

County Pioneer Dies at 100 Years

Death has claimed one of Morrow county's oldest pioneers. She is Mrs. Rebecca Ellen Patterson who was over 100 years old at the time of her death May 10 at the Masonic and Eastern Star home in Forest Grove where she has lived since 1941.

"Aunt Beck," as she was known here, was the widow of a pioneer Heppner druggist who died in 1927. Prior to going into the drug business he was a railroad man and was engineer on the first train ever to come into Heppner.

Mrs. Patterson was born February 26, 1857 in Wisconsin and was married to John Patterson when she was 16. In the late 1890s they moved to Heppner and were among those who survived the flood of 1903. She was a charter member of Ruth chapter of the Eastern Star and was an active member of the Baptist church, though when there was no Baptist church here she worked in others.

Mrs. Patterson celebrated her 100th birthday last February with a special party at the Forest Grove home and as her guest she had her great, great-grandniece, four-year-old Rebecca Ellen Collins of Portland who is her namesake.

Mrs. Patterson had only one son Ben who died when he was about 70. She is survived only by two nieces, Mrs. A. A. Amort of McMinnville, and Mrs. Waldron who lives in Washington. She also leaves several grand nieces and grand nephews.

Services were held Monday at the Portland Memorial Crematorium and Mausoleum where her husband and son are buried.

BURTON PECK

(Continued from Page 1) Heppner soil conservation district since 1943.

Selection committee included Vernon Munkers, Lexington, president of Morrow county wheat-growers association, chairman; Milton Morgan, Ione, vice chairman of the MCWG; Raymond Lundell, Eightmile, representative of the Heppner soil conservation district; Bernard Doherty, representative of the county agriculture and stabilization committee and Kenneth Peck, Lexington, state winner of the 1956 conservation man of the year award. Advisory members were N. C. Anderson, county agent and Tom Wilson, soil conservation service.

Peck will compete with other county winners in the state contest sponsored by the Oregon Wheat Growers League and the Portland Oregonian.

Mrs. Kemp Dick Is New P-TA President

New officers of Heppner P-TA were installed last Wednesday night, with Lowell Gribble as installing officer.

Those installed were president, Mrs. Kemp Dick; vice president, Kenneth Keeling; secretary, Marion Huggert and treasurer, Roy Kirk. Mrs. Dick was elected to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mrs. Marvin Smith, who is moving to Longview, Washington soon.

During the program the school budget was discussed with Jack Flug, outlining the budget; Howard Cleveland, the needed repairs on the school; Jo, Stewart, the needs of the grade school and L. E. Dick discussed school legislation.

The first grade mothers served dessert before the meeting and Mrs. Hanna's room won the room count.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Cornett Green were in La Grande Saturday and Sunday to attend parents weekend at Eastern Oregon college.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Feller and two children Debra and Terry of Hermiston visited last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Albert.

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MRS. CLEM STOCKARD accepts a gift from Miss Leta Humphreys after she was named the Christian church Mother of the Year. The recognition is given annually and the selection is made by a vote of the church congregation. Watching as their mother receives the gift are her four children, left to right, Tommy, Bill, Jean and Joan.—(GT Photo)

FLOOD

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farm lands which were planted to alfalfa and grains were washed to a depth of three and four feet with nothing being left but gravel and boulders. At the Ralph Beamer ranch on Balm Fork, the torrents came down two side canyons north and east of the Beamer house washing out fences and flooding barn lots with gravel and debris. A stubblefield in that area was completely cleaned of any remaining stubble and several wheat fields were reported damaged from the heavy rain and hail which fell in some sections.

Along the lower end of Balm canyon the path of the water is clearly marked by the lack of any growth where it swept alfalfa and grain fields completely clean of any vegetation. The effect of the water will be obvious for many months along the entire length of the creek.

The Balm Fork road suffered from the torrent, which in several places covered it and washed mud, silt, rocks and other debris down off the surrounding hills. For some time the road was impassable to anything but a jeep, but county crews plowed out the area Saturday morning. So heavy was the downpour in the center of the area that in places furrows two feet and more deep were gouged in grass and sagebrush covered hillsides.

Channel cleaning work along Willow creek which had been done by the city during the past winter was credited by many persons for preventing serious trouble in Heppner. Great amounts of debris floated down with the flood, but at no point in town was there any serious pile up of trash which could have caused a backup and more flooding similar to that which has occurred in other floods here.

By the time the flood waters had passed through Heppner and started on down stream, the peak had spread sufficiently to prevent damage. At the golf course, two footbridges were floated out of position and some fairways given a thick coating of goey mud, but actual damage was light.

The rise and fall of the water was extremely rapid. The peak was reached within 10 to 15 minutes of the time the flood first struck the upper end of town and it started to fall within another 15 or 20 minutes.

While damage other than erosion and to crops was negligible another foot at the peak would very possibly have caused considerable damage in several sections of town, it was felt by many persons who watched.

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Special Flood Warning Siren Signal Planned

As a result of the confusion resulting from the siren alarm sounded Friday evening to warn residents of an impending flood, the fire department this week developed a special signal which, for the present at least, will be used only in case of flood danger.

The city fire siren will be used for the alarm and the warning will be three long 20 second steady blasts of the siren separated by a 10 second silent periods.

Friday night many persons thought the alarm meant a fire and followed the trucks which were used to warn residents living along the creek. A regular alarm was used because no special signal had been set up, but the new one when sounded in the future will mean only a possible flood.

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Heppner Grade School Winner of Invitation Track Meet Here

Heppner came out the winner of the invitational grade school track meet held at the rodeo field last Thursday. The local school came out with top points in both boys and girls division. Participating were students from Heppner, Lexington, Ione, Umatilla and Pilot Rock schools.

In the girls A, B, and C divisions Heppner garnered 67 points, Umatilla, 35, Ione 21 and Lexington 12. In the boys division Heppner had 65, Umatilla 60, Pilot Rock 39, Lexington 22 and Ione 9. High point for girls was Robison, Heppner, 11½; Anderson, Umatilla 10¼; boys, Green Heppner 10¼, Ellis, Pilot Rock, 10 points.

Winners in divisions: boys class C 50 yard dash, Howard, Heppner, 7.2. Girls class C 50-yd. dash, Eubanks, Ione, 6.9. Girls class A broadjump, Anderson, Umatilla, 6-9¼; class B broadjump, Robison, Heppner, 7-7. Class B boys 50-yd. dash, Webb, Heppner, 6.5. Girls class B 50-yd. dash, Robison, 5.1. Girls class A shotput, Palmer, Lexington, 40 ft. Class C standing broadjump, Byler, Umatilla, 6-9; Girls class A 50-yd. dash, Anderson, Umatilla, 6.2.

Girls class B 75-yd. dash, Swagart, Heppner, 10.4. Girls class C 75-yd. dash, Tholberg, Heppner, 10. Boys class C standing broadjump, White, Umatilla, 6-7½. Class C boys 75-yd. dash, Case, Heppner, Boys class A pole vault, Van Schojack, Pilot Rock, Class B boys football throw, George, Heppner, 110¼ ft. Class A boys 100-yd. dash, Brosnan, Heppner and Parsons, Lexington tied, 12. Class B boys 100 yd. dash, Winks, Pilot Rock, 12.9.

Class A boys running broadjump, Green, Heppner, 16-7½. Girls class A softball throw, Slocum, Heppner, 125.7. Class B boys high jump, Ellis, Pilot Rock, Class C boys 10-yd. dash, Schrag, Umatilla, 13.1. Boys class B running broadjump, Mitchell, Pilot Rock, 13.7. Girls class B softball throw, Davidson, Lexington, 130 ft. 8 in. Girls class A 100-yd. dash, Crabtree, Ione 13.2. Class B boys 220 yard run, Ellis, Pilot Rock, 28.9. Class A boys run, Parsons, Lexington, 1 min., 1-8 sec. Class A boys high jump, Sollman, Umatilla, Class C girls softball throw Doherty, Lexington, 112 ft. 6 in. Class A boys 880-yd. run, Green, Heppner, 2 min. 27.2 sec. Class C 200-yd. shuttle relay, Umatilla, Class B boys 200-yd. shuttle relay, Heppner, Class A boys 200-yd. shuttle relay, Heppner, Class A boys 880-yd. relay, Umatilla, Class C boys softball throw, Gardner, Heppner.

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Council Awards Water Pipe Order

The city council in a special meeting Monday night awarded a contract to Arco Drainage and Metal Products Co. of Portland to supply 10,500 feet of 8-inch steel pipe for installation in the city's Willow creek water supply line. The company was low bidder at \$1.74 per foot.

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School Budget Gets Voter OK

An almost-record small number of voters bothered to turn out last Friday to vote on the county-wide school budget, but those who did take the time approved it 221 yes to 49 no. The budget passed in every district.

The vote by districts was: Lexington yes 9, no 1; Ione yes 43, no 16; Heppner yes 80, no 27; Boardman yes 24, no 0; Irrigon yes 62, no 5; Hardman yes 6, no 0.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Gene Orwick, Heppner, a 7 lb. 5¼ oz. boy born May 7, named Michael Gene. To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosenberg, Condon an 8 lb. 15 oz. girl born May 8, named Mary Anne. To Mr. and Mrs. Logan Adams, Kinzua, an 8 lb. 9½ oz. boy, born May 8, named William Ed. To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Svetlik, Condon, an 8 lb. 8 oz. boy born May 9, named Gary Michael. To Mr. and Mrs. John Ployhar, Heppner, a 10 lb. 3 oz. boy born May 9, named James Lee.

Medical—Frank Asher, Kinzua, dismissed; Lois Pentecost, Kinzua, dismissed; Alta Britt, Spray, dismissed; J. Key, Heppner, dismissed; Mabel Davidson, Ione; Anne Sharpe, Condon.

Minor Surgery — Janice and Richard Hutchison, Monument, dismissed; Pat Hall, Medford, dismissed; Gladys Hadley, Fossil, dismissed; Del Williams, Fossil, dismissed; Robert McNabb, Fossil, dismissed; David Hunt, Fossil, dismissed; Jackie Brindle, Heppner.

Mayor Surgery — Claire Anderson, Heppner, dismissed; William Johnson, Heppner; Marvete Wright, Heppner; Douglas Gribble, Heppner.

Nancy Anderson who is attending Eastern Oregon college at La Grande, visited over the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Anderson.

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Tax Foreclosure Set by County

The sheriff's office is now preparing a list of delinquent taxes in Morrow county and will shortly publish the complete foreclosure list. It was announced this week. The foreclosure will be the first to be held in the county since 1943.

Appearing on the list will be all delinquent real taxes prior to the 1956-57 tax year and all personal taxes prior to the current 1957 year, the sheriff said.

It is expected that it will take several weeks to prepare the complete list.

Travel Films to be Presented at Elks

The general public is invited to see two full length feature films and accompanying talks on Africa and the Near East which will be presented by the Heppner Elks lodge next Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The films and talks will be presented by Dr. Theodore Jackson, well known archaeologist, minister and world traveler.

Monday night he will present "Africa," and on Tuesday the film and talk on "The Jordan Valley Story." There will be no charge.

Ione Girl Named Girls' State Delegate

Kay Sherer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sherer of Ione, has been chosen a delegate to Girls' State by Ione Legion auxiliary unit No. 95.

Kay has been class and student body secretary-treasurer, a member of the high school annual staff, student council and Girls' League. She has also been assistant editor of the paper and cheer leader. In addition she has been active in tumbling, trampolining, track, tennis and volleyball.

Girls' State is held at Willamette University in June.

Two Qualify For State Track Meet

Two Heppner high school track stars, Tom Driscoll and Tom Howell, will go to Springfield this weekend to compete in the state track meet to be held there Saturday. The two qualified at the district meet last weekend at Hermiston.

Driscoll placed second in the 440-yard dash and Howell first in the javelin at district meet to qualify. While in the valley the boys will take in the Pacific Coast Conference track meet at Hayward field in Eugene.

Civic League Plans Blood Typing Drive

The Civic League will meet Monday evening May 20 at All Saints Episcopal parish house.

The League is sponsoring a blood typing project in hopes of helping the files of Pioneer Memorial hospital, which are very incomplete. There are not enough donors on file for the needs of the hospital.

Willard O'Harra, technician at the hospital, will be at the meeting Monday night to do the typing and all interested persons are urged to come and have their blood typed, not only to help the hospital but for their own personal protection.

WEATHER

The Heppner weather station reports:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	78	52	.35
Friday	66	47	—
Saturday	65	51	.16
Sunday	64	50	.11
Monday	65	46	.08
Tuesday	65	44	.15
Wednesday	60	43	.14

Precipitation for week, .99; for May 1.70; for the year 9.18 inches.

Former Resident Dies in California

Mrs. Oral Feldman passed away May 12 in Sunnyvale, California where she had made her home for the past 13 years. She had been a resident of Morrow county for many years and with her husband farmed the ranch near Ione now operated by Lewis Halvorsen.

Mrs. Feldman was very active in Eastern Star having received her 50 year pin from Locust chapter No. 119 at Ione several years ago.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Neal (Katherine) Shuurman, Cupertino, Calif.; and Hazel Rizzio Berkeley, Calif.

Open House Set For Hospital Week

Pioneer Memorial hospital will observe National Hospital week with an open house from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 17, Jack Angel, administrator, announced today. Guided tours will be arranged during those hours for all visitors.

In recognition of the growing need for additional hospital personnel, the American Hospital association has selected the theme "Careers That Count" for the 1957 observance of the week.

Pioneer Memorial is joining numerous other Oregon hospitals in observing the week with open houses and other special events.

Justice And Municipal Courts

Donald Eugene Lamorie and Bert Alfred Beldler, charged with malicious and wanton injury of personal property. Held in county jail in lieu of \$500 bail each. The lowering arrest in La Grande. The two men are accused of damaging a car belonging to Jerry Schriener of Fossil.

LaVelle Dick, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Thomas Hall, illegal U turn, \$5.
Grant E. Baker, parking in restricted zone, \$1.

GARDEN CLUB PLANS FOOD AND PLANT SALE

The Ione Garden club will hold a food and plant sale in the Ione IOOF hall Tuesday, May 21 from 1 to 5 p.m. Coffee and pie will also be served at the sale.

WRANGLERS RIDE CANCELLED
The Wranglers Butter creek ride, scheduled for Sunday, May 19 has been cancelled it was announced Wednesday.

FAMILY GATHERS HERE

Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Jessie Griffin were Mrs. George Mead, Mrs. Etta Dollarhide and her two granddaughters and a great-granddaughter all of Everett, Washington; Mrs. Flora Moyer, Hermiston and Mr. and Mrs. Sie Walker, Portland. Mrs. Dollarhide, Mrs. Moyer, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Griffin are daughters of Mrs. Mead and Mrs. Dollarhide's great-granddaughter is Mrs. Mead's great-great-granddaughter.

Mrs. Mead is 93½ years old and she will remain in Heppner for a visit over Memorial Day.

GUEST OF DRAKES

Mrs. Elizabeth Gadeken of Kimball, Nebr., is visiting at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Drake. On Sunday the Drakes and children Susan and Alfred and Mrs. Gadeken drove o Spokane where they visited Mrs. Gadeken's son, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gadeken and family and Drake's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Anderson and daughter Carol and Eddie Greshens visited in Corvallis over the last weekend with Adella Anderson, who is attending Oregon State college. While there Carol and Eddie attended a fraternity dinner dance. They also visited in Salem with Mrs. Anderson's father, L. Redding, who is recovering from surgery.

Mrs. Joe Hughes, Mrs. Frank Connor, Mr. and Mrs. Cornett Green and Mrs. Lincoln Nash attended parents weekend at Pacific University at Forest Grove recently.

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