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Council Orders Vacating of City Park Buildings

The Heppner council Monday night voted to have the city recorder give lessors of buildings on the city park 30 days notice to vacate the property and announced that a city crew will start soon after the deadline to remove some of the old buildings. The people voted a special tax levy late last year to be used to clean up the park site, remove buildings and make the area into a usable park, and though money from this tax will not be available until late this year, city employees plan to start removal of some of the unsightly buildings and debris whenever they have spare time. The main building at the north end of the area has been under lease to J. O. Turner and has been occupied by Tunison and Wilson, logging and trucking contractors. Turner had previously offered to cancel his lease at any time the council wished.

The present plans call for the removal of whatever buildings city employees find time to tear down, but it is not planned to wreck the large civic center building now. It is currently being used to house the Heppner kindergarten.

License Granted

The council granted a city license to Dorsey Miller to operate a billiard and card room in the Wells building on Main street in the space formerly occupied by Norah's shop. It was indicated he planned to open the business by March 1.

Considerable discussion was held on filters for the city swimming pool and it was decided to have the city engineering firm prepare specifications and recommendations for such equipment. It is the hope of the council that the equipment can be installed in time for use this summer.

The group heard a request from P. W. Mahoney that the council appoint a committee to work out the details of a franchise which would allow installation of necessary cables to provide television reception in Heppner. A new cooperative is currently being formed to handle the project.

Routine city business took up much of the meeting.

WOOF, WOOF—

If Your Dog Can Read This . . . Look Out!

As is customary this time of the year, many residents of Heppner think that the town is going to the dogs—or at least that the dogs are taking over most of it.

Several residents have recently asked local council members to do something about the annual "dog problem", and Monday night at the monthly council meeting, the council tried—but the results were far from perfect. It wasn't because the council didn't want to act, but because the state law, as interpreted, apparently gives a dog the right to do just about anything he pleases, so long as he has a license.

The city has an ordinance governing dogs running at large, but according to a recent interpretation of the state law governing the control of dogs, they can be prohibited from running at

large only by a vote of the people in a given city, county or precinct. Just an ordinance, seemingly, doesn't mean a thing to a dog, nor can it control his actions or habits.

The council had asked county judge Garnet Barratt to meet with it, in an attempt to work out some joint system between the county and city, whereby both could collect dog licenses and the city control the animals within the city limits. Barratt told the members that according to a recent interpretation, the state law takes precedence over city ordinances covering dogs. Provisions are made whereby a split of license fees can be made, but that once the dog is licensed, the only way he can be deprived of his right to sniff and do whatever else comes naturally to a dog, is for the people themselves to vote the restrictions.

It would seem from the outcome of the discussion, that Heppner dogs won the first round in the battle to limit their wanderings and actions, but they had better be a little careful in the future, for the council ordered the city attorney to request an opinion on the law from the state attorney general.

Mrs. Margaret Leach, Native of Heppner, Dies in Washington

Margaret Smith Leach (Mrs. James L.) 45, a former resident of Heppner, died February 2, at her home in Winlock, Wash. She had been completely paralyzed for the past year and had suffered from arthritis for many years.

Mrs. Leach was born in Heppner June 4, 1909 and graduated from Heppner high school in 1927. Following her graduation she served as a secretary in the county agent's office. She married James L. Leach May 4, 1933 and the couple lived on the Leach farm near Lexington for several years before moving to Portland. They later moved to Winlock where her husband operated a theater.

She was a member of the Methodist church, the Lexington Rebekah lodge, Ruth chapter O. E. S. Heppner, and the Neighbors of Woodcraft.

Funeral services were held at Cattermole chapel in Winlock February 5 with commitment at the Portland Mausoleum.

Surviving her are her husband, James L. Leach of Winlock; her mother, Mrs. Letha Archer, Heppner; a brother, Austin Smith of Portland. She also leaves several aunts and cousins.

Many Cub Scouts Receive Awards at Recent Pack Meeting

More than 35 boys were present at the recent Cub Scout pack meeting held in the Christian church basement. It was conducted by Ray Ayers, new Cub master.

Following the business meeting presentations were made to many of the Cubs, this being the first awards made since last spring. Those receiving them included:

Dennis Campbell, Lion badge, three silver arrows and a two year pin; Kit George, Lion and one year pin; Larry Smith, Leroy Gardner, Bill Cox, Bobby Hager, Mike Williams, Terry Terrill, Tommy Gonty, Jimmy Farra received Bear Badges. Leroy Gardner also received one silver, one gold arrow and a one year pin.

Bill Cox received a gold arrow and a one year pin; Robert Carpenter three silver arrows, two gold arrows and a year pin; Darryl Dick, two silver arrows and year pin; Merlin Hughes, two silver arrows; Shan Applegate, Bruce Meyer, Larry Smith, Bobby Hager, Mike Williams, Tommy Gonty, Jimmy Farra, Dick Springer, Donny Keeling, Ronnie Creswick and Chris Burkenbine each received their year pins.

Awarded Bobcat rank were David George, Lane Smith, Bobby Kinde, Terry Terrill, Rodney Ayers, Billy Weatherford, Paul Swaggart, Mike Smith, Marvin Casebeer, Donald Creswick, Larry Heath, David Anderson and Douglas Anderson.

At the next pack meeting, Feb. 22, the blue and gold dinner will be held.

Locked Brake Causes Damage to Airplane

Considerable damage was done to the Heppner Pine Mills Cessna 180 plane this morning when a locked brake on one wheel caused the plane to pull sharply during a landing at the newly completed air strip just west of the mill. No one was injured.

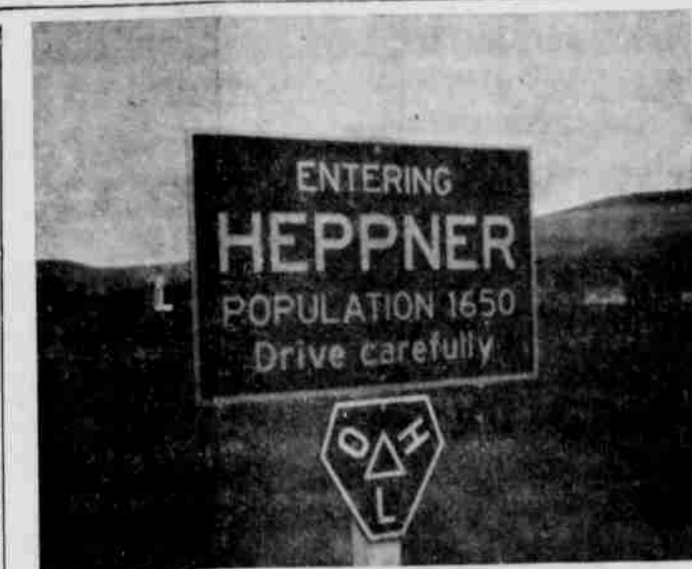
The pilot, Chuck Bonaudi, reported the landing gear was torn off and other minor damage done to the plane when it swerved sharply as he set it down. He was carrying two passengers at the time of the accident.

Morgan OSC Student Honored For Grades

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, (Special)—Elise Bauernfeind of Morgan was among 34 Oregon State college juniors recognized at the annual Honor Acolade given February 8 by Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honor society.

Miss Bauernfeind, who has completed at least 45 term hours of sophomore work at OSC with a grade average of 3.5 points or better on the basis of an A equaling 4 points, was recognized with Junior Honors at the accolade.

A junior in home economics she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bauernfeind of Morgan.



NEW CITY ENTRANCE SIGNS which were recently installed at two of the three main highway entrances to Heppner, are part of a state-wide plan of the highway commission to mark all incorporated town and cities. The signs, which show the town's population and ask drivers to "Drive Carefully" are sponsored by the Oregon Highway Lifesavers and each sign carries the insignia of the organization on the small placard at the bottom. The signs, which cost \$40 each, are made and financed by the state highway commission, whose officials ask residents to take care of them and not deface them. They are the new reflector type. (GT Photo)

Building Planned At Fair Grounds

Plans for the construction of an addition to the present fair and livestock barn were made at a recent meeting of the county court, fair board, 4-H and open class livestock representatives. The addition would house sheep and hogs.

The court agreed to move and relocate the old barracks building, which has been used for hog and sheep exhibits, to the north of the fair grounds along Hinton creek. It is to be remodeled and will be used to house farm crop exhibits. This change will provide more space in the main pavilion for home economics and other displays.

The court also agreed to remove two unoccupied residential buildings near the creek to improve the general appearance of the grounds and to provide more space. The area where the present barracks building now stands will be used for parking. It is also planned to fence the entire fair grounds.

Present at the meeting were D. O. Nelson, Carl Rhea, Herman Bletell, Alfred Nelson Jr. and Bernard Doherty, 4-H leaders, Ray Ferguson and W. E. Hughes, fair board members, Floyd Worden, open livestock class representative and N. C. Anderson, county agent.

Heppner Army Man Receives Citation

I CORPS, KOREA—PFC Robert K. Connor, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Connor, Heppner, Ore., is a member of the I Corps' 51st Signal Battalion which recently was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for service in Korea.

The 51st was cited for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from July 1953 to July 1954. It was credited with setting up communications over hazardous terrain under extremely difficult conditions.

Connor, a clerk-typist in the battalion, arrived in the Far East in February 1954. He entered the Army in April 1953 and completed basic training at Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif.

Burglars Get Small Change for Efforts

Burglars entered Court Street Market some time last Saturday night and got away with only \$8 to \$10 in small change for their work, sheriff C. J. D. Bauman, investigating officer reports.

Entrance was gained through a rear window into a store room and then by breaking out a portion of a door into the main store to unlock it.

As far as could be determined, no merchandise was taken.

MERCURY DROPS TO 16 DEGREES THURSDAY

Official minimum temperature in Heppner Thursday morning was 16 degrees, making it the second coldest night this winter. One night in December the mercury dropped to a low of 14.

TO HOLD SQUARE DANCE

The Heppner P-TA will hold a square dance party Saturday, Feb. 19 at the fair pavilion, it was announced today. No admission will be charged, but donations accepted. The dance is part of the regular P-TA fund campaign.

Percy C. Cox Rites Held Today at Christian Church

Funeral services for Percy C. Cox, 60, were held this afternoon (Thursday) at 2 p. m. at the Heppner Christian church. Rev. Earl L. Soward officiated. Mr. Cox died Tuesday at the Veterans hospital in Walla Walla.

Percy Claude Cox was born in Heppner June 13, 1894, and had lived in this area his entire life. He was taken to the Walla Walla hospital only last week. He was a veteran of World War I.

Surviving him are two daughters, Mrs. Nina Noland, Heppner; and Mrs. Frances Griffin, of Portland; one son Stanley Cox, Heppner. He also leaves three brothers, Ben and Dee Cox, both of Heppner, and Archie Cox, of Olympia, Wash.; six sisters, Amy Reid, Pendleton; Margaret Geiger, Kelso, Wash.; Elizabeth Johnson and Welda Beer, both of Salem; Alice Missman and Esther Clark, both of Boise, Idaho; ten grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Burial was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery with Creswick and Seuell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

No TB Found In County Cattle

Last year 1,765 cattle were tested for tuberculosis in 138 Morrow county herds, but not a single reactor to this disease was found. In 1953, two reactors were found in 937 cattle tested for T. B. in this county, the state department of agriculture reports.

Statewide in Oregon, only 80 reactors were found in the 208,732 cattle tested under the program in 1954. While this percentage (0.038 percent) is extremely low, it nevertheless shows why Oregon continues annual tuberculosis testing under cooperative agreement with the federal government.

Morrow county is one of 26 counties which had no reactors last year. And it is one of 32 counties now under a T. B. modified and accredited status. The present three-year accreditation rating for this county is good until April 1, 1957.

This information comes from Dr. A. G. Beagle, Portland, in charge of the federal veterinarians in Oregon, and M. E. Knickerbocker, Salem, chief of the division of animal industry of the state department of agriculture. The two agencies direct the joint federal-state testing program.

Lexington Marine Heads For Japan

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif.—Marine Pvt. Wilbur F. Steagall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur C. Steagall of Lexington, Oregon, boarded ship the last week in January for transfer to the 3rd Marine division in Japan, after completing four weeks of training in the staging regiment at the Marine Corps base here.

The staging regiment handles all last minute training and details for Leathernecks slated for duty in the Far East.

A Marine's few weeks in staging are filled with clothing and equipment inspections, refresher courses on weapons, physical conditioning, and cold weather survival training.

Mrs. Jack Bedford left Tuesday for a few days in Portland, she expects to return on Friday.

Organization Started For Television Coop

Preliminary arrangements for the formation of a cooperative organization to operate a cable television service in Heppner were made Sunday at a meeting of several interested persons held here. The group has taken steps to form a corporation and has applied to the city council for a franchise to pipe TV reception to residents within Heppner.

The group to be known as Heppner TV Coop, has appointed P. W. Mahoney, Heppner attorney, to represent the organization and prepare the incorporation papers. It is to be set up as a non-profit organization, it was said. Mahoney met with the city council Monday evening and asked that a committee from that group meet with the planned coop to work out a satisfactory franchise for the operation of the television cable.

Those interested in forming the cooperative are W. C. Rosewall, Harry Duvall, E. C. Dougherty, E. O. Ferguson and others. According to the plans, each person who subscribes to the TV service will be entitled to a membership in the organization and to one vote.

Tentative plans call for a hook-up charge of \$135, which will entitle the person to membership in the coop, and a monthly fee of \$3.50.

The group has signed no contract for construction of the necessary antenna equipment, wiring

Final Rites Held Here Tuesday for George B. McDonald

Funeral services for George B. McDonald, 79, who passed away February 5 at Pioneer Memorial hospital were held at the Creswick and Seuell chapel, Tuesday afternoon with Rev. Lester D. Boulden officiating.

Mr. McDonald was born in Canada September 23, 1875 and had lived in the Hardman area for over 50 years. He had never married and was the last member of his immediate family. He is survived only by nieces and nephews, none of whom live in this area.

Interment was in the Hardman Odd Fellows cemetery with Creswick and Seuell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Second Quarter Tax Payments Due Soon

The sheriff's office reminded taxpayers this week that next Tuesday, February 15 is the deadline for paying second quarter property taxes.

Third quarter payments are due May 15 and final payments must be made by August 15 to avoid penalty.



TAKES LEADING FILM ROLL

World Council Church Film to Be Shown

Mrs. James D. Wyker, a prominent member of the Christian church and an official delegate to the World Council of Churches, takes the lead in the moving picture, "That They May All Be One" which will be shown Sunday night Feb. 13 at the Heppner Christian church.

This is the only color, sound, motion picture made of the World Council of Churches meetings, both in Amsterdam and in Evanston.

It highlights many of the main speakers advocating Christian unity. Georges Florovsky, both Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Niemoller, Anders Nigren, O. S. Tomkins and President Dwight D. Eisenhower are among the many outstanding Christian leaders who are seen and heard.

and lead-in service, but has been offered a contract for service by W. L. Crist of T. V. Distributors, Inc. of The Dalles. Crist has been doing experimental work in this area for several weeks, and according to reports has received good signals, suitable for piping into town. A spokesman for the organization said that reception from two stations is assured and it is hoped to provide pictures on one additional channel. Top reception is now being received from KEPR-TV, the new satellite station at Pasco, Wash. on channel 19. Experimental work is continuing at the present time, it was said.

Total cost of the installation, which would be planned to serve practically all of Heppner, has been set at \$20,000 according to the contract offered by Crist.

No definite date for the start of construction, or of television service, has been set as it will take several days to complete formation of the organization, prepare a franchise, obtain pole easements and various other details. Some vital equipment has already been ordered, however, which would indicate that work will get under way as soon as all details can be ironed out.

An indication of the high interest in TV by many residents is shown in a count of the number of cars which have frequently been parked at the top of the hill near town where the test antennas have been erected and where reception on a portable receiver has been possible nearly every evening. One night last week, more than 50 cars were counted at the site.

Construction Starts On New Building for Farley Motor Co.

Construction started this week on a new modern building which will house showrooms, parts and repair departments for Farley Motor Company, Heppner Pontiac, Buick, Willys and GMC dealer. The building will rise on property recently purchased by Farley just west of his present building.

The new building, which will be constructed largely of glass and large overhead doors to allow easy access to the shop, will be 40 by 82 feet in size and will join the concrete structure already located on the rear end of the lot to give a building 40 by 163 feet. The present building on the lot was formerly used by Gilliam and Bisbee. Thorpe and Thomas of Heppner have the contract for construction for which a building permit in the amount of \$10,000 has been issued.

James J. Farley, owner of the dealership, announced that when the new building is completed, plans call for remodeling the present building into a modern super service station.

Fred M. Akers Dies at Union

Fred M. Akers, 75, died Sunday at his home in Union and funeral services were held Wednesday at the Union Community Methodist church. Mr. Akers was born in Iowa December 13, 1879 and had lived in the Eightmile area here for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Floy B. and two sons, Dale of Union and Gordon of Salem; two daughters, Mrs. Freda Mason, Monmouth and Mrs. Marvel Elvain of Troy. Ervin Anderson of Heppner is a nephew.

Empire Machinery Sets John Deere Day

An annual event of Empire Machinery Company, its John Deere Day, has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 15. Bob Grabill, local manager has announced.

The day long program starts with a free lunch served at the Empire store at noon, and is followed by a series of special pictures which will be shown at the Star Theater. All farmers and interested persons are welcome to attend the free events, Grabill said.

CHILI FEED SET

The Heppner Band Parents club is sponsoring a chili and turkey noodle feed Saturday evening at the school cafeteria.

The feed is being put on as part of the drive to raise funds for new band uniforms for the high and grade school. Officers say they have already raised nearly enough for 30 high school uniforms.



THE MARCH OF DIMES was soon to become \$45.00 richer when all the dimes shown on this board were removed and turned over to the fund. Shown behind the board are two Heppner high school students, Dick Kononen, left and Pete Slocum, who had a big part in raising the money in a contest at the school. The senior class won, as can be seen from the big lines of dimes at the top. Slocum is president of the winning class, and Kononen is head of the student council, the sponsoring organization. (GT Photos)

Heart Association Officers Named

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Marshall have announced the names of members in the local drive in support of the Oregon Heart Association program to combat diseases of the heart and circulatory system.

Mrs. Max Gentry will act as Heart Sunday Treasurer.

The following are local members who will conduct a door to door campaign on Heart Sunday afternoon, February 20th:

Mrs. Kemp Dick, Mrs. William Heath, Mrs. Whitmer Wright, Mrs. Riley Munkers, Mrs. Bradley Fancher, Mrs. William Labhart, Mrs. John Pettyjohn, Mrs. Don Belenbrock, Mrs. Jack Bailey, Mrs. Elwyn Hughes, Mrs. Jack Loyd, Delmar Jordan, John Hartman, Harvey Wright and also members of the Campfire Girls.

EXAMINER COMING

A drivers license examiner will be on duty at the court house in Heppner Tuesday, Feb. 15 from 9:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m.

Week's Rainfall Just Drop in Bucket

Heppner and much of the county got a little of every kind of weather during the past week, but, of primary interest to ranchers, very little of it brought much rain.

It rained or snowed on at least three days during the week, but the total precipitation amounted to only 29 inch, Len Gilliam, Heppner weather recorder found.

Temperatures were above normal early this week with readings reported in the high 50s.

HOSPITAL STAFF NAMES NEW OFFICERS

Dr. C. M. Wagner, Heppner physician was named president and chief of staff at a staff meeting and election of officers held this week at Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Named to other positions were Dr. Don Schwisow, Condon, vice president and Dr. Stanley J. Kirk, Heppner, secretary.

Hospital administrator Jack Angel presented a film on the importance and use of Red Cross blood.