

Ione Grange Urges Continued Saturday Bank Opening

Ask Better State Fair 4-H Facilities

Legislative measures pending at the current session of the state legislature came in for considerable discussion Sunday at the regular meeting of the Ione Willows grange.

Harold Dobyns, legislative chairman, reported on bill number 9 concerning inadequate facilities for 4-H boys and girls at the state fair. The group went on record as favoring the bill which would improve facilities. The Grange also expressed the desire that banks remain open on Saturdays and voted against a recently introduced bill that would require Saturday closing of all banks in the state. Cards were prepared and signed by the Grange officers as well as individual members expressing their opinions on both measures. They will be mailed to the state Grange legislative committee and district representative Allen Tom.

Marion Palmer spoke as agriculture chairman on the recent meeting held at the county agent's office on making insilage from dry land crops and further experiments on fertilizer use. Pamphlets were given the committee for further study and reports will be given at the next meeting.

The group voted to purchase E bonds with money from their matured F series bonds.

The third and fourth degrees were exemplified to Raymond Lundell, Billie and Mildred Seehafer and Brenda Kay Townsend. The charter was draped in memory of Algot Lundell.

The March meeting will honor two 25-year members and also the 31st birthday of the Grange.

Cattle Prices Again Edge Up

HERMISTON—The market fair, slizzed at the Hermiston Livestock Commission Co. sale Friday where 69 consignors placed 349 cattle, 152 hogs and 315 sheep on the auction block.

Prices were steady to \$50 cwt higher in most instances with only dairy cows and stock cows down, coinciding with a drop in quality.

A feature of the sale was the auctioning of 315 sheep including one string of 221 breeding ewes at \$20 per head.

Once again demand for fat cattle exceeded supply with fat cows and heifer calves especially needed for next Friday's sale, sale manager Delbert Anson said. More breeding ewes are also on the wanted list.

The Market:

CATTLE—Baby calves, 7.50 to 26 per head; steer calves, 18.20 to 19.90 cwt.; heifer calves, 15.90 to 17.10 cwt.; veal, 20.25 to 23.10 cwt.; stocker steers, 14.70 to 16.80 cwt.; feeder steers, 16.80 to 19 cwt.; fat heifers, 16.10 to 17.40 cwt.; dairy cows, 90 to 105 per head; stock cows, 101 to 115 per head; utility and commercial cows, 12.75 to 14.70 cwt.; canner-cutter cows, 8.35 to 10.60 cwt.; with few Holsteins to 11.60; shells, 6.25 to 8.10 cwt.; and bulls, 13.75 to 15 cwt.

HOGS—Weaner pigs, 8.50 to 13.50 per head; feeder pigs, 18.40 to 19.60 cwt.; fat hogs, 17.90 to 18.70 cwt.; and sows, 14.20 to 16.30 cwt.

SHEEP—Feeder lambs, 14.90 to 16 cwt.; and ewes, 17.50 to 22 per head.

Those earning top prices at the market included Beamer Ranch, Heppner 50 per head for one sow and 16.30 cwt. for two sows of 530 pounds; C. K. Peck, Lexington, 19.60 cwt for 10 feeder hogs of 1060 pounds; Ralph Arbuckle, Hermiston, 18.70 cwt for a 210-pound fat hog; Mary Glavey, Heppner, 13.50 per head for three weaner pigs; Cecil Rock, Alderdale, Wash., 22 per head for 25 ewes with 8 lambs; Carson Vehrs, Echo, 19.90 cwt. for three steer calves of 950 pounds; Marvin Hutchinson, Pilot Rock, 17.10 cwt. for five white face heifer calves of 2885 pounds; and C. F. Constant, Ritter, 14.70 cwt for a 1020-pound white face cow.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson returned Friday from Portland where they spent several days. **Mrs. Floyd Adams** left last week for a visit in Colorado.



ROBERT E. FERRELL, assistant manager of the Heppner branch of the First National Bank of Portland, this week was named manager of the Sherman county branch at Moro. (GT Photo)

Robert Ferrell Appointed Manager Of Moro Bank

The appointment of Robert E. Ferrell as manager of the Sherman county branch of First National bank of Portland in Moro was announced by C. B. Stephenson, president of the statewide banking system.

He will replace B. C. Pinckey, who resigned recently to accept a position in another field of business.

A native of Sherman county and a banker thoroughly familiar with central and eastern Oregon, Ferrell has 20 years' experience with First National.

He joined the bank at The Dalles branch in 1937 as a bookkeeper, remaining at the branch until he was called into the military service from 1942-46.

After discharge from the service, he was assigned to Condon branch, where he was operations officer for two years. He then worked a year at The Dalles and two years at Hood River as assistant cashier and instalment officer before being elevated to general loan officer at Heppner branch four years ago.

At Heppner he has served as an officer of the Morrow county Community Chest, the Morrow county March of Dimes, and the All Saints Episcopal church. He is also a member of the American Legion and the Parent-Teachers association.

Ferrell left Wednesday for Moro but will not move his family until housing can be arranged.

Donald Polson, of Portland is filling Ferrell's position temporarily until a permanent appointment is made.

Social Security Representative Due

A representative of the La Grande social security office will be in Heppner Wednesday, February 27, on his regular monthly visit.

Vernon A. Welo, manager of the La Grande district office, advised that any person planning to file claim at this time should bring with them any evidence necessary for establishing their claims to social security benefits. In the case of farmers, this would include copies of their tax returns for 1956 and proof that the income and self-employment tax was paid for that year. Wage earners should bring their 1956 withholding slips. Both workers and their wives should also bring any available evidence of their age as proof of their age may be needed.

Welo stated that bringing such proofs at the time of the initial interview could in many cases reduce considerably the time that the claimant will have to wait before getting a social security check.

The social security representative is scheduled to be in the city hall at Heppner from 9 a. m. to 12 noon.

Ione Townies Win Spot in Sub-District Play; Meet Elgin

The Ione Townie basketball squad downed the Pendleton Faculty 73 to 69 Wednesday night to win a place in sub-divisional championship play.

The win assured Ione a game against Elgin which will be played at Ione Sunday at 2 p. m. Should they win this game they will meet either Bend or Arlington in the state tournament March 2 and 3 at Hermiston.

Change in Student Grading Proposed By Heppner P-TA

Round Table sessions following talks evaluating different methods of child progress reports to parents brought forth several different recommendations by parents at the Parent-Teacher Association meeting in Heppner February 13.

Receiving favorable comment in all discussion groups were scheduled parent teacher conferences and modification of present report cards in use in the Heppner schools.

Most likely to go into the conference report method first will be the three primary grades, with tentative plans to use parent-teacher conferences next year at the end of the ninth and twenty-seventh school week, with report cards being issued the eighteenth week and at the end of the school year.

Parents expressed themselves as believing that many report card systems do not tell them enough about their child's progress, and suggested that two grades be used for each subject, one indicating the child's progress in relation to his class, and the other in relation to his ability to do the work.

Before the buzz sessions program chairman Clarence Johnson presented the administrator's slant on reports to parents. Mrs. Charles Huggett spoke on the parent's reaction and recording of a talk made by Mrs. Blanche Boulden concerning the point of view of the teacher who must grade the child was played. The program was the outgrowth of a study group currently meeting to evaluate various methods of reporting on students' school progress.

Four sessions were held. The high school group was led by Gordon Pratt; the intermediate and upper grade group led by James Mallon; and two primary groups were led by Clarence Johnson and Mrs. Velva Bechtoldt. Recorders for the groups were Mrs. Marie Clary, Mrs. Margaret Kirk, Mrs. Arolene Laird, and Mrs. Kathryn Hoskins.

The March meeting to be held March 13, will celebrate Founders' Day and Mrs. Faye Staggs, state president of the Parent-Teacher Association, will be the speaker.

Mrs. Robert Ferrell, Joe Stewart and Harlan McCurdy were elected to the nominating committee to select a slate of officers. Election will be held at the meeting in March.

A brief discussion clarified the position of the Heppner P-TA as sponsoring group for the local Cub Scout organizations.

A three county (Morrow, Gilliam and Wheeler) district P-TA council meeting was held Friday at Condon where pending legislation was discussed. L. E. Dick of Heppner was named chairman of the council and he was in Salem early this week to attend a meeting on school legislation.

Farm Bureau Meet Set Feb. 26 at Ione

The monthly meeting of the Morrow county Farm Bureau will be held at the Ione Legion hall Tuesday, Feb. 26, opening with a potluck dinner at 6:30.

Mrs. Ada Scarsion, Pilot Rock, state women's chairman, who was unable to attend the last meeting because of bad weather, will tell of her trip to the American Farm Bureau meeting at Miami, Fla.

Bills before the state legislature will be discussed, and because many are of importance to farmers, a large attendance at this meeting is hoped for, Harold Beach, president, said. Bureau representatives in Salem will be advised of the county Bureau's desires.

1957 Jury List Being Published

Elsewhere in today's Gazette Times is the complete 1957 jury list from which needed jury panels will be drawn during the coming year. The list includes over 500 names and is drawn annually by the county court.

FATHER OF FORMER HEPPNER WOMAN DIES

Word was received here of the death Saturday in Sacramento, Calif., of Henry Aalders, father of Mrs. Leslie Grant, Arlington, formerly of Heppner. Services were held Wednesday at Alton, Iowa.



OBSERVES 95TH BIRTHDAY—Mrs. Addie Conlee Binns, a resident of Morrow county for most of her life, celebrated her 95th birthday February 10 in a bed at Pioneer Memorial hospital. She was born in 1862 in Fort Dodge, Iowa and came here soon afterward. She taught school in Morrow county for many years and was married to Al Binns of Heppner who died early in this century. Mrs. Binns is one of the oldest living members of the Heppner chapter of the Eastern Star, having been initiated in September, 1897. She has no living close relatives and is bedfast due to the amputation of both legs in recent years because of illness. The Morrow county pioneer woman has been hospitalized here since June, 1955, and two years prior to that in a Portland nursing home. (GT Photo)

CITY FLAG PURCHASE AND DISPLAY PLAN STARTED BY BOY SCOUT TROOP

Boy Scouts of troop 86, Heppner expect to inaugurate a plan for the purchase and displaying of American flags for businesses and homes in Heppner, it was revealed to the chamber of commerce Monday.

Kenneth Keeling, troop 86 Scoutmaster, told the chamber that the troop will shortly contact all local merchants on a plan whereby the scouts will purchase flags, staffs and mounting brackets for all who sign up for the service, and will handle the displaying of the flags on four national holidays each year, Flag day, Veteran's day, Memorial day and July Fourth.

As tentatively planned, the flags will cost each purchaser \$7.50 which will include the service of the Scouts for the first year in putting up and taking down the flags on the four holidays. On subsequent years, after the flags are paid for, the service will be supplied by the Scouts for \$2.00 per year. The troop will store the flags and keep them in repair.

It is planned to purchase brackets which will be attached to the buildings, rather than the type that stand on the curbs, and all will be installed uniformly. It may be necessary to charge a small installation fee to get the brackets put up, it was said, inasmuch as many must be mounted on brick or concrete.

The plan was well received by chamber members, many of whom immediately signed up for the service. The Scouts will contact all businesses in the near future.

Individual residences may purchase the flags, if they desire, Keeling said, but the Scouts will not hang or take them down as in the case of business houses. Each resident would keep and display his own.

Ione P-TA Observes Founders Day

Founders Day was observed at the P-TA meeting Wednesday evening Feb. 13 when Mrs. E. M. Baker gave a talk telling of this day which marked its 60th anniversary. She also gave the history of the local P-TA.

The present one was organized in 1941 with Mrs. Fannie Griffith as the president pro-tem. The past presidents were Mrs. Franklin Ely, Mrs. Vera Warfield, Mrs. Dixon Smith, Mrs. B. C. Forsyth, Mrs. Victor Rietmann, Mrs. Omar Rietmann, Mrs. E. M. Baker, Harlan McCurdy, Fredrick Martin, Ray Heimbigner is the president now.

Mrs. Baker told of some of the highlights of each year in the P-TA work. Among them were sponsoring hot lunches at the school, giving treats at Christmas, purchasing a loud speaker, helping with the financing of the band uniforms, sponsoring an Arbor Day planting of trees at the school, and organizing a study group. They have held auctions and fun nights to raise money. The P-TA also, sponsors the teachers receptions, the annual school picnic, banquets and other projects.

Other numbers on the program, conducted by Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen, were the Lincoln Gettysburg Address by Geraldine Morgan; a reading, Valentine Day by Lloyd Howton; and a reading on the personal life of Washington by Mrs. Halvorsen; the group sang "America, the Beautiful" led by Gary Stephenson.

At the business meeting Bryce Keene thanked all who helped make the Fun Night a success. Fredrick Martin explained the school bills now before the legislature; Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn gave a talk on the United Nations Pilgrimage contest for sophomores and juniors and R. H. Woodroof stated that spring vacation would be March 14 and 15. The group voted to give \$5 toward the favors for the banquet at the state convention at Pendleton April 9, 10 and 11.

Members voted to recommend to the juniors that they charge a fee at their prom this spring. Those elected on the nominating committee were Mrs. Lloyd Howton, Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn and Bryce Keene. Refreshments were served from tables decorated in the Valentine motif. The hostesses were Mrs. Delmer Crawford, Mrs. Joe Hausler, Mrs. LaVerne Hams, Mrs. Hugh Salter and Mrs. L. A. McCabe.

CARD PARTY PLANNED
The Rhea Creek Grange will hold a public pinocle party on Thursday evening, February 28 at the hall. The party will be a benefit for the March of Dimes. Refreshments will be served.

Methodist Conference to Open Here February 26

The Methodist ministers of Oregon will open a three day mid-winter conference at Heppner next Tuesday. The meeting will continue through February 28. It is sponsored by the Oregon Conference Town and Country Commission and the Oregon Methodist rural fellowship.

Dr. Kenneth Gaver, director of training and research for the state hospital, Salem, will be the keynote speaker talking on "The needs of all people."

The Tuesday evening program will be open to the public and will start at 7:30 at the Methodist church. The Rev. Asa Munnell of Roseburg will deliver the sermon on "Jesus meets the needs of people." The closing session will feature the Rev. Burton Bastuscheck, town and country counsellor, Willamette University, who will speak on, "Are we concerned. Theme for the sessions will be "Becoming Aware of Human Needs."

Heppner laymen taking part in the program are Mrs. Douglas Drake, Joe Stewart, William Turner, Thomas I. Wilson and Newt O'Harra.

Meals for the visiting ministers will be served by All Saints' Episcopal, Christian, Methodist and Catholic churches and the Heppner P-TA. Housing has been arranged in homes. The conference which is expected to attract about 50 ministers, is being planned by the Rev. Lester Boulden, Heppner; the Rev. Harold Mackey, Molalla; the Rev. Claude Brown, Lakeview; the Rev. GERAL Gear, Odell; the Rev. Bruce McConnell, Amity; the Rev. James Workman, Junction City; and Bishop Raymond Grant, Portland.

Elks to Observe Anniversary Sat.

The Heppner Elks lodge will observe its 60th anniversary Saturday with a day-long program that is expected to draw lodge members from many parts of the state.

Registration for members and guests starts at 11 a. m. and will be followed by lodge at 2 p. m. with degree work to be put on by officers of the Baker lodge. An Elks ladies card party will be held in the lounge at 2 p. m. Dinner will be served from 6 to 7:30 at the fair pavilion, followed by two floor shows at the Star Theater and a dance at 10 o'clock.

Lowell Gribble is chairman of the anniversary committee which is working under LaVerne Van Marter Jr., exalted ruler of the Heppner lodge.

Of interest to local residents will be a Boy Scout drum and bugle corps which is sponsored by the Baker lodge and will accompany the officers of that lodge to Heppner. They are expected to give several performances during the day.

Advance registration indicated today that a great many Oregon State Elks association officers will be present for the celebration, giving promise of making it one of the largest "annuals" ever held here.

GOC Training Meet Set For Monday

Sgt. R. D. Coleman of the Ground Observer Corps will be in Heppner Monday, Feb. 25 to give a group of local volunteers observer training. The training session will be held at 8 p. m. in the multi-purpose room of the grade school.

Sgt. Coleman emphasized that the meeting will be open to the public and anyone interested in aiding in the work is urged to attend. He will make a special effort to answer all questions regarding the need for a GOC post here.

The local GOC post has been in operation since January 10 but additional helpers for the summer months are badly needed. Heppner is one of the last communities of any size in the state to activate a post.

For further information on GOC needs residents are urged to contact Mrs. Ray Smith, phone 6-5330 or Mrs. Llewelyn Robbins phone 6-9723.

New Tire Store to Open This Weekend

The Heppner store of Ford's Tire Service will open its doors to the public Friday and Saturday. It was announced today by Wayne Snyder, manager of the new business.

The store is located on North Main street, just south of the Columbia Basin Electric building and will handle a complete line of tires, batteries and other automotive supplies. Refreshments will be served to all visitors during the two opening days.

The store will be a branch of the company's Pendleton operation.

GROUP GETS UNIFORMS
The Twirlettes, a group of Heppner high school girls who have been taking baton instruction from Mrs. Kenneth Merryman, appeared for the first time at Tuesday night's basketball game in new uniforms.