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## \$300,000 SEWER BOND ISSUE SOON TO BE PUT UP TO VOTERS

### No Additional Taxes Needed to Pay For Project

Heppner residents will be asked to vote on a sewer bond issue of \$300,000 in the near future, it was decided Friday by the city council at a special meeting called to decide upon the amount necessary for construction of the proposed sewer system and disposal plant.

The figure of \$300,000 was decided on by the group after considering the various methods of raising the necessary funds. The engineering firm of Clark and Groff, who prepared the plans and specifications for the system and estimated its cost at \$318,674, had suggested a bond issue of \$250,000 with the additional funds to be raised by means of special charges against property holders. These charges would have taken the form of a property improvement charge and a hook-up charge.

The council, after lengthy discussion of all phases of the problem voted to include all the extra charges as a part of the overall cost of the project and asked for a bond issue sufficiently large to cover the total cost. Several council members pointed out that the extra charges could in some cases work a hardship on property holders, whereas the overall bond issue would be repaid over a period of years through taxes, leaving only the cost of changing the plumbing within the individual's property as out-of-pocket expense.

It was pointed out by council members that the proposed plan will provide sewer connections up to the property line of every lot. The council expressed hope that should the bond issue be approved by the people, the actual cost of construction will run below the engineers' estimates. The city also has some money available for sewer use, and the council members explained that only as many bonds would be sold as would be required to cover the cost of the project.

It was also determined that the \$300,000 bond issue could be retired over 25 years with no increase in the present tax and with probably only a small increase in the present sewer charge. The bond issue vote is expected to be for a 10 mill levy to replace the present 10 mill levy which is now being put into a sinking fund for sewer purposes. For the city to be able to issue and sell bonds it is necessary for the voters to approve them, and the necessary tax levy to retire them.

### District Boy Scout Meeting to Be Held

The Covered Wagon Boy Scout District's annual meeting will be held in Heppner on Tuesday, April 15, with a family pot-luck dinner planned. The program will include movies on Scouting, plans for coming events, and the election of the district officers.

These plans were made last week at the March meeting of the Covered Wagon District Committee which includes the Scout Units of Morrow, Gilliam, and Wheeler counties.

H. M. Bull, District Chairman, Condon, appointed the district nominating committee with these men members of the committee: Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien, Heppner; Truman Messenger, Lexington; Peck Leathers, Arlington; George Duke, Fossil; Roger Holloman, Kinzua, and Don Kyle, Spray.

Plans were also made for a Scout Circus to be held in May for both Cub Packs and Scout Troops, as well as the Troop's plans for summer camp.

Don Bennett returned Sunday from Portland where he spent several days last week taking his physical examinations for service in the Navy. He passed these successfully and expects to be stationed in Hawthorne, Nevada at the Naval Supply Depot there. He plans to leave for duty the latter part of April. Bennett served in the Navy during the last war.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hall were visitors in Condon Sunday.

### HEPPNER FUTURE FARMER GAINS STATE RECOGNITION FOR WORK

Allen Hughes, Heppner high school student and son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hughes, Lena was chosen a State Farmer by the Future Farmers of America at its state convention held last week in Corvallis. The award is given to only the outstanding two per cent of the boys enrolled in FFA in the state.

The award is based largely on leadership, ability and farming activity and only 69 such awards are given out among the 3468 FFA members in Oregon.

During the current year Allen was president of the local FFA chapter and was selected as the Blue Mountain district reporter. Other activities included chairmanship of the parent and son

banquet and president of the FFA parliamentary team.

Allen has one of the largest supervised farming programs in the chapter and is well started on becoming established in the registered hereford beef business. At the present time he owns seven cows, four heifers and has three bulls on feed which he will consign to sale later. All his animals are registered. He also leases 332 acres of range and has 68 acres of wheat.

### Rainbow Girls Attend Grand Assembly

A delegation of Rainbow Girls left Thursday for Lebanon to attend the 26th annual Grand Assembly.

Registration will be held on Thursday afternoon with a teenage mixer planned for that night. Sessions will be held Friday and Saturday and there will be a grand ball Saturday evening following the installation ceremonies.

Mrs. Harley Anderson is taking the following girls: Marianne Jensen, Worthy Advisor; Dolores Keithley, Worthy Associate Advisor; Meredith Ann Sorlien, Charity; Sharon Becket, Grand Chorus; Connie Ruggles, Grand Representative and Elise Baurenfiend, Past Worthy Advisor.

### Special Services At Valby Lutheran

Communion services and a confirmation class will be held Sunday, March 30 at the Valby Lutheran church in Gooseberry. Leonard Carlson announced this week.

A class of six will be present for the confirmation. Both services will be held at 11 o'clock and will be followed by a potluck dinner in the parish house. Services will be conducted by Dr. Henry J. Hokenson, Portland, regional director of the Columbia conference.

### Public Concert Set By Heppner Band

The 44 piece Heppner high school band will present its annual spring concert Thursday, April 10 at the school gym, according to band director Robert Collins.

Collins states he plans to feature several smaller ensemble groups within the band at the concert and said he feels the group is performing better now than at any time in its history. The band has recently completed a series of exchange concerts with all other county schools.

Collins also stated the band will go to La Grande April 18 and 19 to participate in the district band festival and he feels their chances for additional recognition are good.

### Wranglers Hold First Ride of Season

Though windy and blustery weather kept many away, more than 20 Wranglers enjoyed the first ride of the season Sunday at the Ralph Beamer ranch. Several special events were held with Archie Murchison winning first place in the calf roping and Bob Gammell, second.

Riders furnished their own lunches with the Beamers supplying coffee.

The regular meeting held the first Tuesday of the month found a good attendance at the club house with the entertainment committee of Mrs. Harvey Smith and Mrs. Les Wyman providing pictures taken by the Tress McClintocks of several of their trips.

Mrs. John Hartman had charge of the refreshments.

### HEPPNER EXTENSION MEETING

The Heppner Extension Unit will meet Tuesday April 1st at the home of Mrs. Ray Drake in the Sand Hollow District at 11 a. m.

The aim of the project is to aid homemakers in cooking meats, vegetables, and fruits in the broiler.

The discussions and demonstrations will include broiling foods.

Guests please bring a dessert or vegetable as meat and salad will be furnished.

### Heppner High School To Present Series Of Radio Programs

Heppner high school students will present a series of programs over radio station KWRC Pendleton, each Friday at 5:00 p. m., starting April 4 according to Robert Collins and Richard Knight, Heppner teachers who will have charge of the programs.

The series will open with three 15-minute programs presented by the high school band and will be followed by two or three radio plays presented by students and directed by Knight.

The air time is donated by the radio station and the Heppner school will take over the program sponsored for several months by the Pendleton high school.

### C. H. Kraft, Heppner Mill Stockholder, Taken by Death

Word was received Wednesday by Orville Smith of the death on Tuesday of C. H. Kraft, an official of the Kraft Cheese company and a major stockholder in the Heppner Lumber company mill. His death followed a long illness. His home was in Chicago.

Kraft, who is the father of Leonard Kraft, stockholder in the local mill and manager of the Bridal Veil Lumber and Box company at Bridal Veil, had been a visitor in Heppner on several occasions prior to his illness.

### Second Power Cutoff Due Sunday Morning

The second of a series of two power interruptions is planned for next Sunday morning by the Pacific Power and Light company between 4:00 and 7:00 a. m.

A construction crew has been working for several weeks building a section of new 22,000 volt transmission line between Ione and Lexington and the power cutoff is necessary to allow crews to place the new line in use, according to J. R. Huffman, local manager for the company.

The former line running along Willow creek has been rerouted to eliminate danger to poles to poles during flood periods.

### Southern Storm Causes Increase in Red Cross Quota

The recent tornado disaster in the southern states which caused heavy added expense to the American Red Cross has made it necessary to increase the Morrow county quota for the current drive by \$130, according to word received this week by Mrs. Thomas Wilson, county drive head.

Mrs. Wilson said national Red Cross headquarters informed her that it would spend at least five million dollars aiding the thousands made homeless in the four state area recently hit by the heavy storm.

Returns from the present drive, scheduled to end on March 31 total only about \$875, of a revised quota of \$2358, said Mrs. Wilson, but she emphasized that most outlying districts had not reported to her as yet. Hope was expressed, however, that the county would reach its goal.

### Weekly News Column Promised by French

Moro, Oregon—Giles L. French, candidate for the Republican nomination for congress from the Second Oregon district says that if he is elected he will make available through the newspapers a weekly report on national affairs.

As state representative for many years he has written a column about state matters that has been well received. He is editor of the Shuman County Journal, published here.

### TWO SENTENCED

Justice of the Peace J. O. Hager Wednesday sentenced L. Duane Holliday to 60 days in jail and a fine of \$150 when he pleaded guilty to a charge of lewd cohabitation. Frances Jean Nelson also pleaded guilty to the same charge and was paroled by the court when she agreed to leave town.

The two were arrested Wednesday morning by sheriff C. J. D. Bauman and Heppner chief of police Charles Gomillion.



THIS week's statewide conference at Oregon State College promises to go along way toward answering the question: What's ahead for Oregon farmers? Holding the poster calling attention to the meeting is F. L. Ballard, associate director of the college agricultural extension service, who says a conference aim is to guide direction the state's long-time agricultural production should take. At least 1000 farmers and business men are expected to attend the meeting.

### Heppner FFA Wins Silver Award

Six Heppner students and their advisor spent last week in Corvallis attending the annual Future Farmers of America convention March 18 to 21.

All FFA chapters in the state are rated by state officials and awards are made at the convention and Heppner this year was given a silver award or second class, which is the highest yet won by the local chapter.

Rating of the individual chapters is based on achievement in farming activities, community service, leadership, earnings and savings, conduct of meetings, scholarship, recreation and cooperation. The main emphasis being placed on farming activities and leadership.

The top 40% of the chapters receive an award known as "The Keystone Award" which is divided into classes which receive gold, silver and bronze awards.

Only two FFA chapters in eastern Oregon have received the gold award, Milton-Freewater and The Dalles.

Those attending the meetings were Allen Hughes, Ronald Curran, delegates, and Jim Wightman, Tom Crowdon, Peter Slocum and John Brosnan alternates. James Allen accompanied the group.

### Cancer Fight Fund Drive to Open Here

Mrs. Inez Meador, Heppner, who is serving as Morrow county chairman for the American Cancer Society's annual campaign during April drew high praise today from James G. Swindells, president of the society's Oregon division, for "agreeing to accept the responsibility and hard work which such an undertaking demands."

Those of us who have been engaged in the fight against cancer for many years know what a tremendous task it is to direct a county-wide campaign, Swindells, a Portland attorney, said.

Mrs. Meador announced this week that she and her committee are preparing the campaign that will start April 1 and will be carried on by mail except for personal solicitation of Heppner business firms.

Those working on the drive are Mrs. Thomas Wilson, Mrs. Elmer Hill, Mrs. Ed Collison, Mrs. Pete Lennon and Mrs. James Driscoll. James Driscoll, Heppner postmaster, is acting as treasurer for the campaign.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Drake were in Corvallis for the play off basketball games Friday. They visited at the homes of their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Drake, Jr., and their daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warren. They returned to Heppner Sunday, stopping in Portland to visit with their son Donald Drake.

John Barber of Albers Milling Co. was a business visitor in town on Wednesday.

### Two Firms to Take Over New Building

Two Heppner businesses will soon share the location on north Main street recently vacated by Andersen's Hardware following renovation of the building.

Settles Electric, operated by E. R. Settles and an electric and gas appliance firm under the ownership of James Healy expect to move into the location within the next few weeks. Settles plans to carry a large stock of lighting fixtures and small appliances and Healy will handle the Hotpoint line of major appliances. He is now operator of the Northwest Liquefied Gas Company and will also stock major gas appliances in the new location.

No definite opening date has yet been set by the two firms.

### Dr. O'Shea Receives Call to Service

Dr. Richard J. O'Shea, Heppner physician announced this week that he received his call for the armed forces and will close his practice here on April 5.

Dr. O'Shea will enter the service as a First Lieutenant and has been ordered to report at Fort Sam Houston, Texas on April 24. His family will accompany him.

### Another 4-H Square Dance Set for Ione

Another of those good-time square dances, sponsored by the 4-H clubs of South Morrow County, will be held Saturday evening April 5, announces Mrs. L. A. McCabe, Ione, who is in charge of arrangements.

The dance will be held at the Legion hall, Ione, with dancing from 9:00 to 1:00. Refreshments will be served. No door admission will be charged, however donations will be accepted.

Proceeds from the series of square dances sponsored by the 4-H clubs will be used in furthering club work in the county.

### ARCHITECT HERE

Charles B. Miller, Pendleton architect, was in Heppner last week conferring with the Heppner school board concerning building plans for a proposed new school building.

### HEPPNER TRACK ASPIRANTS START SPRING TRAINING WORKOUTS

The Heppner high school track squad, anchored by Gary and Wendell Connor, who were state finalists last year, have begun calisthenics and cross-country conditioning for the series of spring track meets held during April and May and concluding with the state meet held in Corvallis May 16 and 17.

Coach Harold Whitbeck has lined up the following meets for his squad beginning with the Carnival of Speed at Milton-Freewater, April 4. Heppner invitational, April 18; Helix invitational, April 26, Umatilla county meet, May 3, district meet, La Grande, May 10 and the state meet.

### Registration Urged For All Eligible Voters

The First National Bank of Portland will conduct a statewide non-partisan campaign throughout its 46 banking offices and 15 affiliated banks during this week to assist all of its eligible staff members to register for voting in the primary and general elections this year.

The bank campaign, one of many undertaken by business organizations and political groups throughout the state and county, is urging every eligible voter, regardless of party affiliation or preference to register before the deadline of April 15.

C. W. Barlow, county clerk, this week announced a list of registrars throughout the county where residents may register. They are Irrigon, Marguerite Houghton; Boardman, Lucille Walker; Ione, George Ely; Lexington, Emma Brashears and at the county clerk's office in Heppner.

Barlow also stated that he would personally come to anyone's residence who is unable to get to the court house due to illness or physical difficulties if that person will advise him.

Voting response in Oregon during recent elections has averaged only slightly more than 50 percent of eligible voters, and it is hoped that many of these names can be added to the rolls this year. Morrow county now has 1300 registered Republicans and nearly 700 Democrats.

### Eastern Oregon Range Problems To Be Discussed

Possibilities for revegetating 31,000,000 acres of public and privately owned range land in eastern Oregon will be the theme for the eastern Oregon agricultural conference of the Oregon Bankers association at the Scajawea hotel in La Grande Friday, April 4.

J. R. Beck, assistant director of the Oregon State College extension service, says the one-day meeting in which the college is cooperating will start at 10 a. m. Closing feature will be a banquet at Hoke hall on the Eastern Oregon college campus at which C. B. Stephenson, vice-president, First National Bank of Portland, will be featured speaker.

Banquet toastmaster will be J. B. Rogers, Baker, president of the bankers association. Objective of the meeting, Beck says, is to discuss the problems of revegetating range lands with an eye toward improving the livestock feed supply. About 20,000,000 acres in the eastern Oregon area are classed as non-forested sagebrush type land, the vast bulk of it in need of improvement.

Speakers who will appear during the morning program include W. A. Sawyer, superintendent, Squaw Butte-Harney experiment station, Burns; E. R. Jackman, OSC farm crop specialist; Joe Pechanec, chief, division of range research, U. S. forest service, Portland; and W. J. Anderson, assistant regional chief, bureau of land management, Portland.

A panel composed of four outstanding livestock operators and a seed man will highlight the afternoon session. The panel will include Herman Oliver, John Day cattleman and banker; Ira Staggs, Baker sheepman; Fred Lemcke, Seneca, Oregon's state cattleman of 1951; Henry Lazinka, Ukiah cattleman; and R. W. Schaad, La Grande, seed producer.

H. W. Dickson, manager, U. S. National Bank of Portland in Pendleton, will discuss the agricultural program of the Oregon Bankers association.

Other meets scheduled but with still unconfirmed dates are dual meets with Condon, Pilot Rock and Hermiston.

Heppner students turning out for track this spring are Gary Connor, Albert Burkenbine, Bud Wagner, Keith Connor, Jack Sumner, Loyd Harshman, Roland Taylor, Wendell Connor, Kenneth Easter, Mike Grant, Jimmy Gree, Bill Hughes, Al Parent, Russell Taylor, Pete Andersen, Jerry Hagewood, Jim Hayes, Lyle Jensen and Larry Mollohan. Several elementary students are also working out with the high school squad.

Team managers are Wayne Soward and Raymond Gonty.