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Governor's budget leaves Fair cupboard bare

The Morrow County Fair may face a funding crisis. According to a March 16 article in "The Oregonian" by Richard Cogle, the budget proposed by Governor John Kitzhaber does not include funding for county fairs.

Cogle's article stated that "Leslie Carlson, a spokesperson for Kitzhaber, said that money is needed for schools, prisons, higher education, community colleges and pre-kindergarten programs."

According to "The Oregonian" article, "Oregon has provided fair revenue to counties, initially from horse racing and later from Oregon lottery video poker proceeds. Last year, Oregon's 36 counties received about \$40,000 each from the state lottery to put on fairs."

So far this year Morrow County has received \$26,556.97 from video poker receipts, according to Morrow County accountant Lisanne Currin. Currin said that another payment of around \$8,000 is expected this year.

"The Oregonian" said that last year Lincoln County got \$32,000 to put on its fair; Lane County, \$36,000; and Lake County, \$39,000.

A group, Friends of the Fair, now produces the Multnomah County Fair after county commissioners withdrew about \$300,000 in funding in 1995, said Cogle. Attendance at the Multnomah County Fair has fallen from 125,000 in the late 1980s to 15,000, last year.

According to the story, "The Lincoln County Fair Board is exploring the idea of combining fair-week activities with a year-round exposition center, said Jim Kennison, fair manager. Clatsop County has taken that approach and Linn and Deschutes counties plan to try it, he said."

A proposal is under consideration in Morrow County to construct a large building at the fairgrounds which would

house a variety of activities. "House Bill 2384, sponsored by Rep. Lonnie Roberts, D-Portland, would require each county to establish and maintain a county fair fund. But it earmarks no state money," continued the article.

Charles "Swede" Carlson

Memorial service for Charles A. "Swede" Carlson will be 2 p.m. Friday, April 4, at the Ione United Church of Christ. Private committal service will be at High View Cemetery near Ione.

Mr. Carlson, 82, of Ione, was born and died on the family ranch located outside Ione near Valby Church. He died Saturday, March 29, 1997.

He was born March 1, 1915, to Charles Emil and Mary Ethel Harrison Carlson.

He grew up in the Ione area and attended local schools, graduating from Ione High School. He attended Benson Trade School for Diesel Mechanics in Portland. After graduation, he lived and worked at Arlington for Stone Machinery for several years.

Mr. Carlson and Claude Brasher formed and ran their own livestock trucking company for a time before Mr. Carlson eventually moved back to Ione, where he farmed with his father.

On November 1, 1941, he married Frances M. Stewart at Silverton. The couple lived at Ione for a time before moving to the ranch.

Mr. Carlson was active with the Oregon Cattleman's Association, the Oregon Wheat League, the Willows Grange and was a life member of Heppner Elks Lodge.

Survivors include a sister, Janet Schoolcraft of Portland. His wife, Frances, died in 1992.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ione Topic Club, P.O. Box 8, Ione, OR 97843; or to the Morrow County EMTs, P.O. Box 206, Ione, OR 97843.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries

Dail A. Turner

Funeral service for Dail A. Turner was held Saturday, March 29, at the United Methodist Church in Heppner. Concluding services and burial followed at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Mr. Turner, 63, of Heppner, died Tuesday, March 25, 1997, at his home.

He was born March 4, 1934, at Halfway, to Basil and Anna Dooley Turner. He grew up at Canyon City, where he attended school.

On September 2, 1957, he married Marie Schultz at Canyon Creek. They moved to Heppner in 1965.

Mr. Turner was in logging for most of his life and was recently a heavy equipment operator for Miller & Sons in Heppner.

He was a member of Heppner BPOE 358.

Survivors include his wife, Marie, of Heppner; daughters, Marilyn Eldred of Hermiston, and Muriel Tullius of Powell Butte; son, Delbert of Boardman; mother, Anna Turner of Prairie City; brother, Biffley of Redmond; sisters, LaRue Pryse and Nadia Schultz, both of Prairie City; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by daughter, Delvina Shuman, in 1986, and his father, Basil Turner, in 1996.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Home Health, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Rose Eleanor Messner

Memorial services for Rose Eleanor Messner, 85, Gresham, formerly of Heppner, will be held Thursday, April 3, at 10 a.m. at the Gateway Little Chapel of the Chimes, 1515 N.E. 106th, Portland, OR 97220.

Disposition was by cremation. Mrs. Messner died March 28, 1997, at the home of her daughter in Gresham.

Mrs. Messner was born and raised in Valley City and graduated from high school there. Her maiden name was Cannon. On June 6, 1933, she married Willard "Bill" Messner. She was a Portland resident from 1939 to 1945. She then moved to Arizona and Minnesota, returning to Portland in 1963. She moved to Heppner in 1973. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Messner is survived by her husband, who recently moved to Hermiston from Heppner; daughter, Darlene Grady, Gresham; son, John T. Messner, Denver, CO; sisters, Mary C. Smith and Margaret Messner, both Portland; and two grandchildren.

Contributions may be made to Providence Hospital, in care of Providence medical Foundation, 4805 N.E. Glisan, Portland, OR 97213.

Ruth E. Bergstrom

Graveside service for Ruth E. Bergstrom was held Thursday, March 27, at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Mrs. Bergstrom, 89, of Heppner, died Tuesday, March 25, 1997, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

She was born January 13, 1908, at Sunbury, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Joseph and Maude Page Babcock. She was raised and attended school at Waverly, New York, and then at Heppner.

She married John O. Bergstrom on November 28, 1926, at Heppner. The couple farmed his sister Helma Anderson's farm until 1932, when they purchased the Allstott Homestead west of Heppner, which Mrs. Bergstrom still owned at the time of her death.

She was a member of the Valby Lutheran Church and the Rebekah's Degree of Honor and the grange. For more than 40 years, she was the superintendent of the Morrow County Fair and also had been employed at Murray Drugs in Heppner for many years. Until ill health forced her to retire, she was also active with the Heppner Senior Meal Site.

Survivors include a daughter, Carolyn of Pendleton; a son, Gerald of Heppner; and sisters, Nellie Jones of Heppner and Eunice Osmine Plank of Salem. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1972 and a daughter, Marilyn, in 1994.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's charity of choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Elma G. Scott

The funeral for Elma G. Scott was held Monday, March 31, at the First Christian Church in Heppner. Concluding service and burial followed at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Mrs. Scott, 94, of Heppner, died Thursday, March 27, 1997, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

She was born September 24, 1902, at Heppner, to George and Nora Crawford Moore. She grew up in Heppner and attended Heppner schools. She lived in Heppner most of her life.

On November 7, 1920, she married William Ralph Scott, at Heppner. The couple lived in the Heppner area for most of their marriage and lived in the Tri-Cities for several years. Mr. Scott died in 1975 and Mrs. Scott remained in the Tri-Cities until 1995, when she returned to Heppner.

She was a member of the First Christian Church in Heppner.

Survivors include her son, William R. Scott of Heppner; daughters, Doris A. Davis of Pendleton and Aileen Nisbet of Wasco; nine grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph; daughter, Erma, in 1995; sister Ethel Knight; and brothers, Guy, Clarence and Ralph.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Patrick's Senior Center Trust Fund, P.O. Box 266, Heppner, OR 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Thomas J. Wells

Funeral service for Thomas J. Wells, 88, Vancouver, WA, will be held Thursday, April 3, at 10 a.m. at the Memorial Gardens Funeral Chapel with burial to follow at Evergreen Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Wells was born April 27, 1908, at Portland. He died March 28, 1997, at Vancouver.

He served in the Pacific in the Navy in World War II. He worked in manufacturing and at one time owned a restaurant in Heppner. He was a member of the Heppner Masonic Lodge #69 and the Order of the Eastern Star Ruth Locust Chapter 32.

Mr. Wells was preceded in death in 1983 by his first wife of 43 years, Neva Wells. Survivors include his wife, Ann Wells; granddaughters, Pamela Wunderlich, Heppner, and Judith Paine, Harrison, ID; and a niece, Betty Kenny, Pendleton.

Contributions may be made to the Shriner's Hospital, 3101 S.W. Sam Jackson Park Road, Portland, OR 97201.

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Bakers to celebrate 50th



Bakers, 1997



Bakers, 1947

Clarence and Clarice Baker of Heppner will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at the First Christian Church on Saturday, April 5 from 1-3 p.m.

They were married on February 28, 1947 at the Methodist Church in Heppner. Both are from pioneer Morrow county families.

Clarice was raised and attended school in Heppner while Clarence was raised and attended school in Ione. During World War II Clarence was with the Navy Seabees, serving in North Africa and the Pacific. On his return home in 1946, he went to work as a mechanic for Rosewall Motors and then to Farley Motor

Company from which he retired in 1988.

Clarice was a homemaker.

The couple have lived in Heppner all their married life, where they are active in the First Christian Church. They had been active in local school events, Rainbow Girls, Blue Birds, Cub and Boy Scouts, 4-H, Little League and the Masonic Lodge.

The Bakers have six children, Jan Murrell of Lebanon, Steve Baker of Pendleton, William Baker of Tillamook, Kenneth Baker of Ooltewah, Tennessee, Lynda Baker of Hermiston and Marti Mossman of Kalamazoo, Michigan; 15 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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