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This Is Newspaper Week

This is National Newspaper Week, and if we tend to boast a little just now perhaps we may be indulged. For the newspaper, which regularly devotes itself to bring news and the interpretation of news to your homes, has a message of its own. We believe that message worthy of some attention.

The American newspaper occupies a unique place in the world. Its freedom to print is guaranteed by the Constitution. It has been considered from the beginnings of the Republic and from even before that—an essential instrument in the lives of the American people.

Its basic purpose has been and always will be the same: to tell the happenings of the day. Here the function is of particular importance in regards to the happenings of government, which is but an instrument of the people's will.

Its next and almost inseparable function is to try to place the facts concerning these happenings in perspective—to give them meaning in the light of other events, past and present.

It has other important purposes—to serve as a medium for advertising to entertain and amuse, to serve as a public forum.

You may, and undoubtedly do, on occasion become discouraged with your newspaper or even become angry with it. Yet it is an indispensable item for intelligent living, and in more cases than is generally realized it is the most constructive and most educational item in a family's existence.

Where newspapers are free from government restriction, as they are in the United States, you are free to select the reading matter of your choice. You are privileged to have a voice of protest. You are favored by having news of importance about you, personally, collected, verified and presented in readable and understandable form delivered to your home every week.

The modern newspaper is a swift and accurate purveyor of important factual data and a medium of considered, moderate and enlightened opinion.

The newspapers of America set aside this week, therefore, to call attention to the services they perform. But more than that they set aside

to remind themselves and their readers of the obligation they owe the American public.

It is their constant hope that the reading public will continue to trust the integrity of their services. It is their constant effort to maintain the standards which have made this nation, more than all others, a nation of newspaper readings.

National Newspaper Week, therefore, is not an occasion for self-praise by newspapers nearly so much as it is an occasion for self-appraisal. It is a time for newspapers over the land to rededicate themselves to the trust placed in them by the vast intelligent, progressive and enlightened American public.

ODD ENDS...

Most papers don't brag much about their mistakes, and we have made plenty we are keeping real quiet about, but last week we carried a story on the front page that we are very pleased with.

It concerned the weather... and when it comes to that subject we probably hold one of the unique records in local newspaper history—we've never been right yet!

Last Thursday in our story about the deer season being postponed because of the dry weather, we included a paragraph about the weather prospects for the following days. We used for our source of information, Uncle Sam's weather bureau reports and our own observation of what might be coming weatherwise—barometer, nose, corns, past history, the ideas of a couple of old-timers, and sundry other sources, to make the statement... "Slightly cooler temperatures have been forecast for the next few days, but probably NO GENERAL RAIN WAS FORESEEN."

As you now know we were 100% wrong for it has rained more in the past six days than it has for about four months, but who's complaining? Our farmers now have a better start on another 35 bushel wheat crop than they have had for years.

Whatever kind of weather you want, just let us know. We'll forecast just the opposite and probably be wrong.

From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

4-H livestock members have been busy the past couple of weeks getting their projects lined up for the new club year which began Oct. 1. A number of boys have feeder calves on feed for the Wheat League sponsored show and sale held at The Dalles annually, early in June while others have their calves picked for the county fair. Those who have calves selected are Roland Ekstrom, a calf from his Dad's herd; Dennis Doherty, a calf also from his Dad's herd; Russell Dolven, a Hereford from the John Graves herd and two Shorthorns purchased at the Winks Auction sale. Mancell Townsend and David Anderson, new beef club members, are each feeding out Herefords from the John Graves herd. Billy Doherty and Jerry Anderson have shorthorns also from the same herd. Kenneth Smouse is feeding a Hereford out from the John Graves herd and Jerry Anderson a Hereford from the Frank Anderson herd; Steven Anderson, a new club member, has his Hereford steer picked out of his father, Frank Anderson's herd. There are a number of boys and girls looking for good steers to feed out for projects. We would appreciate it if ranchers who have calves suitable for 4-H projects would contact this office.

Jacquelyn, Jennifer and Annamaria Brindle purchased Southdown cross ewes at the Harry Cline farm at Milton-Freewater last week, getting set up with a breeding project to raise their own lambs for feeding out. The ewes were all bred yearlings and will provide an excellent start for the girls.

This office this week received a supply of the new Oregon State college leaflets which describes the new hard winter wheat, Burt, which is available in abundance for seeding this fall. The new wheat variety yields more bushels per acre than any other hard winter variety according to the folder. Burt also resists smut and may turn out to be a more attractive variety on some major foreign markets than medium to high protein club varieties now grown. It is the first hard white bread type winter wheat released by Oregon and Washington and has been recommended in areas of 14 inches or less rainfall. The variety did very good in Morrow county this past year and many farmers are seeding it this fall.

The September 18 issue of Ore-

gon Farm and Market Outlook contains a lot of information on outlook that Morrow county farmers should be interested in. Discussed in the issue is the changes in the Soil Bank of 1958, more stable cattle prices expected for the year ahead, wheat expected to stay in favorable spot despite lower price prospect, and articles on the large supply of feed grains and hay. Copies of this Outlook issued by Oregon State college periodically are available at the office. Those who are not on the mailing list and would like to be can be included for the asking.

4-H club members, leaders and parents are urged to mark down two important dates on their calendar. These are the dates for the annual 4-H achievement parties at which time club members and leaders receive recognition for their year's work. Achievement parties will be held at Boardman on Friday evening, November 1, and at Heppner on Saturday evening, November 2.

Farmers and ranchers who have hesitated to seed grass and legumes to divert acres from grain crops or to improve pastures and ranges should consider doing this work now. Many may not be aware of the low prices of grasses and legumes and the high price being one of the reasons for hesitation in doing this improvement work before. For instance crested wheat grass which sold for 60 cents a lb. in March 1957 is selling now at 20 cents a pound. Ladak alfalfa at 46 cents this spring is now selling for 34 cents. Other examples and comparisons of grass seed prices are Alta fescue—20 to 25 cents last spring now 12 cents. Intermediate and pubescent wheat grasses selling for 90 cents a pound last spring now 38 cents; other grasses are down in proportion to these. For a straight grass seeding this year's clean stubble is an excellent seedbed for fall seeding. If alfalfa is seeded with the grass late fall seedings should be made so that the alfalfa does not germinate before spring or spring seedings should be made. Grasses and legumes seed price trends have in past years been up following a year or two of excessive production as producers shift to other crops. This no doubt will be the case in another year. Fall and spring seedings may therefore be in order if the price of seed has been an ob-

stacle to you. Every year we receive many inquiries about treatment for blight in Arbovitia shrubby trees. This is most generally Berckmann's Blight which is common to oriental Arbovitia including golden which is the most susceptible of all. American and European species are immune. This fungus disease is readily recognized by the brown dead areas in the foliage occurring earlier in the season. At that time the foliage takes on a grayish cast then turns to a reddish brown as the fungus moves down the small branches which become brittle and die. Spray application should now be made for control of this fungus disease. Current recommendations are Copper-A at three pounds per hundred gal. COCS at two and one half to three pounds per hundred gals. or Tribasic copper sulphate at three pounds per hundred gals. A spreader or wetting agent should be added to any of these materials used at the rate recommended on the package by the manufacturer.

Brucellosis testing in Oregon in August found 96 reactors in 55 herds of cattle, for a monthly reactor percentage of 3/4 of 1%, according to the August report from the federal and state veterinarians in Salem. Total number of cattle tested during the month was 12,879, coming 1,873 herds. More reactors were found in Jackson county than in any other with a county percentage of 2.636 for the month; second greatest number of reactors were found in Wallowa county, 8 cattle reacting out of 778 tested. Thirteen in which was done had no reactors. Baker, Coos, Curry, Deschutes, Grant, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath, Lincoln, Morrow, Polk, Wasco and Wheeler counties were without reactors in the cattle tested. Not a single reactor was uncovered in the 3,173 cattle tested in 592 herds for tuberculosis.

The 1957 Year Book of Agriculture has just been published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. A number of our farmers have been securing year-

books, and this year's looks like it will be a "must" for everyone. The 1957 year book features "soil". The book's 88 chapters were written by 142 scientists in the fields of soil management, botany, chemistry, horticulture, soil conservation, agronomy, irrigation and others. Copies of the 1957 Year Book of Agriculture may be purchased at \$2.25 each from the superintendent of documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

The first 4-H clubs to be organized for the new club year are saddle horse clubs which were organized this week. Nineteen boys and girls joined the two saddle horse clubs which were organized in the Heppner community. This is the first time that this community has had an organization of saddle horses and members joining are looking forward to a year of fun and profit. Continued on page 7

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Heppner High School SCOOP

By Jan Beamer

Annual sales ended, with seniors copping first prize. A food sale was held Saturday, which netted \$10.65. This will go towards financing of the annual. Advertising will start sometime this week.

Getting the school paper out every week is really a feat for H.H.S. A large note of praise was included in the recent O.S.P. bulletin.

Seniors of '58' started the money-making year off with a candy sale—which added approximately \$20.00 to the class treasury.

October 12, Ed Groshen, Helen Graham and Jim Morris will travel to Corvallis for an FBLA executive meeting. Accompanying them will be Mrs. Kirk, who is FBLA advisor.

Members will plan the year's program and organize committees for the state convention in April. Helen is the hostess for the coffee hour.

The Oregon School Press Conference, which is held at Eugene October 11 and 12, will be attended by Janice Beamer, Judie Spaulding, Phyllis Quackenbush, Janice Martin and Helen Graham.

Judie and Phyllis are to be on panel discussion relating to the financing of the school paper, and advertising of the annual. Going down with this group will be Roy Kirk, Heppner high teacher and annual advisor, and Roy Quackenbush.

A county OEA meeting will be held at Irrigon Monday, Oct. 7, at 4:30. School will be dismissed at 2:45 that afternoon, so as to

give teachers time to get to the meeting.

Principal Gordon Pratt and superintendent Jos Stewart will attend the secondary state high school principals' association meeting in Salem, October 13, 14 and 15.

Senior of the month, Jim Morris, was recently elected on the basis of citizenship.

Schedule of Events:
October 1, Student Council, 6th period; National School Assembly, 11:15; 4. Moro, Here: 5, District FHA meeting at La Grande; 8, Student Council, 1st period.

Student Council Minutes:
The meeting was called to order Sept 27 by president Len Schwarz. Minutes were read and approved. A treasurer's report was given, which stated \$901.23 in the student body fund.

The Elks and Soroptimist party will be Nov. 29 at the Elks hall.

The National Association of Student Council presented a recognition of outstanding service to Heppner High for the work done in the Denim Council project last year. This project was the gathering of clothing for the clothing drive. A \$25 bond was presented in addition to the certificate.

The student body will buy the crepe paper to decorate at games and pep club members will do the decorating.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Gribble spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Portland.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From the Files of the Gazette Times
October, 6 1927
Dempsy and Tunney at the Star Theater tonight.

Mrs. Ray Oviatt and son of Heppner spent Saturday in Morgan.

Loren Mikesell and wife were visitors at the home of Mr. Mikesell's parents in this city during the past week.

Walter Moore, cashier of the First National bank, enjoyed a visit this week with his brother, John T. Moore of Seattle.

An all day meeting of the Missionary society of the Christian church was held at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Parker on Tuesday.

Otto Ruhl, Lexington wheat-raiser, was attending to business in this city on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hynd of Cecil were visitors here the first of the week.

Cloudy weather with intermittent heavy rainfall the past two weeks has shown the first signs of a break today, with the sun shining brightly.

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Thurs.-Fri.-Sat., Oct. 3-4-5
The Lonely Man
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Sun.-Mon., Oct. 6-7
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