

# THE GAZETTE-TIMES

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## Three Youths Injured in Auto-Pickup Collision

### Postal Rate Hike Starts On Monday

Increases in postage rates and fees, designed to help eliminate the deficit under which the Post Office Department is operating, will be effective as of Monday, January 7, Postmaster Jim Driscoll reminds local patrons.

Most noticeable increase will be those on first class mail. Sending an ordinary letter to points in the United States will require five cents per ounce as compared with the present four cents. Drop letters (such as those in Heppner which are mailed in the local post office and placed in post office boxes) will increase to 4c per ounce from 3c.

Rate on postal cards will go from the present 3c to 4c per card.

Airmail letters will require 8c postage per ounce instead of the present 7c, and airmail cards will increase to 6c per card from the present 5c.

Newspapers will notice an increase in their rates, since the free-in-county privilege will be discontinued, and they will pay in county at the rate of 1c per pound. An increase will also be effective to copies sent out of the county, and others publications mailing under second class will experience similar increases.

Third class rates, which includes books, catalogs, circulars and similar matter will also go up. For instance, circulars that currently are mailed under bulk rate at 2 1/2 cents per piece will increase to 2 5/8 cents on January 7. Another increase is planned for 1964, to 2 3/4 cents, and again in 1965, to 2 7/8 cents.

However, rate on non-profit books, catalogs and circulars will be decreased, non-profit circulars dropping from 16 cents per pound to nine cents, and non-profit books and catalogs from 10 cents per pound to six cents.

Postmaster Driscoll states that he has received many inquiries about the new rates and emphasizes that any supplies of stamps that patrons have on hand are still useable. The patron may buy 1c stamps to use with 4c stamps, or 2c stamps to use with any supplies of 3c stamps on hand.

### Heppner, Ione Bill Home Games

All games are at home this week-end for Heppner and Ione High school basketball teams. Coach Glenn Biehl's Ione Cardinals have league games Friday and Saturday night, and Coach Bob Cantonwine's Mustangs have a non-league return fray against DeSales of Walla Walla Saturday night in the Heppner gym.

The Cardinals played Stanfield Friday night and then meet Helix the following night. In early action this year they have scheduled the powers of the Umatilla-Morrow B league and sustained three losses in a row after an earlier non-league win over Arlington. They hope to hit the comeback trail this week-end with a pair of wins over their opponents.

Heppner is riding a 5-1 record with its lone loss to Pilot Rock. The Mustangs tripped the DeSales quintet in their season's opener at Walla Walla on December 7 and will seek to make a sweep against the visiting five.

All jayvee contests start at 6:30, both for Heppner and Ione, with varsity games following.

### Council to Sponsor Student Body Dance

The student council of the Heppner High school will sponsor an informal dance for members of the student body and their guests Saturday night, January 12, in the school gym.

Among recent requirements set up by the faculty for school dances is that each student who is inviting a guest must obtain an invitation from the principal's office, and then present it to the teacher chaperones at the dance. Those attending are stamped at the door and are not permitted to leave until the close of the evening. Dances are chaperoned by at least two teachers and two or more parents.

### County Judge Points Out Need to Back Project

By OSCAR PETERSON  
Morrow County Judge

Pursuant to section 5 of the Flood Control Act approved August 28, 1937, and subsequent directives, the District Engineer of the U. S. Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla, has undertaken a survey of the Willow Creek Basin in Morrow county to determine the need and feasibility



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of the project. The same watershed exists and there have been many minor floods.

As the survey has been completed, it concerns the feasibility of a multipurpose dam and reservoir project located just upstream from the City of Heppner, consisting tentatively of a dam 150 feet high and a reservoir with a total capacity of 11,500 acre feet. This project would afford the City of Heppner and the Willow Creek valley below the dam with flood protection and would include storage for irrigation and provide facilities for wildlife, sports fishing and recreation.

We have members in Congress who are intensely interested in the project. We have leadership that is interested in this type of public works. If we are ever to get development of this kind here, it is up to us to stand united and work together now.

As a member of the county court, I feel that such a multipurpose development would be of tremendous value, not only to Heppner but to the entire county.

We have a priority now for our project and certainly should make the most of it. All parties will be afforded full opportunity to express their views at this January 14 hearing, and it is my sincere wish that many will do so.

The total benefits of the proposed project will far exceed total cost. Aside from the irrigation feature, a portion of the cost of which would be borne by water users who stand to gain from it, virtually all costs of the project would be paid by the Federal government. Through taxes our residents have shared in payment of similar projects of benefit to other areas in the Northwest and across the nation, and it is only fair, with the need for flood protection, recreation and irrigation here, that we have our turn in development and others share the cost with us.

It is hoped that all our local citizens will fall behind this worthy project.

### Registration Set For Adult Classes

Registration for adult education courses offered through the auspices of Blue Mountain College, will be Monday night, January 14, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Lexington school. Enrollment forms on the bottom of questionnaires recently given out through the schools, were to be returned by January 2, but anyone still wishing to take classes may still do so by attending the registration meeting.

Classes may be offered in welding, millinery, hydraulics, public speaking, business education (typing or bookkeeping), basic geology, and others, depending upon demands and interest.

Further information may be had by calling Mrs. Ed Dick, Heppner, or Mrs. Ewing Hynd, Cecll.

## Program to Offer Variety at Stock Growers' Meeting

Starting off with a Horse training demonstration at the fairgrounds Friday, January 11, at 10:30, the 14th annual meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers will offer a wide variety of events before conclusion of a busy two-day program Saturday night, Ron Currin, president, announces.

Jim Gorman of Gorman Training stables, Walla Walla, Wn., will conduct the training demonstrations, and it is reported that it is amazing what he can accomplish with a horse in a couple of hours.

Friday's program will continue throughout the day at the fairgrounds, and the afternoon session will highlight a panel discussion on taxes, entitled, "Taxes Today and Tomorrow." Dr.

### Two Receive Cuts In Skating Mishap

Two college students home for the holidays received cuts in skating accidents on the same day, last Wednesday, but on different ponds.

Gary Van Blokland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur, a freshman this year at California Polytechnic at San Luis Obispo, fell on ice on the Harold Evans pond when his skate caught in moss. He suffered a deep cut over his right eye and eight stitches were required.

Lance Tibbles, son of Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles and graduate student at the University of Oregon, fell in an accident on the Don Greenup pond. In the fall his glasses were broken and he sustained cuts around the eye. His father was skating with him and brought him in for treatment.

Van Blokland is taking animal husbandry at California Poly and says that he likes it very well.

### Two From Kinzua Hurt in Accidents

Two from Kinzua are patients in Pioneer Memorial hospital as a result of recent accidents, one at home and one in the woods.

Roy Blevins, 61, was brought to the hospital in the ambulance Wednesday after he was struck by a falling snag or tree. It hit his left shoulder and chest, causing a fractured shoulder blade and several fractured ribs. His doctor reported Thursday that he is in good condition at the hospital.

On December 24, Roger Holloman, 56, also of Kinzua, was injured in a fall from a ladder at his home. He later complained of pain in his side. His doctor said that he suffered a ruptured liver in the accident and surgery was performed to correct it. Holloman also was reported Thursday as recovering satisfactorily.

Another houseguest at the Evans home over the holidays was Mrs. Emma Evans, of Willamette View Manor, Portland.

Reports will continue at 1:45

### 'Sno Use! Classes Postponed—No Snow

Ski classes planned for the month of January under the sponsorship of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce and the Arbuckle Mountain Ski club have been postponed indefinitely. The postponement is for good reason—no snow.

As soon as the weather changes and snow comes—if it does—plans will be made to hold the school. Members of the club said that quite a number have evidenced interest in the school and several have registered, but the weatherman has not cooperated.

### Heppner Merchants Offer Big Values In Clearance Sale

Heppner merchants are joining this week to offer a city-wide clearance sale with big bargains in all lines of merchandise. The sale is held to clear stock left over from Christmas business and to make way for new stock.

To make it easier for shoppers, parking meters will be hooded on Saturday and it will not be necessary to pay the usual parking fee.

A full page advertisement and other ads in this paper tell details of the sale and announce bargains. The clearance is held at the same time as J. C. Penney Company's White Goods sale which is also announced in a page advertisement in this paper.

Firms taking part in the clearance are Heppner Auto Sales, Wilson's Men's Wear, Farley Motor Company, Peterson's Jewelers, Gonty's, Gilliam and Bissell, MLadies Apparel, Case Furniture Co., M&R Floorcovering and Heating, Tri-County Equipment Co., Humphreys Rexall Drug, and L. E. Dick.

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### Nymans Visit Here For Two Weeks Stay

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nyman and daughters Judy and Robin of New York City spent the past two weeks at the home of Mrs. Nymans parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Evans. They are returning to New York by plane by way of Denver, Colo., where they will visit Mr. Nyman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nyman.

Another houseguest at the Evans home over the holidays was Mrs. Emma Evans, of Willamette View Manor, Portland.

### Two Lone Youths Get Minor Hurts

Hank Pointer, 21, and Bob Rice, both of the Lexington-Ione area, escaped with minor injuries when a car owned and driven by Pointer rolled over near Ione on a road north of the high school just after midnight Saturday.

Both young men are students at Columbia Basin Junior college. Their injuries were confined to bruises. Pointer said that he failed to make a curve at the top of a hill when it was sharper than he had anticipated. They were treated at Pioneer Memorial hospital and were released.

The car, a late model Corvair, was rather badly damaged. Both Rice and Pointer have now returned to college.

### Lovgren Has Surgery In Portland

An auto-pickup collision shortly after midnight near Heppner on the Willow Creek highway resulted in injuries to three young men, all of Heppner. Two—Dean Lovgren, 15, and John Privett, 17—were seriously hurt, and the third, Bill Struthers, 18, escaped with minor bruises and shock.

All were in a car driven by Privett and were headed home from Pendleton after attending a movie there. The car collided with a pickup truck, northbound, which by coincidence was driven by Dean's uncle, Bob Lovgren, also of Heppner, who was not hurt seriously enough to be hospitalized.

Dean Lovgren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vic Lovgren, suffered a fracture of the lumbar spine and one vertebra of the spine was partially dislocated, his local attending physician said. The injuries caused partial paralysis in his legs and he was removed from Pioneer Memorial hospital Sunday to the Good Samaritan hospital, Portland. On Monday morning he underwent an operation to the spine to relieve pressure, and results of the operation were said to be satisfactory.

Members of the family said Thursday morning that he was "doing as well as could be expected." The operation caused some swelling in the spine, but as it recedes he is apparently gaining more feeling in his legs. Indications are that he will be hospitalized for many weeks.

Privett, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Privett, remains in the Pioneer Memorial hospital. He has two fractured ribs, four missing teeth in the upper jaw, a lacerated right knee, and minor internal injuries in the abdomen, according to his physician. He was able to sit up by Thursday, and his condition was pronounced "very good."

Struthers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Struthers, remained in the hospital only through the night and was discharged. Bob Lovgren was thrown from his pickup from the impact but apparently suffered no injuries worse than bruises. The force of the collision knocked him across the cab and was powerful enough for his body to spring open the heavy door on the right side to throw him out.

Dean Lovgren was riding beside Privett, the driver, in the auto and apparently was asleep when the accident happened. Struthers was said to be lying on the back seat asleep. Privett

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## Tracey Lee Pettyjohn Born New Years Day; Wins Prizes

Little Tracey Lee Pettyjohn didn't get a very big start when she was born at the Pioneer Memorial hospital on New Years day, weighing only 5 lb. 14 oz., but that was big enough to claim some 33 prizes offered by local merchants and businesses in the 1963 baby derby.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pettyjohn of Heppner and has two sisters, Terry Lynn, 9, and Pam Kay, 16 months. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pettyjohn of Ione, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Keithley of Heppner.

Tracey Lee arrived on the scene at 6:45 p.m. on New Years day. Because she is the first baby of the new year in Heppner she will receive the bonanza of gifts, which will be shared by the parents. A number of the gifts are for the parents.

Besides many baby items, baby food and clothing, Tracey Lee will receive several cash prizes and savings accounts to give her a good start. Not the least of the prizes is 25% off on her hospital bill, a gift from the Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Last year Danny Joe Alderman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Alderman, was the recipient of the prizes, and it was only fitting that they go to a girl this year. Danny was a little later arriving, being born on January 4 but he tipped the scales at a heavier weight, being 8 lb. 2 oz.

It can be said, though that New Years baby honors are kept in "the same family." Mrs. Pettyjohn is a first cousin of Duane Alderman.

The mother and new "Miss Heppner 1963" are doing very well and they expect to go home later this week.

## Officers to Start New Terms Monday

County and city officers elected in November general election will begin their new terms Monday, January 7, but there will be very few new faces in the public offices.

Rod Thomson, who was elected county assessor without opposition in the general election after defeating Oliver Creswick

in the primary, will be sworn in by Sadie Parrish, county clerk, as assessor. Creswick served by appointment, replacing the late Harry Dinges.

Thomson has been in the assessor's office for many years as a deputy and as of January 7 will step up to serve as assessor.

E. O. (Gene) Ferguson, who was reelected county commissioner at the general election after defeating another Republican, Berl Akers of Ione, in the primary, will be sworn in for a second 4-year term. County Judge Oscar Peterson and Commissioner Milton Biegel of Irrigon were not up for election and are holdover members of the county court.

Justice of the Peace J. O. Hager was reelected as justice of the peace for the sixth district (Heppner) but has been ill and is not expected to be able to take the oath of office Monday.

Larry Cook Sr. has been serving as justice of the peace pro tem. At Boardman Ernest Jorgenson will start as justice of the peace replacing R. B. Rands who did not seek another term.

Garland Swanson of Ione and George Wiese of Boardman were reelected to terms on the county port commission. However, Wiese has moved to Portland and will leave a vacancy on the commission. No one has been appointed for the post as yet.

Seven Heppner city officers will start new terms, all having been reelected to their positions. They include Mayor Al Lamb; LaVerne Van Marter, treasurer; Ted Smith, recorder; and Conley Lanham, Carl Spaulding, LeRoy Gardner and Earl Ayres, councilmen. Ayres was elected to a 2-year term and other councilmen are for four years.

At Ione, Charles O'Connor will start another term as mayor, and Hugh Salter will be new on the council. Jim Barnett and Bill Rietmann will start new terms as councilmen, having been reelected. Other officers to take the oath for new terms will be Gladys Drake, treasurer, and June Crowell, recorder, both reelected in November.

Boardman will have a new mayor beginning January 7. He is Dewey West, succeeding Joe Tatone who was not a candidate for reelection. Councilmen to take seats Monday include Vernon Russell, Ed Kuhn and Arthur Allen. Beginning another term as recorder-treasurer is Ernael Mittelsdorf.

Councilmen starting terms at Irrigon include Margaret Jorgenson for two years and Chester Wilson for four years.

Wes Sherman, secretary, and Bert Huff, treasurer, serve by president's appointment and will continue in office through the year.

The Rev. Robinson spoke of the men's concern in his installation talk, pointing out their concerns in their relationships with others, their concerns for the work that each is doing, and their concerns for their community.

Directors installed included Wagner, Lamb, Creswick, Randall Peterson and Barney Malcolm. Holdover directors are Gordon Pratt, Ed Gonty, Harry O'Donnell, Gene Pierce and Jim Myers.

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### WEATHER

(Leonard Gilliam, observer)

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Thursday	49	31	—
Friday	49	28	—
Saturday	56	41	—
Sunday	52	37	.09
Monday	56	33	—
Tuesday	57	43	.18
Wednesday	53	41	.04

Total rainfall for December was 1.63 inches; total for the year was 14.54 inches.

### Alaska Moose Meat Arrives Unthawed

A moose roast and steaks sent by son, J. W. Bedford in Alaska, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bedford of Heppner, for Christmas dinner made the trip all the way from Alaska in fast enough time to arrive unthawed.

The meat was sent from Anchorage by air and picked up in Portland by Mrs. Beatrice Bedford, Jack's mother. In company with a sister, she brought it to Heppner via auto, and it was still frozen upon arrival. It left Anchorage at 11 p.m. Friday before Christmas and arrived in Portland at 5 a.m. Saturday.

The son is a geologist for the Texas Company and shot the moose recently on a hunting trip. Jack's mother spent the holidays with them and will remain for about another week.