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14 Teachers Accept Contracts; Advisory Committee Proposed

Group to Assist With Planning School Expansion

Fourteen Heppner teachers have accepted contracts to teach in the Heppner schools next year according to a list released this week by superintendent, L. L. Pate. Six others have either rejected contracts or are awaiting clarification of contract points before returning them.

Those accepting positions for the coming year are Mrs. Edna Turner, Mrs. Buelah Ogletree, Mrs. Velva Bechtolt, Mrs. L. E. Grant, Mrs. L. L. Pate, Mrs. Marguerite Glavey, Mrs. Lena Kelley, Mrs. Ethel Lyngholm, Miss Marie Monohan, Mrs. Marie Clarey, James Peterson, Clarence Johnson, James Vanover and L. L. Pate.

Pate stated that he expected the increase in high school students next year would necessitate the hiring of two additional teachers in the school system, and that it will be necessary to find at least one additional classroom outside the present building.

Pate also said plans are being made by the school board to speed planning on additional school facilities for the district with the appointment of a 12 person advisory committee which will work with the board and assist in mapping a plan of school expansion. The 12 persons who have been asked to serve on the committee are scattered throughout the entire school district in an effort to get a representative group. Names of the committee were not yet available as there had not been time for the school board to receive acceptance of the appointment from them. They are being asked to meet next Monday night with the school board to tackle the problem.

The school board has preliminary plans for a new 10-room elementary school to be built on property directly north of the present school buildings. These plans have been prepared for nearly three years but no action has been taken on them because of sewage difficulties. Other plans have been suggested in the interim, and it is hoped by board members and school officials that the advisory committee will be able to assist in working out a satisfactory building program.

Pendleton To Host State P-TA Convention

The state convention of the P-TA will be held in Pendleton on April 7, 8, and 9 with most of the sessions in the Vert Memorial Building.

The national P-TA president, Mrs. John E. Hayes will speak on Monday and again at the banquet to be held Tuesday evening. The theme of the meeting is to be "Needs of the citizen child, our unfinished business."

Several from Heppner are planning to attend the meetings and anyone interested in going should get in contact with Mrs. Oliver Creswick.

The regular meeting of the Heppner P-A will be held on Wednesday April 16. This change of meeting date is to allow those who wish, to attend the convention.

First Heppner High Radio Program Friday

The first of a series of radio programs presented by Heppner high school students will be heard over station KWRC, Pendleton at 5:00 p. m. Friday.

The 15 minute program will feature the Heppner high school band under the direction of Robert Collins.

CONCERT NEAR

Plans are progressing for the public concert to be presented on Thursday evening, April 10 by the Heppner high school band under the direction of Robert Collins.

The 44 piece group will present a full evening's program which will include selections by several smaller solo groups within the band.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Chaffee had as guests for dinner Saturday Mr. Chaffee's sister, Mrs. H. S. DeChenne of Spokane and her daughter, Mrs. Harry Cobain and two children of Pendleton.

SNOW SURVEY SHOWS WATER CONTENT 40 PERCENT OVER NORMAL FOR APRIL

Water content of the mountain snow pack averaged 40 percent above normal and 12 percent higher than last year at this time according to snow measurements taken Sunday, March 30, on the Arbuckle mountain snow course. Snow depth measured 33.6 inches with a water content of 14.4 inches, as compared to 34.9 inches of snow with a water content of 12.9 inches on March 29 of last year. A water content of

10.3 inches is the average for this time of year according to 22 year records of the federal and state cooperative snow surveys.

Tom Wilson of the Soil Conservation Service, accompanied by his wife, skied into the area and took the third and final measurements on the snow course this year.

"Watershed soils are unfrozen and well saturated, a factor favoring a well sustained flow from the snow pack," Wilson stated.

STOCKMEN ASK POSTING OF OPEN RANGE SIGNS ON COUNTY ROADS

Meeting Tuesday evening, thirty-seven Morrow county ranchers, members of the Morrow County Livestockgrowers Association, passed a resolution requesting the County Court to place signs on all major roads entering Morrow County, declaring open range here. The resolution was an outcome of a study of the herd, trespass and open range laws by a committee, appointed by the Livestock Association at the request of those attending the annual meeting in December. Members of the committee were: W. E. Hughes, chairman; Bernard Doherty, Norman Nelson, Raymond French and Dick Wilkinson. The group present at the meeting

requested further, that the committee check with the Oregon Cattlemen's Association for clarification of the herd law which appears on the surface to be interpreted differently at various sources.

During the evening meeting, the livestockgrowers present pledged the support of the association to the county livestock disease control committee in their spring drive for cleaning up the herds not already tested for Bangs disease. The committee reported that all herds will be tested in 1952.

Other business to come before the livestockgrowers, was the equitable distribution of a fund for purchase of salt for wild game on ranges; a report of veterinary supplies sales by the association; appointment of committee members of Oregon Cattlemen's Association; report on possibility of securing practicing veterinarian for county; announcement of a field day, Gilliam County Beef Cattle Improvement Association, April 10; committee appointment for study of farm land appraisal for tax re-evaluations.

The group drafted a resolution requesting that private veterinary practitioners file with the State Department of Agriculture, prevalencies of diseases, when found. This resolution will go to the Oregon Cattlemen's Association to be considered at their annual meeting to be held at Prineville May 12, 13 and 14.

Case Furniture Takes Over Cafe Building

Remodeling and renovation of the building formerly occupied by the Elkhorn cafe on Main street was started early this week by the Case Furniture company who have leased the property. The building is owned by the L. O. O. F. lodge.

A. L. Case and Alex Thompson, owners of the furniture store said plans call for the opening of an archway between the present store and the new building and a complete remodeling and modernization of both store fronts with angle windows and modern display lighting. All appliances, plumbing fixtures and supplies, chrome ware and hardlines will be displayed in the new section which will nearly double the ground floor showroom space of the store.

Sam Godwin, Hermiston contractor is doing the remodeling and expects to have it completed in a short time.

Numerous Aspirants Numerous in County

Morrow county residents were beginning to be aware of the coming election with the visiting and handshaking of several of the political aspirants during the first of the week.

Among those in Heppner and surrounding communities getting acquainted with the voters were Collis Moore of Moro, Charles A. Tom, Rufus, Sam Coon of Baker, and John G. Jones of La Grande.

SQUARE DANCE SET

Another 4-H sponsored square dance is scheduled for this Saturday night, April 5 at the Ione Legion hall. Dancing will be called from 9 to 1.



FOUR TIME WINNER—Ed Van Sickle, assistant sales manager for the Ford Motor company is presenting W. C. Rosewall, Heppner dealer with his fourth "Four Letter Award", plaque for top dealer achievement. The presentation was made by Van Sickle and Jack Collard, field manager for the company, last Thursday night at a special dinner for all Rosewall Motor company employees and their wives. The local dealer is the only one in the district to receive four such awards. (GT Photo)

Grain Growers Planning New Elevators



FIRE WAGON—Fire chief C. A. Ruggles is shown inspecting Heppner's new 500 gallon-per-minute pumper which was delivered to the city last weekend. The truck formerly owned by the city of Madras is being reconditioned by the Nelson Equipment company of Portland from which Heppner is buying the truck and will be placed in service within the next few days. (GT Photo)

Completion Date Of Two Plants Set For Fall

Directors of the Morrow County Grain Growers Wednesday approved preliminary plans for a \$365,000 expansion program for the organization which will include construction of two additional grain storage elevators designed to add nearly one-half million bushels of storage capacity to the present plants.

Plans call for the new elevators to be built at Ruggs on the Heppner-Cougan highway and on the Lexington-Echo highway, 10 to 12 miles north of Lexington. The proposed Ruggs plant will have a capacity of 200,000 bushels, the other 250,000 and both are to be of the concrete slip-form type of building.

Bill Richards, Grain Growers manager, stated the company has been in need of additional storage facilities for several years and the directors felt the location of the new elevators would not only relieve congestion at the Lexington and Heppner elevators, but would also materially shorten the distance ranchers will have to haul during harvest. The two new plants will be placed in areas where there is no storage facilities, except on-farm storage which in most cases is limited.

The two proposed elevators will bring to six the number of individual plants operated by the Grain Growers and will give them a total storage capacity of more than 1,500,000 bushels.

Richards said if details can be worked out, the company hopes to have both elevators operating in time to handle this year's harvest.

Jesse M. Dobyns Funeral at Ione

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Ione Co-operative church for Jesse Morton Dobyns 53, who died Wednesday at Coos Bay, Oregon.

Dobyns was born July 18, 1898 at Arlington. He spent his early life at Ione, graduating from the high school there. He later moved to Olympia, Washington. He was a veteran of World War I.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Gaines, in New Jersey, three brothers, Walter and Noel of Ione and Harold of Pendleton, his stepfather, Herbert M. Olden, Troutdale and one grand child.

Interment was in the Ione I. O. O. F. cemetery with services in charge of Phelps Funeral Home. Rev. Alfred Shirley officiated at the services.

New Navy Enlistment Rules in Effect

According to word from Chief John Johnson of the Navy recruiting station in Pendleton, men who are subject to military service and who have received their pre-induction physical examination may still be accepted for enlistment in the navy until receipt of their induction notice.

Johnson said this ruling will be followed until June 30, and he urged men desiring further information to contact the recruiter at the Heppner post office on the first and third Tuesdays of each month between noon and 2:00 p. m. or contact the Navy recruiting office in Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Curt Rhea of Hillsboro were guests of his sister, Mrs. Josie Jones, the last of the week.

Mrs. Ethel Adams returned Friday from several days shopping and pleasure trip to Portland.

Ione Dedicates New City Hall Building

Dedication of Ione's new, modern city hall housing city officers and council room, library, fire department was held Sunday afternoon with city officials and visiting mayors taking part in the program.

The new building, which has been under construction for almost a year, replaces the former city hall and library which was destroyed by fire in 1949. The program was opened with music by the Ione school band under the direction of David Raskin; and flag ceremony by the Ione American Legion post.

Mayor Omar Reitmann told of the fire that destroyed the former building and introduced city officials including George N. Ely, recorder, Mrs. Echo Palmatier, treasurer; and councilmen J. H.

Bryson, Earl McCabe, Roy Lindstrom and E. W. Bristow. Mervin Leonard, mayor of Lexington and J. O. Turner, Heppner mayor spoke briefly and complimented the city on its new building and school and athletic field.

Mrs. Fannie Griffith gave the history of the library which was started in 1936 and is sponsored by the Woman's Topic club. It has been financed by teas, stunts and smorgasbords. Most fixtures for the library have been furnished by the club. More than 2000 books are now available and are in charge of seven librarians, Mrs. Bert Mason, Mrs. Carl Feldmann, Mrs. Henry George, Mrs. Fannie Griffith, Mrs. Leslie Boudry, Mrs. Charles O'Connor and Mrs. Echo Palmatier.

W. W. Head, former pastor of the Congregational church gave the dedication address and Rev. Alfred Shirley gave the benediction. Bert Mason, ex-mayor of Ione gave a history of the town and Garland Swanson, the only other living ex-mayor was to have spoken but was prevented by illness.

Following the dedication an open house was held and refreshments were served in the library by the Topic Club.

There were many former Ione residents present for the program.

Ione P-TA Elects New Officers

By Echo Palmatier

Harlan McCurdy Jr. was elected president of the Ione P-TA at a meeting March 26. Other officers elected were Mrs. Alfred Nelson, vice president and Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. L. A. McCabe had charge of the 4-H program that was presented at the business meeting. It consisted of a prayer by Rev. A. Shirley, a flag drill by LeVelle Spielman, Judy Howton and Elsie Bauernfeind; flag salute led by Duane Baker; Star Spangled Banner played by the school band led by David Raskin; 4-H flag salute led by Janet Howton; Duane Baker gave a talk on the livestock club; the Good Little Workers club told of their work; Wayne Ball and Alvin McCabe explained the work of the Rabbit club; the Trail Trotters, a horse club put on a skit; Mardine Baker and Ann Belle Coleman demonstrated cutting out an apron; Loy Keene and Leland McKinney demonstrated the work in the tractor maintenance club; singing was led by Janet Hoerton; a style show was given; Mrs. McCabe gave a talk on the work of the clubs and Mrs. E. M. Baker explained the co-operation of the clubs and the parents by means of the white wagon wheel which was on display. Hub represented the projects and the spokes the different phases of the clubs and the rim the parents who helped keep the clubs rolling. The cooking 2 club served refreshments from tables decorated in green and white, the 4-H colors.

At the business meeting Mrs. Baker, president, stated that 46 new salad forks were added to the lunch room. It was decided to purchase some more dishes. Committees were appointed for the Junior-Senior banquet April 25. The new officers were asked to select delegates to the P-TA convention at Pendleton April 7, 8 and 9. It was announced that the athletic banquet would be on April 10, the band contest at La Grande April 19, and 4-H Club Sunday would be observed at the Co-operative April 27. Mrs. John Eubanks gave a report on the lunch room.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Johnson and daughters of Dufur spent Sunday in Heppner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beckett.

Miss Sally Cohn, student at St. Helen's Hall, Portland, was a weekend guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cohn.

Red Cross Drive Raises \$2,005, Quota Neared

The Morrow county Red Cross was within \$353 of its goal for the 1952 fund raising campaign Wednesday, when drive chairman, Mrs. Thomas Wilson reported a total of \$2,005 had been turned in to her by April 1.

Mrs. Wilson expressed hope that Morrow County would go over the top when all returns were in and stated that she still had not received reports from drive chairmen in the north end of the county. If past years is any example, she said, that area will come through with more than enough to put the drive over the top.

For the past 11 years Morrow county has been one of the few in the state to exceed its quota, and has usually been among the first to report its success to the state headquarters. Mrs. Wilson felt confident this year's drive workers would be able to keep up the record set by previous committees.

Tom Wilson New Elks Exalted Ruler

Election of officers for the ensuing year was held at the meeting of Heppner B. P. O. Elks, No. 358, Thursday evening with the following being elected: Tom Wilson, exalted ruler; Jack Van Winkle, esteemed leading knight; James J. Farley, esteemed lecturing knight; Don Bennett, esteemed loyal knight; Jack Bailey, secretary; L. E. Bisbee, treasurer and W. C. Rosewall, trustee. Appointment officers will be announced later.

Installation of the new officers will be held Thursday, April 3.

Masonic Officers to Visit in Hermiston

Masonic Grand Master of Oregon, Ralph Nesbitt will be in Hermiston for a visit at a special meeting called by that lodge for Friday, April 4 at the Hermiston Masonic Temple.

Members from 15 lodges in north central Oregon are urged to be present for the meeting. Other ranking state officers to be present include Harry Proudfoot, Grand secretary for the organization. A special program has been arranged for the evening.

NINE HEPPNER STUDENTS TO VIE FOR I. O. O. F. SPONSORED UN TRIP

Nine Heppner high school students have entered the contest sponsored by the Heppner Odd Fellows lodge to select the student to represent this lodge on the third annual United Nation's Pilgrimage for Youth, an expense paid three-week trip to New York.

The nine who have entered are Barbara Lynn Wright, Billie Jean Privett, Sharon Becket, Marjorie Pierson, John (Jack) Sumner, Ronald Currin, Diane Van Horn, Patricia Peck and Merideth Ann Sorlien. The contestants will be judged on character and personality, community and civic mindedness, leadership and other qualifications. A disinterested

committee will make the final selection.

The local I. O. O. F. lodge is assuming the entire cost of sending the student on the trip which will take them through southern Canada and northern United States to New York where they will spend six days visiting the United Nations and other points of interest in the city, and then return them through Pennsylvania, Washington, D. C., Chicago and the north central part of the nation. They will leave from Spokane on July 5 returning to that city July 26. The entire trip will be made by special bus which will take approximately 33 delegates from Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.