

Ione Ready for July Fourth Celebration

Members of the Ione American Legion this week stated that the plans were complete for the annual July Fourth program presented by that organization at Ione.

Although there will be no parade this year, visitors are assured an interesting program starting at 2:30 with a baseball game on the Ione Memorial field between Ione and Wasco. Both teams still retain top standings in their respective leagues, so a top flight contest is in prospect.

At 9:15 one of the largest fireworks displays ever shown in the county will be presented at the Ione field and this will be followed at 10:00 p. m. with a dance at the Legion hall. Rod Esselstyn and his orchestra have been obtained for the evening.

The Ione celebration will be the only one in the county this year, with nearly all business houses in the area closing for the entire three-day holiday.

Hermiston has also announced a full day of events to be held in the Umatilla county city on the Fourth.

State Making Strong Bid For Tourist Dollar

SALEM—The state's third largest industry, the visitor and travel business, from all indications, promises another record year possibly even larger than last year's record of \$121,000,000, the Travel Information Division, Oregon State Highway Department, announced.

Beginning at \$25,000,000 in 1935, the travel business in Oregon has consistently increased each year through the cooperation of the people of Oregon, chambers of commerce, highway associations and the Travel Information Division.

This year Oregon travel and vacation facilities have been publicized to a total of 88,099,509 magazine and newspaper subscribers. Full page color advertisements have been run in such magazines as Saturday Evening Post, Holiday, National Geographic and Coronet Magazines. In addition many other magazines have published black and white and two color, one and two-column ads telling the Oregon variety-vacation story.

A total of 37,209,706 newspaper subscribers have been invited to take Oregon vacations this year in an advertising campaign stretching from coast to coast. Both the newspapers and magazine advertisements carry coupons asking potential Oregon visitors to send for free information from the Travel Information Division in Salem. These coupons have produced over 85,000 enquiries thus far this season and promise to bring over 10,000 more before the end of the summer.

The Travel Information Division distributed over 90,000 pieces of literature last year to persons wanting Oregon information on everything from climate to dude ranches. Hundreds of these are answered by special letter with specific information on travel and vacation facilities. Thousands more are sent a 32-page four color booklet asks enquirers to write for more specific information after deciding what they want to see and where they want to travel in Oregon.

The Travel Information Division has found that the visitor industry is one in which everyone in Oregon shares—and every dollar that comes to Oregon from out-of-state is above and beyond the normal in-state income. The restaurant man shares by selling more meals, the farmer shares by selling more food to restaurants, the automobile owner shares by obtaining better highways through visitors' gas tax and everyone else shares as the tourist dollar rolls around the state.

Through the continued cooperation of Oregon's visiting hosts—the people themselves—the state's third largest industry even larger returns in the future. Already the Travel Information Division is planning next year's advertising campaign which will invite millions to enjoy the natural wonders of the Beaver State. And next year over a million out-of-state cars will cross Oregon's borders to enjoy the state's modern facilities and vacation pleasures. Hospitable Oregonians will be ready for them.

"No Smoking" Ban Now in Effect in National Forests

All National Forest areas within the Umatilla National Forest have been designated by Regional Forester J. Herbert Stone as areas on which smoking while traveling is prohibited because of the fire danger on and after July 1, 1952 and extending to September 30, 1952.

Camp fire permits are not required on the Umatilla Forest, but is a requirement that camp fires be built in a safe place, cleared of all burnable material, and that they be completely put out before being left even for a short while. Campers are required to have in their possession a shovel, axe and water bucket. All persons using the timbered areas are urged to use care to insure that no fires escape.



HOSPITAL HEAD—Lee Gronemyer who will take over July 15 as administrator at Pioneer Memorial hospital. He replaces John Ernsdorff who has accepted a position at Spokane.

Valby Lutheran To Hold Picnic Sunday

The 24th annual picnic of the Valby Lutheran Sunday school will start at 10 a. m. Sunday, July 6 at the Wightman Blue mountain ranch, Leonard Carlson announced this week.

There will be a potluck dinner at noon and Carlson said there will be plenty of ice cream for all comers. A baseball game is scheduled for 1 o'clock. The public is welcome.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Medical—Joseph Worlein, Kinzua; Elmer H. Scott, Heppner; Mrs. Peggy Lay, Heppner, dismissed; Clark Stephens, Heppner; Henry Schwarz, Heppner, dismissed; W. E. Ward, Heppner; Shari-lyn Mahon, Heppner.

Minor Surgery—John Nelson, Fossil; Dale Schingledecker, Irrigon, dismissed; Ruth Robinson, Lexington, dismissed; Carl Knutson, Condon; Donald Davis, Adams.

Major Surgery—Mrs. Elsie Ayers, Heppner; Mrs. Iona Hammons, Mt. Vernon, dismissed. Out-Patient—James Lay, Heppner.

New Arrivals—To Airman 1C and Mrs. Louis S. Smith, Condon, a 7 lb. 7 oz. girl born June 29, named Elizabeth Arleen.



BETTER DEALER—Latest dealership to be admitted to Pontiac motor company's hall of fame is Farley Motor company, Heppner. Shown is James J. Farley receiving his award, a reproduction of the famous painting of Pontiac, chief of the Ottawas, for whom the car was named. The presentation was made at a recent dinner for the entire staff by C. L. Messecar, manager of Pontiac's Portland zone. Messecar cited Farley Pontiac for the firm's constant efforts to improve its dealership and widen its services. (GT Photo)

Elevators Get First Wheat of Year Tuesday

The first wheat of the 1952 crop was received Tuesday morning at the Lexington elevators of the Morrow county Grain Growers, manager Bill Richards reported. Delvin Nelson, who lives north of Lexington took the honors with the first load. He was followed closely by a load from the Pettyjohn ranch operated by Ellis and Clyde Pettyjohn.

Richards stated the wheat appeared good and that while it was too early yet to get much idea of the yield, Nelson reported his would run fairly heavy.

Harvest was expected to start nearly two weeks ago but heavy rains during the period caused the delay. The moisture has, however, aided materially the quality of the crop.

Richards stated that if the good weather continues considerable additional harvesting will start within the next few days.

The Grain Growers two new elevators, at Ruggs and near Sand Hollow have added nearly one-half million bushels to the organizations storage capacity and will enable it to handle this year's crop easier and faster. The two elevators will be completed shortly.

Jack Sumner Leaves For United Nations

Jack Sumner, Heppner high school senior, will leave Pendleton July 4 for Spokane on the first leg of his United Nations Youth Pilgrimage to New York City.

Sumner, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Sumner, Heppner, won the trip in a contest sponsored by the local L. O. O. F. lodge. He will join other northwest winners in Spokane where the group will leave for the east. They are to arrive in the Eastern city July 13.

Swimming Classes Start Here July 21

Swimming classes for Heppner children will start July 21 at the Heppner pool, Mrs. William Labhart, instructor announced this week.

Mrs. Labhart, who will also give instruction at Condon this summer, stated that classes would start there on July 8 and continue for two weeks. Classes here will continue until August 1.

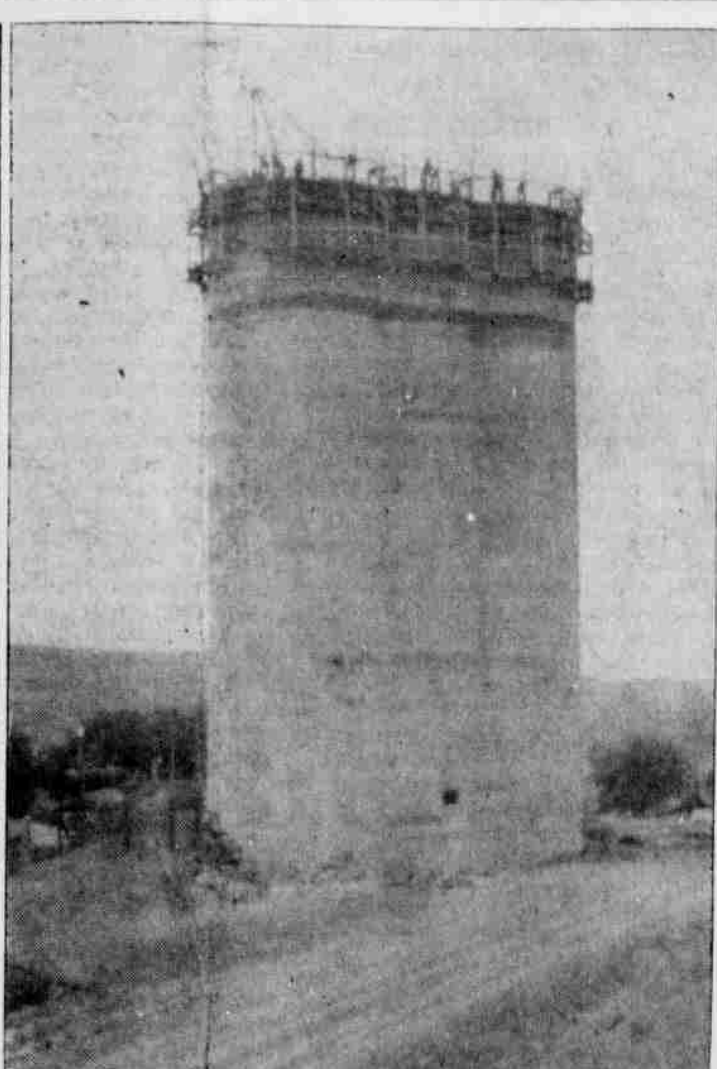
Though instruction will not start until later, the Heppner pool has been open for over two weeks, though bad weather has kept its use to a minimum.

DRAFT BOARD MOVED

The Selective Service Board No. 31 in Condon has moved its office from the City Hall to upstairs in the Butler and Devin building, room 5.

NEW PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones of Rhea Creek are the new parents of a 10 months old daughter. She has been named Marcia Ann. The Jones have one other child, a son Gregory.



GOING UP—Workers are shown nearing the top of the new grain elevator being built by the Morrow County Grain Growers at Ruggs. When completed the cement tubular bins will be 115 feet high and will be topped with a 30 foot headhouse. Capacity is 215,000 bushels. A similar elevator located 11 miles northeast of Lexington, with a slightly greater capacity, 263,000 bushels, is also nearly completed. Both will be ready to accept wheat in the near future. Cost of the two buildings was \$311,000. (GT Photo)

IONE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT APPROVED AT SATURDAY ELECTION

Residents of Ione and vicinity gave their approval to the formation of a Rural fire protection district at a special election held in Ione last Saturday. The vote was 60 in favor and 11 against.

The voters also chose David Rietmann, Norman Nelson, Franklin Lindstrom, Paul Pettyjohn and Earl McCabe as directors for the newly-formed organization.

Fire Guard Training Held at Tupper

Umatilla National Forest fire guard training camp was held last week at Tupper Guard Station on the Heppner Range District.

Forty-three lookouts and smoke chasers were given training in fire detection, smoke chasing and fire suppression. Instructors in this important phase of Forest Service work are the District Rangers and their experienced guards and clerks.

John G. Clouston, fire control assistant, for the Umatilla Forest was in charge of the camp.

Following the training camp the men proceeded to their lookout and guard stations for the summer job of protecting the forest resources from fire.

ATTENDS ASTRONOMICAL CONVENTIONS

T. P. Mahar, Heppner, returned Saturday from Victoria, B. C. where he attended a combined convention of the American Astronomical society and the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. While in that area he spent two days with his son at Vancouver, B. C.

Mahar also attended the Northwest regional meeting of the Astronomical League held at Portland prior to the Victoria meeting. He reported many well-known astronomers from many sections of the United States were present for the meeting.

TO ATTEND REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

Mrs. D. E. Mitchell expects to leave Thursday evening on the Streamliner from Pendleton for Cedar Rapids, Iowa where she will visit her cousin, Mrs. Mildred Bargar. From Cedar Rapids, Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Bargar will continue on to Chicago where they will attend the Republican National Convention, having secured reservations for this in April. If time permits, the ladies plan a motor trip in to the lakes area of Wisconsin. Mrs. Mitchell expects to be away from her duties in the tax department for some two and a half weeks.

Mrs. L. D. Tibbes and Lance and Larry have gone to Maysville, Missouri to visit relatives. They expect to be gone about three weeks.

Mrs. Minnie Vaughan has returned to her home in Portland after a ten days visit at the home of Mrs. Josie Jones.

Rainfall During June Near All-Time Record

The rains came to Morrow county during June—in case you hadn't noticed it!

Leonard Gilliam, Heppner weather observer recorded a total fall of 2.74 inches for the month, a record exceeded only five times since the start of local weather records in 1910. The precipitation for this year far exceeds the 1.03 inches that fell during June last year and nearly equals the

2.82 inches recorded for the same month in 1950. Grand total for the first half of 1952 adds up to 7.98 inches.

The month's heavy and consistent rainfall, though coming too late to bring maximum benefits to wheat crops, nevertheless has added many dollars to the county's crop value by assuring full, heavy kernels that are expected to grade uniformly high. Most ranchers are now expressing the desire for some warm weather to ripen the grain for harvest. Several were reported ready to start cutting last week, but have been delayed until after the Fourth by the dampness.

The Heppner area again received a heavier fall for the month than did other sections of the county with Leonard Carlson, Gooseberry reporting 2.25 inches for June with a total since September 1 of 10.46.

Heaviest rainfall for June was recorded at the Heppner station in 1912 when 3.14 inches fell on the area.

Royal Arch Meet Attracts Many State Visitors

Nearly 60 Royal Arch Masons from the Heppner and other chapters throughout the state attended the fourth annual meeting held Saturday evening at Wightman's Blue mountain ranch above Hardman.

The meeting opened with a steak dinner served by members of the Heppner chapter and was followed by the conferring of the Royal Arch degree upon four candidates. Though the weather appeared threatening during the day, rain held off until the end of the outdoor meeting.

Present for the meeting were 32 visitors including several grand officers. Among the officers were Vernon A. Turpin, Grand High Priest; D. E. Glover, Prineville, Grand Sentinel; Dave Kinnear, Portland, E. H. P.; Morton E. Newton, Ashland, R. E. G. C. and several other past grand officers.

Chapters represented included Prineville, Hood River, Portland, Ashland, Toledo, Corvallis, Beaverton, Pendleton, Canyon City, The Dalles, Umatilla, Brownsville and Georgetown, Ky.

Edith Heffner Services At Boardman

The funeral service of Mrs. Edith Heffner was held from the Boardman Community Church on Saturday June 28th at 2 p. m. with Elder Henry Miller, Hermiston officiating. Music was furnished by members of the Seventh Day Adventist church, Irrigon. Pallbearers were Vernon Partlow, Roy Partlow, Rollo Moore, Ralph Skoubo, Ed Skoubo, and Jack McIntire.

Edith Richardson Heffner was born in Springfield, Ore., May 6, 1910 and came to Boardman with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bert Richardson in 1919, and attended the Boardman public school, and graduating from the high school. Mrs. Heffner had been ill many years and had been confined to bed at the home of her stepfather and mother Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hooper for several weeks, passing away June 25th. Besides her mother she leaves two sisters Mrs. Clifford Christopherson, of Cornelius, Oregon; and Mrs. Bertie Minnie, Boardman.

POLICE CHIEF MARRIED

Charles Gomillion, Heppner chief of police and Mrs. Iris Shafer, Kansas City, Missouri, were married Friday, June 27 at Walla Walla. She drove out from the middle west arriving here June 25.

They will live in the new home Gomillion has just completed on Chase street.

Shelley Baldwin was over from Umatilla to spend the weekend in Heppner visiting friends.

HEPPNER CHURCHES JOIN IN "GOATS FOR KOREA" CAMPAIGN

George Sellwood, Portland representing the Helfers For Relief Committee, was guest speaker at the Christian Church and The Methodist Sunday School Sunday morning speaking in behalf of his organization which has been requested by the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency to send 200,000 hatching eggs, 1000 pigs and 2,000 milk goats to Korea as its initial project. The committee is composed of Portland business men with J. J. Handsaker as executive secretary.

Mr. Sellwood explained that fifty dollars is the cost of one goat or pig delivered at shipside, which includes trucking, feed and care, testing, etc. The Army has given permission to send these supplies into Southern Korea, far from the war zone an incapable personell are prepared to care for them as fast as they arrive.

He reports that over half of the Korean children have tuberculosis and are starving and for that reason goats are preferred for

milking purposes over cows as they do not contract the disease as do cattle. More than 600,000 homes have been destroyed and one village in every five in South Korea has been wiped out.

Helfers for Relief Committee is earnestly seeking the cooperation of all people of goodwill in this effort to help a deserving and heroic people re-establish their homes and provide for the numberless children orphaned by the war.

Sellwood has travelled extensively in Europe and spent some time touring Russia and other countries behind the Iron Curtain. He explained Communism and its place in Bible history and stated that the conditions he had seen in those countries gave him the determination to return to the United States to work for our way of life.

Both the Christian church and the Methodist Sunday school donated money toward the purchase of goats.

Boardman Signs New School Superintendent

Boardman school officials announced this week that Ray G. Anderson, Parkdale, Oregon has signed a contract to become the superintendent of the Boardman schools for the coming year.

Anderson is a graduate of Southwest Missouri college and Oregon State College.

Model Club Elects First Officers

The Model Club met for its second meeting last Friday evening at Anderson's Sporting Goods with newly elected officers taking charge. Several new members were signed up and all interested persons are invited to attend the future meetings.

The new officers of the club are Don Fredrickson, president; Max Gentry, vice president; Bud Peck, secretary; Herb Ekstrom, treasurer; Glenn Walker, Sergeant-at-arms; and George Ferrill, flight engineer.

Plans were made to fly model planes next Sunday if the weather permits. The next meeting will be held Friday, July 11.

Father McCormack Leaves For Ireland

Father Francis McCormack of St. Patrick's Catholic church, of Heppner, left Tuesday by plane from Pendleton for New York and Europe.

Father McCormack will spend a week or so in New York City before flying across to Ireland and England where he will spend the summer. He expects to return around the end of September.

A priest from Hermiston will serve the parish during his absence.

VOTE CANVASSED

The Heppner city council met Friday evening at a special meeting to canvass the vote at the recent special sewer bond election, prior to making a report to the bonding attorneys. The final tally remained the same, 262 favoring the measure with 51 votes against.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, July 7.

Chet Searcy of Beaverton is spending a few days at the home of his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ruggles.