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## 4-H Achievement Banquet Attracts Large Gathering

### Over 200 Enjoy Places Set At County Pavilion

More than 200 people gathered around the festive board at the 4-H club annual achievement banquet and program at the county fair pavilion Friday evening and after partaking of the potluck dinner witnessed the presentation of awards to 4-H clubbers and their leaders.

In the absence of Nelson Anderson who was called east by the illness of his mother, Mrs. Maude Caswell, county home demonstration agent, presided and made the regular presentations. Merle Becket made the presentations in behalf of the First National bank.

First year members completing their projects (C1 means cooking I, C1, clothing I) Maurice Groves C1; Carole Anderson C1; sheep; Helen Graham C1, Knitting I; Janice Martin C1; Donna Robinson C1, C2; Peggy Allen C1; Anna Belle Coleman C1; Bonnie Crum C1; Sally Cropp, C1; Merna Ober C1; Juliana Rietmann C1; Clara Ann Swales C1; Mildred Bristow C1; Mildred Sechafer C1; Sue Coleman C1; Marilyn Pettyjohn C1; Louise Botts C1; Billie Sechafer C1; Alecia Swales C1; Sharon Cutsforth, C1; Donna Graves C1; Anna Marie Graham C1; Mary Ruth Green Kn 1, child care; Clarice Hastings Kn 1, child care; Joan Keithley Kn 1; Kay Valentine Kn 1; Judy Thompson Kn 1; Francine Francis C1; Sandra Whillock C1; Roberta Hannan C1; Donna Elliott C1; Judy Barger C1; DeLores Easter C1; Ida Sue Stratton C1; Meredith Thomson C1; Jack Monagle, sheep Tom Currin, swine; Terry Thompson, beef; Vern Nolan, dairy; Dick Ruhl, beef; Loy Keene, sheep, tractor maintenance; John Howton, beef; Ellis Ball, rabbits; Wayne Ball, poultry; Ronald McCabe, rabbits; Jerry Wentworth, poultry; Paul Wentworth, rabbits; Gerry White, poultry.

(Balance of awards will be published next week.)

## Hospitalized Vets To Receive Scrip Books For Christmas

Hospitalized veterans in the Blue Mountain Council jurisdiction will receive \$2 scrip books enclosed in Christmas cards as their Christmas gifts from the people of the area, announces Mrs. Ralph Thompson, Morrow county chairman for the council. This was decided upon at a recent meeting of the council when it was also decided to discontinue the practice of seeking personal gifts for each patient. The money will be used by the patients in making phone calls home during the holidays. This is done through the Red Cross with no tax on calls.

Wreaths are wanted for the Morrow county ward, Mrs. Thompson wishes to remind the public. These will be handled through the Heppner Flower Shop at \$2.50 each.

Morrow county was asked for flowers for the chapel for two Sundays at \$5 for each service. The flowers are given in memory of someone, the chaplain stating who, as well as giving the flowers afterwards to serious patients.

A request for used bedside radios has been made. Send along what you have, the radio repair classes will condition them.

Sheldon Bergeson, field director at North Richland, has asked for mystery stories and comic books for soldiers stationed there. The Heppner office of the Pacific Power & Light company has offered to receive the radios, small books and comics.

## MRS. RODGERS PRESENTS PAPER ON PEACE AT SOROPTHIST CLUB MEETING

In recognition of Armistice Day November 11, Mrs. Lucy Rodgers presented a fine paper on "Peace" at the regular meeting of the Soropthism Club of Heppner this noon. Mrs. Rodgers told briefly of various international peace conferences in the 1840's-50's; the League of Nations under Woodrow Wilson's regime, and the United Nations of the present era. To quote from her report: "No one who makes a fair examination of the United Nations achievements through the five years since the charter was ratified can deny that it is our best hope for peace through freedom."

While the members stood with bowed heads, Mrs. Rodgers closed her program by reading a prayer for peace.

## Lost Hunter Down To Last Cigarette As Rescuers Arrive

Bob Robinson, Portland hunter who spent three and a half days in the woods without food or shelter last week, was down to his last cigarette when Officers Bill Labhart and Carl McDaniel found him on Potamus creek about one mile from the John Day river. That was noon Thursday and he had been out since Monday morning. Cigarettes were not the only things on which he was running low. He had two shells and three matches left.

Robinson was well dressed, the officers reported, a fact that enabled him to withstand the ordeal with no apparent ill effects to his health.

Fifty years old, Robinson is a veteran of the U. S. Coast Guard. He is familiar with sea lanes but apparently has little knowledge of the woods. He told officers that he had crossed two roads and found a third one. He went down one of the roads only to come to a dead end, which probably led him to believe that none of them would take him "out of the woods."

After searching parties had been out two days, McDaniel, experienced woodsman, decided that Robinson would be found on the Potamus. With Officer Labhart, he went to the mouth of Big Potamus and they started upstream. When they had gone a short distance McDaniel heard a shot which he recognized as coming from a rifle of the type used by Robinson. Waiting about 30 seconds, McDaniel fired his rifle. The officers were about 15 minutes away from Robinson. When they came upon him he was up on the hillside where he said he had fired at a bird with the hope of getting something to eat. That was the shot McDaniel heard.

Local hunters and ranchers were joined in the search by Robinson's son and other relatives from Portland. Harley Anderson returned home Thursday afternoon, dog-tired after cooking for the crew of searchers, and others weary searchers straggled in throughout the afternoon and evening.

McDaniel, who admits to being lost many times in the mountains and at the same time believes he has found more lost people than any other person in these parts, says he is going to get a bloodhound pup and train it for the purpose of running down stray humans in the forest vastness.

## Hermiston Graders Overrun Heppner At Rodeo Grounds

### Mollahan's Last Minute TD Saves Local Hopes From Humiliation of Goose Egg

A never-say-die spirit on the part of a courageous little team which stayed right in the game every minute although outplayed most of the way, saved the eighth grade team of the Heppner school from registering a "goose egg" at Rodeo Field Saturday afternoon. The Hermiston graders provided the competition and had rolled up an imposing score of 35-0 right up to about the last two minutes of play when the quarterback began calling for line smashes by Larry Mollahan, rangy back. Mollahan carried the ball from down near midfield on a series of hard rushes that saw him making first downs enough to put him within reach of pay dirt and then one more run put him over. Jensen made the conversion.

It was a case of a plucky little team battling a little heavier and speedier aggregation. Hermiston crossed the goal line and converted five times before Mollahan got all hepped up but wasn't going so fast in the final quarter.

A serious accident marred the game about two plays before the end of the second quarter. A Hermiston player collided with Delbert Piper, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Piper, knocking him to the ground. Piper could not get up and his teammates carried him to the sideline and examination by a physician revealed that his leg was broken. The ambulance was called and the unfortunate lad was taken to the hospital.

## EMERY SETTLES INJURED IN CAR CRASH TODAY

Emery Settles, proprietor of the Settles Electric company, received serious back injuries this morning when his car was struck by another motor vehicle in front of the Hodge Chevrolet company garage.

The car also was badly damaged.

## Moro Scores One Point Victory in Friday's Contest

The Heppner Mustangs were beaten by Moro Friday in a real thriller. The game was played at Moro under ideal conditions.

In the first half, Moro dominated the play and scored two touchdowns, one in each quarter. The first one was a sensational off-tackle run of 70 yards and the second on an end sweep from four yards out. The score at half time was 13-0.

In the second half, Heppner came to life and quickly drove to a touchdown, Summer scoring on a line plunge. From then on Heppner showed plenty of fire but couldn't cross the goal line for pay dirt.

In the fourth quarter the score stood at 13-6 with 30 seconds remaining in the game, when Gary Connor took a long pass from Melvin Piper in the end zone to make the score 13-12. The try for the extra point on a buck over guard failed. The game ended with the score 13-12 in favor of Moro.

The Mustangs have dropped to a second place tie with Moro because of the loss. Maupin is champion of district five.

Saturday, Armistice day, at 2:15 on the Rodeo field, Heppner will play their traditional rivals, the Bulldogs from Hermiston high. The team is in fine shape and will try to take last week's defeat out on the Bulldogs.

## Brains Replace Brawn In Re-laying Of Railway Steel

About one-eighth of a mile of heavy steel remained to be laid on the Heppner branch of the Union Pacific Friday morning when Agent Floyd Tolleson called a representative of the Gazette Times and told him to hustle down there if he wanted to see how track laying is done in the modern manner. That was all the invitation required and the reporter was soon on the scene.

There is altogether too much to write about and the subject can't be covered at this writing but it was noted that brains have contrived to relieve brawn by at least 50 per cent since the earlier days of railroading with regard to track laying. The human element has been removed as far as it has been practical to do so and machinery does the work quickly and precisely.

To make removing the old rails a simple and prompt matter, a machine has been devised for jerking two spikes up at a time, one on either side of the rail. Only in cases of bent or off-angle spikes is it necessary to use the hand method. After the new rails are down and the sledge welders have started the spikes a machine comes along and sets them firmly in the tie.

A man with an acetylene torch cuts the rails to the right length less than full length piece is needed. There is a scarifier built on the plan of a floor sander which smooths off the ties after the light rails are removed, making a smooth base for the fish plates that will hold the new rails. Then along comes the mechanical crane under its own power and picks up a rail and lays it where it belongs, under the guidance of a young Navaho who supervises this particular piece of work. Another Navaho boy sees that the rail is properly joined with the one already down. He carries a piece of wood about one-fourth of an inch thick and just as the rail snaps into place he shoves the stick between the joints to provide ample expansion space which prevents the rails from buckling.

A crew of 100 men was employed in the work on the branch. This was more than needed but there was no other work right at the time and the company keeps the crew intact. One of the UP's best track laying superintendents, Frank Shea from Pocatello, supervised the local job.

In charge of the construction train is Bill Young, son of Grover Young, former conductor on the branch line and working on the main line.

The track laying work was wound up here about noon Friday and the crew was taken out by freight that afternoon. The maintenance crew operating out of Arlington will complete the work of relaying the yards as the steel arrives.

The old rails have been bought

### ARMISTICE DAY PROGRAM

10:30 a. m.—Social gathering, Legionnaires and wives at Legion hall

1:45 p. m.—Parade from Tum-A-Lum to Rodeo Field, Legionnaires escorted by High School Band

2:15 p. m.—Football game, Hermiston vs. Heppner

5:30-6:30—Banquet at Legion hall to football teams

6:30-7:30—Legion Banquet, C. J. D. Bauman, Master of Ceremonies. Songs by Comrade Oliver Creswick; Reading by Mrs. William Labhart; introduction of distinguished guests by Master of Ceremonies; Speaker of evening, Comrade Dean Reitmeyer, Commander of District No. 6.

Public dance following banquet

## Full Day Observance of First Armistice Signing Outlined By Heppner Legion For Saturday

Thirty years ago, when the second annual observance was held the date happened to be on Thursday. That was nothing alarming except to the Gazette Times force, the date being the newspaper's publication day. It was not a good time to close up so far as the GT was concerned but all right for the rest of the business houses of the town. This year the 11th comes on Saturday. That does not affect the newspaper office but it means something to the other businesses to close up on the big day of the week. Nevertheless, most of the places of business will close either all day or in the afternoon to cooperate with the American Legion in observance of Armistice day.

A glance at the program above will give the reader the information desired. Legionnaires will know what is expected of them

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Capital Parade

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## WAGE LEVELING COMPLETED

A general wage increase for practically all state employees was made by the state board of control in winding up their functions Sunday morning.

A total of \$200,417.68 was appropriated leaving \$550,184.58 in the emergency fund. A temporary \$10 a month increase will show on November paychecks and continue through February when the legislature will take over the problem of providing salaries for state employees that will meet those offered by private industry. Other salary adjustments include workers in higher brackets and employees in self-sustaining institutions.

## FOREST FIRES FEW

The state forestry department reckons the "fire year" for Oregon ends October 15. This year it was right on schedule to the day. There was less fire damage and fewer fires than in 1949. This occurred in spite of severe fire conditions and low rainfall during most of the fire season.

## STATE POLICE BUSY

The state police had a busy October. Besides making 4045 arrests for various law violations, they extinguished 31 fires, investigated 469 accidents, rendered assistance in 644 cases of distress or accidents with first aid in 26 cases, removed 316 highway obstructions, weighed 2758 trucks (found few overloads), made 519 livestock investigations, recovered stolen vehicles valued at \$42,475, and functioned in 4647 other capacities.

Forgery, larceny, burglary and most other crimes follow a pattern of the economy of the country or of the seasons of the year but from the reports for 1950 it seems that drunken drivers keep increasing.

In January of this year there were 46 convictions with fines of up for scrap and will be reprocessed into something else.

## CALF SALE BRINGS AVERAGE OF 30 CENTS

The calf sale held at the Heppner Sales Yard Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the county fair pavilion brought an average of 30 cents per pound.

## SCHAFFELD-ADAMS VOWS TO BE TAKEN NOVEMBER 22

Invitations were mailed this week for the marriage of Miss Betty Jane Adams, daughter of Mrs. Ethel Adams of Heppner and Mr. Ted Joseph Schaffeld of Vale. The ceremony will be performed on November 22.

## PLAN FOR 1952 ELECTION

The first political announcement of the next general election November 8, 1952, was made just after an emergency Sunday morning meeting of the emergency board at the capitol this week.

Senate President Wm. Walsh, chairman of the emergency board congratulated venerable Senator Dean Walker on the sharp publicity he used in his campaign for reelection and asked the Polk county senator if he would act as his campaign manager come next election.

## SHORTCUT REPORTS

Reports of automobile accidents may now be made at the field office of the state motor vehicle department. Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry announced Friday.

Newbry has instructed the personnel of the field offices to assist motorists in making out reports and explain the requirements of the state financial responsibility law.

Reports may be filed by motorists involved in accidents at the field offices between 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. Monday thru Friday and between 9 a. m. and 1 p. m. on Saturdays.

## Factory Crew At Work on New Unit For Heppner Mill

It has always been a maxim or something that "you can't keep a good man down," and that's the case with Orville Smith manager of the Heppner Lumber company. Members of the factory crew were still clearing away burning girders and other debris from the big fire last week while "Smithy" was busy on the phone lining up a new plant.

By the first of this week all debris was cleared from the location of the former plant, salvaged material loaded onto gondola cars and shipped out. The ground was immediately staked off for a new 130x330 foot building which will house planing mill and factory equipment. The arched roof of the huge building will be so spanned that there will be no upright posts to interfere with the working space on the floor. And the floor will be of concrete. No more underdrafts to contend with, says Smith, who is experiencing some difficulty in obtaining building materials. But they will be obtained, and you can lay to that.

## Responsibility For Hunting Hunters Should Be Settled

Responsibility for hunting lost hunters should rest with the state game commission, in the opinion of Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman. The county has no funds and it certainly should not devolve upon the search parties to pay their own expenses, Bauman declared, in asking the chamber of commerce for an opinion on the matter.

The sheriff went on to say that since the game commission receives the funds from the sale of licenses to hunters it should likewise accept responsibility in cases of licensed hunters getting lost. This opinion was concurred in by others present but since the luncheon hour was about up no action was taken.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo agreed with the sheriff relative to lost hunters and also advocated that ranchers be remunerated for the loss of livestock resulting from trigger-happy hunters' mistakes.

Last minute pre-election discussions on two measures were offered by P. W. Mahoney on the liquor advertising measure and Judge Garnet Barratt on the Old Age Pension law.

## Farmers Signing Up For Strip Cropping In Heppner SC Dist.

Strip cropping was established on 624 acres of land in the Heppner Soil Conservation district during the past month, according to the last progress report released by the district supervisors. A total of 544 acres was strip-cropped on the Kenneth Peck ranch at Lexington and the remainder on the Raymond French ranch on Big Butter creek.

Guide lines for contour seeding, covering 1,528 acres, were marked out on the Sid Zinter farm at Eightmile and the Mankin-Bunch and Paul Brown ranches at Heppner with the new contour-liner recently purchased by the district. By attaching the contour-liner to a jeep or tractor any farmer may easily run off contour lines with it, the supervisors pointed out.

Engineering surveys for land leveling were completed on the Hynd Brothers and John Krebs ranches at Cecil and the Terrel Bengel and Delbert Emert ranches at Ione. This totals about 110 acres which will be seeded for irrigated hay and pasture land.

Two contractors, Crum Brothers of Ione and Dick Meador, Heppner, are working on these jobs.

Harold Stevens of Hardman established 1.3 miles of diversion ditches to carry run-off water safely from steeper slopes.

New farm plans were signed this month for Mankin-Bunch, 888 acres; Ralph Beamer and Tom Michos, 1,762 acres; Harold Stevens, 439 acres; Claud and Tom Huston, 2,645 acres and Gary Tullis, 1,600 acres.

## Republicans Hold Substantial Lead In County Voting

### Morse and McKay Lead Ticket By Heavy Majorities

Morrow county was not to be outdone by the rest of the state and the nation in Tuesday's voting and rolled up substantial Republican majorities right down the line from U. S. Senator to Justice of the Peace. County offices were on a non-competitive basis this year, but the voters cast ballots for the officials as a compliment.

There was a good turnout of voters regardless of a generous rain during the latter part of the day. Voting started promptly with the opening of the polls here in Heppner and by closing time a total of 556 votes had been cast in North and South Heppner precincts.

Counting was done promptly and returns were all in by opening time at the county clerk's office Wednesday morning. A check of the returns gave the following results in the county:

U. S. Senator: Morse 1044; Latourette 313; Talbert 26.

Representative in Congress: Stockman 908; Bull 501.

Governor: McKay 1072; Flegel 362.

Labor Commissioner: Kimsey 736; Morgan 532.

State Senator: Ellis 865; McElrath 486.

Representative 22nd district: Peterson 1184; French 769.

District Attorney: Fancher 1191.

Commissioner: Thompson 1297.

Treasurer: Lucy E. Rodgers 1146.

Assessor: W. O. Dix 1173.

Justice of the Peace: J. O. Hager 460.

State Measures: Legislators' salaries: Yes 664; No 503.

Credit loan: Yes 612; No 605.

Veterans fund: Yes 700; No 485.

School support: Yes 591; No 650.

Old Age Welfare: Yes 856; No 410.

Standard time: Yes 872; No 423.

Bonus for Veterans: Yes 595; No 596.

Reapportionment: Yes 595; No 427.

Liquor advertising: Yes 325; No 1005.

## TURNER AGAIN MAYOR

J. O. Turner drew a total of 386 votes in his bid for return to office of mayor after a lapse of four years. The council over which he will preside after January 1 will include two incumbents, W. C. Rosewall and Edmond Gonty, and the following new faces: W. C. Collins, Robert Grabbill and Jack Van Winkle for the four year term and John Saager for the two-year term. He succeeds W. C. Cox who was appointed two years ago to fill the position vacated by Howard Keithley. Cox was defeated in his bid for the four-year term.

Other members of the city government include Mrs. W. O. Dix, recorder and La Verne Van Marter, treasurer.

## Lewiston To Host Winter Meeting Of Waterways Assn.

The 17th annual meeting of the Inland Empire Waterways association will be held in Lewiston, Ida. November 30-December 1, according to word received here by Judge Garnet Barratt, regional county vice president of the association for Morrow county. The announcement came from Herbert G. West of Walla Walla, executive vice president for the organization, who gave the importance of the lower Snake river dams at this time as the principal reason for setting the convention at Lewiston.

"This year's convention," said West, "should prove to be the most important ever held due to the fact that the Pacific Northwest is facing a serious power deficiency even without national defense requirements and the necessity of the Pacific Northwest reaching complete agreement on our program before Congress convenes next year."

It is hoped that Secretary of the Interior Oscar Chapman and General Lewis A. Pick, Chief, Corps of Engineers, both of Washington, D. C., will be present to deliver the principal addresses of the convention.