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Program Arranged For Broadcast at The Dalles May 9

Chorus and Three Speakers Will Take Up Allotted Time

Plans for the Heppner chamber of commerce program to be given May 9 at The Dalles have been completed and were announced Monday by Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, in charge of local arrangements. The chamber of commerce is to be guest of the Kiwanis club at The Dalles and provide the program, which will be broadcast over station KODL at the luncheon hour.

The program will be allotted 40 minutes and Mrs. Rodgers arranged it in two groups. One of these will be three talks. Henry Baker will discuss agricultural progress in Morrow county. Mayor J. O. Turner's topic will be "Heppner as a Business Center," and Mrs. Edwin Dick Jr. will tell of "Heppner as a Home Town." The other part of the program will consist of a short concert by the Heppner Women's Choral club.

Frank Davis, new manager of the Tum-A-Lum Lumber company at Heppner, outlined the priority rulings supposed to favor the GI, explaining why he thought the priority had been in name only heretofore and expressing the belief that the situation is improving a little. He also gave his slant on the scarcity of building materials and reasons for believing there is no relief in sight for some time.

Jack O'Connor stated that results of the recent Red Cross membership drive were in and that the county had subscribed 175 per cent.

Mrs. Dick reported the results of a meeting of the high school employment committee. Tentative scales were set up and include acceptance of state and national minimum wage control as a basis for farm wage scale. Suggested rates for lighter jobs were adopted by the committee to be submitted to the high school group. For baby tending, 25 cents an hour until midnight, 35 cents after midnight; other work, unskilled type, 50 cents an hour, and skilled labor, 75 cents an hour.

OILING TO HEPPNER OUT FOR PRESENT

Due to a shortage of oil resurfacing of the highway between Lexington and Heppner will not be done at this time. The highway has been repaired from below Morgan to the south limits of Lexington and it is understood the remaining nine miles to Heppner will not be done at this time.

A crew is set up along the Lexington-Hermiston route to resurface that road, probably to the Umatilla county line.

Saturday evening, April 27, Lexington I. O. O. F. hall—the time and the place for the big airport benefit dance. Tickets are on sale and going rapidly so that everything points to a big time. Plan to meet your friends there.

There's nothing like killing two birds with one stone and getting the stone back. And that is just what it amounts to. You will buy your tickets. The money will be used to ease the loss of the hangar and plane at the airport last week, and you will get your money's in a pleasant manner.

Mrs. R. B. Ferguson took her daughter, Marylou, to Walla Walla Wednesday morning following a few days vacation spent at home. Marylou is a freshman at Whitman college, enrolled in the music department. They were accompanied by Mrs. Leonard Schwarz and son LenRay.

CARNIVAL FOR FUN AND FUNDS FOR FOOTBALL NEEDS

Students of Heppner high school are staging a carnival at the gymnasium Friday evening. Fun for everybody begins at 8 p. m.

The proceeds of the affair will be used to purchase new football equipment so that the needed articles will be on hand when the first call comes for practice next fall.

The kids want you to patronize their evening of fun. There will be the usual booths—bingo, darts, baseball throw, roulette, shooting gallery, fortune telling, fish pond, grab bag, and many other attractions to drive dull care away.

Sandwiches and soft drinks will also be on sale.

Mrs. Bennett, 93, Native Oregonian, Called to Rest

Death removed an early Oregon pioneer Wednesday in the passing of Mrs. Ellen Brown Bennett of Heppner. Mrs. Bennett was born Sept. 21, 1852, at Goshen, small community south of Eugene, and spent her life in Oregon. She had been a resident of Heppner the past 30 years and had lived here before in her earlier life.

Mrs. Bennett had made her home with her son Irwin for a number of years and despite her advanced years was quite active around the house until she received a fractured arm in a fall several months ago and since that time was provided with help.

Services will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. Friday, April 26, from the Phelps Funeral Home chapel, with O. Wendell Herbison officiating. Interment will be made in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Surviving are two sons, Irwin Charles and Edgar Allen, both of Heppner, a daughter, Mrs. Jean Ann Shipstead of Casper, Wyo., a brother, William Brown of Heppner, nine grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

DeMolay Chapter Organized Here Friday Evening

Organization of a DeMolay chapter was affected Friday evening when members of the Morrow County Shrine club met with a group of boys in the Heppner Masonic hall. Attending from outside was Jerry Summerhays of Freewater, "dad" of the Freewater chapter, who assisted in the organization work.

Initiation and installation will be held Wednesday evening, May 8 in Heppner. The initiation will be open to Masons only but parents will be welcomed to the installation which will follow at a later hour. The Shrine club is planning for a big evening.

Officers of the chapter chosen Friday evening were as follows: Master councillor, Curtis Ludwig; Ione; senior councillor, Glenn Coxen, Heppner; junior councillor, Ron Anderson, Arlington; senior deacon, Bill Marshall; junior deacon, Robert Drake; senior steward, Clarence Greenup; junior steward, Tom Hughes; sentinel, Billy Joe Rietmann; chaplain, Bob Jepson; marshal, Jim Hoag; orator, Gene Rietmann; standard bearer, Frank-Messenger; alarminor, Jack Bloyhar; preceptors, Ross Doherty, Donald DuBois, Louis Carlson, Gladwin Hudson, Doyle Keyes, Robert Bergstrom and Morgan Connor. Scribe and treasurer, J. O. Turner.

Mrs. Helen Bevers of Bakersfield, Calif. is visiting her brothers, Joe and Fred Meek, and families. Mrs. Bevers is a beautician and has accepted a position in Lois' beauty shop.

Archie Ball Jr. is very ill at the parental home on upper Rhea creek. The little lad has been ill for several weeks and is causing his family and friends much concern.

Mere Man Just Onlooker as Women Stage Homemaker Day

A man may be considered the head of his house but he has reasons to believe that he is such in name only. When it comes to running the house the good spouse, the one he chose for better or for worse, is engineer, fireman and conductor all in one. She plans the meals, orders the groceries, does the cooking—in most instances—arranges the furniture, selects the drapes, wall paper, the children's clothes, and even tells paw what tie to wear. All that's required of the head of the house is to direct his own body out of the way, and incidentally pay the bills.

But contrary to that toast offered by some past great—"God bless the women, we can't get along with 'em or without 'em—most men find their services quite acceptable and go merrily on their way blissfully happy that they can't get along without them.

Thus it was that four venturesome souls of the male gender found themselves attending the home makers day meeting at the Lexington grange hall Wednesday. At least the men folks arrived at the noon hour in time for the beautiful luncheon served by the Lexington ladies. A couple of hours spent in the presence of these champions for "better homes for better living" left them convinced that home making is the feminine

forte for there were experts on hand to prove that to be the case.

"Better Homes for Better Living" was a subject expertly handled by Miss Lois Lutz, extension specialist in home management, and Miss Frances Clinton was equally efficient in presenting her subject, "New Fabrics for You and Your House."

Mrs. Lucy Rodgers emceed at the luncheon and introduced the guests, committee chairmen and speakers. A feature of the luncheon program was an exhibit by Mrs. Wood's "Sewing Susies". The girls each wore a dress made by themselves since the group organized a few weeks ago and modeled them for the benefit of the gathering. There were talks by Miss Clinton, Arnold Ebert and Miss Lutz and Miss Grace Gadeken.

A check of the crowd present brought to light that all home extension units in the county were represented except Irrigon. Ninety-five persons were served at the luncheon, making this one of the best meetings held by the women since the emergency home management program was instituted more than a year ago.

Those four fortunate but timid souls previously alluded to? Well there were a county judge, a county commissioner, an agricultural agent and an editor.

Lawrence Slocum Services Held Here Tuesday Afternoon

Memorial services were held at 2 o'clock p. m. Tuesday at the Phelps Funeral Home chapel for Lawrence Slocum who passed away in Portland Sunday, April 21. O. Wendell Herbison, pastor of the Heppner Church of Christ, officiated and interment was made in the Heppner Masonic cemetery. The Masonic commitment service was used at the graveside.

Mr. Slocum succumbed to a brain abscess, following an operation to bring him relief. He had not been well the past two years and was taken to a Portland hospital five weeks prior to his death where the best of medical skill was employed.

Lawrence Elmer Slocum was born in Heppner on July 14, 1907, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Slocum and but for a few years spent at Lexington when his father was Union Pacific agent there, had called Heppner home all his life. He graduated from Lexington high school, where he was prominent in athletics, and in July 1929 was married to Frieda McMillan at Albany. To this union six children were born, all of whom, with the mother, survive. The children are Barbara, Peter, Frances Nancy Jane, Mary K. and Carolyn. Other survivors include his mother, one brother, Lamont Slocum of The Dalles, and five sisters, Mrs. Jesse Beardsley of Heppner, Mrs. Frank Barklay, Mrs. Harry Kern of Portland, Mrs. Alfred Newman and Mrs. Lee Drake of Sacramento, Calif.

Lawrence, "Si" he was commonly called, was a member of Heppner lodge No. 69, A. F. & A. M. Pallbearers included lodge brothers and neighbors and were James Hayes, Archie Ball, Floyd Jones, Raymond Pettyjohn, Gordon Banker and Tom Harris.

FORMER RESIDENTS VISIT

Visitors in the county a few days the past week were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bullard of Gold Beach. The Bullards lived at Ione from 1921 until 1930 when Mr. Bullard operated a drug store there. He reports business flourishing along the southwest coast region since lily culture has become quite universal.

Ebert Family to Depart This Week

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Ebert and son Stephen will leave Heppner this week-end for the Willamette valley to make their home. Due to difficulties in obtaining housing, Mr. Ebert will go to Corvallis to assume his new duties and continue his search for a house and Mrs. Ebert and Stephen will stay with their parents in Salem until suitable quarters are found.

The Eberts have been residents of Heppner almost two years, coming here from Fossil where he served as Wheeler county agricultural agent for eight years. In the readjustment that has come following the war, there cropped up the position of agricultural director of station KOAC at Oregon State college and Ebert was offered the job. It represents an advance in his line of work and while reluctant to quit the county agent work he feels he is taking a step in the right direction.

Unless living quarters can be found immediately, Morrow county will be without an agricultural agent temporarily. Ebert's successor, the one selected for the job, lives in North Dakota and will not come unless guaranteed housing.

NICE CATCHES REPORTED FIRST DAY OF SEASON

Big fishing yarns have not developed since the opening day but despite the lack of tall stories some good catches have been made. Blaine Isom, who dropped into the editorial sanctum today, stated that he caught one 16½ inch trout and one 12½ inch beauty as a starter towards a successful angling season.

A report comes from the Floyd Worden family that a 19-inch trout was caught by either Floyd or Mrs. Worden, Isom didn't know which. Anyway, that is a sizeable fish for such a small stream as those found in Morrow county.

The Orville Smith family are enjoying trout pretty frequently as young Jimmy inveigles the finny beauties into his creel with a regularity that leaves nothing to the imagination. Some of the oldsters can look to their laurels.

Ed Clark was in Heppner or a few hours Wednesday visiting old friends and neighbors. He makes his home in Hermiston.

"Play Ball" Again To Be Heard on District Diamonds

Heppner and Ione To Cross Bats at Ione Sunday P. M.

Further evidence that peace is with us is seen in the revival of the great American pastime in this where for so many years the Wheat League provided entertainment for the followers of baseball. Through the efforts of the American Legion posts of the area, the Wheat League has been revived and the first exhibition for this immediate vicinity will be played at Ione Sunday afternoon when teams representing the Heppner and Ione Legion posts will cross bats on the school diamond.

Reorganization of the league has been under way for some time and during the past week crystallizing into a working group with teams from four counties, including Morrow, representing Sherman; Condon and Arlington, Gilliam county; Fossil, Wheeler county and Heppner and Ione, Morrow county.

A schedule of games designed to carry baseball activities through the spring and early summer is being worked out and in the meantime, Ione and Heppner will feel out their strength in the meeting at Ione Sunday.

Practice is being held evenings at the Rodeo grounds for candidates for the Heppner team. There are no "seeded" positions as yet and any ambitious player who will take the time to go out and practice will be given an opportunity to "strut his stuff." Willard Blake is talent scout for the local team and will gladly add your name to his list.

While a definite lineup had not been arranged up to press time, Manager Blake provided names of players forming a tentative squad. These include Al Massey, catcher; Jack Miller, Harlan McCurdy Jr. Doug Drake and Ray Massey, pitching staff; Kenny Hoyt, first base; Joe Aiken, second base; Rich Hayes, third base; Dub Aiken, shortstop, and Howard Bryant, Wilbur Worden and a newcomer by the name of Olson, outfield.

VISITING HOME FOLKS

Captain and Mrs. Walter Oslund are guests at the home of Mrs. Oslund's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson, where they have been since Thursday of last week. They have been in North Carolina the Tuesday for Cheyenne, Wyo. The past several months and will leave Captain will be discharged from the army in June and he and Mrs. Oslund plan to enroll at the University of Wyoming.

Peter Curran Dies Of Heart Attack

Peter Curran, resident of Morrow county some 40 years, passed away about noontime Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Charlotte Kilkenny where he had been an employe for a number of years. Death was due to a heart attack which he suffered shortly before noon and while sitting in the living room of the Kilkenny residence.

Services were held this morning at St. Patrick's Catholic church, Father Francis McCormick officiating and arrangements in charge of Phelps Funeral Home. Interment was in Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Peter Joseph Curran was a native of Ireland, which country he left about 40 years ago to come to America. He spent most of that time in Morrow county working on the sheep ranches. He was married and is survived by the widow and a daughter, and two brothers, John and Mike Curran all of this county.