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Saturday Kickoff Dance To Open Fair and Rodeo Program

Saturday night at 10 o'clock marks the start of a six-week period of events leading up to the annual Morrow County Fair and Rodeo. It's the date of the Kickoff Dance.

Queen Sharon Cutsforth of Ione and her royal court of princesses, Janice Martin of Lena;

Judy Cochell of Lexington; Joan Moe of Rhea Creek and Susan Partlow of Boardman will be the center of attraction and it will be their first local public appearance since their selection.

Providing the music for the dance, which always proves to be one of the most popular of the entire season, will be Johnny K's orchestra of Pasco, which will also provide the music at some of the other upcoming dances.

Next week, July 18, the Boardman princess Susan will be honored at her own princess dance,

and on following Saturday nights each member of the court will be honored at her own dance. The Lexington dance will be held July 25, Rhea Creek on August 1, Lena on August 8 and the queen's dance on August 15. There will be one rodeo dance on the night of August 29.

The Kickoff Dance will be held at the fair pavilion in Heppner with dancing scheduled from 10 until 2. Admission will be \$1.50 per person, dance committee chairman, Al Fetsch announced this week.

New Building For Church Tops City Building Permits

The largest building permit to be issued this year in Heppner for the construction of a \$55,000 parish hall for St. Patrick's Catholic church, was approved Monday night by the city council.

The new building will face on Jones street through the block from the church. The building will be of brick veneer construction and will be 85 by 78 feet in size. It will house an auditorium, six class rooms, a kitchen and a stage.

The church has purchased two houses now on the property, one will be torn down and the other probably moved to a new location. The two houses belonged to John Williams and Mrs. Minnie Furlong.

Riverman and Sons of Portland have been awarded the contract for the construction of the new building and work is to start the first week in August. It is hoped to have it ready for use by December. Paul Koenig is chairman of the building committee.

In addition to the church the council approved seven other permits for new construction and remodeling totaling \$88,287, the greatest amount of permits to be issued this year in Heppner.

The other permits were to J G Barratt, new residence on N Gilmore street, \$17,500; Arnold Melby, new residence, 340 Union Ave, \$11,000; W A Blake, remodeling \$3,000; Mrs Harry Duvall, sidewalk, \$387; Marion Hayden, remodeling \$300; Mrs Martha Van Schoiaek, remodeling \$800; Creston Robinson, remodeling \$300.

In other business the council approved a card room license for the Wagon Wheel, ordered a call for bids on a new city police car and a new deep well pump for the water system; and approved an agreement with the city-county museum commission for operation of the new museum and library.

Also approved was a request for \$300 for the fire department which is to be used to equip a new jeep fire truck. The department itself purchased the truck which will be put into operation shortly.

July 4 Accident Injures One Youth

Howard Poulson, 17, of Umatilla was taken to Pioneer Memorial hospital early July 4 for treatment following injuries received when his car overturned on the Gooseberry road just west of Ione. The accident happened about 1 a. m.

Poulson was driver of the car and he had as passengers, Wayne Hams and John Akers of Ione. Poulson suffered minor fractures of the back and head lacerations. Hams and Akers were unhurt.

A complaint has been filed by the state police charging Poulson with violation of the basic rule.

Republican Head to Speak Tonight

Peter M Gunner, Republican state chairman, will speak at a meeting of Morrow county Republicans tonight (Thursday) at 7 p m at Stefani's in Ione. It will be a no host dinner.

Gunner will speak briefly on the party program, the Republican workshop and the finance program.

PICNIC PLANNED

An Oddfellow and Rebekah potluck picnic will be held Sunday, July 12 at Cutsforth Park starting at 11 a. m.

HIGHWAY COMMISSION HEARS ROAD IMPROVEMENT REQUEST

Five persons from the county attended a hearing before the state highway commission last Friday in Portland and obtained a promise of future consideration for a major highway development program in Morrow county.

The group consisting of county judge Oscar E Peterson, Gene Pierce, Ken Keeling, Garland Swanson and Dick Wilkinson, asked the commission to give consideration to the much talked Morgan-Arlington cutoff and also the construction of an im-

proved tie-in highway east from Heppner to Ukiah on highway 395. This road would give a direct tie with the recently improved highway from Ukiah to La-Grande. The proposed highway would follow the upper Willow creek road, up Shaw creek grade and roughly follow the present forest road into Ukiah.

Judge Peterson said this week that the entire group was well pleased with the reception given the request by commission members, and that they were told that the \$4,000,000 project would be given serious study for inclusion in the commission's next 5-year program.

The Morgan cutoff would considerably shorten the distance to Arlington and would eliminate much crooked road between Morgan and Heppner Junction.

Bombing Range Release Sought

A meeting to develop a master plan of development for the Boardman bombing range will be held July 27 at the court house. It was announced today by county judge Oscar Peterson.

The main purpose of the meeting, which is open to the public and will include members of the county court and the Morrow county port district, is to set up a plan showing the necessity of getting the bombing range released by the government.

Forrest E Cooper, attorney for the Association of Oregon Counties will be present to assist.

Summer Boy Scout Program Outlined

The Boy Scout committee for the Heppner area met Monday night at 8:30 p m in the Methodist church. The committee met for their regular monthly meeting for the purpose of completing the summer schedule for the boys. Plans have been made to locate permanent campsites which the boys can use for different phases in their advancement. It is hoped that these campsites can be located and prepared for use by the boys in the warm weather which is yet to come.

It has also been asked that a board of review and a Court of Honor be given in Heppner. For those who may not understand or are not familiar with this sort of thing, a Court of Honor is given for the benefit of the boys in advancing in rank. They are recognized for their achievements and presented with merit badges or are advanced to a higher rating.

A special meeting is set for next Monday to determine the exact date for the Court of Honor. Clint McQuarrie is in charge of this part of the program.

Members of the committee are: James Angell, chairman; John Pfeiffer, secretary; Clint McQuarrie, Tim Moore, advancement; Bud Peck, C A Warren, transportation; Arnold Raymond, public relations; Bill Turner, camping activities; Bob Abrams, Harold Laird, equipment.

Avery Taylor, who is Scout Master in the Heppner area is planning a wonderful program for the summer and urges all boys who are 11 years of age and older to get in touch with him.

WEATHER

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	88	53	—
Friday	74	47	—
Saturday	70	47	—
Sunday	78	46	—
Monday	71	42	.01
Tuesday	70	48	.10
Wednesday	69	42	—

Rainfall for the week, .11; for the year 7.62 inches.

Fire Restrictions Now In Effect in National Forests

All areas in Oregon and Washington protected by the Umatilla National Forest from fire are closed to unregulated use because of the fire danger, on and after July 1 and until and including the 31st day of October, according to forest supervisor Charles Rector.

Smoking is prohibited while traveling in timber, brush, or grass areas except in vehicles on roads.

Campfire permits are not required on the Umatilla National Forest but it is a requirement that campfires be built in a safe place, cleared of inflammable materials to mineral earth, and that they be completely extinguished before being left even for a short while. Campers are required to have a shovel, axe and water bucket in their possession. All persons using the forests are urged to use extreme care with their smoking and campfires. The woods are drying out rapidly and fires will spread readily in all but the highest elevations.

Fire Dept Adding Grass Fire Truck

A new small fire truck is now under construction and will soon be put into use by the Heppner fire department. The new rig, a four-wheel drive jeep pickup, is designed primarily for fighting grass and field fires, and will be used both within the city and in the newly-formed Heppner rural fire district.

The new addition to the department came about as a result of a combination of efforts and funds. The fire department, with its own money, purchased the truck and the city agreed to provide up to \$300 to buy a tank, pump and hose. The truck is not designed to fight major building fires, though it will prove valuable in such cases where used in conjunction with other city equipment. It is hoped to have the truck ready for operation within a few days.

The decision to build the truck came about because of a ruling that the recently formed Heppner rural fire district will be unable to get a tax levy on the 1959-60 tax rolls thereby depriving the district, and the city, of any money with which to buy a larger truck designed for fighting rural fires. The city had agreed to provide what fire protection it could to the rural area pending acceptance of a budget by the rural district, but because of the delay, no money will be available for at least another year. The law requires that the district vote on a new tax base at a general or primary election and the earliest possible date will be May 1960.

In the meantime fire calls from the Heppner rural district will be handled by the Heppner fire department with such equipment as can be made available.

Mr and Mrs C H Perrott and daughters, Leslie and Susan, of Portland were weekend visitors at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs Lester Doolittle.

Supplemental Levy For Schools to Be Voted Saturday

Voters of Morrow county will go back to the polls again Saturday from 2 until 8 p m to vote on a supplemental school levy of \$24,950. Balloting will be held in the school houses in each of the county precincts.

The purpose of the supplemental levy is to provide funds for the continued operation of the Hardman grade school, the upper four grades in the Lexington grade school and the seventh and eighth grades in the Boardman grade school.

Following the defeat of the first budget presented by the school board, a reduction of approximately \$24,950 was made in the budget and it was resubmitted to the voters. This budget was approved about two weeks ago, but at hearings many complaints were heard from residents in the areas whose schools were being effected by the cuts. As a result the board agreed to submit the special supplemental one year levy to the people. If it is approved Saturday, the operation of the county's grade schools will remain approximately as had been originally planned and as they were this past year.

Voting will be held in the same locations as at the two previous regular budget elections with all four Heppner precincts voting in the grade school multipurpose room.

Ira Lewis, 92, Passes Away July 5

Funeral services were held at 2 p m Wednesday at the Lexington Christian church for Ira Lewis, 92, who passed away July 5 at Pioneer Memorial hospital. The Rev Walter Smith officiated at the final rites.

Mr Lewis was born Feb 18, 1867 in Iowa and had lived in the Lexington community for 47 years. He was married to Mrs Palmer in 1916 and she died in 1936. He was a member of the Congregational church.

He is survived by four stepdaughters, Geatta Cox, Heppner; Edna Munkers, Elsie Beach, Lexington; and Grace Freize, Draining. A step-son, Lawrence Palmer, passed away in May. He also leaves several step-grandchildren.

Interment was in the Lexington cemetery with Creswick Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

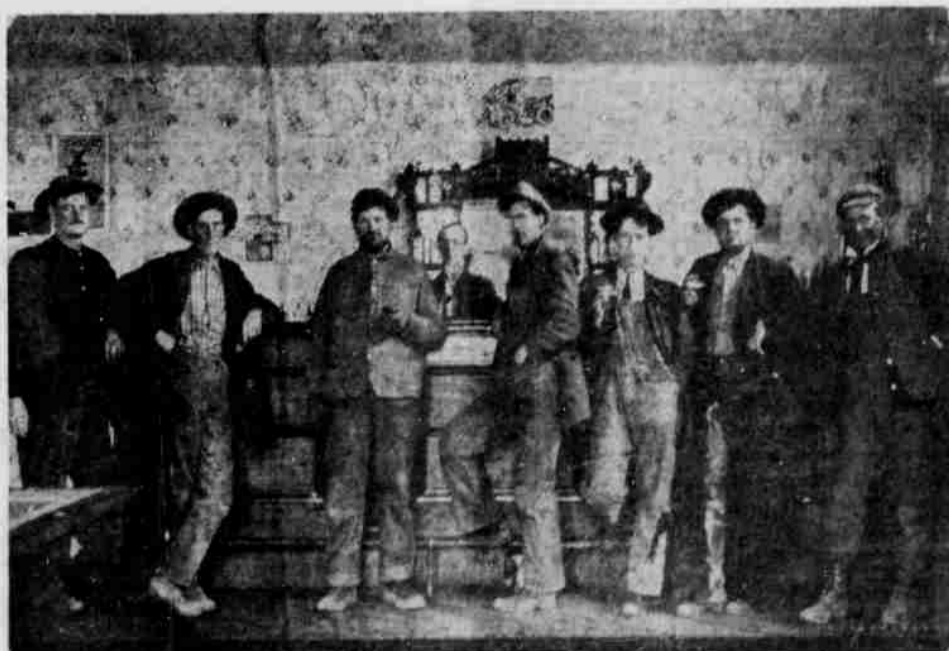
Another Adult Swimming Class Due

Another adult beginners swimming class will start Tuesday, July 14 at 7:30 p m It was announced today by Mrs Tom Hughes, instructor at the Heppner pool.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend and they are asked to register before Tuesday evening if at all possible. There is a \$1.00 registration fee.

Anyone who is interested in an intermediate class which will teach different swimming strokes, treading water, etc, is asked to contact Mrs Hughes evenings at 6-9685.

A Centennial Year Historical Feature



IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS—These men were enjoying a "snifter" at an old time Hardman saloon sometime back in the early part of this century. This cut was made from an old picture postcard which is the property of Mrs Scott Furlong of Heppner, the date unknown. The sign behind the head of the man on the left is advertising "Deadshot Smokeless Gun Powder." None of the men has been definitely identified, though old timers in the county might be able to name some of them.

Crop Prospects Brighten as Grain Begins to Roll In

The county's 1959 harvest got under way in earnest the first of this week, and from early indications, the crop could well prove to be one of the best in years—if the present relatively cool weather holds on a little longer.

Al Lamb, manager of the Morrow County Grain Growers, said Wednesday that about 30,000 bushels of barley and wheat is now coming into the North Lexington elevator, traditionally the first section of the county to harvest. The Lexington elevators are receiving about 10,000 bushels a day and two or three farmers have started hauling into the lone elevators.

Lamb said that the crop looks very good and that in the North

Lexington area the barley is running from one to one and one-half tons to the acre and the wheat is running about 30 bushels. During the spring many farmers were worried because of a lack of moisture, but the unusually cool weather during May and June apparently has served as well as would have additional rain. Some grain in the higher elevations could still pinch should the weather turn hot, but most of it is thought to be pretty well over the hump.

As far as is known, the first county rancher to start harvest for delivery to the MCGG was Harry Proudfoot, who delivered to the Hogue-Warner dock, June 29. Several others in the same area were close behind him.

Rail Rates Down

Lamb also reported that effective July 1 the Union Pacific railroad reduced shipping rates on grain from Heppner, Lexington and Ione. The reduction amounts to at least three cents a bushel and will be reflected in considerably greater profits for growers.

The new rail rates into Portland are 20 cents per hundred out of Heppner; 19 cents out of Lexington and 18 1/2 cents out of Ione. All three towns had a 23 cent rate prior to the reduction. Lamb also said there has been no recent reported changes in barge rates.

Wheat Marketing Referendum Vote Set For July 23

The county ASC office this week announced that voting on the 1960 wheat marketing quota referendum will be held on July 23 with three polling places to be set up in the county. Polls will be open from 8 a m to 7 p m.

Growers in the Morgan, Ione and Eightmile area nearest Ione will vote at the Ione Legion hall; Alpine and Lexington communities at the Lexington Grange hall and South Heppner, North Heppner and Eightmile areas nearest Heppner, at the Heppner Legion hall.

Farmers who are eligible to vote in the referendum are all those who in 1960 will have more than 15 acres of wheat for harvest as grain, except those who are participating in the 1959 feed wheat program. Under the feed wheat program, farmers may ar grow up to 30 acres of wheat for use only on the farm where grown without being subject to marketing quota penalties.

The wheat program on which farmers will vote is the same as that which has been in effect for several years. Marketing quotas have been proclaimed by the secretary of agriculture as required by the law when supplies are excessive. They will remain in effect for 1960 only if approved by two-thirds of the farmers voting.

If at least two-thirds of the growers who vote approve the quotas, price support will be available to farmers who comply with their farm wheat allotments of at least 75 percent of parity. Farmers who exceed the larger of the farm allotment of 15 acres will be subject to a marketing penalty of 45 percent of the wheat parity price on their excess wheat.

If the quotas are not approved by at least two-thirds of the growers voting, the quotas and penalties will not be in effect and price support will be available to farmers who comply with their farm wheat allotments at 50 percent of parity, as directed by law. At current parity levels that would be about \$1.18 per bushel.

Thompson Attending CD Rescue Course

Alex Thompson left Sunday, July 5, for Portland to attend a rescue instructor course for civil defense personnel outside the Portland target area. Each county, except Clackamas, Washington, and Multnomah, will be represented in this course, by at least one man, and he in turn must return to his county and instruct members of his civil defense unit for his county.

The class is through July 6-10 inclusive and lasts from 8 a m to 5 p m each day. Mrs Tompson and Lindy and Brian accompanied Mr Thompson to Portland, and they will stay at the home of her cousin, Mr and Mrs John McRoberts.

COMMITTEE TO MEET

An executive committee meeting of the Morrow County TB and Health association will be held Monday, July 13 at 7:30 p m at the court house. A movie is to be shown and interested persons are invited to attend.

John Privett left last Wednesday for Ava, Missouri to spend the summer with his grandparents, Mr and Mrs Hardy Frazier and Mrs John Privett.

60 County 4-H's At Summer Camp

A capacity of 60 young 4-H members plus 10 counselors is in session this week at Cutsforth Camp in the Blue mountains, according to Esther Kirmis and N C Anderson, Morrow county extension agents.

Camp activities began on Wednesday evening when the ten counselors and two agents went up to Cutsforth park to make preparations for the camp proper which began on Thursday noon. Young 4-H members, between the ages of 10 and 13, met at the Heppner fair grounds at noon on Thursday and were transported by truck to the camp site.

The camp program includes: leathercraft and construction of ply-craft birds taught by Mrs Larry Schaad, Irrigon; a study of rocks led by Mrs C M Wagner, Heppner; good camping practices and forestry tour by N C Anderson, county extension agent; lessons in safety by Mrs Velma Glass, county health nurse; and bird lore led by Esther Kirmis, Morrow county extension agent.

Ten junior 4-H leaders are on hand as camp counselors to assist with the camping program. They include Bernice Thomson, Carole Ann and Jerry Anderson, Libby Van Schoiaek, and Janice Martin of Heppner; Roger Doherty of Lexington; Brenda Townsend and Kenneth Smouse, Jr, of Ione; Garry Schaad of Irrigon; and Chloe McQuaw of Boardman.

Special activities of the camp include folk dancing and talent show on Friday evening, and a Centennial on Saturday evening. Campers were encouraged to bring along their centennial costumes for this party which will include portions of the pageant used at 4-H summer school in June.

Parents will come for their children on Sunday morning and take part in the Sunday service at 11:00 a m and potluck dinner at noon. Ronald Baker, Hermiston, an outstanding former 4-H member of the county, will give the address at the morning service. A portion of the 4-H pageant will be re-inacted for the group.

Babe Ruths to Play Kinzua Here Saturday

The first Babe Ruth league baseball game of the summer will be played with a Kinzua team Saturday at 1 o'clock at the Heppner rodeo field. The squad has put in numerous practice sessions and coaches hope for a good turnout for the first game of regular competition.

Mike Koenig is scheduled to pitch and Dick Springer to catch.

COW BELLES TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the Morrow County Cow Belles Wednesday, July 15 at 7:30 p m at the Bank of Eastern Oregon conference room. All members interested in the fair both are asked to attend as this will be the last meeting before the fair.