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Decision Time Here on Community College

Decision on a community college for this area, a matter that has been pending and under discussion for months, will be made tomorrow (Friday) when voters of Morrow and Umatilla counties, which would comprise the district, ballot on the formation of the Blue Mountain education district. Sole purpose of the district is to set up a community college to serve the two-county district. Its location undoubtedly would be in Pendleton.

Strong support has been evident in favor of the college among some groups, and when a public hearing was held in Pendleton earlier this year, there was only one dissenting voice among the many who appeared.

Proponents say that levy for operating cost of the college for the first year, 1962-63, would be 2 of a mill on the property tax roll, with the bulk of the funds for operation of the college to come from funds already allocated by the state.

The college would seek to provide: Standard collegiate courses for transfer to higher institutions, vocational and technical education leading to employment, adult education programs to fulfill special educational needs of the community, extension courses for special groups in the communities where the group is located, associate of arts or associate of science degrees—granted upon completion of the course.

There is every reason to believe that such a college would make higher education possible for quite a number of students who cannot now afford to continue after high school. Those who live in the two counties might be able to commute and would find costs at the school considerably less than in the existing institutions of higher education in the state.

At the same time, it would appear that by funneling off these students, the ever-extended capacities of the existing colleges would be relieved. This conceivably could result in some saving of funds at the state level because need for facilities would not be so strained.

It is evident that something must be done to provide higher education for the ever-increasing number of young people who want and need it. The community college trend appears to be one logical step towards a solution of this problem.

Every registered voter should take the time to go to the polls tomorrow. He will vote: First, on whether he is in favor of formation of the district, which, in essence, is a vote either for or against the Blue Mountain College. Second, on his choices for directors who will serve if the district is approved. There are 10 candidates for director, and seven will be chosen at large.

Morrow county has two strong candidates for the board in Robert Abrams, Heppner, present county district attorney, and Warren McCoy of Irigoin, who has had long and broad experience in school matters. These men are entitled to a place on the board because of their experience and knowledge. We have felt that the district representation should be set up on an area or zone basis, rather than at-large, but we have had some assurance that this could be done at a later date. We don't feel that Umatilla county, by virtue of its comparatively heavy population, should have the right to control all representation on the board.

However, the two candidates who Morrow county offers, even on the at-large basis, should poll more votes. Abrams' background includes teaching experience, work on the county reorganization committee, and attorney for Morrow county school district board. McCoy served on the county school board in Morrow county, is a member of the Irigoin advisory committee, and was chairman of the county school budget committee.

Remember to take a few minutes to go to the polls between 2 and 8 p. m. Friday. Polling places are listed in a story elsewhere in this paper.

Rose Festival To Feature Water Show June 12-15

Portland's 1962 Rose Festival officially opens Friday, June 8, for a 10-day celebration expected to draw record-breaking crowds to a spectacular new water show, the "Aqua Spectacular," scheduled four nights in the Memorial Coliseum, a series of parades and hundreds of other gala events scheduled through Sunday, June 17.

Reigning over the Realm of Rosaria during the 54th annual festival will be a court of princesses selected from the city's high schools and a queen to be selected and crowned on Monday, June 11, at 8 p. m. (DST) in a colorful coronation ceremony in the Memorial Coliseum.

Highlighting the festival will be the "Aqua Spectacular," developed and produced in Miami, Florida, and making its West Coast debut in the Coliseum June 12-15. The only portable water show of its kind in existence, the Aqua Spectacular includes four major production numbers, lavishly costumed, with special lighting effects and music, interspersed with comedy numbers, skill diving, and other special events. Cast members make their entrances and exits through a waterfall curtain.

The festival's trio of parades include the giddy, gala, night-time Merrykhana scheduled at 8 p. m. Saturday, June 9 (DST), and beginning for the first time this year in the Memorial Coliseum. A "King of Fun" will be chosen just before the parade leaves the Coliseum and will rule over the affair. More than 108 floats, marching groups and miscellaneous other entries will participate in the Merrykhana. Second of the three parades will be the Junior Festival "Kids" Parade, which begins at 2 p. m. (DST) Friday, June 15, at 52nd and Sandy Blvd. on Portland's east side. More than 10,000 youngsters riding, walking, and marching in a variety of inspired and colorful costumes, annually participate in the event.

Biggest of the three parades is the Grand Floral Parade, beginning at 10 a. m. Saturday, June 16, in the Memorial Coliseum,

featuring magnificent floral-decorated floats, bands, marching groups, and equestrian units. Visitors to the festival will find all the colorful gaiety of carnival time at the festival Fun Center, open daily throughout the festival from 11 a. m. to midnight, June 9-17. The center opens officially at 6 p. m. June 8. The center is located in Holladay Park, next to Portland's giant Lloyd's shopping complex.

Topping the biggest collection of rides and games ever in one place in the northwest will be the spectacular "skywheel," a 92-foot-high double ferris wheel. Strictly for youngsters will be dozens of kiddie rides at the country fair.

Other festival Fun Center features include the "Streets of the World" shopping bazaar, dozens of craft exhibits, displays of the outstanding works of northwest artists, and the Oregon Products restaurant and exhibit. On the performing arts stage at the Fun Center will be a continuous show of dancing, singing, circus acts, and performances of the "Flower Drum Song."

Seventeen ships of the U. S. and Canadian Navies will tie up at Portland to join the festivities. Visitors will be welcomed aboard and guided on tours of the ships each morning and afternoon from Saturday, June 9, through Sunday, June 17.

Another event attracting younger generation attention throughout the state is the 13th annual statewide Junior Olympics track and field meet. Boys and girls from 10 to 17, winners in preliminary competitions held in almost every Oregon community, will compete in the events beginning at 1 p. m. Saturday, June 9, at the Grant Park Field, N. E. 33rd and Thompson. Winning times will be wired to AAU headquarters at its entered in national competition. There'll be additional waterfront activities at the Willamette River "Marine Day" celebration on Sunday, June 10, with a full afternoon of aquatic activities scheduled. Hungry spectators can enjoy salmon barbecued Indian-style over open fires while waiting for Marine Day events which begin at 12:30 p. m. (DST). They'll include a decorated boat parade, speed water ski races, drag boat races, canoe jousting, skin-diving exhibitions, trick water skiing and—the highlight of the afternoon—a ski race in which a helicopter will pull one of the skiers

Bank Appoints New Area Man On Agriculture

Albert Haslebacher, Klamath Falls, has been appointed area agricultural representative for the First National Bank of Oregon, it was announced by J. H. Bedford, Heppner branch manager.

For the past two years Haslebacher has served as the bank's agricultural representative at Klamath Falls. He will make his headquarters at Pendleton. Haslebacher has served as treasurer of the Klamath County Cattleman's Association and secretary-treasurer of the Klamath County Young Farmers. He also has been a member of the Klamath County Farm Bureau, the Henley Farm Bureau and the Klamath Basin Sheep Producers Association.

He was employed from 1957 to 1959 by the agricultural extension service at Lakeview, with responsibility for the 4-H program in Lake County. A graduate of Oregon State University, he earned his degree in animal husbandry. Born and reared near Salem, Oregon, he is married and the father of three children.

Clark Is Selected To Attend Institute

Don Clark of Heppner is one of thirty-eight elementary school teachers from throughout the United States and one from Brazil who has been selected to participate in the Summe. Institute in Science and Mathematics at elementary school teachers at the University of Oregon.

The program is financed by the National Science Foundation. The Foundation is sponsoring 21 summer institutes for elementary teachers. Five of them are west of the Rockies.

Each participant will receive a stipend of \$75 per week for the eight week institute, which will begin June 18.

Purpose of the institute is to improve the subject matter background in physical science of elementary school teachers. Participants will register in a course in geology, physical geography, meteorology and climatology, and elementary mathematics.

TO THE EDITOR...

To The Editor: The success of the Armed Forces Day "Open House" held at this installation on May 19, 1962 can be directly attributed to the excellent cooperation received from area news media, and I wish to thank you for your part in this distribution. The depot was host to approximately 1400 persons on that day, in spite of poor weather conditions, and your help in informing them of this event is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely,
LEIGH W. WORTHING
Colonel, Ord Corps
Commanding
Umatilla Ordnance Depot

Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

THE HEPPNER Gazette had been in existence only about two years, when, sometime in 1885, someone took some discarded copies of the paper and used them as insulation on the rough boards that formed the inside walls of a house.

Recently the Rev. Homer Wolfington was doing some remodeling to the house, known as the old Patterson place and located next to Herman Green, when he uncovered the copies of the Gazette. They had been there so long that they had become a part of the unplanned boards.

Rev. Wolfington sawed out a couple of chunks of the boards with the papers affixed (too permanently to be removed) and Herman brought them to us.

Often times a newspaper has files that date back to its early days, but we don't. O. G. Crawford, former editor of the G-T, told us that a fire that occurred in about 1918 had wiped out the files to that point, which is really quite a loss because the old record is very valuable. So the tattered papers that Herman brought are all the more interesting.

ONE SHREDDED portion, the editorial page, bears the date August 6, 1885, which is a little more than one year and four months after the Gazette was founded (one of the oldest weekly newspapers in the state) on March 30, 1883.

Little is discernible on this portion, but one item reports that "Sam E. Clark of the dairy firm of Vinson and Clark, Camas Prairie, was down to Heppner Thursday with a load of cheese for which first article he always finds a ready market."

Another: "It begins to look as though there might be an extra session of the legislature called early in September. If there is, it is estimated that the people's pockets will suffer to the tune of about \$30,000. The taxpayers can't afford that just to secure a senator, especially as the governor can appoint one without expense."

WE SEE AN advertisement from W. J. Leezer and L. W. Briggs of Heppner for hardware, tinware, stoves and ranges. Another ad, by a man named Fell, Heppner Nursery, announces: \$75.00! Buys One Thousand! \$10 Buys One Hundred Apple Trees! Come to Heppner.

A professional card of Julius Keithley announces his services as Morrow County Official-Surveyor.

J. W. Morrow advertises that he "Brands horses. They run where grass is greenest." Another ad says, "D. B. Stalter, Horse Raiser. Brands horses and cattle. Range between Balm Fork and Skinner." Wm. Penland advertises "Lots in Lexington."

A ranch of 320 acres, "half a pre-emption claim and the other half a railroad claim" is offered for sale at \$325. Included is a house, some fencing and nine acres broke; running water; 8 miles from Heppner and a mile from Lexington.

A fraternal directory lists the Knights of Pythias, Willow Lodge No. 66, IOOF; Heppner Lodge No. 69, AF & AM; Heppner Lodge 456, I. O. of G. T. A faded ad from Peterson's

offers "Watches, Clocks & c. Also Amethyst, Cameo and Diamond, Gold Rings, Gold and Silver Watches. And All other articles usually kept in a Jewelry Store. Store opposite post office. May street. All work guaranteed."

Wm. Estes points out in an ad that he "Does General Blacksmithing in First-Class Shape at Lexington, Nine Miles below Heppner on Alkali Stage road."

Another space proclaims, "Call on Johnnie Locknane at the Belvedere SALOON, Opposite the livery stable."

ROICE FULLETON had to go to Boise Monday to get a car. The three daughters, Diana, Ruby and Becky, wanted to go along to visit relatives and left mother, Betty, home to take care of things.

Tuesday, Mrs. Fulleton seemed a little bewildered. She was attempting to take care of the Chevrolet garage, and was busy sitting with Diana's tiny chi-hauhua-terrier pup. She was looking after Becky's goldfish, Becky's cats, and Roice's horses.

Her family left her with a whirlwind of instructions—so many pellets for the goldfish, so much hay for the horses, so much dog food for the pup and so much milk for the cats. Also mixed in the menagerie are some pigs.

The pup demands a romp at 4 a. m. which means an early start to the day. Wouldn't be surprised to see Betty get mixed up and start feeding hay to the goldfish, pellets to the pup and dogfood to the horses.

All this and Chevrolets, too!

"HUTCH," Heppner's night policeman, had just come on duty on a recent evening. He stepped into the street from the Heppner Hotel corner when he noticed an object streaming fire fly over a corner of town. His first thought was that some youngster had conceived the bright idea of setting fire to a kite and sending it sailing. Hutch hopped in his car and headed for high country in the hope of spotting where it landed, but he had no luck. There wasn't a sign of it.

He remained puzzled about it until next day when he read in the paper that Portland baseball team, playing in Vancouver, B. C., headed for cover in the dug-out when a fiery object swooshed across overhead.

The object that looked as if it were only a hundred or so feet over Heppner was probably a comet a good many miles in the sky, but it made an impressive display.

THERE HAVE been some peculiar goings-on at the Chamber of Commerce lately. The organization has what it calls the "pot," offered to stimulate attendance. Each one present puts in a dime. Names are drawn and the lucky guy gets half the "pot."

Two weeks ago, Rep. Frank Weatherford was on hand and was asked to draw the name from the box. He drew his own name. We told him that we

couldn't figure how a fellow with that kind of a touch could lose an election.

At the meeting Monday, Gene Fred was the winner. President Fred Gimbel stood up and solemnly announced, "Gene Pot won the case." This slip of the tongue should qualify him for a radio or TV announcer.

AT THE city council meeting the other night, Bob Lowe as a citizen petitioner, presented several matters for consideration, relative to streets. The matters were discussed for a time and then Conley Lanham, acting mayor while Al Lamb is gone, turned to Councilman Ed Gonty, a member of the street committee, at his left.

"We'll turn those over to the street committee," he instructed Ed.

"O. K.," replied Ed with a grin, "You're the chairman." But the acting mayor stopped the buck passing. "Well, you're the chairman now!" he responded, acting with his new majority authority.

SO FAR, the writer has withstood the World's Fair "bug," and hasn't been a bit excited about mingling with the mob in "needle and monorail land." But when Mike Whitesmith and family took off on vacation for the fair, he declared that he had it all figured out on how to get in, see the fair and get out without getting mixed up in traffic and parking congestion. An old-timer in that area, he knows all the back roads and parking spots. We're anxious to see how he fares at the fair.

Nels Anderson and family just came back from a few days there and were quite impressed. (He just about gave us the "bug"). Going up the "Needle" was quite a thrill, but they decided not to stand the long wait to eat in the restaurant at the top.

As to the crowd, Nels said, "There were 48,000 people there," and added rather mournfully, "I didn't see anyone I knew."

HIGH SCHOOL teachers proved to be quite the wits at Awards night at Heppner High recently. Coach Jim Sutherland kept the audience and kids in stitches with his antics, but we thought Coach Pete Glennie, whose baseball team had a so-so season this year, brought the best ad-lib when he dropped a batch of award certificates to the stage floor while presenting baseball letters.

He stooped over, gathered them up and turned to the audience. In his quiet manner he said, "That's just how we played baseball."

WHEN dog bites man, that's not news, they say. When man bites dog, that is news. Then it would follow that when cowboy ropes calf, that's not news. But when calf ropes cowboy, that is news.

Well, Rod Murray is in the news. He was roping calves over the week-end. He had the rope around one rip-snorter's neck, and a loop of rope was trailing the animal. Rod stepped in the loop, the calf took off and the Heppner pharmacist had his foot in it. Rod is wearing a pronounced limp this week. First thought his leg was broken but it's only badly twisted. He's glad that his new pharmacist, Ed Espy, arrived from Riverton, Wyo., to start work Monday morning.

Salter to Receive Degree at OCE Friday

Robert Salter of Ione is one of 112 students scheduled to receive degrees at Eastern Oregon College's 33rd annual commencement Friday, June 8. A graduate of Ione High school in the class of 1957, Salter is the son of Hugh Salter, Ione. His degree will be bachelor of science in education.

In addition, 68 degrees were granted at the close of the 1961 summer session, bringing the academic year's total to 180.

Exercises are scheduled at 10:00 a. m. in the EOC Coliseum, with Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, president of the University of Puget Sound, delivering the address.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Farra had as houseguests for the graduation of their son, Jim, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Farra, Payette, Idaho, parents of Mr. Farra; Mr. and Mrs. Harley Farra, John Day; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Farra, Mt. Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cason, Condon; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wiest, Sunnyside, Wn.; parents of Mrs. Farra; and Carol Beck, Grandview, Wn. On Memorial Day they enjoyed a family dinner.



Coming Events

SUMMER OPENING
Heppner Swimming Pool
Saturday, June 9, at 1:00 p.m.
Free Swim For All!

PAST NOBLE GRANDS
Of Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge
OLD-FASHIONED FAMILY
POTLUCK PICNIC
Sunday, June 10
1:00 P. M.
Randall Martin Home
Buttercreek District

Willow Creek Country Club
Hosts To Kinzua Golf Club
Sunday, June 10

Tee-off, 9:30 and 10 A. M.
Two-ball Foursome, 2:00 P. M.

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