

Pasco Masons Visit Heppner Chapter; Officers Elected

Harold Becket, district deputy of the grand high priest of the grand chapter of Oregon, made his official visit to the local chapter Wednesday evening, November 22. Becket was introduced in the east and extended private grand honors. Paul Jones, grand scribe of the grand chapter, was also received in the east and given Masonic honors.

Several companions from Pasco, Wash., Chapter No. 53 R.A.M., visited the Heppner lodge, and their excellent high priest, Kenneth Wakefield, was escorted to the east and recognized with honors.

Companions Becket and Jones each gave a very interesting talk on Masonry, and the trend of conditions in the U. S. today.

Excellent High Priest Wakefield of Pasco presented a beautiful plaque to the Heppner chapter in token of esteem and the close fraternal ties between the two chapters.

Wednesday evening being the annual election, the following officers were elected and appointed to serve Heppner chapter during the ensuing Masonic year:

Excellent High Priest, Kenneth Walters; King, Herman Winter; scribe, Howard Bryant; treasurer, C. J. D. Bauman; secretary, Larry Cook; captain of host, Ryan Steinke; P. S., Len Ray Schwarz; R.A.C., Marion Green; M. 3rd V. John Venard; M. 2nd V., Clay Phillips; M. 1st V., Don Gilliam, and Sentinel, George Simonson.

Joint installation with Heppner Lodge No. 69 will be held December 19 at 8:30 p.m.

Service Sons Home For Gray Reunion

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Gray on Thanksgiving with the arrival of Harold Gray from Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he is stationed with the U. S. Marines. Gray arrived Monday, November 20, to spend the week at home and to visit with David Gray before David's departure for Vietnam on Thursday, November 30.

Harold Gray returned to duty on Sunday, November 26.

Other Thanksgiving day guests were Mr. and Mrs. David Gray, Mrs. Gene Gray, Miss Florence Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gray and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Gray and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Lott and family enjoyed a week-end trip to Port Orchard, Wash., by train, leaving from Hinkle Friday. The train trip was planned as a treat for their children but was delayed one day by the brief illness of one of the children. They left Friday, visited with Mr. Lott's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Burdette McGee, and family, and arrived home Sunday.

This Christmas, give the gift that keeps on giving—U. S. Savings Bonds.

Society

Clubs Receive Gift Of Trees for Use In Beautification

Each garden club member in the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs received from 1 to 20 tiny trees as a gift from Charles C. Hoover, a retired horticulturist and tree farmer from Medford. Hoover was honored at the 1967 State Convention of Garden Clubs and received the highest award given by the Federation for horticulture and allied fields. He is known as "the man who gave away a million trees."

Oregon schools, hospitals, cities, highways, and recreational areas have benefitted from these gifts of trees.

Blue Spruce, Norway Spruce, and green ash are the varieties which were shipped to Pendleton for distribution to the 225 garden club members in the Blue Mountain District No. 10.

This generous gift of trees, to encourage landscaping in Oregon, can be used for a club project or a district project, if the individual members cannot use them for these purposes.

Mrs. F. T. Martin, district director, appointed Mrs. Ralph Porter of the Pendleton Garden Club as distributor. Mrs. Omar Rietmann, Ione Garden club president, and Mrs. Glen Carpenter, Boardman Garden club president, arranged for distribution to the local membership.

Any group with an idea for beautification, where trees can be used, is urged to get in touch with the local group.

Blue Birds to Sell Boxed Holiday Candy

Blue Bird groups in Heppner will begin selling Kathryn Reich candies for the holidays starting December 5. The candy comes in four different kinds and sells for \$1. The youngsters conduct this annual candy sale to raise money for their group projects in Blue Birds.

Second and third grade groups are participating in the sale, under the direction of their leaders, Mrs. Elwayne Bergstrom, Mrs. Vern Keithley and Mrs. Vern Viall. The girls will be selling door-to-door in Heppner and Lexington.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hiler for Thanksgiving week-end were their two daughters with their families and Paul Hiler, Jr. of Blue Mountain College. Sons-in-law and daughters are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sumner of The Dalles and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bristow of Portland. All arrived on Thanksgiving Day and returned on Sunday.

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Irrigon Wedding Unites Couple

IRRIGON—A double ring ceremony united in marriage Donna June Eppenbach and Kenneth Wayne Matlack on Thursday evening, November 9, at the Irrigon Community Baptist church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Eppenbach and the groom is the son of Virginia Matlack and Denton Matlack, both of Umatilla. The Rev. Herbert Vaughan performed the rite.

The bride's brother, John Eppenbach, lit the candles and Mrs. Kenneth Eppenbach sang with Mrs. Norman Eppenbach playing the wedding music. Monica Eppenbach, niece of the bride, was flower girl and the couple's only attendant. The guest book was attended by Betty Eppenbach and Gary Baird. The wedding cake was made by the bride's cousin, Mrs. Carl Russell. It was cut and served by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Eppenbach, the coffee and punch were served by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Eppenbach. At the gift table were Mrs. Wayne Eppenbach and Mrs. John Marlow.

The newlyweds are making their home in Irrigon. The groom is employed at Hinkle.

Thanksgiving holiday was an opportunity for the family of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan McCurdy, Jr., to be together. Karen was home from her studies at Oregon State University and a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Moyer and two children were here from their home in La Grande, where Moyer is teaching and coaching basketball in the high school.

Mrs. E. E. Gonty had a surprise phone call last Monday evening from her brother, Ray Hemrich, of Santa Maria, Calif., who was visiting at the time with their mother, Mrs. C. F. Hemrich in Beaverton. Mrs. Gonty and son, Tom, spent the day last Tuesday visiting with her brother, her mother, and sister, Mrs. Bernie Altshin of Portland, at Mrs. Hemrich's home.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Heppner Elementary and High schools
December 4-8

- Monday, December 4 — Chili, rolls, carrots and celery, apple sauce cake, and milk.
- Tuesday, December 5 — Spaghetti, French bread, cabbage salad, Jell-O, and milk.
- Wednesday, December 6 — Sliced beef on rice, peas, roll, fruit and graham crackers, and milk.
- Thursday, December 7 — Meat loaf, green beans, whipped potatoes, apple crisp, milk, and bread and butter.
- Friday, December 8 — Creamed tuna and biscuits, lettuce wedges, fruit cobbler, and milk.

Session Honors Rep. Weatherford With Memorial

A memorial resolution in honor of the late Rep. Frank Weatherford was passed at the special session of the legislature on November 17.

Rep. Weatherford, who lived at Olex, died August 26. He had served in two sessions of the legislature, 1959 and 1961, and represented the district of which Morrow county is a part.

Rep. Irvin Mann of Stanfield presented the memorial in the House of Representatives, and in doing so, made the following remarks in tribute to the late Rep. Weatherford:

Frank Weatherford was a member of a highly respected pioneer family in which public service is a deep-seated tradition and in which political individualism is a highly developed trait.

This is illustrated by the fact that Frank served four of the counties now in the five-county twenty eighth district as a Democrat state representative in the 1959 and 1961 sessions.

His brother, Ike, served in this House as a Republican representative in the 1953 session from Wallowa County.

His brother, Marion, was an unsuccessful Republican candidate for Congress in the 1950's. And his brother, Bill, was an unsuccessful Democrat candidate for county commissioner in Morrow County in 1964.

Of the surviving brothers, each embraces his political party with complete partisanship and sincerity, as did Frank.

Frank was born near Olex in Gilliam County in 1896. He resided there continuously except during his service in the army during World War I.

His only schooling was through the tenth grade which did not keep him from becoming a most successful sheep and cattle operator and a good solid legislator.

Frank was a lean, weather-beaten man who was equally at home on the range or in the woods as he was in the halls of this assembly. At the time of his passing he was still in public service as a Gilliam County Commissioner and was still active in partnership with his son, Earl, in the livestock business.

Gilliam County and this state are the better for Frank Weatherford's having been here and we have lost much in his passing.

Attends BPA Meet

Oscar E. Peterson, a member of the Bonneville Power Administration advisory committee, will attend an all-day meeting of the BPA committee in Seattle Friday. He plans to make the trip by car, leaving today (Thursday). Peterson said he will return via Castle Rock, Wn., where he will visit Ora Yeager, long time resident of Heppner and historian of this area. Peterson said that he will return Sunday or Monday.

Ruth Mahan Dies Suddenly at Home

Mrs. William (Ruth) Mahan, 72, died unexpectedly at home, 180 South Chase, Heppner, Saturday following a heart attack. She and her husband had been residents here for 18 years.

Funeral services were Wednesday, November 29, at the Heppner Christian church at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Robert E. Wolfe, pastor of the Assembly of God church, officiating. Mrs. Mahan was a member of the Assembly of God.

Interment followed in the Heppner Masonic cemetery. Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Ruth Conley was born at Eminence, Mo., December 12, 1894. She was married at Eminence on December 22, 1912, to William Mahan.

Besides the husband, survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Mary Ann Robinson of Fresno, Calif.; two sons, Alvie Mahan of Sisters and Albert Mahan of Eminence, Mo.; three sisters, Nancy Conley of Eminence, Mrs. Mary Fisher of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Cora Richardson of Pendleton; three brothers, Henry Conley of St. Louis, Mo., Johnny Conley of Ellington, Mo., and Adolph Conley of Winona, Mo.; six grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

Service Held Friday For Shirley LeTrace At Church in Echo

Memorial services were held Friday, November 24, at 2 p.m. for Shirley Adaline LeTrace, 53, at the First Methodist church in Echo. Officiating was the Rev. Jack Naff, and vault interment followed in the Echo cemetery, with Burns Mortuary, Hermiston, in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. LeTrace died at their ranch home near Hermiston on Monday, November 20, where they had lived since moving from Echo three years ago. She was born February 13, 1914, in Lonerock, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wick. She was joined in marriage to Louis LeTrace in Lonerock on November 12, 1933.

Besides her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Barbara LeTrace, a teacher in Marycrest High school in Portland. Also two sisters, Mrs. Roxie Lovgren of Heppner, and Mrs. Walter Hayes of Boardman, and one brother, Lester Wick of Hermiston. Also several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers at the service were Stacey Lovgren, Albert Wright, Melvin Hayes, Jack Lieualten, Robert Wright and Jeff Hayes.

Contributions are being made to the Shriners Hospital in Portland in her memory.

John Day Here, Burns There Open Season Dec. 8-9

By GARY KEMP

Heppner High Mustangs start their '67-68 basketball season Friday, December 8, at home. They will go against the Grant Union Prospectors, who are picked by many to take the Eastern Division title from defending champion Vale. Last year the Mustangs divided 2-1 with Grant, winning at home and at the district tournament but losing at John Day. The Prospectors have an over-abundance of height this year which should make them tough to tangle with.

Saturday, December 9, Heppner will travel to Burns to play the Hillanders. Every year the Hillanders and the Mustangs have a real battle which is never over until the final horn sounds. Last year the Heppner squad split the two games with

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital during the past week, and still receiving medical care, are the following: Ralph Thompson, Heppner; Louis Bisbee, Heppner; Edna Hutchins, Heppner; Jeffrey Birdsong, Heppner; Claire Anderson, Heppner; Theron Adlard, Heppner; Grace Rose, Cecil; Hannah Anderson, Heppner; Neva Matteson, Heppner; Nate McBride, Heppner; Louise Farley, Heppner; and Leslie Hams, Ione.

Dismissed, after receiving medical care, was Justin Hubbard, Pendleton.

the Hillanders, with each winning at home.

The first of the Heppner-Ione clashes will come Tuesday, December 12, at Ione. Heppner took all three games last year but Ione has plenty of material and will do their very best to beat the Mustangs this year. Ione is strong enough to have a good chance of going to the district B tournament.

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