

### Court Appoints Oliver Creswick County Assessor

Oliver Creswick was appointed Morrow county assessor Wednesday in action by the county court. The appointment takes effect immediately.

Creswick is owner and operator of Creswick Mortuary, coming here 12 years ago from Baker where he had worked in a mortuary. He was the county coroner for 8 years, 1952 to 1960.

He is worshipful master of Heppner lodge No. 69, A.F. & A.M. and high priest of the Heppner Chapter No. 26 of the Royal Arch Masons. He just finished a year as worthy patron of Ruth Chapter No. 32 of the Order of Eastern Star while his wife was worthy matron. Mr. and Mrs. Creswick are also active in the Methodist church. They have three sons at home and a married daughter in Milton-Freewater.

As assessor, he replaces Harry Dinges, who is ill. Creswick will continue to operate the mortuary.

### Part-Time Juvenile Counselor Planned

Morrow county will not share the services of a juvenile counselor with another county but will have its own part-time counselor, it was announced at the public hearing on the county budget Friday.

No one appeared to question any expenditures at the public hearing on the budget and the court approved the \$153,182.00 for 1961-62 operation of the county. The budget is within the 6 per cent limitation and is increased \$7,536.00 over last year.

Other counties were not interested in cooperating in the local court will hire the services of someone within the county who has had training in guiding youth. The work will be on a part-time basis only. The counselor will work with county officials, youths in trouble, and their families.

The sum of \$750 was included in the budget for 1961-62 to provide this service which is deemed necessary because of increasing juvenile problems in the county.

### Forty Men Battle Slash Fire July 1

Approximately 20 acres of recently cut-over slash burned July 1 in another man-caused fire in the Heppner Ranger District, the U. S. Forest Service reports.

The fire was spotted in the Bear creek area, about four miles east of the Tupper Guard Station, at 2 p. m. Rangers and lookouts undergoing training in the area were thrown into action fighting it, aided by Kinzua Corp. firefighters and equipment. About 40 men in all fought the blaze until 6:30 before it was contained.

Ray Williamson, of the U. S. Forest Service, again issued a warning to all going into the woods to be careful of fire. Both the forests and grassy areas are much drier than usual, he said, without extreme caution bad fires will result.

### Lutheran Pastor Arrives Friday

The Rev. Kenneth Robinson, new pastor of Hope and Valby Lutheran churches, arrived in Heppner with his family Friday. They were greeted at a church picnic at Cutsforth park Sunday, and the Rev. Robinson conducted his first services in the outdoors there.

Originally of Long Beach, Calif., the Rev. Robinson completed training for the ministry at Lutheran Seminary, St. Paul, Minn. His wife, Sandra, is from West Seattle, Wn. They have one daughter, Shannon, 2.

The family is living in the parsonage near Hope Lutheran church.

### Sandra Eubanks 4th In Molalla Event

Sandra Eubanks, lone, came out fourth on the four-day average in barrel racing events and won the one-half mile track race at the Molalla Buckaroo rodeo this week.

Sandra, a princess in this year's Morrow county fair and rodeo queen's court, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eubanks, lone. She has entered competition in many rodeo events this year and is winning quite a name as an excellent horsewoman.

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## Rain Stalls Harvest After Early Start

An early morning rain which was general throughout south Morrow county Wednesday brought a quick halt to harvesting operations, temporarily. Depending on how hot it gets and how quickly the fields dry out some may be cutting again today (Thursday). The rain was reported here at 20 inch.

C. C. Carmichael brought the first barley to Morrow County Grain Growers on June 22. He cut it on the Karl Miller ranch just east of Lexington, which he rents. The first field averaged

about one ton to the acre. This was considered heavy, however, and others do not expect as much. An average for rate of yield in the county had not been figured this week.

The first wheat was delivered July 1 when both Jack Barak and Stanley Kemp brought one load each to the North Lexington elevator.

Weather permitting, barley harvest should be in full swing the end of this week or beginning of next, with wheat a week to 10 days later.

The season began earlier than usual this year, by about one week. Extreme heat in late June and drying winds have taken some crop toll but it is too early to judge the actual amount of damage.

Contrary to conditions in some surrounding counties, black rust has not been reported in local barley.

On July 4, 100 loads of barley and wheat were received at the North Lexington elevator, but all elevators were shut down Wednesday.

Al Lamb, manager of Morrow County Grain Growers, reports that most of the carry-over in government grain has been shipped. The nine elevators operated by the co-op are expected to provide ample room for storing this year with grain moved only on sale.

Loan on barley is now \$39.07 per ton in the elevator, Lamb said. Wheat is \$1.74 per bushel in the elevator.

The grain harvest is big business in the county with a normal crop of wheat bringing in \$4,000,000 and barley, \$1,000,000. Indications so far are that both wheat and barley crops this year will be normal or better.

Only the Lexington and north Lexington elevators of the grain growers are open at present. With good weather the Heppner elevator is expected to be in operation by the end of the week or first of next, and lone immediately following.

### 4-H to Dedicate Memorial Flag

A ceremony dedicating the Bernard Doherty memorial flag pole at 4-H Summer Camp on Herring Creek will be Sunday at 12:00 noon, N. C. Anderson, county agent announces.

The newly-erected flag pole with plaque was erected through donations from friends of former 4-H member Bernard Doherty who was killed in an auto accident in February, 1960, as a memorial to his active 4-H career. The Morrow County 4-H Council is sponsoring the memorial service at the conclusion of the annual 4-H Summer Camp. Friends of 4-H and the Dohertys are welcome to attend the service.

### Barratts Sell Business Here; Plan Move Soon

Mr. and Mrs. Garnett Barratt Wednesday announced the sale of their business, Barratt Sales Co., effective July 1, 1961, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Hamlin.

The Barratts also are offering their home and other properties here for sale and are building a home at Phoenix, Ariz., where they plan to spend their winters in the future. They said that health reasons made the step advisable, but they will return to Oregon for the summers according to their plans.

The Barratts have operated the sales company since 1948, starting it as an outgrowth of Heppner Motors as an order business and entering the retail field about four years ago.

Hamlin has been associated in the business for the past four years and has lived in Heppner for about 12 years.

The Barratts, whose roots are deep in Morrow county, have made many friends during their many years here. He served as county judge prior to the term of the present judge, Oscar Peterson, and both Mr. and Mrs. Barratt have been associated with many activities.

In announcing the sale, the Barratts expressed their thanks to all their customers and commended the new owners to the public.

### Still Some Copies Of Special Paper

Brisk sale of extra copies of the Welcome Edition of the Gazette-Times was experienced by the staff after publication last Thursday. Customers bought as many as 20 copies, and quite a number took 10 or 12 each.

The paper still has perhaps 200 copies that are available for sale, and anyone interested may purchase them at the Gazette-Times office for 10c per copy. Copies mailed by the paper will be 25c to cover mailing.

## Young Swimmers Make Good Showing in 'All-Comers' Meet

Lessons and special training in swimming to boys and girls in Heppner began paying off in competition, according to results of an "All-Comers" swim meet in Hermiston Friday.

The group of local boys and girls of ages 8 through 16, who were instructed by Tom Hughes, competed with swimmers from Hermiston and placed very well for their first time in competition.

Placings by Heppner entrants in the free style division were as follows:

Boys eight years and under: Tommy Hughes, first, 12.1.  
Boys nine and 10: Kent Pratt, second; Kevin Pratt, third.  
Girls nine and 10: Pam Hughes, second.  
Boys 11 and 12: Jimmy Doherty, first, 25.1.  
Girls 11 and 12: Linda Heath, fourth.  
Boys 13 and 14: Dean Lovgren, second; Don Creswick, third; and Bruce Spencer, fourth.  
Boys 15 and 16: Greg Pierce,

first, 126.5.

In breast stroke division:  
Girls 11 and 12: Linda Heath, second.  
Boys 13 and 14: Don Creswick, second; Dean Lovgren, third; Mark Murray, fifth.  
Boys 15 and 16: Greg Pierce, first, 155.7.

In the back stroke were:  
Boys nine and 10: Keven Pratt, first; Kent Pratt, second.  
Boys 11 and 12: Jimmy Doherty, second.

Girls 11 and 12: Linda Heath, third.  
Boys 13 and 14: Dean Lovgren, second, and Bruce Spencer, fourth.

Accompanying the entrants were Mrs. Vic Lovgren, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. William Heath, Father and Mrs. Bruce Spencer and Kathy, and Tom Hughes.

Hughes announced that a "lifeline" was installed Wednesday in the swimming pool, marking a division for easier supervision in the pool.



THE REV. M. CARLTON SOBER is new pastor of The Church of the Nazarene here. He arrived to conduct first services June 25.

### Lucky Persons Will Win Bucks Here Saturday

Heppner merchants are again preparing for Lucky Buck Day Saturday, July 8. Special bargains are available at the 61 participating business establishments, and the public is encouraged to shop early to get the best bargains.

A total of \$35 will be offered in prizes. First prize will be \$25. A \$10.00, three \$5.00 and five \$1.00 prizes will also be announced.

Rules require the persons named must be present in one of the 61 businesses at the 2:30 p. m. announcement in order to win. The city streets are sounded for the opening of the envelopes listing the names of each winner.

Those whose names are called must be present and must identify themselves to the business manager within two minutes at which time the siren again blows. Pre-registration at one of the stores is required, but after a person has once entered his name for a Lucky Buck event, he need not register for ensuing events.

Special free parking is provided by the city for Lucky Buck Days with all meters hooded.

### City Hall Gets New Paint Job

The city hall interior is much improved by a new paint job and redecorating. Light green was chosen for the walls and ceiling.

The work was done last week by city workmen. A new floor covering is expected to be installed when funds are available.

### Plans For Vacation Backfire For Nona

Nona Sowell, office girl at Kinzua Corp., deserves another vacation. At least the one she took didn't turn out the way it was planned.

On June 20 at 4 a. m., her husband Bill, and daughter Marcia left on a long-planned trip. By 8 p. m. they were enjoying themselves in a nice restaurant with friends in Portland when 12-year-old Marcia announced her jaws hurt. To help matters along, neither the child nor the husband of the friends with them had had the mumps.

Since the damage was already done, the Sowells returned to their motel and spent the night, driving back home the next morning. Marcia had a light case and was not very ill. Best of all, she had her mother and father home with her.

Nona said at least she got some things done that she wanted to do on her vacation. There wasn't anything planned so the house got some new paint, the deck and patio were finished and yard work done.

Nona is looking forward to a long week-end sometime soon.

### Fair, Rodeo Court Due at Chamber; Activities Many

Queen Joan Moe of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo and her princesses will make their first official appearance locally when they are guests of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday at the chamber's regular meeting.

The traditional appearance of the fair and rodeo queen at the chamber marks the beginning of weekly activities which will continue until the rodeo on Sept. 2.

Queen Joan will be attended by Princess Marlene Fetsch, sponsored by Lexington grange; Princess Sandra Eubanks, sponsored by Willows grange; Princess Ronnie Belma, sponsored by the Lena community; and Princess Pat Partlow, sponsored by the Boardman Tillicum club. The queen is sponsored by the rodeo association.

Mrs. John Eubanks, lone, official chaperone for the court, will also be a guest of the chamber.

The queen and her court have been busy promoting the fair and rodeo at various places around the country last month. June 3 they were at the Spray Rodeo at Spray, June 10 and 11 they rode in the Junior Rodeo in John Day; the Fourth of July at the Evergreen Riders rodeo at Ukiah. Plans are now in progress for an appearance at Chief Joseph Days July 27 at Joseph. The Kick-off Dance will be held Saturday night, July 15, at the fairgrounds.

### Ditching For Pipe Nears Completion

About 22 men are left working for Western Pipe Line Inc. in the area according to Don Reynolds, company purchasing agent. Most of the original 115-man crew have finished their work and returned to their homes or gone on to other jobs on the big line.

At present the men are working on the station site at Ione. A triple valve is to be put on the line at that point, necessitating a much larger hole than just the ditch for the rest of the 36-inch pipe.

The ditch is now dug to a point 10 miles south of Stanfield where the Western company contract ends, except for about 2000 feet. This is planted to wheat and cannot be dug until the crop has been harvested.

Reynolds said he did not know just how long the present smaller crew would be operating in the area. He predicted that the pipe laying crew will be here by the middle of August or sooner due to the fast rate of progress being made to date.

### Ex-Resident Dies

Mrs. Blaine Chapel has received word of the death of Mrs. Earl Utter in Portland after a long illness. Mrs. Utter was the former Clara Bates and a former resident of Hardman. For the past several years she has owned the Utter Insurance Agency located in the American Bank Building.



RUSSELL BELSHEE (right), Sherman county rancher, describes specially-constructed cab on one of tractors used on his ranch to William R. Morrish of Portland (left) and Ron Rew of Pendleton, president of the Oregon Wheat Growers League. Cab has special surge tank for motor and blower system to help cleanse air in the cab. Occasion was Oregon Wheat Growers League's recent Conservation Man of the Year Field day on the Hall and Belshee ranch east of Moro. Belshee and his brother-in-law and farming partner, Mac Hall, were co-winners of the Wheat League's 1960 Conservation trophy. (Stories, Page 4 and 8)

## Phil Blakney Resigns; City Awards Seal Job

City council members awarded bids, accepted a resignation, and approved building permits in a meeting Wednesday night.

The bid of Russell Olson Construction Co., Portland, was accepted for seal coating approximately 16,000 square yards of city streets. The bid was \$2,880.

The low bid of Johns Manville, Seattle, of \$1,833.69 was accepted for 1291 feet of 6-inch water

pipe and miscellaneous fittings. Phil Blakney, who has served on the council for about six years, resigned because he is moving to Prosser, Wn. His resignation was accepted.

Building permits were issued to Pacific Telephone Northwest for an all steel garage and storage room with cement floor, a fireproof building, to be constructed at 255 N. Chase street at a cost of \$7,000.

Permits for alterations and repairs were approved for Helen Cox at 535 Elder street for a flower storage room and workshop to be added to her present residence at a cost of \$5,700; to J. E. LaTrace at 690 Sperry street for alterations, cost \$500; to Fay Prock at 505 Elder Street, alterations, \$400; LeRoy Gardner, 210 Gilmore Street, construction of a retaining wall, \$750; and Frank Connor, 290 Gilmore Street, repairs, \$250.

## Firemen Act Fast; Control 2 Fires

The city fire department was called out at about 10:15 today (Thursday) to a repeat fire at the Robert Curran property on the north edge of town. Fire Chief Charles Ruggles said he thought the fire started from burning undergrowth since the June 23 fire. The same shed was aflame.

Chief Ruggles and his volunteer department had the fire out and were back at the station in about 20 minutes. He gave credit for the quick control to the fact that all grass in the area had been burned out in the previous fire, so it was impossible for it to spread. The first fire in the location spread to about 40 acres.

Monday the department answered a call to the Steve Thompson ranch south of town on Willow creek. Chief Ruggles took the rural truck, with about six men. A grass fire, reported started by smoker's carelessness, consumed about 10 to 12 acres. Including some fence posts. It was controlled in less than an hour.

## Quiet 4th Enjoyed By Local People

A quiet Fourth of July was enjoyed by most residents of the city. Many took advantage of the holiday time to go to the mountains or hold family get-togethers and picnics. Others just rested.

Traffic was light in most areas, except in the mountains, where some reported driving to Cutsforth Park area was "just like going on Highway 30."

No accidents were reported in the area in the total four-day period.

City crews took advantage of the lack of traffic to clean the Main street and side streets in the downtown area.

### Tragic Auto Wreck Claims 9 Relatives Of Mrs. Duvall

Shocking news was received here Monday by Mrs. Harry Duvall, telling of the death of nine of her relatives in a single auto-truck collision near San Bernardino, Calif. Two in the truck were also killed in the head-on collision, it was reported.

The dead include a first cousin of Mrs. Duvall, Clyde Gibson of San Bernardino, his wife, two of their sons, a daughter-in-law and four of the Gibsons' grandchildren. The family had just started on a vacation trip to Canada, and they may have planned to stop at Heppner Mrs. Duvall said.

The accident happened just north of San Bernardino Saturday night, and the nine were riding in a station wagon. An early report said that the truck swerved across the highway into the wrong lane, directly in the path of the station wagon.

Clyde Gibson was a brother of Oness Gibson, Yakima, Wn., and formerly of Lexington.

Mrs. Duvall left by plane Tuesday for San Bernardino to attend funeral services. She expected to return to Heppner Friday.

### WEATHER

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Friday	78	29	—
Saturday	78	47	—
Sunday	88	50	—
Monday	85	60	—
Tuesday	89	52	—
Wednesday	86	50	.20
Thursday	71	49	—

## Fifty 4-H Members Attending Summer Camp Session at Park

Over 50 campers are attending the 4-H summer camp at Cutsforth park in the Blue Mountains 20 miles southeast of Heppner, July 6-9, according to Joe Hay and Esther Kirmis, Morrow county agents.

Ten older 4-H members, acting as camp counsellors, went up with Hay and Miss Kirmis on Wednesday evening, July 5, to make final preparations and be on hand to welcome the 9-13 year-old campers.

Parents and 4-H leaders devoted two work days, June 28 and July 2, to ready the camp for this annual event.

Youngsters met at the fairgrounds at 1 p. m. on Thursday and were taken, via truck, to the park. Parents will get youngsters on Sunday, the closing day of this annual 4-H event, and as-

sist in taking down of the camp. A Sunday camp service is scheduled for 9:00 a. m.

Serving on the camp staff, besides Miss Kirmis and Hay, are: Vic Kriemeyer, Portland, forest class instructor; Mrs. C. A. Ruggles, Heppner, wild flower instructor; Miss Velma Glass, Heppner, Morrow county health nurse; David Bauer, Heppner, Sunday service speaker; Miss Karen Lundell, lone, crafts instructor; and Mrs. N. C. Anderson and Mrs. Martha Van Scholack, Heppner, camp cooks.

Camp counsellors include Ronnie Belma, Martha Doherty, and Libby Van Scholack, Heppner; Jean Martin, Kenneth Nelson, Bob Rice, Kenneth Smouse, and Karen Lundell, lone; Howard Califf, Irrigon, and Linda Daniels, Boardman.