

City Gets Bids on Equipment; Fire Agreement OK'd

The Heppner city council Monday night opened bids from five concerns for the purchase of an asphalt patch kettle for the street department. Bids varied from \$952 to \$1882 for the unit with the apparent low bid being entered by the Feenaughty Machinery Company of Portland.

The bids were referred to committee for study and awarding. In other business the council ordered a call for bids for the paving of Alfalfa street with this work planned for this summer.

The group was advised by a member of the Russell Olson Construction Company of Pendleton, that the start of work on the resurfacing and widening of south Court street has been delayed due to a strike of heavy construction workers in the state. The company had planned to begin Monday morning, the day the strike began.

Applications for beer and wine licenses for Bucknum's Tavern entered by the new owners, Elmer and Gene Barry were approved.

Three building permits totaling \$27,750 were granted to: Ralph Richmond, new residence, \$11,000; Storro Bros, new residence \$15,000; Hope Lutheran church parsonage, remodeling and alteration \$2750.

The council agreed to sign a mutual assistance agreement for fire protection with Heppner Pine Mills. The agreement is now in effect and will be completed as soon as the proper resolution can be prepared. Along that line, the council also again publicly advised persons living outside of the Heppner city limits that city fire equipment has been ordered to answer no fire calls outside the city. It did reiterate its previous stand that if and when a rural fire district is formed in the area adjacent to Heppner, the city will be glad to contract with the district for fire protection. There was talk last year of forming such a district, but nothing definite has been done, it was stated.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrival—To Mr and Mrs Harlow Cossitt, Heppner, a girl born April 3, named Nora Jean. Patients—Janet Joyal, Fossil, dismissed; Charles Simmons, Condon; Chris Lovgren, Heppner, dismissed; Clara Zimmer, Heppner; Dee Sizemore, Kinzua; Mildred Lane, Heppner; Clara Burhnam, Heppner; Cleo M Martin, Condon; June Stirn, Kinzua, dismissed; Edgar J Morris, Heppner; Lois Wilkes, Ione; Roy H Britt, Spray; Clarice Jean Bennett, Heppner.

Equalization Board To Hear Tax Complaints by May 17

Property taxpayers in Morrow county have until May 17 to file petitions with the county board of equalization for the review of property assessments, according to Ralph Thompson, chairman of the three-man local board, and Harry Dinges, county assessor.

The board, composed of chairman Thompson, George Weise, and Don Kinney, will convene in the court house on Monday, May 12, to make the annual review of assessments in the county. Oregon law provides that a property owner may appear in person or be represented by an attorney before the board when it considers petitions for reductions of assessments.

Assessor Dinges has posted a 24% ratio used in assessing property, so that taxpayers, by converting assessed value to true cash value, using this posted ratio, can test the assessment on their property. Real property assessed values are 21% of true cash value, which is 90% of Market value. To verify their assessment, taxpayers may obtain a certificate of assessment from the assessor.

A taxpayer planning to appeal to the board of equalization should first review his assessment with the county assessor. If the assessor feels the assessment is correct, and the taxpayer disagrees, he may place his case before the county board on or before May 17. Forms for this purpose may usually be obtained from the assessor or the county clerk, who serves as secretary to the board of equalization. If the board sustains the assessor, the taxpayer has 30 days after receiving the board's notice in which to continue his appeal to the State Tax Commission. Thereafter he may take his case to circuit court.

Justice and Municipal Courts

Beverly Kay Sayers, no operator's license, \$10 fine.
Martha Jo Allstott, no angling license, \$25 fine.
Ethel Marie Bellinger, no angling license \$25 fine.
Huston Jackson, exceeding bag limit of trout, \$25 fine.
John Clifford Read, no PUC permit, forfeited \$15 ball.
Jon Blake, double parking, \$2 fine.
Joe Cornellison, illegal U turn, \$5 fine.
State department report, driver's license suspension. Forest Ellis Adams, failure to show proof of financial responsibility.
Mr and Mrs Lee Sprinkle of Portland, former Heppner residents, were in town over the weekend.



LITTLE BUT LOUD—Completing the job of installing the Heppner Fire Department's new air horn fire alarm is James Angell, shown here standing on the tower atop the city hall. The new horns are soon to be put into operation to call firemen and it is expected that they will be heard distinctly in all parts of Heppner. Department members had hoped to use the horns for the first time Tuesday during the Civilian Defense test alert, but mechanical troubles with new compressing equipment delayed their operation. When operating, they will be used in place of the present siren which has proved inadequate, and tests will probably take place within the next few days. The siren will be kept for flood warning or standby use.

(GT Photo)

GOC Group Hears of Coming Base Tour

Sgt Ralph A Bragg, sector sergeant, spoke at the monthly meeting of the Heppner Ground Observer Corps unit April 28 at the home of Mrs Riley Munkers. He told of a scheduled trip to the Spokane Air Base May 21 through 23 and members were invited to join the tour. Members wishing to make the trip are asked to contact Mrs Ray Smith, post supervisor.

The program included a talk and a film on the tactical air command.

The meeting was the last to be held until September, it was announced.

Heppner Girl Named Top Journalism Fresh

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON—Mary Jo Stewart, the daughter of Mr and Mrs Joe Stewart of Heppner was recently named the outstanding freshman woman in journalism by Theta Sigma Phi, national professional honorary for women in journalism.

The award was announced at the honorary's Matrix Table, a banquet sponsored annually by the organization.

Miss Stewart's selection was made on the basis of her grades and her work on the campus daily, the Oregon Daily Emerald.

Fossil Junior Rodeo Due This Weekend

Some of the best junior cowhands in the area will perform Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11 at the Fossil Junior Rodeo and presiding over the event will be queen Sandra Eubanks of Ione.

Among the major events scheduled for the two day show are saddle bronc and bareback riding, roping, barrel racing, cow and calf riding and a one-quarter mile race. The event is sponsored by the Fossil Bit and Spur riding club.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE TO MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

An Education Betterment Committee meeting has been called for Friday, May 9 at 8 pm at the Lexington Grange hall. It has been called at the request of county reorganization board chairman Fred Martin to discuss the county unit school system.

The public is invited.

Lutherans Schedule Bible School

Plans for the daily vacation Bible school have been completed by the Sunday school staff of Hope Lutheran church. Mrs Elmer Schmidt, superintendent, announces that school will begin at 9 am May 26 and continue throughout the week.

A complete line of school materials is now available and the daily schedule calls for singing, recreation and games. Classes will last until 11:30.

The teaching staff will include: nursery, Mrs Jayne Payne with Lynn Thomas assistant. Beginners, division A, 4 years old, Mrs Harlan McCurdy Jr, Sandra Harshman, 5 years old, Mrs Keith Imus with Jeanne and Judy Schmidt assistants. Primary, 1st and 2nd grade, May Hartman and Mary Ann Peck; 3rd grade, Mrs Erma Thomas and Mrs Glennis Snyder.

Junior, 4th and 5th grades, Mrs Orval Matheny; 6th and 7th grades, Mrs Al Fetsch and Mrs Mabel Heath.

4-H Scholarships Added to List

Morrow county's 32 delegates to 4-H summer school to be held at the Oregon State college campus June 16 to 22 are assured of scholarships to defray board and room and incidental expenses while attending. Added to those scholarships announced last week are full scholarships from Empire Machinery Company, Mahoney and Abrams, Central Market and Grocery, Inland Chemical, Bank of Eastern Oregon, Humphreys Drug, First National Bank, Heppner Branch, Turner, Van Marter and Bryant, Heppner; Willows Grange, Ione; Herb Ekstrom Hereford Ranch and Central Fertilizer, Ione and two scholarships from Morrow County Grain Growers. Parts of scholarships have been provided by Wilson's Men Wear, Heppner and Lexington P-TA.

4-H boys and girls attending summer school were selected through 4-H and other activities in which they have participated. They must have been at least 13 years of age on January 1 and have successfully completed all projects enrolled in during the past year as well as having completed two years club work. The 32 delegates were selected from over 60 members eligible to attend. Those chosen will provide their own transportation to and from the college with the Morrow county group going by chartered Greyhound bus.

CANDIDATE VISITS

Wiley Smith, Multnomah county assessor and Democratic candidate for governor, visited briefly today in Heppner and talked with voters about his campaign for the nomination. He was accompanied by Mr Roberts.

Mr Smith was on his way to fill speaking engagements in Baker and Pendleton.

FOSSIL JUNIOR RODEO

Starts 2 p.m. Sat. MAY 10-11

Parade Sunday 1 p.m.

Special Flood Alarm Signal in Effect

With the approach of the season when flash floods are a possibility in Heppner, residents are reminded that a special flood warning alarm has been effect for over a year.

The warning, should a flood, or what might be thought to be potential flood, be imminent is three 20 second steady blasts of the fire siren separated by 10 seconds of silence. This warning signal may be repeated if it is thought necessary.

Regular fire alarms or tests are much shorter blasts of the siren and soon the Heppner fire department will be using its new air horns for fire alarms, leaving the siren largely for use as a flood warning or other emergency need.

WEATHERFORD TELLS OF WORLD TRIP

Marion Weatherford of Arlington spoke to the chamber of commerce Monday noon telling of his recently completed round-the-world trip. He told of the many countries visited and stated that the huge refugee problem was the most notable thing seen on the tour. In contrast, he said, it was heartening to visit the United Nations in New York and see the efforts being made to solve world problems.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Friends and members of Valby Lutheran church are invited to a breakfast to be held Sunday, May 11 at the Valby parish hall. A complete country style breakfast is on the menu and the Mission society will start serving at 8 am.

Following the breakfast, confirmation services will be held at 9:30 with Sunday school and an adult class at 10:30.

HEPPNER BAND TO PRESENT SPRING CONCERT

The Heppner school bands and chorus will present their spring concert Tuesday, May 13 at the high school gym. The groups are under the direction of Norman Peters.

SPECIAL SPEAKER DUE

The Rev Burton Bastuscheck, counselor in Town and Country church work at Willamette University, will be the guest speaker at the Methodist church Sunday, May 11 in the observance of Rural Life Sunday and Soil Conservation Week.

CENTENNIAL MEET SET

A meeting of interested city, county and chamber of commerce officials has been called for Friday evening at 8 pm at the Elks lounge. Ted Hallock, state coordinator for the Oregon centennial commission will be present to discuss local planning for the event.

MAKES PERFECT GRADES

Adelia Anderson, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ervin Anderson of Heppner and a senior in education at Oregon State college, was among the very limited number of students there to make a perfect 4.00 grade average during winter term.

UNIT TO MEET

The Heppner Extension unit will meet Tuesday, May 13 at 1:45 at the home of Mrs Douglas Drake. The project lesson is house plants.

CHAPINS IN PORTLAND

Mr and Mrs Ambrose Chapin were in Portland to attend funeral services for Edward Allen Hackett which were held in the Conservatory Chapel of A J Rose and Son on Thursday, Interment was in Willamette National Cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Ruth.

Mr and Mrs Hackett were residents of this area for several years when he was Station Agent for the Union Pacific Railway at Lexington.

Mr Chapin returned to Heppner Thursday while Mrs Chapin proceeded on to Seattle to visit her daughter and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs Clayton Slyter, and to assist with their children while Mrs Slyter has minor surgery.

MOTHER DIES

Mrs Earl Bryant was called to Portland by the death Tuesday of her mother, Mrs A J Estberg. According to word, services will be held there Friday.

RHEA CREEK GRANGE

Rhea Creek Grange will meet Friday, May 9. Potluck will be served at 6:30 pm, with the meeting following. All members are urged to attend.

LEAVES FOR GUAM

Donald Blake, son of Mr and Mrs Earl Blake, left last week after a visit here with his parents. He is to be stationed in Guam with the Naval Air Force.

Mr and Mrs Robert Gemmill and children of Kennewick, Washington, spent the weekend with Mr and Mrs Harry Munkers and visited his daughters, Judy and Robin.

Mrs Leonard Schwarz and Mrs Robert Kelly left Tuesday for a few days in Portland.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Nutting and Dr and Mrs James Norene and daughter, Tracy were in The Dalles Saturday attending the funeral of Oscar Eichinger, father of Mrs Nutting.

Mrs Larry Cook and Mrs Marshall Nelson left the middle of the week to spend several days in Los Angeles with a daughter and son of Mrs Cook.

Dr James Norene was in Oak Tuesday on business.

Mr and Mrs Marshall Nelson and W M Pennington of Baker, visited several days with Mrs Owen Leathers and Mrs Larry Cook and Carl McDaniel. Mr Pennington is an uncle of Mrs Cook and Mrs Leathers and a former resident of Heppner.

J J Nys is in Seattle this week on business.

Dr Robert W Pfeiffer was in Portland last weekend to attend an alumni meeting called to plan the future expansion of Western States College.

Dr Robert W Pfeiffer was interviewed, along with Dr Paul Bray of Pendleton, over the KUMA coffee hour on National Correct Posture Week.

Mr and Mrs A A Johnson of Coos Bay were here on business and visiting friends and relatives Friday and Saturday.

Mrs Robert Kelly and daughters Luanne and Shannon of Everett, Washington are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs Raymond Ferguson.

Mr and Mrs Frank E Parker spent last weekend in Walla Walla where they visited with her sister, Mrs M R Loney and attended the annual play given at the penitentiary.

Mr and Mrs Garnet Barratt left Tuesday for a weeks visit in Salem and the Willamette valley. They will visit with Mr Barratt's mother, Mrs W B Barratt in Salem.

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