

# Maryhill Museum attracts many

After you have seen Morrow County's outstanding historic museum you may wish to join the many who visit the Museum of Fine Arts at Maryhill, Wa., across from Biggs, Or., near the Sam Hill Memorial Bridge. This museum has an international collection of paintings, sculpture, American Indian basketry, Columbia River petroglyphs, European palace furnishings, and Eastern Orthodox Church icons.

Each weekend during the summer months many hundreds of visitors from all over the world go through its rooms. The woman who takes the \$1 admissions says that 800 visitors were there on the last Sunday in June. The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. There is a large park adjoining where families may picnic. The location is named after Hill's daughter, Mary.

The museum affords the longest view possible of the Columbia River and gives an especially good look at the Oregon side. The 7,000 acres was purchased in 1908 by Samuel Hill who intended to establish a Quaker colony and who built a large chateau in which he would entertain his many friends from all over the world. However, the Quaker colony project didn't get off the ground, the chateau was not finished as a home, and

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS

The Morrow County Historical Society held its regular meeting June 30. Boardman, Or.

The group is trying to locate outlying unmarked graves and will appreciate the response and help of all interested people. We plan to get the histories of the older farms in Morrow county, especially those still being farmed by descendants of original homesteaders.

The next quarterly meeting will be September 29 in the Ione area. Plans were made for the annual meeting, October 3.

### GOLF CLUB ROBBED

The back door to the sun deck at the Willow Creek Country Club was forced open and entered Monday night. Persons unknown, took \$5-10 from the green fees box and a six pack of beer from the refrigerator.

According to the sheriff's report nothing else was stolen and damage to the door casing was slight.

Mr. Hill never occupied it. He changed his mind in 1917 and planned it as an art and cultural center for public enjoyment.

Hill's friend, Marie, Queen of Rumania, the first reigning member of European royalty to visit the United States, dedicated the museum in 1926 and its fiftieth anniversary next year coincides with the U.S. Bicentennial. Queen Marie gave many exciting gifts to the museum, including a small display case of articles given to her by her grandmother, Queen Victoria of England.

Sam Hill is confused by many people with James J. Hill his railroad tycoon father-in-law, the "Empire Builder." Sam was the corporate attorney for James Hill's enterprises. He amassed a fortune of his own; he built the first paved highways in Oregon and Washington outside a major city, conceiving the Columbia Gorge Scenic Highway from The Dalles to Portland and seeing to it that it was built. He also founded the Seattle Gas Co., the Home Telephone Co. and was an early investor in the Carnation Milk Co. He built the Peace Arch between the United States and Canada at Blaine, Wa. and the Stonehenge World War I Memorial to the dead of Klickitat County near Maryhill. He was a noted attorney, a diplomat, a collector of friends of international society and of international art. He traveled around the world 11 times and made 51 Atlantic crossings, long before the airplane was practical. During World War I he went to Russia to bring order out of chaos in the railroad system. He served on the well-known Hoover Food Relief Committee after that war. Sam Hill died in 1931.

The great museum has three floors of unusual exhibits. This year a new curator has replaced the gentleman who had charge for fifty years, from before its opening through 1974. This year the museum has been declared a National Historic Site. This year the states of Oregon and Washington have removed tolls from the bridges at Biggs, at The Dalles and at Umatilla, although presently there is still a 50 cent charge to cross the Columbia at Hood River and on The Bridge of The Gods at Cascade Locks.

Thus now, several good loop trips are possible in an easy day's drive from Heppner which can include a museum visit without paying any bridge toll.

# Annual 4-H camp attracts 48 campers

The annual 4-H camp at Cutsforth Park attracted 48 campers to learn about survival, enjoy recreation and have fun in an outdoor environment.

Mike Howell, 4-H agent and Birdine Tullis, Extension Assistant served as directors of the camp, assisted by twelve counselors and special assistant Kristan Nelson. Chuck Nelson of the Depot II provided special music for the evening campfire ceremonies. Anita Davidson served as song leader and activity director.

Classes offered included conservation by Mark Labhart, State Forestry, Fossil, backpacking by Martin Zimmerman, Gilliam Extension Agent, mushroom and wild

plant identification by Jeanne Howell, wilderness survival by Mark Sargent and silk screening by Anita Davidson. Each camper returned home with a silk screened T-shirt as a souvenir of the camp.

Craft classes were taught by Cassie Chapel, Anita Davidson, Jeanne Howell, Birdine Tullis, Kristan Nelson, Deb and Donna Palmer and Mike Howell. Crafts included macramé, tie-dyeing, leather craft, horseshoe nail jewelry, terrariums, and Gods eyes.

Betty Heath served as camp cook, assisted by Oma Roark. Counselors included Bart Prouty, Ron Currin, Mark Sargent, Kenny Grieb, Carmen Clow, Anita Davidson, Cassie Chapel, Debra and Donna Palmer, Shelley Thompson, Pam Cantin and Kathy Wolff.

# Ruth-Locust Chapter installs new officers

Installation of Ruth-Locust Chapter No. 32, O.E.S. was held Monday evening, June 30 at Heppner.

Installing officers were: Installing Worthy Matron, Ruby Becket; Installing Worthy Patron, Harold Becket; Installing Marshal, Virginia Wilkinson; Past Grand Worthy Matron; Musician, June O'Connor; Chaplain, Mary Lindsay.

Elective and appointive officers for the 1975-76 year are: Beth Bryant, W.M.; John Wood, W.P.; Mary Bryant, A.M.; Claude Graham, A.P.; Katherine Lindstrom, Sec.; Dot Halvorsen, Treas.; Lorraine Ladd, Cond.; Lota Tibbles, A. Cond.; Marilyn Childers, Marshall; Quanta Carmichael, organist; Marion Hayden, Chaplain; Anna Graham, Adah; Delores Gribble, Ruth; Winefred Cox, Esther; Ruby Becket, Martha; Louise Wood, Electa; Margery Worden, Warder; Lewis Halvorsen, Sentinel.

Honored guests were Mildred Thompson, W.M. and Lawrence Thompson, W.P. of Queen Esther No. 101, Hermiston; Lucille Smith, Grand Rep. of Texas for Oregon from Pendleton; Frances Smith, member of youth committee from Pilot Rock.

Hubert and Faye Wilson sang a duet in honor of the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron following their installation. Virginia Wilkinson presented the worthy matron with a gift from the Past Matron's Club.

Refreshments were served following the meeting with Dot Halvorsen chairman of the refreshment committee.

On June 29, Ione Lodge No. 129, AF&AM held their annual strawberry feed preceded by a potluck dinner. Approximately 55 people attended the dinner and the 75th anniversary program. Leo Crabtree was master of ceremonies and introduced

# Columbia Basin rates high in finance study

Columbia Basin Electric Coop has received an extensive study from its private finance corporation, National Rural Utilities Finance Corp. concerning retirement of capital credits. This private corporation loans funds to Columbia Basin Electric Coop to supplement other funds borrowed from REA.

One portion of the study was a relation to existing practices of the 635 rural electric systems responding to a survey. Only 129 systems were making general retirements of capital credits such as Columbia Basin just recently

made-for the years 1961-2-3. The survey showed very few RECs were within ten or eleven years back on general distribution payments, such as Columbia Basin Electric is. However, the report showed that nearly two thirds of the RECs are making payment of capital credits to deceased patron estates. Ninety-five per cent of the RECs make these payments on a discounted basis, while Columbia Basin Electric has been paying them at 100 per cent. The study also showed that 85 per cent of the Rural Electric Coops recommend capital credits be paid on a first-in-first-out basis.

# Court house notes

The usually quiet County Treasurer's office has been an "action" corner recently. Last Thursday noon the treasurer's huge safe was accidentally slammed shut and could not be opened. Monday, July 7, it was cut open with a torch and Treasurer Sylvia McDaniel was breathing more easily. Because the new court-appointed tax collector, Mrs. Irby and her deputy Mrs. Fetsch have been moved into that office there had been hope that the 6 1/2 foot high, 6 foot wide and 4 foot deep safe could be moved. Investigation showed that the heavy old monster was based on a huge rock and moving would be impossible. Mrs. McDaniel feels convinced that the courthouse was "built around that safe in 1902."

The court's meeting on July 2 saw the closing of the past fiscal year's business. Special approval was given Veterans Service Officer Jack Loyd to install the Veterans Office in his residence at 260 1/2 S. Court.

Persons needing help may call him by phone there, 676-9487, or come to his door on Gilmore Street. Jack said that he asked the county not to put the office in the courthouse basement because he feared that someone could be hurt on the stairway.

County Health Nurse, Pat Wright, wants citizens to understand that the free blood pressure clinics she conducts are continuing all summer. She also stresses that although the checking of blood pressure is especially helpful to senior citizens the clinics will serve anyone who comes in. This monthly service is offered on the first Wednesday of each month in Heppner in the Degree of Honor Building from 3 to 4:15 p.m. on the third Wednesday, Mrs. Wright tests persons in Ione at the United Church of Christ between 4 and 5 p.m. In Irrigon the clinic is on the third Monday at the Lions Club room and a volunteer does the checking there between 4 and 5 p.m.

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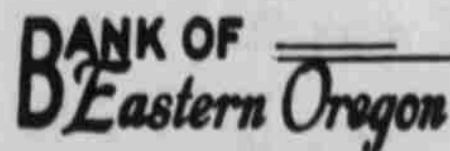
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