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\$44,050 Allocated to Hospital for Addition

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McCowan Dies From Accident Injuries

Wrecks Cut Power, Injure Riders, Demolish Cars

Archie McCowan, 55, died early Wednesday morning, September 30, at the Pioneer Memorial hospital, from injuries received in a two-car collision at the Heppner Lumber Company Monday morning. McCowan was a passenger in a '53 Buick driven by Max Buschke of Heppner when it was struck broadside by a '53 Ford pick-up driven by Robert M. Carlson of Hermiston.

Buschke was turning off the highway into the lumber yard when his car was struck on the right side by the Carlson pick-up, traveling south. Buschke and McCowan were going to work at the mill. Both drivers escaped unhurt. William Stanley, a young boy riding in the pick-up, suffered minor facial cuts and injuries. Both cars were demolished.

McCowan had worked at the Heppner Lumber Company since April, 1949, coming here from Pilot Rock. He had previously lived near Newman Lake, Idaho. Funeral arrangements are pending while efforts are being made



BATTERED BUICK in which Archie McCowan suffered injuries which caused his death Wednesday. He was riding as a passenger with Max Buschke, owner and driver of the car, when it was struck broadside near the Heppner Lumber Company Monday morning.



POWER POLE left its impression on this new Dodge sedan last weekend when the car went out of control in Lexington. It was driven by William E. Logan of Ione who was not hurt. The impact sheared off the pole and dropped power lines to the ground.

The addition of a 15-bed wing to the Pioneer Memorial hospital was assured this week by the approval of the State Board of Health of a federal grant of \$44,050.00 for hospital construction, County Judge Garnet Barratt reported.

Preliminary drafts for the construction of the new wing have been made already by the architects, Roald Schmeer and Harrington, of Portland. After the expected routine approval of the Federal Public Health Service in San Francisco for the construction, final plans will be drawn to be submitted to the contractors for bids. Completion of final architect's plans will probably take 30 days, Judge Barratt said. The new 15-bed addition will make the Pioneer Hospital a 30-bed general hospital as originally approved by the government.

Present plans call for a bed-size elevator to expedite the handling of food and patients between floors. The original building was constructed with facilities for 30-bed units, but only a 15-bed hospital was built at the time because of insufficient funds. The new grant will bring the hospital to full operating capacity.

Local confirmation of the grant was received by Judge Barratt in a letter from Harold M. Erickson, M. D., secretary of the Oregon State Board of Health from Portland, in which he noted the need for more hospital beds in Heppner.

The grant is made under the Hill-Burton Act which requires approval of the project by the State Board of Health and also that \$2 in local money be raised for each \$1 contributed by the government.

County School Student Increase Most in Heppner

Enrollment in Morrow county schools has jumped from 966 last year to a total of 1,018 this year, according to Leslie Grant, county school superintendent. Of the 52 pupil increase, 46 of this number are enrolled in the Heppner schools.

A breakdown of the figures show 312 pupils in the Heppner grade school and 143 in the high school with an increase of 46 students over last year. At Lexington 74 grade school and 24 high school students are registered a gain of two over last year. Ione has 91 grade and 51 high school pupils, an increase of 10 from last year.

Irrigon has three less students with 129 in the grades and 60 in the high school; Boardman has 90 grade and 36 high school students a drop of one pupil. The Hardman elementary school has eight students compared with 10 last year.

Immunization, T. B., maternal and school health programs are among the activities included in the 1952-53 public health program in Morrow county. Miss Martha Tapanainen, county health nurse, stated in terminating her work here the end of the month. Miss Tapanainen left this week for Klamath Falls where she will be a public health nurse in charge of a nursing district in Klamath county.

In reviewing the year's work here Miss Tapanainen said completed immunizations for smallpox, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and typhoid were 25 per cent over 1952.

TB has increased in the county during the past two years, Miss Tapanainen said. In the fall of 1951 there were three active cases which increased to 8 cases for hospitalization. Four of these cases are now discharged.

Speech and crippled children's clinics, a hearing testing program and the school program have proven valuable during the past year, she said. She expressed appreciation for the support and cooperation given the public health program by county communities, organizations and individuals.

Miss Tapanainen Goes To Klamath County

Confirmation classes are being held every Sunday at 8:00 p. m. in All Saints Episcopal church, from now until Oct. 23 when Rt. Rev. Lane Barton will be here for Confirmation service.

This Sunday evening Oct. 4, every detail of the Holy Communion service will be explained and illustrated. All persons interested are welcome.

COX CHARGED WITH UNLAWFUL VENISON

William D. Cox of Camp 5 was found guilty of unlawful possession of venison at a jury trial held in Justice court at Fossil September 28 before Justice Beulah A. Johnson.

The defendant was released on bail when his attorney, Roy Kilpatrick of John Day, appealed the case to the Circuit court. No date was set for the new trial. Robert Abrams was attorney for the state. Cox was arrested by state police.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Reiman of Corvallis visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Barratt and her nephew, Bill Barratt and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Case and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nikander were in Seaside over the weekend attending the wedding of Case's brother, Harold Case. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Evans formerly of Heppner.

Graveside Services For Robert Taylor To Be Here Monday

Graveside services for Robert Taylor, 27, will be held Monday, October 5, at 10 a. m. at the Heppner Masonic cemetery with Rev. Willis Geyer officiating. His body will lie in state at the Assembly of God church from 8:00 a. m. to 9:45 a. m. preceding the service.

Mr. Taylor passed away September 28 following an operation in Coeur d'Alene, Ida. and funeral services will be held there Sat. He was born November 17, 1925 in this area, the son of Ray M. and Lois E. Taylor of Heppner.

Mr. Taylor attended the Heppner schools and in 1946 was married to Georgia Pickering. In 1948 he moved to Coeur d'Alene where he resided until his death. Mr. Taylor is survived by his wife, four sons; Melvin Ray, Calvin Gay, Sidney Lee, and Donald Ted; his parents, and four brothers; Ralph L., Roland D., and Russell B. of Heppner and Roy M. stationed at Port Hueneme, California.

Services will be held at 10 a. m. Friday at Phelps Funeral Home chapel with graveside rites at Heppner Masonic cemetery under the direction of the American Legion. Rev. Lester D. Boulden will officiate.

Church Conference For Oregon Slated At OSC Oct. 12-15

A state-wide program to strengthen religious leadership in Oregon's rural communities will be outlined for ministers, educators and farm leaders at a public meeting of the Oregon Town and Country Church conference at Oregon State college, October 12 to 15.

This year's conference is built around the need for keeping pace with the changing rural community, according to Mrs. Mabel Maek, assistant extension director and general chairman of the conference.

Changes brought on by consolidation of schools, growth of part-time farming, migrant workers and modern farming including new economic trends are among topics which will be discussed by leaders in all phases of rural living.

The inter-denominational conference is sponsored jointly by church and farm groups and Oregon State college. Community Grange, Farm Bureau, and Farmers Union groups and county extension offices are among those cooperating to enrich spiritual life in Oregon communities.

Governor Paul Patterson will address the evening banquet October 13. Other speakers for the four-day conference include Rev. Dean Collins, San Francisco, western supervisor of migrant work for the National Council of Churches; Rt. Rev. Benjamin D. Dagwell, Bishop, Diocese of Oregon, Episcopal church; and Dr. James Millar, Portland, director and lecturer for the Good Citizenship Foundation.

Dr. Paul Landis, nationally-known rural sociologist at Washington State college, will keynote the conference with "The Changing Rural Community". Dr. G. Burton Wood, member of Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson's advisory committee and head of the department of agricultural economics at Oregon State college, will trace the impact of changing economic trends on rural communities.

Complete conference programs and housing information are available locally from churches, Granges, Farm Bureau and Farmers Union centers and county extension offices.

Mrs. Olive Hughes left Tuesday for Tillamook to attend an assessor's convention.

Large Number Of Hunters Expected For Deer Season

Red-hatted hunters will flock to the hills this weekend to open the 1953 deer season which begins Saturday, October 3, and runs to October 16. Except for a few, critical hazard areas in the national forests, all public lands will be open for hunting.

In this area a large number of privately owned acres will be posted, largely in protest to the special doe season. Last season 125,000 acres of private land was posted.

The Umatilla National forest, with the exception of the Mill Creek watershed, will be open to hunting, according to C. N. Rector, forest supervisor.

Although campfire permits are not required in the Umatilla Forest, hunters are urged to use every precaution with their camp fires and smoking. No warming fires will be permitted away from established camps as the forest is thinly manned this time of year and the forest has dried out since the last rain.

State foresters said that fire fighting equipment such as an axe, shovel, and water bucket may be required for campers. If weather conditions become more critical, some areas may not be entered.

Permission to hunt should be obtained from the land owners on private areas which have been fenced, posted, or regulated by locked or patrolled gates, it was pointed out.

State police stressed the need of respecting the rights of the landowner.

Brannon and Osmin Sentenced in Court

Sentences for illegal possession and distribution of alcoholic liquor were put on James H. Brannon and Leo Osmin in Justice court recently.

Both men were arrested September 6. Brannon entered a plea of guilty to a charge of unlawfully possessing intoxicating liquor in Justice court on September 22. A 60-day jail sentence was suspended on payment of \$79.50 fine and costs.

Leo Osmin, charged with giving alcoholic liquor to an interdicted person, first entered a plea of not guilty and then reversed it at a jury trial held Tuesday in Justice court. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail and \$259.50 in fine and costs.

P. T. A. OFFICERS ATTEND MEET

Fred Martin, president, and Mrs. Alfred Nelson, vice president of the Ione P. T. A.; Mrs. Melvin Bates and Mrs. Oral Wright of the Lexington P. T. A. and Earl L. Soward, president of the Heppner P. T. A. attended a school of instruction and regional meeting of the organization in Hermiston Monday. State officers were in charge of the school.

YZAGUIRRE BABY DIES

Graveside services for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Yzaguirre of Ordinance were conducted by Catholic fathers from Hermiston Wednesday morning at the Heppner Masonic cemetery. The baby, christened Minerba, was born September 29 and lived only a few minutes.

Longtime Resident E. J. Merrill Dies

Funeral services for Edward Jay Merrill, 79, will be held Friday, October 2, at 2 p. m. at the Phelps Funeral chapel with the Rev. Edwin Derrick officiating. Mr. Merrill died September 30 at the Pioneer Memorial hospital where he had been a patient for the past two months.

Mr. Merrill was born July 28, 1874 in Arrington, Kansas, the son of Thomas and Evadora Merrill. He lived in the Heppner vicinity for the past 65 years.

Surviving are his widow, Coramae; three daughters, Mrs. Stanley Robinson of Kinzua, Mrs. R. G. Rogers, Hermiston and Mrs. P. B. Bleakman, Missoula, Mont.; two sisters, Mrs. Viola DeVore of Roseburg and Mrs. Albert Emery of Monument, and three brothers, M. C. Merrill of Eugene, Harvey H. Merrill, The Dalles, and A. T. Merrill, Hermiston.

Interment will be in the Morgan I. O. O. F. cemetery with Phelps Funeral home in charge.

4-H Club Reporters To Hear Specialist

4-H Club news reporters will have a meeting on news writing, Saturday, October 10, at the club house, fairgrounds, Heppner. Miss June Goetze, Information Specialist, Oregon State College, will assist 4-H club reporters with news writing problems.

Youth groups, other than 4-H club, are encouraged to send reporters to the news writing meeting. News writing is a good way for reporters to share ideas with everyone.

Miss Goetze will discuss what is news; what to put in a story, and how to write a story according to county agents Maud C. Casswell and N. C. Anderson.

4-H reporters that have been active during the year are: Charlene Jones, Lexington; Doris Morris; Connie Anderson; Joan Brosnan; Ann Bell Coleman, Ione; Diane Grant; Janice Beamer; Ida Sue Stratton; Janice Martin; Helen Winters, Lexington; Bonnie Crum, Ione; Helen Graham; Jack Crum, Ione; Patricia Peck; Mardine Baker, Ione; Janet Wright; Carlene Rhea, Echo; Eddie Brosnan; Wayne Ball, Ione; Grace McCabe, Ione.

Heppner FFA Team Wins Third at Show

The Heppner F. F. A. Livestock Judging team consisting of Ronald Currin, Jack Monagle, Jim Wightman and Stephen Green, placed third at the Umatilla Junior Livestock show held at Pendleton last Saturday.

Eight teams were in competition. Elgin won first, Enterprise, second; Heppner, third; Mac-Hi, fourth, and Pendleton, fifth.

CHARLES BARLOW IMPROVING

The condition of Charles Barlow, county clerk, is slightly improved although he is still unable to talk. Mrs. Barlow and their daughter, Mrs. Cecil R. Warner of Eugene, are both at Walla Walla where he is hospitalized.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blake, son Darrell and granddaughter Beverly Blake, spent the weekend in Redmond.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Rippee were Mrs. John Hiatt and Mrs. Charles Hodge and son John, of Kennewick, Washington, formerly of Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hill of Pendleton, former Heppner residents were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Meador.

Services For Otto Lindstrom To Be Held on Saturday

Funeral services for Otto Lindstrom, 80, will be held at the Community church at Ione on Saturday, October 3, with the Rev. A. Shirley officiating.

Mr. Lindstrom was a pioneer resident of Morrow county and Ione community, coming here in 1895. He passed away September 30 at the Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Interment will be in the Morgan I. O. O. F. cemetery with Phelps Funeral home in charge.

Leaders to Meet At Christian Church

Heppner Christian Church has been chosen as one of the Oregon congregations that will have a visitation team of state and national workers call upon them. The general meeting will be Oct. 5th at 6:30 p. m. with a pot-luck supper. Conferences with local church leaders and officers will be held Tuesday morning. The visiting team will consist of Mr. Oscar Cooper, field representative for Northwestern Christian Home, Beaverton, Ore.; Walter Lantz, Portland, Director of Christian Education for Oregon Christian churches and Mrs. Ward Rice, Eugene, President of Christian Church Women's work.

The purpose of the visitation is to afford an opportunity for a presentation to the congregation plans and objectives of a long range program. There will be more than one thousand churches throughout the United States that will receive help and encouragement for such teams this fiscal year of 1953-54.

Extension Units to Start Activities

The Morrow County Home Extension Units begin this year's program by studying textiles; new types of fabric. The use and care will be a part of the discussion and study.

Ione Extension Unit will meet at the Community Church on Thursday, October 1, at 1:30 p. m. Heppner Unit will meet at the home of Mrs. William Heath on Tuesday, October 6, 1:30 p. m. Rhea Creek Unit will meet at 11 a. m., October 7th at the Claud White farm, and the Lexington Unit will meet at the home of Mrs. Myles Martin in Heppner on Friday, October 9 at 1:30 p. m.

ELKS TO HOLD HUNTERS NIGHT

The Elks club will hold a special "Hunter's Night" in connection with their regular meeting and Ladies Night this Thursday evening. Cards, refreshments and prizes of hunting equipment are scheduled.

WOMEN'S CHORAL GROUP TO MEET

The first fall meeting of the Heppner Women's Choral group will be held Monday October 5 at 7:30 p. m. in the music room of the high school.

All members and any person interested are cordially invited to attend.

NURSERY TO OPEN AT IONE

The Nursery school at Ione will open Tuesday, October 6, at 10 a. m. in the Community church basement. All children from three to school age are eligible to attend. Mothers of the youngsters will rotate turns in taking charge of the group. Regular hours will be from 9:30 to 11:30 a. m.

McCOWAN SERVICES SET FOR FRIDAY

Arrangements were completed Thursday for funeral services for Archibald P. McCowan, who died Wednesday from injuries suffered in an accident Monday morning.

Services will be held at 10 a. m. Friday at Phelps Funeral Home chapel with graveside rites at Heppner Masonic cemetery under the direction of the American Legion. Rev. Lester D. Boulden will officiate.

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Three other separate auto accidents over the weekend brought hospitalization to Adrian Carmine of Condon, minor injuries to others, cut power service at Lexington, and completely demolished all the cars involved.

First in the series of wrecks occurred Saturday night about 8 o'clock when a '50 Ford, owned and driven by Robert Oudit of Pendleton, rolled over three times near the Morrow County Grain Growers elevator on the Lexington-Echo highway. Oudit, about 19, was accompanied by another youth who caught a ride back to Pendleton. Oudit was brought to Lexington by James Doherty.

Both boys escaped injury in the accident which was blamed on a flat tire. Investigating officers, Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman and Chief of Police Roscoe Kelly reported the car a complete loss.

About 1:30 a. m. Sunday morning William E. Logan of Ione lost control of his car in the gravel when blinded by lights on the curve entering Lexington from the south. His car, a '53 Dodge, was completely wrecked when it sheared off an electric light pole. Logan, shaken from the impact, was the only person involved.

A Pacific Light and Power company crew was called to remove the pole which fell halfway across the highway, loosening hot wires to about three feet of the ground. Electric service was restored in about four hours and the pole replaced on Sunday.

State Police officer William Labhart was called to the scene and was joined later by officers Bauman and Kelly returning from the Oudit accident. One way traffic was necessary for a few hours.

Adrian Carmine of Condon was brought to the Pioneer hospital Sunday morning by the Condon ambulance with three broken vertebrae suffered when his pickup turned over near Hay Creek in Gilliam county.

Carmine, operator of the Marshall-Wells store in Condon, had started on a steelhead fishing trip on the John Day river, accompanied by his father, when the accident occurred. The elder Mr. Carmine was shaken but not seriously hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Fanche and children have returned to Heppner after a weeks vacation at Portland and Cannon Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. McDon Bonta and children Don and Carmen, left Sunday for Troutdale, Oregon where Bonta is employed.

Hermiston Cattle Volume Jumps

HERMISTON—Pat Cassidy of Boardman topped the sow market at the Hermiston Livestock Auction Friday, with a sow weighing 345 lbs., selling for \$23.70 cwt.; Delbert Anson, manager of the sale, reports.

Consignments were up sharply at the sale. The 712 cattle, 133 hogs, and 467 sheep compared with 422, 104 and 403 the previous Friday and constituted the biggest sale since Nov. 7, 1952, when 743 cattle, 148 hogs and 97 sheep were consigned.

Demand was very good at the nine hour sale and bidding was highly competitive. Average to above average quality was noted. Anson cited the end of rodeo season, the approach of the hunting season and the desire of farmers to clean out their stock to be free for hunting as reasons for the big jump in volume.

Sheep were generally stronger at the semi-weekly sheep sale Friday, with a consignment of 42 ewes from Walt Adams, Athena, bringing a good price of \$15.50 per head from a farmer buyer. Lambs were steady at 14-15c per lb.

Good prices were received on a consignment of 49 head of registered Hereford breeding cattle from E. N. Boylen, Stanfield, and Lester King, Helix, the top bull bringing \$305 a head and the top pair of cow and calf bringing a combined \$300.

Cattle prices were generally steady but light veal was down two dollars to a \$17.50 top in line with Portland and Spokane. Heavy calves were steady at \$14.50 to \$15.50. Hogs brought a higher top of \$26.80 cwt. and sows were higher at \$21.90 to \$23.70.

Many farmer buyers were present Friday, as were feeders and packers, including a new comer, Evergreen Packing Co., Vancouver, Washington.

A continuing demand for feeder steers is going unmet, and Anson reports out of state garbage feeders will be looking for feeder pigs Friday.

Calves—Baby calves 6.00-17.00 hd.; weaner calves 13.50-15.00 cwt.; feeder calves 12.50-14.50; veal 15.50-17.50.

Steers—Stocker steers 12.70-14.10; feeder steers 14.50-15.80; fat slaughter steers 16.25-18.60; fat heifers 13.50-14.75.

Cows—Dairy cows 125.00-187.50 dh.; dairy heifers 31.00-58.00 hd; fat dairy steers 12.50-14.00 cwt.

Slaughter Cows—Commercial 9.90-11.00 cwt; utility 8.75-9.80; canner-cutter 7.50-9.80; shells 4.50-6.00.

Bulls—12.50-13.20 cwt. Hogs—Weaner pigs 11.00-13.25 cwt.; feeder pigs 25.50-27.60; fat hogs 25.85-26.80; sows 21.90-23.70; heavy boars 5.50-6.90.

Sheep—Feeder lambs 12.50-14.00 cwt; fat lambs 14.00-15.50; ewes 7.00-15.50 hd; bucks 3.50-5.50 cwt.

CARD PARTY PLANNED

The annual Soroptimist card party will be held Monday, October 26 in the basement of the Catholic church.

The proceeds from this party are used to defray the expenses of the teenage hayride held every year at Halloween.

LOGGERS SALVAGING TIMBER

Loggers from Bend are salvaging leftover timber in the forest area above Hardman, according to reports. Six or eight families are trying to find living accommodations in Heppner as the operations are expected to last for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bucknum have returned from a trip to Montana.