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French Reviews The Legislature

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Governor Snell gave his speech today before the joint assembly of senators and representatives and found it better received than was his first one.

TAXATION UPPERMOST

The matter of taxation was uppermost in the minds of the legislators and is also the first problem in the minds of the people of the state. On this subject the governor was specific in some things and general in others. He praised the tax study committee but found himself in disagreement with a part of the report. He did, however, recommend that the report be carefully studied because it contained much research material that will be valuable.

How to obtain the money for the state's needs is still a problem despite the governor's speech. He recommends that the excess tax income be put in the general fund. This would approximately balance the budget. At present these funds are put in with income tax returns and both are used to reduce the property tax. Under the governor's proposal property taxpayers would be some \$8 or 9,000,000 closer to paying state property taxes. That may be too close.

It would be like taking money from one pocket and putting it in the other, a practice that is not recommended to build up one's income.

Use of the building fund to alleviate the state's finances would be borrowing from the future on a somewhat similar basis. Both would save the state but could not cure it.

FOR BOYS' CAMP

The governor had other recommendations that will be found easier to accept.

He would establish a boys' camp for wayward youth who might be easier rehabilitated there than in the Woodburn school, which has a very slight reputation as a reformatory. He also wants a new place in the prison for first offenders, which has long been recommended but not accepted because of finances.

Tourist travel aid, zoning laws and several other problems were mentioned and in many cases the governor requested the legislature to pass necessary legislation for them. Many will undoubtedly be passed, if the funds can be found in the welter of demands for more things for less money.

SPECIFIC ON LABOR

On the subject of labor the governor was more specific than before. He did not ask for abolition of the closed shop, but did say that many abuses of present labor laws had made it mandatory that something be done. Monopolies, either on the part of employers or employees, he said, cannot be permitted in a democratic land. Higher payments for those under unemployment compensation and workmen's compensation was asked by the governor in light of the present cost of living.

Before the governor came in to the joint session to make his talk both houses had organized by electing the officers needed to carry on the work of the session an appropriation bill for 1947. The house immediately passed its own expenses, a bill permitting Justice Brand to go to Germany as a judge over war trials, and several resolutions of little importance.

Quality of the two houses seems high, perhaps more of the employer class and the professional class than is proper to represent the people of the state adequately. There is but one avowed speaker for labor in the

Ample Transportation



Although his legs are paralyzed from war injuries, Norman Zillner, former Army lieutenant now studying at the University of California, needs no assistance in getting about. He lifts the lightweight collapsible wheel chair from his specially equipped automobile to enter his Berkeley quarters. The 23-year-old veteran is studying with financial aid from the Veterans Administration.

Council Sets Up Modified Manager Plan for Heppner

Operational Work Placed in Hands Of Superintendent

At a special meeting held at the city hall Friday evening the city council approved the superintendent plan laid out by the water and police committee and beginning the following morning Heppner's water and police set-up went under a new order.

The council created a new office, that of superintendent and police commissioner, combining the duties of watermaster, police chief and street commissioner. At the same time an assistant superintendent job was created and the job of town marshal was placed under the control of the superintendent.

J. O. Rasmus reconsidered his announced intention to resign and accepted the post of superintendent. P. A. Mollahan was hired as the assistant superintendent and Dean Gilman was retained as marshal. The night marshal job has been discontinued temporarily until it is seen how the present set-up works out. Mollahan has charge of the street cleaning and is on police call during the morning hours. Gilman goes on his shift at 2 p. m. and remains until night life along the main drag quiets down (or until the sidewalks are pulled in).

One of the objections of the former set-up was that no one but the watermaster knew the ins and outs of the water system. Under the new order, the assistant superintendent will learn the business of operating the system so that when it becomes necessary for the superintendent to be out of town the work will go on as usual.

People having minor complaints, and even some major ones, relative to water, police or street and alley conditions will present them to the city superintendent at the city building. The council has placed this authority in his hands and will take no part except when the superintendent deems it advisable to consult with or pass certain matters to that body for final action.

Mayor Lanham and members of the council have expressed the opinion that the new plan is acceptable and that it should be workable. Since the city officials serve without pay and all are busy business men they feel it should not be necessary for them to take time off to delve into matters that can be handled by one man whose services are paid for.

Fines Imposed on Traffic Violators

Operating motor vehicles without chauffeur's licenses brought fines and court costs to three truck drivers the past week. On complaint of State Officer Edgar Albert, Leon Nichols James Shockman, Hermiston, Paul James Doherty, Heppner and Elwood Burton Way, originally from Glencoe, Minn., were fined \$10 and \$4.50 each when they appeared before J. O. Hager, justice of the peace.

Ray Butler Shoun of Lexington paid a \$25 fine and \$5 court costs when arraigned before Justice Hager on a count of drawing a bank check with insufficient funds in the bank to pay same in full. Saenger's Pharmacy signed the complaint. Shoun paid the fine and averted a 30-day jail sentence as alternative.

SHRINE CLUB SPONSORING FATHER-SON BANQUET

The Morrow County Shrine club is sponsoring a father and son banquet to be held at 6:30 p. m. Monday, Jan. 20 in the basement of the Heppner Church of Christ. The dinner will be prepared and served by the Shrine auxiliary.

Members of the DeMolay and their fathers will be guests of the club. The Shrine club is endeavoring to get the parents interested in the work being done by their sons. Henry Teitz, former high school principal here and now high school principal at Pendleton, has been invited to be the speaker of the evening.

NATIONAL P. T. VETERANS ASSN. FORMED IN BOSTON

A National P. T. Veterans' Association has been formed in Boston, Mass. and Leslie R. Wells of Boston was elected president, at the first convention held November 16-17, 1946. The state of Oregon is now organizing and a reunion is planned. All former M. T. B. personnel are requested to write to Dale Gilman, chairman, 1425 N. W. Gilsan St., Portland, for further particulars.

Irrigation Water From Wells Seen Possibility Here

Irrigation farming on a limited scale by using well water is seen as a possibility in this county. One rancher has a well to which he will attach a 30-horse power diesel engine and pump the water for irrigation purposes.

O. W. Cutsforth reports that his well has a bigger flow than the Heppner city well and he believes that 75 or 80 acres of land can be irrigated from it. "Wells don't play out in this country," Cutsforth said, "and I believe there is a possibility that many of our farmers can engage in irrigation farming on a limited scale." His idea is dependent somewhat for development on the possibility of obtaining cheaper farm power. He is not recommending that others engage in pumping with diesel power but believes it can be done with electricity when rates are adjusted to that type of service.

News From C. A. Office

The construction of a new stock barn and portable bleachers in the city of The Dalles to provide facilities for the wheat league sponsored 4-H club fat livestock show and sale, scheduled to have its first showing there May 27 and 28, is expected to get underway very soon, according to word received recently.

Plans for the exhibit barn, as well as grandstand and bleachers have been prepared by the agricultural engineering department at Oregon State college. The site for the show has been selected and is to be used as the county recreational grounds immediately west of the city. Here it is expected there will be developed within a year complete recreational facilities to cost \$50,000. An oval one-half mile race track is already built and fenced and other plans provide for rodeo facilities, a football field, baseball diamond and other recreational features.

The wheat league's livestock show committee, consisting of Harvey McAllister, The Dalles; Roy Phillippi, Blalock, and Millard Eaken, Grass Valley, have appointed Eugene Courtney, The Dalles, for many years an active booster of 4-H club work as general manager of the show, and Grant Perry, The Dalles, secretary-treasurer. Other committee chairmen included LeRoy Wright, Sherman county agent, in charge of the beef calf exhibits; Wm. K. Farrell, Grant county agent, sheep exhibits, and E. J. Lathrop, Wasco county 4-H club agent, hog exhibits.

The wheat league has provided \$750 for use as premiums. It is reported that more than 100 steers are on feed for the show, also an estimated 50 hogs and 50 sheep, all being fed to the livestock must be wheat as the wheat league is interested in encouraging the use of wheat in this manner.

Morrow county has eight 4-H club members, Ingrid Hermann, Neal Beamer, Vesta Cutsforth, Betty Graves, Faye Cutsforth, Jo Anne Graves, Ronald Baker and Duane Baker, who will be entered in this show and sale.

Clifton Slack, E. E. Rugg and Bill Barratt are farmers who are taking advantage of the opportunity to purchase dairy calves the past week. These men ordered seven Guernsey calves from cows that are under herd improvement test in the Tillamook Herd Improvement association. All calves are from cows with a 300 pound or better buterfat production in the past year.

Orders for your calves can be left at this office.

Don't forget this date—January 21. On January 21 we will demonstrate the use of fog pressure in controlling fires with the hope in mind that there will be enough interest shown by farmers to warrant the purchase of equipment for farm fire fighting. Morrow county needs this equipment badly—one fire could pay for its cost. If you are interested in saving crops and buildings on your farm plan now to attend.

A movie will be shown at the Heppner school gymnasium at 10:30 a. m. which will show the many uses for which the equipment can be put. At 1:30 p. m. a demonstration of actually extinguishing a fire will be held at the Heppner dump. Plan now to be there.

Several herds of cattle were inspected last Saturday for grubs. It was found that the grubs will not be ready for treatment as early as believed but that it will be about February 10th when treatment should start. Cattle should be dusted or sprayed with a 5 percent rotenone powder. In the case of dusting about 3 ounces per animal should be used, thoroughly

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March of Dimes Used In Many Ways To Aid Polio Patients

In how many ways are contributions to the March of Dimes used for the aid of infantile paralysis sufferers?

This question was answered today by Francis Nickerson, chairman of the polio fund campaign in Morrow county.

"All the money contributed to the March of Dimes," he said, "is divided into two parts. Half remains in the county where it is subscribed, to provide direct aid to infantile paralysis patients. It is used by the county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for medical and nursing care, hospitalization, physical therapy treatments, orthopedic surgery, if necessary, orthopedic appliances and equipment, and all other services necessary to the complete care of poliomyelitis patients.

"The other half goes to headquarters of the National Foundation for emergency aid in epidemics, for training professional personnel in care and treatment methods, for education and the vital program of scientific research which is our only hope of finally wiping out this dread disease.

"This intensive fight against

infantile paralysis is undoubtedly the greatest voluntary humanitarian movement in the recorded history of mankind. It has enlisted the personal interest and contributions of a majority of America's adult population. It exists only by and through your continuing support.

"The March of Dimes, Jan. 15, 30, gives all of us an opportunity to join this important crusade."

Nickerson repeated the statement that this year's needs are greater than ever, due to exhaustion of reserve funds of the National Foundation as a result of a great increase in patients in 1946.

March of Dimes boxes have been distributed to business houses throughout the county and the citizens are urged to not only fill these boxes but to make additional contributions.

Of local interest will be the showing Jan. 24-30 of a special short film, "A Step Forward," featuring Greer Garson. The crowning event of the campaign will be the March of Dimes dance at Willows Grange hall in lone.

David Lee, a six and one-half pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Hanna Jr. Wednesday, Jan. 8, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bergstrom in Heppner.

REC MEETING POSTPONED

Due to bad weather, the meeting of the Lexington Home Ec club has been postponed for one week. There will be an important meeting at the grange hall at 2 p. m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at which time plans for serving the annual Lexington Oil Cooperative dinner on Feb. 3 will be made. The hall will be well warmed and all members are urged to attend.

The newsreel at the Star Theater, January 22 and 23, features five great news stories of the past 24 hours: Carotation of King George VI, Lindbergh Kidnapping, Tacoma Bridge Crash, 1937 Memorial Day Riots, The Hindenburg.

MARRIAGE DATE SET

Family and friends in Heppner have received invitations to the forthcoming marriage of Charles William Bucknum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bucknum of Heppner. Mr. Bucknum will be married on Wednesday, Jan. 29 to Miss Betty Everett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Everett of Evetteville of La Canada, Calif.

The ceremony will be performed at 7 p. m. in the Church of the Recessional, Forest Lawn Memorial park, in Glendale.

Lexington Airport Refueling Station

Announcement was made this week by Manager Jack Forsythe that the Lexington airport has become a refueling stop point for the Western Skyways Service of Troutdale, for their GI student cross country flight. Within the past week 13 planes with one instructor and one student to each have stopped for gas.

Friday, 10 students made Lexington an over night stop. Six of the group were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Forsythe and four of them guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carmichael.

Growing importance of the airport is seen in the number of transient planes landing there. Within the past two weeks the landing register listed 10 outside planes.

Students of the Forsythe Flying Service training department are making good progress. Glen McMurtrey soloed the last of December and Conley Lanham started 1947 by soloing on New Year's day. Vernon Munkers made good a promise by taking his daughter Marilyn as his first passenger after receiving his private pilot's license before the new year.

4-H BEEF CLUB MEETING

Barbara Sherman will be hostess to the Morrow county 4-H beef club at the Sherman home on Willow creek south of Heppner, Sunday, Jan. 19. The meeting will open at 1:30 p. m. All members have been issued a special invitation to attend.

Mrs. F. S. Parker is in Pendleton this week taking care of the John Parker children during the illness of their mother.

L. E. Dick Sr. has informed members of his family that in company with his mother and sister he left Portland last week for California to spend a few weeks in the southern part of the state.

30-Years Column Arouses Interest Among G-T Readers

There is genuine satisfaction in giving our readers something of interest and in introducing the "30 Years Ago" column last week struck a popular chord.

Due to the loss of earlier files in the fire that destroyed the old Heppner Times building in 1918, 30 years back is the farthest we can go and maintain an unbroken succession. Many of our readers have commented on the column and at least two have been moved to do something about it.

Percy Cox brought in a copy of the Heppner Gazette of May 30, 1889 salvaged from the former W. C. Lacey house in Blackhorse where it had been stuffed in between the walls. It is in a bad state of mutilation but we hope to glean a few items from it.

Our lone correspondent, Mrs. Echo Palmstater, who is librarian at lone, came forth with an item the lone Independent of January 1921—26 years ago, which contained the following item:

"Former service men met Jan. 24 and organized a local post of the American Legion with 20 charter memberships and elected the following officers: Charles Dane, commander; Raymond Turner, vice commander; Joseph Mason, adjutant; Dr. C. R. Walker, finance officer; Fred Nicholson, chaplain; Elmer Griffith, sergeant-at-arms. The next meeting will be held Friday evening, Feb. 4, in the I. O. O. F. hall."

Townies Downed by Condon Five, 49-40

Heppner took it on the chin Wednesday night of last week when the Townies visited the Gilliam county capital. With only two substitutes the Townies couldn't maintain a fast enough pace to check the Condon team and took the short end of a 49-40 score.

The Townies played Condon an even game the first half but began to weaken in the second half, due to a shortage of substitutes.

Manager LaVerne Van Marter has several games scheduled, most of them to be played on foreign floors. Condon will play a return game here Feb. 8.

MOVE TO HILLSBORO

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Edwards left Saturday for their new home in Hillsboro. George Gertson took Mr. Edwards in the Phelps ambulance and Mrs. Gertson went along to drive the Edwards car. Mrs. Joe Hughes accompanied them, taking her daughter to Salem to return to school. Mr. Edwards withstood the trip quite well, although he got tired. The party encountered considerable snow on the trip but experienced no road difficulties.

Free Parking for Disabled Vets



Seattle Councilman Al Rochester, left, sponsor of a recent amendment to the city's traffic code giving disabled veterans free parking rights in all unrestricted areas, here supervises installation of the first windshield sticker on the automobile of James Currie, right, who lost both legs in Okinawa. Rochester, a World War I veteran, holds a billfold card matching the sticker.

Still Life Drawing

