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Way Prepared For Jay-Cees to Secure Own Club Building

Council Gives End Of Old Pavilion to Civic Organization

Desiring to clear the ground for development, the city council Monday evening voted to offer all buildings on the park site for sale. One exception was made and this was in favor of the Junior chamber of commerce, which organization in 1947 built in club rooms in the south end of the old dance pavilion. The council ordered that that portion of the building be given the Jaycees provided it is separated from the rest of the structure and moved off of the park property. A second motion was made and passed that the city provide a site for the building on a lot on south court street.

The council authorized R. J. Stephens, work superintendent, to obtain a heavy roller with which to pack the crushed rock on Main street. Traffic follows a comparatively narrow strip in the center of the street and this results in leaving the remainder of the street surface going un-packed. It was thought the city would be able to engage the services of the construction crew's roller but the job should be done before fair-weather time so that the street can be flushed and cleaned.

Authorization was given the fire department to purchase several hundred feet of fire hose. The supply has been short since the big fire in 1949 and the order will bring it back to about normal.

Councilman Yeager, city building inspector submitted his report on building permits issued along with several repair and remodeling jobs. Francis L. Cook is building a 24x27 house in Ayers fourth addition at an estimated cost of \$5,000. Conley Lanham, \$200 repair job on apartment house; Josephine Mahoney Baker, 27x41 house, \$6,000; Nels Justus, repairs to home, \$1,000; Elma Hart, new store room at home, \$350; Marion Hayden, remodel job on home, \$1,000; Nels Justus, insulating five cabins and wash room, \$529; Nels Justus, insulating attic of residence, \$350; Mary Ulrich, double garage on Green street, \$1,000; all Saints Episcopal church, insulating rectory, \$125; Charles Vaughn remodeling job on residence, \$1,000. Total, \$16,554.

The inspector has released the August permits to date for publication following: Harry O'Donnell, home remodeling, \$1,000; Leta Humphreys, store remodeling, \$900; James Farley, insulating garage, \$700; Jenny Gorkfle, new roof on business building on Main street, \$1,550; D. B. Spaulding, new home on Gilmore street, \$4,000; C. E. Lynch, new home in Hager's addition, \$8,000; School district No. 1, new walk and wall, \$1,900; Betty Estberg, remodeling home, \$3,500; Thomson estate, remodeling job on home on Court street, \$1,000; F. W. Turner, new home on North Court street, \$15,000. Total, \$37,500.

PEGGY SUE MOYER DIES IN OPERATION AT PORTLAND

Little Peggy Sue Moyer, aged four years died at Providence hospital in Portland Tuesday, August 22.

She was the daughter of Lloyd Moyer and Mrs. Naomi Moyer. She leaves also, three sisters, Betty Sue, Nancy Kay and Cathy Rae and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Furlong of Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moyer of Hermiston.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at the Phelps Funeral Home with Glenn Warner officiating.

PRISONER REMOVED

Two Salt Lake City policemen, Capt. Golden Haight and Officer Meyers, left Heppner Tuesday having in custody George Larry Young, wanted in Utah on a charge of non-support. Young had been in custody of the sheriff here for two weeks pending extradition papers from Utah.

Teaching Staff At School Complete

All teachers have been hired for the local schools, according to Supt. Leonard B. Pate, who says that with the hiring of another cook the school personnel will be complete.

Robert Collins, head of the music department, returned to Heppner the past week and has been working every evening this week with the school band to whip it in shape for the fair and rodeo. Rehearsals are being held at 6 p. m. every day and all members of the band are urged to attend and help make a good organization.

Mrs. H. D. McCurdy Jr. of Ukiah spent Monday shopping in Heppner.

Whose Fair Royalty at What Fair?



Well! Well! It looks like Chaperon Shirley Rugg and the royal court of the 1950 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo are right at home when it comes to entertaining political royalty, for here we find them very much in the good graces of no less a personage than His Honor, Douglas McKay, Governor of Oregon. And the Governor shows that he is no less at home when it comes to confabing with a bunch of nifties. The picture was caught by Photographer Louis Lyons when Queen Joan the First and her court, Princesses Kathryn Campbell, Evelyn Miller, Betty Graves and Jane Seehafer, with their chaperon, Mrs. George Rugg, who was Queen Shirley of the 1949 Fair and Rodeo, had a short visit with Governor McKay at the Umatilla fair at Hermiston last week. It beting were in order it would be safe to wager a few kopecks that the Governor is getting an awful about the "Biggest little fair and rodeo in Oregon," and the expression on his face indicates that he is relishing the information.

Queen Joan and her retinue were guests of the Umatilla county fair last weekend, going over to ride in the parade and spending the rest of the day enjoying the program. The girls also rode in the recent Dress-up parade of the Pendleton Round-up.

Jay-Cees Accept Invitation to Assist In Pre-Rodeo Rites

While the big wild west show of the northwest is underway in Pendleton this week and all-rodeo minded folk are turning their eyes toward the east (from this section), directors of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo are carrying out plans for the 1950 performance.

Everything is more or less quiet on the home front this week-end, due to the Round-up, but things will begin to pop in typical western fashion next week, what with the institution of the kangaroo court and preparations for the annual dress-up parade, one of the highlights of the pre-Rodeo season. The princess dances have been run off and the final big party before the fair and rodeo open September 6 will be the queen's dance. This is preceded by the dress-up parade and street dance, a feature that creates no less interest than the Rodeo itself.

The junior chamber of commerce has accepted the invitation of the Rodeo directors to assist in stimulating interest and action in the final days before the opening date. The boys have already put the horse trough in condition and promise some wet sessions for violators of the traditional western garb rule and other things that are typically western. While the court has been scheduled to go into action the night of September 6, it has been hinted that violations of the code will bring a session at any time during the week.

The program of coronation of the queen and presentation of the royal court will also be a function of the Jay Cees.

Certain Areas In Heppner Forest Put Under Restriction

Due to the continued hot weather and dry condition of forested areas, Governor Douglas McKay last week issued a proclamation closing certain areas in the Blue mountains south of Heppner to unrestricted use by the public. Permits may be obtained from the forest office in Heppner and such other points as designated by the state forester.

Districts other than those designated in the latest proclamation were advertised in the Gazette Times of recent date and had to do with the western part of the Heppner forest area. The latest order regulates use of the forests in the Tupper and the Bull Prairie-Opal area. Section lines are given in each area, with exceptions in the Tupper district including Western Route road Little Wall Creek road, Parker Mill road, and Tupper Guard station. In Bull Prairie-Opal the exceptions are Western Route road, Monument road and Parker Mill road.

Mrs. Elbert Cox spent the past week in Lonerock where she visited Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hayes.

PROCLAMATION

I, Conley Lanham, mayor of the City of Heppner, do proclaim the week of September 2 through September 10, inclusive, as Official Dress-up Week for the 1950 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo.

All citizens in the incorporated limits of the City of Heppner, and visitors are urged to dress and conduct themselves as real westerners for the entire week prior and during the Fair and Rodeo celebration.

CONLEY LANHAM
Mayor of Heppner

Final Rites Held Monday Morning For Edw. Breslin

Final rites were held at 9 o'clock a. m. Monday from St. Patrick's church for Edward Breslin, resident of Heppner since 1913 who passed away Friday, August 18 at the family residence following a lingering illness which had kept him confined at home much of the time for the past year. Father Francis McCormack was in charge of the church service and Heppner lodge No. 358, B. P. O. E., of which the deceased had been a member for many years conducted graveside services.

Pallbearers were L. B. Scrivner, J. J. Monahan, W. J. Bucknum, Floyd Tolleson, F. S. Parker and R. G. McMurtry.

Edward Breslin was born October 22, 1884 in County Longford, Ireland. He came to the United States and to Heppner in 1905 and after a short residence here moved to Condon where he resided until 1913. On July 17 of that year he was married to Edna Mahaney, the ceremony being performed at The Dalles. They came to Heppner in the fall of 1913 to make their home and Mr. Breslin started an independent fuel business which he operated until forced by ill health to retire in 1948. Industrious and thrifty Mr. Breslin gained and held the esteem of the community throughout his long residence here.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. John Walsh of Orange, Texas and one grandson, all of whom were present at the time of his passing.

A supper party was given Saturday evening for Queen Joan and her princesses for which the chamber of commerce, the junior chamber of commerce and the Soroptimist club of Heppner were sponsors.

Visiting for a short time here at the home of his sister, Mrs. Josie Jones, are E. W. Rhea and wife from West Vancouver, B. C. They are enroute to the Round-up at Pendleton after a vacation trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Troedson and grandchildren, Carol and Lee Putman of Clackamas and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hall attended Umatilla county fair at Hermiston Saturday. They heard Governor McKay speak at noon and saw him ride in the parade.

Miss Owen Stark of Hay, Wn. is a guest this week of Miss Betty Lou Moyer.

Farmers To Hear Committee Report On Rain Making

Meeting Called At Court House For Monday Evening

Morrow county farmers interested in obtaining more moisture for their lands have been issued an invitation to meet at the court house in Heppner Monday evening, August 28 to hear a report by the board of directors of the organization formed to investigate rainmaking. The meeting will be called at 8 o'clock.

Rainfall may be doubled in Morrow, Gilliam and Sherman counties by artificial cloud seeding, it is found in an analysis of cloud seeding potentialities prepared for the Tri-Counties Weather Research, Inc. This report was made by the American Institute of Aerological Research of which Dr. Irving P. Krick is head.

The report, a part of the investigation in artificial nucleation, carried on by the directors of the Tri-Counties Weather Research further reports that cloud seeding is feasible in this area during individual storms when conditions are favorable. Months of October through June are the most favorable for increasing rain fall.

In producing artificial precipitation, Dr. Krick recommends ground generators to release silver iodide crystals into the atmosphere over the three counties when favorable conditions occur.

Dr. Krick's reputation in this work is outstanding, with projects of artificial nucleation being carried out in many localities in the United States. Recently Dr. Krick has received much publicity on his work in weather forecasting. The August issue of Readers Digest carried an article of forecasting he had done.

Directors of the Tri-Counties Weather Research, Inc. representing Morrow county, are Ralph Crum, Ione; Alvin Bunch, and Frank Anderson, Heppner. Crum is chairman of the directors of which there are three from each of Morrow, Gilliam and Sherman counties making up the Board.

'50-'51 Tax Money Turned Over Today

Morrow county's 1950-51 taxes have been collected and turned over this morning to the county treasurer. The total exceeds more than a half million dollars, announces Frances Mitchell, treasurer, who says that the tax officials in some of the neighboring counties may make the turnover a little ahead of the local officials but she doubts if they have as much as \$691,447.09 to collect.

The bill for operating the schools is the heaviest single item, but increases in road funds and general operating expenses have added considerable to the tax bill.

Random Thoughts...

It is characteristic for each individual, whether he be employer or employee, to think his lot is a little worse than the other fellow's. It is enlightening and somewhat refreshing to learn that yours is not the only hard row to hoe, that others are finding it just as difficult to carry on as you have found it and that the only way out is to stick to the old grind until better conditions prevail or you have made enough to retire.

People engaged in the various lines of endeavor which go to make up our economic structure follow a policy of getting together periodically either in district, state or national meetings to ponder over their problems and to formulate plans for doing their respective jobs more efficiently. A meeting of this nature usually results in letting the hair down and calling a spade a spade. A one-day session can produce results or find the answers to problems that might otherwise require months or years to solve. Someone has figured your problem for you and perhaps you have the answer to another's problem.

Newspapermen find it a good practice to meet in small groups such as the conference held at the La Grande Evening Observer office Saturday. Publishers of the northeastern Oregon district got together for a six-hour confab under the direction of Carl Webb, manager of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers association. The press of Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Baker and Willowa counties was represented. Pending legislation was discussed as well as problems directly affecting plant operation and the general opinion was that advertising and printing rates will have to go higher if the newspapermen are to continue serving their communities in the manner to which they are entitled and have a right to expect. It is no longer possible to pay modern labor and material costs, to say nothing of higher living costs, out of yesterday's earnings.

The old saying "a bad penny always returns" was further proven this week with the arrival back in Heppner and to his old job of Thos. W. Allen, "Tommy" has been working in a section of California more noted for its strain on the mercury (upwards, that is) than for its chamber of commerce climate, but he says business is booming down that way. He resumed his job as printer on the Gazette Times staff Tuesday morning and is back in the groove. His many friends have been extending the glad hand and making him feel right at home.

Well, this is Round-up week and business and social activities on a local basis are suspended to a large degree. Visitors to the Happy Canyon pageant Wednesday evening report a heavy attendance at the opening show, heralding a huge crowd at the main show throughout the four days of the pageant of the old west. Not even rain, unless it comes too persistent, will dampen the enthusiasm of the crowds once they become imbued with the Round-up spirit. The showers so far have had the effect to clear the atmosphere. Let us hope old Jupe will let well enough alone and be satisfied with just settling the dust.

Paying a visit to Heppner the first time in 32 years, Miss Daisy Hendricks was a week-end guest of Mrs. E. R. Huston. She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. David Epps from Mill City who came to visit Mrs. Epp's sister, Mrs. Don Walker. Mrs. Huston and her guest called on some of the people Miss Hendricks knew during her residence here prior to World War I, although the brief time she had to visit made it impossible for them to get around to all she would have appreciated seeing.

Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien and family have returned to Heppner after spending the summer vacation in Portland. Mrs. Sorlien took summer school work while in the city.

Governor Urges Preservation Of Our American Tradition

Sacrifice Necessary But Well Worth Price He Declares

Preservation of our American way of life is the most important thing to all of us and no matter what the sacrifice may be it will be worth the price if we succeed in turning back communism and retain our American traditions. That was the main theme of Governor Douglas McKay's informal talk to the Soroptimist Club of Heppner and a number of others in attendance at the luncheon in the Elkhorn Cafe private dining room at noon today.

"We are faced with a serious situation, probably the worst in the history of our country, and it will require the greatest effort we as a nation have ever put forth to survive as a peace-loving people," the governor said. "Whether or not we get into a major engagement with the Russians following the Korean war, we must be prepared for any eventuality and that will call for more taxes, more work and more sacrifices."

The Governor cautioned against hysteria and worry and asked them to renew their faith in our country, faith in our people, and above all, faith in the Divine Being that put us here.

Mrs. McKay accompanied her husband and they left early in the afternoon for Pilot Rock for a short visit before proceeding to Pendleton to be guests of the Round-up association.

Mrs. Frances Mitchell presided and introduced Mrs. O. G. Crawford who extended greetings to the special guests and other visitors after which she introduced Governor McKay as the speaker of the day.

Bed Smoker Sets Fire to Room in Hotel Heppner

No small amount of excitement was created when the fire siren shrieked at 3 o'clock Saturday morning, calling the volunteer fire department to the Hotel Heppner where smoke was pouring from a bedroom window on the third floor.

It was another case of smoking in bed and the smoker dropping off to sleep without disposing of his cigarette. P. A. Mollahan, night clerk, had made the rounds of the halls at an early hour and found everything in order. When he approached the door to the room after the alarm was given the heat was so intense he could scarcely stand to enter. A pillow tossed out of a window landed in the air-conditioner to the Easter Grill and put it out of commission. Fire and smoke just about destroyed everything in the room and smoke and water damaged other rooms, water seeping to the second and first floors.

Two men occupied the room and they were in the hallway trying to get the emergency hose unreeled when Mollahan reached the third floor but Pat considered it a job for the fire department.

Heppner Men Plan Reactivation of Lexington Airport

Two Heppner aviators R. J. Stephens and Bob Christenson, have leased the Lexington airport and plan to reactivate it by September 1. The port has been idle since early in the spring when Jack Forsythe's lease expired. Need for housing for planes in use by Heppner flyers and others prompted the action and Stephens and Christenson decided to put the port back into service.

Training service will be available, with a licensed trainer from the Hermiston airport coming once a week to give instructions. Neither of the lessees has a training license although both have pilot licenses.

Gas and oil service will again be available at the port. Stephens reports that while pilot service will not be instituted, there will be planes for rent. Christenson is moving his family to the airport and Mrs. Christenson will be on hand to answer the telephone and report arrival of planes. Her husband will continue his job at the Rosewall Motor company. Stephens and his family will remain in Heppner where he is city work superintendent, but he hopes to be able to spend the week-ends at the airport.

Services Held At Lexington Sunday For Mrs. Pointer

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday from the Lexington Christian church for Mrs. Lucy E. Pointer, who passed away in Seattle August 17 at the age of 57 years. The body was brought to Heppner Saturday and was in charge of Phelps Funeral Home. Mrs. Pointer was the daughter of the late William and Nettie Davis being born in Lexington August 13, 1891 and spending the most of her young life here and attending school, until her marriage to James A. Pointer, November 1, 1914. She leaves to mourn her passing besides her husband, the following brothers and sisters: Glenn Davis of Bend, Mabel Gray of Stanfield, James Davis of Lexington, and Gladastine Mikesell of Toppensish who was unable to attend due to the illness of her husband; also several nieces and nephews.

Soloist was Mrs. Peggy Selms of Seattle who played and sang Nearer to the Heart of God and So, So the Word and The Word of Jesus. Evangelist Leon Stanton was in charge of the services at the church and Z. Franklin Cantrell in charge at the cemetery. Burial was in the Lexington I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Pallbearers were Roy Campbell, Art Keene, Ray McAllister, L. A. Palmer, Joe Thornburg and Otto Ruhl.

Memorial services were held in Seattle Friday evening with Evangelist Stanton officiating.

Attending from out of town were Evangelist Leon Stanton, Evangelist Mabel Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Ivar Lewis, Mrs. Peggy Selms of Seattle, Mrs. Carl Weisbrod of Zillah, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schriever of Mollala, George Pointer, Portland, Mrs. Maude Pointer and son Fred of Corvallis, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Batty of Kimberly, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Davis, Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Slate, Bend and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gray and family of Stanfield.

Mrs. Bert Kane, Mrs. Henry Happold and their father, J. R. Yocum have been vacationing at Ocean Lake this week and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Oviatt who reside there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph I. Thompson and Mrs. Allen Case left Saturday for Seattle to spend several days attending gift market week.

Pre-School Clinics To Be Conducted in County Next Week

Clinics for examination of preschool youngsters will be held in Irigoin, Boardman, Ione, Lexington and Heppner. Dr. R. J. O'Shea of Heppner will be the examining physician. The clinics are being arranged by Miss Margaret Gillis, county public health nurse. Miss Gillis will be in charge of the clinics and will be assisted by members of the PTA in each community.

These clinics are being held in conformity with the state law requiring a health certificate of each child upon entering the first grade. Parents who have children that will be unable to attend these clinics should make every effort to have this examination given before the school year begins.

Irrigoin and Boardman will hold clinics the morning of August 28, Ione and Lexington, August 29, and Heppner August 30 and 31.

James Lexington Davis To Retire

James Lexington Davis is looking forward to a happy experience October 1. On this date "Jimmie" will enter the ranks of the retired gentleman. For then he will retire from the highway department of the State of Oregon. Possibly Jimmie does not understand that this business of leaving the retired status is a hard life. Jimmie as he is known by his host of friends has the good wishes of everyone. Those who know him best know him to be an extraordinarily hard worker and a man who is faithful and loyal to any obligation he may have. A good rest and plenty of time to visit his relatives and friends will be well deserved by Jimmie. He was the first white baby to be born in Lexington and carries the name of the town.—Contributed.

The spacious lawn at the W. O. George home was the locale for the gathering following the appearance of the royal court at the Umatilla fair that afternoon. Mrs. Frances Mitchell, president of the Soroptimists introduced the honored guests. The party was informal and was enjoyed by approximately 45 people.

The J. R. Huffman family returned Saturday from a vacation of two weeks spent at Seaside. Mr. and Mrs. Harry O'Donnell Jr. left Saturday on a two weeks motor trip which will take them to Banff, Lake Louise and coastal points in British Columbia and home by way of Seattle and Portland.