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Flu Bug Cancels Heppner-PR Game; No Epidemic Here

The incidence of flu continued to hold top news spots in various parts of Oregon and the nation, but to date it has not reached epidemic proportions in Morrow county.

One result of the illness in this vicinity was the announcement Wednesday morning that the Heppner-Pilot Rock high school football game scheduled for next Saturday afternoon at Pilot Rock had been cancelled. The Pilot Rock coach reported that flu had downed all but one backfield man on both his A and B teams and he would be unable to field a squad by Saturday.

Heppner school superintendent Joe Stewart said that the cancelled game will not be rescheduled unless it is necessary to

decide league standings. The cancelled game had been changed to Saturday from Friday because it was to be broadcast.

Stewart said that the Heppner high school had been affected only slightly by flu and that Wednesday there were 11 students absent, presumably with the disease. This is the greatest number of absentees on any one day for several weeks, he said. Three teachers have had it at different times recently.

Ione superintendent Dallas Shockley said that within the last two weeks about one-fourth of the students there were absent at one time, but that colds were responsible for more absences than was the flu. At the present time only very few students are out. It has not affected the grade school attendance at all, he said.

Numerous cases of flu have been reported among adults during recent days, but it is not known whether the disease is of the Asian variety or some other. Whatever its nationality, the results are about the same with persons reporting about three to five days of illness.

Schools have been closed in several areas in the state and it was reported Tuesday that the Fossil school was closed due to the disease.

Atom Film Feature Of Lutheran Series

The public is invited to the third in a series of discussions on "What the Bible Says" which will be held next Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in Hope Lutheran church.

Part of the evening will include a color film featuring the United States Air Force films of the original atomic explosion at Yucca Flat which told the world about the Manhattan project. Beginning with this first atomic blast at Alamos, the film presents a survey of nuclear fission as demonstrated in the atomic bomb. All the suspense and danger of atomic warfare is captured in the explosion which ended a war over Nagasaki, Japan. These official films taken from a photographic plane equipped with telescopic lenses to avoid radioactive contamination, have been released to the public after study by government scientists.

The final atomic explosion at Bikini Atoll which lifted thousands of tons of water high into the sky demonstrates the tremendous power in nature which have now been opened to man through the theories of Albert Einstein.

The same film and discussion of chapter three, "What the Bible Says About Sin", will be held at the Leonard Carlson home at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 23.

Tax Statements Out, Money Coming In

Morrow county taxpayers received considerably larger tax statements early this week and by Wednesday one of the largest taxpayers had paid up.

The Morrow County Grain Growers Wednesday presented the tax department with a check for \$16,025.

Savings Bond Sales Take Big Drop

Savings bonds sales dropped substantially in the state of Oregon in September, according to word received here by county chairman Jack Bedford. Sales were \$1,873,628 this year compared with \$2,552,997 in September, 1956.

Morrow county sales for the month showed a big drop from \$29,097 last year to \$7,367 this September. However sales for the year in Morrow county are ahead of last year \$188,784 to \$170,623.

RUGGLES ARE GRANDPARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fastabend of Richland, Washington are the parents of an 8 lb 6 oz boy born October 16.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ruggles of Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. John Fastabend of Astoria. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ruggles of Heppner are the great-grandparents.



GRANDFATHER STEELHEAD—This whopper which weighed 23 1/2 pounds and measured 41 inches long was caught Sunday in the Columbia river a short distance below Boardman in Morrow county by Carl F. Fergstrom of Ione. He also banked a 14 pounder earlier. There have been many reports of fine steelhead and salmon fishing in the Boardman area, but Fergstrom's fish is the largest reported this year. (GT Photo)

Reorganization Meeting Friday

County school superintendent Jack C. Flug was speaker at the Monday noon chamber of commerce meeting and explained the new school districts reorganization law to the group.

Flug told how the law might affect this area and said that the first step will be the convention of all county school board members to be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the court house. The board members will nominate a committee of nine members and five alternates who will study the school needs of the county and submit a report later for consideration by a regional group and the state board of education.

Flug emphasized that the Friday night meeting is open to the public and urged anyone interested to attend, but explained that only the members of the school boards can nominate or vote for committee members.

Homecoming Set At Ione High

The Ione high school student body announced this week that it is making plans to sponsor a homecoming to be held on Friday, Oct. 25 at which time the Ione Cardinals will host the Irregular Comets. This is the first time that Ione high school has held a homecoming, but it is hoped that it will be the big affair of the year and one that will be carried on.

On Wednesday, Oct. 23 the homecoming queen and two princesses will be selected from the senior girls by a vote of the student body. The queen and her court will be announced at a special pep assembly Friday morning, Oct. 25 at 11:40. The crowning of the queen will be the main attraction during the halftime activities at the game. Featured also will be a twirling act and other special entertainment.

The football game will start at 2:30 and it promises to be one of the best of the season.

A potluck dinner will be held at 6 p.m. which will be open to the public. Ice cream, punch and coffee will be furnished. A dance will follow at 9 p.m. with the high school band furnishing the music.

Those in charge hope that many alumni of Ione high will attend the activities and all are invited to attend morning classes as well as the other events of the day.

INJURED IN WRECK

Hervel Pettyjohn, an Arlington car salesman and a former resident of Heppner, was hospitalized Tuesday morning from injuries suffered when his car left the road about a mile east of Jordan. No details were available.

WEATHER

The Heppner weather station reports:

	Hi	Low	Pr.
Thurs.	61	39	—
Friday	63	42	—
Sat.	64	42	—
Sun.	66	53	.09
Mon.	65	44	.07
Tues.	57	32	—
Wed.	56	36	—

Rainfall for the week 16; for October 2.81; for the year, 14.29 inches.

BIRDS AND DOES DUE TO DODGE BUCKSHOT AND BULLETS SATURDAY

Creek bottoms and grain fields will resound with the booms of many shotguns next Saturday morning when hunters take to the fields in search of pheasants.

A change in the game laws this year opens the season at 8 a.m. Saturday, but game officials have emphasized that on subsequent days the opening time is governed by the times given in the game laws pamphlet and each day is different.

Also opening Saturday is the either-sex deer season which is expected to attract a big number of hunters. It runs for three days only, ending Monday night.

The pheasant hunting in this area is expected to be the best in years as more birds have been reported in the county than at any time in recent year.



EUGENE PIERCE, formerly of Pendleton, who last week was named manager of the Heppner branch of the Bank of Eastern Oregon. He will move his family here as soon as housing can be found. (GT Photo)

Hallow'een UNICEF Drive Again Planned in County

Many Heppner and Ione youngsters, and probably those in other county communities, will again trick or treat for small change instead of favors as part of the UNICEF Hallow'een program. UNICEF is the United Nations Children's Fund and this will be the sixth year that it has been carried on in this county.

Heppner youngsters are asked to meet at either the Lutheran, Christian or Episcopal churches at 6:45 p.m. Hallow'een, Thursday, Oct. 31 where they will pick up banks, material and an adult to accompany the group. The drive here is being sponsored by the Methodist, Christian, Episcopal, Lutheran and Assembly of God churches.

After the trick or treat drive all youngsters are to go to the multi-purpose room of the grade school where the P-TA will serve refreshments, provide a cartoon film for entertainment and award prizes for the best costumes.

At Ione the UNICEF trick or treat drive will be sponsored by the Ione Parent-Teachers.

The UNICEF drive slogan is, "The Trick is to Treat all the world's children," and last year the youngsters of the country, while doing their traditional Hallow'een doorbell ringing collected more than three-quarters of a million dollars which brought medical aid, milk and vitamins to 37,000,000 children in almost 100 countries of the world. Each year the amount collected has grown—the 1956 collection was almost a quarter-million greater than the previous year.

Death Takes Former Hardman Woman

Frances Hams Staysa, 72, Tillamook, passed away October 1 in Portland where she had been visiting.

She was born September 13, 1885 at Hardman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hams. She lived in Hardman until the age of 25, when she went to Portland where she married Bob Staysa on April 27, 1911. He preceded her in death on December 18, 1953.

Survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Wade and Mrs. Minnie Paul, Portland; three brothers, Roy Hams, Portland; James Hams, Hardman and Charles Hams, Hillsboro.

There was private commitment at the Riverview Abbey with vault entombment.

School Hot Lunch Clinic Slated Here

The Heppner high school will be the site of a district meeting of school food handlers to be held Monday. Those in charge of school hot lunch programs from all county schools as well as those in Gilliam county will be present.

Mrs. Laura Wells, head of the state hot lunch program will hold the clinic on better methods of handling foods, serving, menus and related subjects.

CLINIC SET FRIDAY

The monthly immunization clinic will be held tomorrow (Friday) from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Morrow county health department offices in Pioneer Memorial hospital.

NO SCHOOL MONDAY

School bells will ring only for teachers next Monday as classes will be closed to allow all county teachers to attend the institute to be held in Baker.

BIDS ASKED FOR HEPPNER-SPRAY ROAD JOB

The Bureau of Public Roads through supervisor of the Portland office, B. M. French, announced Tuesday that bids are being called for the grading and surfacing of 4.2 miles of the Heppner-Spray highway.

The announcement was made Tuesday that bids will be received until 10 a.m. October 30 at the BPR office in Portland.

The contract will call for the relocation and paving of the northernmost section of the presently unpaved section of the highway south from the end of the pavement at the junction of Rock and Chapin creeks near Hardman. Earlier this year, \$250,000 was appropriated by the Bureau for the start of the improvement of the road over the mountains to the John Day river and engineering work was done in January and February.

According to reports much of the 12 miles of the highway in Morrow county between Rock creek and the Wheeler county line is to be completely relocated to provide a better grade. The overall program calls for the completion of the relocation and the paving of the entire road in subsequent years.

Much effort has been expended during the past five years by individuals and organizations both in Morrow and Grant counties to get the highway placed on an improvement schedule. The present call for bids is the first step toward completion of the project.

Elks Drive Nets 150 Deer Hides

Glen Ward, chairman of the Heppner Elks hide collection program, reports that to date approximately 150 deer hides have been turned in to the lodge. These hides will be taken to Albany for shipment to tanners in California and then returned to Oregon and distributed to hospitalized veterans for physical therapy work. The first shipment of hides will leave here Oct. 23.

Ward urges everyone who has any hides, or knows of any deer, elk or cattle hides, to bring them to the receiving stations at Farley Motor Company and Jack's Chevrolet Station in Heppner; Gene's Chevron in Lexington and Barnett's Chevron at Ione. If they cannot be brought in, a call to either Ward or Bill Labhart will result in a pickup.

Nazarene Church Schedules Revival

Special daily revival services will be conducted at the Ione Church of the Nazarene at 7:30 each evening from Oct 2 through Oct. 27, the Rev. Charles A. Wilkes, pastor, announced this week.

The evangelist will be the Rev. Glenn A. Chaffee of Panorama City, Calif., a preacher and youth leader of unusual ability.

Services will be held in the Ione Grange hall.

HOSPITAL NEWS

NEW ARRIVALS—To Mr. and Mrs. Rosco Leman Rush, Kinzua, a 7 lb 12 1/2 oz. boy born Oct. 11, named Thomas Wayne. To Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Eugene Garrett, Condon, a 6 lb 13 oz. girl born Oct. 11, named Barbara Lee. To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eugene Davis, a 6 lb 10 1/2 oz. girl born Oct. 15, named Alice Louise. To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hyatt, Kinzua, a 6 lb 15 oz. boy born Oct. 15, named Samuel Duane. To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lawrence, Heppner, a 7 lb 13 oz. boy born Oct. 17.

MEDICAL—John Darcy, Cecil; Jean Rugg, Hardman, dismissed; John Spicos, Condon, dismissed; Gerald Davis, Condon, dismissed; Keith Morgan, Condon, dismissed; Rita Oviatt, Heppner, dismissed; Gene R. Hughy, Bonneville; Edith Hayes, Heppner (deceased); James L. Shrum, Fossil; Nora Greenfield, Fossil; Hervel Pettyjohn, Arlington, dismissed; Alice Best, Kinzua.

MINOR SURGERY—John R. Hartman, Heppner; Janet Clare Durtow, Fossil; Olive Cox, Monument.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Wagoner and family spent the weekend in Portland.

TV Members Due For Tax Rebate

All Heppner TV cable subscribers will be eligible for a refund of federal tax paid for their service since its beginning over two years ago, Carl F. Spaulding Jr., TV secretary announced this week.

Special cards have been mailed to all subscribers during the past few days requesting them to authorize the co-op to apply to the government for the tax refund. Spaulding emphasized that the cards must be signed and returned if the subscriber is to get his refund.

The tax has been collected and paid to the government, but a recent court decision ruled the government was collecting it illegally and application will be made for the refund.

The tax has amounted to 28 cents per month for residential hookups.

Acreage Increases Planned for 1958 By Wheat Farmers

Oregon wheat farmers are increasing their 1958 acreage despite prospects of lower wheat prices, says M. D. Thomas, Oregon State college agricultural economist.

Thousands of Columbia Basin acres planted to barley last year are going back into wheat following changes in the 1958 Soil Bank program, the economist reports. Farmers can no longer increase barley plantings equal to their reduced wheat plantings under the "bank's" acreage reserve program.

The result has been a sharp drop in Soil Bank participation by Oregon's Columbia Basin wheat farmers. Arnold Bodtger, Portland, chairman of the state agricultural stabilization and conservation committee reports only 22,000 wheatland acres signed into the acreage reserve for 1958 compared to 112,000 acres for 1957.

Wheat acres may also be increased by a new aspect of the government allotment program. Farmers may now grow up to 30 acres of wheat providing all this wheat is used on the farm where produced. None of it may be sold or traded. Deadline for signing such an agreement was October 15.

As in the past, farmers with allotments of less than 15 acres may harvest up to 15 acres and sell the wheat without penalty. Meanwhile, the national average support price for wheat can go as low as \$1.78 a bushel compared to \$2 for the last two crops, according to the U. S. department of agriculture.

Possibilities of Pacific Northwest wheat selling above support prices have dimmed with prospects of decreased exports in 1958. Indications are that Public Law 480 which permits acceptance of foreign currencies for wheat will be discontinued next June, Thomas says.

FARM BUREAU TO MEET

The regular Farm Bureau meeting will be held at the Ione Legion hall Tuesday evening Oct. 22 beginning with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. A state representative will be there to present an award for reaching quota.