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New Bank Plans September Opening

Approval Granted For Establishment Of Branch Here

Modern Building To Be Constructed

Heppner was assured a second bank with the announcement last Friday that the federal deposit insurance corporation and the state superintendent of banks had approved an application by the Gilliam County Bank of Arlington for the establishment of a branch here. The announcement was made by L. C. Buchner, vice president and cashier-managing officer of the Arlington bank.

The bank has purchased the McClintock building on north Main street, which adjoins the Empire Machinery Co., and plans are already underway for the removal of the old building and construction of a modern bank building. Opening of the new bank is set for about September 15, and the name will be changed to the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

A staff of four or five persons is planned with E. L. Morton, Beaverton, as vice president and managing officer. Morton is well known in Morrow county having opened the Heppner branch of the First National Bank of Portland in the 1930s. He served in several other branches of that bank before leaving the system in recent years.

Capital To Be Increased

It is planned to increase the capital structure of the Gilliam County Bank, which was opened in Arlington March 3, 1945, to \$120,000 capital, \$80,000 surplus and about \$40,000 undivided profits and reserves for a total of \$240,000.

Officers of the bank are Marion T. Weatherford, president; Earl P. Hoag, vice president; John W. Krebs and D. L. Lemon, directors, all of Arlington. Four new directors elected from Morrow county stockholders will be added to provide a total of nine. Buchner reported.

Plans call for the construction of a modern building about 30 by 60 feet and total investment in building, land, furniture, fixtures and equipment is expected to be about \$60,000. The property purchased by the bank for the new branch is considerably larger than the building and the balance will be developed to provide ample customer parking space.

When the new bank opens it will mark the first time in over 25 years that two banks have served this area. The Heppner branch of the First National Bank of Portland has been the only bank in Morrow county since it was opened on December 20, 1933. Local manager of that institution is Jack Bedford.

Junior Legion Team To Play Pendleton

The Junior Legion baseball team played their first game of the season Sunday afternoon when they met Milton-Freewater on the lone diamond.

It was an upset for the Morrow county team when they were defeated by a score of 12 to 2, in favor of Milton-Freewater.

This Sunday afternoon the team will meet Pendleton at the Round-Up grounds. The boys have been putting in some strenuous practice, said coach Ernie Drake, and should be able to make a better showing.

This is the first season of competitive play for many of the team members as there are very few veterans out this season.

FORMER HEPPNER MAN TAKES POST PICTURE

A two column full color photograph of a graduation procession at a California college which appeared in a recent issue of the Saturday Evening Post, was taken by a well-known Oakland photographer, Don Jones. He is a former Heppner man and the son of Alva Jones.

He has also had other pictures reproduced in national magazines.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud White had as their guests last week, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hamilton of Coquille and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Howard of Seattle.

Albert Lindstrom Injured When Pinned by Tractor

Albert Lindstrom received injuries last Thursday at his home near Morgan when he was caught between a tractor and an oil truck. He received three broken ribs, a punctured lung and a possible fractured pelvis.

According to reports, Earl Morgan, who works for Lindstrom, started a tractor which had been left in reverse gear. Lindstrom was working behind the tractor on an oil truck and he was caught between the tractor drawbar and the tires of the truck.

Mrs. Lindstrom took him to Pendleton where he is now in St. Anthony's hospital. Mr. and Mrs. R. Lindstrom visited him Sunday and reported that he is recovering very satisfactorily.

Little League Sets Practice Schedule

Practice got underway last week in Little League baseball with four teams lined up and additional interested boys adding their names to the roster, it was revealed this week.

The first scheduled game will be Tuesday, June 25 between the Ray Ayers team and the Leon Ball-Marcel Jones team. On Thursday, June 27 the Ed Dick-Jim Driscoll team will play the Keeling-Hitchcock team. There is still room for more boys and anyone interested should contact Jim Mallon.

The practice schedule calls for the Ed Dick and Jim Driscoll team to practice on Monday starting at 6 p.m. The Keeling-Hitchcock team meets Tuesday at 6, Leon Ball and Marcel Jones team Wednesday and the Ray Ayers team on Thursday evenings.

Team assignments are as follows: Keeling and Hitchcock team—Donald Keeling, Bill Cox, Bill Duran, Mike Warren, Duane Geyer, Terry Campbell, Don Munkers, Dean Robinson, Wayne Evans, Tom Green, Steve Warren, Mike Sweek, Danny McBride, Carl Bauman.

The Dick-Driscoll team is composed of Shan Applegate, Harold Gray, Eddie Howard, Daryl Dick, Mike Koenig, Mike Smith, Tim Driscoll, Stewart Dick, Greg Johnson, Jim Lindsay, David Anderson, Douglas Anderson, John Koenig, David Methen, Scotty Barratt.

On the Ray Ayers team are Kenny Klinger, Bill Klinger, Don Wardell, Roger Schoonover, Gordon Nichols, Kirk Mathews, Bob Mathews, Tony Doherty, Donnie Van Winkle, Rodney Ayers, Kirby Bailey, Bobby Massey, Mickey Massey, Jerry Waggoner.

The Leon Ball-Marcel Jones team includes Mike Williams, LeRoy Gardner, Mike Lessor, Dick Springer, Clifford Morris, Ronnie Jones, Jay Ball, Bruce Thomson, John Pfeiffer, Ted Turner, Larry Heath, Doug Debuque, Larry Brinda, Steve Radloff, David George.

Ione Girl Named To 4-H School Office

Presidents of the 42 living groups at annual Oregon 4-H club summer school were elected Thursday at OSC.

The more than 1850 boys and girls attending the 42nd annual school live in fraternity and sorority houses and in college dormitories. Girls living groups number 29 this year and boys, 13.

The 10-day school includes course work in all phases of agriculture and home economics. Daily assembly programs and recreation periods are included.

The girls and boys presidents for this year's school will be elected by the living group presidents Friday.

House presidents include Karen Rae Lundell of Ione.

Dr. and Mrs. Matt Nims, who have just returned from Germany, were visiting last weekend at the Dr. A. D. McMurdo home. Mrs. Nims is a niece of Mrs. McMurdo. They were on their way to Los Angeles where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Spaulding and Winn Crist were in Seattle the first of last week on business.



COUNTY'S TOP "DAD" — Bernard J. Doherty, who recently was named Morrow county's Father of the Year by the Morrow County Cow Belles, is shown receiving a gift from Mrs. Claude White, president of the organization. In the center is Mrs. Doherty whose husband competed with other county winners for the title of Oregon's Father of the Year. (Wilson Photo)

Hospital Fund in County Budget For Emergency Need Only

To clear up a misinterpretation of county funds budgeted for the operation of Pioneer Memorial hospital, administrator Jack Angel said this week that no such money has been used during the past year.

The county budget shows a total of \$8,000 budgeted for the hospital, the same amount as was budgeted last year, but Angel pointed out that none of last year's \$8,000 was used and was turned back to the county to entirely offset the amount in next year's budget.

The fund is set up each year for emergency use by the hospital should it be needed, but in the past year and one-half none has been used. In former years the budgeted figure was \$12,000, but that amount has been reduced in the past two fiscal years. In effect the hospital has been operating without the need of any tax money for some time.

Final Rites Held At Ione June 11 For C. M. Shuler

Funeral services for Clarence Monroe Shuler, 67 were held Tuesday, June 11, at the Ione Community church. Mr. Shuler passed away June 6 at Ontario, Ore., where he had made his home for some time. He was a former resident of Ione.

Mr. Shuler was born at Ottawa, Kansas, January 27, 1890 and lived most of his life in Nebraska before coming to Oregon in 1934.

Surviving besides his wife Lena are: four sons, Harry, Price, Utah, Samuel, Crested Butte, Colo.; Clarence, St. Mary's Idaho; Orren of Kellogg, Idaho; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He also leaves two brothers, Robert, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada; Harry, Ontario, Ore.; three sisters, Mrs. Etta Johnson, Spencer, Neb.; Mrs. Sadie Lee, Ogadala, Neb.; Mrs. Hazel Hampton, Lafayette, Ore.

Rev. Floyd Bailey officiated at the services and pall bearers were Emory Rogers, Albert Winkleman, Robert Crowell, Clifford Aldrich, Art Rowell and John Jackson. Burial was in the Ione cemetery.

Those from out of town who attended the service were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shuler, Ontario; Harry Shuler, Price, Utah; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Hampton, Lafayette, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Balzer and Mrs. G. W. Lewis and son of Portland; Leroy Shuler, Spokane; Mr. and Mrs. Vester Nelson and daughters of Omak, Wn.; Mrs. E. F. Cool and Louise, Enterprise, and Maude Cool of Joseph.

Rainbow Girls Plan Initiation

Rainbow for Girls will hold a special meeting Monday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m. It was announced today. Initiation is scheduled and all members are urged to be present.

Mrs. Mary Carter of Portland is here for a week's visit at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. E. K. Schaffitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Dinges of Portland spent last weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dinges.

Hogs and Sheep Top Sale Prices

HERMISTON—Ninety-four consignors placed 349 cattle, 179 hogs and 207 sheep on the auction block at the Hermiston Livestock Commission Co. sale Friday.

A special sheep sale attracted a large number of older ewes. Hogs were very strong with tops of \$22.50 cwt on feeder pigs and \$21.50 cwt on fat hogs. Veal was down several cents with demand falling off correspondingly. Other cattle prices were steady.

Needed especially for next Friday's sale will be grass fat heifers for feed lots. The market:

CATTLE — Baby calves, 4.50 to 26 per head; steer calves, 20.30 to 21.90 cwt; heifer calves, 18.10 to 19.40 cwt; veal, 19.20 to 22.10 cwt; stocker steers, 16.75 to 18.60 cwt; feeder steers, 18.60 to 21.30 cwt; grass heifers, 16.50 to 18.90 cwt with few fed heifers to 21.20; dairy cows, 112.50 to 135 per head; utility-commercial cows, 12.20 to 14.10 cwt with few young cows to 16.10; caner-cutter, 9.50 to 13.40 cwt; shells, 6.50 to 8.70 cwt; and bulls, 16.40 to 17.90 cwt.

HOGS — Weaner pigs, 9.50 to 13 per head; feeder pigs, 20.50 to 22.50 cwt; fat hogs, 20.10 to 21.50 cwt; sows, 14.60 to 17 cwt; and boars, 18 to 27 per head.

SHEEP — Feeder lambs, 15.50 to 17 cwt; and older ewes with lambs at side, 10.50 per head.

Those earning top prices at the market included Owen Eakins, Pasco, 17 cwt for nine feeder lambs; Jack Sites, Walla Walla, 17 cwt for 325-lb. red sow; Dale Eades, Boardman, 21.50 cwt for two top hogs of 435 pounds; Leo Barnett, Boardman, 21.30 cwt for an 800-pound grass steer and 18.90 cwt for a 720-pound grass heifer; Ed Chapel, Walla Walla, 26 per head for a baby calf; Harold Wright, Heppner, 17.90 cwt for a 1400-pound white face bull; and Edward Fleschman, Pendleton, 21.20 cwt for an 800-pound grain fed heifer.

Rhea, Rock Creeks Get 2000 Trout

Welcome news for local anglers came Wednesday when the state fish commission planted an additional 2000 legal size rainbow trout in two Morrow county streams.

One thousand each were dumped into Rhea and Rock creeks for fishermen to try and find. The fish came from the Oak Springs hatchery at Mauplin.

PICTURED IN MAGAZINE

Two pictures of Dr. A. D. McMurdo of Heppner, who was recently named Oregon's Doctor of the Year were printed in a recent issue of the magazine published by the Multnomah Medical Society. This was the first time the state group has picked an Oregon doctor for this award.

WEATHER

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	68	48	
Friday	68	43	.01
Saturday	64	44	.07
Sunday	66	40	
Monday	74	44	
Tuesday	84	57	
Wednesday	83	54	

Rainfall for week, .08; for June .33; for the year, 9.96 inches.

Voters Name School Directors, Approve Special Levies

Voters went to the polls Monday in all county school districts to elect directors for the local districts and two members of the rural school board. In only two districts was there any contest, Ione and Irrigon, and in districts where there was a supplementary budget on the ballot, the special levies were approved.

The county's largest district, Heppner, took left handed honors by drawing the smallest percentage of voters. Only 48 persons bothered to go to the polls while in Irrigon more than twice that number took an interest in school affairs.

In district No. 1 (Heppner) Jack Loyd was reelected to a five-year term on the board by a vote of 46. A special levy of \$25,000 was approved by a vote of 26 yes to 18 no. This money will be held until next year when a like amount will be voted to complete remodeling of the high school science laboratory and commercial departments.

At Ione voters reelected Alfred Nelson to a 5-year term on the board. He received 23 votes, Ray Heimburger 20 and David Baker 14 votes. A special capital outlay levy of \$2,470 for improvements in the school's system was approved by a vote of 47 to 10. The Ione district also named Fredrick Martin to a term on the rural school board by a vote of 56 to one vote for Delbert Emert.

Hardman voters cast a total of two votes, naming Adrain Bechdolt to the rural board for a 3-year term, and Darrel Hams to a 5-year term on the local board.

Irrigon saw the closest race for local directors among all county districts. William Schmeder barely won a 5-year term over Bessie Hobbs, 55 votes to 50. As a director for a 3-year term, James Keith received 62 votes to 43 for Chester Wilson.

In the Boardman district election Roy Partlow was unopposed for a 5-year term as director and he received 24 votes.

Lexington voters named Don Pointer to a 5-year term on the board giving him a total of 8 votes.

Local Advertising Poems Win Award For Mrs. Ruggles

Mrs. C. A. Ruggles, who with her husband operate the Ruggles Insurance Agency in Heppner, has received notice that she won a certificate of merit in the annual insurance advertising conference awards contest which was judged recently at New York City.

For her entry Mrs. Ruggles included all of the weekly advertising poems which appeared in the Gazette Times last year in the Ruggles Agency advertising. She has authored almost a poem a week since starting the idea in May, 1952. They are always signed with her initials, "hr."

Her entry placed among the top entries from agents or brokers in all parts of the United States and Possessions and Canada. The award winners books will be shown at insurance meetings this year throughout the entire country.

Burglars Get \$200 From Machinery Co.

Burglars who broke into the Padberg Machinery Company at Lexington some time Saturday night, robbed the establishment of approximately \$200 in cash, police have reported.

According to state police and sheriff C. J. D. Bauman who investigated, entry was gained by forcing a door in the rear of the machine shop. Only cash was removed from a money box, the burglars leaving numerous checks untouched. As far as could be determined nothing else was missing.

EXAMINER COMING

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner Tuesday, July 2 at the court house from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Excellent Grain Crop Foreseen in County; Storage Problem Nil

Prospects for a bumper grain crop in the county appear continually brighter as harvest time nears, but nearly all ranchers are holding their breath in hope that no more "unusual" weather which has plagued the county all winter and spring, will diminish the high yield possibilities.

Harvesting of wheat is still at least two weeks off, but there have been some reports of barley being cut early this week in the lower end of the county near Butler creek. No information was available on yield, though there have been numerous reports of excellent stands of this grain from all sections. Barley harvesting generally, in the earlier sections, is expected to start by July 1 unless unusually cold or wet weather slows the ripening. Combining of wheat is due to start in

these areas between July 4 and 10.

Storage Prospects Good

All county elevators are now preparing to receive what is hoped will be one of the county's largest crops and Morrow County Grain Growers officials said Wednesday that it is in a good position to handle the coming crop. All MCGG wheat has been shipped except that at the Paterson Ferry elevator which is now going out by barge and this shipping will be completed within about 10 days, it was thought. Barley is still on hand in several of the co-ops other elevators, but that is now being hauled to the river storage facility as rapidly as possible, and ample room for storage by the time harvesting gets well underway is planned.

Some excellent fields of wheat and barley were damaged or completely destroyed by the high winds and heavy hail which accompanied the storm two weeks ago that demolished 15 Bonneville Power towers near Boardman. Most of the damage was felt in the area around Cecil and Morgan, though some partial crop losses due to hail have been reported in other sections of the county.

Overall prospects for a bumper crop of all grains, however, appear extremely bright.

Ralph Crum Home Destroyed by Fire

The Ralph Crum farm home about six miles north of Ione was completely destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock. It is thought that the fire started in the garage which burned to the ground and then caught the house. No one was home at the time, the Crum family being in Arlington for the day.

Roy Pettyjohn was the first to see the fire and he and James Lindsay and Earl McCabe were the first ones to get to the blaze. The lone fire truck was called, but the flames were so far advanced that nothing could be saved. A new pickup truck was moved away from the buildings after it had been damaged slightly. There was some insurance.

The Crums have a new, modern home on their farm which is not quite completed. It is located close to the house that burned but was not damaged.



HARRY BONGERS, new administrator of Pioneer Memorial hospital, arrived this week to familiarize himself with the institution before taking over his duties in July. He comes here from The Dalles and will replace Jack Angel who will leave shortly to enter private business in Washington. (GT Photo)

Two Heppner Seniors Win Scholarships To Oregon State

OREGON STATE COLLEGE — Shirley Kononen and Gerald "Jay" Sumner of Heppner have been named winners of a scholarship to attend OSC.

They were among 124 Oregon high school seniors selected to receive scholarships at OSC for 1957-58 under sponsorship of the state system of higher education. The scholarships are worth \$138.

The state scholarships are awarded each year to a limited number of outstanding students enrolled in Oregon colleges and universities and to promising seniors from various high schools of the state. The quota for each institution is 2 per cent of its total enrollment the previous year.

Miss Kononen, daughter of Mrs. Kathleen Kononen, Heppner, will enroll in business and technology at OSC. A graduate of Heppner high school, Miss Kononen served as student body president her senior year. She has also been active in Future Business Leaders of America.

Also a graduate of Heppner high school, Sumner has participated in class music and drama productions, student publications, and class government. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Sumner, Heppner.

FIREMEN ANSWER CALL

Heppner firemen subdued the first grassfire of the season Monday afternoon when a small area burned on hillside property at the lower end of Linden Way. There was no damage.

Donations Make Trip To National Meet Possible for Senior

Jim Morris, state president of the Future Business Leaders of America, is attending the national convention of the group this week in Dallas, Texas. His trip was made possible by contributions toward his expenses by local businesses, organizations and individuals. Dr. E. K. Schaffitz, town sponsor for the high school FBLA club, and a chamber of commerce committee promoted the drive for donations.

Morris, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Morris and a senior at Heppner high school next year, is the first Oregon president to attend the national FBLA convention. Donations were in the form of cash, a pass by the Union Pacific railroad for part of the trip, luggage, clothing and other needs.

Rev. Knox To Study At Butler University

Rev. and Mrs. Charles V. Knox and children Charline and Charles Neal will leave this Sunday afternoon for Indianapolis, Indiana where Knox has received a scholarship to Butler University for study in the "Town and Country" church seminar.

This seminar is jointly sponsored by the United Christian Missionary Society of the Christian churches and Butler University. Knox is one of 20 ministers in the rural areas receiving scholarships for this study.

During his absence Merlin Moon, of Milton-Freewater, a 1957 graduate of Northwest Christian College, Eugene, will supply the pulpit.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox also plan to visit his parents in Oklahoma on their return trip home the latter part of July.

County Heart Fund Collection Gains

The February Heart fund campaign of the Oregon Heart Association raised \$60,000, an increase of nearly one-third over a year ago, according to H. G. Horn, state chairman and Mrs. Forrest Erickson, Heart Sunday chairman.

The \$60,000 total included \$36,340 from the Heart Sunday activity, a single day, door-to-door campaign that had the support of several thousand volunteers in more than 80 Oregon cities.

Horn expressed real satisfaction with the total results and said the "Oregon Heart Association owes a deep debt of gratitude to the thousands of volunteers who worked so diligently."

He indicated that benefits will flow to every community in the states through programs aimed at basic research, rehabilitation of cardiacs, protecting children's hearts by prevention of rheumatic fever, and physicians and public education.

Morrow county raised \$479.40, of which \$291.75 was collected on Heart Sunday, according to Lowell Gribble, Morrow county Heart Fund chairman.

Miss Jean Marie Graham, who has been attending Eastern Oregon college, will work for the summer in the office of Mrs. Velma Glass, Morrow county health nurse.