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## J. R. Huffman To Head Chamber of Commerce in 1951

### Directors Set Date For Installation Of New Officers

Meeting on Tuesday evening, new directors of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce elected J. R. Huffman as president of the organization for 1951. Other officers elected were N. C. Anderson, first vice president; J. G. Barratt, second vice president; Tom Wilson, secretary, and Frank Turner, treasurer.

Installation of new officers will be made on January 10, if speakers and program can be satisfactorily arranged for that date. This event is planned for members, their wives and invited guests. J. G. Barratt was made responsible for securing a speaker for the program, while Loyal Parker was appointed to arrange for accommodations at the American Legion Hall.

In summing up achievements of the past year, chairman Henry Tetz pointed out that the Chamber had sponsored activities including all-county fair and rodeo picnic, 4-H scholarship luncheon, Boy Scouts luncheon, farmers luncheon on conservation tour, plans for annual officer installation banquet and the Christmas decoration program.

The latter project, one that has become very popular in the past three years, has brought favorable comment from many citizens throughout the county as well as people visiting from away. In accepting the favorable comments on this project the Chamber of Commerce wishes to thank the Pacific Power and Light Co., Pacific Telephone and Telephone Co., Forest Service, and the Mid-Columbia R. E. A. for their special efforts and contributions toward making the program a success.

## Services For Mrs. McDuffee To Be Held Here Friday

Services will be held at 2 o'clock p. m. Friday, December 29, at the All Saints Memorial church, Episcopal, for Mrs. George McDuffee who passed away on Christmas day at the family residence in Portland. Reverend Elvon L. Tull will officiate and arrangements are in charge of the Phelps Funeral Home, Ruth chapter No. 32, Order of the Eastern Star, will have a part in the service. Interment will be in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Mrs. McDuffee, who was Alice K. Capon before her marriage to Mr. McDuffee, was long a resident of this section of the state before the family moved to Portland to reside about 14 years ago. She is survived by her husband; three sons, Howard and Paul L. of Medford; Ray W. of Falls Church, Va.; two daughters, Mrs. Alva Mason, Portland, and Mrs. Harold Buhman of Burns; her two brothers, George and Harrold, Mrs. Georgia Capon, Capon and two sisters, Mrs. man, all of Monument; and two Nora Boyer and Mrs. Ida Bleakwright, Mrs. Mary Wright, and Mrs. Eva Wright, both of Heppner, and 12 grandchildren.

## New Administrator In Charge of Pioneer Memorial Hospital

John B. Ernsdorff of Pendleton has been employed by the board of the Pioneer Memorial hospital as administrator of the institution. He succeeds George Wadill who was the first administrator of Morrow county's general hospital and who resigned the first of December.

Mr. Ernsdorff holds a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering and has qualifications for doing the laboratory and X-ray work at the hospital. This will make it possible to save one salary, a condition that will meet with favor during the period the hospital is getting established.

During his residence in Pendleton Mr. Ernsdorff was a partner in the Western Music company. The new administrator and his wife, Irene and two sons, Jackie Paul, 7 and Francis Eddie, 2 1/2, will occupy the Otto Ruhl residence on West Church street vacated by the Wadills. Mrs. Ernsdorff is a registered nurse.

### BABSON NEXT WEEK

Due to next week trouble, which has finally been corrected, the Gazette Times is curtailed again this week. Consequently the Babson forecast for 1951 has had to be postponed until the issue of January 4.

## Cupid Registered 28 Hits in County During Year 1950

That mythical character, Dan Cupid, registered 28 hits in Morrow county in the year just closing, according to records compiled by Mrs. Fred Parrish, deputy county clerk.

Due to the extremely cold and disagreeable weather in January the little archer didn't venture forth in quest of victims, but by February 8 he picked off Jean Hanna and Donald L. Bennett, who were married in Heppner.

Three couples secured licenses to wed in March. Dorothy Ann Worden and John Paul Gerhardt pledged their vows in Heppner on March 17. Two days later, March 19, Betty Ann Brown and Duane Gentry took the same step in Heppner, and on March 22, Mrs. Grace Cleveland and Frank W. Turner were married in Pendleton.

Gertha Parman and J. Walter Boyer were married in Heppner April 9, and on May 29, Louise Schunk became the bride of Marvin Britt.

The month of June witnessed five marriages, including Marylou Ferguson and Robert C. Kelly on the 7th; Patricia Drake and George E. Tucker on the 8th; Marlene Turner and Robert Bergstrom on the 9th; Clara Sue Ledbetter and John L. Piekens on the 11th, and Josephine Mahoney and Frank Baker on the 23rd. These ceremonies were performed in Heppner with the exception of the Tucker-Drake wedding which was at Ione.

July saw three weddings: Vida Lue Dungan and Melvin C. Kanoff, July 1 at Hermiston; Allene Zimmerman and Harry G. Ring, July 19, Ione, and Beverly Ann Youm and Eddie M. Gunderson, July 21, Heppner.

There was one wedding in August. Louise Munroe and Wayne R. Jensen on the 26th.

September was the most popular wedding month, with seven as follows: Bruce LaVerne McGuire and Hattie Arlene Jackson, September 1, married at Athena; Mildred Tucker and Ben Cox, September 6, Heppner; Patricia Lucille Pierson and Emil Henry Rauch, September 12, Heppner; Gunderson, September 16, Hermiston; Dorothy Heribson and Donald Isler, Beverly M. Maness and Orrian A. Wright, September 19, Portland; Helen Renee and Rudolph N. Lesley, September 20, Heppner; Donna Gayhart and Gene Douglas Orwick, September 23, Heppner.

October 13, Barbara May Carey and David Barnett, Ione; October 14, Rosemary Kurtl and Fred P. Hulley, Condon; October 31, Virginia Lucia Cochell and Dick Wilkinson, Heppner.

November 1, Betty Venita Walker and Robert Max Gentry, Heppner; Betty Jane Adams and Ted Joseph Schaffel, November 20, Heppner.

December 22, Louis Carlson and Betty Graves, Valby Lutheran church in Gooseberry.

## DEPUTY COLLECTOR COMING

A deputy collector of internal revenue will be in Heppner January 3 to assist farmers with the filing of their 1040ES declaration of estimated tax for calendar year 1950. He will make his headquarters at the court-house.

## FILM TO BE SHOWN

Showing of a 30 minute sound film in natural color, "Out of the Night," has been announced by the Lexington Church of Christ. The showing will be at 7:30 p. m. Monday, January 1, in the church. This is an authentic documentary film from Chicago's skid row portraying Christianity in action against tremendous odds. This film will startle you. The public is invited to see it.

## KEEPING JUMP AHEAD OF STORM AND FLOOD WAS PROBLEM OF TRAVELERS

Luck and some hard driving kept them one jump ahead of bad weather and floods. Mr. and Mrs. John Graves reported on their return from a transcontinental trip last week.

The local people went first to Chicago to attend the International Livestock exposition. From there they went to Indiana for a short visit with relatives of Mr. Graves and then on to Florida to visit Mrs. Graves' brother. The only turn back due to flood conditions occurred as they were leaving Indiana. They visited at Gainesville and Ocala in Florida and on the return trip came thru New Orleans, El Paso, took a dip into Mexico, and traversed Death Valley in California. They saw rice and cotton being harvested and "snatched" several pictures of chain gangs enroute.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Fancher and little daughter returned Tuesday evening from The Dalles and Portland where they visited over the week-end.

## Heppner Rated "Little Town With Biggest Heart in All the U. S. A."

Some weeks ago an appeal came from the American Legion, Department of Oregon, for a contribution for the "Gifts to the Yanks Who Gave" fund. When the word got around it was but a matter of a short time until a substantial sum was forwarded to the department. In appreciation of the gift, the following letter was drafted and signed by Clyde Dickey, state commander; James C. Walker, chairman of drive, and Don Eva, Judge Advocate, The American Legion:

An Open Letter to the Little Town with the "Biggest Heart" in all of the United States of America.

To all of the folks of Heppner, Oregon: Greetings: This letter will gratefully acknowledge your magnificent donation in the sum of \$405.00 for the "Gifts to the Yanks Who Gave" in hospitals fund received at our State headquarters today. Yours was the first sizable donation received on this year's drive and the largest single donation ever received since this fund was started several years ago.

It created an atmosphere of Real Joy and Happiness in our office and stimulated our Faith in all of our great democracy, and reestablished our Faith in the American people. Our funds are almost depleted and the Oregon Veterans' Hospitals are crammed to capacity with the sick and wounded from the last war, and at the moment of writing this letter, word has come to us by radio that the first batch of wounded have arrived on the West Coast for distribution to various hospitals. Just how many Oregon will get is not yet known, but your generous contribution gives us a feeling of confidence and funds to work with. If other towns in Oregon will or would follow your splendid example, we really will be in a position to treat all of our Boys right.

## Local News In Brief . . . . .

The Womens Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church will meet at 8 p. m. January 3 with Mrs. Loyd Burkenbine on South Court street.

George Wadill and family left Saturday for Sherwood to spend Christmas with relatives. Mr. Wadill did not indicate what their future residence will be. He resigned the first of the month as administrator of the Pioneer Memorial hospital, a position he held for nearly a year and in which he participated in purchase and installation of supplies and fixtures.

Mrs. P. Beckstrom, interior decorator from Portland, came to Heppner with Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Turner when they returned to the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barratt spent the week-end vacation with relatives, coming from Corvallis where Jim is assistant manager of the Oregon State college alumni association.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nass of Spray are the parents of a son born Christmas day at the Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rose-

wall are preparing to leave Tuesday, January 2 for Miami, Florida, where Mr. Rosewall will attend a winter convention of Ford dealers and executives. They plan to return by the southern route and will be gone at least two weeks. In their absence, Emory Gentry will be in charge of the Rosewall Motor Co. garage.

Clarence Letwisch of Kansas City, Mo. has been in Heppner the past few days visiting his mother, Mrs. Leona Smallwood. He arrived Christmas morning and is leaving this evening.

Miss Leta Humphreys and Mrs. Lucy Rodgers were Pendleton business visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. George McLaughlin of Lone Rock, sister of Mrs. Jos. J. Nys, is a guest at the Nys home this week.

The Bookworms Christmas party was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Edwin Dick. Mrs. Alex Klein, sister of Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, was the guest of the evening.

Here to spend Christmas with Mrs. Shaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hager, were Major and Mrs. Clayton Shaw and sons of Corvallis.

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## 4-H Clubs Organize For New Projects in Year of 1951

With the new 4-H club year well under way many of last year's clubs have reorganized and many new clubs organized for the first time. Many of the clubs organized have not selected officers as yet, and many have not worked out their program of work for the year. Those that have their clubs far enough along for recognition are:

**HOME ECONOMICS:** Irrigon—Room Improvement I, Mrs. H. O. Califf, leader; Geraldine Hinkley, president; Vyanna Boylan, vice president; Shirley Smith, secretary; Carmen Wilson news reporter and Gergetta Frazier, song leader. Other members are Judy Filley, Maxine Gurley, Geraldine Hinkley, Sharon Smith and Sharlene Smith.

Mrs. Califf will lead Carla Hill of Irrigon in a Canning I project. Cooking I, leader Mrs. Leland Morse; president, Helen Tester; vice president, Vila Rae Hill; secretary, Georgetta Frasier; news reporter, Vetamae Hill; song leader, Judy Berger. Other members are Janet Henderson, Sammie Umiker, Norma Goldsboro, Dolly Mae Hinkley, Marjorie Henderson, Deloris Roberts, Florence Cosner, and Irene Webb.

**Cooking III, leader, Mrs. Ida Frasier, vice president, Edna Slaughter, president, Maxine Hoadley; secretary, Eula Amis; news reporter, Carmen Wilson; song leader, Helen Steagall. Other members are Sylvia Boylan, Jeanne Califf, Nancy Graybeal, Carla Hill, LaVonne McCoy, Janet Stephen, Ruth Shade and Norma Smith.**

**Sewing I, leader, Mrs. Rose Wilson; president, Grace Wilson; vice president Joan Mathoney; secretary, Nora Jane Hinkley; news reporter, Rose Marie Wilson; song leader, Luella Acock.**

**Sewing I-b, leader, Mrs. Alda Graybeal; president, Nancy Graybeal; vice president, Norma Smith; secretary, Marie Cunningham; news reporter, Dixie Cosner; song leader, Vetamae Hill.**

**Sewing II, leader, Mrs. D. V. Boylan; president, Shirley Smith; vice president Sharlene Smith; secretary, Dorothy Hinkley; news reporter, Vyanna Boylan; other member, Barbara Gurley.**

**Hobby Club, leader, Margie Shade; president, Geraldine Hinkley; vice president, Helen Steagall; secretary, Beverly Mc-**

## Carlson - Graves Vows Spoken at Lutheran Church

Miss Betty Jean Graves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Graves, and Louis A. Carlson, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Leonard Carlson, were married at 4 o'clock p. m. Friday, December 22 at the Valby Lutheran church.

The Rev. Henry J. Hokenson officiated at the double ring ceremony. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white satin gown with a full train, Peter Pan collar and a finger tip veil edged in lace and held in place with a coronet of seeded pearls. She carried a bouquet of red roses. Miss Francine Hisler, her only attendant, wore a pale green dress with red and white carnations. Little Leslie Carlson, niece of the groom, was flower girl. She wore an orchid dress. Dick Darst, nephew of the groom, was the ring bearer. Tom Bristow, Robert Peterson and Gerald Peterson were ushers. Miss Rieta Graves, sister of the bride, was the candle lighter. She wore a pale yellow gown.

Miss Mildred Carlson, sister of the groom, played the wedding marches and Leonard Munkers, accompanied by Mrs. C. C. Carmichael sang "At Dawning" and "Hand in Hand Beloved."

The bride's mother wore a gray suit with black accessories and the groom's mother wore a gray suit with pink accessories. Each wore a corsage of pink carnations. The church was decorated with red poinsettias, white mums and holly.

A reception was held in the parish house following the wedding ceremony. After the bride and groom cut the first piece of the three tiered wedding cake the rest was served by Mrs. Clifford Carlson and Mrs. Howard Pettijohn, Mrs. J. P. Darst and Mrs. Van Winkle served the groom's cake. Mrs. O. W. Cutsforth and Miss Mildred Carlson poured. Mrs. Charles Carlson had charge of the guest book and Mrs. Leonard Munkers had charge of the gift table.

Others assisting about the rooms were Mrs. Carl Bergstrom, Mrs. William Bergstrom, Mrs. Henry Peterson, Mrs. Ben Anderson and Mrs. Henry Baker.

The bride's going-away suit was wine with gray accessories.

The young couple will make their home in Ione after a honeymoon trip.

Relatives coming to the wedding from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wilcox of Ashland, grandparents of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Darst and children and Miss Mildred Carlson of Eugene, and Mr. and Mrs. Raphael Raymond and daughter Barbara of Helix.

## Ione Folks Hear Outgoing Mayor Discuss Outlook

The third annual town meeting was held at the Legion hall Dec. 18th. Mayor Garland Swanson stated that these meetings gave the people a chance to discuss the problems of the city. He said that he would like to see the different organizations of the town take on a project as the Topic club has the public library as its project. He would like to see the garden club do some landscaping on the school grounds. Mayor elect Omar Rietmann told of the importance of the defense meeting. The new city hall, the fire district, garbage and speeding in the city limits were discussed. The new fireproof pump house was described. A vote of appreciation was given Garland Swanson, outgoing mayor, for the work he has done. E. R. Lundell, outgoing councilman, has been in office since 1932. Doughnuts and coffee were served after the meeting by Mrs. Garland Swanson and Mrs. Omar Rietmann.

The following officers were installed at an Eastern Star meeting Wednesday evening, Dec. 20: Worthy matron, Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom; worthy patron, Adon Hamlett; associate matron, Mrs. Walter Corley; associate patron, Sam McMillan; conductress, Mrs. James Lindsay; associate conductress, Mrs. Sam McMillan; treasurer, Mrs. Walter Dobyns; marshal, Mrs. Sam Esteb; Ada, Mrs. Henry Osibov; Ruth, Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen; Esther, Mrs. Adon Hamlett; Martha, Mrs. R. Bert DeSpain; Electa, Mrs. Wm. Smethers; Warder, Sam Esteb and Sentinel Geo. N. Ely.

Officers installed in the Masons were Worshipful Master, W. R. Wentworth; senior warden, Herbert Ekstrom; Junior Warden, Robert DeSpain; secretary, Lewis Halvorsen and treasurer Paul Pettijohn. A turkey dinner preceded the installation.

## ATTEND WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Zinter and son Sidney Gene, Mrs. R. H. Zinter and Mrs. Irene Keeton accompanied Gene Empey to Portland Tuesday to attend Empey's marriage to Janet Alice Halladay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Halladay at 8 p. m. December 27 in the Rose City Methodist church. The Zinters returned to Heppner today.

## BOY DIES AT HOSPITAL

George I. Sanders, 15, of Spray, died today at the Pioneer Memorial hospital in Heppner. Services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Saturday from the Assembly of God church in Spray, with Rev. Billings officiating. Interment will be in the Spray cemetery.

George, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sanders, was born Feb. 14, 1935, in Spray. He is survived by his parents, two brothers, Charles and Timothy D., a sister, Ruby Van Winkle of Mitchell, and his grandfather, Charles Hughes, who resides in Washington.

## SHAMROCKS ADD 2 GAMES TO STRING OF WINS -- 6 STRAIGHT

### Sharpshooters Stop Irrigon in Hard Fought Contest

Heppner's sharpshooting basketball quintet, the Shamrocks, extended their winning streak to six games last week to still remain undefeated for the season as they coasted over Lexington on Thursday night 59 to 26, and then turned in a brilliant performance Saturday night as they convincingly downed the strong Irrigon Independents, led by Willard Jones, 6 feet 4 inches center, by a score of 69 to 52.

## Capital Parade

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