

French Reviews The Legislature

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Nine weeks—63 days—have gone since Oregon's 44th legislature convened last January 13, an unlucky day, for what may turn out to be an unlucky session.

It was known at the beginning of the session that the state needed some eight or ten million dollars of additional revenue, mostly in the general fund. That meant new taxes for income and excise taxes to go to offset property taxes and do not go into the general fund. Transfers of them to the general fund must be referred to the people, although it is considered possible by some to put excise tax revenue into the general fund by act of the legislature. That was the governor's proposal.

The house assessment and taxation committee has so far found it impossible to find and agree on many revenue bills. It did pass out a cigarette tax bill which might raise \$2,000,000 per year, but it is set for two years only which means that opponents of it can initiate against it and save all but seven months of the tax. This they would certainly do. Therefore it is not assured income.

Argument has waxed heavy over a proposal for an increased gas tax or a tax on cars to be used for the benefit of the counties, but this has not been accepted, and it wouldn't help the general fund anyway, except that it might let counties use some funds now used for roads to be put into their welfare costs.

The withholding tax on all labor is an income tax that brings no aid to the general fund. The proposed tax on slot machines is still in the committee and it would bring in a million or more for the depleted fund.

Leadership in some of the important committees appears lacking although no criticism falls to the chairmen thereof who have worked faithfully, if not with entire success. They are in some instances new to their jobs and with abilities other than executive.

The house is still keeping its bills to close down on labor organizations and the senate still has its bills, which the house is awaiting, being desirous of making something constructive of the whole program.

Extension Groups Prepare for Annual Homemakers Day

The Homemakers county extension committee recently met in the home demonstration agent's office to make plans for the annual homemakers' day and to elect officers for the committee.

The women decided to hold their annual homemakers' day at Willows grange hall in one on Tuesday, April 15 from 10 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. The women planned a full day of entertainment for all homemakers of Morrow county.

Mrs. Erma H. Little of Corvallis, extension specialist in family relationships, will be the principal speaker.

Miss Frances Clinton, assistant state home demonstration leader, will show slides and give a talk on her travel to the South Seas. Miss Clinton was formerly home demonstration agent in Umatilla county.

Miss Jean Williams of Corvallis, extension specialist in community and social organizations, will conduct a one-half hour of recreation on the program.

The homemakers who took part in the cotton dressmaking at Ione and those who renovated or remodeled a garment at the remodeling clinic will present a style show.

All 4-H club leaders have been asked to make an exhibit from their club.

The Corvallis Home Economics club will serve a lunch luncheon at noon.

Mrs. Ralph Thompson of Heppner was elected chairman of the county extension committee. Mrs. L. Beatrice Daniels of Boardman, was named vice-chairman; Mrs. Markham Baker, Ione, secretary. The county extension committee will meet every two months with the home demonstration agent. The other members of the committee are Mrs. W. E. Hughes, Mrs. Walter Wright, Heppner; Mrs. Vera Munkers, Lexington; and Mrs. Ernest Heliker, Ione.

The next meeting of the committee along with two officers of the home extension units will be at the Boardman grange hall on Tuesday, May 6, from 10 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. The purpose of this meeting will be to plan the home extension program for 1947-1948.

Rodeo Association Calls Meeting of Show Managers

To Hear of Rules Changes Made by R C A Committee

Invitations have been sent out by the Heppner Rodeo Association to towns of the region staging similar shows to the local rodeo to attend a meeting here Saturday, March 23, for the purpose of learning some of the changes made recently by the R. C. A. ruling force of the rodeo world. The local association officers have contacted E. M. Boylen of Pendleton, committeeman of the I. R. A. who with members of the I. R. A. who with members of the Pendleton Round-Up board will be here to tell about meetings at Stockton, Calif., and Portland with Earl Lindsey, secretary of the R. C. A.

Representatives from Arlington, Hermiston, Prineville, Sisters, John Day and Condon have been invited to the meeting. These towns all have wild west shows of one type or another and all will be affected by the new rulings of the R. C. A.

One of the new rules laid down by the master organization will work a hardship on the outfits that provide stock for the shows. This is the one pertaining to roping stock. Heretofore there has been no limit placed on the number of times a cow, calf or steer might be roped. The new rule puts a limit of four ropings per animal in a single season.

On the other hand, a second ruling makes it mandatory that when a cowboy draws an animal for a certain event he must go through with that event. It is to get an understanding of these rules and other matters pertaining to rodeos in general that the meeting has been called.

Nothing definite has been done relative to hiring stock for the 1947 rodeo, according to Jack Loyd, secretary. President Lee Beckner has been feeling around some but no decision has been made.

Relatives Gather To Observe Mrs. Cason's Birthday

A number of relatives gathered at the Cason Bros. ranch on Rock creek Sunday, March 16, to celebrate the 85th birthday of Mrs. Carrie Cason. Those present besides the honoree were Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cason, Mrs. Elmer Knight and Margaret and Raymond Knight from Olex, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Haynes and Marilyn from Lonerock, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cason and John and Jimmy, and Ellis Cason.

Mrs. Cason often remarks of the changes she has seen in this county. Heppner consisted of one log cabin in 1871 when she, with her family, moved to eastern Oregon from Brownsville. They first settled on Skinner creek where they lived about seven years. She remembers vividly the time of the Indian excitement, when all the settlers resorted to Heppner where a fort had been built, which fortunately was never needed.

Mrs. Cason has been a resident of the Lonerock community for the past 54 years.

Family Reunion Marks Anniversary

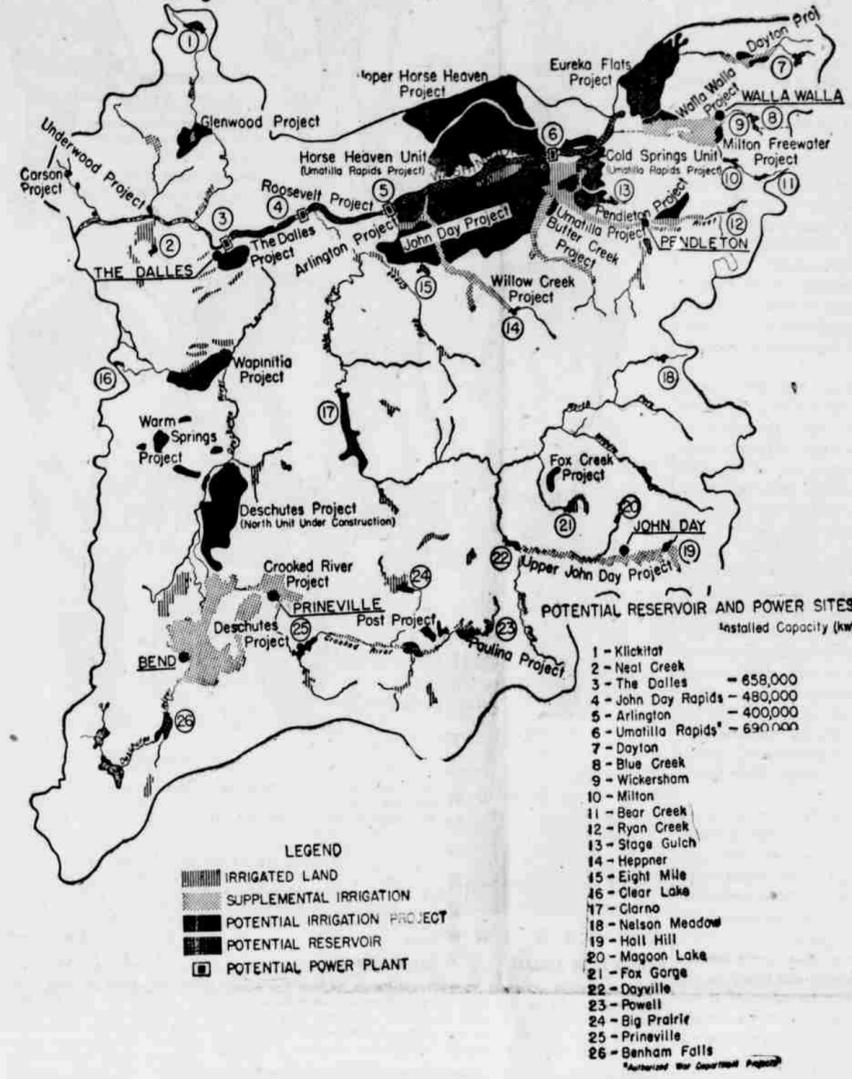
With their children and their children's children and other relatives gathered about them, Mr. and Mrs. John Padberg observed their 50th wedding anniversary mid happy surroundings Sunday. A turkey dinner with all the trimmings, served cafeteria style, was the occasion for recalling happy times of the past and when Mrs. Earl Lieualten served the wedding cake all were reminded of the occasion they were celebrating.

Sunday guests included Mr. and Mrs. Oris Padberg, Lexington; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Vinson and children, Kimberley; Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Padberg and son, Portland; and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Padberg and three children, Hermiston. The immediate family of Mr. and Mrs. John Padberg. Others were Lewis Padberg, Ione; Mrs. Lydia Heaton, Pendleton; Mrs. Lana Padberg, Ione; J. A. Lieualten and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lieualten, Walla Walla; Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Padberg and children, Ione; Mrs. Hazel Bengtson and children, Heppner; Arley Padberg and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harr, Ione; Vela Eubanks, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eubanks and son, Portland; Albert Patenaude, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bryson and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Heliker, Ione.

Many guests dropped in Monday to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Padberg and they received many cards, gifts and flowers.

NEW WEALTH FOR MIDDLE COLUMBIA AREA

Bureau of Reclamation Plans For Irrigation And Multiple-Purpose Projects



This map of Bureau of Reclamation plans for irrigation and multiple purpose projects of the Columbia river basin and central Oregon is self-explanatory. Although the Willow Creek project is included on the map, there is nothing in the article accompanying it about our pet—the Heppner flood control dam—but the legend shows that it is in the supplemental irrigation class. Most of the north end, or "sand belt" is included in the John Day project, so if work gets underway some of these days, Morrow county will be in line for a great development.

Death Calls Mrs. Lillie Aiken at 5 This Morning

Following a long illness which found her confined to bed most of the time in recent months, Mrs. Lillie Aiken passed to her reward at 5 o'clock this morning. Death occurred at the Mrs. Walter Hood home where she had been cared for by a special nurse since returning from Portland a few weeks ago.

Funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock p. m. Sunday, March 23, at the Masonic hall, with Ruth chapter No. 32, Order of the Eastern Star in charge. Interment will be made in the Heppner Masonic cemetery. The Phelps Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

With the passing of Mrs. Aiken another of the fast thinning ranks of pioneers of the county is taken. Born May 9, 1872, at Shepersville, Bullitt county, Ky., she came with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Foster Adams, to Morrow county in 1883. The family settled in Sand Hollow and the children attended school in Heppner. She married George Case Aiken on June 19, 1892. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Rasmus, parents of Frank and J. O. Rasmus, with the Rev. J. M. Shultz, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating.

At the age of 16 she became converted to the Christian faith and united with the First Baptist church of Heppner. She retained this faith until the end. She was also a member of Ruth chapter No. 32, O. E. S., the Women's Benefit association, and the Degree of Honor.

Surviving are four sons, Cyrus W. of Salem, Henry C. of Heppner, Jared C. of Los Angeles, Paul A. of Portland, and two daughters, Helen Gragg, Salem, and Ella Corder, Portland. Besides these there are eight grandchildren, and three sisters, Mrs. Maud Gragg, Betty Schubner and Hattie Sachio, all of Portland.

New Books Placed On Library Shelf

New books received at the Heppner library this week include Lydia Bailey, by Roberts; Holdfast, by Sheppard; Out on a Limb, by Baker; Long Storm, by Haycox; Thieves in the Night, by Koestler; The Lincoln Reader, by Angle, and Spoon Handle, by Moore.

The books were donated by Eleanor Cohn Shank for the Harriet Mahoney memorial shelf, according to Mrs. Ralph Mariatt, librarian.

Other book gifts of recent date are Men of Molokai, by Ann Ross, and Handkerchief Holiday and Topfoly, by Ferrel Hess, from Troop 3, Girl Scouts; Shantle Love and the Girl Scouts, by Ann Hyde Choate, from Troop 11 Girl Scouts; and Thunder Out of China, by Theodore White and Analee Jacoby; Hiroshima, by John Hersey, from the Bookworms club.

ON BOWLING TEAM

A letter from Mrs. Alma Gilliam, Portland, informs the Gazette Times that she will leave April 16 for Grand Rapids, Mich. to bowl in the International Bowling tournament. She is one of a team of 19 women from Portland which competes with teams from all over the United States. She attended the tournament in Kansas City last year and says it was a thrilling event, with plenty of competition.

The Women's Society of the Methodist church will hold a bazaar from 2 to 5 p. m. Saturday, March 29 in the basement of the church. Tea will be served and there will also be cooked food for sale.

Lexport Ready for Opening of GI Flight Training

Improvements made at the Lexington airport in recent weeks have moved the port a step nearer to complying with regulations required for inauguration of a GI flight training school. It was announced Tuesday by Mayor Alonzo Henderson.

The airport runway has been graded and seeded. The airport hangar has been completely repaired since the damage incurred by a violent wind several months ago, and a concrete floor has been laid in conformity with regulations. Plumbing is being put in the ticket office and waiting room building and as soon as this is completed, along with putting in the doors to the hangar, the port will be in shape to take up the flight training work.

A new plane, a Howard five-place job, is now berthed at the airport. It is a recent purchase of the Heppner Lumber company. The plane is powered by a 450-hp Pratt & Whitney engine and has a cruising speed of 200 miles per hour. It is understood that Manager Jack Forsythe, Orville Cutsforth and Ted Smith took off for Detroit, Mich. in the Howard, the trip being made for Cutsforth to take delivery on a new plane with which he will get some cross-country experience by piloting it to Oregon.

PARISH DINNER HONORS ST. PATRICK'S MEMORY

Green was the predominant color and Irish songs and stories the principal entertainment Monday evening when members of St. Patrick's Catholic church assembled in the parish hall for a potluck dinner and program commemorating the patron saint.

Rev. Francis McCormack was in charge of the program and was impartial in his calls upon both old and young for impromptu numbers. A large crowd was in attendance.

John E. Grimes Dies in Portland

Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock p. m. Monday, at the Colonial mortuary in Portland for John E. Grimes, 66, whose death occurred Friday, March 14. Interment was made in Lincoln Memorial park, Portland.

Mr. Grimes was at one time a resident of this county, being engaged in the operation of the hotel and store at Parker's Mill for a number of years. He married Ida J. Pyle while residing here and to this union three children were born, Effie Unruh, Salem; Kenneth Grimes, Alameda, Calif.; and Dale Grimes, Salem, who, with the mother survive. There is also a stepdaughter, Mrs. Allen Case of Heppner, three sisters and one brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Case left for Portland Friday to attend the services.

JOHN WILLIAM MAIDMENT

John William Maidment whose death occurred at Lone Rock March 12 after a three-month illness, was a native of England. He came to America in 1886 and three years later settled at Lone Rock which was his home until he died. He engaged in the stock business and was one of the prominent sheepmen of the district for the greater part of his residence there.

On May 19, 1888, he was married to Emma Cole, who, with their four children, Mrs. Eva Bennett of Chehalis, Wash., Mrs. Ethel Perry of Lone Rock, Mrs. Ethel Crenshaw of Lebanon and Charles Maidment of Centralia, Wash., survive.

MEETING DATE ADVANCED

The April meeting of the Rhea Creek grange has been moved ahead one week, according to Francis Nickerson, master, and will be held Friday evening, March 28 instead of April 4. This will be an important meeting, Nickerson says, and he urges a good turnout. The Home Economics committee will meet at noon, March 28.

Court and Committee Select Site on Barratt Hill For Co. Hospital

W-T League Plans To Play 8 Teams In 1947 Schedule

Kinzua Accepted, One Other Club To Be Accorded Bid

At the first meeting of the Wheat-Timber baseball league, held at Condon March 17, representatives from Wasco, Arlington, Condon, Fossil, Ione and Heppner unanimously voted to accept Kinzua into the league. Plans are now being made for the entry of one other team, probably Ordinance, Oregon or Goldendale, Wash., making an eight team league.

League play is slated to begin on April 6 and will continue each Sunday thereafter with the last game scheduled for July 6. At present the season schedule has not been completed but it is expected to be posted by the first of next week. It will appear in this newspaper as soon as it is released.

Wilbur Parrish of Condon was elected league president, replacing Ray Dukek, and Johnny Jackson, also of Condon, was elected to the position of secretary-treasurer.

Each team in the league is depositing \$20, the money to be used for league expenses, a trophy for the champion team, and a banquet for the players at the end of the season.

P-TA Preparing Kit For Teachers In Foreign Lands

Under the leadership of Mrs. Edna Turner and Miss Margaret Hughtett, the teachers and patrons of the Heppner school are making up a kit to send to teachers overseas. Progress on the project was reported at the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher association on the evening of March 12.

A summer round-up committee was appointed, with Mrs. Claude Graham, Mrs. Frank Connor and Mrs. Alva Jones participating. Mr. Pate reported that all but three teachers had taken advantage of the Blue Cross insurance. A teachers' housing committee was named including Elaine Isom, Harold Becket, Orville Smith, F. E. Davis and C. C. Pinckney. The P-TA parties were discontinued for the year. The room count for attendance was won by the fifth grade.

Habituals Placed Under Interdiction

Orders of interdiction were issued by Justice J. O. Heger the past week on Robert Clyde McDaniel, who gave his home address as Portland, and Roy Clyde Boggs, Heppner, when they appeared before him on charges of too much indulgence in the cup that cheers.

McDaniel was brought in by Officer Edgar Albert on a charge of being drunk on a public highway. He was fined \$30 and \$5 costs, with an alternate term of 30 days in the county jail if the fine were not paid. A friend settled up for him but the judge thought it best to help him keep out of trouble by making it more difficult for him to procure liquor.

4-H SEWING 2

The 4-H Sewing II club held by Mrs. Coxen and Mrs. Moore met Saturday afternoon in the home ec room at the Heppner school. The girls cut out patterns and basted them together. Refreshments of cookies and Kool aid were served. Next meeting will be March 22 at the same place. —Rieta Graves, reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lieualten of Pendleton were Heppner visitors Friday, making the trip over in a jeep. Roy is salesman for the Casperson & Hildenbrand Motors, Pendleton distributor for the mighty mite of motoroid.

Following a meeting Monday forenoon with Elmer F. Harrington, of the architectural firm of Rosdill, Schmeier & Harrington, of Portland, at which time revised plans for the Morrow county hospital were reviewed by the hospital committee and physicians, the court and committee selected the site on the hill proffered by Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barratt.

Aside from the fact that the Barratts had offered to give the land to the county, it was the immediate choice of the architect as the site most nearly meeting the requirements for the type of building to be placed upon it.

Exact location of the building will be settled as soon as some preliminary matters are out of the way. However, the ground chosen lies due east of the Richfield station, just to give a general idea of the site. The Barratts had chosen that particular site as the location for a new home but both said they would gladly give the county that spot if it meant getting the hospital construction under way within a reasonable time.

Revised plans of the hospital show an expansion in size. In place of 25 to 30 beds there will be 30 beds in the main building and a 10-bed maternity ward including two delivery rooms. The over-all length of the main wing will be 256 feet and the greatest depth 110 feet, covering the main wing and the additional wings. The main wing will run north and south, with the long exposure on the west side. There will be three additional wings. One will house the surgery, the second the heating unit, kitchen and nurses' quarters and the third the maternity ward.

Emphasis has been placed on utility and while type of construction and materials have not been gone into it is the purpose of the court to hold out for practical rather than ornamental features. In other words, a substantial building with neat appearance on the outside and every convenience for economical and practical operation inside is what the court has in mind and the funds will be used toward that end.

Funds raised by taxation the past two years amount to \$100,036.55. Judge Bert Johnson revealed this morning. Application is to be made to the government for an allotment, which it is understood will amount to one-third of the construction cost. Present estimates of total cost are in the neighborhood of \$380,000. If the local officials are figuring right, the government would put up approximately \$75,000.

Solving of the financing problems will require a little more time and when the money's "in the bag" it will require another period of advertising for bids, studying of same and a myriad of other details before actual construction can be started. In the meantime, there may be some adjustment of material and labor costs which will make the funds go farther—at least that is in the minds of the hospital authorities. "We are building something that will last many years and nothing should be overlooked that will aid us in getting full value for the money expended," Judge Johnson concluded.

NEW MANAGER

J. P. Sullivan, recently from Hermiston, has taken over the management of the Heppner Cleaners and Dyers, owned and operated by Mrs. John Hanan. Sullivan has had 22 years experience in the business, working at Pendleton and Hermiston. He is somewhat acquainted here having been on hunting expeditions with Heppner parties. He will move his family here after school closes in Hermiston.

E. L. Barnett, who has been in charge of the cleaning and pressing the past few months, has gone to Hermiston to work.

HEALTHY HELPERS MEET

Our club, the Healthy Helpers, held their seventh meeting March 12, at Boardman, with all members present. Robert Fortner, president, called the meeting to order. We opened with the singing of America. This was followed with a collection in which each responded with memory gems. Raymond Fitzgerald was voted in as a new member. The date for the next meeting is March 26.—Wilbur Platt, reporter.

SPECIAL GRANGE MEETING

The Lexington grange will hold a special meeting Saturday, March 22 at 8 p. m. At this time there will be initiation in the first and second degrees for new candidates from granges throughout the county. This will be followed by a social hour in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Whilon. Potluck refreshments will be served.