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City of Lone Slates Special Election on Two Tax Measures

Lone city voters will go to the polls Wednesday, May 18 at a special election to vote on two special tax measures that are of importance to city residents. The city council at a recent meeting approved the placing of both measures before the voters. One measure, which the council has recommended be approved, seeks to continue for another 10 years, the special 10 mill serial levy which will be used to improve the city's water system. The council pointed out

that the present water mains are 40 years old and that the repair of leaks is becoming a major problem. Average life of such mains are about 30 years. If the measure is approved, the council has stated that it wishes to initiate a program of replacing the water mains. The council also explained that the proposal does not call for an increase in taxes, as this measure could call merely for a continuation of the present 10 year, 10 mill serial levy that will run out this year.

The other measure on which city voters will pass judgement, calls for increasing the city tax base by \$7,500 to allow for the employment of a full time police officer. The council has made it plain that it is presenting this measure without recommendation but that it has been petitioned to do so by a group of lone citizens. Members also explained that approval of this measure would increase taxes for city purposes by 150 percent, and that in addition to a salary problem, there is an expensive insurance program besides providing a car equipped especially for police work.

The election will be held from 8 a m to 5 p m on Wednesday, May 18.

Heart Attack Claims Life of William Van Houte

William Van Houte, 93, father of Robert Van Houte, Morrow county school superintendent, passed away early Tuesday evening at Pioneer Memorial hospital. He had suffered a heart attack about two hours earlier at his home.

Mr Van Houte was born May 2, 1867 in Kappelle, The Netherlands. He and his wife came to the United States in 1906 and to Oregon in 1912. He had been a teacher for many years prior to his retirement in 1938. He was superintendent of schools at Lone, Wash from 1916 to 1918; Richland 1918 to 21; Twist, Wash 1921-26 and from 1926 until his retirement he taught in a Daly City, Calif high school. Upon retirement he made his home with his son, moving to Stanfield in 1950 and Heppner last year. Mrs Van Houte died in 1941.

Services will be held Saturday at 2 p m at the Heppner Christian church with Rev Charles Knox officiating.

The family has requested no flowers and that if desired contributions may be sent to the Heart Fund.

He is survived by one son Robert, Heppner; one daughter, Mrs Maude Shields, Willow Creek, Calif; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

VISIT IN BOARDMAN

Mr and Mrs James Driscoll and family and Mr and Mrs W C Collins and family were in Boardman Sunday for a family gathering and potluck dinner at the home of Mrs Driscoll's parents, Mr and Mrs A R Fortner. They celebrated Mrs Fortner's birthday and Mother's Day.

Heaviest Rainfall Of Year Welcomed By Area Farmers

The heaviest rain to fall at any time during the past winter or spring descended on all sections of Morrow county last Friday night and Saturday morning bringing smiles to the faces of ranchers who were getting mighty worried about dry grain fields and grazing lands. Rainfall varied from about .60 inch along the Columbia to nearly an inch in the higher elevations, but all sections of the county shared in the good drenching. The Heppner weather station reported .70 and even heavier fall was reported in the Sand Hollow and North Lexington sections.

Bill Monagle To Head HHS Students

Bill Monagle was elected president of the Heppner high school student body for the year 1960-61 at an election this week. Other officers for next year will be Roger Doherty, vice president; Mary Evelyn Tucker, secretary; Jeanne Schmidt, treasurer; Judy Schmidt, assistant treasurer; Libby Van Scholack, historian and Donald Clark sergeant at arms.

MISS GREEN STREAK READY FOR BIG PENDLETON HOP

"Miss Green Streak of Morrow County" will leave about 12:15 Saturday by plane for Pendleton where she will enter the Oregon State Championship Frog Hop that afternoon.

The county's top hopper will go in style, too! She will make the trip sitting comfortably on a plush pillow in her own plastic domed copper throne the creation of her custodian, O W Cutsforth who is flying her to the big affair. According to advance information, she and her caretakers will be met at the Pendleton airport by a Cadillac, inasmuch as Miss Green Streak is a "Cadillac-type" frog—not a compact model—though she does have her motive power in the rear. The Morrow county entry,

sponsored by the chamber of commerce, got into the show by winning honors in last Friday's local jump off at Heppner. She is one of the three longest jumpers entered by Johnny Pfeiffer, Ruby Fullerton and Tom Laird.

Miss Green Streak has been training all week for next Saturday's contest and is said to be in top physical shape. With luck she hopes to hop her way clear to Angel's Camp, California for the national title.

It is understood that her caretakers are taking along a spare entry, just in case Miss Green Streak should get stage fright. Cutsforth refused to identify her understudy, however.

She is due to jump about 1:30 Saturday in Pendleton and a sizeable crowd of local rooters is expected.



PILEUP INJURES PILOT—Paul Hansen, well known Heppner spray plane pilot suffered a cracked pelvis and numerous bumps and bruises late last week when his spray plane hit a "hole in the air" and crashed on the O'Brien ranch on Butter creek. Hansen is hospitalized but his injuries are not serious. The plane spun in knocking off the motor, shown at the far right, and wrecking the fuselage. The plane fell from an altitude of about 40 feet above ground. (Photo by C A Ruggles)

HILARIOUS OPENING PERFORMANCE GUARANTEED AT MINSTREL SHOW

Minstrel show fans are promised a "live" show this Friday and Saturday evenings at the gymnasium. Curtain time is approximately 8:00.

This year's show is expected, like the one sponsored by the PTA last year, to be on the spontaneous, ad-lib side on Friday night with a more polished production Saturday night since these entertainments are put on with a minimum of rehearsals. In fact Friday night will probably be the first time the show is run through in its entirety since it is a combination of separate rehearsals of a number of groups.

"True to the tradition that 'the show must go on' the chairman and directors have recruited substitutes for substitutes in various key spots. Knowing from past experience that illness and emergencies invariably arise at the last moment no guarantee is extended that quartets may not sing as trios or that someone may not be recruited from the audience to fill a vital role.

At this writing interlocutor Gene Pierce will introduce as end men Max Barclay, Clint Agee, Oliver Creswick, and Wayne Snyder. Roy Quackenbush, Al Bunch, Eddie Thorpe, and Clarence Johnson will complete the minstrel cast.

Arnold Melby, music director, has made several changes in musical groups to be used in the show since a number of his instrumentalists will be out of town this weekend. However, most of the music will be furnished by students under his supervision.

Music by adults will include solos by Bill Kenny, a women's quartet, Mrs Fred Gimbel, Mrs Ben Stenkamp, Mrs Darrell Shel, and Mrs Harold Laird and a men's trio (Oliver Creswick, Victor Kreimeyer and Arnold Melby).

Between the acts of the minstrel show second graders will do a clown tumbling act and Stephen Warren will play accordion numbers.

Mrs Margaret Kirk is in charge of programs and make-up and has helped with advertising. Mrs Gene Orwick made posters; Mrs Ken Keeling is properties manager; Fred Gimbel and Alex Thompson are managing the curtains and lights. John Copeland is director and Betty Gimbel is pianist. Mrs Jim Angell is in charge of ticket sales and has had a busy crew of youngsters enthusiastically recruiting an audience through advance ticket sales, which have been excellent.

Proceeds will be used mainly for the PTA scholarship fund, both local and state, from which a growing number of Heppner high school graduates have had their tuition paid at state schools for teacher training.

She explained that millions of the familiar red crepe paper poppies have been made for the American Legion Auxiliary by disabled veterans of three wars. Volunteer workers from the Auxiliary and other groups will offer these flowers to the public on Poppy Day.

Poppy making provides employment for thousands of veterans during the winter and spring months. The work in this area has been directed by the state organizations of the Auxiliary with the Oregon Department in charge of the work at Camp White hospital, Mrs Hamlin said.

Auxiliary officials report that all money received from Poppy Day goes directly to either disabled veterans or their families.

Miss Eleanor Rice of San Francisco and Mrs Edward Rice of Kent Wash called Mrs R B Rice long distance on Sunday to wish her a happy birthday and Mother's Day.

Members of both parties will also receive the special ballot on measures which also is reprinted in today's paper.

Mrs E C Daniels, Boardman 4-H leader, will accompany the group as chaperone.

The scholarships of \$25 each finance the cost of living expenses during the summer school. The list of scholarship donors will be published next week.

The Morrow County Gun Club will have its annual spring shoot Sunday, May 15. Everyone will be welcome.

Formation of Area Planning Council Discussed Here

More than 20 representatives of county courts and city and county planning groups from Morrow, Umatilla, Wasco and Hood River counties met in Heppner Tuesday to discuss the formation of an Inter-County Regional Planning Commission.

Morrow county judge Oscar Peterson led the discussion and he was assisted by Sam Mallicoat and Ethel J Benner of the State Department of Planning and Development, and Kenneth J Tollenaar, executive secretary of the Association of Oregon Counties.

Talks centered around the coming development of the Boardman Bombing Range as a space age industrial park and how the entire area from Umatilla to Hood River counties would be effected by the enormous growth that can be expected to follow.

How the growth would effect surrounding communities was explained by Mallicoat, who stated that residential areas would have to be kept at a distance from any actual missile plant and that at least a two mile buffer area will be required around test locations and lines of transportation. He told the group that all communities in the area would feel the effects of the development.

It was also explained that the projected missile plant, was only one of the many concerns that are expected to eventually establish operations in the area.

The group discussed a proposed budget for the planning commission and it was explained that it could be eligible for federal and state assistance. Mallicoat made a tentative commitment that the state Department of Planning and Development would assist with about \$4,000 in the first budget.

The group elected Judge Peterson permanent chairman and set another meeting for May 25 at Heppner after representatives had had the chance to take the proposal back to their respective counties for consideration by courts and planning groups.

Attending the meeting were representatives from county courts, city and county planning commissions, and the Morrow county port commission.

Legion Poppy Days Set May 20-21

The American Legion Auxiliary announced today that 1960 Poppy Day will be observed on May 20 and 21.

Mrs Frank Hamlin, American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Day chairman said the annual observance is held to honor the more than half-million Americans who died, and the nearly one million Americans who were wounded, in both World Wars and the Korean conflict.

The memorial poppy is a crepe paper replica of the wild European poppy which bloomed amidst the devastation of World War I battle grounds. Soldiers returned from Europe in 1918 remembered the poppy from the war years. The flower bloomed along the trenches and in the cemeteries and had been commemorated in the poem by Lt Col John McRae entitled, "In Flanders Fields."

The first memorial poppies were worn in this country about the time of the Armistice. Following World War I one of the first acts of the newly formed Legion and American Legion Auxiliary was the adoption of the poppy as the official memorial flower, Mrs Frank Hamlin said.

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Bill To Transfer Bomb Range Gets Committee OK

Legislation authorizing the transfer of the Boardman Bombing Range to the State of Oregon was approved Wednesday by the Senate Armed Services Committee. Governor Mark Hatfield was informed by the offices of Senators Wayne Morse and Hall Lusk.

The legislation, section 207 of the military construction authorization bill, will be reported to the senate by the committee today (Thursday). Senate action is expected in a few days.

The measure authorizes the Navy to exchange the 96,000 acre Boardman Range in Morrow county for an alternate site in Lake county, in Southeastern Oregon.

The state, through its Department of Planning and Development, is currently working to develop the Boardman Range and some adjacent territory into a space age industrial park which would attract many types of industry to this area.

A member of the department said Wednesday afternoon, that passage of the legislation will allow the state to continue its negotiations with the Navy to effect the speedy transfer of the Bombing Range.

The Gazette-Times was informed late Wednesday of these developments by the Associated Press and the Department of Planning and Development.

County Polling Places Listed for Primary Election

County clerk, Mrs Sadie Parrish this week announced polling places to be used at the May 20 Primary election. They will be open from 8 a m to 8 p m. They are:

- Boardman—Grange hall
- Irrigon—School house
- Lone—City hall
- Lexington—City hall
- NE and NW Heppner—Former Central Market building on Main street.
- SE and SW Heppner—Court house.
- Hardman—IOOF hall.

All eligible voters for the Heppner rural fire district election, regardless of which precinct they may live, will vote at the former Central Market building in Heppner.

10 New Teachers Hired For County

The Morrow county school board has announced that the following new teachers have accepted contracts for the 1960-61 school year in the county.

William White of Fruitland, Idaho, Riverside and Irrigon band; L Darrell Calhoun of Adams, Oregon, Lexington grade school; Joyce Ball of Nampa, Idaho, Heppner grade school; Lucile Peck, Lexington, Heppner grade school; Inez Meador, Heppner, Heppner grade school; Joseph Hauser, returning to Lone after year's leave; Richard Haworth Grandview, Idaho, Heppner high football coach; Violet Lanham, Heppner, Heppner high English; Margaret Williamson, Heppner, Heppner high commercial and foreign language; Michael Tolar, Echo, Irrigon grade school.

Positions still open are the fourth grade at Lexington, home economics at Riverside, first grade at Irrigon and at Lone the third grade and high school English.

Resignations received in the county system are Barbara DeKlotz, third grade teacher at Lone and Ann Reynolds, teacher in the Lone high school.

P-TA Names Two Award Winners

Mrs Douglas Drake, Heppner P-TA scholarship chairman, announced today that this year the committee has awarded a duplicate scholarship. Recipients are Dennis Doherty, son of Mr and Mrs B J Doherty, and Clifford Green, son of Mr and Mrs Herman Green.

Each will receive \$150 for college next year.

The scholarships are awarded on the basis of the applicant's desire to become a teacher, financial need, scholarship ability and leadership, and citizenship.

Both winners are planning to attend Oregon State College.

Nazarenes Slate Revival Series

The Church of the Nazarene announces that it will have special nightly revival services from May 12 through 22 at 7:30 each evening at the Heppner American Legion hall.

The Rev Robert C Whybrew, pastor, states that Rev Hugh R Jordan of Boise, well known gospel singer and preacher, will be the guest speaker.

School Board Mulls Student Transport Question

A delegation of more than 20 residents of the Pine City-Butter Creek area met with the Morrow county school board Monday night to express their feelings on possible plans to transport youngsters in that area to Heppner and Lexington schools. Most of them now go to Echo schools with the county paying the tuition.

Most of those present at the meeting apparently wanted their children to continue to go to Echo, though a survey conducted previously by the board indicated a difference of opinion among the residents. The board had considered that it could educate the children cheaper by transporting them this way, than by paying the \$550 tuition to Echo as has been done in the past.

The board made no final decision on the question, though it was discussed at length, but indicated that it would be settled before June 1.

In other business the board accepted a contract offered by Stewart Tuft, of the firm of Haystack and Tuft, Portland architects, for consultation and planning for the planned new Heppner school. Board members and Tuft viewed several building sites Monday and authorized the getting of options on several suggested locations.

Several plans were discussed for temporary housing of Heppner students next year until the new building can be completed, but no final decisions were reached.

Rummage Sale Shows \$368 Profit

Mrs Bud Collins, president of the Heppner Civic League, reported today that the rummage sale held at Heppner Auto Sales May 6-7 by the League netted \$368.67.

This money is used for the support of the Heppner kindergarten.

Business houses contributing to the success of the sale were Jack's Chevron Station, Gilliam and Bisbee, Heppner Cleaners, Andersons Builders Supply, Heppner Auto Sales, Elks lodge, Gene's Chevron Station in Lexington. Many thanks are also due to kindergarten parents.

It is worthy of note that the kindergarten has been maintained in Heppner for 12 years. Few Oregon towns of this size have such a program. League officers praise Mrs Ray Tabor for her high level of teaching work in the kindergarten.

Cruising up the Columbia river Sunday were Mr and Mrs Vernon Munkers and Mr and Mrs Earl Evans. They were on the Munkers' boat.

WEATHER

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	63	38	—
Friday	71	45	—
Saturday	70	47	.70
Sunday	59	39	.03
Monday	64	40	—
Tuesday	73	46	—
Wednesday	83	46	—

Rainfall for the week .73; for May .87; for the year 5.98 inches.