

Snowfall Blankets Blue Mts. As Rain Softens Lowlands

Up to Two Feet Reported in Hills South of Heppner

Snow that apparently has blanketed the Blue mountain range from one extreme to the other fell to the depth of approximately two feet in the region south of Heppner during the past week.

Forest service officials and hunters report considerable difficulty in negotiating some of the roads leading from the high-ways into ranger and lookout stations and hunters' cabins, with some of the late elk hunters getting stuck and calling for aid from town.

Ranger Glenn Parsons and Assistant Ranger Joe Gjerston made a trip to the Bull Prairie and Opal guard stations Monday in a jeep and negotiated the roads with little difficulty until returning when they were towing a trailer house out.

Parsons said the snow, which probably had reached a depth of two feet, had melted down to about six inches Monday afternoon, the snow storm having turned to rain.

Creeks of the region were running at almost flood stage Tuesday, which indicated that the heavy snow was running off at a rapid pace. The run-off was more like a spring freshet and had the appearance of carrying a lot of silt and top soil.

Deepest snowfall seems to have been in the region southeast of Heppner where it is estimated upwards of two feet lay on the ground for a short time.

Farther west and south there was approximately one foot, according to the forest service men.

Snow fell in Heppner a few minutes Saturday afternoon but soon turned to rain.

Rainfall in October as recorded by Len Gilliam amounted to 3.11 inches in Heppner. This is considerably less than that recorded in Gooseberry by V. L. Carlson. Up to Tuesday morning of this week the Gilliam gauge showed a total of 1.80 inches. The record for the month of November in Heppner is 3.24 inches in 1942.

Some ranchers report that while there has been a more or less steady precipitation this fall they don't find the ground wet down as far as might be expected. Others report a good depth of moisture, far more than normal.

To satisfy his own curiosity, County Agent Anderson took a soil testing auger into one of the fields and found moisture as far as the instrument reached, indicating to him that moisture has penetrated to a good depth.

ONE NEWS . . .

One high school will play Prescott high school from Washington Tuesday. This will be the last game of the season.

Floyd Wiles, Ted Palmateer, Eugene Normoyle and Ralph Heath attended the district convention of the American Legion at Milton Monday.

Mrs. Fred Buchanan, Mrs. Roy Barnett and Mrs. Ellis Pettyjohn attended the fellowship dinner at the Assembly of God church in Heppner Monday evening.

The regular meeting of the Ione P-TA will be cancelled for November and a meeting will be held early in December.

The Birthday club met at the home of Mrs. Echo Palmateer on Tuesday with Mrs. Alfred Shirley and Mrs. Harry Yarnell as honorees. They received lovely gifts, birthday cake, ice cream and coffee were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Wate Crawford and Mrs. Palmateer.

Mrs. P. J. Darst and children and Mildred Carlson visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Carlson, the first of the week. The Darsts are moving to Eugene from Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stefani Jr. moved into their new home here in town last week.

Herman Ray of Coberg is visiting his brother, Dale Ray. The Rays spent the week end at Lyle and Husum, Wash., where they visited William and Claude Bra-shers and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Goodrich. They also stopped at The Dalles and visited Mrs. Alice Wiles and reported her to be better.

Mrs. Pearl Stevens of Long-view, Wn., is visiting at the H. O. Ely home. Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Ely are cousins.

Jack Bailey is ill at his home with the flu.

UNITED THANKS SERVICE SET FOR THURSDAY

Protestant churches of Heppner will join in a united service observing Thanksgiving at 10:30 Thursday morning at the Methodist church.

Joe Jewett, Church of Christ minister, will deliver the message, with scripture by Neville Blunt, Episcopal minister, and prayer by Shelby Graves, minister of Church of God.

An invitation has been extended the public to participate.

Boundary Board Considers Petitions For Consolidation

Petitions for consolidation of rural districts with school district No. 1 were considered by the district boundary board at a meeting held in the office of Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, county school superintendent, Monday, up to the present, four of the 11 districts sending their children to the Heppner school have filed and an election has been called for Monday, December 1, to be held from 2 to 3 o'clock p.m. in the Heppner city hall, to determine whether or not the consolidation shall be made.

Districts petitioning for the consolidation are district No. 1, Heppner; district No. 6, Golden West; district No. 11, Liberty; district No. 15, Clark's Canyon, and District No. 34, Willow Creek.

Mrs. Rodgers announced that budget blanks are being mailed out this week. Under the new rural school district law budgets must be prepared during the month of December.

Budget Committee Named By Rural School Dist. Board

Budgets were the main topic of discussion for the rural school district board in a meeting held at the court house Friday. It was the third time the group had held a meeting since organization last spring.

Of direct concern to the rural board was the budget for its operating expense. In compliance with the new law a budget committee was chosen, one from each of the five zones. R. K. Miller will represent zone 1, Irigson-Boardman; George N. Peck, zone 2, Lexington; Henry Peterson, zone 3, Ione; L. E. Bisbee, zone 4, Heppner; and Arden Clark, zone 5, south end of county. Date for the budget election has not been set but this will be taken care of soon.

The rural board plans to invite the various school boards to a joint meeting some time in December to discuss budgets and other matters concerning school affairs. It is not the purpose of the rural board to reject any items included by the school districts but the board will expect them to justify the items, Mrs. Rodgers explained.

To Open Meetings Here Sunday A. M.



Mr. and Mrs. Gene Chamberlain will begin an evangelistic meeting at the Church of Christ here on Sunday. They are a talented young couple. He leads the singing and Mrs. Chamberlain plays the piano. They also sing many special numbers. Both are native of Oregon, he having been born at Corbett and she at Condon. They are employed as state evangelists by the Churches of Christ in Oregon.

They have a trailer house and will live in it during their stay of three weeks here.

The Church of Christ cordially invites the people of this community to share the privilege of hearing this consecrated young couple in the messages they will be bringing.

PAPER TO ISSUE EARLY The Gazette Times will be issued early next week to enable the force to have a holiday on Thanksgiving. Correspondents are asked to have their copy in a day early.

Mustangs, Union Play Tomorrow for E. O. Championship; Beat Grant U.

Patemen Slish To Touchdowns in 1st, 4th Periods to Take Dist. 7 Flag

Heppner high's Mustangs tucked the football championship of district 7 neatly in the pocket of their mudsoaked moleskins in the play-off with the Grant Union Prospectors here Saturday afternoon. No doubt remained in the minds of the 300-odd game patrons as to the ability of the rampaging Mustangs to represent the district after they had seen the home boys rear, buck and plunge through saucer-sized snowflakes, rain and mud to completely subdue the challenging Prospectors, 13-0.

It was Buster Padberg, playing despite cracked ribs not completely healed, who twice carried the ball into Prospector pay dirt behind fine blocking. He first took good from the Grant Union mine early in the second quarter after the ball had been worked to the Prospectors' 2-yard line. Then just seconds before game's end, he skirted end and crossed the line standing up from G.U.'s 5. The added yardage was made by this same Buster through the line following the first touchdown. But Greenup's attempted point-after-touchdown bogged down in the mud inches short of the line the second time.

The sloshing and swashing which left members of opposing teams indistinguishable long before game's end started with Heppner kicking off to the visitors. From there it was seesaw through the first quarter, mostly in G.U. territory, as only once did the ball get on to Heppner ground as one of two 15-yard penalties against the home boys backed it up as far as their own 48. The quarter horn caught the play with the Prospectors on their own 7, second and 8 to go.

Followed an exchange of kicks resulting in Greenup's boot for the locals being downed on the G.U. 5. Again G.U. was forced to kick, and Padberg set up the successive series of downs resulting in the first touchdown by returning the ball to G.U.'s 22.

He picked up four off-tackle. Greenup added three thru tackle, and Padberg added another yard thru the same hole. Then, with the play set to suck the opposition defense in for another line plunge, Padberg went wide to the 5, and first down. Greenup bucked the middle for 1, a quarterback sneak was good for two more, then Buster followed with the initial scoring buck for 6 points, and shortly bucked again for the conversion point.

Through the remainder of the second quarter and on thru the third and fourth up to Heppner's final score near the end, the play was forced on to G.U. terrain most of the time, with one Greenup quick-kick grounded on the Prospectors 5 and two of his coffin-corner boots making it inside the 5, putting the backs of the opposition up against their own goal. Each time they fought valiantly out, but the poor footing and vicious Mustang defense stopped the attempted end sweeps and passes which gave the locals so much trouble in the 0-0 game which made the play-off necessary.

There were fumbles and poor passes from center on each side resulting from the slippery pigskin, though Heppner took an edge on receivers.

It was a G.U. fumble on their own nine which the Mustangs recovered that set up the final scoring advance. Two bucks by Greenup placed the ball on the Prospectors 5, from where Padberg took it on across. Then the failure to convert which left the score at 13-0 thru the few remaining moments to the final gun.

Officials, selected by Ed Elliott of Umatilla, district president, and unannounced to the opposing teams before game time, were Carl Kilgel, Pendleton, referee; Norris of Hermiston, head linesman, and Bowles of Pendleton, umpire.

Heppner's starting lineup outweighed that of Grant Union 2-plus pounds per man. Leonard Pate, local coach, and Tom Johnson, visitors' coach, started their men as follows:

Table listing player names and positions for Heppner and Grant Union.

Reserves, most of whom saw action, were listed in the official program, viz: Heppner, ends, Allstott, Gunderson; tackles, Ruhl, Hill; guards, Gammell, Connor; center, Smith; backs, Hammaek, Orwick, Bell. Grant Union, ends, Barrett, Smith; tackles, Kimmell, Craven; guard,

Farm Crops Group Urges Treatment Of Seed Where Used

Agricultural planning sub-committee meetings were held during the past week when sub-committee members of the Farm Crops committee met at the Lexington grange hall on Tuesday afternoon, November 11, and at the Irigson water office on Tuesday evening.

E. R. Jackman, farm crops specialist, Oregon State college, met with the Farm Crops committee. Among the committee's recommendations was the encouragement for farm treatment of seed wheat by privately owned farm treaters. The committee recommended this due to the mixtures of seed wheat brought about by commercial treaters moving from one farm to another.

Committees were selected to make surveys with Fred Nelson, Sam McMillan and David Baker appointed to contact all grain elevators to obtain figures on the amount of smutty wheat and percentage of each variety of wheat marketed. This information along with other recommendations made at this meeting and to be taken up at later meetings of the Farm crops committee will constitute a report of the committee to be given at the agricultural planning conference to be held during the winter of 1948.

The conservation committee met with Art King, soils specialist, Oregon State college, on Wednesday, November 12, and during the course of their meeting recommended that state and federal funds be requested in carrying out experiments with equipment suitable for handling trashy fallow from first operation through seeding. At the next meeting of this committee the group plans to review the agricultural conservation association committee docket, for recommendations of practices that are to benefit in bringing conservation practices to the farmers in Morrow county.

The Land Use committee, headed by J. R. Beck, land use specialist, Oregon State college, with Dick Wightman as local chairman, met on Wednesday, November 12, also. Some time was spent in discussing the tax problem in Morrow county with tax assessments studied for timberland, wheat land and grazing land. This committee recommended that wheat lands be reappraised for tax purposes according to yields for the last ten years.

Recommendations were made concerning Mormon cricket control methods and a committee of Julian Rauch and Russell Moore was selected to attend a meeting of the Cricket Control associations and bring back their findings to the next meeting. These committees will meet in the near future to further develop and report for the agricultural planning conference.

Local Couple Attended Reunion In Missouri Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Neill returned Thursday from Hartsville, Mo., where they spent several weeks visiting. On Sunday, October 26, they attended a Neill family reunion at the home of Mrs. A. C. Curtice in Hartsville. The reunion was occasioned by the return of L. D. Neill and his brother Dee who left Missouri for Oregon 50 and 49 years ago, respectively. This was their second return visit.

An account of the reunion in the Dallas County Republican of Buffalo, Mo., gave the Neill brothers' ages as 98 and 97 and thought it quite remarkable that they made the trip by car, doing their own driving. L. D. denies that he's 98, but it made a good story.

PURCHASE BUILDING Sale of the Thomson Bros. store building by J. G. Thomson to Jimmie and Midge Thomson as of November 1 was announced this week. The young Mr. Thomson purchased the grocery store in 1945. He started to work for the firm in which his father was senior partner, in 1925. It is expected the building will be remodeled later but will stay as is for the present.

Walter Barger, public accountant and city recorder, was busy passing out the cigars the first of the week in honor of the arrival of the Barger's fourth child, a 7 1/2 pound girl born at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton at 10 o'clock Monday morning. Mother and child were reported doing well.

News About Town Mrs. Muriel Rice was hostess for dinner Wednesday evening at the Lucas Place honoring her son, LaVerne Van Marter Jr., on his birthday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Barratt, Mrs. Sadie M. Sigbee, Mrs. W. O. George, Mrs. LaVerne Van Marter, F. W. Turner, Robert V. Turner and Bob Hughes of McMinnville.

Mrs. Jack Hughes entertained Thursday afternoon at her home on Linden Way with a stork shower for her granddaughter, Mrs. Archie Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Scoulen returned Monday from Portland where they spent the week end visiting relatives and attending the wedding of Mr. Scoulen's niece, Miss Nancy May Terry. Miss Terry visited the Scoulen's here during the past summer.

Harry O'Donnell has returned from Portland where he spent a week vacationing and attending to business matters.

Winner to Meet Western Oregon Champs for State 'B' Pigskin Title

Union high school's championship football team from district 8 will invade the Mustang corral tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock to vie with Heppner's district 7 champions for the "B" championship of eastern Oregon. The winner of this game will be entitled to play the western Oregon champions in their division for the state "B" title.

Coach John Comisky brings an undefeated team to Heppner. In the season's play Union defeated the La Grande Wildcats, 25-6; St. Francis-Baker, 77-0; Joseph, 79-0; Wallowa, 24-0; Elgin, 20-0; Enterprise, 18-7; Richland, 45-6; and North Powder, 18-12.

While Heppner suffered but one defeat and two tie games, the defeat by Hermiston, 13-12, and the tie with Grant Union, 0-0, and Moro, 2-2, their season's scoring is not quite so imposing as that of tomorrow's visitors. However, word from the Mustang stables is that they will be out there to give a good account of themselves and may the best team win.

Officials for the game will be Carl Kilgel, Pendleton, referee; Ron Walk, La Grande, umpire, and Charles Bowes, Pendleton, head linesman.

Union's starting lineup will average 159 pounds, and will contain six seniors, four juniors and one sophomore. Their advance dope sheet shows the position, name, weight and height of the starting team as follows: Left end, Alva Roberts, 165, 6 ft.; left tackle, Wes Wallis, 160, 5 ft. 10 in.; left guard, Johnny Wulf, 160, 6 ft.; center, Darrell Turner, 160, 5 ft. 11 in.; right guard, David Galle, 160, 5 ft. 10 in.; right tackle, Roy Rinehart, 190, 5 ft. 10 in.; Dick Westenskow, 170, 6 ft. 3 in.; quarterback, Carl Hudson, 130, 5 ft. 8 in.; right halfback, Larry Wilson, 140, 5 ft. 9 in.; left halfback, Forrest Turner, 155, 5 ft. 11 in.; fullback, Jack Rinehart, 145, 5 ft. 7 in.

Admission will be by membership card or paying the price of a membership card at the door. These cards will entitle the owner to attend all other P-TA parties during the year.

Bridge, pinocle and Chinese checkers will be the order of the evening with refreshments at the close.

Isabella Corrigan, Long A Resident Of County, Passes

Mrs. Isabella Corrigan, 80, pioneer resident of the county died at the Schwarz cabin apartments at 7 o'clock last night following a lingering illness. Widow of the late M. S. Corrigan, for many years president of the First National bank of Heppner, Mrs. Corrigan was mistress of the Corrigan ranch on Butter creek where the family home was made for many years and where she reared her family.

She was the mother of Mrs. Fred Hoskins of Ione and Mrs. Harold Wilkins and Mrs. Wilbur Courtney of Heppner. Two children, Rubina Corrigan, for many years assistant cashier of the First National bank of Heppner, and Ralph Corrigan, preceded her in death, as well as two children who died in infancy.

No announcement of funeral arrangements were made at press time today. Further obituary will be published next week.

Grand Jury Meets The grand jury for the December term of circuit court met this week. Publication of its report was withheld by county officers upon inquiry at the court house.

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Taxation and legislation followed, with Henry Peterson as chairman. One of the recommendations that this committee made was that any group who submits a proposal for increased expenditures from state funds also be required to submit a solution as to how such funds are to be raised. The committee endorsed the Taff-Hartley labor bill in principle.

The main item of discussion of the federal agricultural programs and land use committee was methods and steps that should be taken to improve the present crop insurance program. The committee with Henry Baker as chairman declared that they were not interested in the present crop insurance program unless changes were made. This group also recommended that price supports be continued through crop loans.

The discussion of the wheat disposal and marketing committee centered around the dates for exporting to find new and better uses for wheat produced in the Pacific Northwest.

There was much discussion on young peoples' activities. This committee is headed by John Graves. The committee was in favor of continuing a spring 4-H show and sale in eastern Oregon, with the place for it to be held selected where facilities were available.

A committee recommended that at least 50 percent of the ration, and 60 percent if possible, of wheat be fed the livestock that would be exhibited and sold at the spring show.

During the meeting discussion was held on whether or not the Eastern Oregon wheat league should be invited to hold their 1948 annual meeting in Heppner. All committee members present were in favor of the annual meeting to be held here next winter and further investigation will indicate whether or not suitable accommodations can be offered.

Don Heliker, executive committee member, closed the meeting by urging all wheat farmers who plan to attend the annual wheat league meeting to get their room reservations made through C. D. Conrad, secretary, at Baker.

Infantile Paralysis Work Told Chamber

The state of Idaho, with between 230 and 250 cases of infantile paralysis poses a serious problem for health authorities and physicians of the region, said Felix A. Montez, representative of the infantile paralysis movement in Oregon who addressed the luncheon group of the Heppner chamber of commerce Monday noon. Malheur county in Oregon, in the same area, has had 60 some cases this year and health authorities have their hands full.

The speaker used Idaho and Malheur epidemics as examples in bringing up the need for generous contributions to the March of Dimes campaign. As much as \$15,000 has been spent on a patient in following through until he is ready to go on his own, Montez said, and the average is \$2,000 per patient. He said that in 1946 Morrow county was the fourth county in the state and Oregon was the third state in the Union in the March of Dimes contributions.

Henry Tetz made some pointed comments on Saturday's game and complimented the high school team on its fine record this season. He reported that the broadcasting station at LaGrande will broadcast Friday's game between Union and Heppner.

Frank Davis reported that the civic club room is now in operation and that at the time he was speaking the Morrow county unit of the Eastern Oregon Wheat league was in session. Schedules for the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and other groups are being worked out.

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Christmas Seals Support Local Service

Completion of plans for the opening of the annual Christmas Seal sale was announced by Mrs. B. C. Pinckney, county seal sale chairman. The sale, to raise funds for the tuberculosis control program of the Oregon Tuberculosis association, will begin with the mail delivery of seals this week to residents throughout the county and will continue until Christmas. Mrs. Omar Rietman of Ione and Mrs. Orville Cutsforth of Lexington have again been named chairmen on the 1947 seal committee.

"Of the total money raised in this county 75 percent will be used within the county to fight tuberculosis," said Mrs. Pinckney, "while the remainder will be forwarded to the state association. The state sends five percent to the national association to help finance its services. Thus of the total raised, 95 percent will be used within the state."

RECEIVE HONOR INVITATION Three local women, Mrs. Irl Clary, Mrs. Lewis Cason and Mrs. O. G. Crawford, have been extended an invitation to become honorary members of Delta Kappa Gamma, national honor society for women educators. The invitations were extended thru the state organization of Alpha Rho. Mrs. Crawford will be initiated into the society Saturday evening at Pendleton, and will be accompanied by Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, a member of the society for many years.