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Joe Aiken Named Postmaster Here For 6-Month Term

Full Time Job Pending Outcome Of Examination

Joe Aiken, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Aiken, Wednesday evening was named acting postmaster for Heppner for a term of six months and took over his official duties this morning. Aiken succeeded the late Charles B. Cox who had served as postmaster for the last 13 years.

Full time appointment to the job will not be made until Aiken and other applicants have had an opportunity to take the civil service examination. The examination is open to those who wish to take it, regardless of political faith, and it is understood that several people have stated they will make a try for the job.

Aiken stated there will be no change of office personnel as far as he is concerned. Mrs. Muriel Rice is acting chief clerk in the absence of James Driscoll who is in the navy while Mrs. Gertrude Applegate and Harry Smith comprise the rest of the force at present.

The acting postmaster is a native son. He is a graduate of Heppner high school and had two and one-half years at the Ellensburg State college prior to enlisting in the U. S. army. He served with the 12th Air Force in England, North Africa, Sicily and Italy, putting in 32 months overseas out of his 40 months service period. He was discharged on June 6, 1945.

Happy Youngsters Return From Big 4-H Club Exposition

Thirteen happy Morrow county 4-H clubbers returned from Portland the last of the week after attending the big northwest 4-H club fair at the Pacific International grounds. While not bringing clusters of blue ribbons home with them, some of the county's exhibits received recognition, and the young people have the satisfaction of having attended one of the biggest and best 4-H fairs ever held at the P-I.

Sixteen calves were entered by the Morrow county 4-H beef club. Exhibitors were Ida Lee Chapel, Audrey Majeske, Patty Majeske, Jean Rauch, Jo Anne Graves, Betty Graves, Faye Cutsforth, Orville Cutsforth Jr., Kenneth Cutsforth, Ingrid Herman, Helmut Merman, Billy Hubbard and Louis Carlson.

The stock was on display and graded Tuesday, and judging and showmanship took place Wednesday. All livestock was sold at the 4-H auction Friday and is pronounced the most successful ever held. The grand champion sheep sold at \$3 per pound; grand champion steer brought \$2 a pound, and the grand champion pig \$1.75 a pound. Prices held up well and the Morrow county beef drew 20½ cents per pound.

There were 233 beef calves in the show and in all 675 animals were exhibited.

The youngsters were housed at Camp Palmer on the exposition grounds where some of the parents accompanying them also stayed. Among adults attending the show were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Cutsforth, Mrs. Adolph Majeske, Mrs. Gottfried Herman, Mrs. Julian Rauch, Mrs. Roy Thomas, Blaine Chapel and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Ebert.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Latourell from Cascade Locks are in Heppner and vicinity this week on a hunting trip. Mr. Latourell was formerly the Ford dealer in Heppner.

X-Ray Finds Few Reactors Locally

Morrow county people have a high health rating, judging from the results of the special x-ray survey taken here recently. Out of a total of 792 persons x-rayed, only 28 were found to be questionable, Miss Margaret Gillis, county public health nurse, told a group at a meeting of the health association at the school house Tuesday evening.

In addition to the report by Miss Gillis, an educational moving picture was shown "Cloud on the Sky," a story of family life in Mexico. Due to ignorance about tuberculosis the mother of the family was lost but through the use of the x-ray and better health education the others were able to find health and happiness.

Mrs. Claude Graham, president, announced a public meeting to be held Nov. 13 at the city council chambers and urged everyone to attend.

Sanitation Officer Pays Official Visit

Intent and purpose of Oregon's new sanitation law were explained to local eating houses Friday by R. E. Click, state restaurant sanitarian on the occasion of his first official visit to Heppner. Click stated his visit was primarily to acquaint restaurant operators with the provisions of the new law and while here made only a cursory inspection of eating places. By the first of the year sanitation inspectors will visit all places and issue permits or licenses in accordance with terms of the law.

Under the sanitary code for eating and drinking establishments, the term "restaurant" shall mean any establishment where food or drink is prepared for consumption by the public, but shall not include railroad dining cars. . . . It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a restaurant without first securing a license to do so from the health officer. Such license shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of the licensee.

It is not the purpose of the sanitarian to bear down too heavily on the eating establishments until after they have had sufficient time to comply with the new law and have failed to do so, Click informed this newspaper.

SCOUT PACK TO ORGANIZE

Little boys who are desirous of joining a Cub scout pack will have that opportunity at 7:30 Friday evening at the music room at the school house. Mothers are urged to be present also. Refreshments will be served.

HOME EC MEETING SLATED

The H. E. C. of Willows grange will meet Friday, Oct. 19. A speaker will talk on dextrose at the regular meeting Oct. 20.

Mustangs Hold Blue Devils to 13-13 Tie In Exciting Game

Heppner high school's Mustangs managed to preserve their unbeaten record of this season only by the skin of their teeth last Friday when they eked out a 13-13 tie with the surprisingly strong Condon Blue Devils.

It was a wild see-saw battle all the way in which the lead changed hands three times before a last quarter drive by the Mustangs pushed over the tying touchdown.

Condon, consistently beaten by Heppner in previous seasons, proved conclusively in Friday's encounter that they are a dangerous foe and a serious force to contend with when these two teams meet again Nov. 2 at Condon, Heppner, on the other hand, evidently suffering from a let-down or over-confidence, only occasionally displayed the power that carried them to last week's victory over Hermiston.

In Friday's game neither team quarter and the period passed uneventfully with the score 0 to 0. Things really started happening the second quarter as Condon's first touchdown came with bewildering suddenness. Heppner had started what looked to be a touchdown drive. After gaining a first down on the Condon 40 yard line, the Mustangs started a running play with Hughes, left halfback, carrying the ball. Hughes juggled the pass from center and started into the line with the ball still not under control. Just as he hit the line the ball popped out of his hands into the arms of a Condon lineman who took on the gallop for the Heppner goal. Though he was hit from behind by a Heppner tackler on the Mustang 40, he alertly lateraled to a teammate.

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CHARTER FLYING GROWING IN POPULARITY HERE

Importance of the Lexington airport is seen in the increasing demand for plane service from the outside points. Jack Forsythe, airport manager, has had four charter trips this week, one to Corvallis, and the others to Portland, and he is now contemplating a two-passenger plane to accommodate the growing business.

Saturday, Forsythe flew Dr. A. D. McMurdo to Corvallis to attend the Oregon State Dad's day exercises and witness the Oregon State-Oregon football game. Again on Monday he flew to Portland taking the young flier left again for Portland this morning.

These flights are being made from the Lexington airport. Time from Portland to Lexington Monday was one hour and 20 minutes.

2-County Meeting Slated for Oct. 24

A meeting of importance to farm folk of this section will be held Wednesday evening, Oct. 24 at the Lexington grange hall at which time Harry L. Bryson of Chicago, national organization director of the American Farm bureau, will be the principal speaker.

Mr. Bryson is coming under the auspices of the Morrow and Gilliam county farm bureaus and those agencies would like to see not only a good turnout of bureau members but other farmers and ranchers as well as town folk that they may get a first hand report on the work carried on by the organization throughout the county. The Oregon Farm bureau has arranged a schedule for Mr. Bryson where there are bureaus.

Since Mr. Bryson's job takes him embracing all counties in the state to all sections of the country he is one of the best posted men on agriculture and right now, with post-war problems to be worked out his counsel is widely sought. Says the Oregon Farm Bureau News: "If you have any doubt about the good during the war and how it is on work the Farm Bureau has done the job protecting the interest of agriculture in the peacetime world, come and meet Mr. Bryson. He is prepared to answer your questions, and welcomes your interest."

Leaders Needed in Four-H Club Work

The young people in Heppner and surrounding communities have expressed interest in several 4-H club projects but the response on the part of adults to lead these clubs has not been very promising, reports Miss Grace Gadeken, emergency assistant home demonstration agent. The clubs which need leaders are a cooking club of high school age girls, a clothing club for high school girls and a bachelor sewing club for sixth grade boys.

Activities for boys and girls in any community are important because it keeps them off the street and away from undesirable places, Miss Gadeken declares. Four-H club work is particularly useful because it provides incentive as well as reward for effort put forth.

The backing of these boys and girls by their parents is an absolute essential in the success of the work.

If anyone who had not been contacted wishes to take part in the important work of leading a club, notify Miss Gadeken at the county agent's office.

ON ANNUAL VISIT

There's one thing Heppner people can always rely upon—that as sure as deer season arrives so also cometh Maurice E. Smead from Portland. Smead was here early this week for his annual trek to the mountains with Dr. A. D. McMurdo. Both hunters were successful.

County's Quota in Victory Loan Drive Set at \$190,000

About Two-thirds Of Total To Be Taken in E Bonds

Morrow county will have an opportunity to redeem its reputation as a bond buying public when the eighth, or Victory loan, is launched Oct. 29. For one thing, the amount asked of the county is more within reach of the people's ability to buy, the quota being \$190,000, of which \$125,000 will be E bonds.

It will be remembered that Morrow county, along with many other counties, fell considerably short of the goal set in the Mighty Seventh war loan. At that time the quota was \$353,000, with \$248,000 of that amount allotted to E bonds. When the count was all in it was found that all but \$63,000 of the E bonds had been taken up—approximately a 25 percent deficiency. Other series were covered.

The balance of the quota is divided between sales to individuals \$35,000 and to corporations \$30,000.

Oregon's quota for the Victory loan will be \$69,500,000 with \$22,500,000 in E's, \$17,000,000 other issues to individuals and \$30,000,000 to corporations.

Bonds available for the campaign in addition to the regular E, F and G series will include 2½'s, 2½'s, and 7-8's and series C treasury savings notes. All the special issues possess unusual investment features and may be used as collateral for bank loans. The 2½'s and 2½'s will be dated Nov. 15 and the 7-8's Dec. 3.

Mrs. John McMillan Victim of Heart Attack Tuesday

Memorial services for Mrs. John McMillan will be held at 2 o'clock p. m. Friday from the Christian church in Lexington. Mrs. McMillan passed away at 4:30 p. m. Tuesday in Pendleton following a heart attack. She had submitted to an operation Tuesday morning and had been visiting with her daughter that afternoon who left her mother for a few minutes to get something to eat. Upon her return some twenty minutes later she found that Mrs. McMillan had suffered a heart attack from which she did not rally.

Mrs. McMillan, who was Ruth Anne Shinn before her marriage, had been a resident of Lexington since 1918. She was born Jan. 29, 1908 in St. Clair county Mo. and came west with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shinn. She was married to John McMillan in August 1934 and three children were born to this union, Scott Denward, Erma LaVonne, and Iva Colleen (Mrs. Hermann Wallace). Besides the father and those mentioned she is survived by her parents and a brother, Scott Shinn, all of Portland; four sisters, Blanche Bryant of Maryland; Neva Hurt, Iva Shinn and Ollie Baker, Portland; two grandsons, John Fredrick and Lester Eugene Wallace.

Mrs. McMillan was a member of the Lexington Christian church and Holly Rebekah lodge of that place.

Mrs. Sara McNamer has been enjoying a visit from her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rodgers, from Salem. They arrived Saturday and left Sunday afternoon. They were accompanied by a soldier friend, Lester Armstrong, who was enjoying a brief furlough from the hospital at Camp Adair. Mrs. McNamer's sister, Mrs. M. Summers, of Spokane, was here at the same time and went home with Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers for a visit.

Ending of Service Men's Troubles Only Start Of Worries for Obliging County Official

To most of us, cessation of hostilities meant looking forward to the return of our boys and girls just as soon as the question of points and transportation and a few other minor details could be worked out. It probably meant the same thing to County Clerk C. W. Barlow and all other clerks and recorders over the land, but it also meant new wrinkles in their brows for most returning veterans are having their discharge papers recorded in their home counties—free of charge—and the work has only started.

Up to Wednesday noon of this week Clerk Barlow has recorded 95 discharges for Morrow county veterans. This list includes a num-

ber returned to civilian life after short training periods and naturally has extended over the length of the war. In recent weeks overseas veterans have been arriving home and more and more are coming every week, so that the clerk's office has its job cut out for indefinite time.

Mr. Barlow and his deputy, Miss Edna Hughes, are accepting this additional task cheerfully. There is a drawback to it, one that makes the job more tedious, and that is the fact that there are several types of discharge papers presented for filing. The army quite generally follows one form but the clerk states that several different forms

have been presented by discharged navy men. Were all branches of the service to use the same type of paper the recording would be simplified, for a common form could be printed with blank spaces for filling in of names and other information.

To meet this condition it is proposed that the county purchase a photostatic machine. This would simplify the matter of recording discharge papers and at the same time come in handy in other recordings and business transacted at the court house. It is likely that if such a machine can be obtained at nominal cost one will be installed in the clerk's office.