

# HEPPNER GAZETTE-TIMES

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## County to Vote Monday on School Board Members

County voters are reminded that they will again go to the polls next Monday, May 2 for a special school election. This time it will be for the purpose of naming four directors to the county school board, and the selection of the various local committee members.

There are no contests in three of the county zones, Irrigon, where Harvey Warner is unopposed; Ione, where Fredrick Martin is seeking re-election; and Heppner, where Mrs Elaine George is unopposed. Voters in the Lexington zone will have a choice between D O Nelson, the present board member, and Don Turner, who also seeks the position.

Each community will name its own local committee members. Polling places will be in the school houses in each area, and all four Heppner precincts will vote at the multipurpose room of the Heppner grade school. The polls will be open from 2 until 8 p m.

## Co-op Homemakers Instruction Set for Tuesday, Wednesday

Free classes in cake decorating and textile painting are starting next week for all women interested in this area, announced Mrs L A McCabe, chairman of the Lexington Oil Co-op committee for the homemaker shows.

Starting at 9 a m Tuesday, May 3 and continuing in two hour classes throughout the two days, instruction will be given by Inez of California, originator of a new kind of textile paints and painting method. The classes are to be held at the Lexington IOOF hall.

## Rural Fire District Prepares Budget

Elsewhere in today's paper is published the 1960-61 budget for the Heppner rural fire district which is set up this time as a special one year levy to raise a total of \$6,000 to be used to furnish fire protection for the district.

The special levy will be voted on by residents of the district living outside the city limits of Heppner at the same time as the Primary election May 20.

The fire district was formed last year by a vote of the people, but it could not levy a tax until the coming year due to an unusual interpretation of the law. The May 20 vote will provide a 1 year levy only, then at the general election in November, the district will vote itself a regular tax base which will apply in subsequent years.

The budget of \$6,000 will amount to a levy of less than 4 mills on valuation of well over \$1,500,000.

The district plans to contract with the City of Heppner for fire protection, and the city this week opened bids for a fire truck to serve the area. During the past year it has provided limited protection with its own city equipment.

## SERVICES CHANGED

The time for both worship service and Sunday school at Valby Lutheran church will be changed to 9 a m starting next Sunday, it was announced this week by Rev John Rydgren. Services will also be held every Sunday, rather than every other week as in the past.



JOHN GRAVES, left, of Hardman, 1960 Conservation Man of the Year, receives plaque provided by EMCO, Inc. Bill Marshall, Heppner manager, right, made the presentation at the annual spring meeting of the Morrow County Wheat Growers association Monday night at the Lexington Grange hall. Tad Miller, center, was chairman of the selection committee, an annual project of the association. (Photo by Nels Anderson)

## 1960 CONSERVATIONISTS DO 'ABOUT FACE' IN PRACTICES

"A will to do and patience is all that is needed". This was the remark made by Morrow county's Conservation Man of the Year when visited last week by a selection committee.

John Graves, Hardman was selected for this honor because of his grass seeding and stubble mulch farming program in an area that has been slow to adopt practices of this kind. He is sold on the program and while his practices have been adequate in the few years they have been in effect, further refinements may be necessary.

Buying the present ranch in 1954, the Graves' found that too much soil had been lost from the cropland to trust to chance in keeping what was left. That is when they began planning for the present practices which are now proving practical in keeping the soil where it belongs.

First, was a program of grass seeding on steep, badly eroded, "draws" and irregular pieces. Looking now at these seedings of Nomad alfalfa, intermediate wheatgrass, alta fescue, Drummond timothy and meadow foxtail, used in various mixtures to suit the condition, one would never know that some of this was almost beyond seeding with hardly enough soil left to establish grass. Eighty acres of cropland, 15 acres of range land and 16 acres of bottom land, on Rock Creek, which has been previously drained, have been seeded to grass legume mixtures.

These seedings are used to provide winter hay supplies and pasture for the 160 cattle run on the ranch.

With water-erosion patterns well established on the ranch a trashy fallow program was initiated in 1957, but not before many other practices designed to stop water erosion were tried, unsuccessfully. Although neighbors advised against it, a second hand tool bar, which Mr Graves says he bought "cheap" started him in the present stubble mulch program on his 642 acres of grain land. A skew treader added later completed the one expenditure in this changeover to conservation farming.

The program consists of two operations using spike points on the tool bar, skew treading when conditions are favorable, and rod weeding, which many times is acclaimed to be the troublesome operation is done with "old" end-driven rod weeders. Seeding is done with a conventional disc drill modified from seven to ten inch spacing to get

## Creswick Takes Over Ambulance Service

Creswick Mortuary, owned and operated by Mr and Mrs Oliver Creswick, this week announced the inclusion of the Creswick Ambulance Service with the company's business effective May 1.

Creswicks will take over the operation of the Morrow county ambulance which for the past several years has been operated by Pioneer Memorial hospital. They will provide 24 hour service and Alex Thompson and Robert Lowe will serve as relief drivers. All calls for ambulance service after May 1 will be taken at the Creswick Mortuary number 5-9600.

## Local Science Fair Entry Wins Gold Medal Award

Dan Wardwell, Heppner 8th grade student, received one of the 76 gold medal awards at the Northwest Science Fair in Portland this week. His entry was a cloud chamber which showed the formation of clouds and the cause of rainfall.

Dan won a top award at the Heppner Science Fair about three weeks ago, and entered his display in the district fair the following week in Pendleton where it received a second top place certificate. This entitled him to enter his exhibit at the Portland showing which will continue through May 6. The exhibits are on display at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry.

Seventy-six gold medals and 122 silver medals were awarded at the final judging. Both awards signify outstanding work in the sciences.

The gold medal winners, who represent nearly 80,000 students entering local science fairs throughout the area this year, will be guests of honor at the annual science awards dinner to be held May 28 at Portland State College. At this time winners will be given OMSI trophies which symbolize outstanding work in scientific fields.

## Morrow County OEA Officers Installed At Heppner Banquet

The Morrow County Oregon Education Assn held the final dinner meeting of the year Monday evening, April 18 at the cafeteria at the Heppner high school.

Officers installed were Ronald Black, Boardman, president; Joe Hauser, Ione, first vice president; Juanita Carmichael, Lexington, second vice president; Helen Stitzel, Irrigon, secretary and Katherine Hoskins, Heppner, treasurer. Velva Becholdt is the outgoing president.

Two delegates to the National Education Assn conference to be held in Los Angeles in June were elected. Robert Van Houtte, county superintendent, was named NEA delegate and Ann Reynolds, Ione, was chosen delegate to the department of classroom teachers.

Following the banquet, which was prepared and served by the Heppner P-TA, a film of the Fairview Home at Salem was shown.

The program consisted of two numbers by a trio, Pam Cochell, Ginny Lou Turner and Virginia Moore. They sang "I Passed by Your Window" and "Moments to Remember." Sharon Bunch sang "Trees" and there were three numbers by the Heppner seventh grade square dancers, Barbara Blake, Dennis Warren, Bruce Spencer, Pat Van Winkle, Karen McCurdy, Sherrill McDonald, Tanna Valentine and Ken Evans.

## County Welfare Medical Advisory Committee Named

A county welfare medical advisory committee, composed of county medical vendors, has been appointed by the Morrow county Public Welfare Commission, according to Oscar Peterson, chairman and county judge.

The members include Doctors Harold S Huber, Darrel Martin, David Baylink, C M Wagner, W H Wolff, A D McMurdo, L D Tibbles, Robert Pfeiffer and Edward K Schaffitz; pharmacists Phil Blakney and Rod Murray; Harry Bongers, hospital administrator, and Faye Munkers, representative of the county public welfare commission.

The first meeting is scheduled for 8 p m, May 5 at the board room of the Heppner branch of the Bank of Eastern Oregon with Mrs Munkers as temporary chairman.

## EXAMINER COMING

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner at the court house Tuesday, May 3 from 9:30 a m to 3:30 p m.

Gene Pierce went to Portland Sunday on business and returned to Heppner on Monday.

# Another Big Step Taken In Bombing Range Program

Another hurdle was cleared late last week in the job of getting the Federal government to release the Boardman Bombing Range for industrial use, when the state emergency board agreed to reserve \$412,000 to reimburse the Navy for any expenses in moving its equipment from the range to the new site in southeastern Oregon.

Through the efforts of Governor Hatfield, the state department of planning and development, and others, the government has agreed to exchange the 96,000 acre Boardman range for an equal amount of land in Northern Lake county in the Wagonfire area. The emergency fund appropriation appears to be one of the final steps in completing the transfer.

It was explained that no one actually expects the state money to be spent as industry is expected to pay the moving costs as land is bought on the Boardman range in the space-age industrial park the state will create out of the range and adjacent property. The Navy, however, had to be assured that money would be available from some guaranteed source to cover its moving expenses.

The department of planning



MRS HAROLD DUNCAN—to be featured at Homemakers Festival here.

## Rural Fire Truck Bids Are Opened

The Heppner city council Monday night opened bids for a new class A fire pumper truck which will be designed to serve the Heppner rural fire district.

Bids were received from three Portland area fire apparatus firms and varied from \$19,723 to \$23,500. The specifications called for a large 4 wheel drive truck with 750 gallon per minute pump, at least a 750 gallon water tank, two high pressure hose reels, 1300 feet of fire hose and much other equipment. The bids were turned over to the fire committee for study and the council is expected to make the award at its regular meeting next Monday night.

Delivery of the truck, which is hoped for within 90 to 120 days, will give the Heppner fire department a piece of equipment specifically designed to fight fires in the rural areas where it is frequently necessary to pump while the truck is in motion. It will also add materially to the protection the department can offer within the city.

The equipment will ultimately be paid for from funds received from the rural district which plans to contract with the city to provide fire protection for the rural area. Even though the district has not yet voted its tax levy for next year (to be done on May 20), directors and the council felt there would be no difficulty, so the city is going ahead with plans to purchase equipment. If it were to wait until all formalities were completed it would be impossible to get the new truck in time for use during the coming fire season when it is needed the most. Even now it will be well into July at the earliest before delivery can be expected.

Homemaker festival speaker, Mrs Harold Duncan, Carlton, Oregon will speak at the Catholic parish hall, Heppner, at noon on Friday, April 29. Her topic, "On to Scotland" will include a report on the International Associated Countrywomen of the World's convention held in Edinburgh, Scotland last summer. She will show colored slides of her trip.

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and development has as yet made no announcement of any particular industry which is contemplating the construction of a plant on the industrial park, but members have stated that several companies are interested and that some are definitely "hot" prospects. Stories are continually being heard that a large missile manufacturing company is contemplating the use of a sizeable part of the area, and these have neither been confirmed or denied by the department. At the recent public meeting in Boardman, a member of the department stated that such negotiations had to be done secretly until they were completed.

Monday, Doug Price, special assistant to President Eisenhower, arrived in the state to do some work on the Bombing Range project. He said the state's plan to create a space-age industrial park is a "dramatic example of space age vision," and he predicted success for the project.

## Band Carnival on Saturday Slate

One of spring's popular events, the annual Band Carnival will open its doors to the public Saturday at 5:30 at the fair pavilion, it was announced this week by co-chairmen for the affair Marcel Jones, Paul Warren and Don Clark.

The cafeteria will open earliest serving chicken and noodles, chili, hot dogs, salads and desserts. During the evening a wide assortment of games and entertainment is planned including a dunk tank, fish pond, shuffle board and numerous other booths.

This year the Band Parents Club itself is putting on the entire carnival with all money raised to go for needed extra band uniforms for the Heppner schools.

## Episcopalians Attend District Convocation

Attending the Episcopal Missionary District of Eastern Oregon Convocation at Prineville this weekend from here for the adult convocation, the Rev and Mrs Bruce Spencer, Mr and Mrs Clarence Rosewell and Robert Abrams. For the youth convocation, Gerald Bunch, Kathy Spencer, Harold Gray, Judy Hamilton, Chris Spencer, Julie Pfeiffer, Bernice Thomson and Beverly Blake.

Kathy Spencer was elected as a delegate to represent the youths at Synod which will meet at Camp Gallea at Lake Tahoe, California. She will also be the delegate for the Girls Friendly Society, which will have its National Assembly meeting in July in California.

## Missionary to Speak At Lone Church

John R Blalock, a native of Spray, who has served for many years as a missionary to China and Japan, will speak at the Lone First Baptist church Sunday, May 1 at 7:30 p m.

Mr Blalock spent his early life around Spray and before World War II went as a missionary to China. Later he went to Japan where he has served the past several years. He and his wife and three children are now at their home in Terrebonne on a two year furlough but will return to Japan in June.

The public is invited to hear Mr Blalock and there will be special pictures and songs.

## WRANGLER'S RIDE

The first Wrangler ride of the spring will be Sunday, May 1 at the Wrangler's grounds. Potluck dinner at 12 noon and the show will start at 1:00 p m.

## WEATHER

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Thursday	60	31	.18
Friday	54	24	.02
Saturday	48	33	.25
Sunday	59	36	.08
Monday	57	32	—
Tuesday	60	38	.07
Wednesday	60	40	.01

Precipitation (rain and snow) for the week 61; for April 1.11; for the year 5.10 inches.

## AUXILIARY BOARD TO MEET

The executive board of the Pioneer Memorial hospital auxiliary will meet Monday afternoon at 2:00 p m at the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Mrs Wayne Chase of Redmond is visiting this week with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr and Mrs Ted Smith.

## HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST PLANNED TO RAISE LIGHTING BOND FUNDS

A hole-in-one contest to raise money for retirement of the Heppner rodeo field lights was announced this week by the chamber of commerce.

The contest, which is designed for all comers, even though they may not be golfers or have even tried, will be held for four days sometime late in May. During the first three days of play, five golf balls will be purchased for \$1.00 and the purchaser then can try to drive them onto a green 100 yards away. For every

ball that stays on the green, the driver will get five in the finals. Daily prizes will be given in three categories: adults, high school age, and pre-high school. Three major prizes will also be awarded in the finals. All prizes have been donated by local merchants.

The contest will be held on the rodeo field and additional information as to dates and details will be announced later. Mike Whitesmith, chairman stated.