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Christmas Services Planned In All Heppner Churches

Heppner churches are again celebrating the Advent season, the preparation for the birth of the Christ, the Savior of the world and the coming of Truth for the redemption of mankind. Advent will be portrayed in each church according to its own particular form of worship. Sunday evening in the Methodist Church there will be a service of song and pageant. Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien is pastor; at the First Church of Christ, all children of the Sunday school, up to and including the eighth grade, will participate in a program of recitation, song and pageantry depicting the Nativity scene and

the coming of the Wisemen; Rev. Earl Soward is the minister. Sunday evening at 7 o'clock at All Saints Episcopal Church, the children of the church school will present their annual Christmas program and at 11 o'clock on Christmas eve, and again at 10 o'clock on Christmas day there will be celebrations of the Holy Eucharist with Rev. Elvon L. Tull, vicar, as celebrant. On Christmas eve, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church will hold midnight mass with Rev. Francis McCormack, priest in charge. On Sunday evening at 7:45 The Assembly of God Church will have a special Sunday School program.

OUTGOING CHRISTMAS MAIL HEAVY, INCOMING LOAD SHOWS DECREASE

The Heppner post office had the biggest day in its history last Monday when 66 sacks of parcel post and 10 sacks of first class mail were handled for outside points, according to James Driscoll, postmaster.

Driscoll stated that outgoing mail so far this month was 20% greater than last year, but that in some categories, incoming mail was lagging. Parcel post has shown a decided decline so far this month but that first class mail, Christmas cards, etc., is about the same as last year.

The mail truck has been as much as two hours late this week arriving in Heppner from Arlington, and the delay will probably

19 Students Attain Honor Roll Standing

Leonard L. Pate, Heppner school principal this week announced the names of 19 students who won a place on the honor roll for the second six-week period. They are:

Seniors: Don Blake, Eleanor Rice, Jim Smith.
Juniors: Rita Cox, Mike Grant, Jack Sumner.

Sophomores: June Privett, Ronald Currin, Dianne Van Horn, Adelia Anderson, Nancy Eberhardt, Loree Stager.

Freshmen: Neil Beamer, Richard Kononen, Peggy Wightman, Patricia Wright Mary Ruth Green, Sally Palmer, Barbara Prock.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. George Irvin, Ordinance a baby girl born Dec. 15, weight 8 lbs., named Vickie Lynn.

Medical—George Van Schoiack, Heppner, dismissed; Iola Boettcher, Kinzua; M. E. Cotter, Ione; William Bechtolt, Hardman, dismissed; Robert Ferrel, Camp 5 Kinzua; Robert Maley, Condon, dismissed.

Major Surgery—Marion Olson, Heppner, dismissed.

Out-Patients—Mrs. Dorothy Edwards, Lexington.

Among out-of-town relatives here for the funeral service for the late Mrs. Alva Jones, Saturday were: Don Jones, San Francisco, California; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jones, Portland; Mrs. Jesse Deos, Hood River; Mrs. James Barratt, Corvallis; Bob Evans and James Wilson, Portland.

Miss Janet Sprouls was over from College Place, Wash., during the weekend. Miss Sprouls is a student at Walla Walla College this term.

MORROW STOCKMEN TOP BUYERS AT RECENT ONTARIO SALES

Featured as buyers in livestock sales at Ontario last week amounting to over one million dollars were at least two Morrow County livestockmen, Delbert Emert, Ione and Oren Brace, Heppner.

The sales, probably a record for the Pacific Northwest held through the Ontario Livestock Commission Company, were the Hans Otf Hereford dispersal on Thursday, the regular Tuesday sale of the Commission Company and the Oxbow Ranch dispersal on Friday. Value of cattle marketed through these sales was \$1,057,414.14.

Buying at the Hans Otf Hereford dispersal Thursday, Delbert Emert, Ione was reported as the heaviest buyer at the sale taking 17 head of the Herefords for a total of \$15,500. Mr. Emert purchased the highest price female

at the sale, Aldarra Vega Star 1st, for \$2,700.

Sixty-one head of this herd brought a total of \$50,550. With the top herd sire selling for \$5400 the highest price Hereford bull to sell in Oregon in 1951.

Oren Brace, Heppner, chose to get started in the Aberdeen Angus beef business through the purchase of 9 cows, 13 heifers and a herd sire. These were bought at the sale of 1881 Angus sold by the Oxbow Ranch in their complete dispersal. The sale of this herd brought \$520,882.50.

The sale of this herd of Angus ends a 35 year program of quality improvement of this breed on this ranch in our neighboring county. Grant, reports N. C. Anderson, County Agent.

The famous ranch was sold to Oliver Abney of Lind, Washington for \$450,000.00.

Business Winners Announced in Window Contest

The general public doing the judging, by means of a mail ballot, three Heppner stores were judged winners of the Christmas window decoration contest sponsored by the Jaycee-Ettes.

First place was awarded to Mary Van's Flower Shop, second choice was Humphreys Drug, with Empire Machinery Company taking third. The committee counting the votes reported the balloting was very close. Many other business houses also received votes.

The Jaycee-Ettes reported this week that the ballots will be mailed shortly for the vote on residential decorations with the deadline set for December 25. They also announced that there would be cash prizes awarded for this classification made possible through donations Jack Loyd, Tum-A-Lum Lumber company, L. E. Dick, Claudien's, and Marvin Wightman. All prize money that may be donated will be divided among the winners.

Winners in the residential division will be announced next week.

Chest Returns Lag In Some Areas

While the Christmas season has slowed up work on the Community Chest Drive in some areas, lone drive chairman, Garland Swanson reported Thursday morning that his committee had turned in around \$350 to date.

He said that there were three workers still to report, and that he hoped their returns would bring lone close to its quota of \$450.

Reports from Boardman indicated that the Christmas rush was causing a lag in solicitation there. There were no figures available yet to give definite indication as to how the drive was progressing.

Joint Installation Set For Saturday

The annual joint installation of officers of the three Heppner Masonic bodies, The Masons, the Royal Arch and the Eastern Star, will be held this Saturday at the Masonic temple.

The meeting is to be preceded by a turkey dinner which will be served from 5:30 to 7:00 to which all members and their families are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Labhart and children left Thursday for Corvallis and Independence to spend Christmas week with their parents. Mrs. Henry Tetz, mother of Mrs. Labhart came up to take them to the valley.



Roger W. Babson

Babson Predictions To Appear in Next Gazette Times Issue

Roger W. Babson's Business and Financial Outlook for 1952 will appear in next week's issue of the Gazette Times.

Babson, a pioneer in the field of business and financial statistics, enjoys an unusual record of accuracy in his annual forecasts. His score for 1951 was 86% accurate.

On December 28, 1950 he predicted: (1) that World War III would not start during 1951; (2) that the Taft-Hartley law would not be repealed during 1951; (3) that there would be an increase in corporation and personal taxes—including excess profits taxes; (4) that the national income for 1951 would be the highest in history.

Watch for the Babson Business and Financial Outlook for 1952 in our issue of December 27.

Cereal Breeder To Work on New Wheat Varieties

Appointment of Charles R. Rohde, University of Wyoming cereal breeder, to head cereal breeding investigations at the Pendleton branch experiment station has been announced by F. E. Price, dean and director of agriculture at Oregon State college.

Rohde will be a cooperative employee with the U. S. department of agriculture, working principally on the development of new wheat varieties for the Columbia basin. Cereal studies under the direction will be aimed at selection of wheat varieties with qualities of disease resistance and winter hardiness.

A graduate of Montana university, Rohde has done graduate work at the University of Minnesota. He is currently employed by the Wyoming experiment station at the University of Wyoming in Laramie. He will join the Pendleton branch station staff January 1.

Capt. and Mrs. Jack Forsythe were in Heppner Friday on business. Forsythe is stationed at the Portland Army Air Base.

Rands Awarded \$4,500 In Long Damage Suit

A jury of 12 men deliberated nearly five hours Wednesday before returning a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, R. B. Rands of Boardman, in a suit for damages.

The trial, in which Rands was suing D. W. Ewing for \$10,800 damages for alleged failure to fulfill a contract for the sale of property in the Boardman area, lasted for three days before the jury reached its decision. Rands was granted \$4,500, less than half the sought-for amount.

The suit arose over Ewing's failure to complete a contract made with Rands to sell a piece of land adjoining the new Boardman access road. The case was given to the jury about 4:00 p. m. Wednesday, and they returned the verdict at 9:00 o'clock last night.

Rands was represented by the law firm of Dick and Dick, The Dalles, C. C. Proebstel of Pendleton, represented Ewing.

The other case on the circuit court calendar is being heard Thursday, where Susie Padberg is suing the John Padberg estate for money she claims is due her for services rendered.

The cases were heard by circuit judge W. C. Perry.

Gammell Elected New Head of Wranglers

Officers were elected for the coming year at the regular December meeting of the Wranglers Tuesday evening.

Bob Gammell was chosen to serve as president of the group, with Howard Bryant, vice-president, John Hartman, sec.-treas., and Altha Kirk, reporter. Floyd Jones and Harold Erwin will serve on the board of directors.

Following the regular meeting, the group held its annual Christmas party with entertainment provided by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Richards. Christmas gifts were exchanged by approximately 100 members, with dancing and refreshments following.

The club was presented a new 48 cup electric coffee urn by Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Chapel.

The group voted to have another party December 29.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Pvt. Kenneth Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Green of Heppner, will arrive home Sunday for the Christmas holidays, on a 10-day furlough from Fort Bliss, Texas where he has been in training.

Pvt. Green left Heppner of August 21 of this year.

Lester Myers and daughter of Fossil were business visitors in Heppner over the weekend.

Weather Researchers Predict Cold, Dry Year

Members of the Morrow county weather research group Wednesday heard Tom Hazzard and D. L. Dyer, representatives of the Weather Resources Development corp., of Denver, give that organization's prediction that the coming winter will be cold and dry and that this area can expect a dry year in 1952.

The meeting called by directors Ralph Crum, Harry Duvall and Delvin Nelson, was for the purpose of hearing the report by the Denver men, and discussing the "Rainmaking" program as it affects Morrow county. About 25 members were present.

In addition to the long range forecast presented by the two men, they stated that during the past three months, rainfall has been above average only in October. September and November moisture was below normal. The Denver company has a contract with the local organization for weather experimentation. The consensus of opinion of those present was to continue the program as it was felt that no definite answer to the question of its value could be ascertained in just one year.

Hazzard and Dyer pointed out that it was during the dry years when their program was most necessary, as an extra inch or two of rain then, was much more valuable to farmers than four or five inches would be during a wet year.

A general discussion of the program was held.

A check showed someone had swiped all the tubes.

Sheriff's Kindness Didn't Pay—It Costs!

It's a safe bet that in the future prisoners in the Morrow county jail will furnish their own radio.

Some time ago sheriff C. J. D. Bauman provided prisoners in the local bastille with a small radio of his own. Recently it quit working so he took it to a local radio man for repair.

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New Directors For Chamber Named

Five Chamber of Commerce members were named Monday to two-year terms on the board of directors of the club. They were Mrs. Mary Van Stevens, Robert Penland, Wayne West, Leslie Grant and Jeff Carter.

Holdover directors who still have a year to serve are Garnet Barratt, C. J. D. Bauman, P. W. Mahoney, Dr. Richard O'Shea, and Loyal Parker. Presiding officers will be elected from the directors and they will take office January 1.

Guest speaker at the regular Monday noon meeting was Robert Lamont, Walla Walla, executive for the Blue Mountain council of the Boy Scouts.

Free Children's Show Saturday

Heppner and Morrow county children will be guests of the Star Theatre and the Heppner Elks Lodge this Saturday afternoon at a special free children's show scheduled to start at 2:15.

Elaine George, Theatre owner, said that both children and parents are welcome, but that the children will be given preference. The Elks will provide free candy for all comers.

Soroptimists Hear About Madonna Prints

One of the most outstanding programs of the year was presented Thursday at the Soroptimist luncheon at O'Donnell's Cafe when Mrs. T. Leland Brown of The Dalles displayed her collection of Madonna prints. Mrs. Brown outlined the origin and development of Madonna painting from the time of St. Luke, who is presumed to have painted the first Madonna—three of his paintings are said to be still in existence—until the modern time. In her discourse, Mrs. Brown gave a bit of the background and history of the more famous artists of each period telling interesting legends peculiar to each man. She explained the significance of the various symbols to be found in most Madonna paintings, the twelve stars, the dove, hands, three cherries, crescents and the rose; also the different robes and colors and their acceptance through the ages. Mrs. Brown has done considerable research on her subject, having spent some time studying in Washington, D. C. and other art centers of the United States. She was accompanied to Heppner by Mrs. Ruth Shane. Mary Van Stevens was in charge of the program and decorations.

The Christmas motif was used, the centerpiece being a porcelain Madonna arranged on a square of white styrofoam against a background of holly around a small, Gothic-shaped, plastic screen with a large white figure. A pom chrysanthemum placed slightly to the right of the figure. Over the holly was sprayed a frosty coating of plastic snow.

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Former Heppner Resident Passes

A former Heppner resident, Mrs. J. W. Beymer, passed away Sunday, Dec. 16 in San Francisco. She was a sister of Mrs. L. E. Bisbee.

She was the daughter of O. E. Farnsworth, East Haverhill, New Hampshire, and Katherine Pray Findley, Ohio. They were early pioneers of eastern Oregon, coming to Morrow County in 1874. Mrs. Beymer was born May 12, 1878.

She was married to J. W. Beymer in June 1905 and they lived on the old Farnsworth homestead near Hardman, engaging in farming and sheep raising. They later moved to Grant County continuing in the sheep business. They later returned to Heppner where Mr. Beymer was president of the Farmers and Stock Growers national bank. After Mr. Beymer's death she made her home in San Francisco with a nephew, Orrin Bisbee.

Besides Mrs. Bisbee, she leaves another sister, Mrs. S. M. Morgan, San Francisco, and a brother, Karl Farnsworth of The Dalles.

Funeral services are being held this Thursday at Phelps Funeral home with burial to be in the Masonic cemetery at Heppner.

Monument Family Loses Home In Sunday Blaze

By Millie Wilson

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Vandette had the misfortune to lose their home, and all its contents, by fire early Sunday morning. The fire was first noticed by some of the basketball players returning from the games at Mt. Vernon.

It was too far gone by the time people had gathered to save anything. Mr. and Mrs. Vandette were in Prineville and their children were with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Vandette's neighbors gathered on Sunday afternoon and helped them to get settled in their new home in the Presbyterian Manse. Beds, clothing and food were brought to help them get started.

Mrs. Mary Lee Lesley was hostess to a pink and blue party last Sunday afternoon, honoring Mrs. Lavelle Holmes. Mrs. Holmes received many lovely gifts. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlot Fleming and Mrs. Roy Cork were attending to matters of business in John Day and Canyon City last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Huston Lesley of Hardman attended the benefit dance for the schools last Saturday night.

The Ladies Aid for the Presbyterian church met at the home of Ivy Barnard last Tuesday. There were nine present. The next meeting will be January 8th at the home of Millie Wilson. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, Ivy Barnard.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Brown were attending to matters of business in Salem last week. From there they drove to Portland to attend the wedding of Mrs. Brown's niece. They returned home on

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Sincere Wish
For A Very

Merry Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Penland
Thomas W. Allen — A. W. Brownlow — Mrs. Jesse Payne
Jim and Marvin Wightman
Mrs. C. C. Jones — Mrs. Echo Palmateer
Mrs. Chance Wilson — Mrs. Claud Coats