

# Heppner Gazette Times

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## THICK AND THIN—

### P-TA Hoop Contest To Have Top Talent

Morrow county residents will have an opportunity next Wednesday evening to see two of the finest basketball teams in the country perform at the local high school gym for the annual Parent-Teachers benefit basketball game.

Scheduled on this year's main event, which could wind up as a wrestling match or practically anything else are the "Fat Men" and the "Slim Men," two teams composed entirely of highly trained local talent—probably the best in the nation. Coaches who have spent many hours of valuable time training the "Tubbys" for the rugged encounter are LaVerne Van Marter and Col.

### Cattle Growers Make Grazing Plans

Two separate cattle growers meetings were held last week, the Hardman association meeting March 4 at the Heppner Forest service office and the Tamarack-Monument Cattle Raisers association meeting at Monument March 5.

At both meetings plans were discussed and arrangements were made for the 1952 grazing season and forest supervisor C. M. Rector presented both groups with a report on a recent study on the protein content of various range grasses and various periods during the grazing season and their relationship to the body weights of livestock. The groups were also shown two forest service films, "Grass and Cattle" and "Everyman's Empire."

At the Monument meeting, Grant county agent, Bill Farrell explained some of the recent changes in the bull grading system and how they should apply to animals used by members of the association.

Walter Wright was reelected president of the Hardman association, and Raymond Wright was chosen to continue as secretary-treasurer. George Capon was reelected president of the Tamarack-Monument association with Eho Bleakman and Henry Cupper chosen to remain as vice-president and secretary-treasurer. This group also employed Duane Johnson as range manager.

Members present at the Monument meeting were Harry Capon, Harold Cork, Roy Cork, Henry Cupper, Leo Flower, Ray Gates, Ralph Jackson, Bob Kelly, Wayne Leathers, Leonard Palmer, Ralph Reade and Charles Roach. Rector and Wayne West, district rangers represented the forest service at both meetings.

### 16 Heppner Students Attain Honor Roll

16 Heppner high school students found their names on the honor roll this week when the list was released by L. L. Pate, school superintendent.

Those receiving top ranking were Eleanor Rice, Jim Smith, Moke Grant, Marjorie Pearson, Jack Sumner, Adelia Anderson, Ronald Currin, June Privett, Loree Stager, Diana Van Horn, Lynn Wright, Jean Marie Graham, Jim Hayes, Dick Kononen, Sally Palmer and Peggy Wightman.

### New Juvenile Books At City Library

During the past week the Heppner Public Library has added several new books to its Juvenile Section including Bushy Tail and Hazel Squirrel; The Grey Friers Neighbors; The Story of Peter Rabbit; Two Playtime Primmers; The Giggles-quickies; A Little Book of Well Known Toys; Peter Rabbit and His Pa; The Tale of Mrs. Tittlemouse; Raggedy Andy Stories; Alice in Wonderland; Through the Looking Glass; Tale of Benny Badger; The Cook, the Mouse and the Little Red Hen. Several additions have been made to the adult section also some of these are replacements of the more popular books that have become worn.

Dr. Edward Schaffitz left Wednesday afternoon for North Bend to move his wife and daughter to Heppner.

Rev. and Mrs. Jackson Gilliam and daughters of Hermiston spent Monday in Heppner visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gilliam.

Frank W. Turner, Managers for the equally competent "Bag of Bones Bunch" are Everett Keithley and Ed Gonty, two of the stars of last year's encounter. Whistle-tooters for the evening will be Hal Whitbeck and Floyd Sayers.

Though both coaches are playing cagy and refusing to make public the full list of players it is understood the Slim men have some excellent talent in reserve including Brad Fancher, Jimmy "PO" Driscoll, Harvey "Fat" Wilhite, Tim "Big" Juett, Oliver "Digger" Creswick, "Doc" Tibbles, Buck Ruhl, and Gene Wells. Already signed up as water boy is J. Palmer Sorlien.

Under contract to perform for the "Overeaters" are Phil Mahoney, Bob Grabill, Bob Christian, Carl Schwab and Harlan McCurdy, Jr. In charge of the concession stand for the evening will be Ed Dick and Ed Gonty.

It is understood the Morrow county medical profession has agreed to provide necessary ambulance service, liniment and medical attention for the players.

Though many claim last year's encounter of these two great teams was won by the Fat Boys, the question is still in doubt as the official scorer played part of the game and was accused of incompetency in his records.

Listed as a preliminary game scheduled to start at 7:30 will be the B. O. W. Sportsmen's Club of Heppner versus the Lexington junior high team.

### Morrow Boy Wins 4-H Summer Scholarship

A scholarship to the 1952 4-H summer school at Oregon State College has been won by Ronald Currin, 15 a member of the Sandhollow-Buttercreek 4-H Club of Morrow County. This is Safeway Stores' award for the top livestock breeding project in the county, announces County Agent N. C. Anderson.

Ronald, who is president, this year, of the 4-H Club to which he belongs, has completed four years of club work. He has carried projects in sheep, swine, and tractor maintenance. Among Ronald's achievements in 4-H Club work, are reserve Champion sheep and hog showman, 1949 fair; high placing in lamb and ewe exhibits, livestock judging contests, 1951 fair.

Ronald has attended 4-H summer school sessions at Oregon State College in 1949 and 1951. He was a member of the Morrow County livestock judging team who took first place at Pacific International Livestock Exposition last fall winning the Rhina Kramer trophy.

Leaders of the 4-H Club of which Ronald is a member, are Jerry Brosnan and John Graves.

Similar awards were made by Safeway Stores in 29 counties to 17 girls and 12 boys. Last year the boys led the girls, 21 to 8.

Walter Prichard, Jr., 16, Bend, won the \$100 college scholarship which Safeway, Inc., presents annually to the 4-H'er who has the best livestock breeding project in the state. Only club members who have won the summer school scholarship in a previous year are eligible for this state award.

Young Prichard's breeding project includes four Guernsey females—a registered producing cow and three yearling heifers, and a purebred Spotted Poland China sow. The dairy animals are bred through the Deschutes county dairy breeders association.

### BOARDMAN MAN NOW AT FORT LEWIS

Pvt. Ronald M. Waldron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Waldron of Boardman has been inducted into the army at Fort Lewis, Washington. Upon completion of processing at the reception center, he will be assigned to a training unit.

### GRANGE TO HOLD OLD TIME DANCE

The Oha Creek grange will hold an old time dance this Saturday evening at the grange hall at Ruggs for all grangers and their friends. Overalls and cotton dresses are the order of apparel for the evening, said grange officials, who also announced refreshments would be served.

Mrs. Harry O'Donnell, Sr. left Wednesday evening for a few days visit in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney left Thursday for Portland, they will return the last of the week.

### Scrap Due in State Representative Race, Moore Files

Among the many to file for public office at Salem last Friday, just ahead of the deadline was Collis Moore, Moro, Republican who is seeking one of the two vacant state representative seats for this district.

Moore's filing brings to five the number of aspirants seeking the positions. Moore, a Republican, will be on the ballot with C. A. Tom, Rufus; Jack Steiwer, Fossil; and E. B. Rands of Boardman. The lone Democrat aspirant is Robert Smith of Condon.

Moore, 50, is a native of Sherman county and is now farming there. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon and acted as secretary to Giles French during one term in the legislature. He has taken an active interest in many of the tax measures effecting this district.

Though Moore is a relative newcomer to state politics, Mrs. Moore has taken an active interest in it for several years being a member of the Republican state central committee for some time and also serving on the state executive committee for four years.

### Lexington Residents Told Highway Shops To Remain There

Residents of Lexington were reassured this week that the rumored transfer of the state highway maintenance shops from there to Heppner was not contemplated by the highway commission.

Mrs. Alonzo Henderson early this week received a letter from state highway head R. H. Baldock stating that "The maintenance division of the state highway department has no plans at the present time to discontinue Lexington as section maintenance headquarters."

Residents of Lexington recently sent the highway department a petition asking for the shops to be retained in Lexington when it was understood that they might be moved to a new building being planned by the department in Heppner.

### Workers Named in Red Cross Campaign

The names of local solicitors for the current Red Cross fund drive were announced this week by Heppner drive chairman, Mrs. Tress McClintock.

Though the drive has been under way since the first of the month, no returns are available as yet. Many of the workers in other sections of the county are just now completing their solicitation and have not yet reported in.

Drive workers in Heppner are Mrs. Ted Smith, Mrs. Ray Ferguson, Mrs. L. D. Tibbles, Mrs. Mary Wright, Mrs. Ike Cole, Mrs. Jack Van Winkle, Mrs. Bill Labhart, Mrs. T. E. Petersen, Mrs. Irvin Anderson, Mrs. Bert Kane, Mrs. Ed Bennett, Mrs. Jack Bailey, and Mrs. Fred Parrish.

Howard Bryant is in charge of solicitation in the business area.

### First Grassfire of Season Calls Firemen

The first grass fire of the season called out Heppner firemen Tuesday noon to combat a blaze burning in grass and sagebrush on the hillside in the northwest section of town.

The blaze was confined to approximately a city lot and did no damage.

### Heppner Ponies End Successful Casaba Season With One Loss

The Heppner grade school Ponies concluded a successful basketball season last week by defeating the lone grade school 45 to 27. The A team lost only one game during the season when they came up against the tall St. Patrick's Indian school team in the first game of the Umatilla county grade school tournament at Echo.

Leading scorers for the season were Skip Ruhl and Jerry Dougherty who were tied with 87 points each. Other high scorers were John Piper, 40; Dickie Applegate, 32; Edgar Olson, 26; Dale Stager, 25; John Walker, 22; Steven Green, 17; Victor Groshens, 17; L. E. Turner and Lonnie Tibbles with 13; Dale Cox, 9; Dean Connor, 5; Louis Sayer and Roy Hughes 2; and Larry Prock, 1.



BIG WHEAT league basketball winners, the Heppner high school Mustangs are shown here with their Coach Harold Whitbeck. The Mustangs were entered in the tournament playoffs at The Dalles last week, but were eliminated by Maupin. They are left to right, front row, Ronald Taylor, Jim Prock, Wendell Connor, Dick Kononen. Back row, coach Harold Whitbeck, Bill Hughes, Jim Smith, Gary Connor, Mike Grant, Keith Connor and Jack Sumner.

### Oddfellows to Select Heppner Student For Lodge's "U N Pilgrimage for Youth"

A member of the junior or sophomore class of Heppner High School is to be given an opportunity to spend six days in study and observation of the United Nations in action and in visiting New York City between July 5 and 25th which are the dates of the third annual Oddfellows' "U. N. Pilgrimage for Youth." Willows Lodge No. 66, I. O. O. F. of Heppner is sponsoring the delegate from the local school. In 1951, 220 young people and their adult leaders from 35 states of the union and two provinces of Canada participated. For 1952, the goal is representation from every

jurisdiction under the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. In the striking U. N. Building with its thirty-nine stories of glass and steel, the young people will receive briefings by various members of the United Nations staff. They will learn of the organization and functioning of the U. N. and its many branches. They will observe the ways in which many areas of the world are served by Technical Assistance and Departments and will see the business of the U. N. carried on through simultaneous translations of the proceedings in the five official languages, Span-

ish, French, Russian, Chinese and English.

In addition to the study of the United Nations, the young people will be afforded time to take advantage of the many cultural, educational and entertainment values in New York.

R. G. McMurtry and Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien of Willows Lodge No. 66 and Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers of Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge No. 33 have been appointed on the committee to work with the school faculty in selecting the delegate and to make the preliminary arrangements for the trip.

Contestants are to be judged on character and personality, scholarship, school activities, Community and civic mindedness, leadership, church participation, interest in world affairs and an essay contest dealing with a topic chosen by the committee and the school faculty.

Willows Lodge No. 66, I. O. O. F. is assuming the entire expense of the trip and the contest is open to all members of the junior and sophomore classes in Heppner High School. A committee of disinterested persons will be selected to make the ultimate choice of a delegate from the four finalists in the elimination contest arranged by the school.

Delegates are also being sponsored by the Echo and Pendleton Oddfellow Lodges.

### Heppner P-TA Elects Officers

The Heppner P-TA met Tuesday evening March 11 in the school Auditorium. It was reported there are now 214 paid memberships.

Election of officers for the coming year was the main business. Those elected were president, Mrs. Oliver Creswick; vice president, Mrs. L. E. Ruhl; secretary, Mrs. Carl McDaniels; treasurer, Clarence Johnson.

Mrs. Ethel Lyngholm was in charge of the program which was about hobbies. Several students of speech gave readings, they were Dolores Easter, Darlene Connor, Judy Thompson and Charles Bailey. Rev. E. L. Tull spoke on hobbies, he told of the hobbies of several famous people and said one way to keep young was to have a hobby.

One of the projects of the 7th grade is to find out the history of Morrow county. They have had several pioneers up to speak to them and they have gone to some of the old cemeteries and other points of interest around the country. The girls telling about what they have been doing were Carol Elliott, Alice Peterson and Nancy Davis.

Sharon Rill showed a collection of dolls with china heads, which had belonged to her mother and grandmother.

The Harmony Club sang two numbers, directed by Oliver Creswick.

Co-chairmen for the refreshment committee were Mrs. Dick Wilkinson and Mrs. Everett Keithley. Mrs. Edna Harshman filled in for Mrs. Keithley that evening as she was unable to be there.

Bill Smythe, field man for the State Public Welfare Commission, Portland, was a business visitor in Heppner the last of the week.

### THREE HEPPIER GRID STARS CHOSEN TO PLAY IN EAST-WEST SHRINE GAME

Three graduating seniors from Heppner's 1951 grid squad this week received extra honors when they were selected to play in the Shrine competition in the first East-West Shrine football game scheduled to be held in Pendleton August 30.

Chosen from the Heppner squad were Gary Connor, end;

Bud Wagner, halfback; and alternate tackle, Albert Burkenbine.

The classic game, sponsored by the Eastern Oregon Shrine organizations is the first attempted by the groups and players are limited to graduating seniors.

The geographical dividing line for the state is the Cascade mountains.

### Services Held For Gallaher Infant

Funeral services were held this morning at 10 o'clock for infant Coleen Kay Gallaher, 16-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gallaher of Alpine who died Tuesday at her home.

Coleen was born October 26, 1951 at Heppner. Surviving, besides her parents, are one brother Michael and maternal and paternal grandparents.

Services were read by Rev. E. L. Tull and interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

### Saager's Pharmacy Has New Owners

Mr. and Mrs. John Saager announced this week that they had sold Saager's Pharmacy in Heppner to Mr. and Mrs. Phil Blakney of Milton-Freewater. Blakneys have been in the store since early November.

The new owner, a registered pharmacist, was born in Milton-Freewater and lived most of his life there. He is a graduate of the University of Washington and a veteran of three year's service in the navy. He plans to continue the Saager's name for the store.

Saager's announced no plans for the future other than that they planned to take a vacation.

### Heppner Graduate Now Kelso Editor

David E. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Taylor of Boardman has been named managing editor of the Kelsonian-Tribune, a weekly newspaper in Kelso, Washington.

Born in Spokane, Taylor moved to Kinzua, later to Boardman and then to Heppner where he graduated from high school in 1944. He spent two years in the service and then entered Oregon State College in 1946. He later transferred to the University of Oregon where he entered the school of journalism.

Taylor joined the staff of the Kelsonian-Tribune in 1951.



JOE JEWETT, pastor of the Baker Christian church, who will be in Heppner for about two weeks to conduct special services at the local Christian church. Rev. Jewett was formerly pastor in Heppner, leaving here late in 1947.

### Christian Church Men to Meet Here

The Blue Mountain 90 and 9 district men will hold their March meeting at the Heppner Christian church Monday, March 17. Supper is to be served from 6:30 to 7:10 and local men are asked to come as near the starting time as possible. The Blue Mountain district includes churches in Hermiston, Pendleton, Athena, Milton-Freewater and Heppner.

The Heppner Harmony club will be guests of the local church men and will provide special music for the meeting. Rev. Joe Jewett of Baker will be the speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Farra had as their houseguest over the weekend her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Weist and brother, L. Weist of Sunnyside, Washington and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Merkle of McLaughlin, S. D.

### Chamber Told Columbia One of Area's Top Assets

"This section of Oregon is in a natural position of advantage" along the Columbia river, Paul Follett, of the Tidewater-Shaver Barge Lines told the Heppner-Morrow county chamber of commerce Monday.

Follett said the natural geography of the area allowed a down-hill haul for all freight from the region whether carried on the river or by railroad, is a great advantage, and as markets for products are increased it will mean much development will come to this section of the state.

Speaking about the river, on which the Tidewater-Shaver company operates, Follett said the increase in traffic and development since the construction of Bonneville dam has been tremendous. Using tonnage figures to show the comparison he said the river carried 7,000 tons of freight in 1934 and 1,400,000 tons in 1951 and predicted a steady increase as additional dams were completed which make river transportation easier and cheaper.

He urged better planning on the order of development on the Columbia as a necessity, stating that individual interests are often placed ahead of an overall program which has been worked out by the army engineers and the Reclamation bureau.

Follett told the group of the changing type of commodity now being carried on the river and stated that a few years ago 90% of all tonnage was petroleum. Now it constitutes only about 40% of the total freight, wheat and other products have replaced oil in volume.

Follett, who lives in Umatilla, also told the chamber that the entire Columbia river area could expect a decided increase in tourist travel as more tourist attractions such as dams are completed. The good roads now running down the river are also aiding in attracting more travelers.

Chamber president Garnet Barratt announced that the state highway commission expected to call for bids next month for the paving of a considerable portion of highway 78 from Lena to Nye junction.

### Well Known Magician To Perform Here

Lee Grabel, world famous magician will present a program in Heppner Thursday evening March 20 at the high school gym under the sponsorship of the high school student body.

Grabel presented his show in Heppner a few years ago and is well known for his ability to make a radio disappear in mid-air, escape from a sealed packing case in two seconds and many other feats in illusion and escape.

The program is scheduled to start at 8 o'clock and proceeds from the show are to go into the student body activity fund.

### Services Held For George Ashbaugh

George Ashbaugh, 84, resident of Morrow County since 1892 died Sunday, March 9, in a Pendleton hospital. He had been ill for several years. He was born January 16, 1868 in Perry County, Ohio.

Survivors include a sister, Miss Annie Ashbaugh of Oakland, California and two nephews, Roy Ashbaugh of Milton-Freewater and Clair Ashbaugh of Portland. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon with Phelps Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

### Ione Schools Host To Speech Festival

The county-wide school speech festival was held Wednesday afternoon and evening at Ione with Ione school superintendent Henry Osibov in charge of the program.

All the county schools were represented at the festival and speakers were divided into numerous categories. Awards were not given to schools but ratings were given the individual participant. These ratings were not available at presstime but will be published next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Furlong had as their guests during the weekend her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stark of Hay, Washington and another sister, Mrs. Con Adkins of Hermiston. The Starks were en route to Vancouver to visit relatives.