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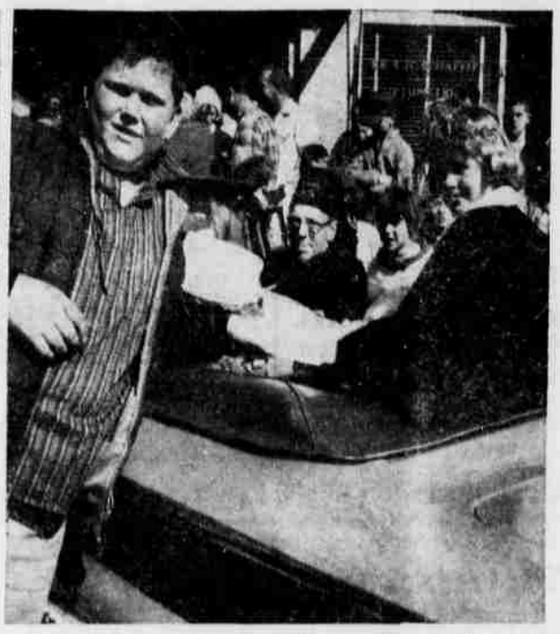
Kids Don Funny Costumes to Win Prizes in Heppner's Spring Festival Saturday



KIDS TAKING part in the parade at the Spring Festival Saturday showed imagination and the spirit of fun as they donned their costumes for the event. First place winner for the most humorous in the parade was Rory Stillman, whose comical fire prevention idea won him a $5 prize. He is shown at left with his "Keep Oregon Green" entry and fire-fighting getup. In the picture second from left are a couple of very plump hill billies trying to act like Mary Kathryn Campbell (left) and Becky Fulleton (right). They took second place and $3. Loren Hopper (not shown) won third with his horse costume. One of the very funny entries who did not receive an award was Mark Wise, second picture from right, who looked as if he had about as bad treatment as a skiier could get with broken pole, broken ski, bandages and black eye. Bob Dobbs, in picture at the right, had the champion frog in the frog jumping contest and is shown receiving his first prize from Queen Joan Healy, just named queen of the Shrine football game in Pendleton in August. Dr. L. D. Tibbles, Shriner, looks on.

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Recall Vote, Annual School Elections Slated Monday

Every voter who goes to the polls in school elections Monday afternoon and evening will have opportunity to vote on at least four separate ballots, and most of them will have five.

Coming before the voters will be: 1. The matter of whether Director Fredrick T. Martin of school district R-1 should be recalled. 2. Selection of a director for the Heppner zone with the race between Andy Van Schoiack and Conley Lanham. 3. Balloting on the budget for the Blue Mountain Area Education district (community college). 4. Selection of a director for the one term expiring on the community college district board. 5. Selection of advisory board members in most of the areas in district R-1.

The movement to recall Director Martin was initiated by petitions circulated throughout the county, with 573 valid signatures listed on the petitions. Reasons listed on the petitions were: Failure to represent the will of the majority of the people in the zone (Ione) he represents; failure to represent the will of the majority of the people in the district; failure to maintain adequate physical standards at the Ione school; and sanctioning duplication of school transportation routes.

Martin's experience in school matters includes service on the county rural school board, service on the Ione school board prior to county reorganization, chairmanship of the county school reorganization committee, and chairmanship of the county school board. He was elected for his current 5-year term in 1960, and his term normally would not expire until July 1, 1965.

In answer to the charges against him, the director issued a statement earlier in which he said, "I am convinced personally and believe in the intent of the school law that school boards shall function in a nonpartisan, broadly representative, team-spirited manner. Every member of a school board shall represent open-mindedly the entire school district, and, in consequence, must let his consideration for the entire district take precedence over every form of partisanship and special interest—political, racial, religious, geographic, economic, social, civic or other. To do otherwise would violate the oath of office."

Should the recall measure be approved, it would be effective immediately, and the school board would have the responsibility of appointing another member to serve until the next school election, in May, 1964.

As the measure is written on the ballot, those who vote "Yes" are in favor of recalling Martin, and those who vote "No" are opposed to his recall.

Van Schoiack, a present member of the Heppner advisory committee, and Lanham, immediate past exalted ruler of Heppner lodge, B.P.O.E., No. 358 and present Heppner city councilman, are in the contest for the Heppner zone post on the school board to replace L. E. Dick, long time board member, who is not a candidate for reelection. Although they represent the Heppner zone, all voters in the district (the entire county) may cast votes.

Each candidate issued a statement to the Gazette-Times.

Lanham said, "At the present time I honestly feel unqualified to make a general statement of policy about what I will or will not do if I am elected to the Morrow County School Board because I feel that much thought and study should be given all questions before I could intelligently make any decisions.

"However, I can say that I am cognizant of the needs of education and of the importance of offering to our children in Morrow county the best curriculum possible and a curriculum taught and guided by the best teachers available."

Lanham is a graduate of St. Thomas College in St. Paul, Minn., with degree majors in accounting and economics. He formerly served as mayor of Heppner.

Van Schoiack, who is a rancher, said:

"We must continue to do all we can for those students going to college but at the same time we must provide more vocational training for those who will not go on to college.

"I do not want to cut our athletic or music programs as they are very important, but I do believe that we could reduce the cost of establishing these facilities and at the same time maintain a standard program of instruction.

"I was against the proposed budget because there were numerous items that were too high.

"I support the efforts of those Ione people who want to maintain the Ione High school. I sup-

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College Budget, Director On Blue Mountain Area Ballot

Budget election for Blue Mountain Area Education district, embracing Morrow and Umatilla counties, will be on Monday, May 6, from 2 to 8 p.m., George H. Unternahrer, clerk, announces.

Hearing on the budget was Thursday, May 2, at 10 a.m. in the Umatilla county courthouse.

At the time of the budget election, one director will be chosen for a five-year term, according to Wallace McCrae, president of the college. Term of Jack Hodgen, Pendleton, is expiring and he is a candidate to succeed himself. Also running for the position is Brent Horn of Hermiston.

Horn visited in Heppner Tuesday in the interests of his candidacy. For the past seven years he has been manager of Beef City, Inc., one of Eastern Oregon's largest feedlots, and he also operates his own ranch and feeding operation in the Hermiston area.

Horn was reared on a ranch in Pilot Rock and graduated from Pilot Rock High school. He graduated from Oregon State University with a bachelor of science degree in animal husbandry. He is on the advisory committee of the Umatilla Branch Experiment station and has served as parade chairman for the Umatilla county fair for two years. Horn is a director of the Oregon Hereford association and a director of the Pendleton Grain Growers. Recently he was re-elected president of the Hermiston Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The candidate states that his primary objective is to help make Blue Mountain college "do the most good for the most people."

"I have a great and sincere interest in education," he said. "I believe it is one of the greatest advantages of our society. I want to do whatever I can to make Blue Mt. College one that will really benefit the area."

Total expenditures in the budget for 1963-64 are listed at $392,193.25, of which $244,510 will come from receipts other than taxes. Amount necessary to balance the budget is $147,683.25.

A slight increase over last year is due to the expanding program, including an $18,043 to be paid for a building site. Inclusion of the transfer program, which will provide for students wishing to attend the community college prior to attending one of the state's institutions of higher education, brings about some increase in cost.

McCrae pointed out that an item in the budget providing for transportation of students offers 2c per mile to students driving to and from the college beyond a 25 mile radius. This is in keeping with the policy to provide equal educational opportunity for all students in the two-county district, he said. Those who pool transportation can about pay for their gasoline and travel costs on this basis, he said.

A reappraisal and increase in ratio in Umatilla county this year will help ease the cost of the college for Morrow county because the budget is spread over the two-county district, McCrae pointed out.

Polling places in Morrow county are as follows: Heppner High cafeteria, A. C. Houghton school at Irrigon, Riverside High school, Ione High school, Lexington Elementary school, Ruggs polling place and Pine City school.

All registered voters may cast ballots in the election.

New Park Meters Installed Here

New parking meters blossomed on Heppner streets over the week-end as the city installed a shipment of automatic Park-O-Meters. Seventy-five were ordered to replace a large segment of the old meters that are worn out or ailing. Sixty-nine were installed on the week-end, but one case of six meters was delayed in shipment and was installed later.

Another 25 meters are coming from the Traffic Appliance Co. to be installed later. The Park-O-Meters are automatic, and it is not necessary to turn a handle to make them operative. The other 25 are manually operated like the old ones.

At the same time the new meters are more foolproof, not so easy to jam as the old ones, and much easier to repair.

City Recorder Ted Smith said that the new envelope system on parking tickets seems to be working very well. Since the inception of the system, only seven violations have accumulated that will require future appearances in court, and two of these are the same person.

Meanwhile, the police department has intensified its activity on checking violations after quite a moratorium while the old meters were in a state of disrepair.

Flowers to Honor Mothers of Area

Heppner merchants will honor all mothers on Saturday, May 12, the day prior to Mother's Day, Randall Peterson, chairman of the merchants committee of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce, announces.

Among the special recognitions to be given will be flowers in the form of carnations to be presented to each mother coming to the local stores on that day. Peterson said that 900 carnations have been ordered to give the mothers in their honor.

Student Burns Hands

Dan McBride, freshman at Heppner High school and son of Mr. and Mrs. Nate McBride, suffered burns to his hands at the high school Monday when he dropped a match in jet fuel in the chemistry lab and it exploded, Principal Gordon Pratt said. McBride was taken to a doctor for treatment and has been confined to his home since. Exact degree of the burns cannot be ascertained until bandages are removed, but one hand was rather seriously burned, Pratt said.

"MISS SPRING." Laura Lee Sumner, congratulates Don Turner who won a straw hat for Mayor Mervin (Red) Leonard of Lexington in the Spring Festival hat tossing contest for mayors here Saturday. Turner was called on to fill in for Leonard at the last moment, and was the only one of the three contestants who was successful in tossing his hat into the ring. Mayor Al Lamb of Heppner and Mayor Charles O'Connor were the others.

Sun Smiles; Crowd Enjoys Spring Fete

Sunshine blossomed Saturday to provide the necessary ingredient for a successful Spring Festival in Heppner, and with its warming rays on an otherwise chilly day, the annual event turned out to be a very pleasant and successful affair.

"Miss Spring," Laura Lee Sumner, and her princesses, Carol Tholberg and Shirley Carlson, all Heppner High seniors, presided over the day's festivities that included an informal parade, a hat throwing contest, and a frog jumping contest.

The parade included the first appearance of Queen Sandra Eubanks and her Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court. Heppner High school band, 4-H, Boy Scouts, fire truck, and Shriners surrounding little Queen Joan I of the East-West Shrine game, all joined a good assembly of children, dressed in all manner of humorous costumes, in the parade.

There were five entries in the frog jumping contest, but two of the croakers refused to cooperate and wouldn't even jump in the right direction. Winner of the contest was young Bob Dobbs and his entry. Frank Turner gave a big assist in this event by helping to supply the frogs.

Mayor Red Leonard of Lexington didn't show up for the straw hat tossing contest, so another Lexingtonian, Don Turner, was handy to act as his representative. Turner joined Mayors Al Lamb of Heppner and Charlie O'Conner of Ione on the third floor fire escape of the Heppner Hotel in the contest to see who could come the closest to the bullseye in a circle in the street below.

The straw hat used in the trials, a nice looking chapeau at the start, lost. It was ripped and battered by the end of the event, but only Turner was able to toss his hat in the ring. On behalf of Mayor Leonard he received a new hat as a prize and delivered it to the Lexington mayor.

Randall Peterson, chairman of the merchants committee and sparkplug of Spring Festival, said that a good crowd of visitors came from neighboring towns, though probably not as large as last year when weather was better.

He said many helped make the event a success, including, LaVerne Van Marter announcing the parade, Gordon Pratt for arranging the speaking system, Harley Sager for helping with the frog jumping contest., Hager's Dairy for donating the Carnation ice cream bars for the kids, John Eubanks for taking care of details with the rodeo court, Mrs. Clint (Marie) McQuarrie for painting signs, Larry Cook Sr. for arranging for the Shriners and Queen Joan, Patti Collins for arranging for 4-H club riders, and those who acted as judges of the costume contest.

Miss Spring and her court took carnations to the hospital to help bring some of the festivities to those unable to be out in person to view it.

Board Okays Contract With Army Engineers

By a vote of 5-1, Director Harvey Warner dissenting, the Morrow County School board agreed at a special meeting Tuesday night to complete a contract with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for relocation and construction of Riverside High school on a 31-acre site within the new Boardman townsite.

Norman Mann of Walla Walla, Wn., representing the Engineers, was present at the meeting and urged action on the contract, saying "This has been going on for three years. Every delay is that much more. We have to schedule our work and must keep it on schedule."

He said that while selection of the site is the board's perogative, the Chief of Engineers finding was for the Boardman site and if it were changed, "we'd have to start all over."

Mann said that the government is obliged only to replace the facility that exists and said he could not say if the Chief of Engineers would approve a different location.

While minor changes may be authorized at the Walla Walla office, the Chief of Engineers in Washington, D. C., would have to approve any major change. Responsibility traces back directly to the Secretary of the Army, he said.

The engineer said that because the Corps has so many projects, everyone must be kept on schedule and declared that

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Student Plays Ready for Stage Friday Evening

Four one act plays, ranging in variety of plots from farce-comedy to the highly dramatic and suspence-type entertainment, will be staged by students of Heppner High school Friday evening, May 5, at 8:00 p.m., under the direction of Mrs. Janet Groves, speech and drama instructor.

After several weeks of rehearsals, plays ready for presentation are "Roughly Speaking," "Mr. Vincent," "Sun Stroke," and "Sorry, Wrong Number," which won an award of merit at the one act play festival in Forest Grove April 20.

Plays will be given on the stage of the high school gymnasium, with admission prices set at 75c for adults and 25c for students.

At least 25 students will take part, either as actors or actresses or as behind-the-scene workers on stage settings, sound and lighting effects or prompting. An outstanding actress and actor will be judged from characters portrayed in the four plays.

The public is urged to support the school activity Friday night and assured of an evening of good entertainment.

Queen Joan Due For Coronation

Coronation ceremonies for Queen-elect Joan I for the Shrine Hospital East-West game in Pendleton on August 24 will be Saturday evening, May 4, at 8 o'clock in the Masonic hall, Heppner, Larry Cook, Sr., of the Gilliam-Wheeler Shrine club announces.

The girl who will reign over the annual football game is Joan Healy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Healy of Heppner.

A suitable program has been arranged by the Shriners of the area, and they will be assisted by the Rainbow Girls, DeMolay, and Daughters of the Nile. Father Raymond Beard and the Rev. Charles Knox will have parts in the program.

R-1 School Budget Meeting Called

Meeting of the budget committee of Morrow County School District R-1 has been called for Tuesday evening, May 7, in the multipurpose room of the Elementary school, Heppner, Mrs. Beverly Gunderson, clerk, states. Frank Anderson of Heppner is chairman of the committee, which is composed of citizen members and the district school board.

The committee will consider what steps to take following the defeat of the proposed school budget at an election recently.

Band Carnival Grosses $1798.62

Several hundred persons crowded into the Fair Pavilion Saturday night for the annual Band Carnival, which broke all records for proceeds taken, grossing $1798.62.

The evening began with the supper served at 5:30 p.m. with Honor Band music for an hour followed by several selections by the high school boys' ensemble. Meanwhile in the other section of the pavilion, children and adults were throwing darts, spinning wheels, fishing, or throwing baseballs in hopes of dunking the uneasy volunteer and having great fun.

Door prizes given during the evening were won by Jerry Schubert, Fred Gimbel, and O. W. Cutsforth. The .22 rifle was won by Lyle Cox and the chaise lounge with pad was won by Harley Young.

Teresa Harshman and Jimmy Bloodsworth, representatives of the sixth grade band were crowned King and Queen of the carnival. Named prince and princess were the second place winners, Peggy Snyder and John Dubuque, representing the Honor Band. The two bands had each turned in over $140 and the total proceeds for the King and Queen contest were $349.94. Total gross of $1798.62 came from the carnival ticket sales, kitchen, king and queen contest, and raffle tickets. This money is used for new band uniforms for the Heppner schools and to send deserving students to a 4-week summer school.

Band students competed in a ticket sales contest and winners are:

Fifth grade—Jimmy Healy, first; Bobby Peck, second; Larry Bellenbrock and Marcia Young, tied for third.

Sixth grade—Larry Pettyjohn, first; Sheri O'Brien, second; and Mona Marshall, third.

Seventh and eighth — Erin Dick, first; Peggy Snyder, second; and Kathy Melby, third.