

County Officials Attend Meeting In Portland

Five Morrow county officials spent part of this week at a meeting of the National Association of County Officials in Portland.

County Judge Paul Jones, Road Superintendent Harold (Doc) Sherer, Clerk Sadie Parrish and Commissioners Jack VanWinkle and Walter Hayes attended Monday and Tuesday, with Mrs. Parrish staying for further meetings Wednesday.

The Clerk is an officer in the state organization.

Judge Jones went to Portland Sunday, with the others going Monday. The meeting started Saturday.

Theme of the meeting was "Counties in the 70's," according to Jones. Among the speakers were Oregon Governor Tom McCall, Portland Mayor Terry Schrunk and former U. S. Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare John Gardner.

Gardner was the keynote speaker, with his talk centering on "most needed items counties must face in the 70's," Jones said.

County officials sat in on a roundtable discussion on county law enforcement and crime control, Monday afternoon.

A banquet Wednesday night was to have featured Vice-President Spiro Agnew, but Jones and the others did not stay for the dinner.

Roy Tyler Dies At Lebanon Home

Word was received Tuesday morning that Roy E. Tyler, a former Morrow county pioneer resident, had died suddenly at his home in Lebanon.

He and his wife homesteaded near the Claude White ranch near Lexington. Later Mr. and Mrs. Tyler and her brother, Merle Kirk, now of Hermiston, operated the Frank Bell ranch in Blackhorse. Also, for a length of time, the partners farmed the McCarty ranch in Sand Hollow before the Tylers acquired his mother's ranch near Lexington.

The family lived here until the accidental death of their oldest child, Edward, before selling to the Majeskes and moving to the Willamette Valley.

The Merle Kirks left immediately to spend the remainder of this week with Mrs. Tyler in Lebanon.

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Bank Announces Stock Split

The board of directors of First National Bank of Oregon has proposed a five for three stock split, according to an announcement by President Ralph J. Voss.

The proposal will be submitted to the shareholders of the bank at a special meeting to be held Aug. 25, 1969. If approved, the additional shares will be distributed on or about Sept. 12, 1969 to shareholders of record Sept. 2, 1969.

Under the proposal, an additional two-thirds of a share will be issued for each share currently outstanding increasing the total to 5,313,149 shares. The board expressed its intention to establish an annual dividend rate of \$1.20 per share for all stock then outstanding which is the equivalent of \$2.00 per share based on the number of shares currently outstanding. The present dividend rate is \$1.90 per share.

Voss stated the stock split should result in a broader and more active market for the bank's stock. The bank currently has nearly 2,000 shareholders, including approximately 1,500 in the state of Oregon.

Students Travel To Hear Selections From 'The Bard'

"Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou?"

"In the bushes, silly! The ladder broke."

Twelve Heppner and Ione High school students who are preparing to attend the annual Shakespearean Festival in Ashland, August 11-15 aren't likely to hear just this when they see Romeo and Juliet performed.

Students receive a special rate for the festival, allowing school groups to see plays they may not otherwise be able to afford. Local students are sponsored by the school district. While in Ashland they will stay in dormitories on the Southern Oregon College campus.

In addition to the festival, the local youngsters will view Crater Lake, the Oregon Caves and Jacksonville on the trip back.

For the weeks preceding the trip the students spent time reading each of the plays they intended to see, and met at the homes of Teresa Harshman and Kristin Nelson to listen to play recordings and discuss them afterward.

Mrs. Jane Rawlins and Mrs. Bob Jepsen are chaperoning Rob Abrams, Sheryl Britt, Ginny Clough, Linda Cooper, Vernon Frederickson, Teresa Harshman, Jeannine Hunt, Susan Jepsen, Kristin Nelson, Lynda Orwick,

Eddie Sherman, and Debbie Warren.

Mrs. Rawlins noted, "This is one of the most enthusiastic groups I've seen. They are really anxious to get a lot out of the trip."

Northwest Bell Announces New Security Man

Ben I. Swank has been named General Security Manager for Pacific Northwest Bell, replacing R. V. Jenkins. Jenkins retired after 39 years with the utility.

Swank, who has been with PNB for over 22 years, was formerly a detective on the Portland Police Bureau. He also served as the Police Chief's aide.

A graduate of the F.B.I. National Police Academy and various advanced police and plant security training and law enforcement schools, Swank is currently instructing at the Oregon Police Academy.

Responsible for the security and protection of PNB property and equipment in Oregon, valued at more than \$470 million, Swank is also the "claims manager" for the company. In this capacity, he handles the claims for and against PNB.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital, and still receiving medical care, are the following: Juanita Carmichael, Heppner; Scott Furlong, Heppner; Alma Davidson, Ione; Joel Engelman, Ione; Norah Rasmus, Heppner; Ann Beck, Heppner, and Claire Andresen, Heppner.

Those dismissed, after receiving medical care, were Myrtle Smith, Heppner; Richard O'Brien, Baker; Elsa Mott, Heppner; Dan Cox, Heppner; and Michael Parrish, Condon.

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