

**WATER FORECASTERS PREDICT BELOW AVERAGE STREAM FLOW IN AREA**

HERMISTON—Somewhat shorter than normal water supplies in the Umatilla-Walla Walla Basin seem likely, according to reports at the annual water forecast meeting here Thursday night.

Smaller than normal snow soil moisture conditions on water sheds in the area will cut water supplies to some irrigators, reported W. T. Frost, Oregon snow survey supervisor for the Soil Conservation Service and Oregon State college agricultural experiment station.

Snow cover on the Walla Walla River watershed is only 86 percent of the 15-year average from 1938 to 1952, 82 percent of normal on the Umatilla watershed, and 72 percent of normal on the Willow Creek watershed.

The south fork of the Walla Walla river near Milton was forecast to discharge 58,000 acre feet of water from April through September. This would be only 82 percent of normal.

Runoff of the Umatilla river at Pendleton is expected to total about 155,000 acre feet, 92 percent of average. Streamflow of the Umatilla river near Gibbon has forecast at 80,000 acre feet, also about 92 percent of normal.

McKay Creek flow near Pilot Rock should total about 19,000 acre feet from April through September, Frost said. This would be only 68 percent of the 15-year average. McKay reservoir is now holding 49,500 acre feet, however, reported M. J. Belton, Pendleton, Umatilla county watermaster, which may give a fair irrigation year if spring rains come at the proper times.

Cold Springs reservoir now holds about 40,000 acre feet, and is receiving approximately 400 acre feet a day. This daily supply will need to continue well into June to satisfy irrigation needs in the area, Belton said. Present forecasts will make this possible if farmers are very careful with water they receive.

Birch, Butter, Willow, and Rhea creeks are expected to flow some, what below normal Frost, reported. This may mean an early shut-off date on irrigation from these streams, with the possibility of just one irrigation for many farmers.

At best, there will be no extra water in the area this year, said Bill Bierman, Umatilla county extension agent. He urges farmers to clean their ditches and use every precaution to save water. Even then, there may be many dry pastures in September and October, he added.

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**Twirlettes Place In Talent Contest**

The Heppner Twirlettes under the direction of Mrs. Kenneth Merryman Tuesday received honorable mention in a talent contest held at Pendleton. The group will go to Kinzua April 13 to enter another contest, it was announced.

Members of the Twirlettes are Shirley Mae Nash, Rose Mary Nash, Shirley Gaines, Wilma Bothwell and Joann Robison.

**COUNTY-WIDE SPEECH FESTIVAL HELD AT IONE SCHOOL MARCH 26**

By Echo Palmateer  
The 13th annual speech festival was held in the Ione school Tuesday March 26. The general assembly was held in the cafeteria and the welcome was given by R. H. Woodroof, superintendent of the school; the salute to the flag was led by Leonard McKinney; Mr. Woodroof also introduced the officials.

They were: Mrs. Emma Dally, general chairman and chairman of the high school division; others in high school division were Dr. Alvin Kaiser, La Grande, head judge; Rev. Merlin Zier, Heppner, panel judge; Jack Flug, county superintendent, panel moderator. In the elementary division, Mrs. Gladys Ely, chairman and Richard Hiatt, La Grande, judge.

The participants were: in the intermediate division: poetry reading—Stephen Lindstrom, Ione; Gail Hoskins, Heppner; Toni Taylor, Boardman and Elvora Eppenbach, Irrigon. Story telling—Edna Marie Pettyjohn, Heppner; Eileen Ely, Boardman; Robin Schmeder, Irrigon; Judy Sherer, Ione. Prose reading—Jack Taylor, Boardman; Barbara Davis, Irrigon; Merri Jo Morrison, Ione; and Judy Bradford, Heppner. Memorized humorous selection—Loda Filley, Irrigon; Arleta McCabe, Ione; David George, Heppner; and Patricia Partlow, Boardman.

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**NEW TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULE PUTS DISTRICT IN BETTER POSITION**

The Heppner school board today revealed its new salary schedule for teachers and a comparison with salaries being paid in other schools in the immediate area. The new schedule puts the county districts in a more favorable position for hiring teachers than did the old schedule which was below most of the surrounding area.

Schedules in general are based on training and experience. It was stated, but they are adapted to local conditions. Most rural and isolated districts find they have to have higher starting salaries than in larger city systems in order to attract teachers. In general they must also remain higher to compensate for other shortcomings such as lack of tenure usually found in a large system.

The new Heppner and Morrow county schedule is: Bachelor degree, minimum \$4000, maximum \$5550. Five years experience, \$4150 and \$5700; Masters degree, \$4300 and \$6000.

Scales in other schools are by comparison: Condon and Arlington, Bachelor \$4300 and \$4900; Five years \$4450 and \$6050; masters \$4600 and \$6200.

Pilot Rock, bachelor \$4000 and \$5700; five years \$4150 and \$5850; masters \$4300 and \$6150.

Pendleton, bachelor \$3700 and \$5900; five years \$3850 and \$6050; masters \$4000 and \$6400.

Hermiston, bachelor \$3640 and \$5500; five years \$3840 and \$6000; masters \$3940 and \$6500.

Umatilla, bachelor \$3800 and \$5500; five years \$4000 and \$6100; masters \$4200 and \$6300.

The Heppner budget for superintendent, principals and teachers increased \$16,503.91 which includes the addition of a half-time teacher to the staff. Mrs. Lester Boulden, who is teaching half time this year will be employed full time next year and the half time teacher will be used for remedial instruction in the elementary grades.

Other items which caused an increase in the instruction budget are teaching supplies and text books. This is an adoption year, for new texts, and the budget had to be increased \$2300 for text books.

Home Landscaping Plant Guide List Published by OSC  
A new bulletin designed to help homeowners select the best plants to use in landscaping their homes and surrounding areas has been published by the Oregon State college extension service.

More than 400 plants grown in Oregon are listed in the new bulletin. Plants are classified according to height, with low plants from 6 to 12 inches high to trees over 100 feet high included in the listings.

Growing zones are included as a guide to home owners in various sections of the state. Descriptions include manner of growth, flowering habit and color, scientific name, common name, amount of sun needed, geographical area of adaption in the state, and a brief summary on how to grow the plant.

Special sections also are included on vines, rhododendron culture and health and heather culture.

The bulletin, titled "Plant Material for Landscaping," was written by Don Martel, head of the OSC department of landscape architecture. Oregon residents can get a copy at their local county extension office, or from the OSC bulletin clerk in Corvallis.

Those from here who attended the Mid Columbia Women Association of the Congregational churches were Mrs. E. M. Baker, Mrs. Floyd Bailey, Mrs. Carl Bergstrom, Mrs. Dale Ray, Mrs. Fredrick Martin, Mrs. Kenneth Smouse and Mrs. Della Corson. Mrs. Bailey had charge of the morning worship and Mrs. Smouse played a violin solo, "The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Mrs. Baker. Other numbers on the program were pictures and talks by Mrs. Sherwood Moran, a missionary in Japan and Mrs. J. T. Gordon of Portland on her trip to Europe.

Sunday guests at the Elbe Akers home were Mr. and Mrs. James Heatherly of St. Helens, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leosis of Wailla Walla, and Mrs. Vera Portis of Heppner. The women are sisters of Mrs. Akers.

Mrs. Dorothy Ledbetter of Hood River spent last week with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Ring.

Charles Carlson made a business trip to Portland this week. Shirlee McGreer, student at the University of Oregon, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Verner Troedson.

**4-H Club News**  
THE MERRY TAILORS  
The merry Tailors held their fourth meeting on the afternoon of March 22 at the home of Marjorie O'Connor.

We started out by singing "Home On The Range" and "On Top of Old Smokey". For refreshments we had cupcakes, jello and coolade. Then the club started working on their scarves again. Arleta McCabe and Cheryl Lundell have their scarves done.

Our next meeting will be Saturday afternoon of April 6 at the home of Sandra Eubanks. Cheryl Lundell, reporter

**BOARDMAN ITEMS**  
The Ladies Aid society of the Community church met Wednesday of last week at the church for an all day work meeting. Hostesses were Mrs. Guy Ferguson and Mrs. Clifford Jones. There were 13 present. There were two quilts finished, one of which will be sent to the Open Door Children's Home in Hazard, Ky. At the afternoon meeting Mrs. Margaret Klitz read the missionary lesson.

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**CAPITAL PARADE**

Continued (from page 7)  
of the Senate to governor on the death of Gov. Paul Patterson in 1956 was defeated at last November's election.

He is reported as saying, "I am probably through with elective politics."

**SHORT TO HEAD G. O. P.**  
The Republican team in Oregon is going into early training for the 1958 election campaigns. The pundits of the party are fighting mad and still sore over the punches absorbed last November.

One of the major moves of G. O. P. strategy was announced Saturday when the selection of Hon. James F. Short as chairman of the Republican State Central Committee was announced.

The new chairman left his post as State Director of Agriculture immediately to take up his new position.

The former pure-bred beef cattle rancher was an eminent member of the legislature in 1949.

**LICENSE RE-EXAMINATIONS**  
A bill that would require Oregon motor vehicle drivers to take license re-examinations drew opposition from only one person. John C. Kerrick, manager of the State Drivers License Division said the state once had such a law but it was repealed because it didn't contribute to highway safety and now would result in "harassment to thousands of drivers, most of them elderly."

He said there are about 850,000 licensed drivers in Oregon and his department is licensing about 60,000 new applicants annually. Rep. Guy Jonas, Salem, sponsor of the bill, said many persons are operating cars today who obtained a driver's license before the state required examinations. He said his bill does not require a complete physical checkup, but would emphasize eye tests.

**TO ATTEND BEAUTY TRADE SHOW**  
Mrs. Kenneth Green of the Beauty Mode shop and Mrs. Ernie Winchester of Lois' shop will leave for Portland Saturday afternoon to attend a beauty trade show. They expect to return Monday evening.

**MEETING DATE CHANGED**  
The Ione P-TA meeting has been changed from April 10 to 17. It was announced this week. The change was necessary because of conflict with the state convention in Pendleton April 9-11.

**Local News In Brief**

**Mrs. Raymond Ferguson left Monday** by plane from Pendleton, for Everett, Washington where she will visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelly.

**Mr. and Mrs. Paul Koenig attended the wedding in Kalispell, Montana last weekend** of Miss Janice Darlene Ludwig and Richard C. Nelson of Spokane. The Koenigs traveled by plane with Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hitchcock and Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell of White Swan, Washington, and Chuck Benauti.

**Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rannion of Pendleton were weekend visitors in Heppner.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nickerson and family of Eugene and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hayes and family of Condon were weekend visitors at the home of Mrs. Grace Nickerson last weekend.**

**Mrs. Floyd Adams has returned after a five week visit at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Roscoe in Grand Junction, Colorado and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Schaffel in Ontario, Oregon.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson and Mrs. John Brosnan were overnight guests Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burle Salee in Portland. The Wilsons went smelt fishing Sunday.**

**Dr. L. D. Tibbles has returned from Maysville, Missouri where he and Mrs. Tibbles were called by the death of her father, I. M. Turnage. She will remain for about ten days.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Boyd were in Moses Lake, Sunday to attend the wedding of her cousin Neill F. Knighten Jr. to Miss Jackie Reltan of Mos Lake.**

**Wool Incentive Pay Forms Due April 30**

Sheep raisers must file applications before April 30 to collect incentive payments for shorn wool and unshorn lambs sold during the past year, reminds W. Y. Fowler, Oregon State college livestock marketing specialist.

Payments are for sales made during the past year, ending March 31. Applications should be filed at the county agricultural stabilization and conservation offices. The incentive payment program was started by the U. S. department of agriculture in 1955 to boost sheep numbers in this country that have declined most of the time for the past 20 years.

Incentive payments will be figured on the same basis as last year—a percentage "bonus" applied to the individual grower's net sales proceeds. In other words, Fowler says, the better the grower's sale the bigger the bonus. Details of how the incentive program works are available from local ASC offices or county extension offices.

**Mrs. Frank Turner and sister, Mrs. Sophie Barr of Portland are vacationing in San Francisco.**

**REMEMBER—BAND PARENTS**

**Carnival SATURDAY FAIR PAVILION**

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**COURT NEWS**

Joseph Arthur Wonderay, combined overload, \$123 fine.

Howard D. Key, failure to drive on right side of highway, \$25 fine.

Richard Unrein, no motor vehicle license, \$10 fine.

Robert M. Ferguson, charged with assault and battery, forfeited \$50 bail.

Miss Dale Osmin and Don Wonderly, both of whom are attending school in Salem, were weekend guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Osmin.

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