

## Lifeguard's Work Averts Drowning At Heppner Pool

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over the edge of the pool. The swimmers stood back, although he called for help.

"I had to treat her pretty rough to get her out," Dick said. Her knees were scratched in the process and bleeding.

While he was giving the resuscitation, he asked someone to go for an ambulance. Finally one of the youngsters went to the bath house and told Peggy Snyder, attendant there, who went to a nearby house and called the ambulance.

Dick, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dick, will be a junior at Eastern Oregon College this fall. He took his senior life saving work in La Grande and attended a school on water safety instruction in Portland early this summer. A graduate of Heppner High school, Stuart was a top student and fine athlete there.

As a result of the near drowning, he had some suggestions to make on improving safety conditions at the pool. These are discussed in the editorial on page 2.

Dick's efficient work in rescuing and reviving the young woman Thursday kept the pool's drowning-free record intact. Dr. L. D. Tibbles, who designed the pool and supervised its construction, probably about 1941 to the best of his recollection, said that no drownings have ever occurred at the pool, and the Thursday incident was the closest.

On two other occasions that Dr. Tibbles recalls, persons were taken from the pool and had to be brought back to consciousness. However, there have been numerous cases when it was necessary for the lifeguard to help someone, probably averaging one every two years.

Tam Hughes, lifeguard for eight years and Ron Gray, lifeguard for two years, told Dick that they had never had to assist anyone in serious trouble. This year's lifeguard said that he has pulled three others from the pool this summer, but two were children under close supervision attempting to pass the deep water test and another was one who was starting beginning swimmer classes.

Incidentally, Dr. Tibbles said that Civilian Conservation Corps boys helped to build the pool, and the construction cost on the job was only \$18,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Whitesmith, Rod and Terri of Concord, Calif., visited in Heppner from Wednesday until Friday of last week, with the Don Bennett family. They were en route home from a vacation stay with Mr. Whitesmith's parents in Blaine, Wn.

## Republicans Talk Of Election Year

Plans for conducting a registration drive in the fall and for electing Republican candidates next year were discussed at a four-county Republican meeting here Friday evening with Mrs. Herman Winter, Morrow county central committee chairman, presiding.

Gary Putnam of Salem, executive director of the Republican state central committee, explained plans for the registration drive to be conducted in October and November. County leaders will attend an all-day workshop in Salem preceding the drive.

Others at the meeting to assist were Bob Seland of Salem, field representative; John Zapp of The Dalles, second district coordinating chairman; and Rep. Irvin Mann of Stanfield.

The group discussed possible Republican candidates for some offices now held by Democrats, particularly on the national level.

## Mrs. Elder Wins; Misses Big Prize; \$55 Next Week

Mrs. Maurice (Vivian) Elder became a two-time winner in the Heppner merchants' "Who's Who" contest this week when her name was drawn by Howard Pettjohn, judge of this week's contest. She won a \$5 prize in an earlier week.

But Mrs. Elder again missed the bigger prize of \$25 this week. She found only 16 of the 18 clues that identified R. G. (Petie) McMurtry as the mystery man of the week.

The clues were: Philomath, NAPA, Parts, IOOF, Elks, Mary, Glen, Rockhound, CHAMPION, FLEET, Retail, FRAM, AC, ECHLIN, Regal-Ride, MODAC, WATS, SPARTA. Mrs. Elder did not list FRAM and FLEET among her clues.

Because the \$25 prize was not claimed this week, it will be added to next week's big prize. This will make it possible for someone to win \$55 from clues in this issue of the paper (July 20). If the person whose entry slip is drawn correctly identified this week's Who's Who, he will receive \$5, and if he correctly lists all the clues, he will receive an additional \$50.

Entrants are cautioned to list all clues exactly as they are found in the advertisements, using capital letters when they are printed in that manner and lower case letters when they are not capitalized.

For the coming week, entries may be deposited until Tuesday at 4 p.m. in boxes at J. C. Penney Co., Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co., Elma's Apparel and Central Market.



THIS IS CECIL, Oregon, as it appeared in 1917. Old Oregon Trail wended its way from in front of the building at the lower right, continuing in front of the house farthest from the camera. It then skirted on the far side of the hill at top left.



THIS WAS a special occasion at the Cecil store and post office in 1920. Four new trucks came out of Portland and were enroute up the Willow Creek valley when they stopped at the store. The trucks represented something of a "traffic jam" for the quiet community, and they were lined up for this picture. (PICTURES COURTESY OF MRS. HENRY KREBS)

## Cecil Post Office Spans 100 Years

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then took over and operated the business for some 13 years. Logan eventually became sheriff of Gilliam county.

**Lowes Come in 1913**

It was in the fall of 1913 that the Lowes came from Durham City, England, with their children, Annie, Minnie, Jean, Bill and Bob. They first stayed with relatives but bought the store near Christmas time in 1913.

Since then, the store's chronology includes the following owners: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Scott, now both deceased, 1925-1930; Lawrence Cochran, who came from Monument, 1930 to 1935; Roy Hurst, who came from Portland, 1935-1947; Peter Nash, from 1947-1949; Mrs. Peggy Rhodes, who came from Vancouver, Wn., 1950-1953; W. T. McClintock, who operated the store 11 years, 1953-1964; Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Thomas, who came from Washington and operated the store for two years; and finally, Miss Evelyn Marick, who has had the store for the past year.

The dates are only approximate for fractions of years are involved, depending on the dates of sale, and they are difficult to establish accurately.

Bob Lowe says he believes that the post office was in Colby's house before it was moved to the store about 70 years ago. When the Lowes came to Cecil, it was a rather bustling community. There were two school teachers to serve the school and some 30 youngsters attended there. Economy depending mainly on cattle, but the Hynd brothers were there, and they had sheep as well as cattle. Considerable wheat was grown in the area, even in that early day.

**Lodge Hall Upstairs**  
In the upstairs of the store building was the Odd Fellows hall. Church and school were held there at various times. The hall served for dances, weddings and entertainments, and even to this day, it has some use for gatherings. Visiting Portland eighth graders and their hosts assembled there in 1966, and 1967.

The post office had been in operation for some 46 years and the store had a quarter-century behind it when the Lowes came. The store building had fallen into some disrepair, and Mr. Lowe, a progressive man, made improvements, painted the building, and gave it a general rejuvenation. He also made improvements each year thereafter.

The first long distance telephone line was put in about 1916 or 1917. Lowe built a reservoir and added running water.

Union Pacific's train came daily, except Sunday, and Lowe was ticket agent at Cecil. The train at first had both a baggage and mail coach as well as freight cars, but later a "combine"—half baggage and half passenger coach—was used on the run. Bob recalls two occasions when special trains brought loads of passengers to Cecil to attend dances.

**Emigrants Travel Trail**  
Emigrants to Oregon furnished one of the most colorful parts of Cecil's history. From Cecil it was 42 miles to Echo by the Oregon Trail, the only road in

the early days, and 65 miles to The Dalles. The thriving community was a real oasis for these hardy travelers.

Bob says that the westward-bound settlers were still using the Trail in the first years when his family had the store. He remembers them taking off the wheels of their covered wagons and placing them in Willow creek to soak so that they wouldn't fall apart on the remainder of their journey. They washed their clothes in the creek and camped out.

At the store they obtained salt, rolled oats, bacon, tea, coffee, chewing tobacco, coal oil, and other needs.

"It was surprising how many of these items sold for a nickel," he said.

It wasn't until about 1917 that another road was built, but the Oregon Trail was undoubtedly a shorter route to The Dalles than the present highway.

The store was quite a thriving business when the Lowes were there.

"The farmers bought beans by the gunny sack," Bob recalls. Annie (now Mrs. Henry Krebs) helped in the post office. Minnie married Major E. V. Lehman, and unfortunately, Jean, third daughter of the Thos. Lowes, died at Cecil just before the family left it. Bill, one of the two boys, never lived there, being employed elsewhere. Bob kept in touch with Cecil, coming and going several times since his father sold the store and went to Portland, where he worked for Meier and Frank Co. Bob for a time worked for the State Highway Department. He also worked on the railroad, but left Cecil for the last time in 1940. Both he and Bill now reside in Heppner.

Cecil's store and post office still retains its early day flavor and brings nostalgia as an old time general store.

## Quarter Horse Tune-up Day Set

Columbia Basin Quarter Horse association has planned a second tune-up day for Heppner at the Morrow county Fair and Rodeo grounds on Sunday, July 23, with Dr. James Norene, Heppner, as chairman.

The following events will begin at 1:30 p.m.: Western pleasure, reining, western riding, pole bending, barrel racing, and three halter classes, which are mares of all ages, geldings of all ages and stallions of all ages.

No entry fees will be charged and ribbons will be given for three places in each event.

Visitors are welcome. It is not necessary to be a member of the association to enter. However, all entries must be AQHA registered.

The third "tune-up day" will be in Pendleton on September 24.

## Fourth Child Joins Stenkamp Family

Former Heppner residents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stenkamp, now of Moscow, Idaho, became parents recently of a fourth child and second son.

According to word received here by a friend, Nellie Doney, the little boy was born June 18, and weighed 7 lb., 1 oz. He has been named Joseph Lee.

Stenkamp was employed by the First National Bank when the family lived in Heppner.

Fishing was good at East Lake during Fourth of July week and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Privett and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Brown returned with limit catches July 10 after vacationing there. It was cold enough that they had to scrape ice from their boats in the mornings, and it was quite a change returning to the "warm country." The four report a very enjoyable time in the beautiful high lakes country. They counted as many as 90 boats on the lake at one time.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients who were admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital during the past week, and are still receiving medical care, are the following: Mary Healy, Heppner; Hanna Anderson, Heppner; Bob Harris, Heppner; Clarence Jacobson, Hardman; Mary Lundell, Ione.

Those who were given medical care, and were later dismissed, were the following: Muriel Cason, Condon; Judy Devore, Portland; Harold Shaffer, Jr., Heppner; Archie Bechtold, Hardman; and Rebecca Caldera, Fosell.

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson, Heppner, are announcing the birth of a daughter, on Wednesday morning, July 19, weighing 7 lb., 15 oz. She has been named Katrina Marie. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bloodsworth, Lexington; paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Nels C. Anderson, Niamey, Niger, Africa; paternal great-grandfather is Nelson C. Anderson, Lisbon, N. D., and maternal great-grandparents are

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bloodsworth of Lexington.

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## Who's Who In Morrow County?

"Clues Hidden in Any Ad in This Section or in Any Ad by Merchants in This Newspaper"

1. This is a family fun contest. Entries welcome from every member of the family old enough to fill out his or her own. You may submit one entry per person at any OR ALL of the Sponsoring Merchants whose ads are heavily bordered this week—but only one entry per person at any one store (more than one will disqualify all entries of that person for that week).

2. Anyone may enter unless a member of your family is employed by The Gazette-Times Sponsoring Merchants and their families, and their employees and families are most welcome to enter EXCEPT during the weeks that the ad of your own store is heavily bordered in this section.

3. Nothing to buy. Use any slip of paper for entry blank. DO NOT put your entry into an envelope. No necessary to be present at the drawing to win. Not necessary to be a subscriber to The Gazette-Times to participate.

4. WHO'S WHO may be anyone in Morrow County. Clues to his (or her) identity will be hidden ONLY in ads of Sponsoring Merchants (every sponsoring Merchant has a little ad in this group ad). Clues may be hidden in ANY ad of ANY name you think the WHO'S WHO Sponsoring merchant. ANYWHERE in the paper. Clues will be scattered—many ads will have no clues, while others may have as many as five. This is a contest of skill, and we intend to do our best to outfit you. We'll be delighted if you succeed in outguessing us, in spite of our best efforts!

5. If by coincidence, the name of the WHO'S WHO (or other facts about him) happen to appear in news items, editorial matter, or other places in this newspaper, these will not count as clues.

6. To enter, write down the WHO in all the ads of the Sponsoring Merchants in this issue. Don't forget

your own name and address! Then, drop your entry at any Sponsoring Merchant whose ad is between the heavy borders in this group ad this issue. You may enter at all four if you wish! There are no other places where entries will be accepted—and mail entries will not be accepted. Any member of the family may bring in all entries for that family. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

7. Every possible precaution will be taken to prevent typographical errors that might be mistaken for clues, but errorless typographical CAN NOT BE GUARANTEED (by anyone). The Gazette-Times will be the judge in all questions, and their decision is final.

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