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Meal, Room Situation During Rodeo Better

Two matters that have been worrying the Rodeo association since deciding to stage the 1945 show, meals and lodging, have been cleared up somewhat the past few days and it now appears that people coming from a distance to attend the big western show will find it not too difficult to get along.

At Saturday night's meeting of the directors it was disclosed that the local unit of the Civilian Air Patrol will operate a stand continuously beginning with the opening dance Sept. 6. The unit has a sufficient number of people within the organization to make this possible and while a wide variety of food will not be available, there will be plenty of that comprising the menu.

It was reported that Harvey White has declared his intention of operating on a 24-hour basis during the Rodeo, the full 24 hours if necessary or as long as considerable numbers of people are looking for something to eat. Cal Summer announces that he has secured a restaurant crew from Fossil to take over the O'Donnell cafe during the Rodeo week and Edward Chinn has not made up his mind as to what course the Elkhorn restaurant will follow. The Elkhorn opens at 11 a. m. and closes at 9 p. m. If sufficient help is available the place may run longer hours during the Rodeo, Chinn stated.

The matter of rooms is not so definite as meals but it is felt that private residences will absorb a good many of the visitors. Some 15 rooms had been signed up last week but in the absence of the secretary today a check to date could not be made. More work will be done on the housing situation within the next few days.

Announcement was made that the association had signed with Trixie McCormick, world famed trick rider, to appear all three days of the Rodeo. The directors also authorized Secretary Frank Turner to sign with Harry O'Neill, clown, whose mule is said to be worth the price of admission alone. Also, it was decided to make all entry fees \$10.

This week's dance offering is to be held at the fair pavilion with Rhea Creek grange as sponsors. C. A. P. will serve the refreshments.

OPA Awards to Be Made Monday P. M.

Invitations have been issued by the Morrow county OPA board to a meeting to be held Monday evening in the Church of Christ basement. The meeting will open at 8 o'clock and will be held for the purpose of presenting awards to people who have served on the local panels.

District officials from the Portland office will be here to help make award presentations and to talk on the work of the OPA during the war. Included will be Miss Mary Johns, district community service panel head; Mrs. Pauline Scheer, district volunteer chairman, and W. A. Rhodes, district executive supervisor.

FORMER RESIDENT VISITS

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Tyler of Lebanon, and their son, Everett and wife and baby of Sweet Home, were guests the latter part of last week at the home of Mrs. Tyler's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Kirk. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler were greeting old time friends in Heppner Friday. They farmed in the Sand Hollow and Blackhorse section for many years prior to moving to the valley and this is their first visit back since leaving.

Lights Off Several Hours Wednesday Due to Lightning

Electric service was disrupted several hours Wednesday when a bolt of lightning struck a pole about eight miles west of Ione, putting all but two wires of the Olex high line out of commission. The spot where the lightning struck was about a mile west of the Ernest Heliker ranch on property owned by Governor Snell and Earl Lemon of Arlington.

Manager K. A. House was called to the Heliker place to examine a condenser which was not functioning properly and while there discovered smoke in the Snell and Lemon field. It was then found that the electric service was disrupted and the immediate cause determined. Small grass fires were put out and after several hours service was restored. House said splinters from the two nearest poles were scattered widely over the field. The pole which the lightning struck was completely burned.

The payoff in this story is that House is supposed to be taking his vacation.

Tucker Rites to Be Friday Afternoon

Funeral services for Homer Tucker will be held at 2 o'clock p. m. Friday at the Heppner Church of Christ, O. Wendell Herbison, pastor, Rev. H. N. Waddell of Ione officiating with Phelps Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Mr. Tucker passed away Sunday, Aug. 19 at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland after an extended illness.

William Homer Tucker was a native of Heppner where he was born Oct. 3, 1902, and spent his entire life in Morrow county. He followed various pursuits and was engaged in the fuel business when illness forced him to retire about two years ago, leaving the enterprise in the hands of his son Eldon. He was taken to the hospital in Portland a few weeks ago with the hope that his life might be spared but the malady had gone too far.

Surviving are the widow, Mildred two sons, Edwin and Eldon, a daughter, Mary Evelyn, all of Heppner, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tucker of Stanfield; five sisters, Mrs. Hulda Mortimer, Caldwell, Ida; Elsie Tucker, Stanfield; Mrs. Irene Atherton, Payette, Ida; Mrs. Edith Castle, Redding, Calif.; Mrs. Wilma Wihlon of Lexington; two brothers, Wilber Tucker of Stanfield and Sgt Woodrow Tucker with the U. S. army air corps, Kearns, Utah.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN WAR BRIDE DUE AT THE DALLES SOON

According to The Dalles Chronicle, the first Australian war bride is due to arrive in that area during the next few months. She is the wife of Arthur Minor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Minor, former Morrow county residents now living at Dellesport.

Arthur Minor, a veteran of 44 months in the Pacific, held the rank of sergeant when he was discharged on points July 30. He now is at home. During the time he was in the army he amassed a total of 112 points.

While stationed in Australia near Melbourne, he met Miss Gay Victoria Goodisson, the daughter of an Australian sheepman. Their acquaintance ripened into romance and they were married in Australia. The bride will come to the United States as soon as passage is available, Minor reported.



Oregon Foremost Bond Purchaser During Late War

Oregon sustained its reputation as a "first" state for the duration of the nation in per capita purchase of the second world war by lead-chase of war bonds sold from May 1941 to June 1945 and topped the 48 states in June 1945, according to a report submitted by the Oregon war finance committee on figures released by the treasury department.

Per capita showing by states gives Oregon a \$6.27 edge over Connecticut, its nearest competitor. The figures for the top states show Oregon, Washington and California in the first five. The figures are: Oregon \$396.68; Connecticut \$390.41; Washington \$383.39; Michigan \$365.60, and California \$361.86.

Figures for June 1945 when the 7th war loan was at its height show Oregon first, with North Dakota second, Iowa third, Nebraska fourth, and Montana fifth.

BAUMANS ENTER BUSINESS

Returning to Heppner Wednesday Mrs. Harvey Bauman reported that she had purchased a grocery store in Boise, Ida. The store is a neighborhood store known as the Gem Market and is located at 1614 north 16th street. A seven-room modern house was included in the deal and they will make their home in it as soon as it is available. They will move to their new location Sunday.

TAX MAN HERE

D. B. Reavis of Salem was in Heppner Wednesday interviewing taxpayers relative to their state income tax payments. Mr. Reavis, former Wallowa county clerk, has been with the state tax department since leaving Enterprise and now is engaged in the auditing work in the territory formerly covered by John Parker of Pendleton.

She's Billed for 1945 Heppner Rodeo



The Heppner Rodeo Association feels fortunate in being able to secure the services of Trixie McCormick, the nation's number one cowgirl, to play all three days at the forthcoming 1945 show. Miss McCormick's clever tricks with a lariat are not to be equalled and some thrilling surprises are in store for the cash customers. Miss McCormick recently completed a vaudeville tour as a member of Johnny Mack Brown's troupe in which she was a featured star. Watch for Trixie McCormick and her clever spotted pony.

Hill Addition Seen As Solution for City's Expansion

Mayor Turner Sees Growth Here in Postwar Program

Expressing faith in Heppner's future, Mayor J. O. Turner told the chamber of commerce luncheon group Monday that he looked for substantial growth here in the immediate future and outlined plans he has in mind to help bring that growth about. The town is suffering from "growing pains", he stated and it is time something be done to alleviate this suffering.

Citing the fact that Heppner has added almost 400 people within the town's limits since the 1940 census, he declared there is a probability that that many or even more may be added to our population within the next few years. He based this declaration on inquiries relative to residence property and the availability of building lots having discussed the situation with numerous farmers who are looking forward to retiring from active operation of their properties when members of their families now in the service return home.

"The right procedure in any local development of this nature is to make our town attractive to prospective home investors," the mayor said. "We need to extend our city limits, increase our water supply and otherwise modernize our little city so it will appeal to those who would come to live among us. It is likely that within the next few years every street in town will be paved, not merely a narrow strip in the middle of the road but right up to the curbs. The city council has been studying the matter of increasing the water supply and we know we can't go on forever without a sewage disposal system."

The speaker decried "the tendency of people to buy up lots and hold them at exorbitant prices and this led to the proposal to create a new addition to the city. He called attention to the work done some 20 years ago in laying out an addition on the Morrow hill east of town. As laid out it was impractical and aside from some road grading little else was done to promote

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Fire Calls Keep Department Busy

Screeching of the fire siren has become common in Heppner this week reminding the populace that this is the season of fire. Sunday, about time church was letting out a grass fire got out of control on ground adjoining the Morrow County Creamery company building and the department was called to put it out. Tuesday about noon the smoke eaters were called to the north side of town to stop a grass fire which threatened the home of Mrs. Lillie Aiken and others in the vicinity.

Shortly after midnight Tuesday (or very bright and early Wednesday morning) the siren again burst forth in a blood-tingling screech. This time it was a barn to the rear of the former Jasper Crawford residence in the southeast part of town. The barn was destroyed but a sizeable woodpile nearby was saved.

HUCKLEBERRYING

Stanley Minor is away on his annual search for the festive and somewhat elusive huckleberry. He left Sunday for Lyle, Wash. to join his uncle, C. A. Minor, and from there expected to go to Mt. Adams, at Lyle and finds the lower altitude better for his health.