

# HEPPNER GAZETTE TIMES

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## Peace Officers Of Mid-Columbia To Convene Tuesday

The Mid-Columbia Peace Officers association will meet in Heppner Tuesday evening, April 20, according to announcement from Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman who will act as host to the group. Arrangements have been made for a social hour at the Elks club early in the evening, followed by a banquet at the Elkhorn restaurant at 7 o'clock, at which time the doors will be closed to the public.

Harold Sexton, sheriff of Wasco county and president of the association, will preside.

The Mid-Columbia district includes Skamania, Klickitat and Benton counties in Washington and Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow counties in Oregon. Peace officers from neighboring counties are not excluded, and Sheriff Bauman has invited Sheriff Gaud and District Attorney Cy Proebstel of Umatilla county and Sheriff Hazelton of Grant county as special guests. Howard Bobbitt of Portland, agent in charge of the FBI for the district, will be the guest speaker.

## May Day Fete At Hi School Stirs Up Torrid Interest

May Day observance will be colorfully emphasized this year at Heppner high school, if a campaign opening early this week has any bearing on the eventual program. The contest for queen started off with a rally Monday evening and from now until the election there will be feverish activity.

Jars have been distributed to business houses where supporters of the several candidates may contribute a penny per vote to help out their favorite. Candidates are Clara Sue Ledbetter, senior; Beverly Eberhardt, junior; Marlene DuBois, sophomore; and Patty Healy, freshman. Beginning at 3 p. m. Saturday, May Day, the school band will offer a 40-minute concert of currently popular tunes, a local version of "Your Hit Parade." Music will be furnished by the grade and high school vocal groups, and dances by grade boys. Traditionally, the May pole will be wound by the small fry. An all-school dance, attendance limited to school people and their parents, will be held at a place to be announced later.

## Akers In Hospital Following Wreck

Kenneth Akers of Ione was taken to a hospital in The Dalles Saturday night following an accident on the highway just below Lexington when his car was wrecked. With Akers in the car were Gene Grabill and Bill Driscoll. Akers was hurt internally as well as receiving cuts on his face and one hand. Grabill suffered two broken ribs and Driscoll a cut hand. Ed Buschke brought the trio to Heppner to a physician and when the extent of Akers' injuries was learned an ambulance was called to take him to The Dalles. Latest report from the hospital was to the effect that he is getting along all right.

## 4-H Club News . . .

Judging of milking Shorthorns and Rambouillet ram classes, showmanship of sheep and 4-H club meeting held Sunday, April 11, at the Jerry Brosnan farm on Butler creek. Twenty-one club members were present as well as local leaders, Markham Baker, Elmer Palmer, and John Graves. Ronald Baker, Peggy Wrightman, and Ronald Curran demonstrated proper showmanship of sheep and discussed grooming the sheep for show. Louis Carlson and Johnnie Brosnan gave a demonstration on proper showmanship of beef animals.

During the business meeting plans for attending Eastern Oregon Wheat League show and sale was discussed, as well as plans for setting up a 4-H Mutual Aid organization for protection of 4-H club members from death losses of animals.

Rieta Graves gave a demonstration on the proper display of the American flag.

At the close of the meeting a delicious lunch was served by the Brosnans.

The Triangle Milling company of Portland has announced that they are making the services of H. C. Seymour available for 4-H club affairs in Washington and Oregon. Mr. Seymour retired last June 30 at Oregon State 4-H leader after holding that title for 31 1/2 years.

In his new connection with the milling company, Seymour says he will be available for whatever service he can perform for 4-H club work in the two states.

Willard Stratton and Gene Williams of Hermiston were business visitors in Heppner Wednesday.

## Picture Of School In 1905 Arouses Unusual Interest

Residents of the community who attended school in Heppner during the early part of the century are finding considerable enjoyment in scanning a picture of the local school taken in 1905. The picture was the first of the week by Bessie G. Dykstra, member of the high school graduating class of 1905 and now residing in Cottage Grove. He didn't say so, but he must have seen a copy of the G-T's 65th anniversary issue because he chided the editor upon his resemblance to Methuselah while he, Dykstra, is still a youngish man.

The picture will be on exhibition a few days longer and those wishing to see what they looked like in the "good old days" should not put off coming in.

D. V. S. Reid was the school principal at that time but other teachers have escaped the memory of the writer.

## Sanitation Topic Of Health Group Speaker Monday

Sanitation is the topic selected by Kenneth Spies, representative of the Oregon state board of health, for discussion Monday evening at the Lexington grange hall on the occasion of the annual meeting and dinner of the Morrow County Public Health association.

Dinner will be served by the women of the grange at 6:30 p. m. This will be followed by a program including Mr. Spies and a report on the Pioneer Memorial hospital to date by Judge Bert Johnson, and vocal numbers by the Heppner Women's Chorus and Mrs. C. C. Dunham.

Election of officers for the ensuing year, as well as reports by the present officers will round out the program.

## Demonstration Of Field Equipment Set For Saturday

County Agent N. C. Anderson has arranged a field equipment demonstration for Saturday, April 17, at the W. W. Weatherford ranch, 2 1/2 miles west of the old Eightmile postoffice on the Heppner-Condor highway. The demonstration will start at 1:30 p. m.

Implements used for stubble and mulch type farming will be demonstrated. Major machine companies manufacturing this type of machinery will be on hand to operate their equipment.

## News About Town . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Becket motored to Pendleton Tuesday to visit her sister, Ester Bergstrom, who is a patient in St. Anthony's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hayes departed Sunday for The Dalles where they will make their home in the future. Mr. Hayes who has been in The Dalles for the past several weeks motored up Saturday after Mrs. Hayes and their household effects. Mrs. Lena Gentry will act as chief operator in the local telephone exchange replacing Mrs. Hayes. After May a permanent manager is expected to arrive from Bend.

Ralph Potter and Orva Dyer, Condor farmers, were business visitors in Heppner Tuesday.

Tom Black, Bonnevillie Power administration representative from Walla Walla, was a business visitor in Heppner Tuesday. Mr. Black was accompanied by Dwight E. Wertz of Ohio who visited friends here during the day. Mr. Wertz visited in Heppner last spring.

Mrs. R. B. Rice motored to Spokane Thursday to spend the week end with relatives.

Mrs. Frank Ayers is spending a few days vacation from her work as cook in the O'Donnell cafe. Claud Knowles of Umatilla is relief cook during Mrs. Ayers' absence.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bucknum made a business trip to The Dalles Tuesday.

Mrs. Ida Grimes returned Tuesday evening from Portland where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Carl Leathers. She was accompanied to Heppner by Mrs. Dale Grimes and Mrs. Bernice Blackwell who remained overnight and returned to their home in Salem Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry O'Donnell made a business trip to Pendleton Monday.

Mrs. Jack Halseth returned Sunday from Spokane where she spent the past several weeks following a major operation at the Deaconess hospital in that city.

Fred Hoskins was transacting business in Heppner from the farm home on Rhea creek.

Several carloads of sheep arrived from California Tuesday evening for summer grazing in the mountains south of Hardman. They were taken by truck to range near Condon Wednesday.

## Charter Party Officially Starts Heppner Soroptimists

Legion hall was the setting Saturday evening for an event of unusual importance to Heppner and vicinity when members of the Baker club, sponsoring unit, and a representative from the Lakeview club, officially launched the Heppner Soroptimist club in fitting charter night ceremonies. Ten members of the Baker club, including Mrs. Etta Farr Cuning, Mrs. Frances Oliver, Mrs. William Ellis, Miss Loy Wisdom, Mrs. S. W. Brown, Doris Leonard, Jane Alfrey, Thelma Hendman, Martha Schroeder and Christine Dickerson from Lakeview, Mrs. Margaret Rugg participated in the dinner and program.

Places were set for more than 50 diners who enjoyed an excellent meal prepared by Mrs. Clive Huston and Mrs. Grace Hughes. Tables were decorated in Soroptimist colors and each guest was presented with a corsage or a boutonniere, courtesy of the Heppner club.

Mrs. Etta Cuning, past president of the Baker club and junior past regional director, presided. In a brief talk, Mrs. Cuning welcomed the new club and the visitors. Mayor Conley Lanham extended greetings in behalf of the city, stating that in his opinion forming of a Soroptimist club was the biggest thing that had happened in Heppner since he had known the town. He urged the club to get behind the city's program of improvement and in turn pledged full cooperation of the city government in any activity the new club may engage in, which he said he knew would be worthwhile. Response to the mayor's greetings was given in a fitting manner by Mrs. William Ellis.

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## Degree of Honor Participates in State Meet

By Ruth Payne  
Several members of the Heppner Degree of Honor lodge motored to Portland Thursday to attend a two-day state convention of that organization. The convention opened with a banquet on Thursday evening followed by a model lodge meeting and continued through Friday with business sessions and entertainment features. For its portion of the program, the Heppner delegation presented the tableau, "America Best of All," in which flags of the United Nations and Liberty were used effectively. Mrs. Clara B. Gertson was lecturer for this tableau.

Mrs. Sylvia McDaniel, president of the Heppner lodge, gave a report of the local order's progress since the last state convention and Mrs. Gertson who represented the state of Oregon at the last national convention in 1945 in St. Paul, Minn., gave a report of that meeting. Among lodge notables attending the Portland sessions was Mrs. Frances B. Olson of St. Paul, national president of the Degree of Honor. Those from Heppner making the trip were Mrs. Sylvia McDaniel, president; Mrs. Irene Nolan, vice-president; Mrs. Clara B. Gertson, financial secretary; Mrs. Julia Hill, Mrs. Maude Hughes, Mrs. Mildred O'Connor, Mrs. Faye Munkers, Mrs. Beulah Barkla, Mrs. Edna Coxen and Mrs. Ruth Bergstrom.

Jos. J. Nys motored to Portland the end of the week to spend a few days on business and pleasure. Mrs. Nys, who has been in the city for the past week and was a guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Ward, returned home with him.

Mrs. J. A. Woodhall and Mrs. Martha Shannon entertained with a children's party Friday afternoon at the Woodhall home for Mary Shannon on her fourth birthday. Present were Lynn and Nancy Wright, Judy, Vicki and Patty Barger, Nancy Lyons, Rogena Proekt, Carolyn Smith, Sandra Jones, Janet Washburn, Jimmy Farra, Bobby Huffman, J. S. McMurry, Jaycee, John Mark and Dickie Woodhall. Refreshments of birthday cake and ice cream were served.

Mrs. Ralph Thompson entertained with a bridge luncheon at the Lucas Place Thursday afternoon complimenting Mrs. Walter Moore and Mrs. C. L. Sweek of Pendleton. High score at bridge was received by Mrs. H. A. Cohn and second by Mrs. A. D. McMurdock.

Among out-of-town relatives here Thursday for the funeral services of the late Mrs. Mary Munkers were Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright of The Dalles.

Mrs. Louise Ritchie of The Dalles is spending several days in Heppner looking after business matters. While here she is the house guest of Mrs. Ora Wyland.

Mrs. Gerald Acklen and children are here from Grants Pass to spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dinges. Mr. Acklen is in the Good Samaritan hospital at Portland and the family will remain here during the time he is hospitalized.

Mrs. Ray Dolven was shopping in Heppner Monday from the farm in the Blackhorse district.

Mrs. Claud Huston returned Sunday from Portland where she has been convalescing at the home of her brother, Dr. Ben Phil-

## Youthful Farmers Attend State FFA Meet At K. Falls

The Heppner FFA was represented at the 20th annual state FFA convention at Klamath Falls. The local boys that attended the convention were Buster Padberg, Bob Bergstrom, Kenneth Green, Orville Cutsforth, and Cecil Hill, accompanied by their advisor, Francis Cook. The group went down on April 7 and returned April 11. Buster Padberg and Bob Bergstrom were the delegates.

The convention was held at the Oregon vocational school, and the campus was busier than usual with 809 FFA boys and instructors present. The purpose of the convention was to settle matters that had come up during the year, to elect state officers for the coming year, and to change rules.

Among the many activities during the convention were contests in parliamentary procedure, livestock judging, agricultural spelling, and others. The Heppner boys entered in three contests: crop seed identification, tool identification, and dairy cow judging. Cecil Hill won a silver certificate in the tool identification contest.

## Music Festival At Walla Walla To Hear Local Band

The Heppner school band will participate in the Southeastern Washington Music Competition festival, Walla Walla, April 24. It will be the second contest for the majority of the band, although 12 of the youthful musicians will perform in competition for the first time.

The warm-up match will be King Cotton, Sousa; an overture—The Oracle; Taylor; the overture, Nobility, by O'Neill. These selections are among the works given strenuous consideration the past two months by the band.

This festival is sponsored under the rules and regulations set down by the National School Band Association and its prime objective is the promotion of active interest and participation in better music for all schools. Band judges are Daryl Gibson, University of Montana; Carl Dietrich, Jefferson High School, Portland; Donald McCaw, supervisor of music, Aberdeen, Wash.; Justin Gray, University of Montana.

## Post 6100, V.F.W. Installs Officers

Post No. 6100, Veterans of Foreign Wars, installed officers for the ensuing year at the regular meeting Monday evening at the Civic center. Irvin Rauch, commander; James Driscoll, senior vice commander; Archie Struthers, junior vice commander; W. E. McAleeb, quartermaster and adjutant; Dr. C. C. Dunham, post surgeon; Joe Aiken, trustee 3 years; James Stotts, trustee 2 years; and C. C. Carmichael, hold-over trustee, constitute the new board of officers installed by Harlan McCurdy Jr., installing officer.

Commander Rauch has named the following appointive officers: Legislative, Henry Peterson; Harlan McCurdy, chaplain; Dr. Dunham, service officer; Forest Thornburg, patriotic officer; Earl Hogue, advocate, and Edwin Dick, publicity.

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Recommendations as a result of this trip are:

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## Fund Drive On To Aid In Stopping No. 2 Killer, Cancer

Merle Becket, county chairman, announces completion of his organization for the current fund campaign in the war against the No. 2 killer—cancer. Local committees have been named in the several communities of the county and the members of these groups will make personal contacts.

Chairmen or directors of the various committees include Nathan Thorpe, Boardman; Leonard Carlson, Gooseberry; Mrs. Martin Bauerfeld, Morgan; Mrs. Victor Bietmann, Ione; Mrs. H. C. Leslie, Hardman; Mrs. Jerry Brosnan, Lena; Mrs. Alton Osmirn, Balm Fork; Mrs. Elmer Palmer, Eightmile; Mrs. Clarence Hayes, Lexington; E. E. Rugg, Rhea creek; Mrs. Russell Moore, Pine City; Mrs. Ralph I. Thompson, Willow creek; Mrs. Bill Barratt, Hinton creek; Mrs. Bernhard Doherty, Blackhorse; Mrs. O. G. Hague-wood, Heppner Flat, and Mrs. Sam Turner, Sand Hollow.

Oregon's quota of the American Cancer society's national campaign is \$130,000. Of this amount no definite quota has been assigned to Morrow county. However, the importance of this project can not be overestimated and Chairman Becket is urging everyone to make a contribution, large or small, that the work of the society may go on unhampered. A two-fold purpose is involved, first to educate the American public on cancer and its control, and second, to raise funds from donations to continue necessary research work.

Wherever possible, personal contact by the local committee with the public will be made. In localities where no organization of workers exists, solicitation will be made through the mails. It is felt that solicitation in this worthy cause should not be necessary, but people are prone to forget and oftentimes fail to respond to requests by mail, and for this reason personal calls may be made.

Checks payable to the Cancer Drive or to the American Cancer Society may be mailed directly to the First National Bank of Portland, Heppner Branch, or delivered to some representative of the county committee.

## Registration To Close On April 20

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## A REPLY

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## Election Monday To Be First Under New School Setup

Approval Sought For Addition To Regular Base Levy

Qualified, legal votes of Morrow county are reminded of the fact that there is a school meeting scheduled for Monday, April 19. This school meeting is called by the Rural School District board for the purpose of voting upon the tax levy. The proposed tax is an equalized levy on all of the taxable property of the county. The revenue raised by the levy is to be used for the operation of all of the schools of the county.

Each school district prepared and presented its budget to the Rural School District board. These budgets were consolidated into one levy which will be apportioned out to the districts upon the basis of the amounts asked for in their budgets.

It is necessary at this time to call an election to vote upon the tax levy because the total amount asked for by the budgets exceeds the total of the levying bases of all the school districts. As shown on the notices posted in each school district, the combined levying bases for all districts is \$100,643.41. The required tax levy for all school districts of the county amounts to \$270,635.46.

## Cutsforth Auction Of Hereford Cows Set For April 26

Sale by auction of his entire female herd of registered Herefords is announced this week by O. W. Cutsforth, Lexington wheat rancher and stockman. Not included in the sale is the 1947 calf crop.

The sale is scheduled to start at 11 a. m. Monday, April 26, at the ranch, "Cutsforth Corners," located two miles north of Lexington on highway 207.

While the Cutsforth cattle have not been widely advertised and are not too well known, the herd was started on a foundation of well bred animals and Cutsforth purchased only top bulls for use in the herd. Sires of the 1948 crop of calves have both been champions at the shows where he purchased them. The Chandler bred Hartland Donald 23rd was reserve champion at the 1945 Spokane sale and Geyer Domino 75th was champion at the 1946 Walla Walla Polled show.

Among the pedigrees found in the catalog are Chandler, Bessie Brown, W. H. Mountcrest, and Roy Robinson breeding. The champion at the recent 1947 Walla Walla Polled sale came from the Roy Robinson herd and topped the sale at \$4,050. Most of the Polled cows in the sale are Roy Robinson breeding.

Practically every animal catalogued is expected to have a calf at side by the day of the sale. There are 75 cows and only three of these are as much as eight years old.

## Tax Problem Big Headache, French Tells Local Group

Taxes are about the biggest problem confronting the people these days and for that reason the people should learn all they can relative to the taxes themselves and the people responsible for making the tax laws, Rep. Giles French told the luncheon group of the Heppner chamber of commerce Monday noon. Here to do a little political fence building, the Sherman county newspaperman and legislator discussed briefly some of the tax problems facing the state due to the complicated system under which we operate. He said the \$30,000,000 surplus should be put to some use.

## Check Writer Has Field Day Here

Authorities are trying to locate Vern Ricketts who paid Heppner a visit last week and left for parts unknown after cashing a series of checks which the bank found it could not honor. Ricketts is reported to have been more or less generous in buying clothing and other articles, issuing checks in excess of the purchases. By the time the checks "bounced" the issuer had made a complete secret of his whereabouts.

A \$20 check issued by Jackie LaVeta Papineau in Heppner also was of the "rubber" variety, but the young woman was released from custody when she paid an assessment of \$18.50 which settled for a \$30 fine and \$4.50 costs in Justice J. O. Hager's court and included the repayment of the \$20. Sanger's Pharmacy was the plaintiff.

## SOFTBALL LEAGUE FORMED

Representatives of the Elks, American Legion, Rosewall Motor company and Hodge Chevrolet Co. met Tuesday night and organized a softball league for spring and summer play. It is planned to open the season the first of May.

## FINE CROP PROSPECT

Frank Lindsey was in town Wednesday from Morgan and reported fall grain in his field average between 11 and 16 inches in height. He proclaims present prospects the best he has ever known.

## JAYCETTES TO MEET

Mrs. James Healy, Mrs. William Collins and Mrs. Edwin Dick will be the business for the regular meeting of the Jaycettes Wednesday evening