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Farmers Month Behind With Spring Work, Agent Opines

Spring appears to be some distance in the future, if the number of farmers doing the accustomed work at this season of the year is to be taken as a criterion, according to N. C. Anderson, county agricultural agent. Few farmers are in the field. Anderson finds after making a cursory survey, not as many as one could see in mid-January, he says. However, a few farmers are taking to the fields in the wheat area, and some overdue work is being accomplished in the irrigated belt of north Morrow county.

The agent finds that some frost damage was experienced in the north wheat belt, placing the wheat kill at about 25 per cent in that area. This was due to the lack of snow as a covering during the sub-zero weather of early February. The higher levels were covered with a light blanket of snow, a fact which probably prevented serious winter-kill and Anderson thinks re-seeding will not be necessary. While wheat weathered the freeze fall seeded barley did not make it.

Most barley acreage will be seeded to spring wheat, due to the fact that wheat allotments are off. Much "double cropping" is planned, with the greatest demand for nitrogen fertilizers yet

recorded. The soil moisture situation is excellent and with the highly successful cloud seeding program, for increased rainfall, farmers are optimistic on use of heavy application of nitrogen on the land. Anderson pointed out. He went on to say that the weed situation is normal and many farmers are awaiting the right condition for application of 2, 4-D by plane and ground equipment. Some growing weather is all that is needed.

In his report on conditions in Morrow county to Bob Fowler OSC information specialist who is preparing a "first day of Spring" story for release next week, Anderson stated that "livestock is in excellent condition, coming thru the winter with a minimum of roughage being fed. This is the exact opposite of a year ago when hay was at premium. Hay men find hay is a drug on their hands. Calf and lamb crops are wonderful, with many sheepmen reporting 50 percent of the ewes lambing twins. Lambs and calves are strong at birth when ewes and cows give an abundance of milk for the newborn."

"All we need now is lots of sunshiny weather to realize that spring is here" the county agent concluded.

Boy Scouts Join Move To Collect Clothing Bundles

Heppner Boy Scouts have volunteered their services in collecting bundles of clothing for foreign lands, augmenting the work started by the American Legion auxiliary and participated in by the Heppner Parent-Teacher association, the Soroptomist Club of Heppner the Jay-Cee-ettes and the American Legion. The Scouts will pick up bundles at the homes between the hours of 9 and 11 a. m., Saturday, Mar. 17.

The Scouts are taking on this job at the request of the 18 American Council of Voluntary agencies for foreign service who are making an effort to supply needed clothing and cloth household necessities for the people of war ridden countries where manufacturing facilities have not been sufficiently rehabilitated to replenish exhausted supplies. All

BABY LEE EDWARD SANDERS

Lee Edward Sanders, four-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanders of Spray, died early today at Fossil. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock p. m. Saturday from the Assembly of God church at Spray with the Rev. Billings officiating. Interment will be in the Spray cemetery.

Arrangements are in charge of Phelps Funeral Home of Heppner. types of clothing and sheets, pillow cases, towels, wash rags, and other articles are needed. Especially do the agencies ask for warm clothing for men, women and children.

The Boy Scouts will gather the bundles and the senior organizations will arrange for packing and shipping to the port of embarkation. All articles must be clean. The Scouts have no facilities for cleaning them and soiled or unclean materials cannot be accepted for shipment.

St. Patrick Was Scotchman, Avers Fr. McCormack

St. Patrick was (and is) Ireland's patron saint, but it appears he was an Irishman only as Irishmen become Americans—by adoption. According to Fr. Francis McCormack, who happens to be the pastor of a distinctly Irish church, St. Patrick's, in Heppner, and who likewise is something of an authority historically on things Irish, the patron saint was born in Scotland but grew up in Ireland where it became his mission to drive the snakes out of his country.

The near approach of St. Patrick's day inspired Leonard Pate, program chairman for the month, to invite Fr. McCormack to tell the chamber of commerce luncheon group something about the Emerald Isle and about the patron saint in particular. There are other patron saints of course, but St. Patrick is THE patron saint.

The speaker gave some information relative to the government relative to the government, elections and other matters of political interest in his native land that proved enlightening to his hearers.

Orville Smith gave a brief review of the Oregon Journal sponsored tour to the Hawaiian Islands, from which he and Mrs. Smith returned Friday evening. They flew from Seattle to Honolulu in eight and one-half hours, and there were flight trips to the several islands of the group, enabling the visitors to see just what the mid-Pacific possessions comprise. On the island of Hawaii is the second largest cattle ranch in the world, the Parker ranch. They passed over an active volcano, saw the dead ships in Pearl Harbor, the pineapple plantations, experienced two days without rain, and there was some fishing about which your reporter is unable to make a definite report. The group returned to the mainland via air to San Francisco again making the flight in eight and one-half hours.

Mr. Pate announced that the county speech festival will be held at the Heppner school tomorrow, (Friday).

Mrs. Archie Padberg and baby are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Emery Settle for a couple of weeks. Archie returned to Mouth for term exams and will join his little family the last of the week for spring vacation.

"TWINS" TO OBSERVE BIRTHDAYS SUNDAY

Mrs. Frank S. Parker and Mrs. Roy Neill will hold open house at the parlors of the Church of Christ Sunday afternoon in honor of their husbands, who will be observing their 75 birthday anniversaries. The time is set for 2:30 to 5. Friends are asked to call but are asked to please omit gifts.

Born March 16, 1876, both men came to this section from Missouri. Other combined observances of their mutual birthdays have been planned but for one reason or another they did not materialize. Since each is reaching the three-quarter century mark this week their wives decided to make a real event of it. Friends are cordially invited to call.

Mrs. Van Marter Buys Flower Shop

Mrs. Ida B. Grimes announced the first of the week that she had sold the Heppner Flower Shop to Mrs. LaVerne Van Marter who took possession March 12. The business was established about a year ago with Mrs. Fay Bucknum in charge. It has grown steadily and become an established spot along Main street.

With the assistance of Mrs. Bucknum, Mrs. Van Marter is learning the intricacies of knitting, crocheting and the making up of flower arrangements, bouquets, corsages and other features of the floral part of the business.

Mrs. Bucknum plans to leave the last of the month for Los Angeles where she will make her home. The Heppner Flower Shop now has her second venture in the floral business in Heppner, having formerly operated the flower shop purchased by Mary Van Stevens.

Mary Van's Shop In New Quarters

Mrs. Mary Van Stevens, proprietor of the floral shop, Mary Van's Flowers is now located in the north half of the Van Horn building, having moved the past two days from the room on the north side of the Hotel Heppner. Mrs. Stevens says everything will be shipshape for her re-opening Saturday morning.

With room for window displays and with a freshly decorated salesroom, the Mary Van Flowers will add to the attractiveness of Main street and give the proprietor a better chance to meet the public.



Trombone Section of OSC BAND.

Jim Barratt wrote something about the lads in this picture but the copy has been misplaced. The trombone section is an important part of any band and it is certain that this group will be on the program for something special Sunday evening. May it be suggested that you satisfy your curiosity by purchasing tickets for yourself and family today and be on hand to find out what the special feature will be.

Many Patients Received And Discharged At Pioneer Memorial Hospital Since 7th

A full house might be the easiest way to describe the situation at the Pioneer Memorial hospital this week. Since March 7, 25 patients have been checked in at the institution and while several have been discharged and there have been two deaths, the staff is still busy with a near capacity list of sick and injured.

Two deaths have occurred within the week, John Padburg, Heppner, on March 8, and Mrs. Willis Cason, Condon, at 3 p. m., March 12.

Two babies were born—a six pound-eight ounce boy to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lynch on March 8, and a seven pound 12-ounce boy on March 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard McElligott, Ione.

Admitted for medical treatment during the same period were Ralph Moore, Kinzua; Sue and Sharon Thompson, Spray, discharged March 11; Vern Bell, Heppner, discharged March 10;

Donald DeDan, Kinzua; Tom Healy Heppner, discharged March 12; Luther J. Betts, Kinzua, discharged March 12; Frank Monahan, Heppner; Baby Steven Weatherman, Kinzua, discharged March 12; Jim Hall, Spray; Lyle Cox, Heppner; Mrs. Ada Rocha, Ordinance, for emergency treatment; Frank Lindsay, Morgan, broken arm in accident on his farm. All these still in hospital may have visitors.

Mrs. Glenn Williams was admitted to the maternity department of the hospital from Kinzua but so far no baby born.

Discharged during the week were Owen Leathers, Sr., Kinzua; Mrs. Tress McClintock, Heppner; Austin Devin, Heppner; Frank Heppner; Clark Stevens Heppner; Ayers, Heppner; Iene Wyman, Mrs. Maymie Dellwo, Kinzua, and Ralph Moore, Kinzua.

John H. Padberg Laid to Rest at Lexington Sunday

Services were held at 2 o'clock p. m. Sunday from the Methodist church for John H. Padberg, whose death occurred March 8 at the Pioneer Memorial hospital where he had been for treatment for two days. Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien officiated and arrangements were in charge of the Phelps Funeral Home. Interment followed in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Lexington beside the grave of his wife who preceded him to the grave about three years ago.

Honorary pallbearers were Earl Warner, Walter Beckett, L. A. Palmer, Dale Ray Ernest Heliker and Clive Huston. Active pallbearers were C. C. Carmichael, Newt O'Hara, Otto Ruhl, Harry Dinges, Lee Scrivner and Harold Evans.

John Harvey Padberg was born November 11, 1874 at the old home place on Rhea creek. He was aged 76 years, three months and 24 days at the time of his passing. On March 17 1897 he was married to Della Lieuallen of Lexington. Two sons, Orris of Lexington and Archie of Heppner, were born to this union.

Mr. Padberg farmed in the Clark's Canyon district until a few years ago when he retired and located in Heppner. His health failed and Mrs. Padberg was in constant care of him for many months. While his health improved, the strain wore her down and she passed away unexpectedly in 1948.

Surviving besides the two sons are two brothers, Wm. H. Padberg of Lexington and Lewis J. Padberg of Ione, a sister, Lidy Heaton of Pendleton, seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Out-of-town people in attendance at the services included Mr. Padberg's brother-in-law, Jesse Lieuallen, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lieuallen of Walla Walla; Mrs. Ruby Nickols and son, Ordinance; Mr. and Mrs. Les Roundy, Kennewick; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collins and Mr. Padberg's sister,

Spring Is On Way —Wranglers Plan First Season Ride

First signs of spring—Wranglers plan for a ride in the near future. That was decided Tuesday evening when members of the riding club gathered at the club room at the rodeo grounds for the regular meeting.

In addition to the ride, the summer shirts were selected from samples shown by Mrs. Robert Gammell and Mrs. Merle Kirk. The shirt chosen can be seen at Wilson's Men's Wear and members are urged to leave their measurements and money there as soon as possible so the order may be sent in all at one time. The appreciation ticket given for this order will be in the name of the Wranglers and any member may receive it for the club.

Dish towels are being donated by the ladies. There are many clever and colorful designs, the most original ones drawn and made by Mrs. Ernie Winchester with figures thereon representing various members.

President Merle Becket arranged for a discussion at the next meeting designed to attract a good turnout of Wranglers.

Refreshments were prepared and served by Mrs. Ralph Beamer and Mrs. Ambrose Chapin. Tables were set up for cards by the entertainment committee, Mrs. Conley Lanham and Mrs. Maude Caswell.

STORE REPORTED ROBBED

Word reached Heppner the first of the week that the Ober store in Spray was robbed Friday night. The report had it that the safe was blown and \$5,000 removed. The money was on hand to cash mill workers' checks at the mid-month pay day. No official word had been received by local police authorities up to Wednesday.

Mrs. Earl Gilliam went to Portland Tuesday to be gone for a few days.

Mrs. Lidy Heaton, Pendleton; a nephew, Earl Padberg, LaGrande, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Padberg Jr., Monmouth; Jaunita Padberg, of Portland and Lola Padberg, Hermiton.

College Band En Route Here For Sunday Concert

Prospects Good For Capacity Crowd at School Gymnasium

Almost 70 strong, the Oregon State college band, noted musical organization of the campus for many seasons, is enroute to Heppner to present a concert at the school gymnasium at 8 o'clock Sunday evening. The Junior chamber of commerce, the Jay-Cee-ettes and the Band Boosters, as well as the Oregon State alumni association, have been busy completing arrangements for the concert and for the care of the musicians on their overnight stay here.

The band personnel will have Sunday dinner at The Dalles and come on to Heppner, arriving here late in the afternoon. Lunch will be served the visitors by the Jay-Cee-ettes at the high school cafeteria at 6 o'clock. At the same hour under the auspices of the alumni association, a reception will be held at the parish house of All Saints Episcopal church for the alumni gathering in from over this and adjoining counties and for some of the personnel of the band entourage.

Tickets were placed on sale the first of the week and may be obtained down town or from John Earnsdorff at the Pioneer Memorial hospital.

It has been 10 years since the state college band visited Heppner. At that time it was under the direction of Captain Harry Beard. With the outbreak of the war, band trips for concert purposes was cancelled but when word gets out that the band might make a trip, alumni begin pulling for it to visit their respective towns. Nearly every place has a former musician or two that at one time or another played in the cadet band and they feel they should not be slighted.

Heppner has been represented on the college band at different times. Dating back to the early part of the century it is recalled that Elmer Willis who got his early experience in band with the Heppner Silver Cornet band played cornet in the college organization. A few years later his brother Reuben took up baritone and was one of "Cap" Beard's dependables. At the same time, Rhea Luper decided he wanted to be a band musician and "Cap" started him off on tuba. In a year or so Luper was playing bass solos to the delight of his fellow bandmen and band concert patrons. Along with Reuben Willis and Luper came O. G. Crawford, who progressed from fourth alto to baritone in a year or so in the aforementioned Heppner band. There were a few side trips onto cornet and trombone but eventually he settled on baritone and tooted with numerous other bands following his college experience.

Years later, and we can't recall other Heppner or Morrow county musicians enrolled in the band, Norton King entered OSC and ere long was a member of the college organization. Of the ones mentioned Crawford is the only one here to greet the 1950-51 edition of the band.

TRAVELERS FIND GOING ROUGH DUE TO SNOW

While travel has gone on unhampered in this section it has been a different story in the western part of the state and over in Washington. Snow that covered the Cascade area and right down to the shore line of the Pacific ocean the past week all but stopped highway travel in many places.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parish turned back from Portland after accompanying their son Jack that far enroute to Fort Lwton, Wash. Snow averaging in depth as much as 13 inches in places kept highway crews and traffic officials on the go for several days just to keep commercial vehicles moving.

People returning to or coming into eastern Oregon were pleasantly surprised to find the snow running out this side of Hood River and the springlike conditions prevailing in the "frozen wastes" of the region east of the Cascades,

Grab You a Partner and Away We Go



Square dance patterns were demonstrated and practiced by a large number of leaders at Ione, March 5, at the Legion hall. Miss Jessie Lee Mallalieu, recreation specialist from Oregon State college, reviewed a few old calls, added some new ones, and demonstrated the techniques for

leaders teaching the calls at the training meetings. Music for the evening was furnished by Mrs. Lennie Loudon, Heppner and Bill Gow, Cecil.

A Morrow county recreational council was formed to assist with the county's recreation program. The following officers were elect-

ed: Bill Garner, Boardman, chairman; Everett Keithley, Heppner vice-chairman; Mrs. Tress McClintock Heppner, secretary-treasurer. Members serving on the nominating committee were Mrs. Art Allen, Boardman; Earl McKinney Ione; Mrs. Walter Wright,

Heppner. Officers are making plans for a practice meeting for callers and dancers before March 27, the date for the third training meeting for directions from Miss Mallalieu, according to Maud C. Casswell and N. C. Anderson, agents.