

Adolph Majeske is dead at 83

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner for Adolph F. Majeske of Lexington.

Burial was in the family plot in Lexington cemetery. Mr. Majeske was born in Poland, April 15, 1890. He and a cousin, Julian Rauch, now of Hermiston but a former Lexington resident, came to the United States in 1913. The young men came to Echo where they both found early employment, Adolf at the Stanfield Ranch on Butter Creek and later at the Bartholomew Ranch. While working there he enlisted in the army for World War I and was sent to Germany, where he spent his enlistment period.

Following his discharge he visited with relatives and friends before again returning to the U.S., this being the last time he has seen many of his family. He returned to Umatilla County, where he met Freida Kurth of Wisconsin, who was here visiting her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weinke, in whose home the young couple were later married.

He and his bride moved to Morrow County where they purchased a ranch three miles from Lexington. He was granted his naturalization papers at the Morrow County Courthouse about this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Majeske worked hard to pay for their home, and at the same time raised three children.

Following their son Gene's discharge from the Army in

World War II the elder Majeske purchased one of the most beautiful homes in Lexington, the Sarah White house. Gene and his wife, Alice, and small son moved to the ranch. A tragic fire destroyed the white house, and the Majeskes built a pink brick house on the same location, and lived there until he entered Pioneer Memorial Hospital a few weeks ago. Mrs. Majeske then moved to Heppner where she purchased a home to be near her husband.

A daughter Mrs. Harvey (Patricia) Wright purchased the former house, and is now living there with her family.

A long-time dream was realized in 1959 when, after much negotiating, Mr. Majeske was able to bring his mother from East Germany to America, where she lived with her son and family until her death.

On April 15, 1970, Mr. and Mrs. Majeske celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at the IOOF Hall in Lexington. He served 28 years on the Lexington School Board, was a member of the IOOF Lodge of Lexington, the Lexington Grange, and was affiliated with the Lutheran Church in Heppner.

Besides his wife, Freida, and three children, Gene and Patricia of Lexington and Audrey of Gresham, he leaves three brothers and one sister who live in West Germany; another brother of Kalamazoo, Mich.; two nieces in Portland; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Logan Ledbetter rites are held

Logan Burgan Ledbetter, 75, died Aug. 8 as result of electrocution six miles from Heppner on Black Horse Canyon.

Mr. Ledbetter had stopped to give assistance to Mrs. Melvin Moyer, whose car had hit a power pole. He was electrocuted when he stepped from his pickup.

Mr. Ledbetter was born Jan. 12, 1898 in Rutherfordton, N.C. A resident of the community since 1919, he married Leta Nix in Heppner on July 1, 1922. He had been in the employ of Amanda Duvall for 32 years. At the death of her husband, Harry, in 1955, he became manager of her ranches, a position of responsibility he held until his death.

Besides his wife, Leta, he is

survived by his daughters, Barbara Bergstrom of Moro and Clara Pickens of Spokane; sons, James of Portland and John of Heppner; a brother, Howard, of Washington, D.C.; sisters, Rhoda Frazier, Mary Ledbetter, Rose Haynes, Sue Latham and Nan Hampton, all of North Carolina; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Aug. 11 at 10 a.m. at the United Methodist Church with the Rev. Edwin Cutting officiating. Interment was at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Casketbearers were James Farley, Cornett Green, Bernard Doherty, Paul Hisler, Joe Yocom and Keith Farley. Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Lexington

Mrs. Barnett has returned to her home in Fresno, Ca., after visiting with her mother, Mrs. Alean Calvin, who makes her home with a daughter, Mrs. Pete Klingler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Breeding and family of Gresham, returned home Thursday after a few days at the C.C. Jones Ranch, where Mr. Breeding helped with the harvest.

Dale and Rick Smith of Hermiston returned Friday after visiting at the C.C. Jones home.

Mrs. Cleo Van Winkle of Pendleton visited a son, William J. Van Winkle and

family, and attended the Burgan Ledbetter services on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Van Winkle were Salem callers over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Klingler and children of Beaverton were weekend callers in Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Padberg have returned home from their Holdman Ranch, where they have been busy harvesting.

Mrs. Rick Marquardt has returned to her home after a stay in Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Fair, rodeo officials cite improvements

Fair and Rodeo Board members pointed out improvements and attractions for this year's Fair and Rodeo at the Monday meeting of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Jim Norene, fair board chairman, outlined the maintenance and remodeling of the fairground facilities. New steel doors, paint and plumbing were added to the exhibit hall. Dr. Norene noted his audience would be happy to hear the buckaroo stands have been completely repainted.

"Compared to most fairgrounds," Dr. Norene said, "Morrow County should be proud their facility is utilized and available year round." The 1972 Fair Board paid \$9,700 in premiums with 5,000 entries in the fair. Attendance for 1972 was 6,116 people, about one and one-half times the population of the county.

"This year's rodeo is both RCA and GRA approved, and we should see the return of the top cowboys who have been here in the past," Rodeo Chairman Don Evans reported.

The chariot race has been added to the roster of rodeo events. A returning feature will be the Blue Sage Tack Team from Elgin.

TV coverage will again be provided and shown on the Heppner Cable 3 at a later date.

Jim Rodgers, publicity chairman, outlined his efforts to expand promotion of the fair and rodeo to draw more attendance to the area.

Saturday night will be the Morrow County show, and Gene Pierce will serve as announcer. The Chamber will meet Monday for a business meeting.

Blanche Mae Gearhart rites today

Blanche Mae Gearhart, 72, died at Stephens Hospital, Edmonds, Wn., on Aug. 12.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, Aug. 16, 11 a.m., at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Rev. Edwin Cutting of the United Methodist Church will officiate.

Casketbearers are Mike Olson, Clifford Wood, David Winters, Joe Anderson, Simon Winters and Eddie Olson.

Sweeney Mortuary is in care of arrangements.

Mrs. Gearhart was born Aug. 7, 1901 in Wapello County, Ottumwa, Iowa, to William E. Wood and Sara Elizabeth Halter.

In 1947 she came to Heppner with her husband, Roscoe (Slim) Gearhart, who preceded her in death April 26, 1951.

Mrs. Gearhart was a cook at Pioneer Memorial Hospital when it opened in 1950, and for a few years thereafter.

She has been making her home with her daughter in Edmonds since 1966.

Besides her daughter, Mary Ellen Fox of Edmonds, she is survived by four grandchildren, one great-grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

Alice Harrison of Boardman spent the weekend with her son, Bob Harrison, and family.

Owens Helms, Pendleton, was a Lexington caller on Monday to attend the funeral services for A.F. Majeske.

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Last rites held for Sylvia Beymer, 85

Mrs. Sylvia Beymer, 85, died Aug. 11 in a Portland nursing home.

Funeral services were held Aug. 14 at 1 p.m. at the Lexington Christian Church with Rev. G.E. Nikander officiating. Burial was in Lexington Cemetery.

The daughter of Sarah and Lank Booher, Mrs. Beymer was born Sept. 7, 1887 at Lexington, Ore. She was married to Thomas C. Beymer on June 28, 1908. The couple farmed up Hinton Creek for several years, then moved to Portland where both worked in the shipyards. Later, they were to buy a rooming house in The Dalles.

She is survived by five daughters: Audrey Hanna, Maupin, Ore.; Lucille Massey of Kirkland, Wn.; Hazel Bisset of The Dalles, Wilma Sassen

of Mercer Island, Wn., and Florence Shannon of Portland. She is also survived by 20 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

VISITORS HERE FROM EUREKA, CA.

Guests from Thursday to Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Reo J. Russell Sr. were Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Arruda and two daughters of Eureka, Ca.

Mrs. Arruda is the granddaughter of Mr. Russell. She had not seen her grandfather since the Nov. 5, 1970 funeral of her father, Reo J. Russell Jr.

Tonight at 7:30 (Thurs., Aug. 16), the executive committee of the Methodist W.S.C.S. will meet at the Bill Weatherford home on South Court St.

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