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What's Doing In The Legislature

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What is this legislature going to accomplish?

It is now far enough along that the answer can be given with some degree of accuracy although not everything can be guessed. First, it will probably change the truck laws to permit a little more weight and collect some more money of big trucks. It will probably give an OK to highway bonus in an indeterminate amount.

Second, it will approve a plan for state reorganization which will not be very apparent for a couple of years, but should result in improvement.

Third, it will pass some of the Holy report bills for school district reorganization but perhaps not in the manner desired by the makers of that report.

Fourth, it will arrange to use up all of the state's surplus funds without raising new taxes of any importance. It seems doomed to adopt the ancient practice of spending money without raising it. Economy is taking some serious blows in the latter days of session with salary raises and building programs being given committee clearance.

Fifth, it will probably pass a resolution calling for a vote on reapportionment.

There has been a lot of other stuff, like oleo and milk control, and game commission and maybe liquor commission and fish but they are of minor importance to the state.

The house has passed a great many tax measures which now repose inactively in the senate committee. The senate has approved a resolution to permit change in the six percent section of the constitution. It has 2 bills to change the status of assessors. It has not yet had a chance to consider the matter of eliminating the state property tax, and methods of doing away with the surplus have concerned the senate tax committees for some weeks.

The house has refused to approve an excise tax on utilities, there is no doubt about the final passage of the cigarette tax, and Oregon income tax is among the highest, the same is true of the excise tax and in many places the property tax. If broadening of these taxes is impossible, and if new taxes are defeated the state will be adopting the attitude of the Oregon county that voted for a new courthouse and defeated the bond issue to pay for it. The finance picture is not bright at this time. Continued spending, use of the surplus, neither new nor broadened taxes will bring a serious situation soon.

The reapportionment bill that was based on the population plan was defeated in the house Wednesday by a coalition of upstate members aided by some Multnomah county legislators. The argument was a little warm. Two plans for constitutional amendment are to be considered, one to give recognition to area in the house and the other to recognize area in the senate. The contention that each county should be recognized as a unit in one house or the other seems fairly well admitted.

It is remarkable to what an extent the state has become the collection agency for the counties and cities. Between \$40 and \$50 million is given to Oregon counties each year by the state and that is as much as the entire budget totaled a few years ago. County taxes are still going up one way indicating that no savings are being made by the process of centralized collection and distribution. It is a bad method although followed by the federal government in relation to the states. Centralization goes on at all levels and is going to be hard to get rid of—and impossible until the people realize the cost of such a system, its inefficiencies, its danger to local government and its necessarily resulting bureaucracy.

The state police are going to enforce the game laws a while longer according to the senate which defeated the bill for the change last week. When and if there is an efficient natural resources agency and high enough game fees the game commission plan may be adopted. But when it is there will be an end to fishing for four dollars.

Don Jones returned Friday to his work in Oakland, Calif., after a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Jones. Don came up at this time because of the serious illness of his mother. She is now recuperating at the home of her brother, D. A. Wilson, and is improving steadily.

Friends of the families have been extended an invitation to attend.

The New Motive Power on Heppner Branch of UP



Lack of composing machine leaves us without facilities to print information about this engine.—Editor.

O'Donnell's Cafe Accorded Hearty Public Welcome

SRO (Standing Room Only) was the order today at O'Donnell's Cafe, when the public was given the first view of the all-new arrangement and an opportunity to partake of food prepared and served with and from all-new equipment. Huge baskets of flowers attested to the appreciation of Heppner citizens for the fine cafe facilities afforded through the public spirited proprietors, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. O'Donnell and son Russell.

The restaurant part now occupies the entire space formerly housing both the restaurant and the bar. A lunch counter accommodating 12 persons stands approximately where the old counter stood and the kitchen, the last word in restaurant equipment, occupies the space formerly used as a dining room. On the opposite side from the lunch counter and separated by an attractive low partition are the booths. There are two-diner booths and four-diner booths, but the popular spot, right in the front window, is the large circular booth, sufficient to accommodate six or eight adults or 15 high schoolers—maybe. The woodwork is light and the upholstery green, forming a combination that is at once pleasing to the eye. Wall decorations are in several colors and on the north wall is a mural of typical western ranch life that gives just the right touch to the whole decorative scheme.

To accommodate dinner parties, luncheons and small banquets, the O'Donnells put in a small banquet room, available from either side. The Optimist Club of Heppner initiated the room today and the chamber of commerce will meet there Monday. The bar room, occupying the former Healy Variety store site, follows somewhat the same type of equipment and decorations as the restaurant. The booths from the old cafe have been set up along the south wall and the bar occupies the north side of the room. Mr. O'Donnell and Russell are in charge of this phase of the business, while Mrs. O'Donnell claims the restaurant as her "baby."

Walk-in refrigeration is in use on both sides, allowing ample storage space against almost any emergency.

All in all, O'Donnell's Cafe is ultra-modern and would be a credit to a place many times larger than Heppner.

Roy Thomas was in charge of the carpentry work outside of actual installation of fixtures; Settles Electric company had the wiring and lighting fixtures contract; Gilliam & Bisbee the plumbing contract; John Swanson of Pendleton the painting, and the Kalberer Company, hotel and restaurant equipment dealers, the fixtures contract.

Dehydration To Be Discussion Topic

Carroll Equipment Co. has scheduled a meeting to be held at the concern's Lexington store at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, April 25.

Dehydration of alfalfa and field choppings will be discussed.

MARRIAGE DATE SET

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Schaffer announce the marriage of their daughter, Doris to John R. Clerf, son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Clerf of Kittitas, Wash., at 4 o'clock p. m. Sunday, May 6, at All Saints Episcopal church in Heppner. A reception will be held in the parish house following the ceremony.

Friends of the families have been extended an invitation to attend.

PASSES 42nd YEAR

Floyd Tolleson, Union Pacific's efficient agent at Heppner, informed this high class family journal that he observed the 42nd anniversary of his service as a railroad April 15—and he's still a young man. Had the fishing season been open its a safe bet that he would have been out observing the milestone in a manner befitting a disciple of Izaak Walton.

BOUND TO BE SPOILED?

On April 15 a son weighing 6 pounds 13 ounces was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Bruns at the Pioneer Memorial hospital. The little fellow, whose mother is the former Lorraine Swaggart, is well supplied with doting relatives. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Swaggart of Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. George Bruns of Everett, Wash. Great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hinton of Ukiah and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Swaggart of Hermiston, and great great grandmother Mrs. Mary Swaggart of Portland.

Mrs. Creswick Chosen P-TA President

At the monthly meeting of the Heppner Parent-Teacher association held at the school house Wednesday evening of last week, Mrs. Oliver Creswick was elected president of the group for the ensuing year. Other officers elected were Harvey Wilhite, vice president; Mrs. Carl McDaniel, secretary; and Mrs. Lewis Cason, treasurer.

Mrs. Creswick and Mrs. Wilhite are planning to attend the state P-TA convention in Seaside.

Arthur Stephens Was Truly an Early Pioneer of County

Arthur Stephens, 82, who had lived in Morrow county since childhood, passed away Sunday at the Pioneer Memorial hospital, where he had been a patient for several weeks. Funeral services were held Tuesday from the Phelps Funeral Home chapel, Rev. Shelby E. Graves officiating. Interment was in the Hardman cemetery.

Mr. Stephens was born January 30, 1869, in Marysville, Iowa, his parents being Virgil A. and Matilda (Dunbar) Stephens. The family came to Hardman when he was an infant. He never married and spent much of his later life at the home of his brother, O. C. Stephens on the ranch between Ruggs and Hardman.

Surviving are two brothers, John E. Stephens, Hardman, and O. C. Stephens, eight nieces and eight nephews.

Pallbearers were Huston Leslie, James Hams, Adrian Bechtold, Archie Bechtold, Elmer Palmer and Les Robinson.

RAINBOW GIRLS INITIATE THREE NEW MEMBERS

Order of the Rainbow met Monday evening to hold initiation. Three new members, Linda Borman, Lynn Wright and Geraldine Carter, were received.

Following the regular session, which was presided over by Connie Ruggles, worthy adviser, the girls gathered in the dining room where Mrs. Ethel Adams and Mrs. M. R. Wightman had set a beautiful tea table from which punch and home made cookies were served.

Post Office Given 100 P. C. Rating

Postmaster James H. Driscoll is not particularly a perfectionist, although his record as Heppner postmaster would seem to indicate that he is just that very type. The reason is that the local postoffice has again rated 100 per cent with the inspection service of the postal department. According to the inspector, the office is being conducted in a satisfactory manner, with no irregularities disclosed. Driscoll was highly commended for the satisfactory operation of the post office.

Ordnance Bombers Blast Heppner in Pre-Sched Game

The visiting Ordnance Bombers edged past the local "Townies" by a score of 6-5, in a game that was played under ideal baseball weather Sunday on Rodeo Field.

In pitching eight full innings, Doug Drake allowed the visitors 8 hits and 6 runs. Whitbeck, regular shortstop, pitched the final inning and held the visitors hitless in his short stint on the mound.

Heppner hitters found Leibe, Ordnance pitcher for 10 solid base hits, but found him difficult in the clutches. Leibe struck out three Heppner batters, while Heppner pitchers whiffed 10 visiting batters.

For an early season contest, the game was well played and found both pitchers with fine control, and errors at a minimum. Carl Schwab showed local fans how first base should be played, as well as hitting 2 for 5 and sparkling in the field. Red Groves played a very fine game as Heppner receiver, and played a big part in the efficiency of Heppner pitching. Roland Bergstrom at third proved he is a very heady player by playing the "hot corner" faultlessly and figuring in an inning ending double play. The rest of the squad without restraint cashed in with a fine game.

The Heppner squad showed fans that the team is not to be denied this year and will give each opponent a truly rough afternoon of baseball.

Following is a revised schedule which is necessary as Ione will not field a team this year:

April 22, Heppner at Spray; April 29, Fossil at Heppner; May 6, Heppner at Kinzua; May 13, Condon at Heppner; May 20, Heppner at Mount Vernon; May 27, Spray at Heppner; June 3, Heppner at Fossil; June 10, Kinzua at Heppner; June 17, Heppner at Condon; June 24, Mt. Vernon at Heppner.

THREE-YEAR-OLD SEVERELY BURNED

Little Catherine Boyer, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Boyer, suffered second degree burns Monday morning. She was playing in the front seat of the family car and apparently found a match. Mrs. Boyer had checked on her activities just a few minutes earlier, so could scarcely realize the little girl was screaming, and upon looking out the window was horrified to see the child's clothing in flames.

The mother rushed out to the car and beat out the flames with her hands. Mr. Boyer and the doctor arrived about the same time. The child's right side from her waist to her knees was badly burned but she seems to be recovering well.

Mrs. Ed Roberts of Tigard is here assisting Mrs. Willard Miller in caring for Mr. Miller who is seriously ill. Mr. Miller is Mrs. Mary Blake's brother. Jesse Beardsley was up from Oak Grove over the week-end looking after business affairs.

1951 Polio Campaign Adds \$1,339.64 to County's Fund

Final auditing of the 1951 polio campaign was made this week and after all receipts and disbursements were accounted for it was found that the fund in Morrow county had been swelled by \$1,339.64, that being 50 percent of the total net receipts, announces Mrs. Joe Hughes, campaign chairman.

According to records kept by Mrs. Hughes and her committee, the total receipts, expense items and net receipts were as follows: Boardman, Mrs. Florence Root, campaign director, net receipts, \$254.98 (no expenses); Hardman, Mrs. H. C. Leslie, no expenses,

net receipts, \$20.25; Heppner, Jas. H. Driscoll, \$1830.74, expenses, \$91.87, net, \$1738.87; Ione, Mrs. Ruby O. Roberts, no expenses, \$208.79; Irrigon, Mrs. Stella Phillips, \$132.28, expenses, \$2.62, net \$129.66; Lexington, Mrs. Emma Breshears, \$228.22, expense \$.28, net \$227.94; Morgan, no expense, net \$99.00.

Total receipts \$2,274.06; county organization expenses \$94.77; total net for county \$2,679.29; 50 percent retained \$1,339.64; 50 percent remitted to National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, \$1,339.65.

Osibov New Head County Health Assn.

By DELPHA JONES

Henry Osibov, superintendent of Ione schools, was elected president, Mrs. Mervin Leonard, Lexington, vice president, Mrs. R. J. O'Shea, Heppner, secretary and Mrs. C. C. Carmichael, Lexington, treasurer at the annual meeting of the Morrow County Health and Tuberculosis association held Monday evening at the Lexington grange hall. Between 40 and 50 people were served at the dinner prepared by the Lexington Bluebirds and Campfire Girls and their mothers, and listened to an address by Mr. Ross from the staff of Sadie Orr Dunbar, who explained that there will be no more TB units. Funds derived from seal sales will hereafter be used for health education and carrying out case methods under supervision of the state board of health.

Mrs. Ilene Wyman, seal sale chairman, reported a total of \$1,473.43 realized from the 1950 campaign.

Miss Margaret Gillis, county public health nurse, gave a report of her year's work and John Emsdorff talked on the hospital's value along health lines.

Hermiston Winner In Track Meet

The strong Hermiston cinder squad anchored by Mays, Arnold, Kimmel and the Pedigo brothers, defeated the Heppner squad in a dual meet held at Hermiston Tuesday. Those scoring points for the local team were Marion Green, scoring 2nds in the high jump, 440-yard dash, 110-yard high hurdles and member of the relay team; Gary Connor 2nd in the high jump, 880-yard run and pole vault; Melvin Piper 2nd in the javelin and discus, plus running on the relay team; Wendell Connor 2nd in the low hurdles, broad jump and was also a member of the relay team; John Wagner a 3rd in the 100-yard dash; Elwayne Bergstrom 3rd in the mile run; and Jack Sumner 2nd as member of the relay team.

The next meet is scheduled for Saturday, April 21 when the local team will travel to Helix to attend and participate in their annual invitation meet.

HEPPNER DOWNS ROCKS

The Heppner high school track squad defeated a poorly balanced Pilot Rock team by a score of 69-55 in a meet which saw Pilot Rock sweep the dashes and Heppner the longer runs and pole vault. Pilot Rock scored first in seven events as did Heppner but place and show proved the difference.

John Hensley led Pilot Rock with 18 1/2 points, resulting from firsts in the hurdles and 3rd in the sprints. Gary Connor was the Heppner standout with 21 1/2 points. Gary scored first in the mile run, 880 yard run, pole vault and tie for first with Marjion Green of Heppner in the high jump.

Mr. and Mrs. Delvin McDaniell, Kinzua are the parents of a seven pound baby girl born Sunday, April 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Redding are parents of a son born April 3 in Los Angeles. The young man weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and has been named Randall Boyd. The Reddings also have a girl, age two, Mrs. Clair Ashbaugh, maternal grandmother, has gone from her home in Portland to be with the Reddings for awhile.

H. E. Council Head Coming To Festival

Mrs. Edgar F. Leming, president of the Oregon State home economics extension council, will discuss "Letting Out the Seams of our Thinking" at the Homemakers Festival April 30, announces Mrs. Helen Currin, chairman of the Morrow county home extension committee. Mrs. Leming was Oregon's official delegate to the 1950 conference of the associated Country Women of the World held in Copenhagen, Denmark. She lives on a 90-acre diversified farm in Cornelius, and is a member of the Washington county home economics extension committee.

The all-day program will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the fair pavilion in Heppner. A style review will be presented in the morning by homemakers who have attended clothing workshops conducted in the county by clothing project leaders.

Miss Eleanor Trindle, state extension agent from Oregon State college, will also speak on the morning program. Everyone will have time to view exhibits of projects carried during the year before lunch. Homemakers throughout the county are helping to set up these displays and will participate in them. The luncheon will be served by ladies of the Methodist church in Heppner. Mrs. Leming will speak at 2 p.m. with a report on the Azalea House fund made by Mrs. Faye Munkers of Lexington, chairman of the Azalea House committee.

Condon Test Shows Feeding-Gain Cost For Beef Cattle

Feed costs ranged from \$14.60 to \$20.10 per 100 pounds of gain produced among individual yearling bulls in one of three weight groups tested by the Gilliam County Beef Cattle Improvement Association. It was reported at a field day held at Condon on April 12.

The test, first of its kind held in the United States, was sponsored by 12 members of a local beef cattle efficiency testing association, and 33 animals—31 Herefords and 2 Angus—finished the 140-day trial. Rate of gain difference ranged from a low of 1.53 pounds to a high of 3.03 pounds daily.

The best gainer, a Hereford yearling bull owned by Luren Maley, 37, Condon, led throughout. The 140-day trial was divided into five 28-day periods. At the end of each, the bulls were weighed and their rate of gain calculated. The Maley-owned Hereford was the second most efficient gain producer in its weight class putting on 100 pounds of gain for a feed cost of \$15.30. Both the slowest and fastest gaining animal had the same grade, B-plus proving, say exponents of beef efficiency testing, that type, conformation, and pedigree alone are not a complete enough yardstick to measure the worth of beef animals.

The animal having the highest feed cost per 100 pounds of gain, \$20.10, was one of the four top graded animals. Professor Joe B. Johnson of Oregon State college graded it and three others A-minus.

C. K. Barker, Condon, is president of the Gilliam County Beef Cattle Improvement Association which organized and carried on the feeding-gain trial. Many Morrow county livestockmen attended this field day as interested observers and their eye to the future progeny testing in herds here reports Nels Anderson, Morrow county agent.

After residing in Heppner for upwards of 30 years, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Chinn left Tuesday to take up their residence in Hermiston where they will engage in the restaurant business. Mr. Chinn purchased a restaurant in that city three years ago and it became known as the Shanghai Cafe. A recent reorganization of the company to which he sold made it necessary for him to become an active partner and this in turn necessitated their moving to Hermiston.

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Mrs. Robert Walker and son Billy left Friday for Eugene to visit Mrs. Walker's sister, Mrs. Cecil Warner, and family.

FOR RENT—Nice clean small apartment. Halton Cabins. 5-6p