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Princess Carol Ann Wiglesworth

County Schools Get Reports on Standardization

Five Morrow county schools recently received the results of standardization surveys made early this summer by a representative of the state board of education. Only one, Hardman, was classified as standard, the other four, Heppner, Lexington, Ione and Boardman were classified as conditionally standard.

Reports for Irrigon have not yet been received.

In most of the reports the biggest objections raised by the board were lack of bulletin board space, furniture needs, drinking fountains, and general building care, however in some cases, especially Heppner, the report pointed out the need for more space and better lighting. The Lexington report noted a need for playground improvements, many of which are now being completed at the school.

The Heppner report presented the longest list of recommendations, 24 of them, however many of these fell into the classification of general maintenance.

H. C. Reed, Heppner superintendent said that while the report gave a clear picture of what is needed in the elementary school section of the building, the state supervisor of elementary education, who made the survey and report, did not consider the upper, or high school floor of the building, the gymnasium and auditorium or the shop facilities. Had these been surveyed, there would undoubtedly have been many more suggestions for improvements.

The conditionally standard classification requires that a plan of improvement be established by the district and be submitted to the county school superintendent for approval within 90 days.

Following is the summary list of 24 recommendations for improving the Heppner elementary school, and superintendent Reed pointed out that items 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 14, 20, 21 and 23 were being taken care of at the present time so that these improvements will be ready by the start of school.

1. The school site is overcrowded. The efforts being made by the school board to correct this condition are commendable.

2. Many classrooms need re-decoration.

3. It is recommended that most chalkboards be refinished in light yellow-green slating.

4. Bulletin boards are needed in almost all classrooms.

5. One classroom is without a clock.

6. The non-adjustable furniture needs to be replaced.

7. A table and chairs which fit the children should be provided for each classroom library corner.

8. Storage space is limited in several classrooms.

9. Some window shades are worn out and should be replaced.

10. One toilet was out of order, several toilet seats are cracked and rough, these conditions should be corrected.

11. Basement classrooms need additional light. The use of the basement room 1 housing grades three and four should be discontinued.

12. More drinking fountains are needed.

13. The number of washbowls should be increased.

14. Many windows were dirty and other items of custodial service need improving.

15. The principal should have some time free to direct the instructional program.

16. Some additional classroom tools and science demonstration materials are needed.

17. It is recommended that the school district consider a central library to facilitate rotation of books between the classrooms. Better distribution of books, materials, and supplies on hand is necessary. Exchange of maps and globes between classrooms should be expedited.

18. A few more subscriptions to periodicals for children are needed.

19. An additional set of encyclopedia is recommended.

20. Teachers need opportunity to meet together.

21. Cumulative pupil record cards and health record cards should be kept in classrooms.

22. Several new desks are needed for teachers.

23. Plaster on the ceiling in a number of classrooms is cracking and needs repairing.

24. Classroom floors should have a light finish.

Rev. Lester Boulden is driving truck for Ray Drake during the harvest season.

Allotment Cuts Morrow Wheat Acreage by 30%

Miss Austria Arrives For Heppner Visit

Miss Lore Felger, who as Miss Austria recently participated in the Miss Universe beauty contest at Long Beach, Cal., arrived in Heppner shortly before noon today to visit with the girl with whom she has been corresponding for four years.

Virginia Gonty, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gonty, met Miss Felger's plane at Pendleton and drove her to Heppner where she will spend five days visiting and resting from the nearly three weeks of strenuous activities connected with her participation in the Miss Universe contest where she placed among the top 16 contestants. Even in Heppner, though, she won't get to just rest, for only one-half hour after her arrival she was a guest at the Thursday noon meeting of the Soroptimist club.

When asked how she liked this section of Oregon, she said she "... liked it. It reminds me a little bit of Austria, the hills and everything."

Whether Miss Felger would be able to find time to visit her friends in Heppner has been the subject of much wonderment among the Gonty family and others who knew of the possibility of her visit here. Many phone calls and letters were required to make the arrangements for her stopover. A wire service story appearing last week in a Portland paper said that she was to arrive here July 29, but at that time the Gontys had been unable to contact her directly for confirmation. Discussion of possible movie contracts was credited with causing the delay.

Quota Before Farmers In Local Referendum To be Held August 14

Wheat farmers will go to the polls on Friday, August 14, after 15 days of studying their acreage allotment, with a chance of appeal, to vote for or against marketing quotas for the 1954 crop. The Morrow county allotment is 120,721 acres, a cut of 30 percent from this year's seeding.

Individual farmers will receive their wheat allotment during the first part of next week, according to Eugene Peterson, head of the PMA office in Morrow county. Any farmer in doubt as to his eligibility and his right to vote

should contact the PMA office immediately.

Wheat farmers must approve the marketing quotas by a two-thirds majority in the nationwide referendum. In effect they will be voting for a government price support of 90 percent of parity with the possibility of a penalty if they exceed their quota, or the same allotment quota with only 50 percent of parity price support but no penalty except for being left on the free market if they exceed their quota.

Balloting in this area will be supervised by referendum committees selected by the Morrow county PMA commission. Polling places will be in the Lexington and Alpine community, the Lexington grange hall; Ione and Morgan, the Ione American Legion hall; north and south Heppner, in the court room of the county court house, and Eightmile community, the Rhea Creek grange hall. Polls will be open from 8 a. m. until 9 p. m.

Each wheat farmer on a farm which is subject to quotas and who has a share in the wheat crop is eligible to vote in the referendum. Farms on which the wheat acreage is 15 acres or less; and farms on which the normal production of the acreage planted to wheat is less than 200 bushels are exempt from wheat marketing quotas.

The reason for the need to call for marketing quotas arises from the law that any time the total estimated supply of wheat exceeds the normal supply by more than 20 percent the secretary of agriculture must proclaim them. The estimate this year shows 50 percent above the normal supply.

The national acreage allotment of 62,000,000 acres has been apportioned among the states and counties according to the acreage seeded to wheat during the latest 10-year period, adjusted for trends and other factors. Oregon's allotment is 875,672. The county allotment will be divided among the farms based on past wheat acreage, tillable acres in each farm, crop-rotation practices, type of soil and topography. They will be determined by the county PMA committee, with the assistance of a community committee.

Because this is the first time that marketing quotas have been called the farmers will have a chance, through the polls, to say whether they want to use this method of adjusting wheat production. As it is set up now, this is the government's way of giving each farmer a fair share of the wheat market.

July Is Mighty Dry, Look Out for August

As this paper goes to press, with only one day left in the month, it seems very likely that July will find itself without a single drop of rain this year. This will put July of 1953 into a classification that has held only nine Julys since the year 1910, when weather records were first kept in Heppner.

With a figure .00 for the first time since 1949's July, Heppner has seen a total of .34 inches during the Julys in the last three years. Last year's .04 inches was the slightest amount of the three.

The biggest drought of Julys on record occurred in 1929, 1930 and 1931 when for these years there was a straight .00 inches. Every July from that time until 1949 was wet down at least somewhat.

Looking back over all the months since 1910, the records show that of all the months which have seen no rain, the Julys outnumbered all but the dry months of August, August, too has seen .00 for nine times. This year's dry July will put that month ahead in the race unless we find ourselves with another dry 30 days.

To add to the race of the Julys and the Augusts and give something to look forward to next month, the 1949 dry July was followed by an equally dry August.

ROYALTY ON REVIEW

Princess Dance to Honor Carol Ann Wiglesworth

Princess Carol Ann Wiglesworth, representing the Lena community, will be honored on Saturday, Aug. 1, at the first of the four princess dances to be given preceding the Morrow county Fair and Rodeo.

Princess Carol, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Wiglesworth of Butter Creek, is 15 years old, stands 5' 7", and has light brown hair and brown eyes. She is a junior at the Echo high school.

Hobbies play an important part in Princess Carol's life. She especially enjoys riding, swimming and playing tennis. Most of her riding is done with the aid of her sorrel roan named Sally. She is a member of the Wranglers Riding club. She has also been a member of the 4-H Sewing club for two years.

Princess Carol claims her share of honors. Foremost among them is her Heppner Rodeo participation, which includes four years as pennant bearer. She has also been salutatorian of her eighth grade class, freshman class secretary, sophomore GAA secretary, sophomore reporter on the school annual and girls sports writer for the school paper.

Active in sports, Princess Carol competed as a sophomore for the Echo girls track team, playing on the tennis squad and was a member of the volleyball team for her second year.

Topping her sports activities, she has been head majorette for

the Echo pep club in both her freshman and sophomore years after participating as a majorette for the Junior Pep club in the seventh and eighth grade.

Not to be outdone as a typical ranch raised girl, Princess Carol helps her father at home by working on the baler and raking and mowing.

Princess Carol comes from a family of possible princess abilities. She recalls another member of her family that rose to prominence in the Morrow county Fair and Rodeo, four years ago, her sister Princess Dorothy.

Princess Carol's dance, coming only a week after the kickoff dance last Saturday, will also be held at the Fair pavilion. Admission will be \$1.00 per person.

Storage Building Damaged by Fire

A fire in the storage building for the Lane apartments turned half of the town out last Friday to watch the volunteer firemen wet it down and put it out.

Fire trucks were little more than backed around the corner to get at the blaze, which didn't do an excess of damage but which caused enough to ruin part of the raftering of the building.

Fire chief C. A. Ruggles found himself one of the chief victims of the damage when he belatedly realized that the trailer stored in the shed was his own. The outside of the trailer was scorched enough to call for a new paint job.

No estimate of the damage has been made as yet, according to Ruggles, but there will be some rebuilding needed.

Library Officials Elected at Meeting

The annual meeting of the Heppner public library was held last week at the library building. Election of officers was held with Mrs. James G. Thomson, president; Mrs. Marie Clary, vice-president; Mrs. Lucy E. Rodgers, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Harold Becker, new trustee for the three year term; J. O. Turner, for the two year term, and Miss Leta M. Humphreys for the one year term. Mrs. Josephine Baker will continue as librarian.

FAIR BUTTONS AVAILABLE

Fair buttons are out, and can be purchased at most of the stores in Heppner. Price of the buttons is \$1.00 and they admit you to all the Fair activities during the 3, 4 and 5 of September.

Mrs. Maud Casswell, Morrow county home demonstration agent returned Saturday from Seattle, Wash. She spent the fourth of July with her sister Mrs. Ed Campbell at Mapleton, Oregon. During the hot summer vacation she visited British Columbia and Mt. Rainier.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Thompson returned Saturday from a two weeks vacation in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Emile Groshens left last week for a short vacation trip into Canada.

Cemetery Tax Vote To Be Held Saturday

The special election to approve a three mill tax levy for the maintenance and operation of the recently organized Heppner cemetery maintenance district will be held Saturday, August 1 from 2 to 7 p. m. Polling place will be the Heppner city hall.

It was pointed out by the new directors that the funds, if approved, will be used to recondition and maintain all sections of the Heppner cemetery as well as several other smaller cemeteries located within the district. The boundaries of the cemetery district are the same as those of school district No. 1.

Dr. Wolff Leaves For Army Duty in Texas

Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Wolff and son Billie left Wednesday morning for Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas where he will report for active duty with the army.

En route they plan to visit Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon, Grand Canyon and Carlsbad Caverns. The end of August Mrs. Wolff will go to Wisconsin to visit her family. She will return to Heppner for the opening of school as she will teach in the Heppner school this fall.

Rev. Fast to Leave After 2 Years Here

Rev. Nels Fast, pastor of the Assembly of God church in Heppner recently accepted a call to serve the church in Mollala, Oregon. He will speak in the local church Sunday, Aug. 2, ending two years of service here. The Fast's will move to Mollala next week.

Called to take Rev. Fast's place in Heppner is Rev. Willis W. Geyer. Rev. and Mrs. Geyer and their four children will arrive early next week.



PVT. BILLY J. RIETMANN, son of Victor Rietmann of Ione, who has been assigned to Camp Roberts, California, to begin his military training. He is assigned to Battery A of the 434th Armored Field Artillery battalion.

Heppner Scouts Return From Trip With Lots to Tell

The five Heppner Boy Scouts who attended the National Scout Jamboree near Puente, Calif., arrived home Tuesday night after 15 days of "the most wonderful trip a group of boys could ever make."

The Heppner scouts, Jay Sumner, Len Ray Schwarz, Jesse Smallwood, Dick Applegate and Bob Laughlin, plus Lexington scout, Hugo Leyva, have nothing but good things to say for the Jamboree and their trip. The estimated 50,000 scouts were all there, they said. That makes a lot of two-man pup tents spread over the Irvine ranch, site of the Jamboree.

Jesse Smallwood, one of the traveling scouts, prepared a report on their trip for the benefit of the community and especially for those groups which helped the boys make the journey. Here is his account of "the most wonderful trip."

"We left Hinkle at 2:00 a. m., July 14, by train and arrived at Bonneville at 5:00 a. m. After eating at Bonneville we toured the dam and saw different projects. Then we took the barge down the Columbia. We saw Multnomah Falls and other different places on our trip down. After arriving at Portland we toured the city and then caught a train for San Francisco.

"We arrived at Oakland and took the ferry across San Francisco Bay. On our way across we could see Alcatraz island, the Bay bridge, and the Golden Gate bridge. We left the ferry building to tour San Francisco and as we went down the streets by trolley we stopped at Fleischacker zoo and saw the many animals of that place. Next we travelled to the Cliff House, where some of us swam at Sutros Baths.

"After the swim we ate at the Cliff House and then took a bus to where we could catch the cable car that took us to Chinatown. After we saw Chinatown we took the ferry back across the Bay and got on the train and went to San Fernando mission. We went through the mission and saw many things. Then we took the train to Puente to go to the Jamboree.

"At the Jamboree we learned more the meaning of scouting and its different crafts. We swam in the Pacific ocean many times and we had a very good time. We had different jobs in our patrol which we rotated each day. There were demonstrations every day of the Jamboree. These demonstrations were about scouting.

"We took different tours while we were there. Near the last of the Jamboree we went to Los Angeles. There we saw the great Lockheed air base and R. K. O. movie sets. While we were on our way back to the Jamboree we saw different television stations and radio stations and we drove (Continued on page 8)

Drivers Licenses Obtainable August 4

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner on Tuesday, Aug. 4, at the courthouse between the hours of 9:30 a. m. and 3:30 p. m., according to an announcement received from the secretary of state's office.

Persons wishing original licenses or permits to drive are asked to file applications well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure time for completion of the required license tests.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Daily Vacation Bible school of the Nazarene church in Ione will hold a closing program on Friday, July 31, at 8:00 p. m. A special feature will be the children's rhythm band.

Everyone is welcome to come and hear the children.