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8 INCH SNOWFALL HEAVIEST OF WINTER

Most Roads Are Opened Rapidly

The heaviest snowstorm of the winter dropped from six to eight inches of snow on Heppner and most of Morrow county early Wednesday morning, plugging many roads for short periods and bringing out a small army of snow shovelers.

Reports from the various sections of the county showed the storm was general with the higher elevations receiving the heavier fall. Boardman reported about two inches on the ground by mid-morning, but that it was still snowing. Heppner measured between six and eight inches which

Reports reaching the Gazette Times Thursday noon told of drifting snow nearly closing a few roads near Heppner. Thursday morning's light wind gave indication of serious closures should a real blow come.

was heavy and contained a good percentage of moisture. Lexington and Ione had slightly less than areas further up Willow creek.

Reports from Hardman told of about eight inches of new snow during the brief storm, which started early Wednesday morning, but windblown drifts in that area measured as high as eight feet.

State highway crews were at work Wednesday clearing main traveled roads throughout the county and all were expected to be passable by Wednesday evening. County road crews were held in readiness should any calls be made upon them for road clearing operations on these roads.

The county court at the same time made public a notice that all private bulldozer owners in the county are asked to keep their equipment in readiness should high winds cause serious drifting. Officials feared that even though the snow was comparatively wet, a heavy wind would immediately close many roads and isolate numerous families. The court authorized any individual with proper equipment to work at snow removal if it was found necessary. County equipment will be used wherever possible, but in case of serious drifting, additional help will be required. A schedule of payment for individual bulldozer owners has been set up by the court.

School Bus Stopped
Heppner high school reported that all school busses made their routes Wednesday morning with the exception of the Eightmile route which was unable to make it through the heavy fall. School officials reported 13 students absent Wednesday morning mostly from the Eightmile area.

Ranchers throughout the area expressed pleasure at the white covering as the heavy water content was expected to bring precipitation up nearly to normal for the month.

GENERATORS WORKING

Officers of the Tri-County weather research corporation announced this week that records show a total of 242 hours of operation for rain generators in the tri-county area between January 1 and 14.

PARENT-TEACHERS TOLD OF VARIED BOOKS AVAILABLE AT HEPPNER LIBRARY

Literature appreciation and reading for enjoyment was the program theme of the Parent Teachers Association meeting at the high school Wednesday evening. Mrs. Stephen Thompson was program chairman. Mrs. Ethel Lyngholm, instructor, and several of her junior high school pupils held a round table discussion on the appreciation of literature, books most liked and the parts which had the most appeal to each of them.

Richard Knight told of the literature preferred by the English department of the senior high school and stressed the need for parents to encourage children to read. He made several suggestions for parents to use in interesting children in reading.

To acquaint the group with the work of the Heppner Public Library, Mrs. Josephine Baker, librarian, told of the special shelves which are maintained by the Union Missionary society; the Bookworms Club, Woolgrowers'



REELECTED—as directors of the Production Credit association at its recent meeting in Pendleton were Ralph Thompson, Heppner, and Charles F. Litch, Enterprise. (Cut courtesy East Oregonian)

FIRST DIMES DRIVE CHECK SHOWS \$780 COLLECTED SO FAR IN COUNTY

First returns on the March of Dimes drive in the county showed a total of \$780.35 has been received by the treasurer, Robert Ferrell. Of this amount over \$600 has been received by James Driscoll, Heppner postmaster and city chairman. Only outside community reporting so far has been Ione where \$151.75 has been turned in.

Mrs. Olive Hughes, county drive head, said this week that eight women living in various rural areas will soon start telephone solicitation in their sections. She

Big Smoke Comes From Little Fire

Lots of smoke but little damage resulted Monday afternoon when Heppner firemen answered a call from Cal's Tavern on Main street. Workmen were repairing a roof at the back of the building when hot tar ignited on the roof. The roof had been dried prior to the application and apparently some spark remained that set off the tar. The blaze was quickly controlled.

Jayce-ettes Elect New Officers

New officers elected by the Jayce-ettes Wednesday evening at their regular meeting were president, Mrs. Harvey Wilhite; vice-president, Mrs. Jack Loyd; secretary, Mrs. Harold Huber; treasurer, Mrs. Richard O'Shea; directors, Mrs. M. L. Bonta, Mrs. John Ernsdorff, Mrs. Richard Calvin. The immediate past president is Mrs. G. C. M. Smith.

Mrs. Bob Fletcher of Ulich spent Tuesday in Heppner visiting her sister, Mrs. Fred Parrish.

Mrs. Jerry Waters departed on Tuesday for Astoria where she will make her home. Her mother, Mrs. Alvin Porterfield, took her to the coast and will visit a few days in The Dalles on her way home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rosewall expect to leave Saturday for Seattle where they will attend the preview showing of the new 1952 Ford. They plan to return to Heppner Tuesday.

Mrs. Anna Heiny of Fairview, Oregon is visiting at the Gene Ferguson home in Heppner.

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Auxiliary (a memorial to the late Harriet K. Mahoney), the American Legion Auxiliary, B. P. O. Elks, Sigbee Memorial, General Memorial and the Morrow County Health Association. She also explained the rental division, the adult fiction and non-fiction and the mystery sections.

Magazines at the library include Life, Readers' Digest, Consumers' Guide, Better Homes and Gardens, Red Book, Good Housekeeping, Ladies Home Journal, Colliers, McCall's and the Heppner Gazette Times.

There has been a great demand by the juveniles in Heppner for mystery stories so that the Nancy Drew Mysteries were ordered and there are some Hardy Boys on hand which keep youngsters from wanting to read "Blood on Her Shoe," "Let's Kill George," and others of that type. Besides the Intermediate juvenile section there are special divisions for the first, second, third and fourth (Continued on page 6)

Weather Group Expresses Belief In Local Program

"We're on the right track, but time is needed to perfect the system", was the general opinion of members of the board of directors of the Morrow County Weather Research, Inc., after it heard a report by Ralph Crum, head of the group, who had just returned from a convention of the National Weather Improvement association in Denver, January 10 and 11.

Crum gave a complete report of the many talks and reports given at the convention and stated that although many of them were questioned by other speakers and the members, it was acknowledged that the so-called "rainmaking" idea was still in its infancy and much more experimentation would be necessary before any definite answers could be given to the many and varied questions raised throughout the country. Board members of the local group stated they definitely felt last year's program was well worth the expense and said they had no intention of dropping the plan as long as sufficient funds could be raised to continue it.

Crum stated one of the most convincing speakers at the Denver convention was Vincent J. Schaefer, research scientist for General Electric laboratories who is in no way connected with any weather development group. Schaefer's findings through independent research appeared to substantiate many of the theories of Dr. Irving Krick's organization, with which the Tri-County group has a contract, and others interested in weather development.

Crum told the board members that Schaefer stated it had definitely been proven that rain could be made to fall in certain test areas.

Crum said all were agreed that the fundamentals of "rainmaking" were sound and could be demonstrated in laboratories. The experimentation being carried out in many areas throughout the country is for the purpose of learning to control the system out in the open. That many mistakes will be made, as with any type of experiment, is clearly understandable, he said.

Members of the board also announced a Tri-County Weather Research meeting to be held on January 28 at the Vendome hotel in Arlington. It is scheduled to start at 1:30. Crum urged all members of the Morrow county organization and the general public as well, to attend the meeting. A report on the Denver convention and general discussion will be heard.

MORROW COUNTY FARM BUREAU

The Morrow County Farm Bureau will meet Tuesday, January 22 at 8:00 p. m. in Lexington at the Gene Majeske home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Carter and children left Monday for Pendleton where Carter will attend a district meeting of the J. C. Penney stores. Mrs. Carter and the children continued on to Walla Walla to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Osmin have returned from an extended visit to Salem where they were guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Plank and to Grants Pass where they visited her daughter, Mrs. Don Jones and Mr. Jones.

Jack Hynd of Pendleton was in Heppner Monday to visit his brothers Will and David Hynd.

Here from Ione Monday were Mrs. Robert Despain, Mrs. Pete Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Halvorsen and Mrs. John Kansier.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rauch, Jr. have moved into the small house on N. Main street belonging to Mrs. Clara E. Gertson. Mr. and Mrs. James Lovgren, former occupants, have moved into the house on E. May street belonging to Mrs. Glenn Farrens.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Anderson are expected home from Portland on Thursday.

Mrs. Hildred Zell of Wasco, State President of Oregon Women's Clubs, will be speaker at the Soroptimist Club luncheon at O'Donnell's Thursday.

Mrs. Neil Doherty is here from Pendleton for a visit with relatives.

Red Cross Home Nursing Classes To Start Next Week

A last call was issued this week for registrants who wish to take the home nursing classes scheduled to be held at Heppner Legion hall for seven days starting January 22. Two classes daily are planned, from 10 to 12 each morning and 7 to 9 in the evenings.

For nearly half a century the American Red Cross, sponsors, have heled to meet community health needs by offering instruction in home nursing care that does not require technical knowledge necessary for professional nursing. The program has been constantly revised to conform with the changing needs and increasing emphasis has been placed upon home rather than hospital care when experts attention or specialized equipment is not needed.

Registration is still open and local Red Cross heads urge anyone desiring instruction to enroll immediately by contacting Mary Van's Flower Shop, phone 2502.

Ione Students Hear Of Time Capsules

Ione school students Monday heard Albert Stuart Otto, lecturer, news correspondent and traveler tell of time capsules being buried in various parts of the world.

The speaker told how they were preserved in metal and plastics so contents will remain intact until 6940 A. D. Otto said many of the items of our life are being included in the capsules such as tobacco, cosmetics, rayon, can openers, glass, money, compasses, seeds, coal, films, magazines, art, music, microfilms of many projects on earth and other items to give the finder an idea of life as it is known today.

Many books and plaques have been written in all known languages and kept in museums and libraries all over the world telling of the location of the capsules, to guide the finders 5000 years hence.

A new name, to better describe the expanding activities of the Group, was voted Monday by members of the chamber of commerce. In the future it will be known as the Heppner-Morrow county chamber of commerce.

Considerable time was given over to discussion of the proposed change with most members feeling the activities of the organization are in many respects county-wide and that such activities could be handled and understood much better if the chamber had a membership that included residents from other sections of the county. It was felt that the new name would help in gaining membership from outside Heppner itself.

President Garnet Barratt announced a new schedule of dues

Regional Farm Bureau Meet at Pendleton

The regional meeting of the Farm Bureau will be held Tuesday January 22 in the new banquet room at the Pendleton Hotel at 10:00 a. m.

Cliff Wright, Bill Davis of the American Farm Bureau and Mrs. Walter Harden, new chairman of the Oregon Farm Bureau of Associated women will be the speakers. There will be luncheon at noon and all Farm Bureau members are urged to attend, especially officers and committee chairmen.

Brother's Death Takes Heppner Man East

C. H. (Bill) Privett left Monday evening from Pendleton, for Ava, Missouri, where he was called by the death of his brother S. Sgt. Henderson C. Privett, in an automobile accident. He had been stationed at the Naval ammunition depot at McAlester, Oklahoma since October 1, 1951 and that is where the accident occurred.

Sgt. Privett was a veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict. He had received the purple heart and several battle stars. He was in the retreat from Changjin Reservoir to Hamhand in December 1950 and returned from Korea on rotation in September 1951. Spending some time visiting his brother and other relatives in and near Heppner.

Full military rites will be administered with burial in the family cemetery near Ava. He is survived by his parents, two brothers, three sisters and twelve nieces and nephews.

would be worked out by a committee that would give outside members a chance to belong to the chamber as regular members, but which would be more in proportion to the number of meetings they might be able to attend. Local membership includes meal cost and it was acknowledged that members living in other areas could not attend regularly as those living in Heppner.

COMMITTEES ANNOUNCED

Barratt also announced the appointment of numerous committees to head the chambers activities for the coming year. Listed are the chairman and vice-chairman with other members to be picked later.

Merchant's committee, Harvey Wilhite, Jeff Carter. Membership, Frank Turner, C. J. D. Bauman. Roads and highways, Ed Dick, P. W. Mahoney. Agriculture and resources, Nels Anderson, Loyal Parker. Recreation and wildlife, Dr. L. D. Tibbles, Wayne West. Legislation and government, J. O. Turner, Dr. Richard O'Shea. Youth activities, John Ernsdorff, Mary Van Stevens. Publicity, Jack Loyd and Robert Penland.

Optometrist To Open Office Here Shortly

Dr. Edward K. Schaffitz, Optometrist, arrived in Heppner last weekend to oversee completion of his new offices in the Dr. C. M. Wagner clinic building on Gale street.

Dr. Schaffitz comes to Heppner from North Bend, Oregon, where he has practiced for several years. He will move his family here as soon as his office and living quarters are completed. He hopes to have the office open within two weeks.

While on the way here last week, his car suffered considerable damage when it hit a large boulder on the highway below Arlington. Schaffitz was not injured.

Assistance Due Federal Taxpayers

The internal revenue department announced this week that a deputy collector will be in Heppner on Monday, February 4 to assist taxpayers in preparing their federal income tax returns for 1951. He will make his headquarters at the court house.

Deputy collectors will also be in Arlington at the Gilliam county bank on February 5, and at the court house in Condon on February 6.

UNION PACIFIC AGRICULTURAL CAR FEATURES LIVESTOCK INFORMATION



With an all-new program, the U. P. car will spend a day in the area discussing livestock problems with 4-H and FFA members and adult farmers.



Walter Holt, Mgr., Pac. International Livestock Exposition



Kenneth W. Sawyer, Ag. Mgr., Portland Chamber of Commerce



David H. Brannon, Entomology Specialist, Washington State College



E. R. Jackman, Farm Crop Specialist, Oregon State College



Charles Kyd, Livestock Specialist, Washington State College



Robert W. Every, Entomology Specialist, Oregon State College



Full Program Scheduled for Monday at Heppner

Place for Nomad Alfalfa, a new creeping variety, will be discussed by E. R. Jackman, Oregon State College extension farm crops specialist, Monday, January 21 while the Union Pacific Railroad's Agricultural Improvement Car is in Heppner.

The car will be located at the depot and the program will get under way at 9:30 a. m., with an afternoon program beginning at 1:30 p. m. announced N. C. Anderson, County Extension Agent.

Program arrangements, headed by George Penrose, Portland, railroad agricultural representative, call for the showing of two mo-

tion pictures. They are "Cattle Country," and "Western Sheep."

The Pacific Northwest grassman of the year program sponsored by the Portland Chamber of Commerce will be discussed, by Walter Holt, manager of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition or Kenneth W. Sawyer, the Portland Chamber of Commerce's agricultural department manager.

N. C. Anderson will appear on the program discussing Morrow County's forage improvement program. Nomad alfalfa is a new drought

resistant, creeping variety which is expected to establish a place for itself as a range land legume, county agent Anderson says. It is a variety developed in Oregon at Pendleton after its discovery near Keno in Klamath County about 10 years ago. Much interest is shown in Nomad in Morrow County and seed has been secured for several ranchers who will make range plantings this spring.

Jackman will also discuss some of the new rangeland grasses, pubescent, intermediate and tall wheatgrass.