

# Heppner Gazette Times

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## Sewer Service Denied Residents Outside of City

Residents outside the corporate limits of the city of Heppner will not be provided with sewer service, it was decided Monday night at the regular monthly meeting of the city council.

The council made the decision after it had received an informal request from some home owners along the Hinton creek road near the fair grounds. The council expressed the opinion that it would be unfair to city residents who are paying taxes for the sewer system and disposal facilities, to allow residents outside the city limits to use the system.

As an alternative to a flat "no", the council stated that if residents of the area do desire city services they may petition for admission to the city and it was pointed out that one small area on the south boundary of the city was annexed several months ago and is being provided with fire protection. Sewer service has not been extended to the new area because the long sewer run and limited number of residents makes the cost prohibitive, in that instance.

In other business the council accepted an application for two street lights near the hospital, but held up the order for installation until the type of light is determined.

The council received two complaints from residents that horses and chickens were not being kept penned and were damaging property. The city recorder was instructed to advise the owners of the animals that they must be kept under control or their permit will be revoked.

Building permits were issued to Mrs. Mary Johnson, alterations and repairs, \$250; Empire Machinery Co., interior remodeling, \$300; Heppner Auto Parts, \$1000, remodeling; I. O. O. F. lodge, remodeling of Phil's Pharmacy bldg., \$1950; Mrs. Hortense Martin, new garage, \$1000.

## One More Teacher Needed Locally

The Heppner school board will hire an eighth grade teacher at its meeting next Tuesday which will practically fill the staff for both the grade and high schools, superintendent Joe Stewart said today. Several applications have been received for the position.

Another new teacher next year will be Mrs. James Mallon, wife of the high school coach, who will teach half days serving as high school girls' physical education instructor. Another half day instructor remains to be hired. The only other new teacher in the system is Vernon Flowers, formerly of Ontario, who will teach either the 5th or 6th grade.

Stewart said that the school year will start on Tues., Sept. 3, with registration for all first graders and new students starting at 1 p. m. that day. All former students have been pre-registered. Classes will start on Wednesday morning, Sept. 4.

## Huge Fireball Seen By Local Residents

The huge fireball which was seen by residents of four states last Thursday was watched by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Anderson of Heppner.

The Andersons reported they were coming toward Lexington from the Cutsforth ranch when the beautiful, brilliant blue fireball appeared in the sky to the south. It was traveling in a westerly direction and appeared to explode while they were watching it. The ball traveled almost horizontally across the sky, they reported.

## SWIMMING LESSONS TO END AUGUST 15

Red Cross swimming instructor at the Heppner pool announced this week that summer swimming lessons will be concluded on August 15. The pool will remain open longer for regular swimming, however.

## BROTHER DIES

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Jones left Tuesday by plane for Asheville, North Carolina to attend funeral services for his brother, Floyd Jones, who passed away Monday.

## Death Claims Two Morrow Pioneers

### James L. Davis Dies August 1

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Lexington Christian church for James Lexington Davis, 71, who passed away, suddenly August 1. Mr. Davis was born September 13, 1885, and was the first white child born in Lexington.

Mr. Davis had spent his entire life in or near the Lexington community. He attended school there and participated in many sports, and he was a lover of gardening having much pride in a beautiful yard and garden.

For 34 years he made his home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis, on a farm which he operated in the Blackhorse area. In 1941, following the death of his father, he retired from farming and moved back to Lexington to make his home until the death of his mother in 1941. During this time he was employed by the state highway department. After his mother's death, he returned to the ranch and made his home with his niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ruhl.

He is survived by a brother A. Glenn Davis of Bend; two sisters, Mrs. Mable Gray of Hermiston, and Mrs. Gladestine Mikesell of Toppensish, Washington; and numerous nieces.

Rev. Norman Northrup of the Lexington Christian church, of which Mr. Davis was a member, conducted the services. Bearers were Roy Campbell, George Irvin, Marion Palmer, Cecil Jones, C. C. Carmichael, and W. E. (Ted) McMillan. Interment was in the family plot at the I.O.O.F. cemetery with the Lexington Odd Fellows lodge in charge of graveside rites.

## Relatives Here For Davis Funeral Sunday

Relatives that were here to attend the funeral of James Davis on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Davis and Abner Davis, Mrs. Harold Kentner, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis, all of Bend; Mrs. L. E. Mikesell, Carol and Dee, Toppensish, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Woolhiser, Redmond; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis and John, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Davis and daughter, Mrs. Verna Robinson, Mrs. Lydia McMillan, all of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Williams, Brogan, Oregon; Mrs. Ethel Budlong, Salem; Mrs. Mable Gray, Florence Gray, Hermiston; Bob Gray, Mill City; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Halverson, Billie and Bruce, Pendleton; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Claire Hunt, The Dalles; Miss Betty Kollas, Hood River and Mr. and Mrs. Vic Stockard, Stanfield.

## TV Cable Charge Relieved of Tax

Cost of the Heppner Television cable service dropped 28 cents per month starting with the August 1 billing, and a complete refund of all federal tax paid on the service will be due members eventually.

The reduction in monthly charge from \$3.78 to \$3.50 is because such systems were recently declared to be not subject to the tax and application has been made to the government for a refund on all tax paid since the system has been in operation. This refund will probably be several months in coming. Carl Spaulding, TV accountant said this week, but will be mailed to members when it is received.

## Softball Team Sets Tuesday Night Game

The Heppner softball team will play the Boardman Merchants on the rodeo field Tuesday night, August 13 starting at 7 p. m. The game will be for the Morrow county softball championship.

The local nine hasn't fared too well this season having only one win to five losses. Last Sunday the Condon Air Base team took both ends of a double-header from the Heppner squad.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Koehnig had as guests over the weekend her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKay and children of Walla Walla.

### Will G. Hynd Services Wednesday

William George (Uncle Will) Hynd, 88 years of age, one of the oldest twins in Oregon, died August 4, at Pendleton following an illness of several months. He suffered a broken shoulder about three months ago in a fall at his home in Heppner and had been in failing health since his accident.

Mr. Hynd was born September 22, 1868 at Low Butteryby county, Durham, England and came to



WILL G. HYND, a resident of Morrow county for more than 60 years, who died Sunday.

Canada when he was 9 years old. He came on to Heppner in 1892. He bought the Powell ranch in Sand Hollow and lived there until 1944 when he moved to Heppner with a brother David and a sister Annie (Mrs. H. W. Krebs). Last year on the 88th birthday, Uncle Will, as he was known to most Heppner residents, and his twin sister, Mrs. T. H. (Jennie) Lowe of Portland, were acclaimed as Oregon's oldest living set of twins. He had never married.

He was a member of the Episcopal church, Heppner Elks lodge and the Heppner Masonic lodge.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m. at All Saints' Episcopal church with the Rev. George R. S. Little officiating. Interment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery with Creswick Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Surviving are three brothers, David, of Heppner; Charles and Jack Hynd of Pendleton; two sisters, Maggie Case, Pendleton, and Jennie Lowe of Portland.

## The Animal Problem — It's Still With Us

Animals, usually dogs, a perennial problem of the Heppner council and city and county law enforcement officers, were much in the news this week, though mostly unofficially or by protest from neighbors.

The council Monday received two complaints about horses and chickens tramping down yards and gardens, and two reports have come to the Gazette Times of dogs killing chickens or nipping at pedestrians.

Animals, other than dogs, are allowed to be kept within the city limits only under permit issued by the city, and this permit can be revoked at any time if the animals or fowls are allowed to run at large or cause a nuisance. Owners are liable for damage caused by such animals, it was pointed out.

Mrs. Stephen Thompson, Judy and Janet of Pendleton were in Heppner a few days the first of the week.

## School Youngsters Need Birth, Health Certificates Soon

Officers of the Heppner P-TA this week again reminded parents of school-age children that youngsters who will be entering the first grade this fall are required to have birth certificates and a medical checkup at the time of registration. Checkups are also required of incoming freshman high school students.

Innoculation and vaccination is also recommended for students, particularly those entering school for the first time this fall.

The local P-TA revealed that it had a membership of 245 last year and has set a goal of 300 members for the coming year.

## Construction Starts On Service Station; Firestone Store

Construction was started early this week on a new service station and Firestone store to be owned and operated by Pirl L. Howell, Union Oil Company consignee for Heppner. The station is located on Linden Way in the northwest section of Heppner and is being built by L. H. Case.

The structure will be of ultra modern block construction and will house the service station and accompanying Firestone store which will handle tires, accessories and other car and home supplies.

Howell plans to open the new station and retail store about the middle of September.

## Heppner Band Slates Practice Sessions

Heppner high school band students were advised this week by Norman Peters, instructor, that band practice will start on Monday, August 19 at 6:30 p. m. The group will prepare for participation in the fair and rodeo and early season football games.

The grade school band will start practice Tuesday, August 20 at 9 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Doe and family are vacationing this week at the coast.

## OLD PAPER TELLS OF "WILD AND WOOLY" HEPPNER DURING THE 1880's

A couple of old newspapers, pasted on cloth and covering the walls of an old residence on Water street which is being torn down, this week revealed some interesting facts about old time Heppner.

The largest section of paper still readable was a Heppner Weekly Gazette of Thursday, December 13, 1888 published by Otis Patterson, but pasted over a section of it was a page from the Weekly Examiner, San Francisco of Thursday Morning (date unreadable).

There is much interesting reading in the yellowed pages of the papers which were found by Mrs. Herb Case, owner of the old house, and for the benefit of old-timers still around a few of the articles are here briefly recorded.

In the masthead of the Weekly Gazette is the note on advertising rates. It said: "Local advertising 10c per line. Each subsequent insertion at half rates. Special rates will be charged for personal digs and political slush."

A front page double column ad called attention to the booming real estate values because of the recent opening of the railroad. It said, in part: "Heppner Real Estate, in any chosen quarter, will advance from 25 to 50 percent by March 1st, 1889. Therefore he who hesitates about investing will find out to his sorrow that at least one-fourth of his opportunity for gain in the year is lost."

In the paper was a long article on Heppner by Homer H. Hallock in the East Oregonian telling of the coming of the railroad and listing all the business in town. A portion of the list had been carefully cut out of the paper by some former resident of the house. The story said in part:

"Your correspondent recently paid a visit to Heppner, Morrow county, the present terminus of the Willow creek branch of the O. R. & N. company's railroad. Two years ago that little city, way up in the bunchgrass hills at the foot of the Blue Mountains scarcely dreamed of railroads. Occasionally a man of noted extravagant ideas would venture the prediction that 10 years time would see Heppner connected by rail with the rest of the world, but such prophecy was regarded by people generally as sheer non-

## Bank of Eastern Oregon to Open Here Saturday

The Heppner branch of the Bank of Eastern Oregon will open its doors for business next Saturday in temporary quarters in the Empire Machinery Company building, E. L. Morton, vice president and manager announced this week.

Banking hours on its opening day will be from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. but regular banking hours of 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. daily and 10 a. m. to 12 noon on Saturdays will be observed thereafter.

The bank recently received permission to establish a branch in Heppner and has purchased the former McClintock building on Main street, immediately south of its temporary quarters, which has been torn down. A new modern building will be built and bank officials expect to be in permanent quarters within about 90 days.

In addition to Morton, other officers and employees will include William F. Siewert, formerly with the Hillsboro branch of the United States National Bank of Portland, assistant manager; and Harvey Wright, who is now at the Arlington head office of the Bank of Eastern Oregon, who will be here temporarily. Other employees will be named later this week.

Morton stated that all new stock for the bank has been subscribed and that a special meeting of the stockholders has been called for Friday evening to name four additional directors for the organization. Capital stock is set at \$120,000 with \$80,000 surplus and \$40,000 undivided profits. Ownership of the stock is about evenly divided among Morrow and Gilliam county residents, it was said.

Saturday's opening will mark the first time in over 25 years that Heppner, and Morrow county have had two banking institutions. Head office of the Bank of Eastern Oregon is at Arlington and formerly operated under the name of Gilliam County Bank.



PRINCESS JANET WRIGHT

## Blonde Princess Janet To be Dance Honoree

The third member of the 1957 Morrow county Fair and Rodeo royal court, Princess Janet Wright will be the guest of honor at her own dance Saturday night at the fair pavilion.

Princess Janet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright of Rhea Creek, is the fairest of this year's all-blond court. She is a 1957 graduate of Heppner high school and has made her plans to enter Oregon State college this fall to study pre-nursing. Typical of other members of the court, she is a farm girl who helps with cattle, gardening, housework and cooking. She is a 10-year 4-H club member and has been a junior leader for two years in addition to completing 4-H projects in clothing, food preservation, dairy, sheep, health, hobby and art and woodworking. She was a champion home economics judge in the senior division at the county fair and received a blue ribbon in clothing at the state fair last year. She also received a red ribbon for her efforts in the style revue at the state fair.

She loves horseback riding and sewing and her other activities include serving as a delegate to the Junior Red Cross leadership training center, rodeo pennant bearer, co-chairman of the county IFYE committee and 4-H summer camp counselor.

In school Princess Janet was student body treasurer, secretary

of the National Honor Society and a member of the Future Business Leaders of America, the Pep club and the band.

Being a member of the fair and rodeo royal court is nothing strange to Janet's family for last year her sister Patricia was the queen of the show, also having been a princess in 1954.

The dance in her honor will be held at the fair pavilion and will be given under the sponsorship of the Rhea Creek Grange. It will start at 9:30 and will feature the music of Rod Esselstyn and his orchestra of Pendleton.

## Irrigon Man Named To FHA Committee

Robert C. Smith of Irrigon is the new Farmers Home Administration committee member for Morrow county. He succeeds Carl Knighton who has served his full three year term. J. C. Cody, the agency's county supervisor announced today.

Mr. Smith operates a family type farm at Irrigon. The other two committeemen with unexpired terms are Harold Leighton and Paul R. Slaughter both of Irrigon, who also operate family type diversified farms. Committee members serve 3-year terms arranged so that one member is appointed each year. The term of office begins July 1. A member completing his term cannot succeed himself and at least two of the members must be farmers.

The county committee determines the eligibility of local farmers who apply for Farmers Home Administration loans. The committee also certifies the value of farms being purchased or improved with Farmers Home Administration loans and assists in adapting the loan program to local conditions. There are approximately 3,000 county committees in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Approximately 50 percent of the applications reviewed by the Morrow county committee during the past year were for operating loans while 50 percent were for real estate loans. Operating loans are used by farmers to buy quality livestock and machinery and to meet operating expenses incurred in adjusting and improving their farming methods. Real estate loans are used to buy, improve or enlarge family type farms and to refinance certain debts. Loans are also available to farmers to establish and carry on approved soil and water conservation practices including the construction of farmstead water systems, terraces, irrigation and drainage systems. Farm Housing loans for building or remodeling farm homes and other necessary farm buildings are also provided.

## Immunization Clinic Slated August 16

The regular monthly immunization clinic will be held on Friday, August 16 in the offices of the Morrow county health department at Pioneer Memorial hospital from 1 to 2 p. m. Mrs. Velma Glass, county health nurse announced this week.

Diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus combination vaccines, smallpox and typhoid vaccines will be given without charge. Also free Salk polio vaccine is available for all youngsters up to 20 years of age and to all expectant mothers.

## WEATHER

The Heppner weather station reports.

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thurs.	76	48	—
Fri.	76	45	—
Sat.	80	52	—
Sun.	79	55	—
Mon.	74	54	—
Tues.	77	54	.14
Wed.	74	49	—

Rainfall for the week .14; for August .14; for the year, 10.27 inches.

## HEPPNER GRADS TO PICNIC

An invitation has been extended to all 1930 through 1940 Heppner high school graduates and their families for a picnic at Welches Lake, near Mt. Hood, on Sunday, August 11 starting at 10 a. m. There will be golfing and swimming. For further information contact Mrs. Bethel Coxen, phone Belmont 69466, Portland.