



TWO TIME WINNERS—This 4-H livestock judging team from Morrow county composed of Eddie Brosnan, Ronald Currin and Jack Monagle came out in the top spot at the Pacific International for the second year in a row to retain the trophy the three boys are shown holding. In addition to topping other entries in team competition, Cur-rin placed first and Brosnan fourth in individual judging.

Morrow 4-H Team Again Winners of PI Judging

Morrow county's 4-H livestock judging team retained its crown at the Pacific International Livestock exposition Saturday in a hotly contested event that drew 52 teams from Idaho, Oregon and Washington. The three-man team in addition picked off the number one and number four spots in individual judging.

Ronald Currin, 16, Eddie Brosnan, 14, and Jack Monagle, 15 piled up 1942 points out of a possible 2400 to nose out the King county, Washington team by 15 points. Both Currin and Brosnan were members of last year's winning team, and Monagle was an alternate in 1951. They are all from Heppner.

The boys, while taking the top spot at the PI, were not the only Morrow county 4-H clubbers to place at the show for the Lexington 4-H home economics judging team of Joan Breeding, Beverly and Phyllis Nolan captured tenth place in competition with 33 teams from the three states. This is the first year a home economics team for the county has competed at the Portland show.

In the livestock judging, Currin led his team to victory as the high man among 154 4-Hers from

the Pacific northwest. He figured for 714 points out of a possible 800, while Brosnan accounted for 696 points for fourth place. They judged Shorthorn steers, Hereford heifers, breeding ewes and fat lambs, and graded market lambs and Angus and Hereford steers.

The winning team brought back to Heppner for another year the perpetual Rhine Kramer trophy which they won for the first time last year. This presentation was made Saturday night in the exposition's J. C. Penney hall during a 4-H banquet sponsored by Montgomery-Ward and company.

Another county 4-Her who placed well in PI competition was Sally Palmer whose dress exhibit placed in the first division. She was the winner of the Morrow county fair 4-H club style review this fall.

There were other county club members who placed high in other divisions including Janet Wightman, Heppner and Donald Baker, Ione who each placed first in the 4-H wool show sponsored by the Pacific Wool growers. Janet took top spot in the half-blood division, and Ronald the same rating in the three-eighths blood division. He also placed tenth in the one-fourth blood class.

At the beef show, Rieta Graves, Lexington scored fourth place in the Shorthorn division in the 970-1280 class.

Medical Protection Plan Available Here

An important announcement on another page of this issue of the paper gives detailed information concerning the Hospital and Surgical protection which will soon be available to residents of this county.

The National Benefit Insurance Company, with Home Office in Des Moines is the author of the Hospital and Surgical program to be introduced to the residents of the county.

This plan of protection against the expense of hospital and doctor bills has benefited residents of many other communities. National Benefit is now in its 47th year of service and Morrow county has been selected as one of the counties to participate in this Hospital and Surgical program.

The protection has been widely endorsed for its liberal coverage for hospital and surgical bills. Many residents of this state have received benefits for hospital and doctor bills incurred because of operations.

Since a high percentage of residents require hospitalization every year, a need for a better plan of hospital and surgical protection is indicated. It is expected that participation in the program here will be extensive. The National Benefit plan is well known and has achieved popularity.

Hospital Population Up; Patients Placed In Cribs and Cots

Pioneer Memorial hospital chalked up a new record for the number of patients under care this week when a total of 31 were signed in. The capacity of the institution is 26 beds.

Superintendent Lee Gronemyer stated that on two occasions they were forced to put patients in baby cribs and army cots to accommodate them.

For the last two weeks the hospital has been operating at over 100 percent of capacity.

Albert Burkenbine Starts Navy Enlistment

Albert Burkenbine, 1952 graduate of Heppner high school, enlisted in the Navy September 30 through the Pendleton Recruiting station and left last week for San Diego. He is the son of Mrs. Mabel Hayden of Heppner.

Burkenbine was flown to San Diego via Western Air lines and is now undergoing 11 weeks of recruit training.

Rhea Creek Road Oiling Due by 1954

County judge Garnet Barratt said Wednesday that indications appeared good for the completion of the oiling of the Rhea Creek road by harvest time 1954.

The statement came as an outcome of a visit this week by Fred Hagerman, assistant engineer for county and city relations for the state highway commission. He reviewed with the court the available funds that may be obtained from the federal bureau of public roads and expressed the belief that enough will be forthcoming within the next two years to complete the long awaited project.

As planned by the court the entire 19 mile stretch from Ruggs to Jordan will be oiled. The county will prepare the subgrade and the available federal money will be used for the oiling.

Accident Gunshot Wounds 12 Year Old

Burke Gentry, 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Gentry of Rhea-creek, accidentally shot himself in the right leg the first of last week.

In putting the pistol back in its holster after target practice, the hammer caught, shooting him through the leg.

He was brought to a physician and X-rays were taken of the injury.

Among those driving to Portland over the weekend for the Oregon-Nebraska football game were Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Van Marter, Jr., Ronald Reid and Charles O'Donnell.



CHAPTER members of the recently organized Heppner high school Future Homemakers association are: front row left to right, Nancy Eberhart, president; Barbara Prock, secretary; Joan Wright, treasurer; Sandra Lanham, degree chairman; Janice Prock, publicity; Beth Ball, historian. Second row, other members of the council Lillian Elde, Judy Wright, Donna Lovgren, Edna Morris, Virginia Andressen and Miss Katherine Monahan advisor. Officers and members plan to attend district meeting at Milton-Freewater's Mac-Hi Saturday, Oct. 18.

Vote Registration Up; Republicans Hold Big Lead

The final tally of voter registration in the county shows an increase of over 10 percent in the number of registrants since the May primaries, according to figures compiled by C. W. Barlow, county clerk. The Republicans continue to hold a wide edge over the Democrats, however the margin was cut from approximately two to one to a five to three percentage.

The total voter registration figure is 2527 and of this number 1543 are Republicans, 939 Democrats, and 45 expressed no party preference. This compares with a total of 2289 registrants for the primaries of which 1441 were Republican, 826 Democrat and 22 others.

The final figures show that between 85 and 90 per cent of the eligible voters in the county have shown sufficient interest in the coming election to get their names on the rolls. The registration deadline was last Saturday evening.

Barlow stated that Republican and Democrat percentages were about the same as in the past years. While Republicans have always held a strong majority in the county, their lead drops slightly at general elections and gains back close to the two to one margin during off years and for primary elections.

The increased interest in the presidential race and the long list of state measures on the November ballot account for the jump in registration figures over the spring election.

Coordinated Program of Xmas Events Talked

Preliminary plans for an extensive coordinated program of Christmas decorations, lighting and store decorating contests, free kiddies shows and Santa Claus appearances were discussed recently by representatives of nearly all Heppner clubs and organizations. The meeting was sponsored by the chamber of commerce.

The group first met with the chamber at its regular Monday noon meeting and then continued the discussion with the merchants committee of the chamber, which has charge of that group's Christmas activities.

While the complete schedule of events still remains to be worked out, all were in agreement that the Christmas program of the individual groups could well be scheduled under a master plan to provide merchants, children, shoppers and visitors a continuing series of holiday events that will not conflict with each other.

The chamber of commerce merchants committee announced that generous donations by Heppner business and professional men and industries will make possible the purchase of nearly \$500 worth of new permanent type street decorations to be hung at five downtown street intersections. Lights and green decorations will also be used as in the past.

Organizations sending representatives to the meeting were Jay Cees, Jaycee-Ettes, Soroptimists, P-T-A, American Legion, Oddfellows, Forest Service, Elks, Masons, Royal Arch and the Heppner school student body.

Five to Seek Three Open Council Seats, Mayor's Job Goes Begging

Heppner to Get Highway Building

The state highway department announced this week that it will call for bids at its next meeting, October 21 on the construction of a highway maintenance shop to be built on property recently acquired by the commission in Heppner.

The new building is to be of concrete block construction and is to be 93 by 36 feet in size. It will be located adjacent to the highway in north Heppner directly north of the Union oil company plant. It will give the highway maintenance division, now housed in small quarters behind the hotel, adequate facilities for its operations.

Though no further information was available at the present time regarding the plans for the new building it is known the contract will call for completion by May 31, 1953.

Sewer Bond Ordinance Given Council Approval

The Heppner city council Monday evening passed on the third reading an ordinance authorizing the sale of \$300,000 in general obligation bonds with which to pay for the cost of construction of the city's new sewer system and disposal plant.

The city will immediately call for bids on the bond issue.

The council has already advertised for bids for the sewer project, and these bids will be opened at a special meeting set for Thursday, October 16. Widespread interest by contractors in the sewer job has been shown by the number of concerns applying for plans and specifications from the city recorder or the engineering firm of Clark and Groff, Salem. More than 20 sets of plans have been released, according to reports.

The council also opened bids on the purchase of 4,000 feet of four-inch steel water pipe and necessary fittings at Monday's meeting and awarded the order to the Waterworks Supply company of Portland on the provision that delivery can be made within 30 days. The winning bid was \$4,862.51.

Plans call for the use of the pipe to extend the water system in two sections of Heppner, in the lower end of town where small mains and lack of fire hydrants have caused inconvenience and fire hazard problems, and into the Barratt property on hospital hill.

The latter area is too be platted and opened up as a new subdivision in the near future.

The council accepted and took under advisement a petition from residents of Alfalfa street protesting against the closure of a section of that street where it jogs through property recently purchased by Harold Sanders, Jr. The closure would, in effect, make a dead-end out of the street, the petitioners claimed.

William Steers Dies After Long Illness

Funeral services were held today (Thursday) at 2:00 p. m. in the Methodist church for William Harrison Steers, 66, who died Monday at the Pioneer Memorial hospital after a lingering illness. Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien officiated at the service and interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

Steers was born February 5, 1886 at Lost Valley, Oregon to Albert and Priscilla Steers. He had spent his entire life close to Hardman, where he had lived until he became ill.

He is survived by his wife Pearl, two sons Sam and Elmer of Hardman, one daughter Mrs. Grace Buschke of Heppner, two brothers Robert and Raymond of Klamath Falls, one sister Mrs. Rose Collins of Hardman, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was a life long member of the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney have returned from Seattle where they attended the football game over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Martin spent Sunday in Echo and Pendleton visiting friends.

TOO MANY KIDS—Kindergarten Starts Double Classes

An afternoon kindergarten session will be started next Monday, October 13, to handle the overflow of youngsters enrolled this year, announces the Jay Cee-ette kindergarten board. By the fourth week of school 34 children were attending the forenoon session, overtaxing both space and equipment. Mrs. Grace Drake, instructor, will teach both sessions.

The board is leaving choice of which session the children will attend to the mothers, with the suggestion that wherever practical the youngsters who had their fifth birthday last spring come in the afternoons.

The second session will be continued as long as the enrollment warrants division of the group.

The kindergarten board plans a canvass of families in the community to set up a pre-school census to be used in making plans for the kindergarten. To date the list of children who will enter the first grade in Heppner numbers 52; a preliminary rough count of children who will be first graders in September, 1954, is similarly large.

SOWARDS ARE GRANDPARENTS

Rev. and Mrs. Earl L. Soward have received word that they are the grandparents of Earl Evan, a 7 lb. 15 oz. boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Earl Soward at Austin Texas.

Marvin Soward is a music student at the University of Texas.

Recorder And Treasurer File For Reelection

Five Heppner residents have filed petitions seeking the three city council positions open as a result of the expiration of the terms of three of the six members, but to date no one seems to want to run for mayor.

The three councilmen whose terms expire this year are Dr. L. D. Tibbles, who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of John Saager who resigned early this summer, E. E. Gonty and W. C. Rosewall. All three have filed to succeed themselves and two other names, those of Jeff Carter, J. C. Penney manager, and Frank Andressen, sporting goods dealer will also appear on the November 4 ballot.

Two other elective offices are also open, those of city recorder and treasurer, and the incumbents, Mrs. W. O. Dix and LaVerne Van Marter have filed for these positions.

Early this week Mayor J. O. Turner had not filed for re-election, nor had any other name been entered for the position which is for a two year term. The term of office for council members is four years and the recorder and treasurer also serve two year terms.

The other three council members who are not up for reelection at this time are Jack Van Winkle, W. C. Collins and Robert Grabill. All city officers are elected at the November 4 general election.



EARLY BUCK—One of the first hunters to check in at a local locker with his deer was Conley Lanham, Heppner. He got it shortly after daylight last Saturday, the opening day of the hunting season. Many other hunters found shooting good, for all butchers and locker operators reported their facilities filled to overflowing. (GT Photo)

Crippled Children's Clinic Scheduled

The fall crippled children's clinic will be held Tuesday, October 28 at 1 p. m. at the Umatilla health department, S. W. 3rd and Frazier streets in Pendleton, Morrow county health nurse Martha Tapanainen said this week.

The purpose of the clinic is to offer diagnostic consultation service to all children under 21 who have a crippling condition affecting the body. Medical treatment is on a limited basis. The attending orthopedic doctor, medical social worker and orthopedic nurse consultant are provided by the Crippled Children's division of the state medical school in Portland. This is part of a federal and state program set up to improve and extend services to the crippled children in the state. The local health department makes the appointments for the clinic and insures follow-ups.

Persons wishing appointments are asked to contact the county health department, phone Heppner 792.

JayCees Organize Blood Donor Signup

With an ever increasing need for blood donor names at Pioneer Memorial hospital the JayCees and Jaycee-Ettes this week announced that they will sponsor an organizational drive to encourage local residents to register for blood typing.

The two groups will sign up all their members and are going to ask organizations to do the same. The hospital has a standing list of donors, but on several occasions has been unable to find an available donor with the right type of blood.

The JayCee plan will increase the number of available names.

Extension Units Plan Textile Painting

The first textile painting meeting is scheduled for October 22 by the Rhea Creek Extension. It will be held at the home of Mrs. Walter Beckett. The textile painting class will be taught by Mrs. Elmer Palmer, Mrs. Ruth Bergstrom and Mary Wright.

All major communities were represented at the training meeting of leaders which was held on September 24 and 25 at Pine City. Mrs. Ann Weigant, craft and art teacher, was secured to conduct the two day meeting. Mrs. Wien-gant gave basic training in creating designs; blending and shading colors; and techniques in making hinged and multiple stencils.

Lena unit has set the first meeting for textile painting on November 6, while Ione selected November 7. Leaders who will conduct the meetings are as follows: Mrs. Elmer Palmer, Mrs. Ruth Bergstrom, Mary Wright of Rhea Creek; Mrs. Randall Martin and Mrs. Marion Brosnan, Lena; Mrs. Maude Brown and Mrs. Hannah Downey, Boardman; Mrs. Louise Keene and Mrs. L. A. McCabe, Ione; Mrs. Ida Slaughter and Mrs. Virginia Allen, Irrigon; Mrs. Mable Heath and Mrs. Emma Drake, Heppner; and Mrs. Betty Warren, Mothers Club, Heppner; and Mrs. Mervin Leonard and Mrs. Lester Cox of Lexington.

Persons interested in textile painting may contact these leaders to enroll in classes or call the County Extension office at Heppner.

Mrs. Huxley Kim of Portland and Mrs. Al Newman of Sacramento, California are visiting in Heppner with their mother, Mrs. Katie Slocum.