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## Annual Chamber Of Commerce Dinner Scheduled For 19th

### New Officers To Be Inducted In Special Program

Thursday evening, January 19, at the American Legion hall are the time and place chosen by the directors for the annual dinner of the Heppner chamber of commerce. Final plans for the affair were drafted by members of the board at a luncheon this noon.

The idea of an annual dinner originated with J. J. O'Connor as his term as president drew to a close in December 1948. As retiring president he took upon himself the chairmanship of a committee to plan and carry through the dinner, the other committee members constituting the board of directors. This rule having been set up, the retiring president for 1949 is serving in the same capacity.

It will be remembered that last January was a cold month, so much so that when the afternoon of the day set for the annual dinner arrived it was found that the water was frozen in the Legion building and it was necessary to shift the dinner to the Elkhorn restaurant where about 110 people were served. This could happen again, but the Legion people are on the alert and it is not anticipated that last-minute shift will be necessary.

An effort is being made to secure an outside speaker, and there will be some entertainment features of a local nature. Tickets will be on sale early in the week.



### 1949 INCOME TAXES HIGH

Good hunting! The next legislature will have a sizable financial target to shoot at.

State income taxes collected in 1949 will be approximately \$32,000,000, Tax Commissioner Ray Smith, in charge of the income tax department said Tuesday. Of this amount \$22,000,000 is derived from personal incomes; \$19,000,000 from corporate excise taxes and \$13,000,000 from withholdings.

Something to remember! The 1950 returns on 1949 earnings for income tax purposes must be made before April 15—but if last day returns show a postmark earlier than midnight they will be accepted without penalty.

Commissioner Smith practiced a charitable psychology when he chose to wait until after Christmas to mail income tax return blanks.

### FRAUD DEPARTMENT

There is going to be a plague of chislers again in Oregon right soon.

A fraud department has been established by the state income tax division and is functioning throughout the state, Commissioner Smith revealed Tuesday. Its administrative lines are patterned after those of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

### GOVERNOR IN CALIFORNIA

Governor and Mrs. Douglas McKay left for Pasadena by car December 29, saw the Rose Bowl game and are scheduled to spend two weeks in southern California and Sacramento. They expect to return to Salem January 12.

Senate President William E. Walsh acts as governor pro tempore while Governor McKay is out of the state.

### OREGON TREES IMPORTANT

The most important trees to mankind are, in order named: Coccoanut palm, date palm, olive, maple, fig, almond, lemon, rubber, Douglas fir, pine.

The compiler of the list, Lynn F. Cronmiller, assistant state forester, was one of 12 foresters in the world who were asked to make the selection for a national publication.

### GOP PLATFORM ARCHITECTS

A group of Taft republicans are planning to have their say when the new policy statement is written for the party in this state.

A smoky room huddle was in progress Saturday when the Oregon Young Republican federation's committee on reapportionment met in Salem. The "idea" was borrowed from Senator Taft's interview in Washington D. C. last week. The punch in the plan is to invite republican candidates to set in on an Oregon platform construction convention as they are vitally interested persons in the coming campaign. No date was settled on for the convention—"but pronto", said a self-appointed public relations officer.

A hundred or more political potentates who were not members of the O. Y. R. F. attended the committee meeting. Mostly discussed were the questions of Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry's possible candidacy for the

## Four Generations—All Bills



When the William H. Padberg family is assembled in one group it must be difficult to single out one of the Bills—whether W. H. Little Billy. Of course each one has his particular moniker, acquired through necessity, by which he is designated and can be easily chosen when all are together. But here they are—Bill Sr., Bill Jr., Bill great Jr., and Bill great, great Jr. No. 4 in the line of succession is being supported by his granddad, "Buck" Padberg, and on his right his father, "Billy", and on his left the great grandfather, W. H. Padberg.

## Van Marter's Dead Shots Continue To Notch Up Victories

The sharpshooting Heppner Shamrocks extended their winning streak this past week as they notched their sixth and seventh consecutive victories by dumping first the Condon Rover Boys and then the Lexington Townies.

Wednesday night the Shamrocks traveled to Condon where they edged out the highly regarded Rover Boys by a 37 to 34 score, a feat rarely accomplished by visiting teams in recent years. Behind the first quarter, the Shamrocks pulled ahead by two points the first half and grimly held it the remainder of the game despite a desperate Condon rally. The final minutes, Harold Whitbeck, ace Shamrock guard, led all scorers with 14 points.

On the local floor Friday night the Shamrocks hit the hemp from all angles as they set a league scoring record by trouncing Lexington Townies by a score of 91 to 22. Whitbeck again proved to be the dead-eye as he personally accounted for 32 points, followed by Elmer Kemp who hit for 27 points.

The Heppner B squad continued their big honours as they bested the Lexington B team by a 35-22 margin. Jim Sumner led the Heppner bees with 10 points.

### COLORED TEAM COMING

Shamrock team manager, Lawrence Van Marter, reports that the basketball team of the season will be offered Sunday afternoon, January 15, at 3 p. m., when the Shamrocks will entertain on the local floor the famous Kansas City Stars.

The Stars, now in their fifth season of play, have won 481 games in 512 starts. Comprising the best of recent ex-collegiate colored performers, they are headed this season by the sensational Cudjoe twins, two tiny sharp-shooting forwards from Langston university's great teams of recent years. Combining a typical Indiana style of play with unusual ball handling, they offer a most novel cage attraction that will appeal to all fans, featuring both showmanship and a sound method of play.

### Services Will Be Held Monday For Herbert Davidson

Services will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. Monday, January 16 at the Catholic church in Ione for Herbert Davidson who lost his life Sept. 13, 1944 while in the service of his country. Interment will be in the cemetery at Morgan, where his father is buried. The body is being brought from Belgium.

A flight engineer in the air corps, Herbert was reported missing but the family could get no news concerning him until last September when his grave was discovered.

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### Local Chapter Of DeMolay Awarded Charter Monday

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Edward G. Beatty, grand chancellor of DeMolay for Oregon, was present to make the presentation and was assisted by Jerry Summerhays of Milton, deputy grand chancellor for the eastern Oregon district.

The chapter put on degree work and initiated four new members for the benefit of the visiting dignitaries. DeMolays were in attendance from the towns of the Willow creek valley and from Condon. Starting with 26 members in 1946, the local chapter has grown to a membership of 60 or more.

The chapter meeting was preceded by a Shrine club dinner at the Elkhorn honoring the visiting officials. Lunch was served after the ceremonial to those attending.

## Designer, Builder Inspect Hospital Building Tuesday

### Installation of Equipment Chief Activity at Present

Lack of a sewage disposal system in Heppner is causing a little delay in completion of the hospital project, the judge said. It is nothing serious—just a matter of locating the drainage field properly, in which the county court and the state health department are slightly at variance and which, it is expected, will be ironed out this week-end.

Construction of a sewer system in Heppner ahead of or concurrently with the building of the hospital would have simplified the sewage disposal problem, and since the sewer system is still an unknown quantity it is necessary to depend on septic tanks for the hospital. Tanks have been placed a short distance west of the new building, which is satisfactory to the court, but that body feels that the ultimate disposal of overflow should be in deep soil rather than on the shallow western slope of the hill. The plans have been changed three times, the judge said, but the court will insist that the best job be done for the money involved.

Visitors here this week to inspect the hospital were E. G. Harrington, architect; Dan Malarkey of Malarkey & Moore, contractors; Arthur Bohren, plumbing contractor, and Dick Maude, contractors' superintendent of construction.

Date for acceptance of the building by the county court is still indefinite but is not too far in the future, Judge Barratt concluded.

## Snowdrifts Force Motorists To Take Lengthy Detours

By MRS. MILLIE WILSON

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barnard came home from the Theron King ranch the first of the week. Their grandson, Earl Frank and his mother came home from John Day where Earl Frank had been under the doctor's care for some time. However he is much improved at this writing and is glad to be home again.

Mr. and Mrs. Chance Wilson helped Settle and Son take inventory Wednesday and Thursday.

Lee Fleming, George Stubblefield and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gates were business visitors in John Day the first of the week. George Stubblefield consulted a doctor about his lame back. At this writing he is much improved.

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## Mustangs Gained Needed Experience On Holiday Jaunt

### Locals Beat Moro And Condon; Lose To Umatilla Five

Heppner high school's Mustang basketball squad didn't "knock 'em over" on the barnstorming jaunt made during the holidays but the boys gained some valuable experience which have stood them in good stead since the regular season opened. Two wins out of three starts is the record up to and including Tuesday of this week.

Friday, January 6 the Mustang quint met and defeated the strong Condon Blue Devil squad by the close score of 33-31. Melvin Piper tossed in 13 points for the locals, while Conboy of Condon sank the ball for 16 counters.

Moro is having a bad time with Heppner opponents this season. Following the defeat suffered in football last fall, the basketball squad met with a 52-35 defeat here Saturday night when Connor and Orwick each netted 14 points.

It was a different story when the Mustangs met up with the Vikings from Umatilla high. It was a nip and tuck affair throughout—right up to the last 12 seconds of the game when the Vikings broke a 27-all score by tossing one into the basket. Score—29-27.

## Jaycees Sponsoring "21" Dinner Here

To stimulate more interest in registration and governmental affairs, the Heppner Junior Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a dinner to be held the evening of January 21 at the Legion hall. The dinner will be for the benefit of the community who have attained the age of 21 years will be the special guests.

The Jaycees take the stand that more young citizens coming of legal age will take more interest in governmental affairs if they receive a little coaching, or if their elders take a little more interest in their development as citizens. To give their sponsor a trial they decided to sponsor a dinner, invite outside speakers representing the two major political parties, and see if the younger men can not be influenced to register and assume the right of suffrage guaranteed under the Constitution.

Bill Barratt has been chosen to serve as master of ceremonies, and Mayor Conley Lanham and County Clerk C. W. Barlow will serve as judges of the debate which will be staged by Donald C. Walker, young attorney of Portland and president of the Multnomah Young Republican club, and Walter J. Dennis, president of the Young Democratic club of Multnomah county and national committeeman for the Young Democratic clubs of Oregon. Walker may not be able to appear here but has assured the local group that a competent representative of his organization will be on hand.

A limited number of tickets will be available.

## Legion Sponsors "Tide of Toys" For European Children

Christmas has passed for the children of America and other countries not suffering from direct after-effects of the recent war, but under plans of the American Legion it is only beginning for the children of war-ridden Europe. It is called the "Tide of Toys", or the "TOT" program.

Writing the local Legion AUXiliary, the national president, Mrs. Norman L. Sheehy, says: "Many European children of today never have had a single toy with which to play. Born in the midst of war or in war's hunger-pineched aftermath, they have known little of the normal joys of childhood. We have given them food through our government's vast aid program and private contributions. Now, through the Legion's "TOT" program, we can give them some of the happiness our own children enjoy so abundantly at Christmas."

The plan calls for each Legion post to collect toys from the children of the community, each child being asked to give one of his Christmas toys for some toyless child in Europe. To each toy should be attached a note from the child who gave it to the child who receives it, making the toy a personal gift from child to child. Mrs. Sheehy believes the plan will have wide appeal among American children and will be a real contribution to the cause of friendship and goodwill among nations.

Mrs. C. H. Broadfoot is chairman and donors should call her at 2762 or Mrs. Carl Vincent, 2862.

## Oddfellow-Rebekah Installation Scheduled For Saturday Night

By RUTH PAYNE

Willows lodge No. 66, I.O.O.F. and Sans Souci Rebekah lodge No. 33 will hold a joint installation of officers in the lodge hall this Saturday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, according to plans made at the meeting of Sans Souci Friday evening.

Prior to the installation ceremonies which are open to the public, a dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m. in the dining room for Oddfellows, Rebekahs and their families. Committees in charge of the affair include Mesdames Blanche Barlow, Alta Kirk, Blanche Brown and Alta Brown, kitchen; Ethelyn Pierson, Ruth Payne and Adelle Hanan, dining room; Mattie Green, Margaret Thomas and Della Tash, menu and soliciting.

The Epiphany service of "Feast of Light" which symbolizes the bringing of the gospel to the Gentiles was presented by the young people of All Saints Episcopal church Sunday evening. Music was by the girls' choir and soloists, representing the Three Wise Men, were Loren Piper, Dr. C. C. Dunham and O. G. Crawford, with Mrs. Elvyn Tull at the organ. Following an explanation of the scene, the lightbearers, Sally Conch and Nancy Adams, brought the light from the altar candle down through the choir and congregation after which each person present took their lighted candles home.

Hosts and hostesses for the ladies' night party at the Elks Thursday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Worden and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Becket. Two tables of bridge were in play with Mrs. Clarence Rosewall receiving high score and Mrs. Edwin Dick, second. Mrs. Ted Hart received high score in pinocle and Mrs. Kemp Dick won the door prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Smead departed for the home in Portland Saturday after spending several days here with Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McMurdo and other friends. The Smeads have just completed a motor trip of several weeks duration through Wyoming, Arizona, Washington and Idaho. During their visit here, Mr. and Mrs. Smead were entertained at several dinner parties. Dr. and Mrs. McMurdo were hosts for dinner in their honor the last of the week. Other guests were Mrs. Wendall H. Cleveland and Frank W. Turner. On the evening before their departure, Mrs. Cleveland entertained with a dinner for the Smeads. Present were Dr. and Mrs. McMurdo, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Thompson and Frank W. Turner.

According to word received by friends, Joe Giljeese, formerly of Heppner but now of Hermiston, is a patient at Veterans hospital in Portland and will undergo a major operation there in the near future.

Pirl Howell motored to The Dalles Saturday after Mrs. Howell who has been there for the past week with their daughter, Mrs. James Boland and family. They returned to Heppner Sunday. The Boland daughter, born on Christmas day, has been named Teresa.

William Furlong returned from St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton Tuesday. He underwent a major operation there the last of the week. Robert Dobbs motored over after him.

Mrs. W. O. Dix has had word that their daughter Virginia is now working in the office of the Alaska Steamship Company in Seattle. Some years ago Miss Dix was pianist with a girls' trio on one of this company's ships between Seattle and Alaska.

## Takes Courage To Get To Rose Bowl Football Classic

One's enthusiasm for the big game has run to a high pitch, if he gets to see the Rose Bowl game, the annual football classic of the nation. At least that is the opinion voiced by Orville Smith Monday noon when asked to tell the chamber of commerce luncheon group how he and Mrs. Smith fared in getting in to see the battle between Ohio State and California.

Taking off in their plane from the Lexington airport, the Smiths headed into a heavy wind as they steered towards Condon. They followed the interior route to Reno and then to Palm Springs and on to Pasadena and Los Angeles.

Feeling the Tournament of Roses parade was no mean task, inasmuch as there were 2,000,000 other souls, or more, besides themselves who lined the parade course. Then, closely following the parade was the big job of getting into the Rose Bowl. That was accomplished by taking a bus from their hotel to the football arena, arriving about five minutes after the game started.

As to the game itself, Smith is satisfied the best team won, although he believes the Californians were capable of playing a better game than they exhibited in the annual New Year's classic.

## Plans Completed For Education Car Visit Wednesday

### N. C. Anderson To Be Chairman of Day's Program

Everything is in tip-top shape for the Union Pacific Educational Improvement car, reports N. C. Anderson, county extension agent, who is general chairman for the program of the day. The car will spend the afternoon of January 17 and the morning of January 18 in Heppner.

An adult program is outlined for the 17th with a youth program to be given the 18th. The car will be spotted near the Union Pacific depot at a point easily accessible to all.

The program for January 17 begins at 1:30 p. m. with introductions and features of the car. Rex Warren, farm crops specialist, Oregon State college, will appear on the program at 1:45 to discuss losses from wheat smut and its control. Slides on this subject will also be shown. The film "Lost Harvest," featuring losses from wheat smut will be shown. At 3 p. m. Robert Fletcher, field secretary, Northwest Crop Improvement association, will discuss wheat varieties. If time permits some time will be spent on a discussion of weed control.

The program of the 18th is to be changed somewhat for the students of the high school and 4-H club members, but will follow somewhat approximately the same order.

The Union Pacific Educational Improvement car has proved very popular to Morrow county farmers the past two years, says N. C. Anderson. It has appeared at Boardman in 1948 and 1949 with programs on irrigation, weed control, and row crop production. Farmers of this area should take advantage of its appearance here and the fine program it has to offer which are subjects of interest to all, he urges.

## Cleve Noland Held Under \$750 Bond On Assault Count

Cleve Noland was placed under bond of \$750 to appear in circuit court when given a preliminary hearing before Justice J. O. Hager last week on an assault and battery count. Noland stood on his rights in the matter, which calls for a grand jury investigation.

The charge against Noland, who is an employe of Jim Lynch, logging contractor, arose from a beating he allegedly administered to Alex Ullrich on the evening of December 30. Ullrich was taken to a Pendleton hospital the following morning where for several days he was in a serious condition. He did not file charges against Noland but the authorities felt the case merited investigation.

## CORABELL NUTTING'S ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Nutting of Prineville, formerly of Heppner, announce the engagement of their daughter Corabell to James W. Norene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Norene of Portland. Mr. Norene is a student at Washington State college where he is majoring in veterinary science. The wedding has been set for early June.

Miss Nutting is a graduate of Heppner high school, where she was a popular student. She also served as a princess of the royal court of the Heppner Rodeo in 1948.

## SOROPTIMISTS LEARN STORIES OF DEVELOPMENT OF OPALS

The Rev. E. L. Tull, vicar of All Saints Episcopal church, was the guest speaker today at the luncheon meeting of the Soroptimist club of Heppner. Rev. Tull spoke of opals and brought some flaming samples of the wood opals that came from Virgin Valley, Nevada. Speaking for a few minutes in fanciful vein, Rev. Tull related the life story of the precious stone from the time it was a tree, withstanding snows, rains, furious winds and boiling waters until it had become opalized. It was a delightful discourse as well as highly enlightening.

## Deposits in Heppner Bank Approach \$5,000,000 Mark

In answer to the year-end call of the comptroller of the currency, the Heppner branch of the First National Bank of Portland reports deposits of \$4,896,404, and loans of \$677,009, announces Merle Becket, manager.

On December 31, 1948, the figures were: deposits, \$5,328,755, and loans, \$2,850,280.

The First National Bank of Portland, with 45 branches, reports deposits of \$476,427,181, and loans of \$151,055,062. Against this loan figure, there has been set up out of earnings from January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949, a reserve for possible loan losses in the amount of \$598,492. This reserve is to apply against any loan losses that may develop in the future; it has not been allocated to any particular loans or type of loans. Total resources are \$516,803,857, according to F. N. Belgrano, Jr., president.

On December 31, 1948, the figures were: deposits, \$490,523,422, loans, \$161,684,213, and resources, \$527,882,079.

More than 32 million acres of public lands, or over half of the total area of Oregon, are under the control of the federal government, including 13 national forests, two national park service areas and extensive grazing areas.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Searcy of Millwood, near Spokane, Wash., were overnight guests at the C. A. Ruggles home Friday. Mr. Searcy is Mrs. Ruggles' brother.

Visitors here Saturday afternoon and night were Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Knighton of Moro. They brought over part of the Moro high school basketball squad and were guests of Mrs. Lucy Rodgers and also visited the Ruggles family, former neighbors in Moro.

Oregon's first railroad connection with eastern states, via the scenic Clumbia river gorge, was completed in 1883.