

Farm-City Week Banquet to Hear Extension Speaker

J. Ralph Beck, assistant director of Oregon State college extension service, will be the guest speaker at the second annual Farm-City Week banquet next Monday evening at the Legion hall in Heppner. The affair is sponsored jointly by the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce, the Heppner Soil Conservation district and the Morrow County Farm Bureau.

Awards will be presented during the banquet to Burton Peck & Son, Lexington, county conservation farmers of the year, and to Dick Wilkinson and George Rugg, county grassmen of the year. The conservation winners are honored by the soil district and the grassmen by the Farm Bureau. Other presentations are scheduled and the past directors of the Heppner Soil Conservation district will be special guests.

The banquet will start at 6:30 and it is open to the public. Tickets are now on sale at the First National Bank or the county agent's office, or they may be purchased at the door.

The annual Farm-City Week observance is backed by the chamber of commerce and many farmer organizations as a means of creating a better understanding of the point problems facing both groups, as well as furthering farm-city relations.

Erma D. Wickersham Killed, Husband Hurt In Friday Accident

Mrs. Erma Duval Wickersham of Portland was killed instantly Friday night in a car-truck collision a few miles west of The Dalles. Her husband, Ralph O. Wickersham was seriously injured and was taken to a hospital in The Dalles for treatment. The driver of the truck succumbed a few hours later from his injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Wickersham were on their way to Heppner at the time of the accident to visit her mother, Mrs. Harry Duval. Early this week Mr. Wickersham was transferred to Emanuel hospital in Portland where he was reported improving but still in serious condition.

Mrs. Wickersham was born Dec. 15, 1911 at Stanfield and moved to the North Lexington area in 1916. She was a graduate of Lexington high school in 1929, attended the University of Oregon for two years and graduated from Oregon College of Education at Monmouth. She taught at Rufus until her marriage to Ralph Wickersham of Portland in 1934. She had been teaching in the Parkrose schools and had been very active in community affairs there. She was a member of the Parkrose Community church.

She is survived by her husband; one son Loren, of Portland; a daughter, Iris, of San Jose, Calif., and her mother, Mrs. Harry Duval of Heppner.

Clyde L. Bailey Taken by Death

Clyde Leslie Bailey 60, died Nov. 17 at Pioneer Memorial hospital following a brief illness.

Mr. Bailey was born Dec. 6, 1896 at Red Lodge, Montana and came to this vicinity in 1914 where he had made his home since. He was a veteran of World War I.

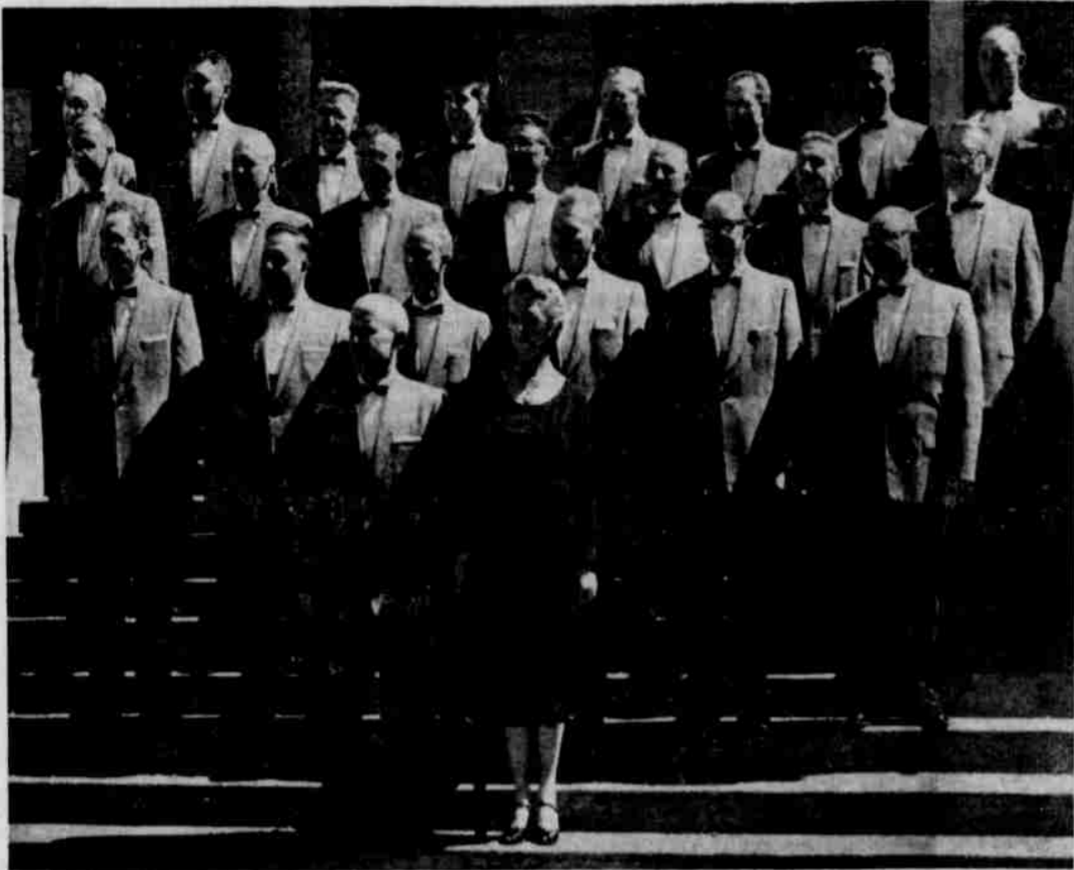
Surviving him are two brothers, Raymond H. Bailey of Heppner and Charles E. Bailey of Mollala.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Creswick Mortuary chapel with the Rev. Lester Boulden officiating. Military graveside rites were held at Fossil.

GT Requests Early Copy for Next Week

Gazette Times news correspondents and advertisers are asked to have copy for next week's paper in to the office at least one day earlier than usual because of early publication of the Thanksgiving paper.

The Gazette Times will go to press Wednesday instead of Thursday as usual to let the staff enjoy the holiday. Local delivery will be one day ahead, but in other areas delivery will be on Friday as usual because the holiday is also observed by the post offices.



PENDLETON MEN'S CHORUS, well known singing group, will be presented in a public concert Friday evening at the Heppner school gymnasium. Pictured in the foreground are Dave Hamley, immediate past-president, and Mrs. Ann McInerney, accompanist. New president is Bill Ormsby, second from right in first row; and the director is Robert Benson, extreme left in the second row. The concert is being sponsored by the chamber of commerce.

Pendleton Chorus To Give Concert

The first outside musical organization to be presented in concert in Heppner in some time, will be heard Friday night at 8 p. m. at the Heppner school gymnasium. The group is the Pendleton Men's Chorus, one of the best-known singing groups in this part of the state.

The 29-member chorus has received high acclaim in the Pendleton area on its past performances and is making Heppner its first concert of the current season. The group is directed by Robert Henson and will present a varied program of well known choral selections, popular, classical and semi-classical songs. The selections are said to have appeal to all age groups.

The concert is being sponsored by the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce and is slated as a benefit for that organization's rodeo field lighting fund. Tickets are on sale by all chamber members or will be available at the door. Admission will be \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for all children and students.

Elsie M. Petersen Claimed by Death; Services to be Friday

Elsie Marie Petersen, 77, of Ione died at Pioneer Memorial hospital Tuesday. She had been in poor health for some time, but had been hospitalized only a short time before her death.

Mrs. Petersen was born Sept. 7, 1880 in Denmark and had lived in Lexington and Ione for the past 35 years. She was a member of the Lutheran church, Holly Rebekah lodge and Willows grange of Ione.

She is survived by three sons, Elmer, Ione; Harry, Dayville; and August of Yakima, Wash.; one daughter, Mrs. Anna Ball, Ione; 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She also leaves two sisters and two brothers in Denmark.

Services will be held Friday, Nov. 22 at 2:30 p. m. at the Ione Community church with the Rev. Floyd S. Bailey officiating. Interment will be in the Lexington IOOF cemetery with the Lexington Rebekah lodge conducting graveside services. Creswick Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Fred Tibbits, 56, Dies Here Sunday

Fred Tibbits, an employee of the Union Pacific railroad and a resident of Heppner for the past 14 years, died suddenly at Pioneer Memorial hospital. He was 56 years of age.

Mr. Tibbits was born April 15, 1901 at Doon, Iowa.

He is survived by two sisters, Sarah Kukendall, Deadwood, S.D. and Harriet Smith who lives in Ione. He also leaves one brother, Clyde, of Valley Springs, S. D.

Funeral services were held today (Thursday) at 2 p. m. at Creswick Mortuary chapel with the Rev. Charles Knox officiating. Interment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

POST OFFICE AGAIN ASKS HELP OF PUBLIC IN "MAIL EARLY" CAMPAIGN

Heppner postmaster James H. Driscoll today called for early mailing of Christmas packages and stated, "Early mailing of all Christmas cards and gifts is the biggest single factor in getting all of the mail delivered before Christmas. Post office facilities are adequate, extra help will be available, and everything is geared up to handle a record Christmas mail in Heppner this year."

The postmaster suggested that special care be taken in preparing gift packages for mailing and urged making sure that all addresses are legible and complete. Driscoll said that if the public will follow these three simple duties, they will be certain to have all gifts delivered before Christmas: wrap them securely, address them correctly and mail them early.

Free labels will again be available at the post office for "local" and "out of town" bundles of Christmas cards which will greatly speed handling in the post office. Christmas cards sent first class receive fastest service and it is urged that return addresses be placed on envelopes.

Cards and packages for out-of-town destinations to distant points should be mailed well before Dec. 10 to assure delivery, and mail for local delivery at least a week ahead of Christmas.

Crabtree Re-elected Ione Grange Head

Leo Crabtree was re-elected master of the Ione Willows grange at annual elections held Saturday evening. He has headed the organization for the past year.

Other officers elected include: Hershah Townsend, overseer; Mrs. Hershah Townsend, lecturer; Wate Crawford, steward; Marion Palmer, assistant steward; Mrs. Wate Crawford, chaplain; Mrs. James Lindsay, treasurer; Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen, secretary; Mrs. Marion Palmer, lady assistant steward; A. W. McLeod, gatekeeper; Brenda Kay Townsend, Ceres; Mrs. Harold Dobyns, Pomona; Mildred Seehafer, Flora; On the executive committee are Mrs. Harvey Ring, Harold Dobyns and Earl Morgan.

Elks Make Final Appeal for Deer Hides

A final appeal was issued this week by the Heppner Elks lodge for elk, deer and cow hides which will be used by the lodge in a veteran's rehabilitation project.

All kinds of hides, either fresh or dry, will be accepted by the lodge and shipped to California for tanning, then returned to Oregon hospitals for vet's uses. The deadline for the collection is Nov. 24.

Hides may be left at either the Elks, Farley Motor Co., or Van Winkle's Chevron station in Heppner; Gene's Chevron in Lexington, or Barnett's Chevron station in Ione.

IN SANITARIUM

Mrs. Ada Cason, formerly of Heppner, is now convalescing in the Sandy Blvd. sanitarium, 1954 N.E. 45th ave, Portland, operated by Anabel Turner Allison, also a former Heppner resident. Mrs. Cason suffered a slight stroke recently and would appreciate hearing from friends in this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Graham were in Portland a few days this week.

69 YEARS AGO...

Coming of Railroad Cause for Celebration

Sixty-nine years ago next Tuesday there was cause for great celebration in Heppner... it was the day the railroad was completed.

A short account of that big event is found in a clipping from some unknown newspaper which

has been kept by Mrs. Pearl Devine of Heppner and was recently brought to the Gazette Times with the thought that it might be of interest on the eve of that anniversary. It reads:

"Heppner was sure a happy town on November 26, 1888, so happy that the mayor made a speech. The Willow Creek branch of the O. R. & N. railroad was completed as far as that town, and everybody celebrated. One thousand people took part. Headed by the band, the mayor, city councilmen, company E of the Oregon national guard, and 200 school children marched to the depot grounds, where the mayor Henry Blackman spoke. As the last words of the oration went ringing down the valley, J. L. Morrow and Henry Heppner, Pioneer settlers in that part of the state, drove the last spike, the militiamen fired three volleys, and that night a free grand ball was given."

No doubt it was one of the biggest days in the early history of the town and if copies of the local papers were available, they would give the whole account of the day, probably including the mayor's ringing speech word for word. However, no real early-day files of local papers remain, as all were lost in fires since the turn of the century.

County Planning Groups Working

The first of the committees of the Morrow county Town and Country planning conference started work this week following the kick-off meeting of the conference last week at the court house.

Meeting Tuesday was the youth activities sub-committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. E. M. Baker of Ione. The group developed 10 problems that members felt should be discussed at future meetings.

The 10 problems listed are: 1; need for more recreational activities; 2; A study of participation in youth organizations; 3; Need for more leader training; 4; Need for parents interest; 5; better control of liquor and cigarette sales; 6; enforcement of driving age law; 7; more use of school facilities for youth activities; 8; need for facilities for border-line juvenile delinquents; 9; need for more counseling within the schools; 10; more help for handicapped children.

The committee grouped the 10 problems into four groups for further study and set the next meeting for Dec. 2 at 7 p. m. at the court house. At that time problems of better control of liquor and cigarette sales, enforcement of driving age law, and need for facilities for border-line juvenile delinquents will be discussed.

Attending the Tuesday meeting were Mrs. Andy Van Schoiack, Mrs. Randall Martin, Mrs. Robert Brindle, Rev. Lester Boulden, Heppner; Mrs. Kenneth Palmer, Lexington; Mrs. Mike Matthews, Rev. Floyd Bailey, Mrs. E. M. Baker, Ione; Beverly Bradshaw and N. C. Anderson, county agents.

All but one committee chairman has now been selected for the overall conference, it was revealed and all committees plan to get work under way within two weeks. Many town and country people will be asked to serve on various committees and active support is hoped for.

Sputniks Subject of Colonel's C of C Talk

Col. J. O. Guthrie, commanding officer of Umatilla Ordnance Depot, discussed the Russian sputniks at the Monday noon meeting of the chamber of commerce, and stated that the United States could launch its own satellite now, if desired.

Col. Guthrie told of the various missile and satellite programs being conducted by the army and other branches of the armed services, and said that a U.S. space satellite could be launched at any time, but questioned whether it would be worth it. He said the cost would be extremely great and questioned the justification of the expense unless ample information was received in return.

He said there is no reason for panic and stated that the army has been ordered to launch a satellite in the near future.

Six Guard Planes Land at Lexington

Six National Guard planes from Portland with 12 persons aboard landed at the Lexington airport Sunday. The planes were clearly marked with U.S. and Oregon state signs, but caused a considerable amount of excitement locally.

The planes were on a training flight and stayed in Lex only a short time before continuing their flight.

Ione HS Students Make Honor Roll

Ione school officials this week released the high school honor roll list for the first school period. On the list are:

Seniors: Mardine Baker; Anne Belle Coleman; Grace McCabe; Ray Sherer. Juniors: Leann Padberg, Sophomores: Mary Emert; Phil Emert; Linda Helmbigner; Karen Lundell; Melvin Martin; Grant Rigg y.Jr. Freshmen: Kenneth Lynn Smouse. Karen Lundell received all 4's.

On the honorable mention list were Berl Akers, Billy Seehafer, Kenneth Jones, Evelyn Jepsen and Jean Martin.

Christian Church Plans Special Sunday

Next Sunday morning is slated as Harvest Festival Sunday at the Heppner Christian church, it was announced this week. A goal of \$1500 has been set and the money will be used to make needed repairs to the heating plant, redecorate much of the basement of the building, landscape and paint the exterior of the church building.

A special service will be held during the morning worship in observance of Thanksgiving.

The church is also conducting its "Adventures in Christian Stewardship" program and men of the church are calling on members explaining the new program and receiving individual and family commitments. Last Wednesday the church held its Loyalty dinner with 80 persons in attendance. Talks on the stewardship program were given by Roy Neill, Frank S. Parker, C. N. Jones and Paul Jones. The religious film, "All That I Have", was shown Sunday, Dec. 1 will be observed as victory Sunday.

MCGG Members Reelect Officers At Annual Meeting

Directors of the Morrow County Grain Growers reelected all four regular officers at the annual meeting of the cooperative held Monday at the fair pavilion.

Named as president for another term was A. C. Lindsay. He will be assisted by John Graves, vice president; Paul Jones secretary, and Al Lamb, treasurer.

The membership also reelected three regular directors to serve for another term. They are L. L. Howton, Vernon Munkers and A. C. Lindsay. The seven associate directors elected were C. K. Peck, Al Bunch, Lloyd Rice, Walter Jacobs, Kenneth Kamerer, Elmer Palmer and Barton Clark.

Between 175 and 200 persons attended the meeting that was highlighted by the afternoon talk by Congressman Al Ullman who spoke on agricultural and local resources problems. He stated that he testified at a recent Army Engineer's hearing in Portland on the need for conserving natural resources of the area, including water storage. He said he also favors the construction of upstream dams on streams other than the Columbia or its main tributaries.

He said regional politics was affecting agriculture legislation in congress and that the soil bank program has not proven satisfactory. He asked for an expression of personal ideas on the program. He emphasized the need for a parity wheat program and stated that he felt such a program was gaining acceptance in the house of representatives. He also expressed fear in the withdrawing of foreign support for northwest wheat, as has been done, and said that there was a chance of permanently losing the orient as a soft white wheat market. He praised the Oregon Wheat Commission for the selling job it has been doing.

Ullman also said there was need for long range irrigation development and said that he felt tight money and high interest rates can lead to economic troubles.

Touching on the international scene, he said the United States is two years behind in missile development, but stressed that it won't take two years to catch up with the proper program.

The other speaker of the afternoon was A. M. Camp, president of the North Pacific Grain Growers.

38 Students Earn HHS Honor Grades

Thirty-eight Heppner high school students made the honor roll during the first nine weeks period, school officials stated this week. Those listed on the high honor roll earned a grade point of 3.75 or better, and on the low honor roll, 3.00 to 3.5. One senior girl, Joann Brosnan, received a perfect 4 point.

Seniors, high: Joann Brosnan, 4; Helen Graham, 3.81; Low, Peggy Applegate, 3.5; Tom Currin, 3.4; Carol Groshens, 3.3; Phyllis Quackenbush 3.25; Len Ray Schwarz, 3.2; Ed Groshens, 3.15; Janice Beamer and Judie Spaulding, 3.06.

Juniors, high: Janice Martin, 3.81; Steven Flug, 3.75; Low, Renn Harris 3.65; Carolyn McDaniel, 3.3; Larry Prock, 3.25.

Sophomores, high, Tom Driscoll, 3.9; Jean Collins, 3.88; Carol K. Anderson 3.85. Low, Mickey Van Schoiack, 3.1; Clifford Green, 3.6; Carolyn Carter, 3.54; Wilma Bothwell, 3.5; Roseann Ayers, 3.4; Shirley Nash, 3.25; Connie Anderson.

Freshmen, high: Doris Morris, 3.85; Low, Jean Schmidt Bill Monagle, 3.45; Sherrell Harris, 3.41; Larry Tibbles, 3.35; Mary Tucker, 3.29; Nancy Moyer, 3.2; Fern Albert, 3.15; Judy Brinda, 3.11; Dennis Ferguson and Ronnie Gray, 3.1; Dan Brosnan, 3.05, and Shirley Van Winkle 3.00.

WEATHER

The Heppner weather station reports:

	Hi	Low	Pt.
Thurs.	53	39	—
Fri.	51	38	—
Sat.	51	24	—
Sun.	44	23	—
Mon.	46	33	—
Tues.	48	43	.07
Wed.	47	26	—

Rainfall for the week .16; for November .95; for the year, 15.45 inches.

RECEIVES AWARD—Rev. Lester Oulden, left, pastor of the Heppner Methodist church, is shown receiving an award and check from S. W. Pettigrew, Pacific coast director of the Sears-Roebuck foundation. The award was made at the recent town-and-country conference at Corvallis. The award was given for improvement in the church building and community service program.