

# Heppner Gazette Times

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## Hot Weather Keeps Hold On County

Wednesday marked the 17th consecutive day of high temperatures in Heppner and on every one of the last eight days the mercury has risen well into the 90's, official weather figures reveal.

The highest official temperature recorded by Len Gilliam, local weather observer has been 98 degrees which has occurred on three days during the past week. On the extremely hot days, unofficial thermometers in downtown Heppner showed as high as 108 and 109 degrees. Other sections of the state have recorded official highs of 108 at the same time and last Thursday The Dalles had the dubious

honor of being the hottest spot in the United States.

The current heat wave descended on Morrow county July 9, and with the sole exception of one day when the mercury got up to only 77, the maximum has been in the high 80's or 90's every day since that time. It is not known whether the present hot spell has set any official record for length, but it has gone on much longer than any heat wave in recent years.

### Little Crop Damage

As far as can be determined there has been very little crop damage from the continuing heat. In the lower areas of the county grains were far enough advanced that the weather has not effected them. There have been a few reports of a small amount of shrinkage in some of the fields in higher elevations where the wheat was still somewhat green, but it is thought that these are isolated instances.

The continuing heat has dried out all grasslands and the forests and caution is urged because of the extreme fire danger. No serious field or forest fires have been reported during the past week however, except for one small grass fire near Lexington which was controlled before it got into nearby grain fields. Every day the hot weather continues adds to the fire hazard and residents are asked to take every precaution to prevent start of a fire.

Day by day temperatures at the Heppner station for the past week showed:

	Max.	Min.
Wednesday	95	61
Thursday	98	69
Friday	98	63
Saturday	95	56
Sunday	93	57
Monday	98	61
Tuesday	97	58
Wed—Maximum about 93.		

### Mobile TB Unit Gives Chest X-Rays

The Morrow county TB and Health association reported this week that 207 persons in Boardman and Irrigon areas visited the chest X-Ray mobile unit which was in those two towns July 17 and 21. Ninety-five Boardman residents got free chest X-Rays and 112 residents of Irrigon took advantage of the opportunity.

It was also announced that residents of this section of the county will be able to get free chest X-Rays at Heppner on August 30 from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. The X-Rays will be taken at Pioneer Memorial hospital and the campaign is being sponsored by the county TB and Health association.

The association recently donated \$50 toward a movie projector and screen for use in the recreation room of the University of Oregon tuberculosis hospital in Portland.

### 4-H Clubs Add Alumni Recognition Program

Former Oregon 4-H club members who are now leaders in their communities are eligible for recognition awards including a trip this fall to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, reports Burton Hutton, state 4-H leader at Oregon State college.

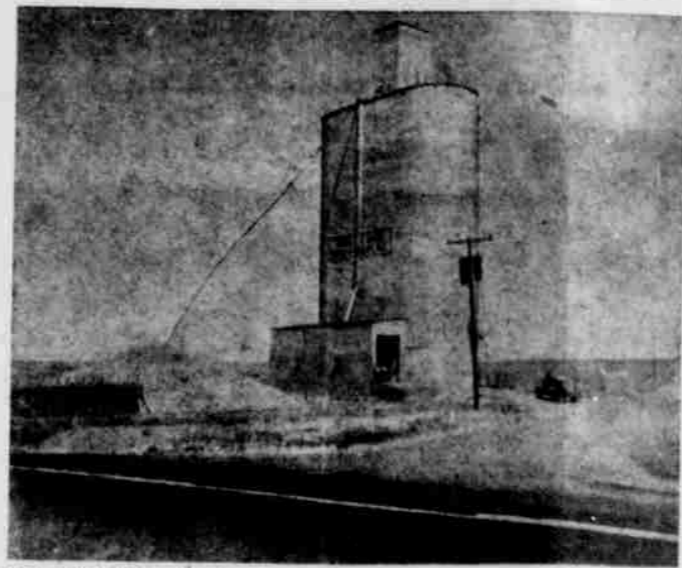
The National 4-H Alumni Recognition program is designed to recognize outstanding adults who were former 4-H club members, Hutton says. Two deserving adults in each county will be awarded certificates. Four state winners will be presented copper plaques and their names entered into national competition.

Four men and four women in the U. S. will be eventually awarded trips, the 4-H leader explains. Last year's winners were Mrs. John Graves, Hardman; Mr. Harold Peterson, Dallas; and Mr. C. A. Lowe, Salem.

Persons interested in nominating adults for the awards should contact local county extension offices.

### Local Woman Wins In Safety Contest

Mrs. Paul Brown of Heppner this week was awarded first prize of a \$25 bond in a safety contest currently being conducted by radio station KUBE of Pendleton. Mrs. Brown's slogan was judged the best of those entered during the past week.



50,000 BUSHELS of wheat are shown stored on the ground at the North Lexington elevator of the Morrow County Grain Growers. The heavy crop in the area has taxed the storage facilities and each day more is added to the big pile. Harvest is now at its peak with cutting going on in all sections of the county. (GT Photo)

### S. Tyndall Robison Passes at Empire

S. Tyndall Robison, 78, Empire, died July 14 at Keiser Memorial hospital in North Bend following an illness of five days. Mr. Robison formerly lived in Morrow county and at the time of his death owned the Skyway Auto Court at Empire.

He is survived by his wife Harriett, Empire; two brothers, Lotus of Heppner, and Walter of Mt. Helson, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. Ollie Odkins, Mrs. Marie Whittington and Mrs. Josie Chappel all of Condon.

Services were held at the Campbell-Watkins chapel Tuesday and interment was in the Sunset Memorial Park.

### Irrigon Man Named New Member of FHA Committee

Harold Leighton of Irrigon is the new member of the Farmers Home Administration county committee, James S. Cody, county supervisor announced this week. Leighton's appointment became effective July 1, 1956. The committee on which he will serve determines the eligibility of local farmers who apply for Farmers Home Administration loans.

The new committee member operates a family type farm at Irrigon, and he succeeds Carl Knighten also of Irrigon whose term expired this year.

The other two members are Leonard R. Aldrich and Paul Slaughter both of Irrigon who also operate family type diversified farms.

Each agricultural county in the country has a similar committee of three members who are responsible for determining loan applicant's eligibility, certifying the value of farms being purchased or improved through Farmers Home Administration loans, and making recommendations on loan approvals and loan servicing actions.

Each member is named for a 3-year term and one appointment expires each year. A member completing his 3-year term cannot succeed himself. At least two of the members must be farmers.

The committee works with the county supervisor in connection with all types of loans. These include farm operating loans and loans to buy, improve, or enlarge efficient family-type farms in this area. They also include loans to farmers or their non-profit associations to establish and carry on approved soil and water conservation practices including improving permanent pastures, terracing, soil erosion measures, farmstead water systems, irrigation, drainage, and many other conservation practices.

Most of the soil and water conservation loans and loans to buy or improve farms are made from funds advanced by private lenders and insured by the agency. Some of these loans, however, and all loans for operating farms, are from annually appropriated funds.

The agency makes emergency loans in areas designated for that purpose by the secretary of agriculture. Fruit growers of the Milton-Freewater area of Umatilla county are eligible for these loans because of the freeze.

No loan of any type can be approved for an applicant whose credit needs can be handled adequately by other credit sources. The office serving this area is located at 105 S. E. Byers Avenue, Pendleton. The office day is Monday of each week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Anderson, formerly of Heppner, now of Phoenix, Arizona, are Heppner visitors and expect to remain here for about two months.

### County Farmers Vote Approval Of Wheat Quotas

Morrow county wheat ranchers voted in favor of the wheat marketing quota referendum with 287 in favor and eight against the measure in elections Friday. Paul Tews, office manager of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee, has reported.

A breakdown of communities showed Alpine, 23 yes votes, 4 no; Lexington, 54 yes; South Heppner, 44 yes; North Heppner, 20 yes; Morgan, 34 yes, 2 no; Lone, 25 yes, 2 no and Eightmile, 50 yes votes. Thirty-seven absentee ballots favored the issue.

Last year's vote on the quotas totaled 322 in favor and 29 votes against the referendum.

The vote nationwide was nearly as heavy in favor of the quotas as was that of the county.

### Livestock Quality Lower at Sale

HERMISTON—Unlike the weather the Hermiston Livestock Commission Co. sale didn't sizzle Friday with both the number of consignors and quality of market down slightly from the previous weeks.

But the pace was hot enough as 65 consignors showed through 285 cattle 126 hogs and 92 sheep in a very fast sale.

And where quality stood up, prices were steady to strong. Grass fat steers, for instance, hit a new high for the summer with a top of \$19.30 cwt.

Those 800-pound feeder steers, incidentally, will be in big demand come next Friday's sale with several feed lots ready to accept feeder replacement steers now, manager Delbert Anson announced.

The market: CATTLE: Baby calves, 4.50 to 14.00 per head; steer calves, 15.50 to 16.70 cwt.; heifer calves, 13.20 to 15.30 cwt.; feeder steers, 16.50 to 17.10 cwt.; grass fat steers, 18.10 to 19.30 cwt.; grass fat heifers, 14.20 to 15.90 cwt.; dairy cows, 101 to 110 per head; stocker cows, with calves at side, 107 to 117 per pair; commercial cows, 11.80 to 12.60 cwt.; canners and cutters, 7.40 to 8.90 cwt.; shells, 4.75 to 7.20 cwt.; bulls, 12.20 to 14.00 cwt.; and utility grades, 10.10 to 11.60 cwt.

HOGS: Weaner pigs, 6.50 to 9.50 per head; feeder hogs, 13.75 to 15.10 cwt.; fat hogs, 16.90 to 17.85 cwt.; sows, 11.50 to 15.25 cwt.; and boars, 2.50 to 6.00 cwt.

SHEEP: Ewes, 2.25 to 4.00 cwt.; feeder lambs, 14.20 to 15.70 cwt.; fleshy feeders, to 17.10 cwt.

### New Kindergarten Teacher is Hired

The kindergarten board of the Heppner Civic League announced this week that Mrs. Roy Tabor has been secured as teacher for the League sponsored kindergarten for next year. Mrs. Tabor is an accredited teacher and has taught in the elementary grades. The League also announced that considerable new classroom equipment has been ordered and that kindergarten registration will be held the day after school starts, or Thursday, September 6. Classes will also start that same day.

Registration will again be \$10 per child, and it was announced that in case of county children, \$5.00 of the \$10 will be credited against the daily fee.

### Wheat Hauling Now At Peak; Shipping Heavy

All stations of the Morrow County Grain Growers as well as all private elevators in the county are this week in the peak of their rush season with grain coming into the MCGG elevators at the rate of over 100,000 bushels a day. Al Lamb, co-op manager reported Wednesday.

The continuing hot weather has brought the wheat on rapidly during the past few days and even the Ruggs MCGG elevator began receiving early this week. On Tuesday it took in about 10,000 bushels, Lamb said.

The Grain Growers is shipping an average of about 20,000 bushels a day in an effort to keep ample storage space available here, but the heavy hauling from combines has necessitated the dumping of wheat on the ground at the North Lexington elevator. Early this week well over 50,000 bushels was on the ground and the pile is mounting daily. Lamb said that a shortage of both rail cars and trucks has prevented heavier shipping but about 32,000 bushels went out Tuesday by rail and barge. Union Pacific is providing daily train service but not as many cars are available as are needed.

With harvesting general throughout the county, early indications of a 30 bushel county average appear to hold true. There have been several cases of a 35 bushel average for a complete crop in the Lexington area, and it is known that some later fields will yield even more. Quality is also reported holding up well.

### Mitchell Flood Points Up Need for Local Flood Control

The reflection of the local water resources committees thinking on flash flood control was included in the Upper Columbia Basin project committee's statement at the recent hearing on the Corps of Engineers review of the 308 report, Quentin Bowman, field representative for the state water resources board said Tuesday.

Bowman was in the county Tuesday to check with the chairman of the county committee, Nevt O'Hara.

Bowman said the need for a more comprehensive plan of flood control to include headwater streams was stressed. The committee's recommendation was extremely timely in view of the recent Mt. Vernon and Mitchell floods.

### Any Odd Jobs? Rainbow Girls Set Weekend Hobo Days

It will be Hobo Days again Friday and Saturday—a chance for local residents to get all their odd jobs done, for a price, of course!

The Heppner Rainbow Girls announced this week that they will have about 30 girls who are willing and able to do any kind of a job from window washing to baby sitting or lawn mowing. All proceeds will go to build up the organization's treasury.

Local residents who have jobs any of the girls can do are asked to call Carolyn McDaniel at 6-9485 mornings, or Sharon Keithley at 6-5342 in the afternoons.

### Guest Soloist Due Sunday at Methodist

Laurel Edwin Beach is to be guest soloist at the Heppner Methodist church at the 9 a. m. service July 29. It was announced today.

Mr. Beach was raised in Lexington and is a musician of wide experience. He sang for three years with the Fred Waring orchestra and is now soloist for the First Methodist church in Portland. He is also a music teacher in the Parkrose schools.

In years past he has given of his talents to many Morrow county organizations. The public is invited to hear him.

### EXAMINER COMING

A drivers license examiner will be on duty at the court house in Heppner from 9:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. on Tuesday, July 31, the secretary of state's office announces.

Mrs. J. L. Jones of Portland is visiting here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Blake.



PRINCESS PAT STEAGALL

### Saturday Dance For Lexington's Princess

The second Morrow county Fair and Rodeo princess to be honored at her own dance will be Princess Pat Steagall of Lexington who will be guest of honor Saturday night at the fair pavilion.

Her dance is being sponsored by the Lexington Grange and will feature the music of Branstetter's orchestra of Pendleton.

Princess Patricia Jean Steagall, 17 years of age, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Steagall of Lexington. She was chosen by the Lexington Grange as their representative on the 1956 royal court. Pat has three sisters and three brothers, and her older sister, Deanna, was fair princess in 1954.

She is a junior at Lexington high school, is 5 feet, 2 inches

### Liquor Sales Show Drop in County

Morrow county liquor sales totaled \$103,066.35 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, which is a \$6,129.00 decrease as compared with the preceding fiscal year, according to the Oregon liquor control commission, which reported total state sales of \$45,102,483.91. This is \$2,184,007.85 more than was collected during the preceding year.

The commission attributes the total increase in dollar volume to the fact that this is the first complete 12 month period to reflect price increases made May 1, 1955, following legislative recommendations that liquor prices be increased for more revenue to the state. Eleven counties showed declines in dollar volume and 25 reflected increases. However, the general increases are not matched by increases in the amount of liquor sold, the commission reports, case sales indicating that about 5,000 fewer cases were sold for the year.

Final figures are being compiled by OLCOC accountants to determine net revenue after deductions are made for cost of goods sold and operating expenditures. A statement of total net revenue from liquor sales, licensing operations and privilege tax operations is expected to be available next week.

### County Bond Sales Climb During June

June was an excellent month for the sale of United States treasury department E and H Savings Bonds both in Oregon and in this county, according to Jack Bedford, chairman of the county savings bonds committee. Sales of these top-grade securities were \$14,679 in the county last month as compared to \$11,496 for the same month a year ago, making this one of the 23 counties in the state showing an increase of sales in June compared to those twelve months earlier.

Bedford stated that total sales of E and H bonds in Oregon in June of this year amounted to \$3,316,693, up 7.4% compared to June of 1955. "Sales for the first half of 1956 in Oregon totaled \$21,799,180, making this period the best first-half the state has had since World War II, with the single exception of last years", Bedford said.

tall, weighs a trim 110 pounds and has brown hair and eyes. The princess is an outstanding athlete and has won acclaim this year by winning the 75 yard dash in the senior division of the Junior Olympics this spring. She was a cheerleader during her grade school days and her hobbies are riding and sports in general.

Pat has been riding since she was about six years old and has distinguished herself on many occasions by her performances with the Wranglers riding club. She has broken several horses in the past few years.

She has been active in 4-H club work for the past four years with her main interest being cooking and sewing. She also served as secretary of her high school sophomore class.

Pat will appear in fair and rodeo events riding her own brown registered thoroughbred whose name is Justice K. Kratzer.

Other members of the 1956 court will be honored at dances to be held on subsequent weekends.

### Pool Heating Bids Are Opened

The Heppner city council last Wednesday opened bids from six Oregon companies for the furnishing and installing of heating equipment for the swimming pool.

The bids for the installation ran from a low of \$4,590 which was submitted by Robert D. Morrow of Salem to a high of \$12,513 submitted by a Portland firm. Second low bid of \$5,965 was by Trainers Plumbing and Heating Co. of Hermiston.

The council accepted all bids but turned them over to their engineers for examination and recommendation. The contract will probably be awarded within a week.

The pool heating equipment will be installed by early September if possible.

### Building Permits Continue to Climb

The city council last Wednesday approved building permits amounting to \$10,250 for new construction and remodeling.

Largest permit was to Wayne Harsin for \$5,500 for construction of a new residence; James C. Peck, \$3,000 new residence; O. H. Leathers, remodeling \$750; and Fred Parrish, remodeling, \$1,000.

### "OLD TIME SUNDAY" PLANNED BY CHURCH

Sunday is being designated as "Old Time Sunday" at the Heppner Church of Christ, it was announced today. As in pioneer days the women and girls will wear print dresses and the men and boys are to wear overalls. Following the morning service the congregation will drive to the Winchester cabin for a basket social.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Knoll of Medford were recent weekend guests of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams.



QUEEN PATSY WRIGHT

### Patsy Wright's TV Appearance Set for Monday

Miss Patsy Wright, 19, of Heppner will appear on the "Voice of Firestone", Monday, July 30, over ABC's radio and television network.

She will be interviewed with Iowa 4-H'er Lisle Cook. Both young people were picked for program appearances from among 200 4-H delegates who attended National 4-H Club camp in Washington, D. C. in June.

Patsy has an excellent 4-H record and has shown superior qualities of leadership, according to N. C. Anderson and Beverly Bradshaw in the Morrow county extension office. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright, she lives on a 7,000 acre cattle ranch eight teen miles south of Heppner.

In preparation for her nationwide radio and television appearance, she and her mother will leave Portland, July 27, and arrive in New York the next day.

During ten years of 4-H club work, she has carried 20 home economics and livestock projects, including clothing, food preservation and dairy. She has held numerous club offices and last summer was a 4-H counselor. Patsy has also been active in gaining support for the International Farm Youth Exchange program in the county helping to raise funds and assisting with arrangements for young farm visitors from other countries.

Last year she attended Oregon State college on a 4-H club scholarship. This summer, in addition to helping her parents on the home ranch, she has a part-time secretarial job in the local extension office. Patsy has been selected as queen of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo to be held in late August. She is scheduled to return home from New York, August 1.

### Program on Channel 12

Patsy will appear on the "Voice of Firestone" program over KFOR, Channel 12, Portland next Monday at 7:30 p. m. The station is now being received in Heppner.

It will also be broadcast on stations KEX Portland and KWRC Pendleton at the same time.

Accompanying Patsy and her mother on the trip east will be Barbara Warren of Heppner who will visit for a short time near Buffalo N. Y. She will also return with them.

### Saying of the Week

Heard on TV program, The \$64,000 Question: "What is money... just something that passes through our hands on its way to Washington."