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Work Underway on New Main Street Business Building

Lot Between Hotel And Aiken's Taken By Hill and Parker

Work started this week on a new business building on Main street which when completed will house the Heppner Hardware and Electric company operated by Harold Hill and Loyal Parker. The concern is now located in the Oddfellows building. The new site is on the lot between the Hotel Heppner and the Aiken building.

Plans for a one story structure 130 feet long by 21 feet wide. This is designed to give ample store room space in front and plenty of workshop and storage space in the rear. The walls will be of concrete. The firm has worked out a strictly modern lighting plan to give the retail department a bright and cheerful aspect. Other features are being worked out to provide easy handling of stock and to facilitate sales and repair.

Hill and Parker launched the Heppner Hardware and Electric company last summer. They had planned to open in a new building but due to the war things did not work out that way.

Ranks of Pioneers Thinned by Death Of Rosa Howell

In the passing of Mrs. Rosa Howell on Jan. 18, another link in the chain that connected the present era with the early history of Morrow county was removed. Mrs. Howell's acquaintance with this section of the state extended from 1871 before Morrow county had been carved from Umatilla, and there was little history made here, little development, that she was not familiar with.

Born Dec. 13, 1869 at Salem, she was the daughter of Samuel C. and Mary Storey Donaldson. Two years later the family moved to what is now Morrow county, settling on Willow creek on what is known as the Butcher Bill place about eight miles south of Heppner. Those were exciting times for the little handful of settlers as the Indians were on the rampage. Freighting of supplies was done from The Dalles, it required about three weeks to make a trip and on one of these occasions when Mr. Donaldson was away from home 300 Indians on the warpath were camped at the forks of Willow creek. Mrs. Donaldson had learned to speak their language and she and her six-year-old daughter suffered no harm at their hands and provided the Indians with salt and medicines.

Later the Donaldson family moved to the Bisbee place southwest of Heppner and the canyon in which the place was located was given the name Donaldson.

Mrs. Howell was a long-time member of Ruth chapter No. 32, Order of the Eastern Star. She was a member of the Southern Methodist church. Always civic-minded, she did Red Cross and other public service work as long as health permitted.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock p. m. Sunday at the Masonic hall, the beautiful Eastern Star service being used with Archdeacon Neville Blunt reading the Episcopal prayer service. Mrs. Ture Peterson was soloist and Mrs. J. O. Turner accompanist. Interment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Surviving besides the husband are two children Ralph D. Jones and Josephine Richardson Mahoney, both of Heppner.

Morrow Second in State in Traffic Safety During '44

Back in '44 when this county was hanging up records of one kind and another in war activities, a signal honor was won in state circles—one that has been late in coming but good at that. It may be that gas rationing had something to do with it, and it could be that the poor prospect of getting a new car put a damper on reckless spirits. Whatever the cause, let it be remembered that Morrow took second place among Oregon counties under 10,000 population in the Oregon Counties Traffic Safety contest for the year 1944.

Judge Bert Johnson was apprised of the fact Tuesday morning when a plaque was received from the office of Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell. The judge has hung it up on the wall where he can point to it with pride and all that sort of thing.

March of Dimes Fund to Receive Boost at Dance

Those wishing to contribute to the March of Dimes fund will be given a good opportunity Saturday evening when Willows grange at Ione sponsors a dance in behalf of the Morrow county campaign. The grange has graciously offered its hall to Chairman Joe Aiken and arrangements have been made to care for a big crowd.

There will be midnight supper and it is understood funds derived from that source also will go into the polio fund. In addition to these sources a committee will be on hand to receive outright contributions from those who feel inclined to support the drive in a generous manner.

Chairman Aiken reported upwards of \$200 in hand as of Monday when speaking of the drive at the weekly luncheon of the chamber of commerce. This amount had come from various sources and included only part of the "take" from the polio cans distributed about the county.

With the drive ending Jan. 31, there should be no hesitancy in making a contribution. There is no quota to meet but there is a record to maintain and Morrow county must look well to its laurels as a firster.

ACCIDENT INJURES TWO YOUNG PEOPLE SUNDAY

Norman Osborn and Rosetta Healy suffered injuries early Sunday morning when the car they were riding in struck a telephone pole in front of the Gilliam & Bisbee building. The car and telephone pole likewise suffered considerable damage.

The young people were returning from a dance at Hardman and had turned the corner at Main and May. From that time on neither of them has been able to tell what happened. In common parlance, the car draped itself around the pole and the passengers were out like a light. Miss Healy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Healy of Pine City, received a cut around one eye and over the forehead that required several stitches to draw together, and also had a bad cut on one knee which required more stitches.

CHURCH SERVICES AS USUAL

Fletcher Forster, pastor of the Methodist church, states that there will be services as usual next Sunday. The furnace motor has been repaired and re-installed and there will be comfort for those seeking to worship at his church. Due to the breakdown in the heating plant the Methodist congregation responded to an invitation from Archdeacon Neville Blunt to worship at the Episcopal church last Sunday.

Mrs. John Saager made a business trip to Walla Walla today. She expects to return Friday night.

Ione Home Scene Of Golden Wedding Anniversary Fete

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Engelman At Home To Many Friends

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Engelman marked the passing of 50 years of wedded life with an "at home" to their many friends Tuesday evening at their comfortable home in Ione. The reception was held between the hours of 8 to 10 p. m. and during that time 107 guests called to felicitate the golden-weds, to partake of the wedding cake and other delicacies and to engage in social pleasantries. In addition to the 107 guests, all of the Engelman children were home, making it a happy occasion for the family.

The event for which Tuesday evening's reception marked the 50th anniversary occurred Jan. 22, 1896 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pettys, the property now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Clel Rae, three miles east of Ione. Mr. and Mrs. Pettys were early pioneers of the vicinity and operated the first post office, Pettysville, later abandoned with the establishment of an office at Ione. The newlyweds remained in the vicinity and have been residents of Ione throughout their married life.

Mrs. C. W. Swanson and Mrs. Fred Nicoson, sisters of the bride, presided at the refreshment table Tuesday evening. The table was tastefully decorated with daffodils and acacia arranged about a beautiful centerpiece.

MEDAL AWARDED TO NAVY OFFICER POSTHUMOUSLY

Posthumous award of the bronze star medal to Lt. Com. Cecil J. Espy Jr. of Portland it has recently been announced by the war department.

He was among American prisoners of war aboard a Japanese ship en route from the Philippines to Japan in January 1945, when planes attacked the vessel. He helped care for the wounded and assisted in clearing the wreckage and bodies of the dead.

Lt. Espy's work did much to alleviate the suffering of his fellow prisoners and to increase their

California Fruit Inspector Hadn't Heard of Ione, Oregon

One of life's little comedies occurred on the Oregon-California state line recently and disproves the oft-quoted remark that "the world is a small place after all."

Rev. and Mrs. H. N. Waddell of Ione were enroute to San Jose, Calif. to attend a church rally. Crossing the state line into California, as former Mayor Joe Carson of Portland can testify, is somewhat of an ordeal, particularly if the tourist has a considerable amount of luggage and appears to be heading towards Los Angeles. Arriving up at the inspection station, Mr. Waddell was asked where he was from.

"Ione, Oregon," quoth the padre. "I don't care what you own," replied the official, "I just want to know where you are from."

Cleaning Shop Fire Does Small Damage

A small fire at the Heppner Cleaners and Dyers shop Tuesday evening caused a little damage to the building, but contents were unharmed. When first discovered the blaze was in the roof, indicating that a defective flue had been the cause. Firemen experienced some difficulty in cutting through the upper part of the wall but once through took little time to extinguish the blaze.

To safeguard against any possible damage, clothing left with the cleaners was stored in the Case company building for the night. Business was resumed Wednesday and customers have been assured of prompt service by the proprietors, Mr. and Mrs. John Hanan.

"chances of survival," the citation reported.

He was married to the former Patricia Mahoney who is at present residing in Los Angeles.

COME AND GET THEM

Several articles have been left at the Gazette Times office the past few days. If you have lost something perhaps you will find it here. Please come in and identify your property.

Mrs. Frank Davidson is a patient in St Anthony's hospital in Pendleton where she has been for several days.

For Flood Control Dam Shown Here Engineers' Plans

Extensive Project Will Include Minor Irrigation Relief

Plans for the proposed flood control dam to be built in south Heppner were displayed and explained in a special meeting at the city council chambers Wednesday evening by representatives of the United States Engineer department. Present were O. L. Hoffman, principal engineer and W. M. McGibbon senior engineer, of the Portland district, and 20 some business men of Heppner and ranchers of the Willow creek basin.

Engineer McGibbon set out the plan for the dam, giving figures and flood history in the valley upon which estimates were based. The first recorded flood here was in 1883. Damage was comparatively light at that time, but the great flood of 1903 brought to light the necessity for some kind of protection. Occasional floods from that date up to and including the near disaster of 1934 aroused a sentiment for a flood control dam and a survey was made in 1936. Only a preliminary report was granted at first but in 1940 the engineers made a survey that led up to the present plans. The report and accompanying plans have met with the approval of the army engineers of the northwest and has passed the Pacific division of the engineers, but has a succession of offices to pass through before arriving at national headquarters. To prepare for this the Portland office has supplied everything asked for and a lot more, with the expectation that it will win the approval of the highest authority and be presented to congress.

In 60 years the Willow creek valley, fed by an area of some 100 square miles, has been visited by five disastrous floods and 10 minor ones. Average loss as figured by

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Traffic Violations Occupy J. P.'s Time

Traffic violations were the principal items on Justice J. O. Hager's menu this week with three cases coming before his court.

H. J. Delameter contributed \$25 and costs for operating an improperly equipped tractor on a paved highway. The complaint was filed by Officer Edgar Albert.

Charles Eldon McFerrin has not yet learned the extent of his offense, financially speaking, for having allowed three other people to ride in the driver's seat with him. He was picked up Monday by Officer Albert.

Edward Albert Schuler ran afoul of Officer Albert Saturday and could not satisfy the official that he was justified in operating a truck for hire without the customary P. U. C. license. It cost him \$25 and costs to get in line with the law.

Delbert Cline was not involved in traffic violations but was happy to be released from jail Wednesday after serving part of a 30-day jail sentence on a vagrancy count. He was released to go to work and pay off the financial part of his sentence—\$48 and costs.

HAVE BABY DAUGHTER

Georgia Carol is the name of the six and one-half pound baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Nelson Jan 17 in Portland. The mother is the former Marjorie Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Parker of Heppner. The grandmother plans to go to Portland this week-end to see her new grandchild.

Did You Make These Children Happy?



POLISH war-orphans who have lived without shelter or care for as long as they can remember, smile happily as an UNRRA representative hands out clothing donated by the people of the United States in the nation-wide April clothing collection. Millions of other children overseas need all the protective clothing, shoes and bedding YOU can spare. Give them to the Victory Clothing Collection.