

Wide Interest Seen in Stock Growers Meet



MEAT CUTTING DEMONSTRATION by John H. Landers of Oregon State College will be one of the main points of interest at the Morrow County Livestock Growers annual meeting to be held in Heppner January 13 and 14. Landers is shown here during part of his demonstration which is open to the public.

January 13 and 14 Program to Offer Varied Events

Livestockmen and consumers alike will participate in a panel discussion on Morrow county's livestock and meat marketing problems as part of a program of the annual meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association. It is scheduled for January 13 and 14.

The program of general interest to everyone gets underway at 10:00 a. m. on January 13 when Raymond French, chairman of the association opens the meeting. Gordon Hood, state extension agent, Oregon State College, will give a report on the 1954 Oregon livestock and meat marketing conference, which will be followed with the panel discussion which is planned as educational for both producers and consumers alike. The panel with W. Weatherford, Heppner, as moderator, will be composed of local representation, producers, sellers, retailers, packers, financiers, and consumers. The group will discuss Morrow county livestock and meat marketing problems.

The afternoon program scheduled to begin at 1:00 p. m. with a film "The American Cowboy", followed at 1:30 by a demonstration on meat cutting, grading, identification, wrapping for the freezer and cooking. John Landers, Oregon State College, extension animal husbandman and Dorothy Sherrill, consumer education specialist, from Oregon State College will stage the demonstration. The days program is scheduled for the fair pavilion at Heppner. As an added attendance incentive, several door prizes will be given during the day. They promise to be useful to those who are most attentive at the demonstration.

The second day of the annual meeting will consist of the business meeting of the association. This is the sixth annual meeting of the association. The business meeting will be held at the Elks lodge room and will begin at 10 o'clock showing of the film "Five Hundred Thousand to One" depicting insect control and its effect on the livestock industry. During the morning the nominating committee will report on officers for the new year.

Present officers are Raymond French, president; Paul Webb, vice-president; John Graves, treasurer; and N. C. Anderson, secretary.

Dr. A. G. Beagle, veterinarian in charge, agricultural research service at Portland, will discuss disease eradication and research. Morrow county's compulsory bangs test program, its activities for the year and present status will come in for discussion. During the afternoon, committee reports will be presented. Chairmen reporting will be Steve Thompson, pasture and range improvement; Kenneth Peck, Lexington; Gerald Swaggart, Heppner, game

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TV Reception Reported Good From New Station

Television reception was improved a full 100 percent in many locations near Heppner last week-end following the start of operations of the new satellite station on Horse Heaven hills near Pasco and Kennewick. Many points close to town are now reporting good reception where none at all was possible before the station went on the air.

Local radio and television experts reported Wednesday that several high points close to Heppner had been checked since the station went on the air and were found to provide good clear reception. One of the best spots

Excellent reception from the new channel 19 satellite station was watched by several persons Wednesday night with a set located at the top of the hill southwest of the Heppner slaughter house. Good reception at the same site was also found from five other stations in Portland, Seattle and Spokane.

was said to be the top of the hill just south and west of the Heppner slaughter house. Many ranchers living at higher and relatively open locations have reported excellent reception from the new station, where formerly they received either poor signals or none at all from Portland and Spokane stations.

The new satellite station, which rebroadcasts the signal from station KIMA-TV, Yakima, is the first such station in the United States and reports from the Hermiston, Umatilla and Boardman areas along the Columbia tell of excellent reception at nearly any point. It telecasts on channel 19.

With the advent of good reception close to Heppner, the possibility that a signal may be "piped" into town has raised TV interest here considerably. No definite plans for such a project have yet been revealed, but it is known that it is being considered.

Postal Receipts Drop Slightly

For the first year in nearly a dozen, postal receipts at the Heppner post office showed a drop over the previous year, but the reduction amounted to less than \$100 below last year.

Postmaster James Driscoll reported that total business for 1954 amounted to \$22,745.60, which is \$90.11 less than for 1953. The loss came during October and November, for the December 1954 business was \$4,333.03 or \$138.53 ahead of the same month in 1953. The final quarter of the year showed a decrease of \$148.20.

1954 business started out at a slower pace than in the previous year, figures showed, but a gradual upswing was noted after May. July, August and September showed a gain of over \$40 over the previous year.

School Bids Opening Date is Postponed

Heppner school officials announced this week that the date for the opening of bids for construction of the new elementary school have been postponed from January 13 to January 20 to allow bidders more time to prepare figures.

Advices from the architects told of at least 14 concerns who have received specifications and plans which indicates a high interest in the project. Some had asked for additional time in which to prepare bids, and this one-week extension has been granted by the board.

MEN'S NIGHT SET FOR P-TA MEETING

The January meeting of the Heppner P-TA will feature men's night, it was announced this week by Mrs. N. C. Anderson, president.

The program will be under the direction of Everett Keithley, Bill Cox and Bill Barratt.

New City and County Officials Take Over Duties January 1

New Faces Seen In County Clerk, Assessor Positions

Two new, and three re-elected county officials, were sworn in Monday morning and took over their duties as head of departments of the county government.

The two new officials, Bruce Lindsay, county clerk, and Harry Dinges, assessor immediately assumed their duties and three others, county judge Garnet Barratt, treasurer, Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, and district attorney Bradley Fancher continued on in their positions where they had left off at the end of their former terms which expired December 31.

Lindsay took over the clerk's position from Mrs. Sadie Parrish who had served as acting clerk by appointment since the office was vacated by Charles Barlow. She will continue to serve in the office as deputy clerk.

Dinges assumed his duties from Mrs. Joseph Hughes who had served as assessor by appointment. She too, will continue on in the office as deputy.

Mrs. Louis Bisbee Taken by Death

Mrs. Emeline F. Bisbee, 73, a lifelong resident of Heppner, was taken by death Sunday, January 2 following a sudden stroke. She died at her home on Elder street.

Mrs. Bisbee was a native of Heppner, having been born here June 21, 1881, the daughter of Orrin E. and Catherine Farnsworth. She was a life-long member of the Episcopal church and until failing health in recent years prevented her, she was very active in the work of the church. She was married to Louis Bisbee on January 8, 1908 in Heppner.

Funeral services were conducted at All Saints Episcopal church by Rev. John R. Reeves at 10:30 Tuesday, January 4. Commitment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery with Creswick and Seuell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Surviving are her husband, Louis, a son Orrin of San Francisco; a daughter, Katherine of La Grande; one sister, Mrs. S. M. Morgan of San Francisco; and a brother, Karl Farnsworth of The Dalles. She also leaves several nieces and nephews.

1954 Rainfall Shows Big Drop From Previous 12 Months

Though the rainfall in Heppner during 1954 was far short of the previous year, it still exceeded that which fell here during 1951 and 52, records of weather observer Leonard Gilliam.

Total precipitation during 1954 measured 11.61 inches which compared with 17.09 inches for 1953. In 1952 rainfall amounted to only slightly less, 11.58 inches, while in 1951 only 10.57 inches were recorded here.

June rains accounted for a big share of the year's total, as 2.74 inches was recorded during the month. Some moisture fell during every month of the year, but July saw at least, only .13 inch.

As usual, Heppner got more moisture than did some of the surrounding area. Leonard Carlson, who checks rainfall at his ranch in Gooseberry recorded only 9.65 inches for the year, and at the same weather station further to the north, even less was found.

Residents of Heppner saw their first measurable snowfall of 1955 Tuesday afternoon and it quickly packed into a glass-like surface over streets and highways causing one or more accidents. Less than one-half inch was measured but it was plenty to start most children running for their sleds and boots.

Reports Wednesday told of exceedingly slick highways along the Columbia with many minor accidents as a result.

HEPPNER CIVIC LEAGUE TO MEET

The Heppner Civic League will meet Tuesday January 11 in the Kindergarten rooms at 8:00 p. m.



NEW CITY FATHERS AND MOTHER—Shown being sworn in Monday night as Heppner's new mayor and councilmen by council chairman W. C. Rosewall are, right to left, Rosewall, Heppner's first woman mayor, Mrs. Mary Van Stevens, new councilman Alan Case, and re-elected councilmen, Jack Van Winkle and William Collins. One other new member, Al Lamb, was unable to be present at the first meeting. (GT Photo)



NEW COUNTY CLERK, Bruce Lindsay, took over his duties in the court house Monday. He was chosen for the position at last November's general election. He takes over from Mrs. Sadie Parrish, who has served as acting clerk since her appointment to fill the position left open when Charles Barlow was forced to vacate the office following an injury and subsequent illness. Mrs. Parrish will continue to work in the office as a deputy. (GT Photo)



HARRY DINGES, who Monday was familiarizing himself with the duties of his new office as county assessor. He is one of the two new county officials to be sworn in this week and took over the office from Mrs. Joseph Hughes who had served by appointment since the resignation of W. O. Dix. (GT Photo)

Funeral Services for Harlan N. Adams To Be Held Sunday

Funeral services for Harlan Nelson Adams, 48, who passed away at Pioneer Memorial hospital on January 5 will be held Sunday January 9 at 2 p. m. at the Heppner Christian church. Rev. Edwin Derrick of Kinzua will officiate.

Mr. Adams was born February 25, 1906 at Hardman, the son of Joseph and May Adams and he had lived in Morrow county all of his life except for the last 13 years when he had resided at Kinzua.

He is survived by his wife Opal; two sons, Norvin of Kinzua and Perry, Los Angeles; two daughters, Mrs. Marshall Nelson, and Mrs. Shirley Hesselstine, both of Los Angeles, and six grandchildren. He also leaves two brothers, Forrest Adams, Heppner, and Frank Adams, Pendleton; three sisters, Mrs. Louis McKittick, Bellevue, Idaho; Mrs. Charlotte Rogers, Ordinance; and Mrs. Esther Burnside, Heppner; and his father, Joseph B. Adams of Heppner.

Burial will be in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Hardman with Creswick and Seuell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

The Misses Kay and Lee Moore of Fossil were in Heppner for the holidays visiting with their father, Ralph Moore and other relatives.

Lone Residents Form New Television Organization

The people of the Lone community made another try to get television reception in town when they held a public meeting Monday evening at the Legion hall. Over 45 persons attended.

Garland Swanson was the acting chairman and new officers and a board of directors were named to work out some more definite plans for getting reception into town.

The name Lone TV Co-op was chosen for the organization and officers and directors are: Swanson, president; Merle Baker, secretary-treasurer; Roy Lindstrom, Noel Dobyns, Delbert Emert, and Alton Yarnell, directors.

Home Business, Law Extension Unit Topic

Family Business and the Law will be the subject to be discussed by two extension units at their next regular meetings during the coming week. Miss Beverly Bradshaw, home demonstration agent will conduct the meetings. The Heppner extension unit will meet Tuesday, January 11 at 1:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Gene Ferguson and the Lexington unit will meet Friday, January 14 at 1:30 at the school. Both meetings are open to the public and anyone interested is invited to attend.

Mary Van Stevens Sworn In As Heppner Mayor

Heppner's first woman mayor, Mrs. Mary Van Stevens, two newly elected councilmembers and two who were re-elected to their former positions took office Monday night, but before the meeting was adjourned, one re-elected member, Jack Van Winkle, turned in his resignation and asked that the mayor appoint someone to fill his position.

Mrs. Stevens and three of the four newly elected councilmen, Alan Case, William Collins and Van Winkle were sworn in by council chairman W. C. Rosewall in the absence of former mayor Dr. L. D. Tibbles who did not return from a trip to the east in time for the session. One other new councilman, Al Lamb, was unable to be present.

The new mayor told the council and visitors in an acceptance speech that she would do everything in her power to make Heppner the best place in the world in which to live. She said, "I am not going to be pushed around but will temper justice with mercy." She continued that she would be fussy about house keeping in Heppner and asked for the council to work together as a team, and for better cooperation among the council, the county government and the chamber of commerce to map a plan which will be beneficial to the county as a whole. She also asked for a definite plan of numbering all houses in town and a project of street naming, and suggested a citizens committee that could, over a period of one or two years, work out a new city charter that would be more up to date than the present one which was accepted in 1918.

Offices Combined

Mrs. Stevens also asked the council to consider her suggestion that the two present part-time positions of city recorder and city water clerk be combined into one full-time job, stating that she felt the city would benefit from a more efficient operation of its business. It would also make it possible to keep the city hall office open to the public during the entire day.

The council later considered the request and passed it unanimously, abolishing the office of water clerk which is held by Mrs. Charles Gomillion. City recorder Ted Smith will take over her duties in 30 days.

Van Winkle Resigns

Jack Van Winkle, who was re-elected to his former position on the council, turned in his resignation at the end of the meeting, stating that he had signed his election petition under protest and that the press of his own business made it necessary for him to drop his council position. The resignation was accepted by the council, and the mayor will appoint a new member to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. Stevens announced her committee appointments for the coming year with each council member serving on three committees. This list will be revised following the appointment of a new member to replace Van Winkle.

J. J. Nys was reappointed city attorney, and Mrs. Stevens gave him much credit for his assistance to the city. He has served as attorney for 25 years. She also reappointed Vic Groshens as city engineer and said she would announce the appointment of a city health officer at a later date.

A request for two special sledding areas was made by a representative of the chamber of commerce which was referred to the streets committee with power to recommend police assistance in blocking off the areas.

The council also heard a request from Bradley Fancher, representing Dorsey Miller, asking for a license to operate a card room, billiard parlor, soft drink and lunch stand in the building formerly occupied by Norah's shop. The request was referred to a special committee which will report at the next regular meeting.

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