

# Heppner Gazette Times

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## 4-H Achievement Program Set for Saturday Night

With National 4-H Achievement Day set for November 13, Morrow county 4-H club leaders and club members are going to be well on their way toward a successful new year. They will be recognized in their own right at the annual 4-H Achievement Party to be held at the fair pavilion on Saturday evening. Members, leaders, parents and interested persons are invited to attend.

Getting off to an early start for a good club year, officers for the Morrow county 4-H council were elected last month. To preside over that organization for this next year are Mrs. E. M. Baker, Ione, president; D. O. Nelson, Lexington, vice-president; Mrs. Randall Martin, Heppner, secretary; and Mrs. L. A. McCabe, Ione, treasurer. Anticipating a lot of jobs ahead, in a strong 4-H Club program, these officers recently met to appoint active committees for the club year. Committees appointed are as follows: 4-H summer school selection—Mrs. Lewis Carlson, Ione, chairman; Mr. Bernard Doherty, Heppner; Mrs. Earle Kendall, Heppner. Ways and means committee—Carl Rhea, Echo, chairman; Mrs. Claude Graham, Heppner; Mrs. Phil Emert, Ione.

International farm youth exchange sponsoring co-chairman—Sally Palmer, Heppner; Patsy Wright, Heppner. Summer school scholarship committee—D. O. Nelson, Lexington, chairman; Herman Blettel, Ione; Mrs. Jerry Brosnan, Heppner.

Permanent summer camp—Herman Blettel, Ione, chairman; Mrs. Walter Wright, Heppner; Mrs. L. A. McCabe, Ione.

Summer camp details—Mrs. N. C. Anderson, Heppner, chairman; Mr. Leroy Martin, Lexington; Mrs. Elmer Palmer, Heppner.

Fair building improvement committee—Bernard Doherty, Heppner, chairman; Dallas Carber, Heppner; Mrs. Randall Martin, Heppner; Phil Emert, Ione.

National and local awards—Mrs. Randall Martin, Heppner, chairman; Mrs. Ray Heimbigner, Ione; Mrs. Earle Kendall, Heppner.

4-H kitchen—Mrs. Walter Wright, Heppner, chairman; Mrs. Jerry Brosnan, Heppner; Mrs. N. C. Anderson, Heppner.

Achievement day—Mrs. Lewis Wetzel, Lexington, chairman; Alfred Nelson, Lexington; Mrs. W. E. Hughes, Heppner.

The program committee with Mrs. L. A. McCabe, Ione, chairman, Alfred Nelson, of Lexington, Mrs. Claude Graham of Heppner, Mrs. Elmer Palmer of Heppner, and D. O. Nelson, Lexington, met Tuesday afternoon of this week to set up the program for the year was outlined and plans were made for the annual leaders training meeting to be held in Heppner on December 7.

The South Morrow 4-H Club council of 4-H leaders meet monthly, the third Thursday evening. On the November 18th meeting, the program for the year will be considered for the year and action taken.

Oscar Dahlquist of Portland is a houseguest at the Jack Bedford home this week. He is in Heppner for some bird hunting.

Miss Leta Humphreys and Mrs. Esther Zelmantz spent a few days in Walla Walla this week.

## Ione Sheep Breeder Places at Frisco Livestock Show

Ronald Baker, Ione, Columbia sheep breeder, returned Sunday from Cow Palace, with his share of awards in his exhibits and sale of four Columbia ewes consigned to the National Columbia Sheep Breeders Show and Sale at the Grand National Livestock show last weekend.

In stiff competition with Columbia breeders throughout the entire United States, his pen of three yearling ewes, were awarded blue ribbon pen. In a class of yearling single ewes, his entry placed fifth in a large class.

Looking ahead to improvement within his flock, Baker purchased a ram which stood fourth in the show as a stud ram for his herd. He also brought back with him nine head of ewes that stood in top places in their classes. These ewes were from leading breeders throughout the United States.

## Grand Jury Returns One True Bill, 11 Secret Indictments

Meeting Monday on the opening day of the fall term of the circuit court, the grand jury reported in one true bill and 11 secret indictments. Judge William W. Wells heard the report. The one true bill was returned against Albert Kentner and Bill Wyatt who had been charged with the theft and butchering of two sheep belonging to Frank Wilkinson. The two men were arrested several months ago and are now out on bail.

The secret indictments will not be revealed until the parties charged are served and complaints filed.

## Early Posting Said Aid to Mail Service

Postal authorities are urging businessmen to cooperate with the post office department in a current drive to get outgoing mail into the post office as far ahead of mailing deadlines as possible in an effort to give patrons better service.

The postal department is trying to overcome a long established habit of many business houses to let their outgoing mail pile up until just before the deadline (in Heppner that is 6 p. m.) and then mail it all at one time which produces a log jam in the office and sometimes causes a delay in getting mail placed on the proper long-distance trains. The early mailing is even more important with the coming of the Christmas season which always places an extra heavy load on all postal facilities.

The office asks, that where possible, letters be deposited in the post office as early in the day as can be arranged, explaining that work is always lighter during the middle of the day and letters posted then can receive more attention by clerks. Such aid given the post office will result in better service for everyone, it was explained.

## JUNIOR PLAY SET

The class play, "Don't Ever Grow Up", presented by the Junior class at Heppner high school will be presented Friday and Saturday, Nov. 19 and 20 at the school gym. 17 students are in the cast.

Reserved seat tickets are on sale at \$1.25 with adult admission set at \$1.00, high school students 75 cents and grade school students 35 cents.

## Veteran's Day Observance Set By Legion Post

In the first observance of the recently instituted Veteran's Day, the new official name for the former Armistice Day, the Heppner American Legion post is planning a day-long program at 10 a. m. and concluding with a dance in the evening, post commander, Kemp Dick has announced. Program chairman is Phil Blakney.

Main speaker at the potluck banquet scheduled for 6:30 will be O. C. Schroeder, superintendent of the process sub-section for General Electric's manufacturing department at Hanford, Washington who will speak on "Atomic Reactors," and show a short color sound film entitled "A is for Atom" The open house is planned from 10 a. m. until 1 p. m. and again from 4 to 6. Attendance at the Heppner-Ione football game was scheduled from 1:00 to 4:00, but this has been eliminated due to a last minute cancellation of the game. The banquet will start at 6:30 and will be followed by the dance at 9:30.

Schroeder, the dinner speaker, has been with General Electric at Hanford since 1947 as a senior supervisor. He was later promoted to assistant chief supervisor, separations section, a position he held until early in 1953. In March 1953, Schroeder became superintendent of a reactor operation, and early this year he assumed the responsibility he now holds.

Prior to going with GE, Schroeder was employed by the E. I. duPont company at Waynesboro, Virginia, Kankakee, Ill., the Alabama and Oklahoma Ordnance works and at Hanford during the years du Pont operated the plant.

At the 6:30 banquet, post officers announced the Legion will furnish the turkey, rolls and the coffee with the remainder to be potluck.

## Library Story Hour To Start November 13

Arrangements were completed this week to hold a children's story hour at the Heppner public library. It has been announced by Mrs. Ted Smith, librarian. The first of the series will be held Saturday, Nov. 13 at 3 p. m.

Children from the ages of five to eight are asked to come on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month and children from 9 to 13 years of age on the first and third Saturdays.

New book additions to the library include: Away All Boats, by Dodson; Julius Caesar, Shakespeare; Baby Farm Animals, Animal A B C, Golden Stallion to the Rescue, Montgomery; Hurry, Skurry and Flurry, Buff; The Lazy Beaver, Davis.

## DISTRICT MEETING DUE

The Rev. Hugh Foster, missionary pastor at John Day, will speak at the Blue Mountain district meeting of the 90 and 9 men's meeting in Heppner Nov. 15. It will be a dinner meeting at 7 p. m. at the Christian church. About 65 men are expected from Milton, Athena, Pendleton, Hermiston and Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Smith left Friday for San Francisco and Palo Alto, where they will visit with their son James, who is attending Stanford.

## Joel B. Young, 75, Taken By Death

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Methodist church for Joel B. Young who passed away at Heppner on November 7. He was 75 years of age. Rev. Lester D. Boulden officiated at the final rites.

Mr. Young was born May 21, 1879 in Adams county, Iowa and came to Oregon in the 1880s. He had lived most of his life in Morrow county, much of the early part of it on his parent's ranch in the Eightmile section. He never married.

Surviving are one brother, Egbert Young of Heppner, a sister, Mrs. Clara Stratton of Eugene and several nieces and nephews. Burial was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery with Creswick and Seuell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

## New Veterinarian To Locate Here

Meeting Tuesday evening, the executive committee and Morrow County Livestock disease control committee of the Morrow County Livestockgrowers Association worked out details leading to the encouragement of a practicing veterinarian to locate here. Dr. Jim Norene, recently of Bend and now of Grants Pass, will locate here as soon as living quarters suitable for his business can be secured. Dr. Norene will establish his local practice and will assist with a portion of the Brucellosis testing being carried on.

At this meeting plans were laid for the annual Livestockgrowers Association meeting, which was scheduled for January 13 and 14. Chairmen of the various committees on arrangements and program reported that arrangements are well underway. Heading the general arrangements and banquet committee is John Graves, Hardman; meat marketing conference, W. W. Weatherford, Heppner; meat cutting demonstration, Frank Anderson, Heppner; advertising committee, O. W. Cutsforth, Lexington; and entertainment committee, Harold Erwin, Heppner.

This year's main attraction will be a meat cutting, wrapping, and cookery demonstration put on by a team from Oregon State College. The meat marketing conference to be held the morning of January 13, will consist of a panel of producers, sellers, labor, retailers, packers, and consumers, who will discuss county livestock and meat marketing problems.

The disease control committee met to outline plans for community action in cleaning up the last straggling Brucellosis tests before moving into the final stages of having the county certified as a modified Bangs free county.

## Taxpayers Rush to Beat November 15 Payment Deadline

Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman reported today that county taxpayers are crowding the tax office to pay real and property taxes before the deadline Monday, November 15. He reports that payments are as heavy or heavier than in previous years.

The deadline for property owners to get the three percent discount for payment of the full year's tax is November 15, and the first quarter installment payments must also be made by that time.

## 100 Pints Set As Quota For Bloodmobile Visit

With a quota of 100 pints of blood, the Heppner Elks lodge is again sponsoring a return visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile on Monday, November 15. It was announced today by Jack Edmondson, committee chairman. It is to be held at the Methodist church from 2 to 6 in the afternoon.

Edmondson stressed the need for a heavy turnout of residents to help the lodge and the Red Cross meet the quota, pointing out that he has had very short notice on this visit and has had no opportunity to arrange for prior sign-up of donors, as has been arranged on previous visits of the Bloodmobile. On the last visit of the Red Cross group, county residents donated just under 100 pints of blood, and it is hoped that the quota of 100 pints can be reached on this trip. The November trip will be the third into this area in the past two years.

As on previous visits, a large number of local persons have volunteered their help to handle the necessary paper work and assist the regular nurses of the Red Cross team.

Sign-up cards are being distributed this weekend, by committee members, but anyone is welcome, and wanted, regardless of whether or not they have signed up to donate.

## Road Oiling Due In North Morrow

Morrow county has received notice of the approval of the oiling of 11 miles of county road in the Boardman project with \$56,000 of federal aid secondary funds, it was revealed this week by county judge Garnet Barratt. The notice came from the state highway commission following county application for the funds. The county requested that the project be contracted by the state commission not later than March of next year.

This project will oil 11 of the approximately 27 miles of county road in the Boardman area which has been scheduled by the county for improvement. It will include the main travelled roads on which no habitation will be more than a half mile from the paved road, it was said.

## Crippled Children's Clinic Scheduled

The fall, crippled children's clinic will be held Nov. 17 at 1:00 p. m. at the Umattilla county health department, S. W. 3rd and Frazier in Pendleton, it was announced here this week. Anyone wishing an appointment at the clinic may receive it by being at the clinic at that time.

Miss Dorothy M. Prinzing, nursing consultant asks that any new children who attend the clinic bring a note from their family physician stating whether he wishes them to have diagnosis, treatment or consultation. The clinic would also appreciate a medical summary of the patient, it was said.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney and son Bob and Larry Prock spent the weekend in Seattle and attended the football game.

## Special Heppner-Ione Football Game is Cancelled

A planned special football game between the Heppner and Ione high school teams for Thursday, November 11, has been cancelled, it was revealed Wednesday, by local school officials.

Originally the Heppner-Echo game was set for that date, but Echo's winning of the district title which required a playoff game for Friday required setting that game up to last Monday. To fill the holiday gap, it was hoped to be able to arrange a special game, but arrangements fell through at the last minute.

## Two Businesses Change Ownership

The sale of the Heppner Western Store (Western Auto Supply) to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Pfeiffer of Heppner was announced this week by Conley Lanham, who has operated the store since 1940.

Pfeiffer, who has been Shell Oil Company distributor in Heppner for the past six years, at the same time announced the sale of his distributorship to James P. Healy who now operates the Heppner Nor-Gas plant in Heppner. He will continue to operate both plants and Jerry Daggett has been employed as manager of the Shell operation.

Pfeiffer took over the Western store Monday. Lanham, who moved the store to its present location in the Masonic building in 1942 will leave late this month to make his home in Eugene where he owns a large motel, the El Prado. His son Mickey, who is operating the motel, and a daughter Sandra, who is in high school, have been living in Eugene since the start of the school year.

## Cook Damage Suit Case in Third Day

The damage suit filed by Mrs. Ruth Cook versus the Kinzua Corporation opened Monday in Heppner and is being heard by circuit judge William W. Wells. The plaintiff asks \$20,000 general and \$875.07 special damages as a result of an auto accident which occurred October 3, 1953 on the Kinzua road.

The jury was selected Monday and the court has been hearing arguments Tuesday and Wednesday. It was hoped to give the case to the jury late Wednesday, but there was no assurance that the hearings could be completed by that time.

Attorneys for the plaintiff are Maurice D. Sussman and Alexander Schneider, Portland and Mahoney & Fancher of Heppner. Representing the Kinzua Corporation are Carl Helms Jr., La Grande and George Corey, Pendleton.

## Grain Growers Name New Directors

One new director was chosen and two former directors were re-elected at the annual meeting of the Morrow County Grain Growers held Monday at the Lexington Grange hall. The new member is Vernon Munkers, L. L. Howton and A. C. Lindsay were returned to the board.

Seven associate directors were named to take over office, they are Lonnie Henderson, Paul Jones, Kenneth Batty, Archie Munkers, Irvin Rauch, Don Peterson and James Lindsay.

## Construction To Start Soon on Rodeo Field Lights

Although not quite all of the necessary money may yet be on hand, the chamber of commerce sponsored drive to light the Heppner rodeo field this week is beginning to show results as much of the necessary equipment has arrived and erection of the poles and lights is expected to start within a short time.

The tall 85 foot poles arrived late last week and the crew of the Columbia Basin Electric Co-op moved them to the field early this week. Much of the necessary lights and other electrical equipment also arrived during the past week and with the exception of a few odds and ends everything is available to start construction.

A considerable amount of the labor of digging the holes and doing much of the wiring will be donated by the Columbia Basin Coop, a Pacific Power and Light company crew and a county crew who will dig the holes for the tall poles. Tom Walker, Heppner electrician has also volunteered his services to aid in wiring in the equipment.

A contract has been agreed upon between the chamber of commerce and the Wilson Construction company of Portland to install the cross arms and much of the equipment and raise the poles. The company is now completing a job with the Columbia Basin Coop and is expected to start on the field lighting job within a week, or as soon as all the necessary parts have arrived.

The chamber drive to sell non-interest bearing bonds with which to finance the project has raised over \$9,200 at the present time, which along with the volunteer labor which has been offered, is deemed sufficient to finance the installation. A few promises of additional bond purchases have been made, which if fulfilled will assure ample money to complete the lighting, committee members said this week.

## Agriculture Census Nearly Half Taken

The 1954 census of agriculture the 18 counties covered by the is about 50 percent completed in field office at Bend, according to field supervisor Jack L. V. Halbrook.

Halbrook stated that he was well pleased with the cooperation the census enumerators are receiving from farmers in this area and has high hopes of completing the canvass by the scheduled closing date of December 15. He pointed out that enumeration of farmers in completing questionnaires promptly will be a vital factor in keeping down the final cost of the undertaking.

Quick completion of the census will not only help in keeping costs down but will aid in prompt publication of the results, Halbrook said. He urged local farmers who had not already done so to complete the census questionnaire and have it ready when the enumerator calls.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY VISITS HERE

Frank Wells of Hermiston, district deputy of the Elks lodge paid a visit to the Heppner lodge Thursday night at their regular meeting and initiation.

Those initiated were Jack Marshall, Oliver Creswick, Bob Bennett, Bill Lowe and Pirl Howell.

# Efforts of One Man Brings County its First Forest Park Area



CUTSFORTH FOREST PARK—This is a general view of the new forest park now being developed on upper Willow creek. It has been known for years as Hetren creek meadow. Many improvements have been made, though few of them show in this photo. All open area has been cleared and seeded to grass.

STONE FIREPLACE which has recently been completed at the new forest park which bears the name of its "prime mover" O. W. Cutsforth. The fireplace was donated by the Elks, and several smaller ones in the park were built by the Heppner I. O. O. F. lodge. Many more improvements are in the making.

The long-discussed proposal to build a forest park in the mountain area near Heppner has finally borne fruit, under the inspiration and guiding hand of Orville Cutsforth, Lexington rancher, and other public spirited residents and local organizations.

A look at the much needed, but previously ill-equipped and un-sited for Herron creek meadows on upper Willow creek, this week revealed some remarkable changes have taken place, and with another year or two of work, Morrow county residents will find a completely modern forest camp almost at their doorstep.

It all started earlier this year when Cutsforth bought about 10 or 12 acres of land which adjoins his family cabin on the meadow. Fred Mankin, owner of a small section there, also assisted by turning title of his area over to the recently formed Cutsforth Forest Park, Inc., an organization set up to build and man-

age the area.

Largely through Cutsforth's own efforts, though he received much assistance from others as well, funds were raised to build one big fireplace, and several smaller family-sized fireplaces; a garbage pit has been completed, and water piped onto the grounds, rest rooms have been built and more are to come; several tables are now available and plans call for the construction of more; lumber has been donated for a bridge which will span Willow creek and give access to more camp space to the west; much of the area has been graded and lots of brush cut and burned and the main open area of the meadows has been seeded to grass. Eventually it is hoped to have a 4-H club building 22 x 100 feet on the grounds.

Directors Named  
After the formation of the corporation directors were named (Continued on page 8)

SIX SIDED DRINKING FOUNTAIN, replica of the Cutsforth cabin above sets along main road at the entrance to the new Cutsforth Forest Park on Herren creek. See adjacent story.