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J. O. Turner Resigns Mayor's Job After Nine Years in Office



TO GIVE UP DUTIES—Mayor J. O. Turner, photographed while he recently signed a proclamation, turned in his resignation as city head at last Monday's council meeting.

Though the Heppner city council finished up a big job Monday night by OKing the final payments for its recently completed quarter million dollar sewer system and disposal plant, its members ran into another problem when it received the resignation of mayor J. O. Turner.

Turner, in a prepared statement which he read to the council, stated that he felt he had served the city as mayor for as long as any one man should, and now that the sewer construction problems were behind the council, along with many others handled by the group during the past years, including streets, water supply, police etc., he wished to be relieved of his duties. He asked that his resignation take effect not later than January 1, 1954. He also said that he had indicated last fall, when he agreed to run for another term, that if reelected he probably would hold the office only until the sewer system was completed and in operation.

Turner will have held the mayor's job for nine years at the end of this year, having been elected in 1940 and acting as city head until 1946. He was elected again in 1950 and reelected for another two-year term in 1952. Conley Lanham served in the interim four-year period.

Members of the council expressed regret at Turner's action, but were expected to face the task of appointing someone to fill the unexpired term. The position can be filled either by an appointment by the council of a member from its own group and another appointment to fill the vacant council spot, or it may appoint some non-council member to the position.

The group at its Monday night meeting made arrangements for final payments to contractors and engineers for the sewer system and disposal plant, which is now completed and in operation. A recent examination of the project disclosed that final cleanup work had been completed by the contractors and satisfaction was expressed with the job.

Culvert Plan Eyed
The council heard a request from James Lynch that he be allowed to culvert a section of Hinton creek which flows through his property on Elder street and that the culvert and creek channel then be covered over to protect adjacent buildings and land from erosion. The request suggested that a 6 foot tile be used.

The council discussed the request at length as to whether a culvert could handle the creek water in case of flood or heavy runoff before it was turned over to the committee for investigation.

The council also approved the license renewal requests for a beer license by Bucknum's Tavern, and a liquor-by-the-drink license for Cal's Tavern.

Location Changed for Jay Cee-ette Benefit Rummage Sale
The Jay Cee-ette rummage sale will be held this Friday and Saturday, but at Rosewall Motor company rather than at the location previously announced because that building is being remodeled for a new tenant. Hours are from 9 to 6 each day.

Committee members state that the largest and most worthwhile assortment of clothing ever assembled for one of their sales has been cleaned by the Heppner Cleaners. Included are a number of maternity clothes, coats, men's suits, women's and children's clothing of all types. Shoes, hats, purses, lampshades, bedspreads, bicycle, a small mimeograph machine and books are among other articles to be sold.

Proceeds help finance the Jay Cee-ette Kindergarten. Unsold clothing is held over until the next sale in some cases and the balance is donated to a church group for missionary use. Cotton and wool rags are available at low prices, it was said.

Many Expected For Taxpayer's Meet

Governor to Open Tuesday Sessions at 10 a. m.



GOVERNOR Paul L. Patterson

Gov. Patterson To Speak Here at Monday Banquet

Governor Paul L. Patterson will speak Monday evening at a special banquet in his honor given by the Heppner-Morrow county chamber of commerce. The dinner will be held at the American Legion hall and is open to the public.

The Governor's talk will be non-political in nature, and though the exact subject is not known, it is expected that he will discuss important problems in the state government.

The special dinner was arranged when it became known that Governor and Mrs. Patterson were planning a short trip into this section of the state. He will arrive in Heppner Monday afternoon, stay over here that night and speak to a general assembly at the Heppner high school early Tuesday morning and then open the county taxpayers meeting at the high school auditorium at 10 o'clock that morning. He is scheduled to visit Condon for a 12:30 luncheon engagement and then travel to The Dalles that evening. This will be Gov. Patterson's first trip into Morrow and Gilliam counties since taking over office as the state's head.

Chamber president Robert Penland said early this week that many visitors are expected here for the dinner and indicated that ticket sales were moving rapidly. Only 200 tickets are available, the capacity of the hall, and he urged county citizens to purchase theirs early to avoid disappointment. They may be obtained at Heppner Red and White store, Turner, Van Marter and Bryant and Mary Van's Flower Shop in Heppner and also in Lexington, Ione and Boardman. The price is \$2.00 a plate and the banquet is scheduled to start at 7 p. m.

4-H Achievement Parties Planned for Coming Weekend
Plans have all been completed for the annual 4-H Achievement Day parties which will be held this year on November 6 and 7. The 4-H club members in the Ione, Lexington and Heppner communities will hold their party at the fair pavilion in Heppner, November 6, with the North Morrow 4-H Club members hold theirs at the Irrigon school on the 7th.

The Heppner Achievement party will begin at 6:30 p. m. with a potluck supper, while the party at Irrigon will begin at 8 p. m. These parties are scheduled to give recognition to 4-H club members and leaders who have completed projects successfully during the past club year. Everyone interested in this youth organization is welcome to attend these parties.

During the evening pins, cards and certificates of recognition will be presented and a recreation program has been planned for all. Several films will be shown during the evening, while games and folk dancing will be under the supervision of the recreation committees.

GRADUATES FROM JUMPING SCHOOL
Cpl. Wayne R. Wilson, son of Mrs. Harold Caster of Heppner, graduated Sept. 26 from division Jumpmaster course at Ft. Bragg, N. C. His graduation came two years to the day from the time of his enlistment. He is serving with the 82nd Airborne Division.

Jack K. Estberg Dies at Los Angeles
Jack K. Estberg, 41, passed away very suddenly at his home in Los Angeles on October 24, 1953.

He was born September 25, 1912 at Oregon City.
Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien conducted the services from Finley Funeral Home in Portland and interment was at the Mt. View cemetery at Oregon City.
He is survived by his wife Betty; two children, Steven and Peggy; his father, A. J. Estberg, Portland; two sisters, Ida of Portland and Mrs. A. R. Cason of Lonerock.
Mrs. Estberg has returned to Los Angeles where she will attend college. The children are staying with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cason of Heppner.

Local Residents Not Effected by Milk Price Raise

Residents of Heppner, Lexington, Ione and Arlington will continue to pay the present price of 24 cents per quart for milk from one dairy serving the area, it was announced Wednesday. An announcement from Pendleton last weekend had said that residents of Morrow and Umatilla counties would pay more for their milk as a result of a wage increase obtained for dairy employees by the Teamster's union.

James Hager operator of Hager's dairy in Heppner, who serves as distributor of Damsco milk to customers in Heppner, Lexington, Ione and Arlington, said that they were pleased to announce that there would be no increase in the milk price in this area, North Morrow county, which is served by the Dairy Co-op in Hermiston, will feel the effects of the increase.

The local price of 24 cents per quart is the minimum price set for this area by the Milk Marketing Administration for 3.8 percent milk which is being sold by Hagers. Residents of Umatilla and North Morrow counties had been paying 23 cents before the increase and it is understood that this price has been for 3.5 percent milk.

Dairy Coop does now serve the Willow creek valley area.

Heppner Boy Hurt By Hit-Run Driver Halloween Night

Larry, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anderson of Heppner is a little stiff and sore and has a couple of big bumps on his head as the result of being struck down by a hit-and-run driver last Saturday night, but his parents feel he is a lucky boy to have no other injuries.

Larry, his three-year-old sister, and his dad were walking up Elder street near the school doing a little trick-or-treating when a car drove up beside them and stopped. Anderson talked with the driver for a moment, jokingly asking for a trick or a treat for the children. As the boy let go of his father's hand and ran in front of the car, the driver started up and ran the boy down. His slight injuries were credited to the fact that no wheels passed over his body.

Anderson said the car contained 5 boys and he guessed the age of the driver at about 19 years. He said he did not get the license number of the car as he was too interested in the child. He did give the police a good description of the car and the driver. He also said he was certain the passengers in the car knew of the accident, as he remembered seeing one or more of them in the back seat turn around and watch him go to the boy.

Legion to Observe Armistice Day

The Heppner post of the American Legion will hold its annual Armistice Day celebration next Wednesday afternoon and evening, post officers announced this week.

The post will hold open house from 5 to 7 in the afternoon and 8 to 10 p. m. There will also be a potluck banquet at 7 o'clock and dancing from 10 until 2 a. m. Music will be furnished by Gene Rietmann's orchestra from Ione. The celebration will be held at the Legion hall.

STORES TO CLOSE FOR ARMISTICE DAY

The merchants committee of the chamber of commerce said Wednesday that it is recommending that all Heppner stores close for the Armistice Day holiday, Wednesday, Nov. 11, as has been the practice during past years.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING POSTPONED

The regular meeting of the board of school district No. 1 has been postponed from Monday until next Tuesday evening, superintendent H. C. Reed said this week. The change was made to avoid conflict with the dinner for Gov. Patterson.

Mrs. Charles Becket, Mrs. Robert Anderson and Mrs. H. W. Elgin were visiting in Pendleton last week.

WE'RE ON THE "BUCKWAGON" TOO—

DON'T MISS THE FUN! JOIN IN THE GAZETTE TIMES \$\$\$ GIVEAWAY

The first of the week, as most of our readers know, a certain metropolitan daily paper started trying to give away money for dollar bills. Also, as is well known too, that paper's contemporary publication in the same town, climbed on a bandwagon the next day by publishing the numbers of the lucky bucks just for the benefit of its readers, though it wasn't supplying any of the dough. Not to be outdone by any

of the slightly larger sheets, the Gazette Times this week is starting its own give-away. Here's how it works:
Got a buck?
Look at the number!
If it is
J 94399714 1/2 F
Bring it to the Gazette Times office before 5:00 p. m. Tuesday, Nov. 10. We will give you four bits in cold hard cash for it.
That's all the darn thing is worth anyway.

Edward E. Rugg, Former Local Rancher Dies at Portland

Funeral services for Edward E. Rugg, 73, for many years a farmer in the Rhea Creek area, and the man for whom Ruggs community was named, will be held Friday, Nov. 6 at the Ross Hollywood Chapel in Portland. He passed away Nov. 3 at Providence hospital in Portland.

Mr. Rugg was born Jan. 5, 1880 in Mason City, Iowa and later moved to this area. He farmed in Morrow county until about six years ago, when he moved to Oregon City.

Surviving are his wife, Maud; two sons, Anson of Walla Walla and Alfred of Portland; one daughter, Mrs. Frances Brown, Hermiston; five grandchildren and two brothers.

Interment will be at the Canby city cemetery.

Ecuador IFYE Student Tells C of C of Life In Home Country

Chamber of commerce members Monday heard Renan Artega, International Farm Youth Exchange delegate from Ecuador who is currently staying on the Markham Baker ranch near Ione, tell how he was surprised at the many things the average American family has as compared to families in Ecuador.

Artega, who has previously spent some time in Mississippi attending school, referred to the conveniences in the American homes. He also said that his country hasn't yet been developed to any degree even close to the way America has. He added that few farmers in Ecuador have tractors or power equipment, that nearly all farm work there is hand labor.

Artega, who will remain on the Baker farm for another two weeks is the fourth IFYE delegate to visit this area within the past several weeks.

MISSIONARY MEETING

The Union Missionary Society will meet at the Methodist church Saturday at 2 p. m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Randall Crawford, returned Chilean missionary.

'Save the Kids' Campaign Asks Financial Help From Public

Do you want to help make Heppner's streets safer for school children? Your dimes and dollars can play a big part. Here's how...

For the past several weeks the Heppner-Morrow county chamber of commerce, the Soroptimist club and other organizations and individuals have been trying to work out a plan to purchase school crosswalk warning blinker signs or overhead blinker lights to install above or on some of the most dangerous school crossings in the city. Money for this worthwhile project was not available from the treasuries of these organizations, so it was decided to ask the help of the general public in raising the necessary money.

Last Monday, at the C of C meeting the ball started rolling when Orville Smith told that group that the Heppner Lumber Company would donate one complete blinker sign, or light, of whatever type a committee might select as most desirable. One light is a big start, and it will be placed at the crosswalk near the Tum-A-Lum Lumber company on Main Street, which is classified as the most dangerous. To do the job right, others are needed though, at the court house corner and other dangerous intersections.

Other donations have been offered too, but the organizations indicated that the help of the general public is needed complete the child-saving installations.

Farm Leader to Speak at Grain Growers Meeting

H. D. Rolph, Vice-president of the National Farmers Union, will be one of the speakers at the annual meeting of the Morrow County Grain Growers in Ione on November 9th.

Mr. Rolph comes from Portland, but for a number of years was an extensive wheat grower in Montana, his native state. Before becoming an official of the National Farmers Union, Rolph served ten terms in the Montana house of representatives and was speaker of the house during his last term.

The farm organization official has made a special study of farm problems for a great many years, and will, no doubt, have something of vital interest on current farm outlooks to pass on to his audience, as well as words of advice on cooperative marketing methods.

The Grain Growers meeting will begin at 10:00 a. m. in the Ione Grange hall, with a discussion of the annual report and the election of directors for the coming year one of the main events of the meeting. Lunch will be served free at noon.

TRICK OR TREAT PLAN STILL WORKING

Campfire Girls expressed thanks to the many persons who helped them gather quilting supplies, yarn, etc., last Halloween night in their novel trick-or-treat plan, but this week asked that anyone whom they missed, and who has a donation for them, to call 6-9906.

The girls made a very sizeable collection, but have heard numerous reports that there were others who wished them to come and pick up donations.

FORMER HEPPNER DENTIST PASSES

Word was received in Heppner Wednesday evening that Dr. Eugene Allen Vaughan had passed away that day in Portland. He was at one time a dentist practicing here.

Line Break Brings Cold Breakfasts

A broken power line near the Columbia Basin Electric substation at Butter Creek junction early Wednesday morning darkened most of Morrow county, all of Gilliam and parts of Wheeler counties for periods up to 4 hours and 35 minutes. Both REA and Pacific Power and Light company customers were effected.

The break, called a freak by power officials, occurred shortly after 1 a. m., but did not kick out relays as it should, merely single-phasing the entire distribution system, lowering voltage and cycles. The line was isolated and power cut off at 3:45 a. m. until 8:20 to allow repairs.

All subscribers to REA lines were without power for the entire period, Columbia Basin officials said, and all P&L customers in Heppner, Lexington, Ione, Arlington, Condon and Fossil were out for part of the time. Pacific Power was able to pick up part of the Gilliam and Wheeler county load through another feeder line after a short period, but was unable to get local users back on until 8:20. The company normally can pick up the entire load in such cases with its feeder line from Dufur, Heppner manager J. H. Huffman said, but one big transformer in the Dufur substation blew up a few days ago and the remaining transformers could not carry the load of the entire district.

Restaurants with gas cooking facilities did a landoffice business with cold and hungry customers waiting in line for breakfast service.

Progress Noted on Robbery Solution

Local police said this week that while they have as yet made no arrests in the Humphreys Drug company robbery case, they have uncovered several clues which they hope will soon lead to the apprehension of the person or persons involved.

Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman said the several items from the store, thought to contain clues, are now being examined by the crime laboratory in Portland.

School Site Appraisal Received From State
The report from the state board of education on the evaluation of the several available sites for the proposed new Heppner grade school was received by school officials this morning.

Rosy Says But Not Quick Enough

Jay Cee-ette members said Wednesday the change in location of their rummage sale to Rosewall Motor company will make it easier for Mrs. Rosewall to be first in line to buy back the trousers she donated to the sale before she learned that her husband wasn't yet ready to quit wearing them.

In their previous sales the Jay Cee-ettes have had several such experiences, though none to quite compare with a Portland organization which sold a diamond ring to a man at one sale, only to have him return to the next sale in quest of a wedding ring.

Time did not permit the study of the recommendations by the board prior to press time, but it is expected that the report will be discussed at length at the next board meeting next Tuesday night and then be given out at the public.