions presented from several districts in the county. The signatures reached several hundred and indicated that the people want the hospital and are willing to pay a price within reason for it. While the measure has not been drawn up as it will appear on the ballot, it is proposed to levy a two-mill tax for a period of five years to establish a building and operating fund for the hospital costing in the neighborhood of \$75,000 to build and equip.

Persons engaged in circulating the petitions stated that enthusiasm for the hospital seemed to grow as they contacted signers. All were agreed that the hospital is needed and not a few urged that the building be done now, while others felt it better to wait until building conditions are more favorable. The object of the balloting is to grant authority to the court to levy the tax for erecting and operating a county-owned hospital when in the judgment of that body the time is ripe to go ahead.

## Farm Federation Hears Speakers on Current Subjects

Why farmers should organize was discussed Monday evening at the Lexington grange hall by C. L. Jamieson, secretary of the Oregon Farm Bureau, in a program presented by the Morrow county chapter of the bureau, member of the national farm federation. Jamieson presented some of the problems that will confront farmers and agriculture in general in the period following the coming of peace, urging organization for mutual protection.

County Commissioner J. G. Barratt, a member of the farm bureau, was called upon by President G. N. Peck to review the steps taken to procure a hospital for the county. Barratt's remarks were received with enthusiasm by those present, most of whom are members of the federation, and he was plied with many questions.

Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, the third scheduled speaker, was unable to be present.

Light refreshments were served following the program.

Guests from Umatilla county included Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Steen and Mr. Howard from Milton. Steen is president of the Umatilla County Farm bureau. Mrs. Jamieson accompanied her husband.

## LEAVE CUT SHORT

One of those things which happens to many service men happened this week to Ph M 2c Scott McMurdo. Scott was given leave starting Aug 31 and had arrived home Tuesday for a visit with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McMurdo. Wednesday he received a call to return at once to his station.