

Recreation Room Made Possible By Action of C. of C.

Senior Group Will Assist Jaycees on Civic Center Job

Possibility of alteration of part of the dance hall building recently acquired by the city through a trade with the county to make a recreation hall for the community is seen in action taken by the Heppner chamber of commerce Wednesday evening in response to a request from the Junior chamber of commerce for financial assistance in starting a civic center. After a lengthy discussion of pros and cons relative to a center as proposed by the Junior chamber of commerce, the board of directors of the senior chamber of commerce voted to go in on a 50-50 basis in financing alterations to provide a suitable club room or recreation hall for activities of the town not having regular quarters.

A proposal by the Jaycees that the floor of the dance hall be replaced with a hardwood floor, the building winterized and otherwise improved to serve as a recreation center until such time as funds can be acquired to erect a new structure was frowned down by the austere seniors. The Jaycees have pledged \$1200, a sum raised by different activities during the summer months, to the purpose of making the dance pavilion usable the year around. That sum is not enough to accomplish their purpose and the senior group was invited to participate in financing the project. If the winterizing goes through it will have to be done by the Jaycees with their own funds and what might be raised through subscriptions by interested citizens.

At Monday's luncheon of the chamber of commerce, Mrs. Douglas Drake called attention of the luncheoners to the forthcoming visit of the mobile x-ray unit which will be in Heppner Friday, Oct. 31 and Saturday, Nov. 1.

Henry Tetz reported on the teachers' institute at Baker, and Francis Nickerson told of plans of the Junior chamber of commerce for winterizing the fair pavilion for use as a recreation center.

An offer of a spot on radio station KOAC to broadcast a story on Morrow county was accepted by the board of directors Wednesday evening.

IONE NEWS

The American Legion and its auxiliary held a joint meeting Tuesday evening. It was decided to put an oil heater in the hall, also improve their club room. After the meeting the Legion boys served a dutch lunch. Mrs. Dale Ray, Mrs. Omar Rietmann, Mrs. Della Corson attended the funeral of Arthur E. Reed at The Dalles Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pettijohn and son Jimmy visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lindsay, last week. Herbert Ekstrom has purchased a new Oldsmobile. Mrs. Cecil Thorne, Mrs. Omar Rietmann, Mrs. Victor Rietmann, Mrs. Cleo Drake and Mrs. Echo Palmatore attended a program and tea at Milton Tuesday, given by the American Legion auxiliary there in honor of District President Mrs. Dolly Bowman. The lone auxiliary president, Mrs. Thorne, had the honor of pouring at the tea.

The 4-H sewing club III girls went to Pendleton Monday with their leader, Mrs. J. A. McCabe. They were Patricia Drake, Ruby Ann Rietmann, Lola Ann McCabe, Carletta Olden and Ingrid Hermann.

Miss Mable Crawford is employed by the telephone company in Portland.

Ed McFadden who has been in St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton following his recent accident at the Heppner Lumber company, has returned to his home in Lexington. Mr. McFadden was visiting friends and transacting business in Heppner Monday.

MOBILE X-RAY UNIT COMING TO HEPPNER OCTOBER 31



Chest X-Ray Survey Unit. This mobile x-ray unit, visitor to this section on two previous occasions, will again visit the county next week. It is scheduled to be at Ione all day Thursday, Oct. 30 and the next two days at Heppner, Oct. 31-Nov. 1. All adults are urged to make arrangements for a chest picture during the visit of the unit. It is a free service sponsored by the Oregon Tuberculosis association in its campaign to stamp out the disease which annually claims the lives of thousands of people throughout the land.

COOPERATION OF PARENTS ASKED FOR HALLOWEEN

Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman dropped in this morning to remind us that Halloween is in the offing and to ask that we ask parents and daughters to refrain from doing any acts of vandalism on that evening. He also reminded us that two or three police officers can't be everywhere at once and he feels it is up to parents to take some hand in disciplining their kids. Officers will extend protection so far as they can—which is in their line of duty and what they are paid for—and any acts out of line with the general order of society will be summarily dealt with. In other words, kids caught in serious mischief may find themselves locked up in the "can" for overnight.

Local Community Chest Fund Has \$5 Gift As a Starter

There may have been contributions to the community chest fund here but to date only one has been mentioned—and it came from outside of the county, the subscription of a hospitalized war veteran.

Oberet Sommerfeld, a patient in the Morrow county ward at the U. S. veterans hospital in Walla Walla, feels that he belongs to this county because of the nice treatment accorded him. To show his appreciation he sent five dollars to Mrs. R. I. Thompson with the request that it be given to the community chest fund. Mrs. Thompson says that Sommerfeld has sent money to her on other occasions and always stresses his appreciation for the generosity of Morrow county people which has brot many comforts to him and other patients of the ward since it was established.

Elk Hunters On Way to Establish Camps in Mountains

These are busy days for folks who like to hunt. With the deer season closed on the 20th, the bird season opening the 21st, and the elk season scheduled to open the 25th, there isn't even time to change from hunting togs to civvies.

Many local nimrods have already set forth for their favorite elk shooting grounds to get camp established in time to sally forth on the opening day.

The eastern Oregon elk season will extend through Nov. 16 in the area east of The Dalles-California highway (97) and in all of Deschutes county. Two special seasons also have been provided for the purpose of alleviating game damage. In a small area in the vicinity of Baker there will be a season from Nov. 22 to Nov. 30 for elk of either sex. Anyone holding a general elk tag and who has not already killed an elk during the general season may hunt during this period.

For the special elk season from Dec. 13 to 16 in the vicinity of Ukiah, 100 special tags have been authorized by the commission. Applications for these tags should be sent to the game commission offices in Portland and all those on hand by the end of the business day of Nov. 3 will be included in the drawing.

Do You Want to See "Forever Amber"?

The Star Theater, Heppner, has an opportunity to present FOREVER AMBER at an early showing; however, the producer insists that the admission be \$1.20 and 55c until 1949.

Now, it's up to you. Do you want to see this Technicolor film, based on the best-selling novel? Check "Yes" or "No" below and send or leave at Star theater, or phone your preference to the theater.

Yes, I want to see FOREVER AMBER at increased admission prices. No, I will wait for regular admission prices. It is our sincere desire to present the best motion pictures at the earliest possible date. STAR THEATER.

Monday's Rainfall Places Cheerful Aspect on Crops

Whole Region Is Helped By Heavy Steady Downpour

"That just about does it," said one farmer in commenting on the rain which started Sunday night and kept up unabated until late afternoon Monday. "Unless the unforeseen happens in the spring, there should be a good crop in 1948."

Expressions have come from all quarters relative to the 16-18 hour shower which brought 1.53 inch to the Gooseberry section and a possible equal amount all over the county. Most comment has been to the effect that it has been many years since a similar shower visited this section. (Not having the records available we can't be sure about this statement, but it would be interesting to know if it surpassed some of the showers that visited this region in the fall of 1942.)

Leonard Carlson's rain gauge at his Gooseberry ranch recorded 1.53 for Monday, which makes a total of 7.07 inches registered by the gauge since July 1, or up to Oct. 21. For the same period last year 2.60 inches was the total recorded by Carlson, who says the prospects for a crop at this time of the year were never better in his section.

Contrasted with the balmy, Willamette valley-like weather of Monday was the drop in temperature to around 26 above Wednesday morning after the skies cleared Tuesday evening. It was the coldest morning of the fall season here and a white frost was in evidence until the sun got in its work around 9 o'clock.

George Patterson Funeral Services Held Saturday

Funeral services for George Patterson, 64, were held at 2 o'clock p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18 from the Phelps Funeral home chapel, with Rev. Joe Jewett officiating. Interment followed in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Mr. Patterson had been a resident of Morrow county since 1913 when he took up a homestead in the Ione section, and had worked at various places in the county up to the time of his recent brief illness to which he succumbed on October 16 at The Dalles.

Born Jan. 15, 1883 at Portland to Joseph and Jennie Patterson, he married Verna Cooper at Laidlaw, Oregon on Oct. 28, 1907. To this union seven children were born, five of whom survive now. They are Helen Sparks of Clatskanie, Muriel Palmer of Heppner, Alice Mahon of Hardman, Arthur of Spokane and Ray of Heppner. Besides these are nine grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Helen Craig of Portland and Mrs. Isobel Cole of Trout Lake, Wash., and one brother, William Patterson of The Dalles.

Lillian Mabel Piper Buried Here Monday

Mrs. W. S. Piper, 70, who died Thursday, October 16 at Kizer hospital in Coos Bay, was buried Monday following commitment services in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

A native of Tillamook county, she spent her young womanhood in Heppner, where in 1905 she was married to Charles Curtis. They moved to Coos Bay to make their home and Mr. Curtis died there in 1930. She later married W. S. Piper and they made their home on the North Coos river.

Surviving besides the husband are two sisters, Maude Boyd of Caldwell, Ida, and Lena White of Portland, and two brothers, Frank Glasscock of Vancouver, Wash., and Maurice E. Smead of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Keithley and children visited over the week end in Baker with Mrs. Keithley's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wright.

ROCKET LAUNCHING MARKS NEW ERA IN NAVAL WEAPONS



Marking "the beginning of a new era in Naval weapons," the United States Navy fired a captured German V-2 rocket from the flight deck of the 45,000 ton aircraft carrier USS Midway on September 6, 1947. This was the first time in history such a bombardment rocket has been launched from ships or a moving platform. The primary purpose of the experiment, held at sea several hundred miles off the East Coast of the United States, was to ascertain if large bombardment rockets could be fired off modern aircraft carriers without modifications affecting flight operations. The rocket traveled six miles and exploded. (Official U. S. Navy Photograph)

Various Offenses Combine To Give Justice Biggest Day

Monday was a busy day for Justice J. O. Hager. Indeed, it is said to have been the busiest day he has had since presiding over the justice court. Thirteen persons appeared before the magistrate on various counts, the main contributing factor being violations of motor vehicle regulations. Fines and court costs amounted to a tidy sum before the judge closed his books for the day. Also, there was a run on the motor vehicle department of the sheriff's office for drivers' licenses, both by those who got caught in the traffic officers' checkup and others who awoke to the possibility of getting caught.

Lack of operator licenses brot five persons before the JP, including Edward Hayes, Everett Barlow, Kenneth Marshall, Lavone Henderson and Albert Merritt; two others, Harold French and Jesse Orwick were cited for operating vehicles without tail lights, and William Beck was assessed the usual amount for having no clearance lights.

Three young men, Billie Snow, Jack Standefor and Wayne Prock, appeared before Justice Hager Tuesday morning and plead guilty to a charge of damages to a building. The boys were in the upstairs of the Case apartment building and upset a fire extinguisher, the contents of which leaked through the ceiling over the Matthews radio shop and caused damage to radios and equipment estimated at \$150. They were given 20 days in which to settle for the damage and failing in this they will serve a 20-day jail sentence.

Eddie Gunderson, allegedly under the influence of intoxicating liquor, was driving down the highway shortly after midnight Saturday and collided with the car of Randall Martin, in which were Martin and his family. Martin's car was damaged to the extent of \$200 or more. Gunderson plead guilty and was assessed a fine of \$150 and sentenced to 30 days in jail.

Arthur Maness appeared before City Recorder Walt Barger Wednesday afternoon and was fined \$20 on a count of drunk and disorderly conduct in a public place. The fine was paid and Maness was released. At 11 o'clock last night he was in again on an intoxication charge but was later released to the custody of his brother, William Maness.

(For the convenience of car drivers who are uncertain about their license status the following information is taken from a release by the traffic division of the secretary of state's office: All those licenses numbered BE-Low 5R-132,000 are already invalid, and those numbered between 5R-132,000 and 5R-165,000 expire this month.)

News Items of Interest Around Town

By Ruth Payne

Out-of-town relatives here on Monday for the commitment services for the late Mrs. Mabel Curtis Piper who died October 16 at her home in North Bend included Mrs. Lena White and her daughter, Mary; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Smead, Portland; and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Glasscock of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Smead are remaining in Heppner for a visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McMurdo.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meek returned Sunday from a month's motor trip to Missouri where they visited their former home. Major and Mrs. Clayton Shaw and son, Robby, arrived Monday evening from their home in Lawton, Okla., and will visit here for several weeks at the home of Mrs. Shaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Omin Hager.

Mrs. Louis Gilliam made a business trip to Pendleton Tuesday. She was driven over by Donald Gilliam. Claude Cox returned Sunday from a successful hunting trip to the mountains south of Hardman. Mr. Cox was the only one of a seven-member party to bag his deer.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bergstrom of Ione were shopping in Heppner Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Clelland have returned to their home in Portland after visiting here for several days at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Myles Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodges and Mr. and Mrs. John Hiatt motored to Portland during the week end to attend the football game between the University of Oregon and the University of Washington. Mrs. Howard Bryant, Mrs. Paul Jones and Mrs. Edwin Dick motored to Walla Walla the end of the week to spend a day shopping. Mrs. Ida J. Grimes has returned to Portland after spending some time here with her daughter, Mrs. Allen Case. Mrs. Grim-

STORES CLOSE AT 2 P. M. FRIDAY

Heppner business houses will close their doors from 2 p. m. until after game time tomorrow (Friday) to permit employees to attend the football game between the Arlington Honkers and the Heppner Mustangs.

Signal for closing will be the parade of the high school band up Main street.

Teachers Feted By Baker C. C. While Attending Institute

Morrow county teachers returning from the district institute at Baker last week are generous in their praise for the type of entertainment provided for them by the Baker people. The Baker chamber of commerce sponsored a dancing party on Thursday evening and a cowboy breakfast Friday morning. Originally planned for an outdoor affair, weather conditions necessitated staging it in a hall. Business men had arranged numerous stunts which enlivened the affair and altogether, the teachers were impressed with the idea that Baker appreciated having them as guests.

Wednesday and Thursday were given over as workshop days for the high school teachers. Practical teaching problems are worked out with the assistance of instructors from the University of Oregon and Oregon State college. The elementary teacher workshop was held on Thursday, each group meeting according to their respective levels—primary up to eighth grade.

Theme for this year's institute was "Evaluation of Educational Achievements."

Friday was given over to a general program in which Dr. Peter Odegard, president of Reed college, was the principal speaker, using as his subject, "A Moratorium on Vituperation." He said there are two kinds of words in use today, snarl words and purr words. Unfortunately, he said, too many snarl words are used, which he considers bad medicine for the present unsettled state of the world.

Heppner was honored by the election of Mrs. Marie Clary as vice president of the district educational association.

Stock Brings Good Prices at Heppner Public Sales Yard

Bidding continues brisk for market cattle at the Heppner Sales Yard auctions, according to Harold Erwin, operator. At the sale on Oct. 16, more than 150 head of animals were sold at the yard, with prices ranging from 15 1/4 cents per pound for stock cows to \$21.50 for choice heifers.

Shorthorn stock on sale last Thursday brought the best bids. One lot of Shorthorn calves brot 21 1/4 cents a pound. A load of mixed cattle sold for 20.10 cents per pound. One carload of yearling Shorthorn heifers topped the bidding at 21.50 cents per pound.

The sales yard is advertising another sale for the afternoon of Oct. 30, at which time between 150 and 200 head of cattle will be offered for bids. Growers are finding it advantageous to sell here at a good price and be relieved of the job of shipping to the larger markets, Erwin says, and as a result a lot of stock is changing hands locally.

FORMER HEPPNER MAN MARRIED AT VENETA

Miss Phyllis Jean Klukkert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Klukkert of U. S. Eugene, and Edwin Gemmell, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gemmell of Veneta, were married Wednesday, Oct. 15 at the home of the bride's parents. Willet Jessee said the service at 2 o'clock p. m. Mrs. Jessee presided at the piano and accompanied her husband in the singing of "Because" and played the wedding march.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a dove gray suit with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Miss Bonita Klekkert attended her sister. She wore a gold colored suit with brown accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Gerald A. Mumaw was best man.

A reception was held following the ceremony. Mrs. John DeMoss of Portland, sister of the bridegroom, cut the cake and Mrs. Tom Partney, aunt of the bride, served coffee and punch. The wedding occurred on the birthdays of the groom's father and grandmother. It was A. W. Gemmell's 65th birthday and Mrs. J. H. Gemmell's 86th anniversary. Mrs. Gemmell, whose home is in Salem, was present for the ceremony.

A wedding trip was made to eastern Oregon where they visited Mr. Gemmell's sisters, Mrs. Lee Pearson of Boardman, and Mrs. Harold Stevens of Hardman, stopping in Portland en route home to visit the John DeMoss family.

County Planning Conference To Be Held Early in '48

Bill Barratt Heads General Committee On Organization

That a planning conference should be held early in 1948 was the decision of a group of representative citizens in meeting at the court house in Heppner Wednesday afternoon. Although attendance at the meeting was not what had been expected, those present showed a strong desire to have the conference held and before adjournment preliminary plans were set up.

William F. "Bill" Barratt of Heppner was elected general chairman of the conference committee and will, with the aid of Nelson Anderson, county agricultural agent, select committee chairmen who in turn will assist in choosing the committees and sub-committees. Barratt was chosen because it was felt that a young man with energy combined with a knowledge of the nature of what is to be done should be the leader. His election was unanimous.

Nelson Anderson reviewed the results of the one other such conference held in Morrow county, the planning conference of 1936, pointing to accomplishments of that program up to the present. War and nature entered into the picture, bringing higher production and a price scale not dreamed of in the calculations of the planners. It was found that recommendations for changes in farming practices had been followed out in most respects. At the time of the first conference sheep were the dominating livestock and it was figured that feed and range would not accommodate the number at that time and it was recommended that flocks be reduced to bring the total down to an average of 105,000 head. Since that time the total number of sheep carried in the county is estimated not to exceed 40,000, and perhaps not more than 35,000. In the meantime, cattle herds have supplanted the flocks and estimates on the number of beef cattle in the county run as high as 35,000 head. Almost every farm has a small herd and several of the larger wheat farmers are running several hundred head. This is in addition to stockmen regularly engaged in cattle raising. Present estimates place dairy stock in the county at upwards of 2500 head, mostly in the irrigated districts.

The 1936 conference recommended that grade sires be disposed of in favor of registered sires. This has been accomplished almost universally. The land use committee felt that the lighter lands should not be farmed beyond the extent then in practice and even suggested curtailing some of the current operations. Mother Nature stepped into the picture two or three years later and put this recommendation aside, as the lighter lands have produced several valuable crops since 1940.

Referring to the farm home and rural life committee, Anderson stated that problems confronting rural residents at that time have been well taken care of, such as water systems, cess pools and other sanitary measures, and the time is not far distant when many of the farms will be served by rural electric lines.

Anderson said he didn't think there was much operating on budgets now but it might be advisable to give that some thought for the day when conditions may not be as flush as they are now. Charles Smith, former county agricultural agent here and for many years with the extension service out of Corvallis, discussed several phases of American life. We are constantly faced with changes, he said, and for that reason he deemed it advisable for communities and counties to hold planning conferences. He urged more cooperation on the part of all the people in a study of world conditions and especially those vitally affecting each community. The European situation was covered quite thoroughly, particularly in relation to the part America must play in demonstrating the superiority of the capitalist type of democracy.

Garnet Barratt and Orville Cutsforth contributed some information relative to sheep and cattle, and Mrs. Lucy Rodgers urged that public education be given a prominent spot on the proposed conference program. Bill Barratt spoke in behalf of the GI veterans now engaged in farming and those contemplating entering that field. Barratt is adviser to these veterans and asked that their cause be given generous consideration in the forthcoming study.

Committees will be chosen on livestock, farm crops, conservation, land use and economics and farm home and rural life with a subcommittee on the latter to cover public education and youth. The name of the 1948 conference will be Morrow County Planning Conference.

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Mustangs To Face Honkers at Rodeo Field Tomorrow

Teams Evenly Matched According To Score Records

Coach Leonard Pate and his Mustang herd have been priming for the go with the Arlington Honker flock on the Rodeo field at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon and the cash customers may well look forward to getting their money's worth.

To date, both teams have traveled the undefeated route, Arlington having played four games and Heppner three. The Mustang scoring record is higher, with one exception, but high scores don't always count, especially when Arlington and Heppner meet. The visitors have met The Dalles B which they took 7-0; Cocon 7-0; Maupin 13-12, and Fossil 34-0. Heppner took Prairie City, 25-0; Fossil, 34-6, and Condon, 33-0. A district game was forfeited by Stanfield, automatically giving Heppner four wins to date.

With four wins by each team and each scored against once, this is an impressive record for the teams to uphold and it should spell good high school football tomorrow afternoon.

Stanfield, scheduled to play Heppner there Oct. 14, called off the game after taking a beating at the hands of Waitsburg high school the previous Friday. Although the forfeit counts as a win for Heppner, in case of a tie on scores in other games played during the season, honors would have to be settled by an association vote.

Mrs. Oscar Rippee and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles motored to Pendleton Friday to spend the day shopping. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis and their grandson, Gene, have returned from a week-end trip to Clackamas.

Mrs. Letha Archer and Mrs. Merle Kirk motored to Pendleton the end of the week. En route home they visited in Hermiston with Mr. and Mrs. Oral Scott. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph I. Thompson returned home the end of the week from a two-weeks motor trip along the Oregon coast. They went as far south as Crescent City and visited the Oregon caves. They report a wonderful trip in that the scenery along the coast is magnificent at this time of year. Before returning to Heppner, they visited with relatives in Milwaukie and Corvallis. Mrs. Ella Bleakman is spending a few days in Hardman with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Loyd motored to Portland over the week end to attend the Oregon-Washington football game. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cohn and daughter, Sally, motored to Portland Friday to spend the week end. They were accompanied by Mrs. Stephen Thompson who went to the city to meet Mr. Thompson on his return from a business trip east. Mr. and Mrs. William Schwarz and two children of The Dalles were week-end guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schwarz. During their stay, Mr. Schwarz accompanied his brother Leonard on a hunting trip. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Halvorsen of Ione were shopping in Heppner Wednesday.