

Special Election Set For Heppner Water Bond Issue

Heppner voters will go to the polls Tuesday, Feb 10 to decide on the question of a proposed \$160,000 bond issue to complete the replacement of six miles of the city's water feeder line. The council approved the resolution calling for the charter amendment election at a special meeting Monday night.

In setting the bond figure at \$160,000, the council took the engineer's estimate of the cost of replacing the six miles of old concrete line with new steel pipe and a new 12-inch tie line to the old reservoir, though all members expressed the belief that the entire job could be done at a considerably smaller figure.

During the discussion of the project at the Monday night meeting, it was tentatively agreed by all members that asphalt dipped and wrapped pipe would be used for the line rather than the engineer's suggested coal tar enamelled pipe. The city has been using dipped and wrapped pipe in its water system for many years with satisfactory results and the expected savings with this type of pipe could run between \$20,000 and \$25,000 under the engineer's figure.

The new line would be laid along side the right of way of the new Willow creek road and if possible the city crew may be used to do the laying at an additional savings under the estimate.

The council emphasized that in asking for the \$160,000 bond issue, they are taking the maximum figure offered, but stressed that should the city receive favorable bids on pipe, laying, etc., only enough bonds would be sold to cover the needs. The group expressed the belief that the job could be completed for \$130,000 or even less, possibly as low as \$110,000.

If the bond issue is approved by the voters, the project would complete the entire 13 miles of pipe line from the city's upper wells at the forks of Willow creek to the city. Several years ago three miles of the lower end of the line was replaced, and two years ago another two miles was installed near the upper end of the line. Piecemeal replacement of the line out of regular budget funds was made impossible by the fact that most of the line had to be relocated along the road. At the present time the old line runs through fields and up and down hills.

The old line has so many leaks that it is picking up contamination along the route with the result that the state board of health recently required the city to chlorinate the water.

The special election will be held from 8 a m to 5 p m Tuesday, Feb 10 at the city hall. A complete legal notice of the election appears on page 7 of today's paper.

MRS JOHN GRAVES RECEIVES STATE 4-H ALUMNI AWARD AT BANQUET



TOP 4-H ALUMNI—Mrs John Graves of Hardman receives her 4-H Alumni plaque from N C Anderson, county agent. She is one of four persons in the state to be so honored. The award was presented at the recent 4-H leaders banquet.

"I guess you can say, I've got a good case of '4-H-itis', is the way Mrs John Graves, Hardman, put it when she was presented with the state 4-H alumni award at the Morrow county leaders banquet in Heppner on January 7.

Mrs Graves, the former Doris Wilcox, was one of four individuals in the state to receive a burnished copper alumni recognition plaque honoring former 4-H members whose accomplishments exemplify leadership, public service, service to 4-H club work, and success in their chosen careers.

The red-headed, Mrs Graves began her 4-H work in Klamath county later moving back to Morrow county, her birthplace. Major 4-H projects carried during her 11 years of club work were dairy and swine. The Jersey calf projects of Doris and her brother and sister were the foundation for a registered herd and an outstanding dairy operated by her father. This same herd later enabled she and Mr Graves to get started in farming.

Some of the most exciting memories of 4-H, Doris recalls were attending one of the earliest 4-H summer schools held on the Oregon State College campus in Corvallis and the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in Portland. She attended this stock

show in the late twenties as a member of the winning livestock team of the Morrow county fair. Twenty-four years later her son, Deane, was a member of the winning livestock judging team at Pacific International.

Doris and John Graves were married in 1928 and raised four children to be staunch 4-H backers, each completing 10 years of club work. Her children include, Mrs Howard Pettyjohn and Deane Graves, Heppner; Mrs Louis Carlson, Ione; and Mrs Walter Hill of Pendleton. John and Doris began the first county-wide 4-H livestock club in Morrow county. Since that time they have made available to 4-H members quality livestock, from their own herd, for breeding and fat steer projects. These animals are sold at market price, many times they have even financed the 4-H youngsters in their purchase.

Biggest contributions of this alumni award winner is the soliciting of 4-H members and finding leaders for clubs in the communities where she has lived. The organization of the county leaders association and the 4-H fair in connection with the Morrow county rodeo are credited largely to her efforts. The first county achievement recognition program in the county was held

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Mrs Lennie Loudon Claimed by Death; Services Held Today

Mrs Lennie Loudon, 72, passed away, January 19 at Pioneer Memorial hospital where she had been confined for over two months.

Lennie Myrtle Loudon was born November 21, 1886 at Lone-rock, the daughter of William and Mary Ann Brown. She lived in Heppner for 13 years where she was an active member of the Christian church and the Rebekah lodge.

Services were held today (Thursday) at 2 o'clock at the Heppner Christian church with the Rev Charles Knox officiating.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs Sophronia Thompson, Heppner; and Mrs Dora Reed of Spray; one brother, Scott Brown of Portland and several nieces and nephews. Six brothers and sisters preceded her in death.

Burial was in Heppner Masonic cemetery with Creswick Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Bennie M Vinson Dies January 20; Rites Here Friday

Funeral services for Bennie Marion Vinson, 60, will be held Friday at 2:00 p m at the Creswick Mortuary chapel with the Rev Willis Geyer officiating. He died January 20 at a LaGrande hospital following an illness of many years. He had suffered from Parkinson's disease since he was a relatively young man.

Mr Vinson was born December 27, 1898 near Heppner and had lived most of his life in this vicinity. He had been confined to Pioneer Memorial hospital until about three years ago when he went to Hot Lake, near La Grande for treatment.

He is survived by one daughter, Pearl Langfellow, Mt Vernon, Wash; three sisters, Emma White, Heppner; Elba Breeding, Stanfield; Flossie Breeding, Grants Pass; five brothers, Hiram, Darrell and Delbert, all of Heppner; L D of Kimberly; and Lee of Walnut Creek, Calif.

Interment was in Heppner Masonic cemetery with Creswick Mortuary in charge.

Poll Being Taken Locally on School Consolidation Idea

In an effort to determine the opinion of residents of the Heppner, Lexington and Ione school districts on the possible consolidation of all three high schools into a single school, the Lexington P-TA this week sent questionnaires asking for a vote on the question.

Those receiving the questionnaire are asked to vote "yes" or "no" on the question of whether they would favor the consolidation of all three schools.

The questionnaire states that the vote is being taken at the request of the county unit school board and the school reorganization committee and the results may be used to guide future decisions.

DIVORCE GRANTED

Circuit judge William W Wells Monday granted a divorce to Gertrude Obershaw from Glen Obershaw and approved the return of the plaintiff's maiden name of Dewey.

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Bank of EO Requests Branch at Ione

Application Made To State; New Directors Named

Directors of the Bank of Eastern Oregon last week made formal application for permission to establish a branch of the bank at Ione. The application was made to J F M Slade, state superintendent of banks. If granted, the Ione bank would be the organization's third banking facility for it now has headquarters at Arlington and a branch at Heppner.

The request was approved by the bank's directors at a meeting Thursday night in Arlington which followed a stockholders annual meeting there at which holders of 1030 of the bank's 1200 shares of stock were represented.

Directors reelected for the coming year were Marion T Weatherford, Earl P Hoag, D L Lemon, John W Krebs, Arthur A Allen, Garland Swanson, Howard Bryant and L C Buchner. R B Ferguson of Heppner was elected to replace Frank Anderson who resigned due to pressure of personal affairs.

The directors reelected all officers including Marion T Weatherford, president; Earl P Hoag, vice president; Gene Pierce, manager of the Heppner branch; Wm F Siewert, assistant manager of the Heppner branch; James F Green, assistant cashier; and L C Buchner, vice president and cashier.

At the stockholders meeting, president Weatherford complimented the employees for their work and expressed for the directors their appreciation for the support given the bank in the past year which had resulted in increased business in all departments of the bank's two offices. The director's report, given by Mr Buchner showed that deposits had increased nearly 30 percent during the year and the number of depositors by more than 50 percent. Total debits, a measure of business activity, reached \$20,612,000. Earnings were such that a dividend was paid and \$18,200 added to undivided profits. It was pointed out that close to 80 percent of the gross earnings remained in the communities served in the form of salaries, interest on time deposits, dividends, donations, taxes, etc.

Farm Bureau To Seek Membership

A kickoff breakfast for the membership drive of the Morrow County Farm Bureau was held Monday morning at the Ione Legion hall. Herman Blettell is county organization director.

Allen Tom, Rufus, former state representative, addressed the group on some of the farm problems and stressed the need for improving public relations. He said the farmer has a story to present to the public and if this story isn't properly presented, laws unfavorable to them will be passed, as laws are merely an expression of public opinion.

He also stressed the importance of agriculture in the present economy and pointed out that 50 percent of the labor force is involved in raising, processing, marketing or transporting farm products. He said it is important that farmers cooperate with the public, labor and business.

The Morrow County Farm Bureau is striving to increase its membership and during 1958 will concentrate on legislative matters and improved public relations.

Wilson to Instruct Photography Class

The Heppner P-TA sponsored photography study group announced that Tom Wilson has been obtained as instructor. This group has 20 members signed up to date and classes will begin Wednesday, Feb 4. Anyone interested may contact Mrs Vic Kreimeyer or Mrs Harlan McCurdy.

The P-TA math class has held two meetings with 22 students attending.



CATTLEMAN OF THE YEAR award is being presented to Mr and Mrs Alec Lindsay, right, of North Lexington, by Bill Barrett, past president of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association. The announcement and presentation was made at the association's annual banquet here Saturday night. (Wilson photo)

Alec Lindsay Wins 'Cattleman' Award

Alec Lindsay, operator of a 23,000 acre cattle and wheat ranch in the North Lexington area, was named Morrow county Cattleman of the Year and presented with his award Saturday night at the annual banquet of the Morrow county Livestock Growers Association at the fair pavilion in Heppner.

Lindsay was born, raised and worked his entire life on a cattle and sheep ranch. He was born in the Alpine area and attended the Alpine school. He and his wife Rosella, and their son, Larry, who will graduate from the University of Portland this spring, operate their ranch as a family partnership. It consists of 19,000 acres of range, 300 acres of hay land and 3800 acres crop land. The Lindsay breeding herd consists of 185 cows and 65 heifers.

Lindsay began operation of the home ranch in 1941 and he was selected for the Cattleman award because of his excellent farm management practices, and numerous improvements made over the years. Range improvements have been extensive with additional acres being reseeded to improved grasses and legumes each year. To date 1000 acres have been reseeded and to do this \$800 acres of sagebrush has been cleared. Fences are kept in good repair and ranches divide range areas to provide boundary fences. An extensive weed control program is continually carried on.

Lindsay provides 1200 pounds of hay for each wintering cow, most of it being grain hay baled on the ranch.

The cattle operation is a cow and calf operation. Calves are weaned and kept to be sold as yearlings and two year olds. 230 were branded in 1958. A careful herd selection program is carried on and "tail-end" heifers are sold. Approximately 110 steers are put in a commercial feed lot for finishing. Through the use of good bulls and breeding cow herd calves has been increased over 30 pounds during the past five years.

In addition to his farming work, Mr Lindsay has been active in community activities. He is president of the Morrow County Grain Growers, director of the Pendleton National Farm Loan association and the North Pacific Grain Growers. He is a director of the Morrow grazing association and sub-committee chairman of the livestock committee of the 1958 planning conference.

He is a member of the county Livestock Growers and the Oregon Cattleman's association. He is always interested in 4-H and has provided steer calves for 4-H feeding projects.

Lindsay has always been interested in ranch improvements and has cooperated in testing the feeding and growing of various types of grazing type alfalfa.

No announcement of the Lindsay's award was made until time for the presentation Saturday night.

Humphreys Drug Sale Announced

Humphreys Drug Company, one of Heppner's oldest business establishments, was sold recently by Miss Leta Humphreys. The new owners are, Mr and Mrs Rod Murray who have been employed in the store for one and one-half years.

Mr and Mrs Murray came here in 1957 where he represented Merck, Sharpe & Dohme, a pharmaceutical supply firm. He is a registered pharmacist and a graduate of Oregon State College. The Humphreys Drug Company was established by Miss Leta Humphreys' father, T J Humphreys who came to Heppner in 1898 to work for Ed Slocum as a pharmacist. Within a year he became partners with Slocum, Conser and Ayers and the store was moved from near Main and May streets to Main and Center. In 1902, Mr Humphreys bought out the partners and in 1918 moved the store to its present location.

Miss Humphreys worked in the store since 1932 and operated it following the death of her father in 1947. A year later she bought out the heirs and since has operated it as her own business. The former owner plans to remain in Heppner for the rest of this year and then plans to travel some.

Murray's announce plans to retain the Humphreys name for the store.

Mothers' March Set January 30 For Polio Drive

Mrs Elmer Schmidt, will head the 1958 Mother's March for the March of Dimes, John Hartman, Heppner March of Dimes campaign director, announced today.

As head of the now-famous house-to-house visits, the chairman will be responsible for planning and organizing the community-wide event that has become the traditional climax to the January campaign. It will be held on the evening of Jan 30.

"Our Mothers' March, aimed at the four target areas of the National Foundation's expanded program, must be bigger and more vigorous than ever before," the chairman said. "We must assure early development of patient care programs for children suffering from arthritis and birth defects (congenital malformations), keep faith with disabled polio patients and speed research to prevent these and other afflictions. No longer marching on polio alone, we hope to mobilize many more women. For women are concerned with the healthy growth of children and the building of a stronger America.

During the intensive hour-long Mothers' March here, home owners will be asked to signify their desire to contribute to the March of Dimes by turning on their porchlights or by leaving a lighted candle or lamp in a front window.

Imus Names C of C Committee Heads

Chamber of Commerce president Keith Imus Monday announced the names of new chairmen for the most of the chamber's committees.

Dr C M Wagner will head the program committee for the year; Elmer Schmidt, special activities; John Hartman, youth activities; Glen Ward, recreation and wildlife; Nels Anderson, agriculture and resources; L E Dick Jr, streets and highways; Robert Penland, public relations; Rod Murray, membership; and Robert Abrams, legislation and government.

The chairman of the important merchants committee will be named later.

Monday's program included pictures taken by Tom Wilson on his recent European trip.

"Drink Up, Boys," All Coffee Money to Benefit Dimes Drive

Drink coffee Saturday and help the March of Dimes, is the idea of a special March of Dimes benefit "coffee day" sponsored by Mr and Mrs Winn Crist, owners of Winn-Dee's Snack Shack, formerly Kay's fountain lunch.

Crist announced this week that next Saturday, Jan 24 the proceeds from all coffee sold during the day will go to the March of Dimes. No dimes will be collected, but drive containers will be available for the donations in place of the regular charge.

Stockmen Make Legislative Suggestions

From the opening Bull Day program through the concluding banquet Morrow County Livestock Growers participated strongly in the many events of their 10th annual meeting held here Friday and Saturday.

Important resolutions approved during the meetings were several calling for legislative action to set aside the livestock district of Morrow county making it an open range; that there be no further homesteading allowed on Taylor grazing lands; that business houses be taxed on average monthly inventory rather than annual; that if necessary for additional state funds,

association and the incorporation will call for a board of directors of 11 livestock men. Among the many committee reports given were the corral committee which stated there is now an investment of \$6,675.52 in corrals, scales, chutes, and other facilities at the fair grounds and that during last year, 47 growers handled 2,354 head of stock through the facilities.

It was asked that cattlemen continue the use of the systematic treatment for cattle grub and asked for an immediate appraisal of the mouse infestation in the county. Approval was also

given to the two-trapper predator program.

Support was given for three bills now before the legislature: calling for the Fish and Wildlife service to use predator control appropriations for rodent control; asking for a \$52,000 budget from the state to carry on cooperative programs with county and federal funds, and a state law to protect trappers from theft of traps, equipment etc, and repeal of laws providing state bounties.

It was reported that Morrow county has qualified for recertification of its modified certified

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WEATHER

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Thursday	42	29	—
Friday	42	32	.22
Saturday	57	31	—
Sunday	44	32	.01
Monday	47	30	—
Tuesday	43	32	.Tr
Wednesday	33	22	.05

Moisture for the week .28 (1 inch snow), for January and the year 1.25 inches.