

# Death Claims 103 Year Old Lone Woman, Ellen Rieth

Requiem Mass was offered for Mrs. Eugene (Ellen) Rieth, at St. Williams Catholic church in lone Monday at 8:30 a. m. with the Rev. Raymond Beard officiating. Rosary was recited Sunday evening at the church.

Mrs. Rieth, who was Morrow county's oldest resident, was 103 years of age. She was born Oct. 12, 1856 at Neosho, Missouri, and passed away April 15 at Pioneer Memorial hospital.

"Grandma" Rieth, as she had been affectionately called for many years by her friends, crossed the plains in 1860 and settled near Echo. She was married to Eugene Rieth, Sept. 7, 1875 at St. Anthony Mission near Pendleton and they made their home in Pendleton. The town of Rieth, just west of Pendleton was named for her husband and his two brothers, Jacob and Joseph.

Mrs. Rieth outlived all of her family of three daughters and one son except for a daughter, Mrs. Paul O'Meara, with whom she had made her home in lone since the death of her husband in 1922, and her son, Francis J. Rieth of Harrington, Wash. She had enjoyed remarkably good health until the last year or so when a series of illnesses required her hospitalization for short periods.

For the last three years her birthday had been observed quietly, but when she reached the century mark in 1956, her birthday party included a special Mass at St. Williams church celebrated by Bishop Francis P. Liepzig.

In addition to her son and daughter, Mrs. Rieth is survived by nine grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great-grandchildren.

Burial was in the Harrington, Washington cemetery with Creswick Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

## Charlotte Scherzinger Native Heppnerite, Claimed by Death

Mrs. Charlotte Scherzinger, 79, a native of Heppner, died April 20 at Pioneer Memorial hospital where she had been a patient for about four months.

Mrs. Scherzinger was born August 4, 1880 in Heppner, the daughter of Francis L. and Sarah E. Shipley, and she had lived her entire life in this area. She was a member of the Methodist church.

Services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at the Heppner Christian church with the Rev. Charles Knox officiating. Interment will be in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

She is survived by one daughter, Rachel Harnett, Lebanon; and one grandson, Melvin J. Harnett, a Marine stationed at San Diego.

## Final Rites Held Here Tuesday For Lucy G. Wilkins

Funeral services for Lucy G. Wilkins, 69, who died April 15 at Pendleton, were held Tuesday at All Saints' Episcopal church in Heppner. Her home was in Hermiston.

Mrs. Wilkins was born March 14, 1891 at her father's ranch home on Butter Creek. She was married to Thomas James O'Brien at Heppner in 1917 and they lived on a ranch on Butter Creek. Mr. O'Brien died in 1935 and she was married to Harold Wilkins, August 22, 1937 at Walla Walla.

She is survived by four sons, James O'Brien, Pilot Rock; Malcolm O'Brien, Prineville; Gordon and Patrick O'Brien, Heppner; two daughters, Isabella O'Brien, Pendleton; and Katherine Voge of Fairchild Air Base, Wash; two sisters, Violet Gourley, Heppner, and Malsie Hoskins of lone. She also leaves eight grandchildren.

The Rev. Bruce Spencer officiated at the services and interment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doolittle and family of Portland spent the Easter weekend with his mother, Mrs. Lester Doolittle.

### WEATHER

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	62	35	.12
Friday	53	32	.02
Saturday	49	29	.01
Sunday	56	38	—
Monday	59	34	.02
Tuesday	54	35	.10
Wednesday	59	44	.04

Rainfall for the week 3.1; for April .50; for the year 4.49 inches.

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## Only One Race Seen For School Board Positions

Morrow county voters will again go to the polls on school business on Monday, May 2, this time to elect school board and local committee members.

Four positions are open on the county school board, one each from Irrigon, lone, Lexington and Heppner zones, and in only one instance, the Lexington zone, is there a race for the position. Two men, Delwin Nelson, present board member who is seeking reelection, and Don Turner are after the seat. This is for a five year term.

The candidate from the lone zone is Fredrick Martin, present chairman; Harvey Warner, who was recently appointed from the Irrigon zone, is seeking a one year term; and Mrs. Elaine George, present board member, is running for the Heppner zone post.

Members of the local committees will be named at the same time and in both lone and Lexington there will be a race for the openings. Those who have filed for these positions include: Hardman area on Heppner committee, one position, John Graves; Lexington area on Heppner committee, one position, Homer Hughes; Lexington area on lone committee, one position, Martha Barak; Irrigon committee, three positions, Warren McCoy, W. H. Parker, William Schmeder.

Lexington committee, three positions, Stanley Kemp, Gene Cutsforth, Elmer E. Padberg and Gene Majeske; Boardman committee, three positions, Harold Baker, Ralph Skoubo, Roy Partlow; lone committee, three positions, Helen McCabe, Don McElligott, Milton Morgan, Lewis Halvorsen, and Bryce Keene; Coell area on lone committee, one position, Jack Hynd, Jr.; Heppner committee, three positions, Dr. L. D. Tibbles, Andy Van Schoelack and Dick Wilkins.

The election will be held from 2 to 8 p. m. on May 2 at the various school houses in the county.

## Junior Class To Give Three Act Comedy

"Lady Be Good", a three act comedy, will be presented by the junior class of Heppner high school on April 26 and 27 at 8:00 p. m. in the multipurpose room of the grade school.

Class members in the cast are Mary Evelyn Tucker, Dennis Ferguson, Jerry Anderson, Sharon Keithley, Don Craber, Ferne Albert, Roger Doherty, Elaine Laird, Francine Moyer, Bill Monagle and Jeanne Schmidt.

## Civic League Tells Date For Rummage

The Heppner Civic League has announced that the deadline for getting to them, clothing and articles that need cleaning, is April 22.

Anyone wishing rummage to be picked up call 6-9101, 6-9916 or 6-9979. The annual spring sale is scheduled for May 6 and 7 at the show room of Heppner Auto Sales, Inc.



LIBRARY IN NEW QUARTERS—Much work remained to be done when this photo was taken last Saturday of the library. The books had been moved into the new library-museum building from the old quarters in the city hall, but many were just from the old quarters after being closed. The library will reopen Saturday after being closed all this week to allow time for moving and rearranging. (GT Photo)

## "World" To Be Theme of April 29 Homemakers Festival

"Homemakers Around the World", with a special Scottish flavor, will be the featured theme of the annual Morrow county Homemakers Festival scheduled for Friday, April 29 at the Catholic recreation hall, according to Esther Kirmis, Morrow county extension agent.

The luncheon-type festival, which is being hosted by the Rhea Creek extension unit, will begin at 11:00 A. M. with a registration of unit members and guests. Luncheon tickets, at \$1.25, can be purchased at that time. Opportunity will be given before the noon luncheon to view the exhibits of each unit of the projects studied this past year. Each unit chairman will report on their project displayed during the program.

The theme of the day will be carried out in the table decorations. Each extension club is decorating three tables to represent one of the 41 countries around the world affiliated with ACWW. (Associated Countrywomen of the World).

Highlight of the day's program will be an illustrated talk, "On To Scotland", given by Mrs. Harold Duncan, Carlton, who was the state's representative to the ACWW international convention in Edinburgh, Scotland last summer. To compliment Mrs. Duncan's address the Scottish clan of Dayville, will present Scottish music and dancing for everyone's enjoyment. Miss Kirmis will act as mistress of ceremonies and remarks will be made by Miss Murlie Seales, state extension agent of Corvallis; Mrs. Ronald Leimbach, district director of the state council, Umatilla county; and N. C. Anderson, Morrow county agent.

The noon luncheon will be served by the St. Patrick's Altar Society and child care is available in the basement of the church.

New unit officers and county committee members for the 1960-61 year will be installed in a colorful ceremony during the day's program. Mrs. Warren McCoy, Irrigon, county committee vice-chairman, will preside.

## Two Heppner High Classes Planning Reunion May 29

The 1935-1936 graduating classes of Heppner high school are planning a reunion on Sunday, May 29.

Most all members of the classes are being contacted by letter, according to Mrs. Floyd Jones, member of the committee, but they are asking that anyone who has information on the address of Paul Phelan, class of 1935, please notify Mrs. Jones at 6-5341 or write to her at Heppner.

## American Legion Head Makes Visit

A no-host dinner was held Wednesday evening at Stefan's Fine Foods in lone for American Legion department vice-commander, Merrill Johnson. Johnson was making his official visitation to this district. Herb White of Pendleton, district commander, was in charge of the meeting which was arranged by the lone Legion post.

Several members of the Heppner post attended.

## District Gets Title To Boardman School

The question of who has the title to the school buildings at Boardman finally has been resolved with the Morrow county school district coming out on top in the battle, according to word received early this week by Robert Van Houte, county school superintendent.

Congressman Al Ullman has been spearheading the work in Washington D. C. to get the title cleared.

Van Houte received from Ullman a copy of a letter he had received from O. J. Pickard, Colonel, Corps of Engineers which stated, "The Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, has been most helpful in supplying documents from its files, and on the basis of a study of these documents we have concluded that, although the school district has no interest in the land, the school district does have sufficient title to the building to warrant giving consideration to replacement thereof at Government expense under the authority of Section III of Public Law 85-500."

The question first arose when the Army Engineers started plans for moving or replacing buildings which would be drowned out by the backwater of the John Day dam. At that time it was found that the school district had no title to the building, because the papers had been kept in a safe in the school and several years ago the school was burglarized and the safe stolen. The building had been built on government land, so there was no question as to the ownership of the property.

When the engineers started their investigation, they indicated that they could not replace the building as long as the school district couldn't prove

ownership. If the ownership could not have been proven the district would have to stand the entire cost of replacing the building.

The Colonel's letter continued, by saying that he had authorized the district engineer for the Walla Walla district to prepare cost estimates and other necessary information so the question of replacement of the building can be presented to the Chief of Engineers for determination.

Actual replacement of the buildings is not planned until about 1963 or 64.

## Interest to Stay At 3.5% For Most 1960 Crop Loans

The interest rate charged producers on 1960 crop price support loans will continue at 3 1/2 percent per year on all loan repayments received by the regular nonrecourse loan maturity dates, the Department of Agriculture has announced.

Paul W. Jones, chairman, Morrow Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, points out that this rate applies to nonrecourse loans and to that part of a recourse loan which is paid by the regular maturity date. Application of the 3 1/2 percent rate to recourse loans if repaid during the regular loan period is designed primarily to encourage early repayment of these loans.

On recourse loans, which were authorized by recent legislation limiting nonrecourse price support to \$50,000, the rate will be 6 percent per year on the portion of these loans not repaid by the regular maturity date.

Recourse loans must be repaid with interest, but they do not have to be repaid until a full year after the last date for obtaining loans for each of the commodities. The regular nonrecourse loans can be satisfied by forfeiture of the collateral securing the loan, and interest is charged only on the principal repaid.

Under the law, nonrecourse price support is limited to \$50,000 on those commodities determined to be in surplus supply. However, any person may obtain unlimited nonrecourse support if he reduces his 1960 production of the commodity by 20 percent below his 1959 production, and any person may obtain recourse loans for any excess over \$50,000 without reducing his production but the excess amount advanced must be repaid in full with interest.

Crops determined to be in surplus under this provision of law include wheat, barley, grain sorghums, unland and extra long staple cotton, oats, cottonseed, flaxseed, soybeans, rice, peanuts, tobacco, corn, and rye.

## Dressmaking Classes Started Here

Seven Heppner housewives are availing themselves of the dressmaking I workshop which began on April 19 at the fair pavilion, according to Esther Kirmis, Morrow county extension agent.

The workshop, sponsored by the Heppner extension unit, is under the direction of Mrs. Merritt Gray, Mrs. Dick Meador, and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson, Heppner project leaders who took their training from Miss Hildegarde Struefert, OSC clothing specialist.

Besides April 19, the women will be meeting April 21, 26, 28 and May 3 during the hours of 9:30 A. M. and 4:00 P. M.

Attending the Heppner workshop are Mrs. Gene Ferguson, Mrs. Ronald Haguewood, Mrs. Donald Pyle, Mrs. Elmer Berry, Mrs. Keithley Blake, and Mrs. Frank Anderson of Heppner; and Mrs. Eldon Padberg of Lexington.

A similar evening workshop, starting April 19, is being held in lone under the supervision of Mrs. Howard Crowell and Mrs. Arthur Warren.

## Room Rate Increase Due at Hospital

An increase in room rates at Pioneer Memorial hospital was approved recently by the board of trustees, Harry Bongers, administrator, announces.

After careful consideration of the expenses necessary to maintain and operate the hospital, and cost increases during the past two years, it was reluctantly decided to increase the private room rate from \$18 to \$19.50 per day.

The semi-private or two bed ward rate will go up from \$16 to \$18 per day and the pediatric rate from \$12 to \$13.50 a day.

The increased room rates will go into effect May 1, Bongers said. Patients already hospitalized or admitted before May 1 will not be effected by the increase, however, if readmitted after May 1 they will be subject to the new rates. The trustees felt that this relatively small increase, compared to the present rates of other hospitals, would enable them to bring the operation of the hospital to a break-even basis. Also, most hospital insurance plans have increased their benefits so patients carrying hospitalization will not be effected greatly by the increase.

## SOS Speaker Slated For Pomona Grange

Kenneth Landgraver, Portland, will be guest speaker for Serve Our State on the school issue at the meeting of Morrow county Pomona Grange at Willows Grange at lone Saturday, April 30, announces Mrs. W. G. Seehafer, Pomona lecturer.

The program will be held in the afternoon and the public is invited.

## Psssst! Want a Hot Tip?

Fishing season opens Saturday, and this newspaper has a tip for interested anglers—

We don't know any good holes, either!

One this is certain, though, no fish have yet been planted in any county streams.

Dr. James Norene was in Lone last Thursday night to attend a veterinary meeting.



BIG BALLOTS DELIVERED—Mrs. Sadie Parrish, county clerk, holds up two of the three ballots delivered this week for the May 20 Primary election. The "bedsheet" on the left is the 38-inch long Democratic ballot that has caused so much trouble around the state. In several counties no print shop had press facilities large enough to handle the job, but in Morrow county it was run on the Gazette-Times newspaper press which even had a couple of inches to spare. The "little" one on the right is the Republican ballot. Sample ballots may now be obtained at the clerk's office, and all ballots will be published in the Gazette-Times on May 12. (GT Photo)

## STOCKGROWERS TO SEEK OPEN RANGE STATUS FOR COUNTY, OR PARTS

Morrow County Livestock growers will have the opportunity on Friday evening of this week to hear a discussion on the proposed livestock research project to be carried out at the Umatilla branch experiment station at Hermiston.

Bill Barratt, Heppner rancher and a member of the planning committee will outline plans to date for experimental research on livestock diseases, mineral deficiencies, feeding, and general management practices and problems.

The request for this experimental area was made by livestock men concerned over increasing complex livestock production problems. The project, if approved, will be a cooperative one between ranchers of the area and Oregon State College. Ranchers will contribute facilities; the college supervision and research management.

During the Friday evening, April 22 meeting, ranchers will be asked to express their opinions on the project and indicate their willingness to contribute toward the cost of facilities for the station. Ralph Beamer, president of the Morrow County Live-

stock Growers Association, who is sponsoring the meeting asks that the entire membership be on hand to give their opinions on this and other matters which will be considered at this meeting. He points out that if this research project is not set up for the Hermiston station that there are ranchers in other areas who are anxious for this and will offer their cooperation.

Petitions to dissolve the Morrow county livestock district and create an open range area will be presented for circulation at this meeting. Decision to attempt to dissolve the district was made at the last annual meeting of the association. The entire county is included in the district. If objections to remove all of the county from the district are found, portions strongly favoring this action will go ahead with individual areas of 2000 acres or more as provided in the state law.

The meeting will be held at the annex building at the fair grounds in Heppner. It will further provide an opportunity for livestockmen to express opinions for a program for the association for the year, says N. C. Anderson, county agent and secretary.

## FFA SLAVE AUCTION NETS HEPPNER CHAPTER \$300 FOR ROAD SIGN WORK

The Heppner Future Farmers of America chapter held its first slave auction Friday and the affair netted the chapter \$300 which will make it possible for the chapter to complete its road sign program.

Chapter president Al Osmin, brought the top price of \$350 per hour for a total sale of \$28, advisor L. L. Robbins reported.

Barratt Sales Co purchased Osmin to do some welding and build a railing. Other members were purchased to do such jobs as cleaning yards, building ceived by the chapter for its road signs, and that others would be welcome.

## Laundromat to Open In Hotel Building

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Schel, owners of Heppner Hotel, will open a new self-service laundromat in a few days in a portion of the main floor of the building. The laundromat will be open 24 hours a day.

The new business will make available 14 automatic washers, 4 dryers and one commercial washer for large size rugs or similar items. Hair dryers are also being installed.

Free washes will be given during the first two days of the opening.

Mrs. Glen McLochlan was here to spend Easter with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Darrel McLachlan.

fence, pouring concrete, picking rocks from fields, etc.

Robbins said that several personal donations have been received.

Mrs. E. C. Dougherty returned Monday from the coast where she had spent a few days vacationing.

Mrs. J. R. Huffman was in Walla Walla Saturday and spent the day with her son Bob, who is a student at Whitman College. On Sunday she and Bob went to Pasco to spend the day with friends.

Going to Pasco for Easter were Mr. and Mrs. Clive Huston and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Anderson to spend the weekend with the Hustons daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Parker.

Miss Esther Kirmis, Mrs. Walter Wright and Mrs. L. A. McCabe of lone are attending a 4-H judging school in Corvallis this week. This is a school to train them for judging at fairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richards had their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Richards of Eugene, spending the Easter weekend with them.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bailey went to Monument on Saturday to take their daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, who has been visiting with them, to her home.

Mrs. Judi Brannon and daughter Tami, came from Eugene, where Mrs. Brannon attends the University of Oregon, on Friday to spend the Easter weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Spaulding. They came up with Phyllis Nolan of Lexington.