

## Friday's Rain Heaviest Here Since June 2

The heaviest rain to fall in Heppner in almost three and one-half months dropped .30 inch of moisture last Friday and was generally welcomed by everybody.

Discounting the drizzle (.01 inch) which fell the day before, Thursday, Sept. 11, Friday's rain was the first measurable sprinkle to be recorded here since July 6 when .05 fell. One one-hundredths of an inch fell on Aug. 9, but this was hardly classified as a genuine rain.

A check of local weather records required going clear back to June 2 to find a heavier fall than the nearly one-third of an inch which settled the dust Friday. On that early June date an even half inch was checked. Later in June, on the 26th, .13 inch came down but it was not nearly equal to last week's amount.

On several days during the past month the local weather station has recorded a trace of rain, but at no time was it sufficient to measure and was hardly noticeable on parched ground.

The rain and generally cooler weather was a welcome relief from the hot weather of July and August which was unbroken even by usually expected thunderstorms. During that period some other sections of the county received rain, but the storms missed Heppner.

Also much happier about the general weather conditions are thousands of hunters who are making plans for the opening of the deer season on Oct. 4. Without a general rain, the opening date was in doubt. Conditions in the mountains are reported as good for considerably more rain has fallen in the higher areas than has been seen here.

## Ullman Speaks at Heppner Meeting

The past week has found Congressman Al Ullman in seven Eastern and Central Oregon counties: Morrow, Umatilla, Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson, Wasco, and Hood River. The 2nd district Congressman, candidate for reelection, has maintained a vigorous pace visiting as many communities as possible on his route.

In Heppner, on September 11, Ullman explained the record of the 85th Congress on farm legislation, blaming Secretary of Agriculture Benson for the failure of a bill pegging support prices at 1957 levels, and for the defeat of the omnibus farm bill which provided several new features in farm legislation. Ullman spoke on his "self-help" farm bill to establish national marketing agreements on a commodity by commodity basis.

On the 12, The Congressman attended the Pendleton Round-Up with Senator Wayne Morse and Governor Holmes. From there he visited the Crook county fair in Prineville and a Democratic dinner at the Tumalo grange hall in Deschutes county.

At the dinner, Ullman spelled out his personal record in the Congress on local, national, and international issues and pledged to continue to support legislation "in public interest."

While in Wasco county, Ullman inspected the Wapinitia Irrigation Project for which funds were voted in the past session of Congress.

## Gilliam County Fair and Rodeo Set For Coming Weekend

Gilliam county residents were scurrying around this week completing arrangements for their fair and rodeo this weekend at Condon. The fair is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday and the rodeo will be held Saturday and Sunday.

Rodeo queen is Miss Rita Rattray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rattray of Condon who is known locally for his part in the Morrow county fair and rodeo in past years. Her princesses are Linda Shaffer and Betsy Beck, both of Condon.

A rodeo dance will be held at the memorial hall Saturday night. The rodeo is conducted under Northwest Rodeo Association rules.

### WEATHER

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| Thursday  | 83 | 45  | —    |
| Friday    | 75 | 50  | .01  |
| Saturday  | 67 | 48  | .30  |
| Sunday    | 69 | 52  | Tr   |
| Monday    | 70 | 53  | —    |
| Tuesday   | 76 | 46  | —    |
| Wednesday | 76 | 45  | Tr   |

Rainfall for the week .31; for September 31; for the year 10.89 inches.

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**BEAR BITES THE DUST**—This big brown bear which weighed 300 pounds dressed out was shot Sept. 6 by Vern Evans, shown with the animal, three miles south of the Raymond French ranch east of Heppner. It is the largest bear reported in this area in some time.

## FINNISH IFYE STUDENT ENJOYING EASTERN OREGON RANCH LIFE

"The Baker's farm in Ione is the biggest farm I've ever been on", comments Marja Virkkala, 29, IFYE exchange student from Finland. "Our 40 acre farm in Finland is about the size of one of their cattle pastures!"

Such is the comparison being made by Miss Virkkala of Rahnakoski Kaustinen, Finland who has been a guest at the E. M. Baker ranch at Ione, since September 3. Marja is in the United States as an International Farm Youth Exchange (IFYE) which is a program directed by the extension department and dedicated to better understanding among the rural people of the world. Under the program, young farm people are exchanged between the United States and over 50 foreign countries, to live and work with farm families learning their hosts' "way of life" by living it. Begun in 1948, the exchange is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year.

"There is much difference between western and eastern Oregon," observes the blond Finnish girl. "In Marion county, where I visited before coming to Morrow county, the land was green and my host family grew much fruit. Here the land is dry and rolling and there is many wheat fields. It is all very surprising!"

Kaustinen, Marja's home, is in central Finland near the western coast. Finland has many lakes and forests. Consequently lumbering is one of the chief industries and farming is done on a small scale—mostly dairy cows (Ayrshire) and raising of vegetables.

Marja is the only girl in a farm family of five which range in ages from herself the eldest, to a young brother of nine. She can read some English and is of the Lutheran faith. She has completed her elementary training in her education and has attended a home economics school.

The Bakers, her host family in Morrow county, have introduced her to many new things. Besides the wheat ranching on their own farm, they have taken her to Ronald Baker's (their son) feed lot at Hermiston where she saw them chopping corn for the several hundreds of cattle he is fattening for market. She also tried her skill in learning to water ski when the Baker's took her to their boat motel at Hat Rock park and saw the famous Pendleton Round-Up and rodeo, giving her a taste of western recreation.

Marja in turn has helped Mrs. Baker with the general house work and has introduced the Baker's to "Pulla"—a Finnish coffee bread.

Several community appearances have been scheduled for the IFYE exchange student. She appeared in her native costume at the Boardman fair on Sept. 12th, and is scheduled to appear before the Soroptimist's club in Heppner today.

An invitation has been issued

to her from the Westerlund family who live northeast of Pendleton to visit them and try their "Finnish Bath" a health practice in which the Finns firmly believe.

"I have visited 13 states already," states Marja proudly, "I have seen so much, and I will have seen so much to tell when I return." The objective of IFYE is fulfilled. Marja is given an opportunity to learn another way of life by living it, and thus understands the problems and attitudes of the people of the United States and in turn gives the people of Morrow county an idea of life of the rural people of Finland.

## Vote Sign-Up Deadline Oct 4

Morrow county clerk Bruce Lindsay today reminded prospective voters that they have only until Saturday, Oct. 4 to register to vote in the November general election.

Persons who voted in the primary or the last general election and have not changed precincts are not required to re-register. New residents or persons who have moved must be properly registered to vote, the clerk stated.

## Grand Jury Returns Three Indictments

A new grand jury was called Sept. 10 by circuit judge William W. Wells and six cases were turned over to the jury for consideration. They returned three true bills and three not-true bills. There were no secret indictments.

The three indictments returned were Roy Ball Jr. and Henry Thomas, both charged with rape; and W. O. George, charged with issuing a check with insufficient funds.

## New 1959 Buick to Be Displayed Friday

The 1959 Buick, the first of the new model cars, will go on public display Friday at Farley Motor Company, Heppner Buick dealer.

The styling of the new model is a radical change from former years and will show a much lower and wider silhouette. The use of chrome has been greatly reduced giving the car a sleek, clean appearance. Many other changes will be noticeable to first-day viewers.

## Teachers Reception Set September 23

An informal teachers reception will be held Tuesday evening, Sept. 23, at 8:00 pm, in the multipurpose room of the grade school.

There will be a brief musical program and introduction of the teachers. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Myrtle Point Man To Become Rector Of Episcopal Church

The vestry of All Saints' Episcopal church this week revealed that The Rev. Bruce Spencer of Myrtle Point, Oregon has accepted an offer to become rector of the Heppner church. He and Mrs. Spencer and their four children plan to move to Heppner about Oct. 10.

Rev. Spencer is a native Oregonian and was a former resident of Lebanon and Salem. He entered the ministry about four years ago.

All Saints' church has been without a rector for nearly six months.

## Wheat Problems To Be Discussed

A meeting of importance to wheat growers will be held Tuesday, Sept. 23 at the Vert Little Theater, Vert memorial in Pendleton under the sponsorship of the field crop committee of the Oregon Farm Bureau. It will start at 10 am.

Speakers will include Warren Collins, assistant director of the commodity division of the American Farm Bureau Federation; H. F. Pringle, crop reporting service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Portland; professor Harold F. Hollands, Oregon State college; and Richard Baum, Oregon Wheat League, Pendleton.

It has been estimated that when the current wheat crop is included that there will be two and one-half years supply for normal domestic and export needs, and this will be one of the subjects to be discussed at the meeting. All phases of the wheat problem will be discussed.

The conference is for information and discussion only—no recommendations or decisions will be made.

## Mayor Tags Deer— William Tell Style

Heppner's mayor, W. C. Collins last weekend joined the ranks of a rather small but elite group of sportsmen. He killed his first deer with a bow and arrow.

Collins bag was a nice three point buck which he killed during a special archery deer hunt on the Malheur game refuge south of Burns.

Three other members of the party, Al Fetsch, Archie Munkers and Bruce Lindsay didn't share the mayor's luck.

### EXAMINER COMING

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner at the court house Tuesday, Sept. 23 from 9:30 to 3:30 pm.

### FIRE DOES NO DAMAGE

Heppner firemen answered a fire call Tuesday afternoon to the home of Mrs. Lucy Wright on south Chase street. An overheated stove caused no damage.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Drake have returned from a trip to Spokane where they visited Mrs. Drake's sister.

Mrs. Floyd Adams and her father, Mr. Robert Clark spent the weekend visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ted Schaffeld, and family in Ontario, Oregon.

## Rebekah District Convention Held At Hardman Lodge

The 37th annual Rebekah convention of district No. 20 was held in the IOOF hall in Hardman with Mistletoe lodge No. 25 hostess to San Souci No. 33 of Heppner, Holly No. 139 of Lexington, and Bunchgrass No. 91 of Ione.

Mrs. Edna Oster of Marquam, president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon made her official visit. Mrs. Emma White of Mistletoe lodge was chairman of the convention, with 72 members present, two of these being 50 year members, Mrs. Annie Keene of Holly and Mrs. Della Corson of Bunchgrass.

The session began at 9:30 with registration, followed by a very interesting morning program which included a short history of each lodge and an account of the origin of each name.

A "teen-age" luncheon was served by the hostess lodge.

A new feature was added to the usual afternoon program, this being "work shops" on the following subjects: publicity, good of the order, ways and means and officers training.

New officers elected and appointed for 1959 convention to be held in Ione were Gladys Drake, Bunchgrass, chairman; Altha Kirk, San Souci, vice chairman; Edith Matthews, Bunchgrass, secretary; Vern Baty, Mistletoe, treasurer; Mary Swanson, Bunchgrass, right support to chairman; Margaret Nichols, Holly, left support to chairman; Edna Fetsch, San Souci, warden; Lee Wagenblast, Holly, conductor; Elaine Rietmann, Bunchgrass, chaplain; Vida Helker, Bunchgrass, right support to vice chairman; Esther Bergstrom, San Souci, left support to vice chairman; Dolly Fraters, Mistletoe, inside guardian; Hazel Bauman, San Souci, outside guardian; Lennie Lowden, San Souci, musician; Emma White, Mistletoe, junior past chairman.

A planned potluck dinner was served at 6 pm after which Mistletoe lodge held a special meeting for the president's visit.

## Hardman Cemetery Meeting Called

A business meeting of all persons interested in the cleaning and repairing of the Hardman IOOF cemetery has been called for Sunday, Sept. 28. It will start with a potluck dinner at noon at the IOOF hall, it was announced this week by representatives of the Mistletoe Rebekah lodge.

The meeting is important for the many families concerned as financial support must be established at that time, it was stated.

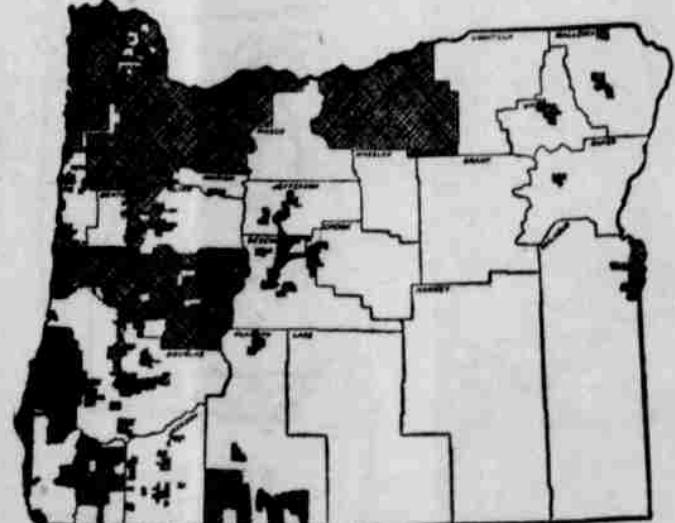
## Heart Attack Takes Charles J. Holmes

A heart attack claimed the life of Charles J. Holmes, 69, Wednesday afternoon while he was watching the Ross Logging Company operations on Arbuckle ridge. He was the father of Mrs. Ross.

Little information is available on Mr. Holmes, however he had lived in the Monument area for many years.

The body was taken to Salem by Creswick Mortuary where funeral arrangements are pending.

### Livestock Districts in Oregon



THE SHADED AREAS on this map represent in a general way the areas in Oregon where livestock cannot legally run at large. Boundaries of all livestock districts in the state were determined in a series of hearings recently concluded by the state department of agriculture. Information on all the livestock districts in Oregon is now available from the central depository at the department's headquarters in Salem.

## Mustangs Nip Wallowa 19-6 In Grid Opener

By NEAL PENLAND

The Heppner High Mustangs opened their season last Friday night by walloping the Wallowa Cougars by a score of 19 to 6.

The Mustangs first tally came in the opening period after a quick kick that went to the 25 yard line. The next play the Cougars fumbled and Heppner recovered. In a series of fast plays, Tom Driscoll went over on a sneak. In the second period Heppner again went over the line for six points when Dick Ruhl took a pass from Driscoll at the five and drove across. The extra point was added by way of a Driscoll to Ruhl pass. At the end of the half the score stood 13 to 0 for the Mustangs.

Heppner succeeded again in the third period on a 60 yard drive which came to a halt on the Wallowa 20. Driscoll then stepped back and flipped a pass to Flug in the end zone for the Mustang's final tally.

Wallowa went over late in the fourth period when Collins scampered 50 yards for their only touchdown. They failed to make their extra point.

The Mustangs gained a total of 250 yards on plays, but were topped by the Cougars who gained 270. Top yardage gainer for Heppner was Ruhl with 70 for an average of 6.4 yards per carry. Larry Collins was top yardage gainer for Wallowa with 94 yards.

## Kindergarten Sets Two Classes Daily

Heppner Civic League met in the home of Mrs. Gordon Pratt, Monday evening, with 31 members attending.

It was decided that due to the many children that are now attending the kindergarten that there would be two classes each morning. The first will be from 8:30 A.M. to 10:15, and the second class will be from 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Mrs. Roy Tabor will continue teaching both classes. For the present the fee will remain the same.

The new chairman for the rummage sale is Mrs. Bill Glennie, and her co-chairman is Mrs. Kemp Dick. Date for the rummage sale is pending.

## Crowd Watches Boardman Parade

By MARY LEE MARLOW

The crowd that gathered to watch the parade Saturday morning on the last day of the North Morrow county fair had sunny skies and warmer weather than the day before when wind and rain sent the crowd at the fair grounds under cover about 3 pm. The parade started at the school house and wound through town, ending up at the fair grounds. Prizes were given for the best floats, and first prize was awarded to the Good Shepherd Lutheran church, whose theme was "Beneath the Cross of Jesus." Second prize went to the 4-H club, with "Future Champions" as their theme. Greenfield Grange of Boardman won third prize, with "Back to the Farm." Judges for the parade were Lee Connor and Buster Clough of Arlington, and Wesley Hamilton of Irrigon. Dewey West was master of ceremonies.

Richard Watts won the grand championship for showmanship in Friday's judging of 4-H livestock. He showed a Hereford steer calf. Irene Potts won a blue ribbon, showing a Hereford heifer, and was second in showmanship in senior beef. In the senior dairy class Irene Potts was first, Chloe McQuaw, second; Patti Partlow, third. Junior dairy Anna Mae McQuaw, first; Jimmy Partlow, second. Guernseys, Jimmy Partlow, first, showing a heifer; Anna Mae McQuaw, first and grand champion, showing a heifer one year, but under two. Milking shorthorns, Patti Partlow, first and grand champion, showing heifer one year, but under two; Toni Taylor, second, heifer one year but under two. Holsteins, Irene Potts, first and grand champion heifer calved in 1958; Roy Obermeier, second. Jersey class, Chloe McQuaw, first, one year but under two. All the above winners were from Boardman.

4-H saddle horse winners, all from Irrigon were: horsemanship—John Lathrop, first; Cheryl Witherspoon, second; Terry Witherspoon, third. Under halter—Cheryl Witherspoon, first; Terry Witherspoon, second; John Lathrop, third.

4-H Electricity winners were: Electricity I, Ray Baker, red ribbon; Alan Moore, blue. Electricity II, blue ribbons went to Ted Hoffman, Jim Hoffman, Roger Zivney and Dick Skoubo, and Max Moore won a white ribbon. All are from Boardman.

for an average of 10.3. Mahoney led the Mustangs in tackling points. Heppner made seven first downs, but in this department also, Wallowa led with 8.

The game was marked by only three minor injuries.

Heppner will again play before home town crowds this Friday night when they take on the Condon eleven. The Mustangs are rated to win the tussle, but Condon is reported to have shown marked improvement since last year.

Game time is 8 pm.

## Deadline Nearing For Conservation Reserve Signup

At a meeting last week of the Morrow county ASC committee applications from ranchers who have offered land for the conservation reserve program were reviewed.

Applications received so far are in most cases for the maximum \$5,000 farm payment. Since conservation reserve payments vary from farm to farm depending on the production ability, most of the farmers have filed a request for a rate for their particular farm to determine whether they wish to sign up land. The deadline for making this request is October 3.

The date for signing applications for putting land in the conservation reserve is October 17.

In considering whether to sign up for the conservation reserve, wheat farmers are urged by county agent N. C. Anderson to keep in mind that surpluses continue to build up. The 1958 wheat harvest in the nation added up to over half again as much as last year's harvest and 30 percent above the average for the past 10 years. This production will add another one and one-half billion bushels to the rapidly mounting surplus. Many ranchers and economists believe that the surplus situation will get worse before it gets better.

In facing the surplus facts and thinking of help to relieve the situation, Anderson posed the following questions which he felt might aid a farmer in determining whether he will put land in the conservation reserve of the soil bank:

1-Are there debts or bills for which guaranteed income is needed? 2-Could you give up part of your land without seriously upsetting the farm business? 3-Would your cost be reduced a great deal if you grew fewer acres of crops? 4-Do you have some crop acres that are poor yielders and need a rest? 5-Are crop failures common in your area or your system of farming? 6-Are you in need of hired help that you cannot find? 7-Do you need, because of age or health, to reduce farming operations? 8-Would you like to quit farming and continue to own your farm and live on it?

The county agent said the more of the questions that were answered with a "yes" the more likely a farmer will be interested in the conservation reserve program.

Complete information is available at the ASC office in the First National Bank building.

## County Included In Council Area For Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts of America are organizing a new council in northern Oregon to extend benefits of Girl Scouting to a large number of girls to whom it is not presently available.

Girls from seven counties, Gilliam, Hood River, Jefferson, Morrow, Sherman, Wasco, and Wheeler, will be offered the opportunity to participate in the Girl Scout movement by the Chinook council development committee, which is a volunteer organization.

The Dalles is presently organized as a council, and there are "lone troops" in Maupin, Wasco, and Condon. There has been no opportunity up to the present for girls from the remaining area to participate in scouting.

The objective of the Chinook Girl Scout development committee is to introduce girls from these counties to a good scouting program.

### VISITS FROM DELAKE

O. G. Crawford, former publisher of the Gazette-Times who is now a resident of Delake, was visiting relatives and friends in Heppner early this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cohn and their daughter, Miss Sally Cohn were in Portland last week for a few days.