

## Crowd Attends First Play Day

Wranglers' Spring Play Days got off to a rousing start on Sunday, with 150 persons turning out to watch and compete in riding events. It was the first of four spring shows for points. Any member who has his club dues paid can compete, and at the end of the year the three high point winners in each age group will win a valuable prize, plus a chance to win the all-around trophy.

Activities started with a potluck at 12:00 noon, with the following committee serving as hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Gail McCarty, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fetsch, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webb and Mr. and Mrs. Roice Fulleton, chairmen.

Winners of pole bending, ages 7 and under, were Janice Healy, 1st, 34.8; Cindy Dougherty, 2nd, 44.2, and Kyrnn Robinson, 3rd, 46.2. Ages 8 through 12 were Jeri Schubert, 1st, 24.7; Joan Healy, 2nd, 26.2, and Becky Fulleton, 3rd, 26.4. Ages 13 through 17 were Ruby Fulleton, 1st, 22.1; Marcia Jones, 2nd, 26.7, and Erna Winchester, 3rd, 27.3. Seniors were Bev Steagall, 1st, 23.2; George Steagall, 2nd, 25.2, and Charlie Daly, 3rd, 26.2.

Winners of the scurry race, which is a jumping game, were the following: ages 8 through 12, Becky Fulleton, 1st, 17.3;

Becky Doherty, 2nd, 24.4. Ages 13 through 17, Erna Winchester, 1st, 15.2; Marcia Jones, 2nd, 24.4, and Ruby Fulleton, 3rd, 25.4. Senior winners were Bob Webb, 1st, 17.0; Bob Bergstrom, 2nd, 24.9, and Roice Fulleton, 3rd, 26.3.

Those who were winners in the ring race, ages 8 through 12, were Becky Fulleton, 1st, 15.8; Jeanie Daly, 2nd, 19.5, and Bruce Bergstrom, 3rd, 22.2. Ages 13 through 17 were Erna Winchester, 1st, 14.6; Marcia Jones, 2nd, 16.3, and Camille Malcom, 3rd, 16.8. Senior winners were Bob Steagall, 1st, 13.2; Charlie Daly, 2nd, 13.7, and Jerry Dougherty, 3rd, 14.4.

There were four age divisions in the barrel race. Winners for age 7 and under were Janice Healy, 1st, 27.4; Maureen Healy, 2nd, 30.9, and Kyrnn Robinson, 3rd, 43.0. Ages 8 through 12 were Becky Fulleton, 1st, 31.2; Jeri Schubert, 2nd, 22.6, and Joan Healy, 3rd, 23.5. Ages 13 through 17 were Erna Winchester, 1st, 20.1; Sherril O'Brien, 2nd, 21.6, and Gale Malcom, 3rd, 22.4. Seniors were Charlie Daly, 1st, 20.7; Bev Steagall, 2nd, 20.3, and the between Jerry Dougherty and Roice Fulleton, 3rd, 21.4.

Playday set for this Sunday is changed to April 17.

## Alfred Nelson Service is Held At Lone Church

Funeral services were held for Alfred Hilding Nelson, Sr., 80, at the Lone United Church of Christ on Wednesday, April 6, at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Walter B. Crowell and Pastor Kenneth Robinson presided over the services and at interment which followed at the Lexington cemetery.

Mr. Nelson, since his retirement from ranching in 1946, had made his home at Oak Grove, Oregon. He died there on Friday, April 1, following an extended illness.

Mr. Nelson was born January 27, 1886, in Ryaby Parish, Kalmars Lane, in the province of Smaland, Sweden.

He came to the United States from his native Sweden when he was 20 years of age. He was employed in Portland for two years before moving to the Lexington area in 1908.

His sons took over the wheat ranching operations upon his retirement.

Active in church and community, Mr. Nelson was a charter member of the Lexington Grange, a life member of the Oregon Wheat League and a member of the Lutheran church.

He was married to Bertha Morgan at Heppner on August 31, 1912.

Besides the widow, he is survived by two sons, Norman and Alfred, Jr., both of Lexington; two daughters, Mrs. Howard (Clara) Stonecker and Mrs. Bert (Ellen) Mason, Jr., both of Oak Grove; and eight grandchildren. A nephew and two nieces in Sweden are also among the survivors.

## Storage Shed Hit In Saturday Fire

Storage shed at the home of Clarence Wise, near the Condon highway on the south side of town, was virtually demolished in a fire Saturday afternoon. Camping equipment, tires and other articles stored there were lost in the blaze.

City firemen answered the general alarm and quickly brought it under control, but the fire burned furiously with heavy black smoke going skyward until they arrived.

Fire Chief Charles Ruggles, who was out of town at the time of the fire, said Wednesday that probable cause was listed as being from a trash fire left unattended on adjoining property.

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## HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital during the past week, and still receiving medical care, include the following: Rose Marie Stroober, Heppner; Burt Winters, Heppner; John Venard, Heppner; Charles N. Jones, Heppner; and Elsie Fay Zumwalt, Lexington.

Those who received medical care, and were later dismissed, were the following: Cheri Griffith, Heppner; Gary Morgan, Lone, Lillian Sweek, Heppner; Ray Tracy, Condon, and Bert Wikstrand, Condon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White of Lone are parents of a son, Greg Michael, born Saturday, April 2, weighing 9 lb., 4 oz. He joins two sisters, Lea and Yvonne, and a brother, Leland. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leland Moe of Portland, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon White of Lone.

A son was born Friday, April 1, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hall of Kinzua, weighing 8 lb., 10 oz. He has been named Joseph Raymond, Jr., and joins one sister, Joann. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mel Ueland of Bend; paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Hall of Riddle; great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Ueland, Sr., Milwaukie; Frank Stalke of Bend, and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Gules of Clackamas.

A fourth daughter joined the family of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Pimental of Condon on Monday, April 4. The little girl was named Patricia Jean, and weighed 5 lb., 9 oz. Her sisters are Debrah Lynn, Sarah Louise and Katherine Marie. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis of Hermiston, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Pimental, Sr., of Riverside, R. I.

Heppner will participate April 9 at the annual district speech tournament in Pendleton. The tournament will cover such phases of speaking as radio commentary, debate, extemporaneous, and impromptu speaking over selected topics. Also there will be after-dinner speaking, serious and humorous interpretations, and poetry reading.

## Local Speech Students to Vie At District Meet

Both "A" and "B" schools will be participating. Heppner will receive competition from such schools as Hermiston, La Grande, Pendleton, and Ontario, all members of the Oregon High School Speech League.

Some of the contestants expected to compete from Heppner are Nonda Clark, Kathy Melby, Mike Sweeney, Marsha Sowell, Jan Hager, and Leslie Meador.

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## Past Records Help to Predict Weather Ahead

By GENE WINTERS  
County Extension Agent

Most folks have begun their spring work in earnest, be it in the fields or in the back yard. Will spring-like weather continue is the question?

An examination of weather statistics and probability tables can tell us that if the future is anything like the past we can expect certain weather conditions to prevail.

Temperatures at or near freezing affect many people this time of year, especially farmers. Using Heppner weather station data, it can be determined that a temperature of 32 degrees will occur half the years as late as May 9. This occurrence in Heppner could be compared to that of Echo, April 24; Condon, May 30, or Arlington, April 17.

With a large plant population, good growth and better than normal grain growing conditions, there is some concern about soil moisture. A series of soil augerings this week in various sections of the county show adequate moisture for present plant needs. Exceptions were found on the deeper soils in the lower rainfall areas. Moisture deficiencies were estimated to be approximately 1/2 inch per foot of depth. This means a rainfall of 1/2 inch would replace that used by plants or evaporated.

The probability of precipitation of the week of April 11-17 using Heppner weather records is good. Amounts 1/2 inch or more may be expected during this period only in one year out of three.

Wheat growers face a difficult weather condition. Adequate moisture to bring on potentially an excellent crop would set up favorable rust infections periods. Stripe-rust is wide spread and actively developing throughout the wheat counties. The potential for severe epidemic is as great on April 11 this year as it was in 1961. The major difference this year is that 70% of Morrow county wheat acreage is in Gaines wheat, which has some mature plant resistance. Favorable stripe-rust infection

## Peterson Named Hatfield Chairman

Henry Peterson will be campaign chairman in Morrow county for the Mark Hatfield for Senator committee, it was announced last week. He was appointed by Gerry Frank, state chairman for Hatfield.

dertaken in the campaign and other matters.

Peterson, a former representative in the state legislature from this district, said that he will carry on an active campaign throughout Morrow county for Hatfield.

The chairman here received a complete manual for use in the campaign, including information on Governor Hatfield's biography, his beliefs, copies of some of his significant speeches, projects that might be un-

## Successful Event Band Festival

The Morrow-Umatilla county band festival was a big success, declared Heppner band director Arnold Melby who was in charge of arrangements.

The festival director was Russell Larsen, supervisor of music at Walla Walla, Wn., who directed the 185 band students from Riverside, Lone, Umatilla, Echo, Stanfield, and Heppner.

Students were here two days. Friday evening each band was heard in two numbers. Mr. Larsen wrote a critique on these performances.

Due to the poor acoustics in the Heppner High gym, the Saturday evening festival was moved to the Junior High gym. Their the massed band played a concert directed by Mr. Larsen.

Next year's festival will be held at Umatilla.

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