

## Pioneer Memorial Hospital Dedicated Sunday P. M.

Slightly overcast skies, enough to shut out the sun's glare and yet maintain a comfortable temperature, prevailed throughout the hour Sunday afternoon when Judge Garnet Barratt, representing the Morrow county court, made the proper remarks and performed the rites officially dedicating the Pioneer Memorial hospital. Several hundred people, mostly citizens of the county, gathered on the level ground in front of the hospital building to witness the ceremonies and to go on the tour of inspection immediately following.

Judge Barratt took time to review the steps leading up to the dedication exercises, telling how the court in 1944, when Bert Johnson was judge and he and Roy Neill were the commissioners, debated the possibility of the county's building a hospital and having convinced themselves it was feasible had submitted a proposal to the Heppner chamber of commerce to get an expression from the people. This was followed by a petition signed by many voters to have the proposal placed on the ballot. The proposal called for a two-mill levy to be assessed each year for a period of five years to raise at least \$100,000 for the purpose of constructing and equipping a hospital. It was estimated that a suitable building could be built for \$85,000 and the balance of the fund, with gifts from the people, would be sufficient for properly equipping it. As it later turned out, the \$107,000 obtained from the tax was not adequate to construct the type of building desired and the court and hospital committee finally concluded to take advantage of the special hospital building bill passed by congress and got assistance from the government. Later, the people subscribed an additional \$30,000 or more to which the federal agency advanced more match money, until the fund was built up to around approximately \$240,000 for construction and equipment. A significant fact brought out by the judge was that not one cent of tax money has entered into the purchase of equipment. It has all been bought by personal subscription funds.

Judge Barratt introduced P. W. Mahoney, chairman of the hospital board, who after a few appropriate remarks, introduced George Wadill, hospital manager who, in turn, introduced his hospital staff then on the job. These included Mrs. William Richards, superintendent of nurses; Mrs. Odessa Burkenstock, laboratory technician; Mrs. Ida Coleman, cook; Miss Rita Kennedy, receptionist; Floyd Morris, male patient helper, and Robert Lowe, engineer.

Following presentation of the dedication plaque to Chairman Mahoney, Judge Barratt introduced the county commissioners, Ralph I. Thompson and Russell Miller, and former commissioner, L. D. Neill; the members of the hospital board, Mr. Mahoney, John Krebs, J. J. O'Connor, Harry Duvall, and Mrs. Joyce Smith.

Miss Opal Briggs was called to the platform and presented Gideon bibles to the hospital in the name of her father, the late Leon W. Briggs.

Rev. Francis McCormack gave the invocation and Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien offered the benediction. E. E. Gonty was in charge of the sound system.

Visitors were formed in line and were taken in squads through the hospital. The entire operation from the furnace room to the main entrance was shown, including a stop in the kitchen where refreshments were served. From the time the visitors entered the building until they departed it was one round of expressions of surprise and pleasure at what was seen.

Visitors had an opportunity to see the latest word in hospital arrangement and equipment. To begin with, there is a doctors' private room with lounge, toilet and shower. It is but a step to the operating room, the x-ray and fracture room with its portable fracture table and latest type of x-ray. The x-ray room is lead lined. In a handy nook is a janitor's closet, and drug and linen rooms.

The main operating room is explosion proof. It is the answer to a surgeon's dream in the matter of arrangement and equipment. The gas apparatus includes a four-gas unit; a new type blood pressure apparatus, a Standby Baumanometer, x-ray explosion proof illuminator, a suction pressure machine, 3,000 candlepower light over the operating table, hydrometer, Basic Metabolator, clean-up room with scrub sinks for surgery—all these and an instrument cabinet filled with every type of instrument used by surgeons are at the immediate disposal of those working in the room. The sterilizing room adjoins and has everything needed in the way of preparing instruments for surgical work.

At present there is but one labor room. A new type oxygen tent awaits its first patient. In the delivery room is a cradle light and a bassinette. The delivery room, surgery and nursery are air conditioned and humidified.

Mrs. Odessa Burkenstock says the laboratory is not "just what the doctor ordered," but is the answer to everything a laboratory technician could desire.

The nursery contains six bassinets and an oxygen tent and has special air conditioning.

The nurses' station has a special call system that would intrigue a telephone operator. There are so many things to mention that it would require a special edition to cover everything. Every department is of special interest. A modern kitchen is at the disposal of the cooks. It has ample refrigeration and a food closet is well stocked with canned goods.

The patients' rooms are tinted in different soft tones. Even the coverlets vary in color. Several rooms are equipped with two beds and at least one will have four beds. That's on the lower floor where ambulatory cases will be taken care of.

For those who have not seen the hospital a pleasant hour or so of inspection will be most revealing. But once the institution goes into operation on a regular schedule visiting hours will be regulated and visiting will be largely restricted to patients' rooms. That was the object in holding the reception Sunday afternoon—to give all who came an opportunity to see the building and its contents.

## High School Romance Culminates in Wedding Ceremony

Two more members of this spring's graduating class were married Friday evening at the Methodist church. Marlene Turner became the bride of Robert Bergstrom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl V. Bergstrom of Eight Mile. Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien performed the ceremony in the presence of immediate relatives and a few friends.

The bride and groom were attended by Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Turner of Albuquerque, brother and sister-in-law of the bride.

Miss Turner, who is the daughter of Mrs. Fred Booker, wore a navy blue suit with white accessories and a pink rosebud corsage. Her bridesmaid wore a suit of aqua with white accessories.

The newlyweds left immediately for the coast for the weekend and are now at home in the Arbor Vitae apartments. Both the young people are popular members of this year's senior class. The groom is employed on the Frank Anderson ranch and the bride is working at the Marshall-Wells store.

Ward reached Mrs. Lucy Rodgers early this afternoon of the unexpected passing of her older son, Gene Buchanan in Seattle. Mr. Buchanan had been in poor health and had consented to undergo surgery, which he did, and the growth proved to be malignant. Mrs. Rodgers and Mrs. Sara McNamer left at once for Seattle.

## Judge Barratt Delivering Dedicatory Address



We don't remember what Judge Barratt was saying at the time forming the main entrance to the hospital came in handy as a platform for the dedicatory exercises. In the picture, reading from left to right, are Rev. Francis McCormack, George Wadill, E. E. Gonty, P. W. Mahoney, and Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien. To Judge Barratt's right is the plaque which was the principal instrument of the dedication.

## "The Pause That Refreshes"



The refreshment table was set up in the hospital kitchen. The guests were served punch, coffee, cookies and ice cream as they passed through on their inspection of the building and equipment. Mrs. H. L. Duvall served the punch and Mrs. John Krebs poured the coffee. Manager Wadill and Mrs. Ida Coleman, cook, struck an attentive pose as Photographer Lyons snapped the picture.

## 31 Morrow County 4-H Clubbers Go To Summer School

Youngsters between the ages of 12 and 21 will predominate on the O. S. C. campus for a ten-day period beginning Tuesday, June 13, as the 35th annual 4-H club summer school gets underway for 1,800 enrollees. Thirty-one club members and one local leader, acting as chaperone for Morrow county's delegation, left Tuesday morning to attend this annual 4-H feat. Those leaving from this county and the donors of their scholarships are listed below:

Dianne Van Horn, Heppner—Heppner Chamber of Commerce; Joan Wilson, Heppner—Elks Club; Joan Bothwell, Heppner—Lexington Oil Cooperative; Sally Cohn, Heppner—Soroptimist Club of Heppner; Patricia Peck, Heppner—Lexington Grange; Janet Howton, Ione—Ione P-TA; Joan Breeding, Lexington—Lexington Merchants and 4-H Clothing Club; Glenna Griffith, Lexington—Lexington P-TA and merchants; Betty Lou Messenger, Lexington—Rebecca Lodge and merchants; Patsy Wright, Heppner—Rhea Creek Grange; Nancy Calliff, Boardman—Boardman Home Economics Extension Unit; Veneeta Cram, Boardman—Pomona Grange; Nancy Graybeal, Irigton—Irigton merchants; Yvanna Boylan, Irigton—Irigton P-TA and Irigton Home Ec. Extension Unit; Edna Hoadley, Irigton—Pendleton Grain Growers; Sally Palmer, Heppner; John Brosnan, Heppner—Morrow County Livestock Clubs; Nell Beamer, Heppner—Lexington Oil Cooperative; Jimmy Wightman, Heppner—Lexington Grange; Jimmy Green, Heppner—Morrow County Farm Bureau; Malcolm McKinney, Ione—Jordan Elevator; Duane Baker, Ione—Oregon Wheatgrowers League; Hamlett's; Max Fussell, Boardman—Boardman merchants; Richard Barham, Boardman

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## Ione Legion Plans Program for Fourth

The eagle will scream in at least one Morrow county town the coming 4th of July. Plans are under way to observe the national birthday in a manner befitting the occasion at Ione where Post No. 95, American Legion is taking the initiative. Beginning with a parade through town, the program will follow at the school grounds, where races, baseball and softball games will fill in the late morning hours and the afternoon. There will be dancing in the evening, with fireworks as the light of day fades into darkness.

## ELLEN BUSEICK SCHWARTZ

Services were held at 10 o'clock a.m. Wednesday at the Heppner Church of Christ for Ellen Buseick Schwartz, 74, who passed away Friday, June 9 at Portland. Glenn Warner, pastor, officiated and arrangements were in charge of the Phelps Funeral Home. Interment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Mrs. Schwartz was a member of a pioneer family of Heppner, the Harts. She grew up here and was married to John Buseick who ran stock ranches in Morrow and Grant counties. A few years after Mr. Buseick's death she was married to Mr. Schwartz in Portland where she made her home for many years.

Relatives in Heppner include Mrs. Alma Morgan, Raymond and Ralph Marlat, niece and nephews, respectively, and several grand nieces and nephews.

## WAS BANQUET SOLOIST

Mrs. C. C. Dunham was soloist at the banquet of the Central-Eastern Oregon association of the Order of Eastern Star Monday evening at the Heathman hotel in Portland. Mrs. C. A. Ruggles was her accompanist. The Dunhams, accompanied by Mrs. O. G. Crawford, drove to the city Sunday and returned early Tuesday morning. Mrs. Ruggles, returning from Corvallis Sunday, met them in Portland and came on home with them.

## 2.45 INCHES RAINFALL IN GOOSEBERRY DURING WEEK

V. L. Carlson, weather observer in the Gooseberry section, reports rainfall in the amount of 2.45 inches the past week. Of this amount, 1.70 inches fell Sunday night, the biggest rain in any one day since he has been keeping records, and that has been 15 years.

There was no runoff to speak of, the observer reported, and the rains have been wonderful for the crops.

## Blue Lakers Take Diamond Contest

With a little revamping of the lineup, the Heppner baseball squad presented a serious threat to the Blue Lake Amusement Park team from Portland at Rodeo field Saturday afternoon. As it was, it took 11 innings to break the 5-5 tie at the end of the nine frames, the visitors scoring two runs in the 11th.

The Heppner team was strengthened by some results from the lone lineup of the Wheat-Timber league. Bob Drake played first base, Roland Bergstrom third base and Donald Ball center field. Drake and Ball accounted for the big hitting of the game, each lacing out a triple.

## Ledbetter Pickens Marriage Event Of Sunday Evening

Miss Clara Sue Ledbetter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bergen Ledbetter and Sergeant John L. Pickens were united in marriage at the Methodist church Sunday evening, June 11. Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien officiated, using the single ring ceremony. Mrs. C. C. Carmichael played the wedding music and Mrs. Willard Warren sang "Because" and "Lord's Prayer."

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was gowned in white slipper satin with full train and a fingertip veil. Orange blossoms held the veil in place. She wore a double string of pearls and carried red rosebuds and white stephanotis.

Mrs. Norman Bergstrom of Echo was matron of honor for her sister. She wore a green satin gown with a band of net with rosebuds in her hair. Her flowers were pink and white rosebuds arranged in a nosegay.

Mrs. John Ledbetter, dressed in yellow and Miss Leila McLachlan in rose, lighted the candles.

Don Hatfield attended the groom and the bride's brothers John and James acted as suhers.

A reception in the church parlors followed the ceremony. Mrs. LaVere Van Marter and Mrs. Glen McLachlan poured. Mrs. Harry Duvall served the wedding cake. Mrs. Wm. Padberg assisted about the rooms and Miss Joan Hisler was in charge of the guest book.

For travel the bride wore a brown suit with brown and white accessories. The young people will reside in Seattle where the groom is stationed at Fort Lawton. She is a graduate of Heppner high school in the class of 1948. Sgt. Pickens is the son of H. A. Pickens of Susanville, California and Mrs. Joe Carda of Heppner. He graduated from Heppner high school in 1945 and served four years in the army, part of that time in Germany.

## MAHONEY-BAKER NUPTIALS SET FOR JUNE 23

Mrs. Josephine Richardson Mahoney has chosen June 23 as the date of her marriage to Frank W. Baker. The hour is 4 o'clock in the afternoon at All Saints Episcopal church and they are taking this means to invite their friends to be present.

The ceremony will be followed by a reception in the parish house to which all friends are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson have received word of the birth of a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Oslund Monday evening, June 12 at Cheyenne, Wyo. This is the Oslund's third child, all girls. Mrs. Oslund is the former Frances Wilkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Macomber of Arlington announce the engagement of their daughter Viola Ida to Melvin Dale Mackey, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mackey of Arlington. The wedding will be an event of July 30.

Guests at the Tom Wells residence are Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dean of Gainesville, Fla., who arrived Tuesday afternoon on a visit to their daughter and grandchildren, Mrs. Virginia Cochell and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Wells. This is the first time the Deans have been in Oregon and while Mrs. Cochell has been worrying for several weeks "unusually" when her parents arrived, the visitors were delighted with the Oregon country. They drove from Florida where Mr. Dean recently completed a college course in band conducting. They plan to be here until the first of July.

After spending several months in Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Howell returned the past week to Heppner to make their home. Lee says city life is all right but he likes the eastern Oregon country better.

## Budget Receives Voter Approval at Second Election

### Larger Turnout Seen as Cause of Change in Result

A larger turnout of voters and a change of sentiment on the part of some who voted against the rural school district budget in the first election are looked upon as reasons for the reversal in their results when the second election votes are tabulated. Last Thursday's election saw 994 voters wending their way to the polling places and the count showed 633 in favor of and 351 against.

One, with a considerably larger vote than in the first election, still had two obstinate voters in favor of the budget. The total vote was 222, with 220 against the county set-up. Some of the smaller districts voted unanimously against the measure. Of these, Morgan with its 14-0 vote against was the most pronounced, followed by Rood Canyon which went 5-0 against.

The final tabulation showed the following results: Dist. 1, Heppner, 198 yes, 95 no; total 293.

District 2, Lena, 6 yes.

District 3C, Willoway, 8 yes, 2 no.

District 5J, Morgan, 14 no.

District 10, Irigton, 160 for, 4 no.

District 12, Lexington, 60 yes, 6 no.

District 19, Rood Canyon, 5 no.

District 23, Devine, 6 yes, 2 no.

District 24, Willows, 3 yes.

District 25, Boardman, 180 yes, 2 no.

District 35J, Ione, 2 yes, 220 no.

District 40, Hardman, yes 3, 7 no.

District 41, Sand Hollow, yes 6, 4 no.

District 42, Balm Fork, yes 1.

A little activity on the part of the Jaycees and Jay Ceettes covering the town with a sound wagon got results in rousing the vote in Heppner.

## Swimming Season To Start Shortly

Although the definite date has not been set, the municipal swimming pool will open shortly. It was announced this week by Mrs. Wm. Labhart, who will again be in charge.

A six-days-a-week schedule will be in force, with swimming each day between 1 and 5 p.m. The pool will be open between 7 and 9 p.m. on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. It will be closed each Monday throughout the season for cleaning.

The life guard will not be responsible for the wading pool. Children under six years of age must be accompanied by their parents.

Dorothy French will be ticket handler for the season. A chlorinator is being installed and the pool is being painted, which accounts for postponement of the opening date.

## Crow-Maggie Hunt Proves Successful

The Morrow county crow and magpie hunt, on final tabulation, has proven to be successful in number of predatory birds destroyed, as well as an unparalleled opportunity for outdoor recreation.

A total of 1,103 birds, and 2,687 eggs were turned in, with the certainty that many more were destroyed which remain uncounted. The success of this year's contest brings hope that next year will bring a longer contest, with many more participants.

A tabulation of results will be found in the advertising columns of this issue.

## BISHOP BARTON COMING

Bishop Lane W. Barton will administer the rites of confirmation at the 11 o'clock service of All Saints Episcopal church Sunday. A potluck dinner will be served by the women of the church following the service.

## Masonic Body To Hold Ceremonial

Heppner Chapter No. 26, Royal Arch Masons, will be host to other chapters of the area at a special convocation to be held at the Wightman Blue Mountain ranch Saturday evening. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m., after which degree work will be exemplified by Pendleton Chapter No. 23.

Holding of the open air session is contingent upon the weather. If Jupe Pluvius decides to do a little more sprinkling the meeting will be held at the Masonic temple in Heppner.

The first meeting of this nature was held at the Wightman ranch in June 1949. The weather was clear but the night was chilly and any brothers not familiar with the climate up near the summit of the Blues should be reminded to wear heavier clothing.