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Accidents Bring Death to One, Injuries to Three During Week

J. W. Harrison Dies Near Condon

John William Harrison, pioneer resident of this area was instantly killed in an auto accident last Thursday near Condon, on the eve of his 74th birthday. M. H. Stoneman, another occupant of the car was taken to the Veterans' hospital in Portland with broken ribs and Evelyn Harrison, his granddaughter and driver escaped with minor injuries.

The accident involving the Harrison car and a truck driven by Walter Seale, occurred on the Lonerock road about two miles east of Condon. The car overturned throwing Harrison to the pavement. It is believed that he died instantly. A coroner's inquest was held Friday under the direction of Marvin Albee, Gilliam county coroner.

Funeral services were held at the Community Congregational church Monday with Rev. Bruno Puschel officiating. Burial was in the Masonic cemetery, Heppner.

Mr. Harrison was born April 18, 1878 at Lincolnshire, England and came to America in 1879. The family lived in Portland for a short time, then moved to Logansport. He lived in that area until 1915 when the family moved to Heppner where they resided until about 3 1/2 years ago. He was married to Emma Evelyn Boyer, April 26, 1899 and to this union three daughters and one son were born.

They are Emma Lunora Myers of The Dalles, William Lester Harrison of Condon, Cora Mildred Tucker of Heppner, and Elsie Lavina Caldera of Empire. Mrs. Harrison passed away May 29, 1913.

On June 20, 1915 he was married to Mrs. F. A. Ferguson Griggs. She passed away April 3, 1948 and was buried at Heppner.

Surviving are his four children, and two step children, Mrs. Jess Orwick of Heppner and Robert Griggs of Coos Bay; four sisters, Mrs. Julia Thompson Miller of Pendleton; Mrs. Maude Soule of Hillsboro, Mrs. Cecile Palmer of Harper, Mrs. Nellie Billingsley of Lost Valley and three brothers, Charles of Portland, Fred of Heppner, and Francis of Condon; and one step-sister, Mrs. Mamie Derrick of Burns. His oldest sister, Mrs. Ethel Weise, preceded him in death. Also a brother, Ernest died at 3 years of age.

Early Copy Asked By Gazette Times

The Gazette Times requests that anyone having news stories or advertising for the paper call or bring their copy to the office as early in the week as possible for the next several weeks.

Tom Allen, the paper's printer-pressman is a patient in the Pioneer Memorial hospital and will be lost to the staff for a month. If meeting notices, announcements etc., are to be included in the current week's paper, necessity demands that they be received as early as possible.

RHEA CREEK GRANGE

The Rhea Creek grange will hold a social evening Saturday April 26, for members and invited guests. Old time dancing will be enjoyed beginning at 8:00 p. m. Jello and cake will be served after the dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rosewall were in Walla Walla on Wednesday.



DR. JAMES H. GILBERT, professor emeritus of economics at the University of Oregon will be one of the speakers to be heard May 1 by several Heppner groups. Dr. Gilbert and four others from the U of O will appear before the Soroptimists, the high school and the Jaycee athletic banquet that day.

Dalles Chamber Visitation Plans Completed

Plans were nearing completion this week for the annual chamber of commerce dinner and special visitation of about 70 members of The Dalles chamber to be held at the American Legion hall next Monday evening.

The dinner meeting, which is open to members and wives, is scheduled to start at 5:45 with a social hour for members and guests followed by the dinner at 6:45, according to Leslie Grant, chairman for the event.

The visitation by The Dalles group is one of a series of good will tours planned by that organization. They recently made a visit to the Condon chamber of commerce. The visitors are to put on the main program for the evening and according to word received from W. S. Nelson, secretary of The Dalles chamber, a full evening of entertainment is planned. The annual report of the local chamber will be presented by the president, Garnet Barratt.

The Dalles visitors will arrive by special buses and returning that night.

County Wide Health Meet Scheduled Here

There will be a county wide meeting for planning a more inclusive public health program, announces Martha Tapanianen, county health nurse.

The meeting is to be held on Wednesday evening April 30 in the court room of the court house at 8:00 p. m. Miss Appollonia Olson, director of public health nursing for the State Board of Health will be a guest. A section of the school band will play and the Soroptimist club will serve refreshments.

Everyone interested is urged to attend.

Mrs. Jennie Lewis visited in Hermiston over the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Francis Troedson and Mr. Troedson.

Motorcycle Collision Sends Two Heppner Men to Hospital

Two Heppner men were injured, one seriously, last Thursday evening when one motorcycle went out of control colliding with a second machine just west of Heppner.

Most seriously injured was Bob Christian, who suffered a severely crushed ankle, and Don Fredrickson, who received head injuries and extensive cuts and bruises. Both men are employees of Rosewall Motor company.

Both were taken immediately to the Pioneer Memorial hospital for treatment, and Christian was transferred to the Veterans hospital in Portland Tuesday for further treatment.

According to reports, one motorcycle started to pass the other when it veered slightly knocking both men to the ground. Christian became entangled in his machine and was dragged along the ground.

Lexington Youth Hurt As Car Leaves Road

Ronald Peck, Lexington, was taken to Pioneer Memorial hospital Sunday morning for treatment following an accident between Heppner and Lexington. Peck's car left the road and rolled over.

According to his physician, Peck was treated for severe lacerations and bruises and was released from the hospital Wednesday.

Peck is employed with the Farm Air company, flying out of the Lexington airport. The accident happened about 4:30 in the morning.

Standard Time to Remain for Oregon

Governor Douglas McKay Tuesday decided that Oregon shall remain on Standard time, at least for the present, according to announcements from Salem Wednesday.

The announcement said that though there was a slightly higher percentage of letters requesting the change to daylight time, according to the present law he could not justify the change, which must be made statewide. The statement did, however, leave open the possibility that the change might be made later, should conditions justify it.

Morrow Streams Get Three Loads of Fish

Three truck loads of fish, most of them legal size, were planted in Rhea, Rock and Willow creeks during the past week by the state fish commission.

The fish, ranging in size from 4 to 10 inches, were released well ahead of the opening of the trout season to allow time for them to scatter throughout the streams. Fishing season in this area opens Saturday, May 3.

CANCER FUND HIGH

Mrs. Richard Meador, county chairman for the Cancer Drive, announced this week that \$743.60 had been raised so far in the campaign.

She emphasized that the drive continued through this month and that all additional contributions would be appreciated.

Mrs. Harry O'Donnell left Wednesday for a three weeks visit in California.

Three Highway Bids Awarded in County

The state highway commission early this week awarded contracts for three separate road and highway jobs in Morrow county costing a total of nearly one half million dollars.

The largest contract, calling for 17.56 miles of grading and 20.98 miles of oil mat surfacing of the Lena-Nye Junction section of the Heppner-Pilot Rock highway, was awarded to O. C. Yokum Co., McMinnville on a bid of \$429,005.

Work is to start on this road within a month and it is expected to take a year to finish.

Other bids accepted included that of K. C. Dock, Milton-Freewater for grading and surfacing of 2.31 miles of the Irrigon-Ordinance section of the Irrigon-Ordinance access road, \$50,940; and to Leslie Harris, Pendleton for grading, surfacing and oiling 21 of a mile of Spring street in Lone, \$5,848.

HEPPNER FLOOD RECOUNTED IN NEW STEWART HOLBROOK BOOK 'FAR CORNER'

NEW YORK, Apr. 22—"Disaster in June", describing the flood which destroyed Heppner in 1903, is one of the chapters in Stewart H. Holbrook's "Far Corner: A Personal View of the Pacific Northwest" published Tuesday by The Macmillan Company.

"Heppner's local history naturally divides into two periods; one before, and one after the Flood," Mr. Holbrook says. "Still among living survivors of that tragic day is Leslie Matlock, now a patriarch, pointed out to strangers, and most properly so, as the Heppner Paul Revere, the man who rode out the flood on horseback. It required some persuasion to get him to tell me of the ride, about which he was modest. When walking the streets, however, the old hero is likely to be carrying a gold-headed cane, on the bright, ly burnished head of which is an inscription, dim but still legible: 'Leslie Matlock, Presented by the

People of Lone in grateful remembrance of Heroic Ride during Flood at Heppner, June 14, 1903.' (The late Bruce Kelly got a cane too.)"

In "Far Corner: A Personal View of the Pacific Northwest," Stewart H. Holbrook, author and ex-lumberjack who has lived there for some thirty years, describes the discovery, founding, and growth of his favorite part of America and tells of the people important in its past or outstanding today.

The chapter relating to Heppner lists the names of several old time residents and also credits several persons still living in the area with assistance in obtaining the information around which the chapter is written.

The book will be on sale in Heppner shortly.

Crow, Magpie and Porcupine Contests To Start Friday

Officers of the Morrow county Hunters and Anglers club announced this week its annual crow and magpie contest will be held again with the opening date set for Friday, April 25.

Club officers stated that definite rules and a schedule of points will be announced shortly, but that in all probability they will follow closely those in effect during past years except for the raven contest, in which more points will be allowed.

The Hynd Brothers ranch at Cecil has donated \$25 for prize money and Andersen's Sporting Goods, \$15 in merchandise. A full list of prizes will be announced later.

President L. D. Tibbles stated he hoped more persons in the north end of the county would participate in this year's hunt as they have one of the best hunting areas in the county. Another contest is open to hunters this year.

A new porcupine contest has been added to the list this year, and definite rules in this category will also be announced later. Count, however, will be by noses.

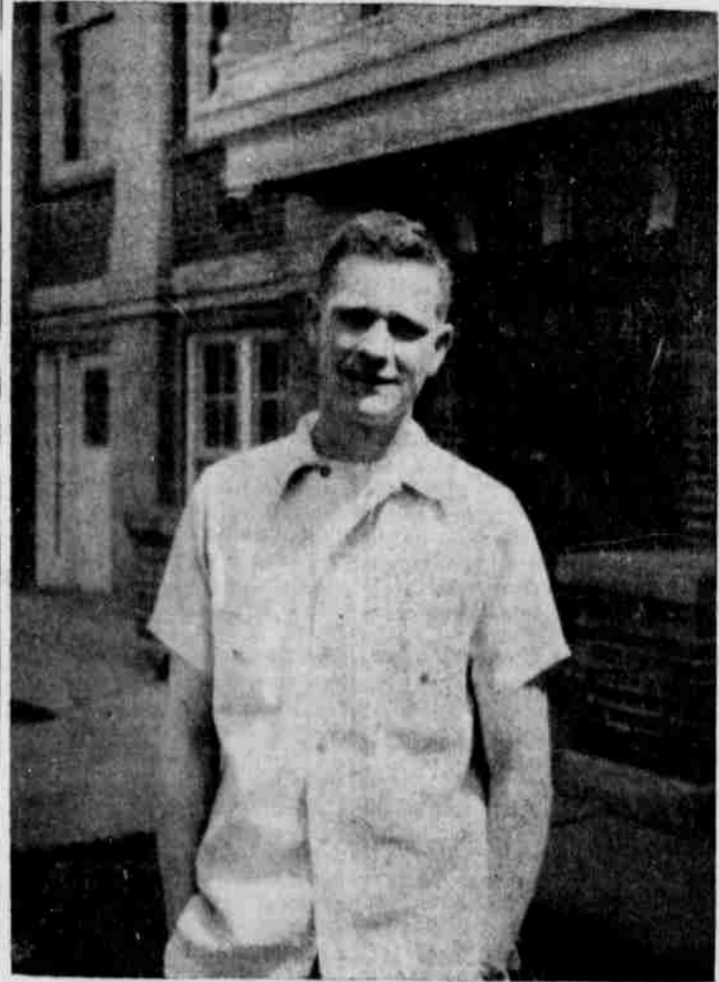
Goods Still Needed For Rummage Sale

Plans were nearing completion this week for the Jaycee-Ette rummage sale to be held at the Pacific Power and Light office in Heppner May 2 and 3.

Though a considerable amount of merchandise has already been donated to the sponsoring group, Mrs. L. E. Dick, chairman, asked that anyone having good clothing, toys, housewares, electrical appliances, books or white elephants to donate call her.

The Heppner cleaners has also offered to clean free of charge any garment needing the service that is donated for the sale. They must be left at the shop by this Saturday.

Jack Sumner Winner of Odd Fellows UN Trip



JACK SUMNER, Heppner high school junior who was chosen last Friday by the Odd Fellows as the winner of a contest to determine that organization's representative on a United Nations Youth Pilgrimage, an expense paid three weeks trip to New York. He was competing against three other high school students, Ronald Currin, Marjorie Pierson and Diane V an Horn.

Friday night, judges chose Jack Sumner, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sumner of Heppner, and Heppner High School junior, as the best of four finalists in the competition for the 21-day expense-paid trip to New York this summer under the sponsorship of Willows Lodge No. 66, I. O. O. F. For his public appearance, Sumner gave excerpts from his essay on "What the United Nations Means to Me."

Sumner will be one of 13 delegates from Oregon who will leave July 5 on the third annual Odd-fellows "United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth." The trip schedule calls for six days in New York for close study of the United Nations in action and interviews with officials of various delegations of foreign member nations, as well as educational and entertainment trips in the area.

The delegation will leave Spokane, Wash., July 5, and go through Canada as far as Winnipeg, down through Duluth, then back to Canada through Ottawa, Montreal and New York. Spots of historical interest and national shrines will be visited on the return trip including Valley Forge, Independence Hall, Mount Vernon, Gettysburg and Washington, D. C.

Runner-up was Ronald Currin, also a junior, who spoke on the formation and need of the United Nations. Other contestants were Miss Marjorie Pierson who gave some of the educational phases of UNESCO and Miss Diane Van Horn who brought forth the idea that peace would be promoted through educating the world's peoples to a better understanding of each other and the problems that confront each nation.

All four addresses were excellent and showed that a great deal of thought and study had been given to the preparation of the essays. Many phases of the United Nations, entirely new to the listening audience, were explained.

Judges for this phase of the contest were Mrs. Oliver Creswick, IFA President; Leslie Grant, Morrow County School Superintendent; and John Ernsdorff, Superintendent of the Pioneer Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, committee member, introduced the candidates.

Upon his return to Heppner, Sumner will be available for public appearances at club or lodge meetings to tell of his trip and experiences in New York.

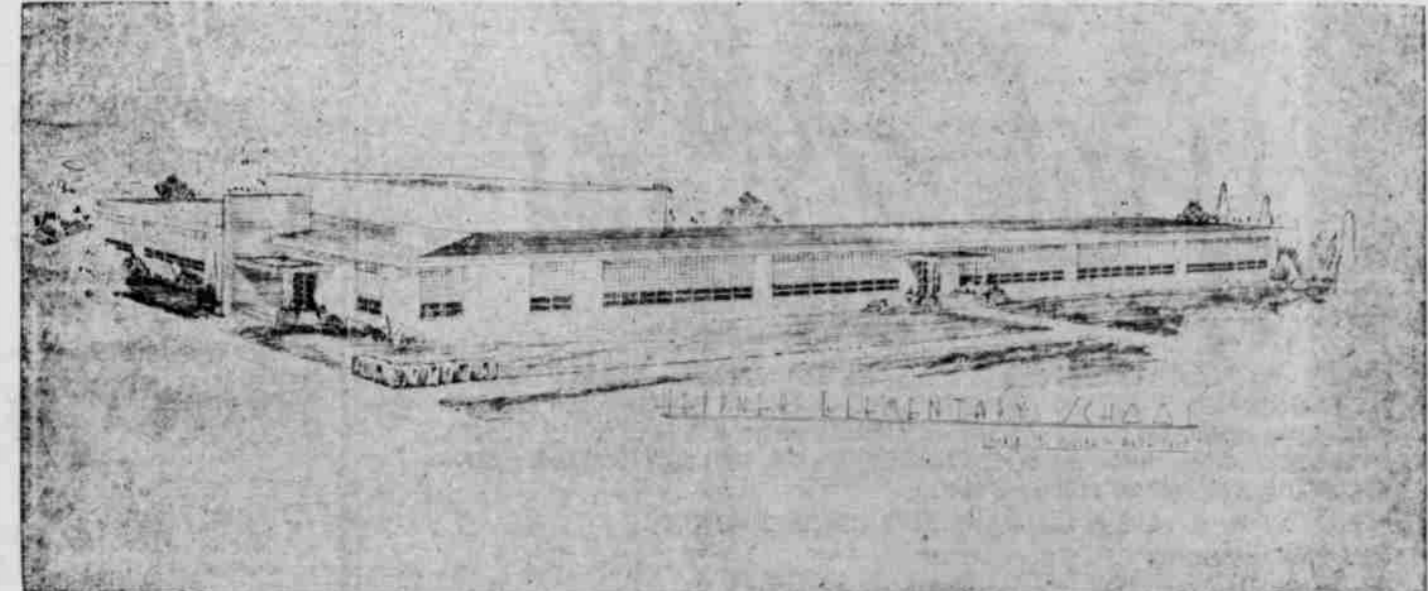
Sumner's prize-winning essay appears elsewhere in this issue of the Gazette Times.

Final Figures Show Registration Gain

Final registration figures tabulated early this week by C. W. Barlow, county clerk showed a slight increase in total registrations over previous years and a decided gain by the Democrats.

The complete count showed a total of 2289 voters had placed their names on the lists. Of this total 1441 were Republican, 826 Democrat and 22 non-partisan, Independent etc.

Though the Republicans hold a commanding lead in the county, the democratic registration showed considerable gain just prior to the deadline April 15.



ONE PLAN for a new Heppner elementary school that is being considered by the school board and the recently appointed 12-person building advisory committee which is trying to aid the board in finding the best solution to the crowded conditions now existing in the Heppner school. Architects estimate of the cost of the building shown above is \$288,000 without equipment. Whether this plan or any part of it will be used, is not yet known, though the committee hopes to be able to offer the board a workable expansion program within a few weeks.

Heppner Musicians Take Honors In La Grande Music Festival

Heppner high school and grade school bands under the direction of Robert Collins last weekend received division I (superior) ratings at the two-day Eastern Oregon Music Festival held at the Eastern Oregon College of Education at La Grande.

The grade school band, which is identical to the high school band except for two members from the higher grades who are dropped when the band is competing in the grade competition, received many compliments from the judges. One judge commented on the complete band, "your community should be proud of you."

In addition to the division I rating received by the bands several individual ensembles received excellent ratings in the competition. A I rating was won by the clarinet quartet consisting of Jay Sumner, Delores Easter, Janet Wright and Jeanne Collins. Jeanne is only in the fourth grade. Also coming out with a I rating was the saxophone quartet composed of Nancy Davis, Frances Slocum, Peggy Wightman and Jay Sumner.

The brass sextet received a II rating, they are Eugene Ruhl, Dave Cox, Jerry Dougherty, Dick Ruhl, Victor Groshens and Ed Brosnan. The clarinet trio which

includes Linda Borman, Delores Easter and Sandra Lanham received a II.

A broken oboe reed caused the woodwind quartet to be rated down to a III but still received many compliments for effort as this difficult instrument's player had taken up the instrument only a week before the festival. This group included Marilyn Munkers, Delores Easter, Linda Borman, Darlene Connor and Diane Grant. The Hermiston high school band won top honors in the class A competition. Other Morrow county schools and their ratings were Lone and Irrigon, II; and Boardman, III. Umatilla received a II rating.