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Membership Drive For American Red Cross Underway

Chairman Names Leaders to Head Fund Collections

Everything is in readiness to launch the 1949 membership drive for the Morrow County Red Cross, according to Frank W. Turner, fund chairman. Turner has named fund leaders in each district of the county and has asked that they cooperate generously in making the drive a success.

The quota for 1949 is \$1343. This is less than has been the rule in recent years but in view of the many requests for funds the director anticipates a lot of active work to gather in the full amount.

"I realize that the Red Cross, nationally, faces new challenges in the coming year. The organization must not only continue traditional responsibilities to the nation, the armed forces, veterans, and disaster sufferers, but must also keep ready to occupy a prominent place in the preparation now going forward for civilian defense. The American Red Cross is also the chosen instrument of our government to assist in the fulfillment of obligations of the American people under international treaties," Turner pointed out.

The following people will head the drive in their respective communities: Ibea Creek, E. E. Rugg; Mrs. Barton Clark; Eight Mile, Mrs. Floyd Worden, Mrs. Ben Anderson; Heppner Hill, Mrs. Earl Blake, Mrs. Harold Evans; Willow creek, M. H. Sherman, R. I. Thompson; Balm Fork, Mrs. Peter Lennen, Mrs. Luke Bibby; Hinton creek, Mrs. Don Greenup, Mrs. Ralph Justus. These people receive their mail through the Heppner postoffice.

Gooseberry: Leonard Carlson, A. W. Lundell (Ione).
Lexington: Mrs. Fern Munkers, Mrs. M. V. Nolan, L. L. Howton, Mrs. Wm. J. Doherty, Mrs. Norman Nelson, Harry Dingus.
Ione: Mrs. Roy Lindstrom, Mrs. E. Markham Baker, Mrs. Garland Swanson, Mrs. Harlan McCurdy, Mrs. Charles Carlson.
Cecil: Mrs. Herbert Hynd, Mrs. Ethel M. Rhoades.
Morgan: Mrs. Ed Buschke, Mrs. Martin Bauerfeld.
Lena: Mrs. Edwin Hughes, Mrs. Gerald Swaggart.
Pine City: Mrs. Jasper Myers, Mrs. Henry Vogler II.
Sand Hollow: Mrs. Frances Orwick.

Irrigon: A. C. Houghton.
Boardman: Rev. Chas. R. Eble, Hardman: Mrs. J. E. Hams, Mrs. Marie Leslie.
Blackhorse: Mrs. H. L. Duvall.
Heppner - Business section: Jack Connor, J. R. Huffman, Allen Case, W. C. Collins; warehouse, mill and oil districts: Wm. Richards; courthouse: Mrs. Joe Hughes; various streets: Mrs. Pat McIntyre, Mrs. Alva Jones, Mrs. Fred Parrish, Mrs. George Gertson, Mrs. Clyde Wright, Mrs. Ted Smith, Mrs. Wm. Barkia, Mrs. Sam Turner, Mrs. Elbert Cox, Mrs. A. D. McMurdo, Mrs. C. P. Brown, Mrs. Pete McMurtry.

Presentation Of French Gift Set For Saturday P. M.

An unusual event will take place at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Heppner when presentation to Morrow county of a gift set by France will be made. To lend significance to the occasion, the committee in charge has arranged a program which will be presented in front of the Pacific Power and Light company office, weather permitting, at the school auditorium in case of inclement weather. The program follows:

Flag salute by Boy and Girl Scouts, assisted by Brownie Scouts.

Star Spangled Banner, Heppner school band.

Invocation, Rev. Francis McCormack.

Presentation of gifts by state committee.

Acceptance of gifts by Judge J. G. Barratt.

Number by the band, followed by viewing of the exhibits.

A speakers truck and sound system will be provided.

Merchants have been requested to display flags during the ceremony. The exhibit will be on display temporarily at the P. P. & L. office, pending arrangements for a permanent space in the courthouse.

The committee in charge is headed by Mrs. Conley Lanham and includes Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien, Rev. E. L. Tull, Edmund Gonty, Bill Richards and Henry Tetz.

Random Thoughts...

A similarity of names has created a bit of confusion in the minds of some of the Gazette Times readers and credit is being given where it is not due. While we would like to accord the honors to one of the county's leading citizens, we have to be truthful and state that the Geo. Peck whose name appears over an occasional article is a resident of New York and not our own George N. Peck, former county commissioner and now mayor of Lexington. However, we believe Mayor Peck is in agreement with a major part of the thoughts expressed in the articles and doubtless could write some good paragraphs on the type of Americanism advocated by the other George Peck.

The writer came upon a brief paragraph a few days ago which shows what can happen when the labor bosses get too dictatorial. Quote: "During the first 11 months of 1948 the railroads of the country put 1232 Diesel locomotives into service, displacing ten million tons of coal. Comparing the years 1944 and 1948, Diesel locomotives displaced 25,000,000 tons of coal. The builders of these locomotives consider John L. Lewis their best salesman!"

The historian, Buckle, in his History of Civilization in England, had this to say: "Every great reform which has been effected has consisted not in doing something new, but in undoing the old. . . . The best laws which have been passed have been those by which some former laws have been repealed."

With the statute books loaded to the gunwales, perhaps the Congress and our state legislatures could do the nation and their respective states a greater service by throwing some of the ballast overboard. The good old ship of state is not sunk, yet, but she's taking water pretty badly.

What is that old saying about "It's an ill wind, etc."? The recent flood carried tons of good soil off of hillsides and deposited it on Heppner streets, creating a blockade to traffic in some districts. The city has had to employ a sizeable crew of men to clean up the mud and debris. That has been a lucky break for some of the men. The park committee has been waiting for months to get some dirt hauled to the city property on Main street to level up the ground for seeding and making a presentable and usable park. The city has to dump the dirt some place and since much of the muck left behind by the flood is good soil why not put it on the park, says the committee. Progress is sometimes made in strange ways.

Those good old days: In 1913 the interest charge on the federal debt was 24 cents per capita. In 1947 this figure rose to \$34.50 per capita.

No wonder the Russians laugh at us. Look at some of the proposed new stamp issues introduced in Congress. Suggested new issues range from a series to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Angora goats in America to sets in honor of the 200th anniversary of Alexandria, Virginia, the 300th anniversary of Annapolis, and the 100th anniversary of the Hambletonian trotting classic!

An indication that the country is returning to normalcy is announced by the Union Pacific Railroad and the Chicago & Northwestern Railway that they have joined in re-establishing their traditional "Department of Tours." This will be the 44th year for said department, which was discontinued during both world wars. Ninety-four tours have been grouped in six series ranging in length from nine to 16 days. National park areas served by the railroads are included in the tours, which are conducted on a one-ticket-overs-all basis. A fine way to spend one's vacation—if one has the price.

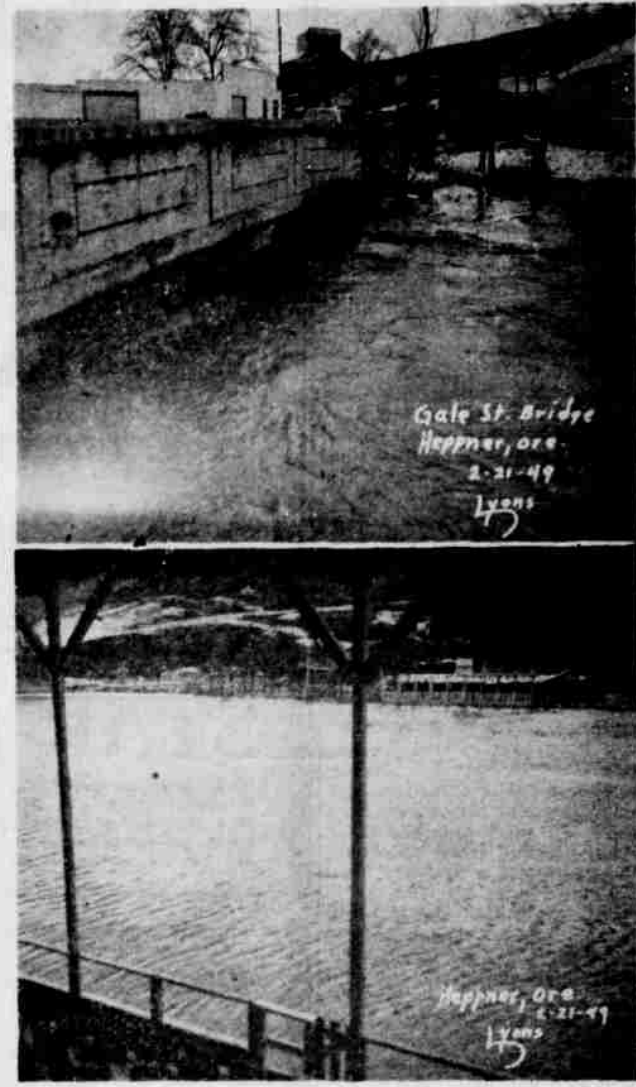
POSITION OPEN AT LOCAL POSTOFFICE

Due to the contemplated resignation of a present employee, there will be a vacancy for part time employment at the Heppner postoffice. The position to be filled does not fall within the classified Civil Service, but requirements will be the same, and will be filled first by temporary appointment. An examination will be conducted later by the Civil Service commission.

Any qualified person may take the examination at the time it is given. Permanent appointment will be made after the results of the examination are known. Interested persons should contact Postmaster Driscoll, inasmuch as the work is nearly all physical, applications from healthy males will be given first consideration. The Post Office department reserves the right to determine what sex is suitable for any given position.

Frank Copcock, Darrell Lee Copcock and Ernest Sampson of Athena were business visitors in Heppner Tuesday.

The Spring Freshet



When water began rushing down Chase street and overflowed the yard where it is located, Louis Lyons seized his camera and dashed out to catch pictures. He kept it all afternoon and into the evening shodows. These scenes tell some of the story. In the upper right the camera caught a glimpse of the run-off from Donaldson canyon as it left the channel and spread



over streets and yards. Below it is a picture of Chase street, showing water running down the street, off of yards and over sidewalks. Upper left is Willow creek at Gale street bridge after run-off from Hinton creek started coming in, and the lower left picture is not a lake but the Rodeo field with Hinton creek waters spread all over it.

2 Chosen to Represent Heppner High School at Northwest Music Festival

By Ruth F. Payne
COMING EVENTS:
March 4—Card party, P.T.A. American Legion hall.
March 5—Dance, Heppner Wranglers club, Lexington grange hall.
March 12—Irish dance, American Legion hall, Ione.
March 15—American Legion anniversary potluck dinner.
March 20—American Legion District 6 conference.

Miss Colleen Connor and Vern Bell have been chosen to represent the music department of Heppner high school at the 1949 Northwest music conference in Portland, March 30, 31, April 1, 2. The All-Northwest High School Symphonic band, orchestra and chorus will be comprised of selected high school music students who are recommended by their teachers and principals. The entire area of the conference including the states of Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming, will be represented.

The students will prepare the required music under the supervision of their teachers, and following a series of rehearsals at Portland will perform for the northwest conference at the Civic auditorium in Portland, Saturday, April 2. Rodney Berg, Everett Junior college, Everett, Wash., will be coordinator for the All-Conference chorus, orchestra and band.

The high school chorus of 500 voices will be conducted during the three days of the conference by Peter Wilhousky, assistant director of music, New York City schools, and will appear in the Saturday concert in the Civic auditorium. Forrest Brigham, John Rogers high school, Spokane, Wash., is chairman of the conference.

The high school orchestra of 200 players will be directed by George Barr, supervisor of music, Sacramento, Cal., and will be under the chairmanship of Edward B. Krenz, director of school music, Walla Walla, Wash. The orchestra will be rehearsed by Mr. Barr, and will also participate in the Saturday evening program.

The high school band of 250 players will receive intensive training in four days of rehearsals under Frank Mancini, director of music, Modesto, Cal. J. Ross Woods, director of school music, Lewiston, Idaho, is chairman of the conference band.

MANY COME FOR I.O.O.F. CONVENTION

Although all roads leading into Heppner were not conducive to travel, a large delegation of Oddfellows attended the district convention of the Umatilla-Morrow county lodges in Heppner Saturday afternoon and evening. The afternoon was given over to business of the session. Free water was chosen as the meeting place of the convention for 1950 with the following officers elected to preside: President, A. J. Warner of Feeewater; secretary, D. W. Davis of Pendleton, and treasurer, Charles B. Gillette of Pendleton. Following the business session, a banquet was served by Sans Souci Rebekah lodge after which Mrs.

Results of Winter Imposed Problems Upon City and County Governments

The floods that swept down hollows and valleys of the county early last week were exciting while they lasted but the exhilaration died as the waters subsided and an opportunity was opened to survey the cost. Definite damage from a financial standpoint has not and probably can not be estimated except as to the cost of repairing streets, highways, water lines and fields. Without a careful survey it will not be known what the total damage amounted to in the matter of washed fields, but it is realized that the loss has been heavy in that respect.

Members of the county court have been actively engaged in surveying damages to roads. Aside from the usual spring troubles, they find that the most expensive work will be the replacement of bridges and culverts. The loss has been heavy from that source. Judge Barratt and Commissioner Miller have both been stuck in the mud while on survey trips and they know what is required to put most of the roads back into usable condition. The judge almost got stuck at Boardman the first of the week. In the absence of the regular mail route driver he offered to take the mail, inasmuch as that would give him an opportunity to cover most of the roads in that area. Had he not been forethoughtful and put chains on his tires he would have been stuck more than once. Miller got stuck in Sanford county Wednesday and had to ask one of the big taxpayers of that district to extricate him. So these two members of the court know what the county government is up against, so far as personal experience enters into the picture. All available equipment is in use and the court is renting private machinery from farmers and others in an effort to make the roads usable. Those having road problems should bring them directly to the court. That is the only way the governing body will be able to help in individual cases.

The city has had a force of men at work clearing streets of mud and regrading Chase street, as well as making upper Main street passable. Some of the material taken off of the uptown streets has been used in fills on Morgan and other streets in the north part of town.

Breaks in the city's pipeline between the well and the reservoir are causing a lot of trouble and it may be necessary to replace a considerable length of the line.

Portland where she will spend a fortnight. During Mrs. Mahoney's absence Mrs. D. P. Phelan is acting city librarian.

Dr. and Mrs. Jack Woodhall motored to Portland Sunday. Dr. Woodhall will attend the dental convention in the city. They planned to return to Heppner on Thursday.

Mrs. Harlan D. McCurdy of Ione was shopping in Heppner Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hagan entertained with a buffet supper at their home on N. Main street Saturday evening. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kenney, Mr. and Mrs. Charles LeGrand, Mrs. A. A. Scouten, Mrs. Charles Terry of Beaverton, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Sloyter and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald E. Baker of Lexington. Cards and Monopoly were the diversion of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Anderson returned to their farm in the Eight Mile district Monday after a six weeks' sojourn at Hotel Heppner. Weather and road conditions made it impossible for them to remain on the farm during the winter.

Louis Lyons motored to Salem the first of the week. He was accompanied by his daughter, Nancy, who will visit her grandmother in Vancouver, Wash., during Mr. Lyons' stay in Salem. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rosewall motored to Pendleton Sunday, taking a group of young people there to attend the youth rally. Those making the trip were Eleanor Rice, JoJean Dix, Joan Bothwell, Gene Miller, Nancy Adams and Sally Cohn.

Mr. and Mrs. Pirl Howell motored to Pendleton Sunday to spend the day visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Howell recently purchased a new car.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cox motored to Walla Walla Sunday. They re-

Legion Auxiliary Prepares for District No. 6 Conference

Plans for the District 6 conference which will be held at the Legion hall in Heppner March 20 were made at the monthly business meeting of the American Legion auxiliary Tuesday evening. Committees were appointed and other features of entertainment discussed.

Mrs. Otto Steinke has taken over the duties as president, due to the resignation of Mrs. Charles Hodge Jr., who is preparing to move to Pendleton to make her home.

Mrs. Willard Blake was appointed Americanism chairman, taking the place of Mrs. Douglas Drake who has submitted her resignation.

Eighteen members were served refreshments by the hostesses, Mrs. Steinke and Mrs. Kemp Dick.

Demonstrations in Rat Control Held Here Past Week

A series of rat control demonstrations held throughout the county the past week were witnessed by 73 farmers, who in turn took methods demonstrated home to rid their farmsteads of rats.

The demonstrations, arranged by N. C. Anderson, county agent, were held on the Don Heiker, Fred Hermann, Mankin-Bunch, Leonard Rill, W. W. Weatherford, Randall Martin, John Zabransky and Ralph Skoubo farms including all communities in Morrow county. The project, under sponsorship of the county agricultural grange committee, was the first step in a program to clean up rat populations throughout the entire county.

Willard N. Nelson, predator mammal control agent, Fish and Wildlife service, presented methods of rat control. Red Squill poison bait consisting of rolled oats, seal fat and salmon was demonstrated as well as gas cartridges for use under concrete floored building and in burrows. This bait and the cartridges were sold to farmers attending the demonstrations, on a cost basis. Two hundred ten pounds of bait, enough to kill a minimum of 8000 rats, with the possibility of many times this amount being killed, was sold. Seventy gas cartridges, enough to kill many thousands of rats, were also sold.

Farmers using this bait the past week are planning to bait again in about six weeks to poison rats that did not get bait upon the first application, which includes young rats which were not old enough to take the bait. A supply of bait will be kept on hand at the county agent's office for this follow-up baiting as well as for farmers who are troubled with rats and did not get out to attend one of the demonstrations.

P-TA To Discuss Needs of School

Supt. Leonard L. Pate will be in charge of the program at the regular meeting of the Heppner Parent-Teacher association Wednesday evening, March 9. The subject for discussion will be "The Education of Our Community to the Needs of Our School."

The P-TA has arranged a card party to be held Friday evening of this week at the Legion hall. This will be a public affair.

port the road to be in a very bad condition from frost and high water.

Mrs. Hubert Wilkins of Little Butter creek was in Heppner Monday attending to some shopping. Mrs. Wilkins stated that this was her first trip to town in over six weeks because of the weather and road conditions.

Dr. J. D. Palmer motored to Portland Sunday to attend the dental convention there this week. He was accompanied by his children, Kathleen and David, who expected to visit with their grandmother, Mrs. Charles Palmer, in Vancouver, Wash. They expected to return to Heppner on Thursday.

Mrs. Marvin Ransier and Mrs. James Lindsay of Ione were shopping in Heppner Tuesday.

Mrs. Pat Campbell is a patient at The Dalles hospital.

Mrs. Jos. J. Nys entertained with a dinner party Thursday evening at their home on Gale street honoring Mr. Nys on the occasion of his birthday. Present were Mrs. Josie Jones, and Mrs. Lucy Peterson and daughters, Ruthie, Alice and Martha.

IONE NEWS . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Morgan are the parents of a son, Virgil Lloyd, born at The Dalles March 1. Rufus high school girls defeated Ione in a volleyball game here Tuesday night.

Bids on Hospital Scheduled to Open Middle of Month

Court Hopeful of Getting Acceptable Figure This Time

Bids for construction of the Morrow county hospital will be opened March 16. Judge J. G. Barratt told the chamber of commerce luncheon group Monday, and it is hoped that competition will be strong enough to bring in a figure that will be acceptable.

Judge Barratt cited the fact that other hospital contracts had drawn as many as 10 contractors and it is hoped the local job will prove attractive enough to draw as many.

The county court met with the architect in Portland the past week and went over the plans in a thorough manner. It was the opinion of the officials that more bids should be provided and a plan was worked out whereby the number can be increased at a reasonable cost. Instead of 16 bids it is expected the contract will call for 26 bids. That is the lowest figure given for economic operation of a hospital, and the court did not feel like going ahead with construction of a building that would have to not only start under tax support but would have to continue operating that way.

The judge expressed the hope that construction will start late in April or early in May.

Carnival, Dance Lexington Offering For Friday Night

There will be fun for everybody tomorrow (Friday) evening at Lexington when the school carnival and dance opens to the public at 7:30 o'clock. Given for the benefit of the Lexington high school, business houses of Ione, Lexington and Heppner have been generous in putting up prizes for the carnival events.

The party will be held at the Oddfellows hall. The school is indebted to the following firms:

Lexington - Lexington Implement Co., Lexington Oil Co-operative, Lexington Red & White store, Padberg Repair Shop, Peck & Anderson, Klinger's Pastime, Lexington Campfire Girls, and the Oddfellows lodge.
Ione-Bristow's Red & White grocery, Omar Rietmann, Swanson's grocery.
Heppner-REA, Court Street Tractor & Equipment Co., Case Furniture Co., Elkhorn Cafe, Saager's Pharmacy, Mary Van's Flower Shop, Humphrey's Drug Co., Western Auto Supply, Wilson's Men's Wear, J. C. Penney Co., Thomson Bros., Heppner Market, Heppner Red & White, Conky's, Heppner Hardware & Electric Co., Yeager's, Turn-A-Lum Lumber Co., Rehfield Station, Anderson Builders Supply, Heppner Lumber Co., Norah's Shop, Anderson & Wilson, Farra's Shoe Shop, Hodge Chevrolet Co., O'Donnell's Cafe, Scotty's, Heppner Bakery, Walker's Barber Shop, Key's Barber Shop, Rosewall Motor Co., Heppner Garage, Gilliam & Bisbee, Peterson's Jewelers, Marshall-Weils Store, Alice & Jeanne's Beauty Shop, Farley Pontiac Co., Morrow County Grain Growers, Inc.

Wilson Store To Reopen March 7th

Alterations and redecorating at the Wilson's Men's Wear will be completed in time for the store to reopen Monday, March 7. announces D. A. Wilson. The place has been closed for several days while the work has been going on.

With the windows blacked out and the door closed, there has been an air of mystery extant the past week, but all of this will be cleared up Monday morning when the reopening takes place.

AMBULANCE DONATIONS

Gifts for the ambulance fund were swelled during the past week by the following persons: Ernest Lundell, Ione; Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Ely, Morgan; Carl Marquardt, Lexington; Lee Sprinkel, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Laxton McMurray, Salem; Gilliam & Bisbee, Joe Alken, Heppner.

The REA construction crew returned to work Monday in the Ione section following a layoff of several days due to mud and weather conditions. Work is continuing in the Ione section at the present time.