



**DARK-HAIRED** and vivacious "Miss Oregon," Michelle Morrison, shown here in a portrait and in formal dress, will enter the quest for Miss Oregon title next week in Portland in the first step of the Miss Universe contest. She is sponsored by the Ione Lions club. (Also see picture on page 1, section 2). (Coles Studio)

## 'Miss' Ione to Start Quest for State Title

Michelle Morrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Morrison of Ione, will plunge into the festivities and fanfare of the Miss Oregon contest in Portland next week carrying the banner of "Miss Ione," sponsored by the Ione Lions club. She will be competing with some 18 other comely candidates for the state title and the right to enter the Miss Universe contest in Florida. First event for Michelle, who has completed a week's course

in charm school in preparation for this exciting pageant, will be a press conference Tuesday at the Thunderbird Motel, Portland. She will be accompanied there by Mayor and Mrs. Charles O'Connor of Ione.

With the Lions club backing her in force, Miss Ione will return to Portland Friday for the bathing beauty contest that will be held at the Continental Motel. Lions and wives, numbering 23 in all, plan to go to Portland for the event. They will have special jackets and badges bearing Miss Ione's picture.

Parade of the pageant will start at 10 a.m. Saturday from Lloyd Center, and an Ione Booster band, the Sagebrush Six, will also be in the line of march. In the band are Marvin Padberg, Wayne Hams, Tass Morrison, Roland Ekstrom, Bobbie Lee DeSpain and John Swanson.

Finals of the judging will be Saturday and Oregon's winner will be announced Saturday night with appropriate ceremonies.

Herb Ekstrom Jr. is chairman of the Lions committee in charge of this project.

## Budget Set \$246,979 For College

Total estimated expenditures of \$246,979 are called for in the 1962-63 budget for the newly-approved Blue Mountain Community college that will serve the Umatilla-Morrow district. The budget committee, of which John Mulligan, Pendleton, is chairman, approved the budget at a meeting last week. It is printed on page two of this paper and calls for a public hearing on July 2, 7:30 p. m., at the Pendleton Technical School, S. E. Third St., Pendleton.

Special budget election will be on Friday, July 20, in the two-county district.

Voters will approve or reject the \$103,704 that is to be provided by taxation. Receipts for the year are estimated at \$143,275 of which \$88,775 would come from the state's community college fund. Fees and tuition are expected to bring \$35,000 and sale of textbooks and supplies \$8,000. A total of \$11,500 is budgeted to come from the National Defense Education Act.

Using a tentative figure of \$88 million for the total assessed valuation of the district, the tax levy would figure out at about 1.18 mills, somewhat higher than original estimates.

Reason for the higher figure is primarily due to capital outlay that is considered necessary for purchase of equipment, rental of buildings and expansion of the adult education program. Expenditure for capital outlay is listed at \$52,560, including items for professional service for site and building, remodeling and new equipment.

Administration cost for the year is listed at \$15,600, instruction at \$143,769, operation of plant \$8,350, maintenance of plant \$3,000, fixed charges \$12,500, non bonded interest \$1,200, and emergency \$10,000.

During the first year of operation of the community college, it is expected that 200 students will attend and the budget is based on that figure.

Any persons who have questions or remonstrances on the budget may appear at the July 2 hearing.

The college was approved by vote in the district recently by a 4 to 1 margin.

## Fair Premium Lists Printed for Event

Premium lists for the Morrow County Fair have been printed by the Gazette-Times and have been delivered to Mrs. Glenn (Lena) Smith, fair secretary. She set about immediately this week to mail them out.

The 52-page booklet contains all rules, divisions, superintendents for the fair, including 4-H, FFA and open classes. Also included are events of the Wranglers Horse Show.

The fair will be August 21-24, and the Horse Show will be on August 31 with the rodeo following on September 1 and 2.

Anyone interested in obtaining a premium list should contact Mrs. Smith.

## WEATHER

(Leonard Gilliam, observer)

	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Thursday	70	51	—
Friday	81	49	—
Saturday	81	44	—
Sunday	79	68	—
Monday	81	44	—
Tuesday	84	49	—
Wednesday	84	47	—

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## Board Okays Plans For High Building

Plans for the new Heppner-Lexington high school were given approval by the Morrow County School District R-1 board of directors at a special meeting last Thursday night after several hours of reviewing the plans.

Architect Stuart Tuft of Hayslip and Tuft was present to go over the plans with the board and Administrator Robert Van Houte.

The building is essentially the same as that presented in preliminary design when the bond issue was voted in February. One

## Sudden Illness Takes Wightman; Funeral Today

Funeral services for Robert C. Wightman, 89, were held today (Thursday) from All Saints' Episcopal church at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Father C. Bruce Spencer officiated, with interment following in Heppner Masonic cemetery. Creswick Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Wightman would have reached his 90th birthday June 24. He was born in the year 1872, the son of John and Jessie Wightman, in Schomokin, Pa. He had lived in the Heppner area for 57 years where he engaged in wheat and cattle ranching, and formerly operated a dairy. He was never married.

Mr. Wightman died at 9:40 a.m. Tuesday, June 19, in the Pioneer Memorial hospital from an apparent stroke. The body layed in state at the mortuary until Thursday noon.

He was a member of the Presbyterian church; Paxton lodge No. 620, IOOF, Dauphin, Pa.; Heppner Masonic lodge No. 69, AF&M; Heppner chapter 26, RAM; Umatilla Council No. 6, R&M, Pendleton; and Ruth chapter 32, OES, Heppner.

He is survived by two brothers, John of Heppner and William of Dauphin, Pa., one sister, Agnes Wightman, Dauphin, Pa., also one nephew, Marvin, Concord, Calif., a niece, Mrs. Claude (Anna) Graham, Heppner, and several grandnieces and nephews.

## Court Pays Visit To Umatilla Event

Morrow county's rodeo court went to the Umatilla Sageriders' annual rodeo Saturday night and Sunday afternoon. Queen Marlene Fetsch and Princess Diana Fullerton entered barrel racing, and on Sunday afternoon the girls entered in a royalty event. Competition consisted of the girls racing to a goat tied on the long rope. They then milked the goat and raced back to the judge.

Princess Diana won the event and received a nice head stall for her horse. Next appearance of the court will be in the Miss Universe parade in Portland next week-end. Michelle Morrison, "Miss Ione," is entered in the Miss Universe contest under the sponsorship of the Ione Lions club.

## Youth Service For Jobs Eyed

Possibility of forming a youth employment service in Heppner for the summer months is being considered by the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce after the idea was presented at the meeting Monday by R. G. (Pete) McMurtry.

He told of the operation of the service elsewhere. A secretary is hired and students may register for work for any of a number of different types of jobs. Businesses and residents of the area are encouraged to place orders for workers wanted with the service.

McMurtry was asked to obtain more information, and Mrs. Avon Melby and Mrs. Gene Case were named by President Fred Gimbel to serve on a committee to consider the matter.

## Douglas Gunderson Home For Two Weeks

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Gunderson brought their son Douglas home from Emanuel hospital, Portland, on Sunday, where he had undergone bone surgery on his left leg during recent weeks. Even though still in a cast, he enjoys being up and around in a wheel chair.

He will return to the hospital in two weeks for a repeat of the same type of surgery to his right leg.



REV. MELVIN DIXON

## Methodists Plan Reception Picnic For New Minister

Members and friends of the Heppner Methodist church will meet in the picnic area on the courthouse lawn Sunday afternoon following church services for a get-acquainted reception and picnic in honor of the new minister and family, Rev. and Mrs. Melvin W. Dixon and daughters Sharon and Martha.

The informal occasion will start with a potluck dinner at 12:30, with coffee, punch and ice cream furnished by the church committee. Those attending are asked to bring their own table service and prepared food.

An invitation has been extended other ministers in the area and their families to be present and enjoy the fellowship.

The Rev. and Mrs. (Nancy) Dixon and family, arrived in Heppner last week to begin their tenure of pastoral service at the Methodist church. They lived in Medford for the past five years where he served St. Luke's Methodist church. During the past year he was president of the Medford Ministerial association.

Before going to Medford he served four years in the ministry in Michigan and five years at Shedd.

Mr. Dixon has served in the ministry since 1945 when he received his master's degree in theology and Biblical literature from Pasadena College seminary. He earlier earned the bachelor of arts degree in philosophy and religion.

The older daughter of the paragon family, Sharon, will leave for Asbury college, Wilmore, Ky., in September. Martha is a junior in high school.

Sharon is a licensed amateur radio (ham) operator and plans to take psychology in college. Martha is particularly interested in music, both instrumental and vocal.

Hobbies of the Rev. Mr. Dixon are hunting and fishing.

## Emergency Meet Set For 4-H Leaders

South Morrow 4-H leaders are urged to attend an emergency meeting of their council on Tuesday evening, June 26, at the N. C. Anderson home in Heppner at 8:00 o'clock.

The Ways and Means committee has formed a plan to build a food concession booth on the fair grounds which will necessitate drawing on the council's savings. Approval or disapproval is needed by the group.

## Service Station Work Started

Teller Construction Company of Portland has started work on the remodeling of Jack Van Winkle's Chevron Service Station here after being awarded the contract for the job by Standard Oil company. The project will include construction of a new office building and renovation of the lubrication building, Van Winkle said.

The construction company took out a permit from the City of Heppner estimating cost of the project at \$10,680. Men were on the job Wednesday to start on foundation work.

## Touring Mayor Now Homeward Bound After Completing Mission in Africa

Mayor Al Lamb, touring in Central Africa with a U. S. Trade Mission, was due to start his homeward trip today (Thursday). Mrs. Lamb said Wednesday, however, it is not known how many stops he will be making en route nor how long they will take, she said. It is possible that she may meet him in Pendleton Saturday night.

Another letter to friends of Morrow county arrived from Mayor Lamb from Pointe Noire, Congo, written June 11.

## Road Serial Levy Vote Due July 2

Special election on proposed three-year serial levy for Morrow County roads will be held on Monday, July 2, in the nine precincts of the county.

The measure would authorize the levying of a tax in the amount of \$115,000 annually over a three-year period, beginning with the fiscal year 1962-63 for the purpose of constructing, improving, maintaining, replacing and repairing county roads.

This proposed levy would succeed the previous 10-mill levies voted for 5-year periods three separate times, the last in 1958. It was discovered this year that the 10-mill levy could no longer be imposed because of a change in state law that requires the levy to be expressed in terms of a specific amount of money rather in terms of millage.

The 10-mill levy for the year 1961-62 brought proceeds in excess of the 6% limitation and thereby was illegal. More than \$17,000 must be refunded to taxpayers by the county as a result.

County Judge Oscar Peterson has pointed out that the \$115,000 that the county would be empowered to collect annually under the proposed levy is considerably less than the proceeds brought by the 10-mill levy and this will not require as high a millage levy.

Without any tax support for the road program, the county would have to depend entirely on sources other than taxes. This would be adequate only for minimum maintenance, the judge said.

Voting places will be the same as for the primary election, and the list of these polling places will be printed next week.

## New Car Stolen, Wrecked Tuesday

A new Galaxie 500 with only about 25 miles recorded on the speedometer was stolen from the lot at Heppner Auto Sales sometime Tuesday night and was found wrecked and abandoned on the highway near Lexington just after midnight.

Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman said that he was called about 1 a.m. Wednesday by City Police Officer Floyd Hutchins after Larry Prock and John Piper, who had come by the scene, reported the wreck to Hutchins. It had plowed into a bank on the highway near the entrance to the Lexington airport. Sheriff Bauman said. Skid marks showed that the auto had gone out of control on a curve and veered back and forth across the road before hitting the bank. Indications were that it had been driven at a high rate of speed.

It was abandoned with the rear sticking on to the highway in such a manner as to be a bad hazard to traffic, he said. The front was rather severely damaged but there were no signs of blood inside the car or other evidence that any occupants had been hurt. Few clues were available that might lead to the thief.

The car apparently was stolen after 11 p. m. because a mechanic was working at the garage until that time. The auto had been shown to a customer by Sales Manager Dave Barnett about 10 p. m. Keys apparently were left in the ignition. They were still there when the car was found abandoned.

## Three Youths Unhurt In Tuesday Wreck

Three youths were shaken up but unhurt following an auto accident in Clark's Canyon about six miles west of Heppner Tuesday evening. The old Packard auto, driven by Chris Burkenbine, went into a ditch and through a fence after the driver lost control of the vehicle. With him were Burton Peck and Gaylord Sampson.

At first it was feared that Sampson sustained a back injury, according to an account they gave to Police Officer Floyd Hutchins. They borrowed a pickup from a place nearby and came to town to contact Hutchins and report the accident to him. It was reported that the auto was badly damaged.

## Little League Meet Scheduled Friday

President LaVerne Van Marter has called a meeting of all managers and board members of Little League baseball for Friday, June 22, at 8:00 p. m. in his offices.

He asks all above personnel be present for this important business meeting.