

School Board to Meet with Advisory Groups; Eyes Move; Sets Shorter Sessions

Morrow county school district board voted Monday night to start its regular monthly meetings at 7:30 and adjourn at 11 p. m. during school months. Previously the board had started meetings at 8:00 p. m. and this hour will be continued during summer months. The early closing time will enable board members coming from the north end of the county to be home at a more reasonable hour.

A meeting with all school advisory committees was set for the Lexington grade school at 7:30 p. m., Oct. 16. To be discussed with this group will be how to improve the educational program in the district and how to meet building needs.

Possibility of moving the district office to the Lexington school was again discussed with advantages and disadvantages being weighed by board members. Robert Van Houte, school administrator, said he thought adequate office could be constructed in the top floor of the Lexington school at a "rough cost of \$2000." He was instructed by the board to get an accurate estimate and to outline the type office he had in mind and to present it to the board at its next meeting, as well as to look into

the possibilities offered by the George house for office space. Drawings for the proposed wing to complete the new high school building at Heppner were presented to the board for its consideration by Stewart Tuft of Tuft & Hayslip, Portland architects.

He assured the board that necessary repairs would be made by contractors to the flooring of Unit-A of the new school and that any other necessary adjustments would be made. He said the lone building was "coming right along" and predicted that it would be ready for occupancy early in December.

The board opened bids on science equipment for the lone building and awarded the bid to J. K. Gill, Portland. The bid was for \$4,574 which includes the price of a teacher's demonstration table and four student laboratory tables. Gill's bid was low.

Homer Hughes, Lexington, brought up the subject of the activity bus to Lexington again and said that all the parents of students involved felt they had been promised such a bus would operate when the Lexington school was closed.

Farm Meet Hears Talk On Schools

"We are exporting about \$800,000 worth of county products each year in the high school graduates who migrate to urban areas. You pay for their education, and someone else reaps the benefits."

Thus said Robert Van Houte, Morrow county school administrator, at the Farmer's Union meeting in the old library building Tuesday night.

Van Houte stressed that each individual should have the education to bring out his greatest potential, and that everyone should help pay for that education.

"Taxes on the land can no longer carry the burden," he said.

Pointing out that "we are not providing today an adequate education to train our youngsters to live in the world tomorrow," he said it is necessary to provide a broader education program. "A far more expensive and expensive program," he termed it.

He said the world is getting smaller all the time and that what happened in any part of it was vital in its influence on all other parts. A high school education is not enough and training beyond high school will become even more important in the future, he added.

"By 1970 there will be no demand for unskilled labor. The unskilled and the untrained will find nothing to do. Either we educate them or we operate a welfare state to take care of them," he warned.

He forecast that future students will have to have high averages, B or better, to get into college and said it would be necessary in the future to provide specialized training through the schools beyond the high school level.

"Many say the Russians are making tremendous strides and we should educate only the top students who can lead us. Results for every country that tried that have been catastrophic. The great challenge of America in the 60's and 70's is to provide education for all our children to the best of the capacity of each to be educated," he emphasized.

"The tremendous advances taking place demand we train our youngsters to live and work in urban areas," he said in bringing his reference back to local conditions.

He said students in our local high school should be taught in electronics, IBM operation, and should have much more offered them in the field of science. "We have neither the facilities nor the room to give the program we should be providing in the field of science," he warned.

Ernest Heliker Stricken, Dies At Home in lone

(Obituary on page 7)

Ernest C. Heliker, 79, prominent retired lone rancher, died suddenly at his home at lone Friday night, victim of a heart attack. He had been hunting, then attended the lone-Helix football game, and drove home where he was fatally stricken.

Funeral services were Tuesday at the lone Community church. Relatives and friends overflowed the church and some were standing outside. Interment was in the Lexington IOOF cemetery.

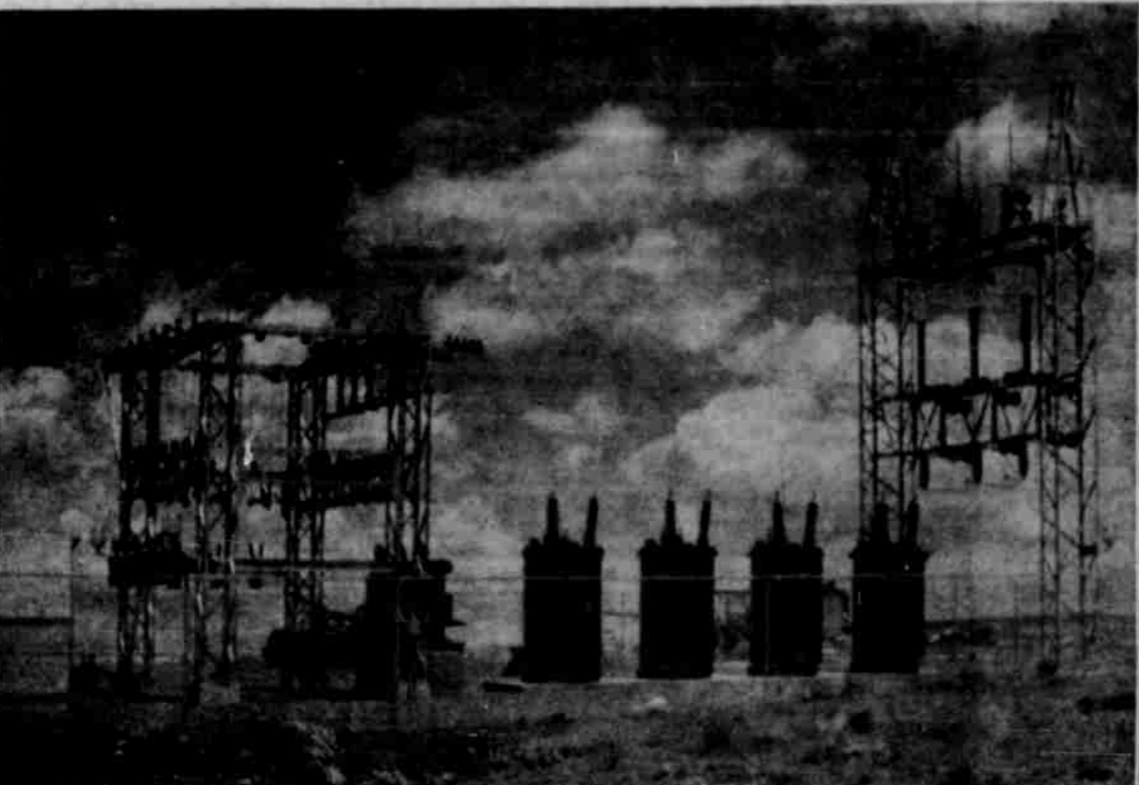
Active pallbearers were Melvin Timm, Stewart Rankin, John Eubanks, Clifford Aldrich, Herman Blettell and Riley Munkers. Honorary pallbearers were E. Markham Baker, Ed Buschke, Oscar Lundell, Jack Farris, James Lindsay and William C. Seehafer.

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THIS NEW substation of Columbia Basin Electric Co-op, now in service three miles west of Condon, was constructed at a cost of \$57,000 and has a capacity of 3750 kilowatts, according to Harley Young, manager. It replaced the Mayville sub station which was located about eight miles south of Condon. The new station, which transforms from 69,000 volts to 7200 volts, was necessary in order to serve the radar base at Condon.

Co-op Tells of Plan To Serve Boeing Area

"So far as we know there are no objections to our serving the Boeing Company," Harley Young, manager of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Inc., Heppner testified at a hearing in the Morrow county courthouse Monday, conducted by the state Public Utility Commission.

The hearing was attended by representatives of many electric companies from the north eastern part of the state. Presiding officers were Malcolm L. Jones and C. L. Leierer, both of Salem, Public Utility Commission examiners. No objections were presented by the examiners by any of the representatives present.

Young was followed to the stand by Robert Welty, The Dalles, engineer who designed the Co-op lines. He testified that in his opinion the area could "most feasibly and most economically be served by Columbia Basin."

Welty, who has been engineer for Columbia Basin since 1946, gave a description of the co-op's facilities and compared it with other utility companies serving the area. He said the Boeing Company request of 900 kilowatt load to supply development could be supplied at the present by REA.

"The nature of the area is such that in my judgement REA present facilities with probably minor extensions, could most economically and feasibly serve the area," he explained, showing on a map where the necessary extensions would be made.

The request for 900 kilowatts was not the maximum load Boeing indicated it might need for development of the area. Young said the inquiry received by his company included information that the need might extend to 1500 kilowatts.

Welty testified that "if the 900 kilowatts were the maximum load the site could most economically be supplied by the Umatilla Electric Co-operative, Inc., at Hermiston."

"He added that the 1500 kilowatt load would necessitate a separate transmission line. "This would make it more economical for Columbia Basin Electric Co-op to serve this area," he said.

Paper's Special Issue Featured in National Trade Publication

The special Welcome Edition of the Gazette-Times, which was sponsored by the Development committee of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce, received recognition on a national scale this week when it was featured in "Plus Business," a trade publication distributed by Metro Associated Newspaper Services of New York.

A full page of the November issue of the publication, which is sent to newspapers throughout the United States, was devoted to the Welcome Edition and to the Gazette-Times.

Four pages of the Welcome Edition were reproduced in miniature and the article contained a picture of the Gazette-Times staff.

The story was printed under the heading, "New Publisher makes first Community Project Success." A headline across the page said, "20-Page 'Welcome' Issue is Produced in 19 Days."

Copies of the edition are still available in the Gazette-Times office for those who did not receive them or wish them to be sent to friends or relatives by mail.

Boys Attending FFA Convention

Two members of the local FFA chapter are among those representing Oregon this week at the National FFA convention in Kansas City, Mo.

Archie Ball, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ball, and Bob Fetsch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Fetsch, both seniors at Heppner high school, left Sunday, October 8, by train for the convention, and will return next Monday, October 16.

The two are students of Gerald Jonsson, agriculture instructor, and qualify by having been outstanding FFA students during their high school years and maintaining high scholastic grades. They will work with delegates from other schools over the United States in formulating an improved national FFA program.

Annual Soil Conservation speech contest with students of lone and Heppner high schools participating will be Monday, October 16, at 8 p. m. in the multi-purpose room of the Heppner grade school.

Three winners will be selected and trophies will be presented by Marion County Grain Growers. The public is invited and it is hoped that a large crowd will attend. (Complete details on page 10).

Grid Teams Face Tests On Friday

(More sports, page 8)

Outcome of the Umatilla-Morrow 8-man football league may well be decided in Pendleton Friday afternoon when the circuit's two powers—lone and St. Joseph of Pendleton—clash in a battle of the undefeated.

lone, state B champs last year, have won four in a row this year, a mark matched by St. Jo. Each team has an outstanding quarterback, Wayne Hams for lone and Jordan for St. Jo. The Pendleton club is noted for its passing, but lone has a versatile attack, capable of both running and passing.

While the lone-St. Jo game is in progress, Heppner's Mustangs will face Condon in a Friday afternoon contest at Condon. Although three-times defeated, the Mustangs are given a good chance to down their Gilliam county rivals and hit the comeback trail. Game time at Condon is set at 2 p. m.

Coach Jim Sutherland said the Mustangs suffered some injuries against Madras, but spirit is good and he feels that they can bring home victory.

Coach Glenn Biehl of lone has been particularly pleased with the manner his Cardinals have improved in blocking, citing Lee Hams, a sophomore halfback for outstanding play against Helix, as well as Tom Heimbigner, soph. end, and Ron Crabtree, junior end.

Heppner has two games left after the Condon battle—Burns next week and the finale against Moro (Sherman county) here October 27. Echo, scheduled to play lone October 20, has cancelled this tilt and so the St. Jo game is the last regularly scheduled one for the Cards.

Jinxed Friday Gets High School Note

Friday the 13th will be observed by members of the high school sophomore class as "Clash Day." The idea is to wear as many clashing colors as possible.

The "colorful event" will be followed by a school dance in the gym on the "fateful" evening with the theme to be "Black Cat Walk."

Farmers, Hunters Welcome .46 Rain

The .46 inch of rain during the past few days was welcomed by farmers of this area who had been holding off planting because of the extended dry spell. All areas in the county received some precipitation. Forecasts for the next several days are for continuing showery periods.

Hunters and foresters, too, were glad to see the rain come.

"Temporarily the fire danger has been alleviated in the forests by the recent showers which were general throughout the district," reports Sam Miller, Heppner District Ranger.

Two Lost Portland Hunters Walk Out

State Police Officer James McPherson reports two hunters were lost in the Five Mile area Saturday afternoon. They walked to a road on Johnson creek and were picked up and returned to their camp about 11 a. m. Sunday. Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman had organized a search party which started looking for the lost men about 10 a. m. Sunday.

Bob L. Whaley, 28, Portland, and John Fiske, 14, Portland, were reported lost when they failed to return Saturday night to join their party from an afternoon trip into the woods.

Building Needs PTA Meet Topic

School building needs in Heppner will be aired at a panel discussion at the Parent-Teacher association meeting in the multipurpose room of the elementary school, Wednesday, Oct. 18.

The need for additional classrooms will be presented by Frank Anderson, chairman of the building committee. Dr. Wallace H. Wolff, member of the Heppner advisory committee, will explain possible financing of the project.

Moderator for the evening will be Mayor Al Lamb of Heppner. Taxpayers and parents will be represented on the board by Raymond French, area rancher, and Mrs. William Sowell, Heppner business woman.

During the evening questions from the floor will be accepted and answered. Also present to help in answering any questions will be members of the district school board and school administrators.

Parents of all students of Heppner or Lexington schools and all interested taxpayers are urged to attend this meeting and take part in the discussion. The program will start with a business meeting at 8:00 p. m. with PTA President Robert L. Hopper in charge.

Refreshments will be served by eighth grade room mothers following the meeting.

Morrow County Booth Sent To Pacific International

Morrow county's booth at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition, provided by the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce, will feature agriculture and lumber industries and the Boeing development, according to Jim Farley and Wes Sherman, co-chairmen of the booth committee.

Under arrangement with the P. I. staff, the Chamber collected and sent the materials, and decorators at the exposition will arrange and erect the display.

Pacific Power and Light furnished a big picture of Heppner to be included in the booth. The Boeing Airplane Company furnished large colored pictures of its missiles and airplanes. Morrow County Grain Growers loan-

ed a large model of a grain elevator and Jack Loyd supplied a working model of a sawmill. Ralph Richards of the Soil Conservation furnished large aerial pictures of strip cropping in the county, and the booth will point out that Morrow county has more strip cropping than the rest of the state combined.

A limited number of copies of the Welcome Edition of the Gazette-Times will be given from the booth, and two-color brochures, extending a welcome to the county were especially printed under sponsorship of the chamber's development committee for free distribution from the booth.

The exposition opens Saturday and runs through the following Saturday.

Miller said the woods were "wet," but pointed out that not much drying would be necessary to again bring the danger of fires. He also said that the rain had not penetrated deep enough to keep fires from "creeping" under the thick forest carpet.

"We are still finding an occasional abandoned camp fire," he added, in stressing that the rain is no excuse for being careless with fires in the woods.

Kinzua Corp. holdings were opened to hunting at 7 a. m. Saturday according to Glen Ward, state agent. This does not mean that the fire danger was completely gone but the company considered the risk small enough that hunters may again use the 156,000 acres of choice hunting land the company holds.

Ward said that few deer had been bagged in the area in the past week-end and that few hunters showed up. He credited the extreme dry condition of the forests, which had been widely publicized, as the contributing factor.

"The deer are still there and in numbers," he said.

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Monday	69	49	.05
Tuesday	51	40	.15
Wednesday	58	45	.02

Rain during the week, .46
(Leonard L. Gilliam, Observer)

\$25 First Prize To Be Awarded Lucky Buck Day

The Lucky Buck drawing Saturday will be for \$55.00 with the top money \$25.00 in sheep skins. The regular additional prizes of \$10 second prize and three \$5.00 and five \$1.00 will be awarded to those present whose names are called.

test held every second and fourth In order to qualify for this contest Saturdays in Heppner one must be registered and present in any one of the 61 participating business establishments when the names of winners are announced at 2:30 p. m.

Free parking is provided by the city and special buys are available at stores of the town.

The siren is sounded to designate time to open the sealed envelopes delivered earlier to each merchant, holding the names of winners. Those whose names are called have two minutes in which to identify themselves to store managers before the second siren sounds, and they have until 4 p. m. to pick up their winnings.

A new twist on Luck Bucks was started this week by L. E. Dick Appliance store. The firm is replacing trading stamps with Lucky Bucks, as of Oct. 20. The Lucky Bucks will be given as premiums after that date.

Judge is Appointed To Advisory Council

Bonneville Power Administrator Charles F. Luce today announced the appointment of Judge Oscar Peterson of Heppner to the new Bonneville regional advisory council.

The first council meeting will be held at the Multnomah Hotel in Portland, Friday, October 15, from 9:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.

Luce said the purpose of the council is to advise the Administrator on policy matters and to serve as a bridge between BPA and the various communities of the Pacific Northwest.

The council consists of 119 members, including two former Bonneville Power Administrators, five university presidents, and representatives of public and private power, business, labor, agriculture and the professions, from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.