

First of '57 Wheat Crop Hits Elevators

The first of the 1957 Morrow county wheat crop started to roll in to elevators Monday, and, as in past years, apparent honors for the first cutting went to D. O. Nelson who farms several miles north of the North Lexington elevator.

According to Morrow County Grain Growers officials Nelson's first load of wheat came in Monday. It was Requa, a soft white grain which graded No. 1 and tested 60 pounds.

The MCGG said Tuesday they expect several other ranchers in the north Lexington and Lexington area to start combining

wheat between July 5 to 8. Harvesting of barley has been going on for over a week with grain coming in to both the Lexington and North Lexington elevators of the co-op. Several other ranchers in the Morgan area started early this week but there has been no report yet on yield from any of the areas.

There have been numerous conflicting reports during the past week of both crop damage and exceedingly heavy yields. It is thought that in some of the lighter soil areas to the north that there has been some pinching and damage due to the fairly hot weather late in June. Other reports from ranchers in the higher elevations say that crops are excellent and one report was received Tuesday that yield in the area south of Lexington would be the best in many years.

The damage to grain appears to be spotty, apparently depending upon local soil and weather conditions. Throughout the county as a whole, both wheat and barley crops are still expected to run better than average.

Elevators Ready

The Morrow County Grain Growers, which handles a large portion of the county crop, reports that all barley has been transferred from the Ruggs elevator and that trucks are now hauling out of the North Lexington elevator to Paterson ferry. All carryover barley from last year has been moved from the North Lexington facility but the new crop is rapidly taking its place. Hauling will be continuous from now until the end of harvesting, it was said.

The council ordered that engineering and surveying of a proposed street south of Pioneer Memorial hospital be started in the near future. The council had been approached by the hospital board asking for help in developing the street which would extend south from the end of the present short parking area in front of the hospital to Cannon street where it would again intersect with Gilmore street. A part of the proposed street has already been dedicated and easements are being sought for the remainder of the distance of about four blocks. It is planned to make the street one-way and its opening would eliminate the sharp "S" turns now required by the steep descent from the hospital. The City agreed to undertake the engineering and obtain an estimate of the cost.

City superintendent Vic Groshens told the council that the city crews had completed the laying of two miles of new water main on Willow creek and that it would soon be connected into the system. An ordinance was approved vacating Campbell street and Campbell Way in North Heppner. The area had been platted but recently was purchased by Dr. W. H. Wolff and will be used for one building site rather than several as had been previously planned. The streets had never been improved.

Building permits were issued to Lowell Gribble, remodeling of residence, \$5,000; H. E. Harris, alterations and repair, \$1,000; Charles Shannon, alterations, \$800.

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IRRIGATION SEASON SAFETY PLAN of Pacific Power & Light company includes renewal of posting "CAUTION" signs on rural area service poles near irrigation pumps similar to the sign being nailed to PP&L pole above. Sign reads: Keep Metal Irrigation Pipe Clear From Power Lines. Contact of up-ended sprinkler pipe with lines can result in serious shock.

Some Post Office Rates Increased

Several postal department special service fees were increased at all post offices July 1, which will affect mailing costs only slightly, it was revealed this week by James Driscoll, Heppner postmaster. There was, however, no increase in any of the basic postage rates such as first class, air mail or parcel post.

Minimum charged for registered mail has been increased to 50 cents for a \$10 registry and some brackets of insured mail were increased slightly, however the minimum for insurance still remains at 10 cents, Driscoll said. Minimum money order fees are now set at 15 cents, an increase of five cents, and special delivery (stamps will now cost 30 cents instead of 20 cents as in the past.

There was some adjusting of rates for return receipts on registered letters, but the increase here was only minor.

Driscoll also revealed that the postal department is currently checking the possibility of changing the closing time for mail on Saturdays only to 4 p.m. instead of 6 o'clock as is presently in effect. The change has not yet been scheduled and the postmaster said that he had received a few objections to such a change from local businesses.

Driscoll said that the upward revision of postal charges which went into effect Monday were only those which can be made by the department without getting the consent of congress which controls basic rates.

Local Educator Attending Workshop

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene—The fifth annual Family Finance Education workshop held on the university campus has attracted a panel of outstanding authorities in the field of finance. These include bankers, educators, insurance men, credit managers, and stock brokers.

The four-week sessions will feature talks and discussions with these experts as well as seminar-type sessions. Sponsored by the National Committee for Education in Family Finance, the objective of the program is that boys and girls in the nation's schools and colleges may receive instructions in the fundamentals of sound personal and family financial management. The training in the workshop is for the teachers.

Enrolled in the 1957 session at Oregon is Joe Stewart of Heppner.

Ione Library Board Names New Officers

The Ione public library board last week named Mrs. John Proudfoot president; Mrs. Fannie Griffith, vice president; Mrs. Victor Rietmann, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Verner Troedson and Mrs. William Rawlins board member.

The group also decided to hold a "know your library" week early in the fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Gundersen and David and Mrs. Bert Kane are enjoying a fishing trip to Beaver Lake, British Columbia.

Care Urged With Irrigating Pipe Around Power Lines

Approach of the season of heavy irrigating use has prompted Pacific Power & Light company to remind farmers and ranchers to exercise caution in up-ending sprinkler pipes near power lines.

"If it is necessary to put these long lengths of pipe on end to shake out trash, make sure you are standing well away from overhead wires," cautioned PP&L district manager J. R. Huffman.

"Contact between the pipe and a power line can result in serious electric shock," he added.

The utility is prepared to help whenever hay derricks or other high riding equipment must cross under power lines, it was reported. A call to the nearest PP & L office will bring a lineman to handle the wires safely. There is no charge for this service.

Little League Ball Attracting Interest; Schedule Released

Following is the schedule for the second half of the Little League baseball season released this week by the managers. League play started June 25 and interest among both the boys and parents is high.

The schedule of games for the first half of the season was run last week.

July 22, Bluejays vs. Indians.
July 23, Skippers vs. Dodgers.
July 25, Bluejays vs. Skippers.
July 26, Indians vs. Dodgers.
July 29, Bluejays vs. Dodgers.
July 30, Indians vs. Skippers.
Aug. 1, Bluejays vs. Indians.
Aug. 2, Skippers vs. Dodgers.
Aug. 5, Bluejays vs. Skippers.
Aug. 6, Indians vs. Dodgers.
Aug. 8, Bluejays vs. Dodgers.
Aug. 9, Indians vs. Skippers.

The next game will be played Monday evening, July 8 between the Bluejays and the Dodgers and on Tuesday evening the Indians tangle with the Skippers.

Skippers Lead in Little League Play

In Little League ball play the Skippers kept their record perfect by downing the Bluejays Monday night 8-7 in one of the best games of the season. Tuesday night game between the Indians and the Dodgers turned into a slugfest with the Indians edging their opponents 14 to 13.

The Skippers have won two and lost none, the Bluejays and Indians both stand at one and one and the Dodgers are currently in the cellar with a 2 and 0 record.

The first Babe Ruth league game is set for Wednesday evening, July 10 with Boardman. The game will be played here.

Valby Lutherans Schedule Picnic

Valby Lutheran church and Sunday school will hold its annual picnic Sunday, July 7 at Cutsforth park. It will be a potluck affair and will start at 1 p.m. All members and friends are invited.

LESSONS POSTPONED

There will be no swimming lessons given at the Heppner pool on July 4 or 5 because of the holiday. Larry Bowen, instructor, announced today.

Fair and Rodeo Dates Changed Slightly; Dances Start July 20

With the Morrow county fair less than two months away, premium lists, posters and other materials are soon to come from the printers, and at a meeting of the fair and rodeo committees Monday night, slight changes were made in previously announced dates for the fair and rodeo.

Because of the conflict with the Shrine All-Star football game scheduled for Saturday night, August 31 at Pendleton, the fair will open on Tuesday, August 7 instead of Wednesday as it has in the past. Also to avoid the conflict, the regular Saturday night rodeo show will be held on Friday night, with the two other regular rodeo performances set for Saturday and Sunday afternoons. By setting the fair dates up one day, the 4-H livestock auction sale and pig scramble will fall on Thursday night, leaving Friday night open for the first rodeo performance.

According to the present schedule the 4-H style revue will be moved to Wednesday night, August 28 and the 4-H club activities will start on Tuesday, August 27 instead of Wednesday as in the past. Open class exhibit entries will close on Wednesday morning, August 28.

To encourage more exhibits of hay a sweepstakes award has been offered this year and the sweepstakes for wheat will be

continued as in 1956. To encourage classes of pairs of yearling bulls and heifers, a trophy will also be provided for the best pair it was decided. A number of additional lots have been added to the premium list to make a better fair.

Dances Scheduled

Opening of the festivities leading up to fair and rodeo week has been set for Saturday night, July 20 when the annual Kickoff dance has been scheduled by Al Fetsch, dance chairman. The dance will be held at the fair pavilion and will feature the music of Johnny K's orchestra from Pasco. Princess and queen's dances will be held, Lexington Grange, Saturday, July 27; Boardman Tillicum club, August 3; Rhea Creek Grange, August 10; Willows Grange, Ione, August 17 and the queen's dance on August 24.

Another change from recent years is the scheduling of two rodeo dances rather than just one as has been done in the past two years. The dances are set for Friday and Saturday nights of the rodeo.

Prohibition Against Smoking in Effect In National Forest

All National Forest areas within the Umatilla National Forest have been designated by Regional Forester J. Herbert Stone as areas on which smoking while traveling is prohibited because of the fire danger on and after July 1, 1958 and extending to October 31, 1957.

Camp fire permits are not required on the Umatilla Forest, but it is a requirement that camp fires be built in a safe place, cleared of all inflammable material, and that they be completely put out before being left even for a short while. Campers are required to have in their possession a shovel, axe and water bucket. All persons using the forests are urged to use extreme care with their smoking and camp fires.

Royal Arch Holds Annual Steak Dinner

Heppner chapter No. 26 of the Royal Arch Masons enjoyed a steak dinner Saturday night at Cutsforth park and during the event three candidates were exalted to the degree of Royal Arch Mason.

There were about 50 members present including the Most High Excellent Priest, Aronah McDowell, McMinnville; Past Grand High Priest, Harold P. Patterson of John Day; Milton McRae, High Priest from Canyon City; Shirley Revell, High Priest from the Pendleton chapter and Joe Winslow and J. C. Woodworth from the Pendleton Commandry.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones were called to California on Friday by the death of her brother, in a car accident.

HEPPNER HIGH CLASS OF 1947 HOLDS WEEKEND REUNION HERE

Out of a class of twenty-nine, seventeen members of the Heppner high school graduating class of 1947 enjoyed a reunion Saturday and Sunday, June 29 and 30.

A banquet was held at the American Legion hall in Heppner Saturday evening for the classmates and their respective spouses. Joe French was master of ceremonies. The welcome was given by Randall Peterson. A highly amusing song "Why Women Wear Bitches" was sung by Don Munkers. The class will, as originally written in 1947, was read by Bud Peck and the class prophecy by Bob Mollahan. A poem written by the class's commercial teacher, Miss Helen Estudillo, was read by Glenn Coxen. Each alumnus reported on his current activities.

There was a picnic at Cutsforth's cabin on Sunday, attended by the same group, together with their thirty-five children. Coming from out of town were Joe French, Pendleton; Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Corwin, Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Coxen, Tillamook; Miss Doris Robinson, Kinzua; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Beards-

ley, Portland; Robert Mollahan, on leave from the U. S. Airforce. Mollahan has just returned from Arabia and is en route to a base in Illinois. Present from Heppner were Shirley Wilkinson Rugg, Gene Orwick, George N. (Bud) Peck, Billie Healy, Joanne Graves Pettyjohn, Randall Peterson, Ramona McDaniel Marshall, Gene Cutsforth, Lorene Van Winkle Ledbetter, Don Munkers, Don Gilliam. Unable to attend were: Eugenia Biddle Ball, Clarice Moore Baker, Duane Gentry of Milton-Freewater, Jaunita Hale Proctor and Margaret Hale Bunton, Stanfield, Tom Hughes of Fossil, Betty Keaton Murray of The Dalles, Jack Parrish of Portland, Lois Vance Johnson, Lovell Rippee of The Dalles, Marcie Piper Hall of Portland. In charge of the affair were Mrs. Howard Pettyjohn, Randall Peterson, Mrs. J. D. Ledbetter, George N. Peck, Mrs. Bernard Marshall and Gene Orwick. It was agreed the gathering was such a success it would be repeated in 1967 with the same committee.

Kenneth Smouse Named to Oregon Wheat Commission

Kenneth J. Smouse, well known Morrow county rancher and former president of the Oregon Wheat League, was appointed Tuesday to the Oregon Wheat Commission by Governor Robert D. Holmes. He succeeds Ralph McEwen Jr. of Athena as one of the wheat commission representatives for Morrow, Umatilla, Gilliam, Wasco, Sherman and Jefferson counties.

Smouse is a native of Ione and has been farming his 1800 acre wheat ranch since the death of his father in 1943. He graduated from Ione high school and Oregon State college where he received an engineering degree in 1938. From 1938 to 1943 he was employed by the U. S. Geological survey.

The new commission member is active in many local organizations. He is a 25 year member of the Lexington Grange and a member of the Oregon State and National Granges. He has been a director and president of the Columbia Basin Electric Co-op since 1948, a director of the Jordan Elevator company and chairman of the board of supervisors of the Lexington wind erosion district since 1944. He has taken a part in Ione civic affairs and is presently a 4-H agriculture club leader.

The announcement of Smouse's appointment was made Tuesday from Salem.

60 4-H Members End Summer Camp Stay

Sunday 60 4-H club members returned from their annual four-day 4-H summer camp held at Cutsforth forest park on Herron creek. While at the camp, the club members lived in tents in groups of six with an older 4-H club member as counselor. The daily program included a variety of crafts, field trips, recreation and evening programs around the campfire.

Assisting with the various activities were junior leaders Judy Berger, Kathy Nadgwick, Marlene Baker, Brenda Townsend, Celia Boulden, Janet Wright, Connie Anderson, Carole Anne Anderson, Janice Martin, Dennis Doherty and Kurt Gantenbein.

In charge of the field trips were Bob Madsen, State Board of Forestry and N. C. Anderson. In attendance every day as camp nurse was Velma Glass, county health nurse, Esther Anderson, Lella Palmer, Jerry Doherty, Veda Brenner and Beverly Bradshaw were camp cooks during the four days.

4-H members attending camp were: Laura Lee Sumner, Carolyn Slocum, Martha Doherty, Joyce Peck, Arleta McCabe, Sherry Corley, Katherine Rea, Linda Halvorsen, Susan McCoy, Barbara Davis, Anita Garner, Elberta Carpenter, Sandy Thorpe, Patti Partlow, Sherry Witherspoon, Shirley Jackson, Janice Marlow, Joanne Lepper, Ginger Majeski, Linda Van Winkle, Sandra Eubanks, Elaine Gaarsland, Deloris Emert, Frances McLeod, Marilee Leathers, Cheryl Lundell, Marjorie O'Connor, David Anderson, Douglas Anderson, Nat Webb, Archie Ball, Ronnie Jones, Billy Akers, Kenny Wright, Danny Wardell, Jimmy Martin, Mike Palmer, Tony Doherty, Don Majeski, Konny Jones, Kirk Mathews, Dale Adlard, Bobby De Spain Lee Hams, Joe Halvorsen, Don Taylor, Tom Heimbigner, Dick Skoubo, David Proudfoot, Mitchell Ashbeck, Bernard Doherty, Jim Partlow, John Partlow, Steve Partlow, John Rea, Steve Lindstrom, Leslie Madden, Ralph Martin, Teddy Hoffman, Terry Witherspoon.

BUSINESS TO OBSERVE HOLIDAY CLOSING

Practically all Heppner stores, businesses and offices will observe the Fourth of July holiday Thursday by being closed.

WEATHER

The Heppner weather station reports:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thurs.	73	51	—
Fri.	81	54	—
Sat.	81	44	—
Sun.	75	43	—
Mon.	74	51	—
Tues.	72	51	—

Rainfall for Heppner for the week, none; for June 38; for the year 10.01 inches.