

# 2nd Week 22 More Free Gifts Given Just for the Right Number

## Heppner Gazette Times

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### County's 1957 Farm Income Is Revealed Highest In Many Years

Morrow county's agricultural income for 1957 has been estimated at \$13,611,136, the highest in many years, according to the annual report just completed by N. C. Anderson, county agent. The figure is more than \$1,000,000 higher than the 1956 total of \$11,942,000.

The current year's big increase was due largely to the big crop of wheat harvested this year, which is the county's major income source, the report indicated. Excellent growing conditions and high rainfall contributed to an average wheat yield in the county of 32 bushels and barley yields of 40 bushels to the acre—both among the highest in the history of the county. Adding to the overall income was 6,000 acres of rye which brought a gross of about \$180,000.

Farmers in the county seeded approximately 87,000 acres of wheat and 86,000 acres of barley this year. The big barley crop was the result of many acres being the Soil Bank program. Adding to the income was the grain under reserve payments totaling \$691,000. The county income were acreage

923 received by 108 farmers who signed up 25,832 acres under the program.

**Livestock Prices Better**  
Livestock producers found a ready market for their calves at average prices of \$20 per hundred compared to \$17 a hundred a year ago. The price of sheep, wool and swine remained strong to add to the total livestock income, according to the report. Income from potatoes and truck crops produced on the irrigated areas of north Morrow county

### Hospital Increases Room Fee Rates

Increases in room rates effective December 1 were announced this week by officials of Pioneer Memorial hospital. The increase is effective for all new patients, but those in the hospital at the time of the change will not be charged the higher scale, it was said.

The new rate schedule will be \$14 per day for two bed wards, increased from \$12.50; private rooms will be \$18 per day, an increase of \$1.50 and pediatric beds will be \$12 per day.

Even with the higher rates, it was pointed out by Harry Bongers administrator, that the Heppner hospital rates are still among the lowest in Oregon.

### "Drive-In" Service Purely Accidental

Heppner got its first "drive-in cleaners Monday, but it came about entirely by accident.

A car owned and driven by Ralph Thompson parked in front of the establishment owned by W. C. Collins, and as Thompson reached into the rear seat he accidentally stepped on the throttle when the automatic transmission was still in gear. The car jumped the curb and rammed the front of the shop breaking a plate glass window and knocking out considerable brick work. The car suffered a few dents.

### Little League Ball Petitions Formation Of Special District

The county court Wednesday accepted a petition asking for the formation of a Little League baseball district, and agreed to investigate the matter. The petition contained 70 signatures.

The court indicated that it had no information on whether such a district could be formed, but that it would take up the matter with members of the fair board to see if fuller use couldn't be made of the county-owned fairgrounds property so that Little League teams would have more adequate facilities for their games.

### ONE POST OFFICE SETS LONGER HOURS

The lone post office will be open on Saturday afternoons Dec. 14 and 21 for the convenience of Christmas mailers, it was announced this week by postmaster Ruby O. Roberts.

were down considerably due to lower prices. Potatoes in 1956 sold for the highest in history. Small fruit income increased because of a small comeback of fruit after the 1955 freeze and a good melon crop was extended by a long season with prices holding steady.

Farmers continued to seek methods of increasing their income reduced considerably with a 35 percent acreage allotment and a decrease from the long time 90 percent parity for wheat.

With an announced reduction in parity price to 75 percent in 1958, wheat farmers are looking for a solution to the continuing high cost of operation and taxes. Ranchers are adding land to their operations in an attempt to make their units more economical to operate, N. C. Anderson, county agent reported.

### '57 Breakdown Given

A breakdown of 1957 income by source shows grain, \$9,860,636; hay and silage, \$528,000; livestock, \$1,600,000; dairy, \$200,000; eggs and poultry, \$110,000; potatoes and truck crops, \$310,000; fruit, \$2,500; and farm timber \$400,000.

### Heppner Building Permits Highest In Present Year

The Heppner city council Monday night granted the largest total amount of building permits of any month this year when it ok'd a total of \$42,500 in new construction or remodeling and repair permits.

The largest permit was to Morrow County Grain Growers, \$30,000 for the remodeling of the company's Heppner elevator. Other permits were granted to H. J. Delameter, \$9,000 new residence on Linden Way; Heppner Elks lodge, \$300 remodeling. Al Lamb, \$700, alteration and repair; Leonard Kummerland, \$500 alterations and repair.

In other business the council accepted the low bid of the San Jose Steel Co. of \$967 to supply necessary fencing materials to fence the north playground area in the city park. There were six bidders and the spread between high and low was nearly \$150.

The city recorder was ordered to issue a call for bids for over 2000 feet of 4 and 8 inch water pipe which will be used to replace old mains on south Court street and replace small inadequate mains on Gilmore street. A new 8 inch main will be laid the full length of Gilmore by next summer which will greatly improve water supply and pressure on that entire side of town.

The council approved liquor license renewal applications for O'Donnell's Cafe, Cal's Tavern, Thomson Bros., Court Street Market and Aikens.

### Local Elks Get Over 1100 Hides

The final truckload of 663 deer, elk and cow hides left Heppner Monday for tanners in California in the Heppner Elks lodge sponsored drive for hides to be used for veteran's rehabilitation in Oregon hospitals.

In all 1102 hides were gathered up by lodge committee members, and though a final tally isn't yet available, it is known the local lodge is among the top few lodges in Oregon in the number collected, and there is a good chance that it may hold the state record. The Heppner and Condon lodges have had a contest to see which could collect the most hides for the program and Heppner took honors in this by beating its neighbor organization by over 200 hides, committee chairman Glen Ward said this week.

After the hides are tanned they will be distributed to veteran's hospitals in the state by the Oregon State Elks association for their physical therapy program.



CONSERVATION AWARDS were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Burt Peck of Lexington at last week's Farm-City Week banquet by Jack Whiteman, Pendleton, right, Empire Machinery Co., who is shown presenting them with the Empire award. They also received the Heppner Soil Conservation district award of a desk pan set from Raymond French, chairman of the district. Peck was named the county Conservation Man of the Year for 1957.

(GT Photo)



COUNTY GRASSMAN PLAQUE was presented at the Farm-City banquet by Harold French, left, president of the Morrow County Farm Bureau, sponsors of the award, to members of the Wilkinson family who won the title for 1957. Holding the plaque is Mrs. Frank Wilkinson and shown with her are, left to right, Dick Wilkinson, Mrs. Dick Wilkinson, and Mr. and Mrs. George Rugg.

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PAST AND PRESENT SUPERVISORS of the Heppner Soil Conservation district were honored at last week's Farm-City Week banquet when they were presented with plaques by present district head Raymond French, right. Shown are, left to right, Henry Peterson, Newt O'Hara, O. W. Cutsforth and John Wightman, (still a director). Not present to receive their awards were Charles Carlson, Orion Wright and W. E. Hughes.

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### CHRISTMAS MAIL RUSH DUE SOON; "MAIL EARLY" PLEA AGAIN VOICED

Heppner postmaster James H. Driscoll said today, "We hope to keep up our good record on the Christmas mails by getting everything processed and delivered well before Christmas eve." He further said that much depends on the public cooperation in mailing Christmas cards and gifts during the next 10 days.

The postmaster stated, "Most people realize that the early arrival of cards or gifts is always welcomed, although there are still some who have the mistaken idea that a gift or card arriving on Christmas eve has a special significance. Actually, it's the thought behind the card or gift, and not the time of arrival that is important."

Cooperation is asked to be sure that return addresses and the recipient's address are plainly typed or written on all labels and cards. Use zone numbers if known and it is always a good idea to include an extra label inside packages.

He reminds mail users that it is necessary to use first class postage on Christmas cards if handwritten messages are enclosed. Cards sent first class will be delivered promptly and forwarded

or returned if necessary. The response to "mail early" appeals has been excellent to date, Driscoll said, and from now on its a case of keeping up the good work to avoid pile-ups. Free labels are again available for marking bundles of mail for local or out of town delivery. Mail for distant points should be into the post office by Dec. 10 and for nearby points by Dec. 15.

**Postoffice Open Longer**  
Beginning Dec. 9 service windows in the Heppner post office will be open from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. and efforts should be made to avoid the crowds at lunch time.

### WEATHER

The Heppner weather station reports:  
Wed. 49 27 .-  
Thurs. 49 34 .01  
Friday 48 24 .-  
Sat. 52 31 .-  
Sunday 59 38 .08  
Monday 58 38 .03  
Tues. 60 31 .-  
Rainfall for November, .96; for December, .11; for the year, 15.57 inches.

HERE'S YOUR  
HEPPNER

### Lucky Number

No 1152

GOOD ONLY

DECEMBER 5 TO DECEMBER 11

SAVE THIS NUMBER FOR FREE PRIZES!

SEE STORY BELOW

### More Free Gifts Are Offered in 2nd Week Of "Numbers" Game

Heppner stores today open the second week of their "We Feel Like Santa Claus" event and are offering another big group of worthwhile free gifts to holders of the lucky numbers to be found on copies of the Gazette Times.

Each of the 22 Heppner stores, a complete list of which will be found elsewhere in today's paper, have put up another fine prize which GT readers will have a chance to claim between now and next Wednesday if they hold the lucky number and will visit the stores displaying the numbers and gifts.

The special four-week gift "give-away" started last week and will continue for three more weeks with a completely new set of gifts, lucky numbers and paper numbers each week. Readers are reminded that in looking for this week's gifts they must use only the number at the top of the front page of today's Gazette Times—last week's number is no longer any good as the prizes to correspond with those numbers had to be claimed by Wednesday evening, Dec. 4. The number on today's paper will be good for one week, or until Wednesday evening, Dec. 11. The box at the top corner of this page containing the number is dated so there will be no confusion.

**Not All Prizes Won**  
Merchants participating in the gift give-away reported today that not all prizes offered were

claimed and urged readers to take advantage of the gifts and look for their numbers. All the numbers are prominently displayed in the various stores and all the holder of the paper number has to do is compare the number in the box on his paper with that in the store—if the numbers coincide, the prize is his.

To let holders of last week's lucky numbers know what they missed by not checking the stores, the Gazette Times here publishes the complete list of numbers which would have won gifts last week (some of which were claimed). These numbers are now no good, but the same number can of course be drawn again, so readers this week will have to find out for themselves.

Last week's lucky numbers were: 941, 618, 559, 214, 721, 457, 627, 247, 862, 477, 372, 346, 254, 73, 236, 840, 716, 955, 430, 425, 673, and 137. If you held one of the above and didn't claim your gift, you missed a good chance... but try again your number may be on a gift this week.

**No Phone Calls**  
Merchants advised readers also that they could not give their numbers over the phone, that each person must check the store or window for the placard bearing the number.

The complete rules on how to play this interesting and profitable Christmas game will be found elsewhere in today's paper.

### SANTA DUE TO MAKE SPECIAL VISIT TO HEPPNER SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

A very important special committee of the chamber of commerce received word this week that the most popular old fellow of the Christmas season has made plans to visit all his young and old admirers in Heppner on Saturday, Dec. 14. The committee said Santa sent word that he will arrive in town at 1 o'clock that afternoon

loaded with free candy for all kids who come to see him and let him know what they'd like to have him bring them a couple of weeks later when he makes his annual world-wide tour on Christmas eve.

Committee members are making special plans for Santa's visit and will give more details next week, they said.

### OVER 100 TRY TO 'NAME THE SANTAS', WINNERS GIVEN

Two women and two high school students copped the prizes offered last week by the Gazette Times in its Christmas opening "Name the Santas" contest. They were the first four persons to correctly identify all the 22 Santa pictures.

The first prize of \$7.50 in cash goes to Mrs. Paul Jones of route 2 Heppner, and the second place award of \$5.00 in cash was won by Carolyn McDaniel. Third and fourth place winners were Mrs. William Labhart and Renn Harris, both of Heppner. Each will receive a one-year subscription to the Gazette Times.

More than 100 persons took the time and effort to identify the Santa pictures (though not all did it correctly) with one entry coming from as far away as Eugene.

The contest was designed to acquaint GT readers with the many Heppner Santas who are taking part in the chamber of commerce sponsored Heppner Lucky Number prize game which was announced last week in this paper.

Though all "Name the Santas" entries couldn't win, every reader will have three more chances to win equally valuable gifts in the other "Gift Give Away" which continues for another three weeks. Each should check the lucky

number on page 1 of today's paper and also the lucky numbers in many Heppner stores for free gifts.

"Name the Santas" winners will be mailed checks or notices of their prizes.

### ASC Committee Members Elected

The Morrow county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation community committee election for 1958 has just been completed. A tabulating committee counted the 230 mail ballots which elected five community committeemen in nine areas.

The new chairmen for the communities are Robert Smith, Irrigon; Charles Carlson, Eightmile; Roy Partlow, Boardman; John Ledbetter, Lexington; Merritt Gray, South Heppner; K. G. Miller, North Heppner; Jasper Myers, Alpine; Charles Doherty, Morgan; and Walter Jacobs, Ione community.

The new community chairmen will meet at a county convention Dec. 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the ASC office to nominate and elect the 1958 ASC committeemen.



TRUCKLOAD OF LEATHER—This final load of 663 deer, elk and cow hides, and even one bear hide, left Heppner Monday on its way to the tanners. They were collected by a local Elks committee for veteran's use. Shown with the load is committee head Glen Ward right, and Bob Flatt, a committee member.

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