

C.B.E. Cooperative Granted Additional Sum For Lines

Construction Set
To Start Locally
In About 2 Weeks

Early construction of 412 miles of rural distribution lines through Morrow and Gilliam counties was assured with the receipt Monday of approval by the Rural Electrification Administration of an application of the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Inc. for an additional allotment of \$150,000. The REA also approved the CBE's proposal to do the work by force account.

Request for additional funds was made after bids from contractors on two different occasions were found to be in excess of estimated construction costs. Following the second call for bids, the board of directors and Manager A. A. Scoulen decided to go ahead with the construction by force account, providing additional funds were granted and the work met the approval of the REA.

Manager Scoulen announced Tuesday that it may be possible to start construction within two weeks, although it is not expected that equipment will be available for general work inside of 30 days. Local work will begin at the Glavay ranch and a line will be run from there to connect with the high line at Jordan siding. On the Gilliam county side work will start at Lone Rock and extend to Thirty-mile creek. As materials and equipment arrive the work will be extended through both counties until the 412 miles of service line are completed.

Three trucks have been acquired and a fourth one equipped with a hole digger will be delivered here in a month or so, Scoulen said.

The manager plans to circularize the rural home owners asking them to have their wiring installed so that hookups may be made without delay when the distribution lines are ready to carry the current.

Joseph E. Supple Dies In Portland

An item in The Morning Oregonian of Wednesday told of the death in Portland Tuesday of Joseph E. Supple, 53. Chapel services were being held at 1 o'clock p.m. today at the Lincoln Memorial Park.

Mr. Supple was the husband of a former Heppner girl, Mary Curran, who with a son, John J. Supple, a daughter, Mrs. Jo Ann Mansfield, and granddaughter, Merrily Mansfield of Newport Beach, Cal., survive.

County Agent News

Approval by the state board of higher education for a program of purchase of livestock for use in teaching and research at Oregon State college, virtually completes the "six-year" program for animal husbandry recommended by a group of livestock men who studied the situation 10 years ago, reports P. M. Brandt, head of the animal husbandry division at the college.

Appropriation of \$12,644 for purchase of high quality beef cattle, sheep and swine of representative breeds follows provision for adequate housing for the college herds and the earlier acquisition of additional land near Corvallis for research and maintenance purposes, he said.

With the completion of farm buildings now under construction and the purchase of new stock, Oregon State will be in position to give just as complete and high quality instruction as that offered anywhere in the country in animal husbandry. Professor Brandt emphasized.

While the herds will not approximate in size those maintained by some of the wealthier states, they will meet all practical requirements of both teaching and research, he said.

Most of the money will be used to expand the beef cattle and sheep numbers under a plan whereby replacements may be bred at the college, thus maintaining adequate herds at minimum cost. Swine herds are already adequate for teaching but some additions will be made for research work.

A new beef barn of largely fireproof construction and separate hay storage buildings has been started to replace the one destroyed by fire about a year ago. It and related buildings will be located on an extension of the street running past the former beef barn and horse barn but farther west across 35th street which forms the western city limits of Corvallis.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police drill team will make its first appearance in the United States since World War II when it appears at the Pacific International Livestock exposition October 1 to 9 in Portland.

Lone's Apartment House



In years gone by this building was known as the Park Hotel and provided comfort for the traveling public. A few years ago it was purchased by Verner Troedson and made over into an apartment house. The Park has provided housing for families at a time when private home facilities are lacking and there is always a waiting list for any vacancies that may occur.

Week's News In Brief Gathered From Town and Surrounding Neighborhood

Heppner relatives have received word of the birth of a seven pound two ounce son to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Schwarz, Sunday, August 1, at the Dalles. The new arrival has been named John. He is the third son, the other boys being named William and James, respectively.

Paul McCarty and Florence Becket of Portland were weekend guests at the home of Miss Becket's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Becket, in Eight Mile.

O. M. Yeager, who has been confined at home the past 10 days or so, is feeling improved. While not able to leave the house, he is able to visit and would appreciate calls from his friends.

Mrs. Fred Mankin went to Portland today to attend the wedding of her niece, Patricia Gabbert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holmes Gabbert of Portland. The groom-to-be is Robert Myers and the ceremony will be performed at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at the Westminster Presbyterian church.

Guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McMurdo in Heppner Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. David Baum of La Grande, the Misses Florence and Marjorie Sims of Pendleton, and David Allison of Corvallis.

The ladies of the Methodist church announce a food sale starting at 10 o'clock a.m. Friday, August 13, at the office of the Pacific Power & Light company.

Leslie Matlock is back in Heppner after being hospitalized in Portland for several weeks. He returned Saturday and reports that he is feeling better.

Week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parrish were Donna Jean Roberts, Savvies Island, Portland, Ben and Mike Hamlen, Condon, and Billy Jean Huddleston of Lonerock.

Lowell Rippee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Rippee, former Heppner residents, left Wednesday for Portland to take his physical examination for entrance in the U. S. Army air force.

Mrs. Harvey Bauman and children, Carolyn and Jimmy, are guests at the Victor Johnson home while on a visit to Heppner. They came here from Lake Chehalis, Wash., where they visited Mrs. Bauman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cool. The Baumans make their home in Nampa, Ida.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Eberhart of Plant City, Fla., left early this week for points in Idaho after visiting two weeks here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Eberhart Sr. This was their first trip west and they were highly pleased with the friendly atmosphere of western people. They also had their first taste of mountain trout while here. In Idaho they will visit Mr. and Mrs. Dave Eberhart at McCall and Mrs. Gene Quinn at Pinehurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson have as their guest for the summer Mr. Wilson's sister, Johanne Wilson, from Hopewell, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sandstrom have returned to their home in Vancouver, Wash., after a visit at the home of Mrs. Sandstrom's brother, E. R. Settle.

Mrs. C. S. Wheeler and Mrs. B. F. Swaggart were Heppner visitors Wednesday while looking after business matters. Mrs. Swaggart makes her home with Mrs. Wheeler in Pendleton but spends as much time at the big ranch at Swaggart buttes as she can.

Miss Katherine Monahan, Umatilla county home demonstration agent, is spending her vacation in Heppner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Monahan.

Mrs. Marvin Wightman is convalescing at the home of her sister in Portland following a siege in the Physicians & Surgeons hospital in where she recently underwent a surgical operation. She will remain in the city until the last of August.

Visitors at the N. D. Bailey home the past week were Mrs. Bailey's twin sister, Mrs. Maggie Reynolds, and two sons of Newberg. The boys, Tom and Dick, came in search of harvest work, expecting to remain for the summer.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Anderson several hours Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Marks and children of Fossil. Mr. Marks is agricultural agent in Wheeler county and was returning from Wallawa county where he attended the regional range tour conducted at the Hat Point and Cowdell stations.

Ross Findley of Beaverton was a visitor in Heppner Monday afternoon. He is compiling a history of the Findley family, early Oregon pioneers, and came here with the hope of finding a diary compiled by John Knox Dunlap, grandfather of Mrs. F. S. Parker and O. G. Crawford. Mr. Dunlap was a member of the Oregon expedition of 1846 and compiled much valuable historic matter of that day. The diary can not be located. Mr. Findley is a native of the Imnaha section of Wallawa county but has resided in Beaverton for many years.

The Earl Blake family drove to Portland Saturday to spend a week.

Miss Patricia Lawrence, daughter of Mrs. Richard Lawrence of Pendleton, has been a guest of Rita Dell Johnson in Heppner the past week.

Mrs. J. O. Turner, Mrs. Ethel Adams and daughters, Betty and Nancy, left Tuesday afternoon for Klamath Falls where they were to be met by Mr. and Mrs. John Roscoe of Reno, Nev. Nancy Adams is going to Reno to visit several weeks at the Basco home. Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Adams and Betty expected to make a leisurely return trip, stopping at Crater Lake and other points of interest, returning home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bucknum are enjoying a vacation trip to Los Angeles, having left last week. They planned to spend a day or two at Reno en route and then go on to Los Angeles to visit Mr. Bucknum's brothers, Elmer and Gordon. They will return home this week end.

Mrs. J. W. Carmichael of Corvallis is visiting at the home of her father, E. W. Moyer. She is the youngest of the Moyer daughters and will be remembered as Miriam.

Fossil Clubbers Hammer Out 8 To 5 Victory Sunday

Townies Drop All
Chances For 1948
League Leadership

By Jim Barratt
The Heppner Townies baseball club dropped all chances for a league victory last Sunday as it was clubbed to a 8 to 5 submission by the visiting Fossil nine in a fray played at the Rodeo grounds. This Sunday the locals close regular season play here against the Kinzua nine with a victory meaning a league second spot, providing Condon loses its final game.

Fossil's offensive was as hot as a two-dollar pistol Sunday as it bunched seven hits and seven runs the initial two innings off the offerings of Heppner hurler Harlan McCurdy. From that point on the locals matched run-for-run with the visitors but the margin proved too great to overcome.

Breaks went against the locals in their game bid for the game supremacy. Examples: In the eighth outfielder Ray Massey socked out a home run, but alas! No runners on bases ahead of him. And again in the final frame Heppner had two men on the bags with the tying run at the plate, but Fossil retired the side to cop the victory.

Poling out two hits apiece for Heppner were Norm Bergstrom, Ray Massey and Jimmie Boland while Miller, Bird and Schomp fattened their batting averages for Fossil with three hits each in the fray.

Summary: 010 110 011-5
Fossil 3 40 000 001-8
Umpires: Carmichael and Hoover.

Queen Betty And
Royal Court To Be
Guests At Dinner

Following the usual procedure and giving further evidence that the 1948 Rodeo season is on the board of directors of the Heppner Rodeo association will play host to Queen Betty and her royal court at a 2 o'clock dinner to be served Sunday at the Elkhorn restaurant. Included in the party will be the members of the fair board and the Rodeo chaperones. The princesses are Vesta Cuffin, Lorraine Swaggart, Lillian Hubbard and Constance Ruggles. Chaperones are Mrs. Raymond Ferguson and Mrs. Jack Loyd.

The first princess dance was held Saturday evening at the Willows grange hall in Lone Rock. Lillian was the honoree and the hall was packed to do her honor. Next scheduled dance is this Saturday when the Civic Center in Heppner will be the scene of the dance to do homage to Princess Lorraine.

PEA CROP AT RICE
PLACE HARVESTED

When spring weather conditions made wheat seeding impractical at his ranch, Edward Rice decided to put the land to something that would mature early and he sowed it to peas.

During the past weeks trucks from Pendleton hauled the freshly threshed peas to a cannery. For proper canning state the peas must be in the cannery within four to six hours from the time they pass through the separator, and the trucks were right on the job to see that there was no delay.

Mrs. Clive Huston left Sunday for Cove where she is assisting with the cooking at the Church of Christ summer camp.

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Council Votes To Purchase Garbage Disposal Vehicle

Business Houses,
Residences To Be
Served by City

Decision to purchase a truck and proceed with the proposed garbage hauling project was reached Monday evening by the city council. The decision was reached after Councilman Tibbles made a report on the results of a questionnaire submitted to the householders several weeks ago and it was found that a sufficient number desired the service to warrant purchase of a truck and employment of a driver.

Rates for various groups will be worked out and collections will be made by attaching the hauling bill to the regular water statement each month. What the council has in mind is to establish a regular service with the hope that better results will be obtained in handling the garbage, not only in picking it up and hauling it to the dumpground but also in taking care of it in a more satisfactory manner at the point of disposal.

A definite date was not set for starting the service, that depending somewhat upon the acquisition of a truck and arranging for a man to operate it.

The council reached another important decision Monday night in the matter of acquiring a heavy duty tractor for use on the city streets and such other duties that may develop. Since the state highway crew is unable to do the street repairing and there is little likelihood that a contracting firm will be available this year, the city has made extensive study of the possibility of purchasing a machine that will meet the requirements. Information is being sought relative to a tractor equipped with bulldozer, scarifier, blade, and possibly a loader and a street sweeper. Versatile machines of this nature are being put out by the big machinery companies and advertising received by the city reveals that the purchase price is within range of the average small city. Through investigation will be made of several machines before the council moves toward acquiring one.

Definite need of equipment is seen in the repair and practical reconstruction of K street. The paving is so badly broken that it will be necessary to use a scarifier to complete the break up and permit reestablishing the grade. With grading attachment on the tractor the city proposes to buy and other equipment already on hand it will be possible to do the repairing and a reasonable amount of construction work without employing outside concerns.

Police Chief Gordon Grady reported to the council that Saturday night patrolling is more than a one-man job and requested an assistant throughout the month of August, as well as additional police during the rodeo. He was empowered to acquire the needed help.

FORMER SUPT. HERE

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Modern Hardware Store



While browsing around lone one day recently, Photographer Louis Lyons snapped this picture of Omar Rietmann's new hardware store building. Completed in 1947, this is one of the better business buildings in the county and represents the results of many years of successful operation by Mr. Rietmann. Door settings are in glass brick, giving the front a neat and attractive appearance.

Debris Doused by Unusually Heavy Growth Creates Fire Hazards

One of the greatest worries forest service officials have is the dry season—that period when rank growth created by exceptionally wet spring weather becomes dry and highly inflammable. Forest workers well know the danger involved in a combination of dry grass and timber slashings and their nights are robbed of restful sleep in anticipation of what a careless smoker or a playful bolt of lightning may start.

The time of the year is at hand when this uneasiness is fully warranted. It is more justified this year than in other years due to the unusually rank growth in the forests. To forestal as much danger of fire as possible, both state and national forest officials have acted to curtail use of the forests, withdrawing certain areas from unregulated public use.

All Umatilla National Forest lands within the following named areas described in the proclamation issued July 28 by Governor John H. Hall are designated as areas of fire hazard. These include Wilson creek area; Desolation creek area; Johnson creek area; Big Rock Flat area, and Red Hill area.

According to information received from the local ranger's office, going or being upon the said lands on or after August 1, 1948, until further notice, is prohibited except with written permit issued by the local forest officer. No permit shall be required of any actual settler going to or from his home. These permits may be obtained at Heppner Ranger station, Opal Guard station, Tupper and Bull Prairie guard stations.

Roads passing through these areas, Western Route road, between Bull Prairie and Tupper, Red Hill road and the Morphine Ranch road, have been declared open areas for the convenience of the traveling public, according to Glenn B. Parsons, ranger in charge of the Heppner district.

Recurring thunder storms are not bringing cheer to those whose duty it is to protect the forests or those who depend upon the timber for a livelihood. Fortunately, so far this year there have been few forest fires, and so long as the storms are accompanied by rain the danger is lessened.

MRS. COX GIVEN FAREWELL
BY COURTHOUSE EMPLOYEES

Employees at the county court house took a little time off Friday afternoon to bid goodbye to Mrs. Lester Cox, nee Maxine East, who was leaving the county clerk's office after being employed there the past year. A watermelon feast was enjoyed in honor of the occasion.

Mrs. Cox was succeeded by Mrs. Fred Parrish who began her duties Monday morning.

TRACTOR UPSETS ON DRIVER

Fred W. Lenz is in the hospital at Pendleton following an accident this morning at the J. B. Snyder place. Mr. Snyder had given him some wood and Mr. Lenz had taken his little tractor and trailer to pick it up. In backing around to put the trailer in position for loading he ran over an embankment and upset the tractor. He was given an examination here and it was found that a rib was fractured. Fearing that he might have suffered other injuries, his physician thought it best to send him to the hospital. C. L. Hodge took him to Pendleton.

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Electric Storms Cause Damage To Timber and Crops

Umatilla County
Grain Loss Set at
100,000 Bushels

Electric storms throughout the area here during the week are reported to have caused extensive damage to crops in Umatilla county and to have started fires in timber in the Umatilla National forest.

First intimation of crop damage was brought to Heppner on Wednesday by Muri Cummings, Oregon and Washington director for federal crop insurance, and Ross Dimock, administrative officer for the FCI, Washington, D. C., who were en route to Umatilla county to investigate the report that approximately 100,000 bushels of wheat had been destroyed by Tuesday night's storm. The officials were without definite information and expressed the hope that the loss was not as heavy as the reports indicated.

No reports had reached the federal officials about losses in Morrow county and they were of the opinion that this section had not been damaged.

At least one fire was started in the Heppner district of the Umatilla National forest by one of the other of the Tuesday storms. This was in the Tamarack station area and up to Wednesday afternoon the local ranger office had no information relative to the extent of damage done. The storm in the early morning hours Tuesday was of the dry variety, a lot of lightning and thunder. The one Tuesday evening was accompanied by a heavy shower and may have aided in putting out timber and grass fires started in the morning.

High winds the fore part of the week interfered some with grain cutting. One blow Sunday afternoon sent clouds of sand up from the north end of the county but it broke the heat wave that had sent the mercury soaring towards the 100 level.

Lightning caused damage to the Pacific Power & Light company high line at DeMoss Springs in Sherman county, causing a power interruption of several hours.

(A story of Umatilla county storm in today's dailies places damages from hail and other causes at \$750,000.)

Combine Upsets
In Sand Hollow Field

Harvesting operations at the Ferguson ranch in Sand Hollow were delayed Tuesday when the combine upset the machine was working a steep hillside and was on the downgrade, cutting through some fallen grain. When the lower part of the field was reached the slope was too steep and the separator turned over, landing on the header.

Members of the crew, Harry Sherman and Ted Ferguson, were uninjured but the machine was considerably damaged. Gene Ferguson was running the tractor.

PURCHASE AGREEMENTS
PROTECT GRAINS

Farmers in Morrow county can protect the price