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Committees Start Work To Complete **Hospital Finances**

Frank W. Turner Heads Move For Raising \$20,000

Headed by Frank W. Turner veteran fund raising campaigner committees are out to raise the \$20,000 needed to complete financing of the Pioneer Memorial hos pital. Turner was chosen Mon day evening, much against his better judgment (he alleged). and only accepted because there is not time to hunt for a chair man. He set to work immediate ly choosing committee chairmen and announced this morning that everything is set to go.

A second meeting was held at the council chambers Wednesday evening at which time name were submitted and final plans adopted for the drive. At the same solicitors present were briefed on the status of the hospital financing in order to be prepared to give the right answers to inquiring prospective

It is understood that part of the \$20,000 needed has been subscribed and it is expected that not only will pledges be in but that the funds will be mostly sub-scribed within the next ten days. 'It will be an effort to raise the

needed fund unless every citizen is ready and willing to do his part. I believe the fund should be subscribed in smaller sums year. By this plan of raising the posed upon or hurt financially." Contributions by check should

be made payable to Morrow is met." county. They will be placed in the hospital equipment fund and donors will be given credit, according to Judge Bert Johnson.

(Further discussion of this sub ject will be found on the editorial

Library Assn. To Sponsor 3-Act Play

"Hillbilly Courtship," a comedy in three acts, has been chosen as the play to be sponsored by the Heppner Library association and to be presented some time in

The cast of 13 local people is being coached by Waldo Jackson, grade school principal, "Hillbilly Courtship," as the title suggests. is a screaming farce-comedy and some rare entertainment awaits the public when it is presented.

FORMER RESIDENT PASSES MARCH II IN PORTLAND

Portland papers carried notices of the death of Mrs. Elnora Bartholomew who passed away on March 11 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Tom West, in Portland.

Mrs. Bartholomew, whose husband was the late Herbert Bartholomew, lived with her family in Heppner for a number of years, coming here in the 90's and leaving a year or so after the flood of 1903. She had made her home in Portland ever since. She was talented planist and figured prominently in the musical and social life of the community during her residence here. Her husband was an uncle of Charles

Bartholomew of Pine City. Survivors are Mrs. West and Nelson Bartholomew, both of Portland, and four grandchildren

SCHEDULE BOOSTER NIGHT

To boost membership and at the same time gather in a little "kale," the Junior chamber of commerce, assisted by the members' wives, has scheduled a drove to Wallula and took the booster night for March 24. There train for Spokane. Mr. Tolleson will be a program starting at 8 returned home Sunday night and o'clock, to be followed with a box

Basketball Winds Up With Defeat of County's All-Stars

Having defeated the Motor Inc Theatre Indians of Pendleton by the decisive score of 60-38 a week or two ago, the Morrow County All-Stars figured they had a chance to even the score with the Condon Rover Boys in a season wind-up game. Consequently, La Verne Van Marter, business manager for the All-Stars, scheduled game with the Condon boys for March 16.

The Rover Boys came over Tu-esday evening and when they returned home their standing had not been injured in the least. In truth, it had been enhanced. The Morrow countians trailed all the way and the All-Stars were willing to lay their suits away until

Local High School Rated As Standard

given a rating of conditionally standard following an inspection of school and plant here on February 4 by Carrol B. Howe, supervisor of secondary education, Or egon department of education. In a letter to the district, State Supt. Rex Putnam said in part:

"The school at Heppner offers a very complete ducational program for a school of this size and provides an example of what can be done with an interested and progressive school board and

a vigorous administration. There is more comment on the school program and then recommendations are offered for imthe many rather than by a provements that will make it perfew citizens putting it up in large manently standard. Due to lack amounts, and we have planned of space this week, further comour campaign to give everybody ment will be postponed until next a chance to contribute," Turner issue, except to quote Mr. Putsaid. "It is essential to get this nam's closing paragraph: "The fund in hand as quickly as pos- Heppner high school will be ratsible if actual construction on the ed as conditionally standard un hospital is to get underway this til such time as the laboratory year. By this plan of raising the provisions are made for biology needed funds no one will be im. No plan will be required, as the school will automatically becom standard as soon as the condition

Churches Prepare Sunrise Service

Rev. Shelby Graves is chair man of the Easter Sunrise service to be held this year at the As-sembly of God church. Joe Jewett, paster of the Heppner Church of Christ, will be the speaker, Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien will read the scripture, and Mrs. Betty Warren will provide special mu sic, accompanied by Mrs. Ray Taylor at the piano.

Text of the message to be brot at the 6:30 a.m. service on March 28 is "Proper Easter Garments,"

WRANGLER RIDE SET FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 21

Members of the Wranglers riding club will be heading for the Jim Valentine ranch in Sand Hollow Sunday morning, according to Oscar George, president of the organization. The group will leave the Rodeo grounds at 10 o'clock and ride to the Valentine place where at noon Mrs. Valentine will serve lunch. Jim has promised to provide the hay and oats for the riding stock.

The Wranglers have scheduled a dance for the night of April 10 to be held at the I. O. O. F. hall in Lexington.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Roe Cloud of Pendleton were house guests Tuesday night at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. Palmer Sorlien. Dr. and Mrs. Cloud were guest speakers at the school banquet for the athletic teams and the P-TA meeting which followed at Lexington.

Miss Lela Tolleson was home Friday evening from Walla Walla where she is employed as nurse. Mr. and Mrs. Tolleson took a few days for medical treatment.

Letter From Mariannas Tells Fine Work of War Red Cross

ship campaign on in full force so! I've still got the Christma this week, a letter received early card you sent me when I was in in January by Mrs. E. O. Ferguthe hospital. I am well now and A drivers license exception. son seems timely to publish this on duty with the fleet marine week. The letter is from Thomas forces commander, Mariannas Is-C. Corcoran, Phm 3/c and written Christmas day on the is- | tients here and some of the corps-

Dear Mrs. Ferguson: The local slippers. Thanks a lot! Red Cross here on Guam brought down some gifts to the dispensary here where I have the duty still making patients happy to in local projects and for an em-know that some of the ones at ergency fund.

With the Red Cross member- | home worked during the war a was lands. We don't have many pamen and myself are using your

Sincerely yours, Thomas C. Cor-Coran.

Jack O'Connor, campaign direcand lo and behold! I find some tor for Morrow county, announceslippers you women had made I ed Monday that the drive for remember when I was at San Di- membership is officially on and ego Navy hospital last year I he hopes response will be prompt of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who is thanked you for them, and I that so that the drive may be compared by spending a month's vacation vis I'd let you know that your work pleted at least by April 1. Forty and time to make some of us five percent of the amount colguys a little more comfortable is | lected will remain here to assist

Funeral Services For Otis Biddle Held Tuesday P.M.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock p.m., Tuesday at the Methodist church for Otis Biddle, prominent farmer of the Sanford canyon district, whose death occurred Saturday, March 13, at the Portland General hospital, following a lingering illness. The Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien officiated. Interment followed in the Heppner Masonic cemetery. Otis Perry Biddle was a native

of Morrow county. He was born July 19, 1894 in the Gooseberry section, the son of Marion and Jennie Elizabeth Biddle. A veteran of the first World War, he enlisted August 7, 1918 at Lafayette, Oregon, serving as a private and later as a quartermaster in the Spruce division. He received his honorable discharge at Vancouver, Wash. Following his army service he was employed for some time by the late R. A. Thompson, later engaging in farming for himself and enjoying considerable success. He was married December 8, 1923 to Alice Eleanor Kirk daughter of James Kirk of Heppner. To this union were born three daughters, Eugenia Eleanor Ball, Fern Marie and Phyllis Mae Biddle, and one son, Marion Otis, who, with the mother survive. Besides his immediate family, he is survived by his father, Marion Biddle of La-fayette; a brother, Orrie Biddle, of Lafayette; five sisters, Li-Holmes, North Bend; Zola Brockman, Clinton, Wash.; Opal Moe, Salem; Viola Mix, Portland, and Zelma Pearson, Klamath Falls; and a grandson, Leon Jay Ball. Heppner. The mother and a brother, Clarence, preceded Otis in death. The brother, Orrie. was the only member of the family residing away from here able to attend the services.

Home Ec Club Has Charge of Grange Meeting Saturday

The Home Economics club was in charge of the regular meeting of the Lexington grange Saturday evening when the theme was "Safety and Home." The committee in charge, Mrs. Chris Brown Mrs. J. A. Troedson and Mrs. Cecil Jones, arranged the following

program: Song, "Oregon Suits Me." aud ience. Two songs by the Lexing-ton Horizon Girls-Iris Bloodsworth, Jo McMillan, Ida Buchan-an, Edna Ivey, Ileen Shannon, Pat Majeske and Betty Griffin. Rollcoll by each member giving a safety resolution. Tableau, "In the Garden." Movie, "A Stitch in Time." a special film on farm accidents sent out by the Sears, Roebuck Foundation, shown by Tom Wilson of the Soil Conserva-

tion service. Readings, Mrs. J. A. Troedson

singing to close. The refreshment committee in eluded Mr. and Mrs. Burton Peck. Mr. and Mrs. George Peck, Mrs. Elsie Beach and Mr. and Mrs.

Harry Dinges. A feature of the program was a table display of antiques.

New grange members attending were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon

Munkers and Tom Wilson. MRS. ALICE WILES DIES

AT DALLES HOSPITAL Services were held at 2 o'clock p.m. today at the Ione Cooperative church for Mrs Alice Wiles. 76, who passed away Monday, March 15 at The Dalles, Rev. Alfred Shirley, pastor, officiated. Interment was in the I, O. O. F. cemetery at Ione.

Mrs. Wiles is survived by the following children: S. L. and Floyd Wiles of Ione; Mrs. Vida Britton, Tygh Valley; Mrs. Jes-sie Carr, The Dalles, and Mrs. Dottie Warfield, Pendleton.

HENRY VOGLER FILES

Henry Vogler, Pine City ranchgot in under the wire just before filing time closed on March 12 and will have his name on the ballot for county commissioner. This gives the voters a chance to select a nominee from imong three candidates, the other two seeking the post being Oscar Peterson of Ione and Russell Miller of Boardman, Vogler has extensive interests in the county, as well as a large wheat ranch just over the line in Umatilla county.

A drivers license examiner will be on duty Tuesday, March 23. at the courthouse in Heppner Persons wishing licenses or permits to drive are asked to get in touch with the examiner between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Frank S. Parker and daughter. Mrs. Frances Mitchell, drove to Pendleton today to meet Mr. Parker's niece, Mrs. Mildred Barger

Mrs. Thelma Anderson and Peggy Hayes went to Pendleton Saturday.

Reading Public To Benefit By Heart Ailment Additions To Library Shelves Proves Fatal To Henry Happold returned Sunday evening from Portland where

New books placed in circulation this week at the Heppner public library include: The Federal Reserve System, Its Purpose and Functions; Miller, Men and Volts at War; Meany, Babe Ruth;

McCrone, Red Plush; Presiden-tial Report on Civil Rights; Freeman, Discovering South America; Davis, Soldier of Democracy, the biography of General Dwight D. Eisenhower; Fay, The Two Franklins; Hahn, The Soong Sisters, the revealing biography of the three greatest women in China; Rourke, Audubon; Charwood, Theodore Roosevelt; Morison, Admiral of The Ocean Sea, the life of Christopher Columbus; White, A Puritan in Babylon, the story of Calvin Coolidge; Simonds, Edison, His Life, His Work and His Genious; Mussolini, My Autobi-ography; Nash, Nothing But

Mrs. Grace Nickerson received serious facial injuries and body bruises in a fall Thursday eve ning when she tripped on a rais-ed place in the sidewalk in front of the Hiatt apartments on Baltimore street. Mrs. Nickerson, walking along with her hands in the pockets of her coat, was unable to remove them quickly en-

ough to break the fall and struck her face on the sidewalk. Mrs. Charles McDaniel of Hardnan was brought to Heppner to physician the end of the week to receive treatment for injuries she received in a fall when she slipped on the ice. At the time of the accident, Mrs. McDaniel was helping load a truck with their household effects, preparatory to moving to Stanfield where they have purchased a small acreage. During her stay here she was the guest of her brother-inlaw and sster, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bleakman.

Mrs. Charles Hodge Jr. entertained Wednesday evening with a handkerchief shower for Mrs. Harry Anderson who is leaving soon to make her home in Idaho. Present were Mrs. Frank Davis, Mrs. Wlliam Cochell, Mrs. Louis Gilliam, Mrs. LaVerne Van Mar-ter, Mrs. Ike Cole, Mrs. Ambrose Chapin and Mrs. William Barratt. Two tables of bridge were in play for which Mrs. Cole re-

eived high score. Mrs. Grace Turner and Estel "Bud" Fields were married March 12 in Boise, Idaho.

Edward Chidsey of La Grande was a business visitor in Hepp-ner the end of the week. Mr. Chidsey, a former resident of this area, is now with the state high

way commission. Rev. and Mrs. Charles Graybeal returned to Corning, Cal., the end of the week, having been called to Heppner by the death of her grandfather, the late C. A. Miller. They were accompanied as far as Eugene by Miss Loma Mae Jones who is attending Northwest Christian college in that

Readings, Mrs. J. A. Troedson and Mrs. Armin Wihlon. Group singing to close fortnight in Heppner with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pierson and family Mrs. Walter Barger and daugh-

ters have returned from Tacoma where they had been visiting her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Doherty held "open house" at their new country home Sunday afternoon. complimenting his mother, Mrs. Katharine Doherty, on the occasion of her birthday and to give their friends an opportunity t inspect the new house which was recently completed. Fortyfour guests were present during the afternoon. Among those from a distance were Miss Helen Doherty from Vallejo, Cal., and John Doherty from San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nickerson and Mrs. Grace Nickerson motored to Portland Tuesday to spend a few days looking after business matters. They were accompanied by Mrs. Florence Hughes who will visit relatives and friends in the city and in Centralia, Wn., some six weeks. Although Mrs. Hughes says her plans are indefinite, she hopes to visit in Cal ifornia before returning to Heppner later in the spring.

trip to Portland the first of the

Mrs. Floyd Worden and Mrs Frank Wilkinson were hostesses for the meeting of the Morrow County Shrine club and auxiliary at the Masonic temple Saturday evening. Bridge, pinochle and Chinese checkers were played with Mrs. Allen Case receiving high for bridge; William Cochel high for pinochle and David Hynd, high for Chinese checkers

Refreshments were served. According to word received by Heppner relatives, funeral ser rices for Keith, nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Les Rasmusser were held in Lyndon, Wash Thursday afternoon. The Rasmus sens lived in Heppner several years ago.
Mrs. C. C. Carmichael of Lex

ngton is a patient at Coffe Memorial hospital in Portland where she recently underwent a major operation. Mrs. Merle Miller returned Sat

tention for the past few weeks Mr. and Mrs. Ike Cole and Mrs. Carolyn McDaniel, Maurine Pal- Portland,

they spent the week end visiting

Mrs. Neville Blunt returned Tu-Resident Since esday evening from Victoria, B C., where she had been visiting relatives for the past three weeks She was met in Walla Wala by Rev. Mr. Blunt. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bucknum

were business visitors in Pendle-ton the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker re turned Sunday from Portland. Mrs. Baker had been in the city for some time with her mother

of the week. Eddie Chinn returned from Portland the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Gosney and children of Hood River spent the week end in Heppner with her mother, Mrs. V. R. Runnion and Mr. Runnion. Other guests this week at the Runnion home are her son and daughter-in-law, Mr.

who has been ill and Mr. Bakre

motored down after her the end

Harlan Devin of Condon spending this week in Heppner with his mother, Mrs. Sylvia Dev in, who is seriously ill at her

home on Baltimore street.

Don McElligott of Ione was transacting business in Heppner Monday. Mr. McElligott reports that his father, Charles McElligott, who had been spending some time in Portland under medical care, has improved con siderably and is again at the ranch near Ione.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Timm were over from Pendleton Monday transacting business in Heppner The Timms who formerly lived on a farm near lone now have a ranch in the McKay dam district between Pendleton and Pilot

Walter Moore of Pendleton was a business visitor in Heppner on Tuesday, Among Ione visitors in Heppner

Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Lindstrom, Mrs. Werner Rietmann, Mr. and Mrs. John Eubanks, Mrs. Garland Swanson and Mrs. Delbert Emert.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parrish mo tored to Condon Saturday evening to attend the baskeball game be tween the Heppner and Condon town teams.

Mrs. Louise Ritchie of The Dal-les visited in Heppner the first of the week. During her stay she was the houseguest of Mrs. Ora K. Wyland. Prior to coming to Heppner, Mrs. Ritchie visited rel atives in Hermiston and Pendle

Mr and Mrs Raymond Batty of Kimberly were week-end houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Becket at their country ome in the Eightmile district.
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Munkers motored to The Dalles Saturday afternoon to spend the week end

with relatives. Vince Stingle has returned from The Dalles where he had been a patient in The Dalles hos-

Dr. L. L. Taylor, government veterinarian from The Dalles, was a business visitor in Heppner Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Kenton and children of Salem visited this

week with her father, L. D. Neill. and Mrs. Neill, having come up to be present for Mr. Neill's birthday. According to word received in

Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. George Matthews of Pendleton are the parents of a daughter, born Saturday in that city. Mr. Matthews formerly operated a radio shop in Heppner Mrs. Jeff Pierce has returned to her home in Bend after spend- ser, Idaho. They found Mrs. Rout-

ing several days here assisting with the care of her mother, Mrs Ada Cason, who has been ill. Mrs. Cason is much improved at this Harley Wright returned Tues-

day evening from Portland where he had been spending several days at the veteran's hospital. Ramon L. Kent was over from

Pendleton Tuesday, looking after business matters in Heppner. Mrs. Eldred Edenhofer returned to her home in Portland Wednesday after spending several days in Heppner at the home of her

Mrs. Steve Aalberg. Recent guests of Mrs. R. A. Thompson and Mrs. Linnie Lowden were their brother and sisterin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Brown to their home Saturday.

Mrs. Carla Van Horn and chil-

dren of Pendleton are spending this week in Heppner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Yeager, Mr. Van Horn brot them over Sunday. The Brownie troop of Girl

Scouts was entertained at a birthday party at its meeting Monday afternoon in the Civic Center building, this being the birthday of Karen Valentine, a member of the troop, Mrs. James Valentine provided the refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream and Easter candy favors. Games were the diversion of the afternoon. Present were Carol Anderson, Peggy Applegate, John Brosnan. Joyce Casebeer, Judy Collins, urday from Fortland where she Helen Graham, Carol Groshens, had been receiving medical at Margaret Hughes, Ruth Peterson. Kay Keithley, Connie Lee Massey.

Samuel J. Devine

1900 Dies Suddenly Monday Evening

Death came suddenly Monday vening to S. J. Devine, 70, a resident of the county since 1900. He had been showing an apartment to prospective tenants and was busy turning out lights just after the visitors left when he was stricken with a heart attack. A physician was called but it was too late.

Services were field at 2 o'clock p.m. today at the Church of Christ with the paster, Joe Jewett officiating and arrangements in charge of the Phelps Funeral home. Interment was made in the Lexington cemetery with the Lexington grange participating in and Mrs. Harold Hoevell of San the graveside services.

Samuel Joseph Devine, known to all his acquaintances as Joe was born April 21, 1877 in Canada. He moved with his parents to North Dakota when three years of age, where he grew to man-hood. In 1900, in company with the late T. W. Cutsforth, he came to Oregon and homesteaded north of Lexington where he farmed successfully and made his home until 1943 when he retired to make his home in Heppner, having built a residence here in 1937. he could spend his declining years more leisurely. He did not relinquish ownership of the farm.

Mr. Devine was first married in 1898 to Nona Langley in North Dakota. To this union four children were born, three of whom preceded him in death. His sec ond marriage was to Mary Pearl Wright of Heppner. This was in 1924.

Survivors include his wife and son, Claude Devine of North Bonneville, Wash., and eight grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Mr. Devine became a member of the Lexington Christian church on December 12, 1928. He was a charter member and first mas ter of the Lexington grange, and served as master of the Pomona grange twice. He was a membe of the Oddfellows lodge at Lex-

Spring Vacation Set For April 1-2

Supt. Henry Tetz announced at the O'Donnell cafe Wednesday that the annual alarm to be sounded. spring vacation of the Heppner chool will be April 1 and 2. It had been planned to come ahead of Easter but due to time missed earlier in the semester the term exams could not be gotten out of was applied.

the way. the balance of the week to go places and see things-if they wish.

HEC MEETING 25th

March 25. The meeting will open Chris Brown in Heppner,

Mr. and Mrs. Ed LeTrace spent he past week end with Ed's mother, Mrs. J. W. Routson, at Weison greatly improved.

mer. Phyllis Quackenbush, San Mrs. Richard Meador, troop lead er and Mrs. Jerry Brosnan and young son of Lena. Janet Wightman, a member of the group, was unable to attend because of ill

Mrs. L. D. Neill entertained

at an open house between the ger, hours of 2 to 10, Tuesday afternoon and evening, honoring Mr. Neill on the occasion of his 72nd birthday. Those present from out of town included Mr. and son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Kenton and daugh ters Sharon, Vicki and Nancy of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Neill and daughter, Mrs. Charles of Portland. The Browns returned | Plourd, and daughter Marjorie o Hermiston; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Neill and daughter Kay of Butter creek; Mrs. Bernice Mather and son Bobby of Echo; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wattenburger of Echo and Mrs. Orpha Goe and son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Waldron of Kansas City, Mo. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs Clarence Moore and son George

> son Glen. The beautifully decorated birthday cake was made by Mr. Neill's daughter, Mrs. Eldon Kenton of Salem.

and Mr. and Mrs. Burl Coxen and

Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Neill en tertained at dinner for Frank S. Parker whose birthday is the same day as Mr. Neill's, and who, incidentally, is just the same age. Present for this occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Parker

Woolgrowers Aux Closes Books And Dispenses Funds

Unable to find people willing to serve as officers, the remnants of the Woolgrowers auxiliary, once a flourishing club of wom en interested in the sheep industry, has decided to "give up the ship." An canvass of about 50 per cent of the membership showed that the ladies were willing to quit and to divide up existing funds among worthy organiza-

Beneficiaries of the auxiliary's funds were the Heppner Parent ner library, \$25; Heppner schoo Teacher association, \$25; Hepp-band, \$25; Junior chamber of commerce, \$25, and the proceed. of three \$25 bonds totaling \$69.21. were turned over to the hospital

March 31 Definite **Date For Concert**

Heppner school band has been given a kind of "off again, on again, gone again, Finnegan" status the past few days, but March 31 has been definitely set as the date for the event, according to both Supt. Henry Tetz and Director Billy Cochell. Postpone-ments from the original date, March 19, was made necessary due to the illness of Mr. Cochell Then on Tuesday morning of this week the date was given to the press as April 2. Before announcement could appear the school oflooking forward to the time when ficials definitely decided upon March 31.

In line with the purpose for which the concert is being given to raise funds with which to pay off the band uniform debt and buy some new instruments, Mr. Cochell reports that the band has received a check from the Heppner Rodeo association in the amount of \$300 for the band's services at the 1947 show. This has made it possible to clear the uniforms debt and to buy a new set of drums. In addition to this check, the band and school acknowledge the gift of a reproduce er from C. L. Hodge of the Hepp ner Appliance company, which is coming in handy for both band and individual practice

Fire Calls "Fog" Machine Into Use

Heppner's volunteer fire de-partment put the city's "fog" machine into use for the second time when shortly before the lunch hour Wednesday burning grease at the O'Donnell cafe caused the

The truck was at the scene in short order and the danger of a serious fire was quickly removed when the machine developed 800 pounds pressure and the "fog"

The band concert on Wednes-day evening, March 31, will be the Carter residence a few weeks the closing activity of the first ago. It eliminates the fire with semester, giving the school folk a minimum of damage. The cafe was delayed a little in serving lunch Wednesday but aside from that little damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Merrill were Sunday night guests at the home A meeting of the Lexington grange home economics club scheduled for today, March 18, Mrs. E. R. Prock, They were en route from Klamath Falls to Port. has been postponed one week, to route from Klamath Falls to Port land and left their little son at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Gregory with his grandparents while they continued on to the Rose city.

YEAGER WAS CONTRACTOR

It is not the purpose of this newspaper to slight anyone at any time, neither to cast aspersions. Such slips as may occur are more often sins of omission dra Scouten, Karen Valentine and Joan Moe, members of the troop, It so happens that a sin of omis-It so happens that a sin of omis- resumed as soon as weather consion was committed last week in the writeup of the Baker house. We failed to mention that O. M. in preparing the site for the new Yeager was the contractor in mill. This is a big job requiring charge of the finishing work, We the removal of thousands of cheerfully admit the error and yards of gravel from the old offer abject apology to Mr. Yea. channel of the John Day and us-

> Mr. and Mrs. Ed Grant and the river channel, which was eat-Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Munkers ing up a lot of good soil from were visiting in The Dalles Sat- year to year, and the dredging urday. Mr. and Mrs. Munkers re- operations have created a ten

Monument People Show Interest In Proposed Highway

50 Miles to Rail Head By Good Road Has Strong Appeal

Monument people are interested in the construction of a few miles of highway from that point connect with the Heppner-Spray highway at the mouth of Chapin creek or some other point. This was the expression of several leading citizens of that community Monday when repre-sentatives of the Heppner chamber of commerce paid them a vis-lt and explained plans underway to have such a road included in future plans of the state highway

The group met at the Holmes cafe where a good luncheon was enjoyed and road and community affairs discussed. The visitors explained that considerable preliminary work has been done on this end of the line to get some road work done that will draw the two communities closer together. A cut-off from the mouth of Chapin creek to Monument across Sunflower flat down Wall creek to the north fork of the John Day or following a route already being graded in part by the Heppner Lumber company will save people of that part of Grant coun-ty approximately 27 miles in reaching Heppner, the nearest railhead. This plan has been incorporated in Morrow county road and highway plans which will be presented to the interim committee of the legislature next

Tuesday at Pendleton. The Monument folks were a lit-tle skeptical at first but as the plan unfolded they warmed up to it and ere long were displaying enthusiasm. Several of them who have lived in that region many years said they are still wonder-ing why the road was not built into Monument instead of to-wards Spray when the present route was located. They also stated that they consider Heppner their closest neighbor from the standpoint of a railhead and some of the older ones are desirous of reestablishing business

relations here. Monument, suffering from growing pains, is confronted with street improvement program The city, under the leadership of Mayor Chester Brown, has mapped out and sent to the interim committee its plans for this improvement and will have representatives at Pendleton Tuesday to explain the program. These representatives assured the chamber of commerce delegation that they would back the proposed new highway connection as submitted by the Morrow county

The Heppner visitors were takmanager of the Tum-A-Lum Lumber company plant here, and included Orville Smith, manager of the Heppner Lumber company; Jack O'Connor, J. C. Penney Co. manager and president of the chamber of commerce; Louis Lyons, proprietor of the Heppner Photo studio, and O. G. Crawford, publisher of the Heppner Gaz-

ette Times. With the establishment of a sawmill at Monument by the Heppner Lumber company and the prospect that there will be two or three other smaller plants put up in the vicinity soon, the need for a shorter haul to a rail shipping point is at once apparent. The Heppner Lumber company has six miles of grade under construction which will be ditions permit. At present Emory Moore and his crew are engaged ing it to surface the mill grounds. The company has straightened

92.03 Pct. of Current Taxes Up To February 25 Collected

Morow county taxpayers are The county has disposed of a still "in the money," if the rate large part of the property acquirat which they pay their taxes is land having been just about all office, 92.03 per cent of the tax towns. bill up to February 25 has been

lector, pointed out.

land having been just about all a criterion. According to figures sold off, and leaving a few lots obtained from the tax collector's here and there in the several There is one thing that enters

into the prompt payment of taxes Not only is the current tax which is a little upsetting when money well paid in but as of De-cember 31, 1947 the 1947-48 taxes law provides for a small rebate were paid up to the extent of for paying the taxes in full. With per cent, Mrs. Frances Mit- an annual tax bill of approxichell, deputy sheriff and tax col- mately \$400,000, rebates amount to \$10,000, or thereabouts. Pay-Personal taxes are practically ments to taxpayers the current paid up and with the lumping of 1931 and prior accounts it is ex- Against the is an offset of \$52.64 pected that the county's books interest penalty assessed to tardy and Mr. and Mrs. Raiph Scott of will be quite generally cleaned taxpayers. Last year the county Portland, up by the end of the current year.