

# HEPPNER GAZETTE TIMES

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## Edwin R. Huston Called By Death Friday Afternoon

### Funeral Services Held Here Sunday; Burial At Albany

Death came Friday afternoon to E. R. Huston, native Oregonian and for more than 40 years a resident of Morrow county. Mr. Huston had been home but a few days from a hospital in The Dalles where he underwent surgical treatment for an ailment with which he had been afflicted several years and hopes were held for his ultimate recovery. He had visited with friends during the afternoon and appeared in good spirits. Rev. John Runyan had dropped in for a little visit and after chatting a few minutes Mr. Huston dropped off to sleep and passed away shortly.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Heppner Church of Christ, with Rev. John Runyan officiating and arrangements in charge of the Phelps Funeral Home. A quartet, J. O. Turner, Mrs. Cecil Warner, Mrs. Fred Hoskins Jr. and Robert Walker, sang The City Four Square, and Mrs. Hoskins sang One Sweetly Solemn Thought, accompanied by Mrs. J. O. Turner. The pastor paid a tribute to the long, faithful service rendered by Mr. Huston to his church and to his community. It was recalled that he had been chairman of the building committee when the Albany Christian church was built and again served in that capacity when the Heppner Church of Christ was erected. He served as city recorder of Heppner for 25 years, besides being active in local Masonic lodge circles, being secretary of the Royal Arch chapter at the time of his passing.

Edwin Roland Huston was born November 28, 1866 at Albany, Linn county, Oregon and spent his entire life in this state. He was educated in the Albany schools and the Monmouth Normal school, from which he graduated. He was married January 25, 1902 to Ealor Belle Stuart of Albany and in 1906 they moved to Morrow county and engaged in farming in the Eightmile district until 1913 when they moved to Heppner. Mr. Huston engaged in different business enterprises here and in later years he and Mrs. Huston opened a grocery store in the Case building which they operated until about two years ago. He had been a grocer in Albany for many years before moving to Morrow county.

Surviving are Mrs. Huston and a daughter, Mrs. Mark Taylor of Salem; besides several cousins and other relatives residing in this county. A son, Dr. John Huston, drowned in Alaskan waters more than 20 years ago.

The body was taken to Albany Monday for interment.

## HIGH SCHOOLERS FILL JOB VACANCIES IN TOWN

Young people of high school age and just out of school are showing the stuff they're made of by getting jobs at home and abroad for the summer. Some of them are adding a little to their college education funds while others are looking forward to permanent positions. But for the summer we find these young people applying some of the training acquired in school: Faye Cutsforth, assistant in Dr. J. D. Palmer's dental office; Lillian Hubbard, Ione, clerking in Norman's Dress Shop; Barbara Slocum, Corabelle Nutting and Peggy Ployhar, Scotty's; Patty Healy, Morrow County Cleaners; Lois Key, Owens Hardware; Beverly Yocum, Turner, Van Marter & Co.; Colleen Connor, Humphreys Drug Co.; Mary Ann Hunt, Case Furniture Co.; Eunice Keithley, Saager's Pharmacy, and Edda Mae Thorpe, J. C. Penney Co.

## STORES TO REMAIN OPEN ON SATURDAY, JULY 3

Heppner stores will remain open on Saturday, July 3, according to some of the managers who stated this morning that inasmuch as most people will be planning to take the double holiday—Sunday-Monday—they will want to do their shopping on Saturday.

Some of the business houses may close on the 3d or remain open only until noon, but the general tendency is to remain open as usual. People wishing to take in the Lexington celebration as well as enjoying the double holiday can attend to their shopping early Saturday or do it on Friday, it is suggested.

## GEORGE RILEY WHITE

Funeral services are being held at Hermiston this afternoon for George Riley White who passed away there June 21. Interment will be made in the Lexington cemetery. Mr. White was 81 years of age.

## Hodge Chevrolet Takes Drubbing In Week of Softball

The going has not been so good for the Hodge Chevrolet entry in the city softball league the past week. As a matter of fact, if the boys were entered in Pacific Coast league play they would be giving Portland and Sacramento a hard run for the cellar berth.

Last Thursday evening, in a make-up game, the Hodge representatives were forced to give in to the Ford Motors 14-13 in a nine-inning contest. Friday evening, the Elks-Legion game was rained out and when the teams met Tuesday evening the Elks won out, 14-8.

Monday evening the Chevrolts took a substantial shellacking from the American Legion aggregation to the tune of 24-3.

The Elks got hot Wednesday evening and stopped the Roseval winning streak by a score of 10-5.

## Fire Control Men To Attend School

Forest fire control men of the Umatilla National Forest are meeting this week at the Tucuman guard station, according to Carl Ewing, forest supervisor.

New recruits will man the many fire lookout towers and smoke chaser stations this summer. They will receive three days of intensive training so they will be able to carry on their duties of detecting, finding and extinguishing fires that may get started in the forests this summer. About 45 men will take the training. Instructors will be district rangers and their assistants from Pomeroy, Walla Walla, Heppner, Dale, Ukiah and Pendleton. The camp will be in charge of Paul Taylor, forest engineer.

Weather conditions so far this season have favored the forest. Mr. Ewing said. Growth of both timber and forage has been excellent even though the forage is somewhat later than normal. The late and rainy spring has kept fire danger at a minimum; however, it is too early yet to predict what our fire hazard will be during July, August and September.

## FORMER RANGER HERE

Fred W. Wehmeyer, for many years ranger of the Heppner district of the Umatilla National forest, and now a resident of southern California, is paying a visit to the old home town while packing up some belongings for shipment to his southern home. He arrived Friday and will spend about two weeks here. Fred said it seems pretty good to be among his old friends and he is greatly pleased with the progress Heppner is making in improvements and growth—that perhaps if he had not sold his residence property he would be strongly tempted to remain. He deplores the concentration of industries and people in the larger centers and is fully convinced the trend will have to be from those centers back to the smaller communities if a lasting prosperity is to be accomplished, that is, that more manufacturing and processing will have to be done in the centers where the raw products are produced if those centers are to remain thrifty and strong.

## HOME ECONOMIST COMING

Saturday afternoon, July 3, Miss Christopherson, noted home economist will be at the Case Furniture company to discuss your ironing problems and demonstrate the new Simplex Royal Deluxe ironer. Everyone is urged to attend, as Miss Christopherson's demonstration is at once interesting and educational to all home makers.

## SERVICES AT VALBY

Rev. Henry J. Hokinson of Portland, regional director of the Columbia conference, will hold services and confirmation at 11 o'clock a.m. (standard time), Sunday, June 27, at the Valby Lutheran church in Gooseberry. A potluck dinner will be served in the parish house immediately following the worship service. A cordial invitation has been extended the public to attend the services and the dinner.

## LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Heppner Public Library association will be held at 8 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, June 29 in the library room.

## Lexington Prepares For Old Time Celebration Seasoned With Some Modern Innovations

All signs point to a big day in Lexington on Saturday, July 3, in this year 1948. Folks down that way are preparing to throw the latestraying away and welcome visitors in a good old-fashioned manner to the celebration which has become an annual feature of community life in the wheat capital of the county. Yes, sir! The eagle will scream in a fitting manner for a day crowded with entertainment that all can enjoy.

## East-Cox Nuptials Solemnize dHere Saturday in Candlelight Ceremony

By Ruth Payne  
Miss Maxine East, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis East, became the bride of Lester Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Cox of Lexington at a candlelight ceremony Saturday evening at the Methodist church with the Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien reading the double ring service.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was lovely in a gown of white slipper satin with full court train. The fitted bodice was made with a sweetheart neckline and long pointed sleeves. Her fingertip veil of white tulle was fastened with a coronet of seed pearls. She carried a white Bible with a white orchid corsage and shower.

The matron of honor, Mrs. John Ledbetter, dressed in blue, carried a nosegay of pink carnations. Miss Jewell East, sister of the bride, and Miss Louise Schunk, bridesmaids, wore rose and blue gowns, respectively, and carried nosegays of pink and white carnations.

Marvin Cox, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Archie Munkers of Lexington and Malcolm East, both of the bride, were ushers.

Shirley Van Winkle of Lexington was flower girl and Clifford Green was ring bearer. Misses Marlene DuBois and Yvonne Dougherty lighted the torches.

Mrs. Fred Hoskins Jr. sang "Because" and "At Dawning" accompanied by Mrs. Thomas J. Wells, who also played the wedding marches.

Mrs. East wore a beige frock with pink accessories and a corsage of gardenias for her daughter's wedding and Mrs. Cox, mother of the bridegroom, wore a navy blue and a corsage of gardenias.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church parlors. The bride and groom cut the first piece of the four-tiered wedding cake which was decorated with a miniature bride and groom and iced in pastel colored icing. Mrs. Elsie Beach of Lexington, aunt of the groom, continued with the serving of the cake.

Pouring were Mrs. Frances Mitchell and Mrs. Fred Parrish. Assisting about the rooms were the bride's sister, Mrs. Ralph Sikes of Ashland and Mrs. Vernon Munkers of Lexington. Miss Mary

Gearhart was in charge of the guest book.

For going away the bride wore an aqua suit with gold accessories and an orchid corsage.

Following a brief honeymoon trip, the young couple will be at home at their farm near Lexington. The bride has been deputy county clerk and will continue in that capacity for a few weeks.

Out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sikes and family of Ashland; Edgar East of Klamath Falls, and Marvin Cox of Springfield, Utah.

## CBE MEETING SET

The annual meeting of the members of the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative will be held Saturday, June 26, at 10 o'clock a.m. at the court house in Heppner, according to an announcement by Henry Baker, president.

Election of nine directors for the ensuing year will be held and such other business as may be necessary will be transacted.

Candidates nominated for election include Henry Baker, Victor Rietmann and Kenneth Smouse of Ione; E. E. Rugg, Stephen Thompson and John Hanna of Heppner; John V. Krebs of Cecil; Orva Dyer of Mayville; Ralph Potter, Will Hardie, Pete Pattee, Walter Jaeger and C. K. Barker of Condon.

A birthday party was given for Mrs. Walter Farrens at her home Friday afternoon. Mrs. Lorena Cole was hostess. Present for the occasion were Mesdames Jay Hamlin, Lloyd Harshman, Esther Burtside, Charles Stout, Durward Tash, Ruth Reid, Frank Ayers, Blaine Chapel, Harvey Harshman and Lucy Wright. Refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream and coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hisler are the parents of an 8 pound 7 ounce son born Sunday, June 20, at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton. He has been named Paul Anthony.

Mr. and Mrs. Myles Martin were hosts Sunday for a family reunion in observance of Father's day. Present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Orlov Martin and sons, Bob and Dean, of Moro; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Martin and son, Patrick K., of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Randall Martin and daughter, Janis; and Roy Martin of Lexington; and Mr. and Mrs.

the parade, a patriotic program, a picnic dinner, air show at the Lexington airport, grand display of fireworks, a ball game and closing with a dance to the music of the Nez Percians, all-Indian orchestra from Lapwai, Idaho. Interspersed with these big features will be rides and other entertainment features for the younger set, so that there will be something going on all the time. As most of our readers know,

## Two Ranches Figure In Deals Past Week

Two important real estate deals figured in the news of the past week when pioneer stock ranches east of Heppner changed hands. Emile Groshens purchased the former Instone ranch from Dallas Craber and Craber turned around and bought the former F. D. Cox ranch from A. A. Scouten.

Scouten, manager of the Columbia Basin Electric Co-op, is looking for residence property in Heppner as he will now devote his time to the affairs of the REA. He purchased the ranch shortly after the death of the late F. D. Cox and has worked a double shift much of the time in trying to keep both ranch and co-op going.

Craber bought the Instone place two years ago. It is understood that Groshens will extend his cattle holdings now that he has greater range facilities.

James Healy and son, Michael, of Heppner.

A surprise party was given for Mr. and Mrs. John F. Kenny at their country home in Sand Hollow Sunday afternoon in observance of their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kenny and daughter Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Kenny and Miss Patricia Kenny of Pendleton; Mr. and Mrs. Matt Kenny of Portland; Mrs. John Sheridan and daughter, Donna, of Ontario; Mrs. Frank Monahan of Condon; Mr. and Mrs. John Healy; Miss Rosetta Healy, Tom and Billy Healy, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Turner, Mr. and Mrs. William Richards, Mr. and Mrs. William Bucknum, Mr. and Mrs. Harry O'Donnell Jr., and Mrs. James Farley.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Turner announce the marriage of their daughter, Jean Carolyn, to Robert Deane Runnion. The wedding will be an event of Saturday afternoon, July 10, at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church in Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Look of The Dalles are spending several days in Heppner looking after business matters.

Mrs. Percy Jarmon and daughter, Mrs. Burl Strout of Bakersfield, Cal., visited in Heppner last week. The Jarmons formerly lived on Butter creek and are vacationing in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Neill of Hermiston were over-Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Stewart have returned to their home in Jacksonville, Ala., after a fortnight's visit in Heppner with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tolleson.

Mrs. Darlene Wise left Thursday for The Dalles where she will visit with relatives for a time.

Mrs. Eleanor Walker left Tuesday for her home in Seattle after visiting the past few weeks in Heppner. She was taken to Pasco by her father, E. E. Adkins.

## Man's Body Taken From River Near Patterson Ferry

Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman was called to the north end of the county Tuesday to take charge of the body of an unidentified man discovered floating in the Columbia river near the site of the Patterson ferry. Some men hunting for a new landing site for the ferry came upon the body at a point about 400 yards west of the original ferry landing, a few miles from Irigon.

From the condition of the body it had been in the water for some time and there were strong indications that the man was a murder victim, according to Sheriff Bauman. He had been shot in the head, his nose was broken, and there were knife wounds in the neck and stomach.

The sheriff brought the remains to Heppner for burial, which was done Wednesday after a coroner's jury made such investigation as was possible with no clues other than the corpse, for there was not even a stitch of clothing to go by.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Neill and two daughters of Buffalo, Mo., arrived in Heppner Saturday evening for a few days' visit with his uncle, L. D. Neill and Mrs. Neill. They have been visiting relatives throughout the west, having made the trip to the coast by the southern route, stopping at various places in California and in Portland and Salem prior to their arrival in Heppner. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Neill and their guests motored to Hermiston to visit relatives and from there the Bert Neills continued on their trip to Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Belshee and daughter Carolyn of Honolulu, T. H., visited briefly in Heppner Friday with his cousin, Mrs. Ted Pierson, and family. The Belshees are completing a two months tour of the United States, this being Mrs. Belshee's first trip to the mainland. From Heppner they went to Moro to visit with his mother.

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## WEEK-END DOINGS IN TERSE FORM

Friday-Saturday: Clothing for flood sufferers drive. Bring bundles to Heppner city hall.

Sunday: Baseball at Rodeo field. Kinzua vs. Heppner. Game starts at 2:30 p. m.

Tuesday, June 29: City budget election—city hall.

## Picnic Planned At Civic Center Park Sunday Afternoon

Civic-minded folk of the community will be afforded an opportunity to display their enthusiasm for a civic plan center by turning out with garden implements Sunday afternoon and doing a little work at the city park site. The park planning committee is "throwing" a picnic starting at 4 p.m. under the sponsorship of four civic groups which have undertaken improvement of the site with the sanction of the city government.

Weather permitting—and that is always a consideration these days—it is planned to have tables set up in the park for an outdoor basket lunch. The ladies of the committee will prepare coffee. Should the weather turn cool but not be accompanied by rain the lunch may be moved to the civic center room where all can eat in comfort. However, the main object of the picnic is to get some preliminary work done on the park and all who will be asked to bring implements and be prepared to make a showing on this civic project.

## Wranglers To Ride In Mountains 27th

Cards are out announcing the monthly ride of the Wranglers, horse lovers' organization. The Winchester cabin on Ditch creek is the objective of the group.

Riders and mounts will assemble at the Rodeo field at 9 a.m. Horses will be trucked to Herren creek where the ride will begin. Potluck dinner at noon at the Winchester Wheel Inn. The Buckaroos—Ernie Winchester, Harvey Smith, Jim Lindsay and Ambrose Chapin—will furnish meat hot dish, ice cream, cake and coffee—and chuck tools.

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## Patrons Of District Approve Budget At School Election

### Consolidation Also Wins By Big Vote; Becket Reelected

School patrons and taxpayers of District No. 1, Heppner, manifested more than casual interest in the annual school meeting Monday afternoon, with the result that the budget was approved, consolidation of District No. 49 with District No. 1 was sanctioned and Harold Becket, retiring chairman, was reelected to serve three more years on the school board.

The special levy received 47 "yes" votes and 13 "no" votes; for consolidation of the vote was 57 for and two against. A surprise was sprung in the voting for director when the final count showed that Harold Becket had beaten Barton Clark by only seven votes. Clark was a dark horse candidate, so far as the townspeople were concerned, but it was apparent that his neighbors in the rural districts were desirous of seeing him on the board as he received 30 votes to Becket's 37.

Approval of the special levy will provide means for the district board to go ahead with improvements in the school plant. At present the officials are faced with the problem of removing the old heating plant from the main building, it having been supplanted by a larger and more modern plant to be housed in a separate building. With the removal of the old boiler it will be possible to add a classroom room for visual education and it will be large enough to accommodate two classes at a time.

Unfavorable weather has stood in the way of completing the new heating plant. The plant itself is in operation but is only temporarily housed. Materials are on hand to complete the project but work is being suspended until summer weather really begins. The district is confronted with two problems which must be solved before many seasons roll by. One is acquisition of additional playground and the other the addition of a new grade building. These matters are being given serious consideration but it will require time to work them out.

Teacher ranks are practically filled, it was announced this week. Favorable word has been received from Mrs. Margaret Baring, now in Memphis, Tenn., regarding the contract sent her to sign as high school commercial teacher. Mrs. Baring's husband is an optometrist and her decision to accept the Heppner contract hinged upon his decision to locate here. Thus the town will acquire the services of an optometrist as well as a commercial teacher. The seventh grade only remains unfilled in the local school. At present there is no application for this job.

An error in taking notes last week caused the statement to appear that a Mrs. Bristol had been hired to teach the eighth grade. The name was right but the sex was wrong—it is Mr. Bristol.

## MISS BALL'S FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ball announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Harriet Ann to Eugene George Hall. The date chosen is July 3 and the hour 4 o'clock p.m. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Neville Blunt at the All Saints Episcopal church in Heppner. The wedding will be a public affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vaughn are enjoying a vacation trip which will take them into Idaho and Wyoming. They expect to go to Yellowstone Park before returning home. They will pick up Mrs. Vaughn's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gilliam, and possibly Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gilliam will join them as they return from their trip to the east.

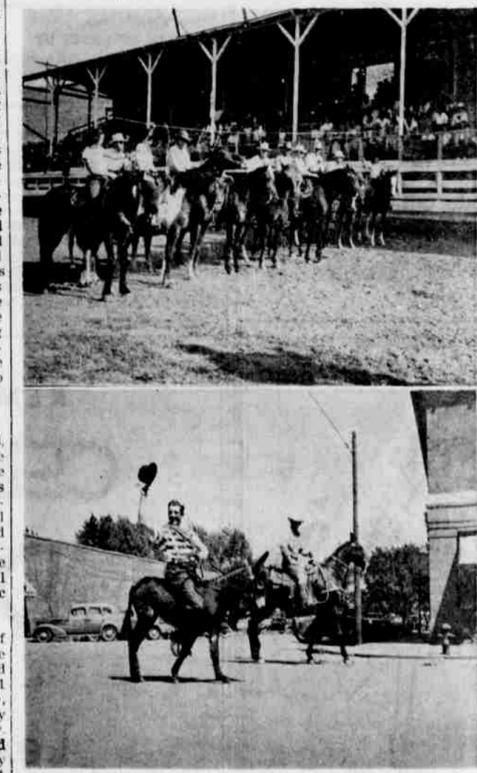
Mayor Conley Lanham and family left the first of the week for a vacation trip through Montana and North Dakota, expecting to be gone 10 days or two weeks. During their absence, the mayor's brother, Bill Lanham of Hermiston, is in charge of the Western store here.

Nate McBride and Leon Olson drove to Walla Walla the past week-end to visit Mrs. McBride and son Danny Lee at St. Mary's hospital.

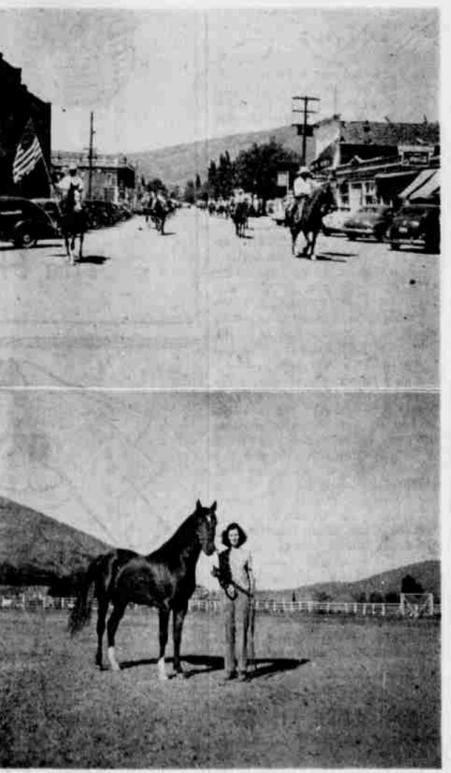
## SEND COPY IN EARLY!

Correspondents are requested to send copy a day earlier for next week's edition. Due to the fact that the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association convention opens in Bend Thursday evening it will be necessary to get the Gazette Times out by noon of that day. Your cooperation will be duly appreciated.

## The Wranglers on Parade



The above views were taken by Heppner Photo Studio on Sunday, June 6, when the Wranglers, Morrow county riding club, staged the annual Heyday at the Rodeo field in Heppner.



The horseman in the picture is Archie Murchison, one of the performers at the Heyday rodeo. Lower left—Tom Loyd doing monkeyshines on a jackass. Tom always adds color to a parade with his clowning acts, being also an adept bicyclist.