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Council Disposes Of Grist of Items Monday Evening

Flood Control and New Well Among Several Projects

A move was made Monday evening by the mayor and council to aid in securing the proposed Heppner flood control dam when that body went on record favoring acceptance by the city of terms laid down by the board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors before plans for the dam may be accepted by that authority. Action was not taken until after a thorough discussion of the part asked of the city and the conclusion reached that the obligation can be met.

Mayor Turner presented the flood control measure to the chamber of commerce Monday noon and that body voted to subscribe part of a fund to send a representative to Washington to confer with the high authorities and to work for congressional support. The mayor had a different idea about this and after presenting his view to the council that body concurred. It was felt that time is too limited and the expense of sending a representative too great but inasmuch as there is a former Heppner man in Washington who had more or less of a personal contact with the flood of 1903 and who has never lost his interest in the town, the mayor proposed that Garfield Crawford be contacted and requested to act as the official representative. It is felt that no one knows the need of flood control here better than he and probably no other person could better present that need to the right people.

Second item of importance was the report of the mayor of the signing of a contract with A. M. Edwards, Lexington well driller, to drill a new well. Work will start as soon as Edwards completes a well at Echo. Probable site will be on the Barratt property north of the Frank Monahan residence. Drilling of this well, if it turns out successfully will involve construction of a reservoir near the site of the county reservoir.

A motion was passed to have the roofs of the city building and the swim tank building repaired.

Mayor Turner reported that a request had been forwarded to the war food administration that the CCC buildings on both city and McNamer property be given to the city. The McNamer property within the camp has been sold and should the city's request be granted it will be necessary to remove the buildings from the private property within 60 days.

A new ruling was followed in appointment of a budget committee. Two were named to serve one year two for two years and two for three years. Clarence Rosewall and B. C. Pinckney are in the first group, P. W. Mahoney and Cornett Green the second, and W. C. Cox and Earle Gilliam the third.

Building licenses were granted Harold Hill for construction of a 10x10 refrigeration plant for William Buckman at the rear of the of the pastime building; Lois Winchester to build a 12x24 structure on her residence property to house a beauty parlor, and to Edmond Gonty to change the entrance to his shoe store and building a balcony therein.

ELKS TO INSTALL NEW OFFICERS TONIGHT

Heppner lodge No. 358, B. P. O. E. will hold installation of officers at the regular meeting of the lodge this evening. There will be a buffet supper preceding the lodge hour.

Those to be installed include K. A. House, exalted ruler; Loyal Parker, esteemed leading knight; Harvey White, esteemed loyal knight; Terrel Benge, esteemed lecturing knight; Frank Connor, secretary. Appointive offices also will be filled.

Kenneth House will resign as this is the last meeting he will be able to attend prior to moving to Dayton. The lodge will then elect another exalted ruler.

Funds Sought for National Warfare On Enemy No. One

One of the greatest wars yet to be waged is about to get under way and once more our people are asked to contribute funds to provide the necessary equipment. This is a humanitarian movement and one in which every individual in the land is interested, for the enemy is one that yearly takes a staggering toll of human life. It has been designated as Enemy Number One and as may have been already guessed is a war against cancer.

A fund of \$12,000,000 is being sought as a beginning, of which Oregon's share is \$105,000.

B. C. Pinckney has accepted the responsibility of managing the drive in Morrow county and is prepared to receive funds at the First National Bank of Portland, Heppner branch. The campaign extends through April.

Forty per cent of the money raised in Oregon during the drive will be used in the national cancer research program. The 60 percent retained in the state will be spent on educational work and on cancer service to the people of this area.

GI Employment Is Luncheon Subject

Employment for returned service men was discussed at the weekly luncheon of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce Monday by Mayor J. O. Turner. (This has been a busy week for the mayor, what with starting the ball rolling on the flood control dam, and getting numerous items of city business, attended to.) The plan approved by Governor Earl Snell was outlined and the speaker urged that every possible opportunity be afforded the ex-service men to procure gainful employment through one or another of the avenues open to them.

The mayor followed the GI talk with a discussion of the Heppner flood control project, following which a motion was carried favoring sending a representative to the national capital.

Burkenbine Takes Delivery of PT19

A third plane was added to the "stables" at Lexington airport Tuesday when Lloyd Burkenbine of Heppner took delivery of an army PT19, or N62A, from a La Grande firm. Two young airmen flew the plane from La Grande to Lexington in one hour—about one-third the time by automobile, if one is a moderately fast driver.

Arrival of the Burkenbine plane adds to the activity at the airport, making three planes stationed there. As more pilots are developed there will be more planes and the port officials are now confronted with the problem of settling the dust in the vicinity of the hangar. Manager Jack Forsythe hopes to get the plot seeded to grass by fall and in the meantime will make an effort to wet down the loading yard.

Several outside planes landed at the port Sunday, some of them stating they would return from time to time.

FARM BUREAU REVERSES VOTE ON HOME AGENT

Members of the Morrow county farm bureau in meeting Monday evening at the Lexington grange hall reversed a former vote on the question of establishing a permanent home demonstration agent office in the county. In the March meeting several members voted unfavorably on the proposal, while a majority present did not vote. Monday evening there was a full vote of members present with the result that the bureau went on record as favoring it.

Principal speaker of the evening was H. J. Storey, newly elected secretary of the state federation. Mr. Storey has just come from Iowa and is starting on a campaign to acquaint himself with Oregon and its people.

SPECIAL LODGE MEETING

There will be a special communication of Heppner lodge No. 69, A. F. and A. M. Tuesday evening, April 9, with work in the MM degree.

Local Man's Plane Not Involved in Spectacular Flight

Heppner residents rushed to their doors Wednesday afternoon to see what was happening when a roaring motor indicated that a plane was flying a bit too close for comfort. At first sight of the plane some were led to believe that our fellow townsman, Lloyd Burkenbine, was showing off his new PT-19 and he got the blame but such was not the case. Lloyd was at his job and rushed out like all the others to see who was trying to knock off tree tops and skim the roofs of buildings.

The visiting plane was an army BT 13, a training plane from Portland. It seems the pilot "buzzed" Ione and Lexington in his sight seeing tour. The residents of these towns were also frightened and at Lexington one man drove his car into the ditch when the unfunny plane-driver dove in his direction.

Manager of the Lexington airport, Jack Forsythe, is in Portland on business, and will not return until some time today. But since he makes every effort to maintain a reputation for reputable flying, he doubtless will take up the case of the misguided embryo air-man with the proper authorities.

Ridings Appointed Columbia Mentor

Gordon Ridings, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Clark of Heppner, has been appointed head basketball coach at Columbia University, New York. A former Oregon player, Ridings succeeds Paul Mooney, Lion leader since 1934, who recently resigned to enter private business.

A graduate from Oregon in 1929, Ridings compiled a brilliant record in four years of basketball with the Webfeet. After graduation he became assistant to Bill Rinehart, coach at Oregon. He entered the navy in 1942, working in Tom Hamilton's V-5 program training naval aviators. He was honorably discharged in 1945 with the rank of lieutenant-commander. Ridings is married, and has one child.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hulbert plan to leave Friday for California where they hope to benefit Mrs. Hulbert's health. They sold their home several months ago to Mr. and Mrs. William Greener and the move is not an unexpected one.

Heppner Post VF W Installs Officers

Heppner Post 6100 of Veterans of Foreign Wars was instituted 3 April, at the high school gymnasium. Instituting officer was F. G. Gates of Bend Post V. F. W. Installing chaplain was Dr. Clyde Dunham. The following officers were inducted: commander, Harlan McCurdy Jr.; senior vice commander, Joe Aiken; junior vice commander, Raymond Turner; quartermaster, Reece Burkenbine; chaplain, Francis Nickerson; post surgeon Dr. R. C. Lawrence; service officer, Dr. Clyde Dunham; guard, Joseph Way; officer of the day, John Hartman; advocate, James Farley; trustees, T. Reed, C. C. Carmichael and Norman Griffin.

Harry Tamblin, of Heppner Post of the American Legion was guest speaker. Mr. Tamblin welcomed the formation of the post of Veterans of Foreign Wars and asked for cooperation and harmony between the two organizations.

The newly formed post voted the formation of an auxiliary which is considered by Comrade Gates to be the backbone of the organization. Further plans will be discussed at the next regular meeting of Post No. 6100 V. F. W. which is scheduled for 8 p. m. Monday, April 8 at the American Legion hall. Eligible veterans desiring membership should contact any of the officers. Sixteen veterans were present at the meeting at the gym.

HUNTERS AND ANGLERS PREPARING FOR DRIVE ON PREDATORY BIRDS

Blaine E. Isom, president of the Morrow County Sportsmen's association, has called a meeting for Saturday evening, April 6 at the Elks club to make final arrangements for the annual crow extermination drive.

Plans include shotgun raids on the birds by members of the association and the usual children's campaign of tearing up nests and taking eggs. It is also hinted that George Snider has invented a trap which threatens as complete annihilation of the crow family as the atomic bomb did to Hiroshima.

P.T.A. SPONSORING PARTY FOR HIGH SCHOOL

According to the P.-T. A. reporter that group is having a dance Saturday night April 6, in the high school gymnasium. High school students will be special guests. All P.-T. A. members are urged to attend and bring a covered dish and sugar (if you use sugar). Coffee and cream will be furnished.

Our Number One Enemy



Is cancer, because it will kill 175,000 Americans this year. This is one every three minutes. And the death rate is increasing. By 1956 there will be 215,000 cancer deaths annually unless we act now to bring this dreaded disease under control.

Your gift now may protect your home or the home next door from this terrible malady. Make your check payable to Cancer Drive and mail or deliver to B. C. Pinckney, local chairman, or to Heppner Branch First National Bank of Portland.

Citizens Set Up Organization to Secure Flood Dam

City, County and C. of C. Unite to Secure Approval

Responding to an invitation from Mayor J. O. Turner about 15 representative citizens of Heppner and the county met at the city hall Wednesday night and effected an organization to work for the Heppner flood dam project which is to have a hearing within a short time before the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors. Mayor Turner was named chairman and George Corwin secretary.

As he had done twice before in meetings this week the mayor explained the part the town and community has to take in the event the project is approved by the board of engineers and their decision is favored by congress with the necessary appropriation. He also expressed a desire for an effective organization to carry on a campaign of information to the engineering board, our congressmen and others who may take a hand in seeing the project through.

Since the group present represented the city council, the chamber of commerce and the county court, Mayor Turner asked approval of his suggestion that Garfield Crawford be asked to represent the community at Washington. The approval was given and the matter will be taken up with Mr. Crawford at once.

At the suggestion of P. W. Mahoney, a brief of the project from the community's standpoint will be prepared and copies forwarded to the engineers, congressmen and Mr. Crawford (assuming that he can accept the job) and in addition letters and telegrams from individuals will go forth to the same sources presenting as strong a case as it is possible to make from this end of the deal.

It is hoped to assemble pictures of the 1903 disaster to present with the brief and anyone having pictures that tell a graphic story is urged to loan them for this business.

Frank W. Turner is in charge of the letter writing and J. O. Turner and P. W. Mahoney will prepare the brief.

The city and the chamber of commerce have gone on record guaranteeing expense money for the promotional work and the county will be asked for a contribution for the same purpose.

Ward 7 Patients Thank People of Morrow County

That the work of the Morrow county committee of the Blue Mountain Camp and Hospital council is appreciated by the patients of Ward 7 in the veterans hospital at Walla Walla is seen in the following letter from the acting manager:

Dear Mrs. Thompson:
The patients on Ward 7 have asked that we express their sincere appreciation to the people of your community who have been showing such a generous interest in their welfare through the auspices of the Blue Mountain Camp and Hospital council.

They have greatly enjoyed the special attention to their birthdays, the free long distance telephone calls and all of the many attentions which have been given their special requests by Mrs. Knudsen of the Gray Ladies corps and Mrs. Reser of the Council as your representatives.

Will you please convey our thanks to all who have contributed so generously. Their solicitude for the welfare of the disabled veterans in our care is evidence of an unusually sympathetic attitude in your community, of which you must be very proud.

Miss Kathryn Bisbee returned Saturday to her home in Oregon City after visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Bisbee in Heppner.