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## Services For S. G. McMillan Will Be Held 2 P.M. Friday

### Prominent North Lexington Farmer Dies in Portland

Memorial services will be held at 2 o'clock p.m. Friday at the Lexington Christian church for Samuel G. McMillan whose death occurred Tuesday in Portland. He had been suffering from a heart ailment for the past six months and had been in Portland during that time. His condition had improved somewhat and he was planning to return to his home in Lexington, and his death came as a shock to relatives and friends.

Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien, pastor of the Heppner Methodist church, will officiate at the services. Interment will be in the Lexington I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mr. McMillan was born September 1, 1876 at Mohawk, Tenn. He had farmed many years north of Lexington and was one of the substantial citizens of that community.

(Obituary will appear next week.)

## Crop Insurance To Be In Force In 5 E. Oregon Counties

Crop insurance for 1949 will be in force for wheat in the five eastern Oregon counties of Gilliam, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla and Union. Including contracts carried over there will be 666 contracts in force on 1170 units for 1949, covering 296,399 acres of wheat, according to the local ACA office.

Do wheat growers need crop insurance? Experience in 1948 indicates that it might come in handy. There were no losses in Gilliam and Morrow counties and only one loss in Sherman county. In Union county 24 farms had losses amounting to 6000 bushels, but in Umatilla county a hailstorm caused losses of 110,000 bushels of wheat on 100 farms. This represents a loss of around \$200,000 that was met by the Federal Crop Insurance program.

Crop insurance salesmen contacting wheat growers on the 1949 crop insurance program report that there is a better understanding of the objectives and operations of the Federal Crop Insurance program than ever before. Although the final date for signing crop insurance applications covering the 1949 crop is over, farmers in the above mentioned counties are urged to take out contracts for 1950 and future years.

## Amateur Photographs Plan Camera Club

Desiring of learning more about picture taking, camera enthusiasts of the community will meet Friday evening with the object in view of forming a camera club. The meeting will be held at the Heppner Photo Studio, with Louis Lyons acting as adviser. The hour is 7:30 p.m.

## Clair Cox Takes Bride in Portland

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cox have received word from their son Clair that he was married Monday, February 14. The bride was Miss Charlotte E. Hood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hood of Bessemer, North Carolina.

Dr. Lawrence Nye performed the ceremony in the chapel of the First Methodist church, Portland, in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Beckham, attendants.

Clair is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Cox and has made his home in Portland the past several years.

## BOY ENROUTE HOME

Mrs. Harris Hancock of Arbutle, Calif., wired the Gazette Times Wednesday that the remains of Clarence Thompson Harris are enroute there from the Pacific area where he lost his life during the war. More detailed information will be made available when released by the chief of the American Graves Registration division.

Crocket Sprouls came up from Oakland, Calif., last Thursday to take over management of the Heppner Appliance company. He is returning to Oakland today to close up business affairs and will be back shortly to assume his new position. Mrs. Sprouls is running the business in her husband's absence.

## Random Thoughts...

Why do people feel they must run to a fire? Is it because there is so little of an exciting nature going on around town or is it a morbid craving to see things go up in smoke? Whatever it is, the council should pass an ordinance, or the legislature should pass a law making it a misdemeanor or something for people other than members of the fire department or owners of the property, should they be away when fire breaks out, to pile in their cars and rush to the scene. Only the sheerest luck or by the grace of God has there not been serious handicaps to the fire department, to say nothing of a bad accident. Have you ever stopped to ask yourself, "What business have I here?" Fire fighting is serious business. The firemen, volunteer or paid, study methods of combating the flames and it is their duty to arrive at the scene as fast as they can. Oftentimes a few seconds may mean the difference between saving or losing a property. Would you feel kindly toward yourself if you were the cause of such a delay?

There is a law, whether of common understanding or by statute we are unable to state, that when the fire sirens blow, all cars or motor vehicles of any type are to stop or at least clear the roadway that may be taken by the fire department. This does not mean that some wise guy should dash around a block and come in at a distant intersection in order to beat the department to the fire. The best policy would be to park and stay parked until the fire fighting equipment returns from the scene. If you must run to the fire, go by your own motive power—it will take less room. And another thing, if you must go to the fire, keep at a safe distance. That high pressure tank is a dangerous piece of equipment. Should the hose kink and burst, someone will be sure to get hurt, if not killed. The firemen have to take that risk, but there is no call whatever for onlookers to stick their necks out, so to speak.

"Yep," said grandpa, "newspapers are just like women." "But Grandpa," said his college grandson, "I don't get it. What do you mean?" "Well, son," said grandpa, "it's like this. They both have forms, back numbers are not in demand, they always have the last word, they are well worth looking over, they have a good deal of influence, you can't believe all they say, there's small demand for the bold faced type, and every man should have one of his own and not borrow his neighbor's."—Swing.

Standing in line has become a habit with many of our citizens the past few days. Saturday evening in a long queue of people waiting in line about the spacious dance hall of the Ione American Legion building for an opportunity to get into the dining hall where the ladies of the Topic club were serving one of their famous smorgasbord dinners. It was a patient throng for most of them knew what was in store for them and they would not have missed this opportunity to partake of the culinary offerings of the Ione ladies if they knew they would have to remain in line an hour or two.

Tuesday noon the line formed again—yes, many of the same people—at the Braden Tractor & Equipment company store in Heppner. It was John Deere Day and the people had been invited to participate in a free lunch and an afternoon of entertainment at the expense of the host concern. There were hundreds of people in both instances and so far as has been learned, none went away hungry at either place. Besides the good food dispensed, these were occasions for friends to meet and visit and for new neighbors to become acquainted. We are strong for such meetings and it is a great thing that modern transportation has done in making these gatherings county-wide in scope.

And now to the weather. It looks as if this writing as if there might be a break in the half-nelson Old Man Winter has held for several months and that spring—if we are to have any winter coming under that classification—is just around the corner. Whatever may be in store in the weeks to come is not in the realm of a country editor to foretell, but we do know that right at present the country hereabouts is suffering under the frost is leaving the ground and the strain of travel upon roads and highways is plainly discernible. That much resembles spring, because it is now past mid-February and too late for a January thaw. Besides that, the sheepmen are scurrying around preparing to welcome the little lambs that, heedless of the advice of a brilliant official of the late lamented OPA, are inclined to put in their appearance when nature, and not the brain-trusters, fixes the date for their arrival.

"Daddy, I saw mama kiss the ice man this morning." "Ye gods! She wastes her time on him when we owe the grocer \$50."

## People Stand In Line Long Time at Lone Smorgasbord

By Echo Palmateer

**DATES TO REMEMBER**  
Feb. 18—HEC of Willows grange at the home of Mrs. Etta Bristow in the afternoon.  
Feb. 18—The regular meeting of Willows grange at 8 p.m. This date had been changed to Friday night on account of the Elks annual at Heppner the 19th.  
Feb. 25—Ione P-TA meeting at 8 at the school.  
Feb. 25—Three Links club.  
Feb. 26—Study meeting of the Topic club at the home of Mrs. B. C. Forsythe.

The lone Legion hall was crowded to capacity Saturday night when over 300 people were served at the smorgasbord dinner sponsored by the Topic club. Swedish dishes such as lutefisk, sill, meat balls and sweet beans and also American dishes were served from a table with a St. Valentine's motif as a centerpiece. The dinner tables were decorated with red and white crepe paper, white candles with red hearts and silver streamers and red potted tulips. These were lined with red, white and blue caps and aprons. Bridge, pinocle and Chinese checkers were played after the dinner.

Those winning prizes were: Contract bridge high, Mrs. Ted Pierson, and second, Mrs. Scoutin; auction bridge high, Mrs. Fred Mankin, and second, Mrs. Ella Davidson; pinocle high, Mrs. Billy Padberg and Julian Rauch, and second, Mrs. G. Hermann and Father Francis McCormack; Chinese checkers high, Mrs. Ida Colman, and second, Markham Baker. Door prizes were won by Mrs. Vernon Munken and Mrs. C. C. Dunham. Around \$40 was taken in. After a few expenses are deducted the balance will go to the YMCA. It is hoped that a swimming pool will be started as soon as possible.

Mrs. Gordon White and daughter Lona, Mrs. Tom White and Mrs. Clarence Brenner and little Leonard Eubanks made a trip to Portland February 4.

Gordon White, John Eubanks and Mineth McClain went to Portland the first part of last week. Mrs. Brenner took Leonard Eubanks home to his mother, Mrs. Charlotte Eubanks of Portland, and also visited her mother, Mrs. Vela Eubanks. Mrs. Gordon White visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shiffer of Forest Grove. She reports that her son Charles and Roland Bergstrom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bergstrom, were initiated into the Alpha Zeta fraternity at Pacific university.

Ione lost her basketball game at Boardman Tuesday, Feb. 8. This is the first league game they lost. They won from Irrigon their last Friday evening, 51-17. The girls volleyball team won in their game with Irrigon Friday and with Hermiston Wednesday of last week.

Lee Beckner is home from the Mid-Columbia hospital at The Dalles and is able to be up and around.  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert DeSpain and son Bobby Lee spent Sunday with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lindy of Pendleton.

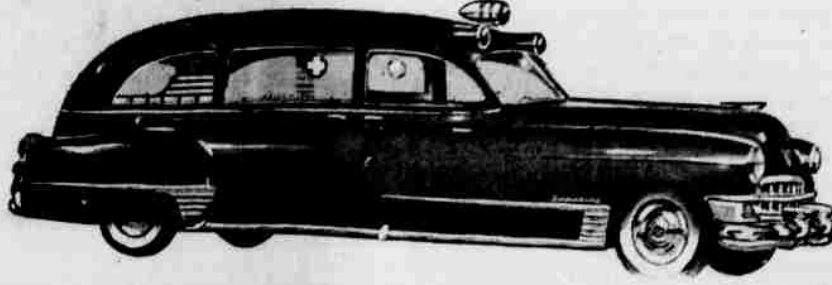
Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morgan returned home from Portland last week, where they visited relatives. They report that Arthur Crawford is out of the hospital again and is staying with his sister, Mrs. John Voorhees.  
Mrs. Ada Cannon and son Truman spent Saturday night in Ione. Mrs. Cannon was on her way home to Heppner. She had been visiting in Portland for the past month.

The Maranathas met at the Congregational church Wednesday of last week as the roads were impassable to the Verner Troedson home. Mrs. Marion Palmer and Mrs. Earl McKinney were hostesses. The door prize, a potted plant, was received by Mrs. Sam McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pettijohn and son Jimmy of Adams visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lindsay, last week. The Pettijohns plan on moving to The Dalles the first of March, where he will still work for the telephone company.  
Those attending the preliminary cotton dress shop at Boardman Monday were Mrs. E. M. Baker, Mrs. Omar Rietmann, Mrs. L. A. McCabe, Mrs. Bryce Keene, Mrs. Sam Esteb, Mrs. Wm. Sehafer, Mrs. Walter Corley, Mrs. Larry Fletcher, Mrs. Donald Helker, Mrs. Echo Palmateer.  
Oral Palmateer of Salem visited at the home of his cousin, Mrs. H. O. Ely, last week.

Mrs. Edith Nicholson returned last week from Santa Monica, Cal., where she spent the winter with her sister, Mrs. James Cossman.  
Mrs. Walter Roberts, Ione postmistress, reports the following money turned in to the March of Dimes: School \$44.60, coin collectors \$18.77, March of Dimes cards \$186.21, for a total of \$257.58.

## The VFW-Sponsored Ambulance



This is a picture of the emergency ambulance which the Veterans of Foreign Wars are sponsoring for use in the county. It is a special job put out by the Cadillac Motor company and will be completely equipped for emergency service.

Donations for the ambulance fund are still coming in and during the past week funds have been received from Irvin Rauch, Kinzua Pine Mills, J. E. Stephens, Will Hynd, Heppner Lumber Co.

## Dorothy Cutsforth Becomes Bride of Richard Zita in Saturday Ceremony

By Ruth F. Payne

**COMING EVENTS**  
February 17, 18, 19—Sub-district basketball tournament, Condon.  
February 15—First meeting of Camera club, Heppner Photo Studio.  
February 19—B. P. O. Elks—52nd anniversary celebration.  
February 25—Card party, St. Patrick's Altar society.  
February 26—District convention, Oddfellows lodge hall.  
March 1—Pancake luncheon, All Saints Episcopal parish house.

At a nuptial mass at 10:30 Saturday morning at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church, Miss Dorothy Cutsforth, daughter of Orville W. Cutsforth of Lexington and Mrs. Alta Kenny of Heppner, became the bride of F. Richard Zita, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Zita of New Britain, Conn. with Rev. Francis McCormack reading the double ring service.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white tulle and carried a cascade of pink and white flowers. Her train was made of white tulle with fitted bodice, long button sleeves, sweetheart neckline and full court train. Her fingertip veil was held by a pill-box hat of white satin. She wore a single strand of pearls and carried a cascade bouquet of red roses and yellow flowers in a white prayer book.

Miss Vesta Cutsforth, maid of honor, wore a frock of orchid lace and net over matching satin, made with long fitted bodice and bouffant skirt. Her pill-box hat was of the same material. She wore matching lace mitts and carried a nosegay bouquet of white Opheelia roses.

The bridesmaids were Misses Fay Cutsforth and Barbara Slocum, Miss Cutsforth wore a gown of pink net over satin and Miss Slocum was dressed in blue net over satin. The dresses were made with fitted bodice and bouffant skirt worn with a net stole. Each carried nosegay bouquets of white roses.

Robert Kilkeny was best man and ushers were Gene Cutsforth and Jack Edmondson of Portland. Mrs. Betty Lawrence of Pendleton sang "Ave Maria" accompanied by Miss Marguerite Glavey, who also played the wedding marches.

The altar was decorated with bouquets of pink tulips and snapdragons.  
For the daughter's wedding, Mrs. Kenny chose a maroon colored gabardine suit with grey accessories and a white orchid corsage.

Mrs. Orville Cutsforth wore a green suit with black accessories and a lavender orchid.  
Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church parlors. The four-tiered, oblong, pedestal wedding cake was decorated in pastels with a miniature bride and groom atop the cake. On either side was placed similar bridesmaids' cakes decorated to match the color of the bridesmaids' gowns and on each was placed a miniature bridesmaid.

After the bride and groom had cut the first piece of wedding cake, Mrs. Don Pointe continued with the cutting. Mrs. Lester Wyman poured and assisting about the rooms were Mrs. Harry O'Donnell Sr., Mrs. Rose Francis, and Mrs. Peggy Greenup. Miss Rita Dell Johnson was in charge of the guest book and Miss Barbara Sherman, the gift table.

For going away, the bride chose a green gabardine suit with brown accessories and an orchid corsage. They will live in New Britain, Conn., where the groom will attend the University of Connecticut.

The extensive remodeling of the Oddfellows hall is nearing completion with final touches being added to the game and reading rooms. These rooms are located at the front of the building in the space that was once occupied by office rentals. The game room is approximately 24 ft. by 40 ft. and is finished in white plastered walls with ivory woodwork. The floor covering is of asphalt tile in a geometric design of green, maroon and ivory squares. Venetian blinds have been installed on the windows across the front of the room and heat is supplied by a hot air furnace. The reading room will be furnished with overstuffed furniture, lamps, radio and all the comforts of home. The entrance hall is finished with woodwork and on the floor is a buff asphalt tile. The staircase, leading up Main street, was enlarged in the early spring of last year and is attractively decorated with a wainscoting of pine paneling and upper walls of sunshine yellow. On the stairs is the same type of tile as was used in the entrance halls which lead to the various rooms of the main lodge hall. At that time also a new hot water heater, electric stove, and floor covering were added to the kitchen. Another heating unit, similar to that installed in the game room is used to heat the main dining room and lodge hall. Adjacent to the reading room is the ladies' room which will be decorated and furnished by the Rebekahs.

Future plans include the installation of a snack bar in the game room and the complete redecoration of the lodge and dining rooms.  
When the job is completed, the Heppner I. O. O. F. will have one of the most modern lodge buildings in eastern Oregon.

The Women's Auxiliary of All Saints Episcopal church met on Thursday afternoon at the parish hall with Mrs. R. E. Rice and Mrs. Richard Wells as hostesses. Plans were made for the annual pancake luncheon which will be held at the parish house on March 1. Mrs. John Bergstrom, Mrs. R. D. Allstott and Mrs. Harold Becker entertained the Carnation club at the Bergstrom apartment in the case building Thursday evening. Present were Mesdames Ethelyn Pierson, Melba Quackenbush, Christine Burkenbue, Mabel Heath, Ida Farra, Hazel Hart, Beulah Barkla, Lucille Grady, Sylvia McDaniel, Beryna Shanblin, Clara B. Gertson, Ellen Moore, Adelle Hannan, and Lucella Sorlien.  
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Case motored up from their home in Clatskanie Sunday to spend a few days visiting his father, M. L. Case, who has been confined to his home by illness for the past several weeks. Mr. Case is up and about at present.  
Mrs. Sam McMillan and Mrs. Bert Mason of Ione were shopping in Heppner Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker of Eightmile returned the last of the week from a vacation trip to the Hawaiian islands. Mr. Baker reports a wonderful time in the islands and is especially grateful to have missed the most severe winter this section has experienced in many years.  
Russe Brady, REA engineer of Walla Walla, was a business visitor in Heppner Friday.  
Albert Massey is seriously ill in Providence hospital in Portland following a major operation there recently. Mrs. Massey, her mother, Mrs. Alma Morgan, and Ray Massey are in the city to be near him.  
Thomas Black and Norman Gilchrist of the Bonneville Power administration, Walla Walla, were looking after business matters in Heppner the last of the week.  
Fred Rugg and Gene Cutsforth came up from Portland over the week end to attend the Cutsforth-Zita nuptials. They returned to the city Saturday afternoon.  
Mrs. Alta Brown is vacationing at Monterey, Cal., having gone south the first of the month.  
New books received recently at the Heppner public library include: Galesworthy, "Forsythe Saga"; Smith, "I Capture the Castle"; Huggins, "The Red Chair Waits"; Cohen, "More Beautiful Than Murder"; and non-fiction, Sanford, "The Healing Light."

Plans for a public card party are being made by the altar guild of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church. This event has been scheduled for the evening of February 25 at the parish hall.  
Lynn Hagan, aged 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hagan, suffered a bruised left hand and shock Tuesday when she ran her hand through the wringer of the washing machine. She was treated at the office of a local physician.  
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dick motored to Portland Sunday to spend a few days looking after business matters in the city. Mrs. B. C. Forsythe is staying with Laddie and Stuart during their absence.  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry O'Donnell and Mrs. Virgil Fisher made a business trip to Pendleton Wednesday.

## Farm Home, Rural Life Committee Slates Projects

Thirteen women from Ione, Lexington, Irrigon and Heppner met at the courthouse Wednesday afternoon and set up a work schedule for the Farm Home and Rural Life committee as a unit of the county planning conference. With Mrs. Norman Nelson, chairman, conducting the meeting, the following suggestions were offered as needing immediate attention:

Care and treatment of new materials; a countryside meeting on sanitation, including sewage disposal and testing for pure water. The delegation also felt that something should be done relative to roadside parks, places where people wishing to stop for rest and refreshment could find facilities for setting out lunches, making coffee, etc.

To get their program underway, Mrs. Nelson appointed committees to study phases of their program. Mrs. Ernest Heliker of Ione is chairman of a group to study the feasibility of picnic areas along the highways; Mrs. Ralph Thompson heads the group to confer with the county court relative to public use of the courthouse park, and Mrs. Markham Baker's group will put the "bee" on Heppner officials to get something done relative to providing public rest rooms.

**Healy Truck Burns On Mountain Road**  
James Healy suffered the loss of his gas truck by fire Wednesday on the road between Spray and Heppner. The rig was returning to Heppner empty when the accident occurred.

Healy says the tank was damaged very little and that the chassis and tires took the brunt of the fire. A truck left for scene this morning to bring the rig to town.  
**OPEN FORUM**  
EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter is being published at the request of the author with the feeling that it is of public interest:  
Honorable Conley Lanham, Mayor of the City of Heppner and members of the Council of the City of Heppner, Oregon, Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my resignation as a member of the budget committee of the City of Heppner to take effect immediately.  
When the mayor and council of an incorporated city by their actions in the disbursement of public funds knowingly exceed the budgeted items as fixed by the budget committee and as approved by the voters of the City of Heppner in a special election, it appears that it is useless for anybody to act as a member of the budget committee who is not a member of the City council. The council with the consent of the mayor, in increasing the salaries for personal services and in establishing salaries for the mayor and members of the council, have not only exceeded the amounts placed in the budget as approved, but they have also violated the revised charter for the City of Heppner. I am referring namely to the placing of the City superintendent's salary at \$4,800.00 per year, the chief of city police at \$3,600.00 per year, the mayor's salary at \$600.00 per year and the councilmembers' salaries at \$5.00 per meeting per member, all of which exceeded the items budgeted, and some of which are in direct violation with provisions of the City Charter.

The mayor and the councilmen of the City of Heppner when they became candidates for office were well aware of the fact that said offices drew no salaries and the appointed officials should have been aware of the budgeted salaries when they accepted employment.

I am opposed to the establishment or increase of any salaries during the term of office for which an official is elected or appointed. If any increases are to be granted, they should not take effect until after the expiration of the terms of offices of the council that granted them.  
Very truly yours,  
P. W. MAHONEY.

Mrs. Conley Lanham motored to Pendleton Tuesday to spend the day shopping and visiting friends.  
**Mrs. Medlock Dies At Omak Hospital**  
Mrs. Roy Gentry writes this newspaper from her home in Omak, Wash., that her mother, Mrs. Cecile Marie Medlock, passed away at the Biles Memorial hospital, Omak, on February 1 after an illness of several weeks.  
Born at Eugene August 10, 1888 Mrs. Medlock spent 13 years of her life as a resident of Heppner, moving to Omak with her daughter and family.

She is survived by two daughters, Pearl Gentry of Omak and Edith Gerber of Okanogan; four sisters, Miss Ethel Johnson, Roseburg; Mrs. Edith Hall, Springfield; Mrs. Ruth Olson, Alaska, and Mrs. Jennie Henry, Lewiston, Idaho, and three brothers, Robert Johnson, Baker, Ore.; Delbert Johnson, Clarkston, Wash.; and Leslie Johnson, Springfield, Ore.

Interment was made in the Omak Memorial cemetery.  
**PLANS TO BUILD**  
W. H. (Uncle Bill) Aldrich reports that he has purchased a lot from the Tum-A-Lum Lumber company on the Blanche Brown tract near the Morrow County Grain Growers warehouse and plans to build a residence and workshop on the property. He has made application to the city for a permit for the building and pending better construction weather will put up a temporary structure to house himself and his equipment. He will be ready to do furniture repairing within a short time.

Cadet Fred Mankin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Mankin of Heppner, recently received his athletic sweater with the manager's letter on it, as a reward for his excellent work as manager of the 1948 football varsity team. Cadet Mankin is a member of the Leterman's club of Hill Military academy, Portland, and a member of the junior class.

Verner Troedson of Ione was a business visitor in Heppner on Wednesday.

## Elks Preparing For Large Crowd Saturday Evening

Heppner lodge No. 358, B. P. O. Elks, is preparing to entertain a capacity crowd Saturday afternoon and evening on the occasion of the annual Washington's birthday ball. Members and their ladies from all over the district will be in attendance.  
In addition to initiatory work for the members in the afternoon and a card party for the ladies, there will be featured entertainment in connection with the ball, including some high class imported vaudeville talent.

The Ponies played Arlington as an opener for the one-day tournament at Condon. At the end of the first quarter the score was in favor of Arlington, 2-8. After two quick buckets Heppner got its bearings. At the end of the first half the score was 7-11 in favor of Arlington. It was not until the second half that the Ponies started to roll in the points. They held Arlington down to 4 points in the second half. At game time it was Heppner's ball game with the score of 15-25.

## Grade Ponies Win Tourney at Condon

The second game played was won by Fossil over Condon, 19-21. That evening Arlington and Condon battled it out for third place. Arlington was beaten by Condon, 26-13.  
The final game for the championship was played by Fossil and Heppner. Fossil rolled in the first 4 points, but at the end of the quarter the score was in favor of Heppner, 12-7. The Ponies made only 2 points in the second quarter, 10-14 being the score at half-time. The four-point lead lengthened into 10 points at game time. The final score was 16-26 in Heppner's favor.

Heppner, 25 Arlington, 15  
Sumner, 14 g 2, West Ployhar, 2 g 6, Sherrill Harshman, 4 c 2, Clarizio Marliatt, 4 f Adams Taylor, f 4, Macomber Mollahan, 1 s 1, Harford Beeler

Heppner, 26 Fossil, 16  
Mollahan, 4 g Newton Ployhar, 4 g 1, Nelson Sumner, 12 c 11, Bell Marliatt, 10 f 1, Mabe Harshman, f 3, Younce

A. T. Jenkins, grade principal, is the Ponies' coach. Some very good substituting was done for Kenneth Cutsforth. He is a guard on the first five. He was unable to be there because of a cold. The trophy was awarded to Jack Sumner, captain, for the Ponies. It can now be seen in the trophy case of Heppner high school.  
The following players were named all-stars: Richard Sherrill, Arlington; Darrell Ployhar, Heppner; Bill Irlig, Condon; Bill Bell, Fossil; Jack Sumner, Heppner; Jack West, Arlington; Mike Younce, Fossil; and Tommy Neel, Condon.

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## Uniform Salaries For County Offices Find Favor Here

### Proposed Law Gets OK When Given Hearing at C of C

A uniform salary for county officials, as proposed in a measure up for consideration by the Oregon state legislature, was given the stamp of approval by the Heppner chamber of commerce Monday following a discussion of the law by Judge J. G. Barratt. From all accounts, the measure is more or less a defensive move on the part of the legislators and is designed to forestall the introduction of numerous salary bills at every session. It is based on population—a zoning measure, as it were—and the rate of pay is commensurate with the duties of officials.

The lowest populated counties are placed in group one, with maximum salary for judge, sheriff, clerk and assessor—as in Morrow county—set at \$3200 per year. The treasurer would receive \$2400. In this county, the base would mean a raise of \$320 per year for the clerk and sheriff and \$800 per year for the assessor and judge, and about \$500 for the treasurer. The base applies only to elective offices.  
Barratt read the preamble to the law and discussed some phrases to show how it will work and how it will eliminate the repetitive applications for salary increases. Counties of 5,000 or less population are placed in the first group; the second group goes to 10,000 or under, and so on up to the 100,000 mark and then, as with Multnomah county, the state steps out of the picture. Counties that are now in group one and which in a few years will exceed 5,000 population will automatically move into the group two salary rating. In the meantime, group one counties will be paying their officials a just salary rate.

Following Judge Barratt's discussion, the chamber of commerce voted to instruct the secretary to inform the Morrow county and district representatives, the chairman of the committee having jurisdiction over the bill, and others that the group favors its passage.  
C. J. D. Bauman, chairman of the legislative committee of the chamber of commerce, had charge of the program.

## Warmer Weather Relieves Critical Power Emergency

Normal use of electric service can be resumed now except for the one-hour peak period between 5 and 6 p.m. it was announced today by J. R. Huffman, local manager for the Pacific Power & Light company.  
Customers of the company were thanked warmly for their fine cooperation in the power saving program which pulled the entire Pacific Northwest through the critical shortage period of recent weeks.

"Without the wholehearted efforts of power users, often at considerable inconvenience to themselves, it would have been impossible to avoid a general breakdown of electric service," declared Huffman.  
Milder weather which increased stream flow for hydro plants of the area, plus longer daylight hours, made it possible to end the voluntary power saving program put on by all private, public and federal power agencies in the region through the Northwest Utilities Conference committee.

In spite of the improved situation, the margin between power demand and generating capacity remains narrow. It was warned. Users of electricity are urged to continue to avoid waste of power and to be alert for notice of any new critical development, whether because of weather or a possible breakdown of heavily-loaded power equipment.

It was pointed out that even with favorable weather and water, the power grid serving the region has no reserve capacity. As a result, next winter is expected to bring much more serious power problems. The situation cannot be relieved until new power dams can be completed and put in operation.

**MOVIE AT METHODIST CHURCH**  
"The Declaration of Independence" is the title of a movie to be shown at the Methodist church next Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. This film is sponsored by the Junior Youth Fellowship of the Methodist church with Mrs. Carl McDaniel as director. All are welcome to come and see this film, announces the pastor, Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien.

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