

Portland Educator Engaged to Make School Site Study

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Fred Witherell presented an audit report to the board and emphasized the point that the general fund balance seems to be climbing at the end of each fiscal year. This is partly due, he said, to the fact that receipts are over-realized.

Excess in the general fund as a carryover from one fiscal year to another should be reduced, he said, with the difference being used to reduce property taxes. He also said that \$22,000 provided in the bond interest and redemption fund could be reduced to \$72,000 and provide enough to handle the district's bond obligations. The \$20,000 could also be used to reduce taxes, he said.

Witherell had a suggestion on setting up a property ledger to help with a centralized purchasing plan.

Supt. Potter said that these recommendations have been noted in the budget file and will be presented when the committee is called to consider the budget for the next fiscal year.

Station Wagon Purchased

A bid of \$2956.65 from Lexington Implement Co. was accepted for a station wagon purchased by the board.

A letter from Principal Gordon Pratt at the high school said that work on the new music room construction has been completed by the contractor and he felt it is ready to be approved for final payment. The board accepted the completed project.

Supt. Potter presented four recommendations for disposition of the George house, owned by the district. He recommended the proposal of the Heppner fire department that all items of value be removed from the house and that it be used for controlled burning training by the Heppner department and all departments of the county. The superintendent said that he felt such training would be very valuable to communities participating and might result in saving lives and property.

However, the board voted to accept the offer of Darold Hams of Hardman to tear down the house at no cost to the district for the materials it contained. He agreed to complete the work by March 1.

Anti-Freeze Bid Let

Anti-freeze bid of the Padberg Machinery Company was accepted at \$1.38 per gallon for the district's vehicles.

Harry Green was hired as a bus driver and custodian, and Don Adams was hired as temporary custodian at Irrigon replacing Lloyd Cooley who is ill.

A review of elementary coaches' salaries, listed on the agenda, was deferred at this time. Supt. Potter said that a "long look" at elementary athletics is needed, but he recommended no changes in the salary schedule for the elementary coaches at this time. He said that a study of 6th, 7th and 8th grade athletics needs to be made to see that they conform to state standards.

The superintendent also emphasized to the board that a curriculum study needs to be made in the district and work is now starting towards that end.

On the matter of the recent PUC ruling that school buses could not be used for non-school activities, the superintendent said that he had been checking the possibility that one bus in the district might be permitted for such use. He said, however, that a special permit would have to be issued for each trip of non-school use. Potter said that when all information is available, including costs, he will present it to the board.

Pupil 'Explosion' Eyed

The superintendent spoke of the "population explosion" situation in the north end schools with 29 in the first grade at Boardman in one small room, and 34 in the fifth grade and 37 in the 7th grade at A. C. Houghton school, Irrigon. He said it may be necessary to take emergency steps to provide for these pupils if the sizes of the classes continue to grow with new pupils enrolling during the school year.

Potter also told the board that termite had been discovered in the old Heppner High school in

Three Contestants Name Mrs. Ruhl

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county all but the first four or five years of her life. She was born in Elgin and came to the county with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gray.

She was married to Mr. Ruhl in Heppner, and they have since lived at Lexington on the place of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis, pioneers to the county.

The Ruhls have two sons, Dick, who is this year completing his work for a degree at Oregon State University, and Skip, also known by his real name—Otto, who works for Lexington Implement Co.

Dick is one of the stars on the Oregon State football team.

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Another silhouette is presented in the advertisement for this week on page 5 of this section. The contest will close after next week's advertisement, after which the grand prize winner of \$60 in merchandise will be drawn.

3 Rodeo Board Members Resign

Three members of the Morrow county rodeo committee tendered resignations from the board at a recent meeting. They are Floyd Jones, a member for many years and chairman for several years; Gerald Swaggart, also a member for many years and field director; and Fred Mankin, who has served one year and was in charge of prizes and awards.

Jones and Swaggart said that they felt it was time for younger men to replace them and Mankin said that he felt unable to discharge duties as a director when the main part of the work comes at such a busy time for him. He is superintendent of the county horse show, which occurs annually on the day before rodeo, and said that he does not want to give up his work with the show.

E. H. (Tad) Miller Jr., vice chairman, will act as chairman until the annual meeting at which time a permanent chairman will be elected.

Swaggart's term would have expired at the end of this year; Jones had one more year to serve on his term; and Mankin would have had several years to complete his term. None have been elected as yet to replace them.

The board passed motions recommending improvements to the rodeo grounds and buildings for submission to the fair board, including a proposal to renovate the main grandstand so that it would be more comfortable for spectators.

Jack Locke, secretary, gave a complete report of purses paid and money received from entrants at the rodeo. Rest of the meeting was devoted to discussion on improvements that might be made at the next rodeo.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital for medical care during the past week, then dismissed, include the following: Jimmie Cutsforth, Lexington; Patricia Whaley, Monument; Gerald Samples, Kinzua; Eddie Thorpe, Heppner; Joyce Hollomon, Heppner; Deborah Yocom, Lexington, and Lydia Clark, Heppner.

Those admitted and still receiving care are May Luther, Fossil, and W. H. Shook, Kinzua. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webb, Heppner, on Saturday, September 12.

The young miss has been named Melanie Rae and at birth weighed 6 lbs., 11 oz.

one location when the fire protection sprinkling system was added. The two pest control firms in this area have been engaged to work together in exterminating them.

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Nistad Discusses Kinzua Growth; Cites Cooperation

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from the businesses located in the large building are used for community activities—currently the employment of a recreation director for our young people in the summer months.

Kinzua Corporation acquired the Heppner mill and its timber holdings in 1958. It was felt the Heppner operation would fit in well with plans already being made at Kinzua to curtail annual production by one-half to a sustained yield basis. This curtailment was put in effect in 1961 and timber cutting at Kinzua was reduced from sixty million feet annually to thirty million feet. The Heppner mill harvests twenty-five million feet annually. All our timberlands are selectively cut—we harvest the ripe, mature trees, the diseased and deformed trees, and leave the thrifty growing trees uncut. This means we can return this week to our cuttings of last week and obtain approximately the same volume, a necessary action to assure a healthy forest because of the slow growth rate of trees in eastern Oregon.

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Kinzua Corporation maintains a 168,000 acre tree farm in Wheeler, Morrow and Grant counties. We were one of the originators of the tree farm program in Oregon and our farm bears Oregon Tree Farm Certificate No. 7. Since that time, in 1943, thousands of tree farmers in Oregon have joined this important program. Many farmers in our area hold timber stands on their grazing properties. Kinzua assists them by placing their stands under the tree farm program and invites them to place their holdings under the care of our professionally trained forester. At the same time, 26 ranchers in our area utilize 120,774 acres of our land for their summer grazing operations.

Kinzua Corporation has long been aware of the public interest in our recreation areas. Our roads and lands are open to hunters, fishermen, rock hounds and tourists. We were pleased to donate land and drinking water rights to the U. S. Forest Service to enable construction of Bull Prairie Reservoir. Recently we furnished land to Morrow county for construction of the now Anson Wright memorial park on the Spray-Heppner highway—together with whatever building materials they asked for in constructing rest room facilities, picnic tables and benches.

Full Timber Use Stressed

Complete utilization of our timber crop begins with modern logging operations, wherein all possible merchantable timber is processed. At the Kinzua and Heppner mills, the logs are debarked so that all future waste can be converted to chips for use by the paper industry. Modern sawing methods are used and our lumber is 100% kiln dried. Progressive thinking resulted in the development of several specialty products from Kinzua mills. Knotty pine paneling is now put up in cardboard cartons in exact lengths and widths for application by the "do-it-yourself" group or by skilled craftsmen. The attractive cartons bear the label "Kinzua Early American" and are made at the Boise-Cascade plant at Wallula—in part from chips sent there from our Heppner mill. An increased demand for wider boards has been met by use of a large electronic glue machine that edge-glues narrow boards into lumber 14" to 30" wide.

In order to fully utilize its raw material, Kinzua has a factory employing some 60 people. The truckloads of lumber you see leaving Heppner are hauling shop lumber from our Heppner

Paper Spread Cites Al Lamb

A full page of the August issue of the Oregon-Washington Farmers Union paper is devoted to Al Lamb, headed, "Mayor of Heppner, Co-op Builder and Civic Leader—Al Lamb's a Busy Guy."

The article, illustrated with six pictures, tells of Lamb's civic work, his many years working with cooperatives, his selection on the United States Department of Commerce Trade Mission to Central Africa, and his work with the Democratic party. Lamb is a member of the executive board of the Oregon-Washington Farmers Union and is a member of the executive board of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives.

The story quotes Lamb as telling the Morrow county Grain Growers in 1963, "You have literally lifted yourselves by your own bootstraps." It adds the comment, "The 'bootstrap' real durability test, most members agree, is that it's made of tough Lamskin."

Stock Club Meets

September meeting of the Pheasant Creek Livestock 4-H club was called to order by Bob Harris, president, at the Bill Rawlins home. We talked about the herdsman's contest at the county fair. We looked at the score sheet and saw what we were counted down for. We talked about our exhibits at the fair and talked about our likes and dislikes about the fair. We discussed 4-H club week and decided we would decorate the window of Gardner's Men's Wear. The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by Mrs. Rawlins.

John Harris, reporter

mill to the factory at Kinzua. In producing clear solid molding sets and inside door jambs, considerable waste is developed. This waste is reclaimed for processing through a large finger-joint machine installation. The process restores the short pieces of cut stock to standard lengths which are then used to produce quality finished millwork items.

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It speaks well for Eastern Oregon that all of us have come to realize we are in business together. Our employees, the public, local businessmen, ranchers, local government, state and federal agencies, either contribute to making our operation successful or benefit from its successful operation. This is a growing awareness that has been felt by all of us in our operation and it always gives us pleasure to be able to single out groups, such as this Chamber of Commerce, Judge Peterson and the Morrow County Court, Forest Service employees, State employees, and the local press, for recognizing that the cooperation of all concerned can and does make our operation a success.

15-Year-Old Youth Tries Pony Express With Pickup Trucks

A 15-year-old youth, now in custody Monday staged a motorized version of a pony express ride from John Day to Pilot Rock and part way back. He took three pickup trucks en route, and in the last two cases, left one where he took the other.

One of those taken was owned by Len Ray Schwarz of Court Street Market. Schwarz noticed that his pickup was gone from behind the building about 9 a.m., and another, registered to Chester Born of Fox, was parked there.

By coincidence, Gene Pierce, president of the Bank of Eastern Oregon, figured in the youth's apprehension. Mrs. Schwarz works in the bank, and her husband called to ask if she had taken the pickup, thus Pierce learned that it was missing.

The bank president was just leaving for Pendleton. When he arrived about a mile north of Pilot Rock noticed a pickup approaching that looked like that of Schwarz. Pierce turned around and followed it to Pilot Rock, taking the license number. The young driver in the pickup drove around town with Pierce behind. Then Pierce summoned an officer, but when they got to the spot he had last seen the youth, he was gone. A call to Schwarz on the license confirmed that it was his vehicle. Later a report came from other motorists that a pickup, heading south on the John Day highway at a high rate of speed, had forced them off the highway. State police were notified and the minor was apprehended sometime later.

Born, when he came to Heppner to claim his pickup, said that a Jeep, registered to a John Day man, had been left in replacement for his pickup at Fox.

Sudden Attack At Ranch Home Takes C. Osmin

Death came suddenly to Charles Jesse Osmin, 74, prominent rancher, after suffering a heart attack at his home Saturday afternoon, September 12. He had been troubled by a weakened heart condition during recent years.

Mr. Osmin had been a lifetime rancher on Balm Creek. He was born July 4, 1890, and was an army veteran of World War I. He was married to Maude E. Babcock in Heppner on November 25, 1922.

Services were held Tuesday, September 15, at the First Christian church, with the Rev. Kenneth Robinson officiating. Military honors were given at the interment in Masonic cemetery by members of the Heppner Post No. 87, American Legion.

Surviving are his wife, Maude; a daughter, Mrs. Eunice Plank, Salem; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Ruth Bergstrom and Mrs. Nellie Jones, Heppner; one brother, Alton, Heppner; two sisters, Mrs. Lena Knowles, Hermiston, and Mrs. Bessie Sandlin, Drain; six grandchildren, four great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Active pallbearers were Jim Monahan, Jim Farley, Frank Anderson, R. G. Watkins, Leon Ball and Darrell Padberg.

Honorary pallbearers were Earl Gilliam, Len Gilliam, Luke Bibby, Cornett Green, Pete Lennon, Ralph Beamer, Lonnie Edmonson and Clarence Bauman.

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Mayor Lamb Meets President Johnson

Al Lamb, Heppner mayor, called by the White House from Washington, D. C. to help organize a "Rural Citizens for Johnson and Humphrey" committee across the nation, met with President Lyndon Johnson at the White House grounds Monday afternoon.

Back in Heppner Wednesday evening, Lamb said that about 100 were in the group meeting with the president. He had the opportunity, however, to talk personally with him and described him as a "big and rugged" man.

Membership of the Rural Citizens committee is limited to farmers and residents of small towns. Five others from Oregon were present, including Bob Elkins of Molalla, president of the Farmers Union.

Lamb said he also had the chance to see the president's famous dogs.

On Tuesday he spent some time at the Department of Agriculture putting in a plea for proposed changes on wheat grading regulations. He said, however, that he felt little progress was made to this end.

Prior to the meeting with the president on Monday, the Rural Citizens had an organization meeting.

At the conference with the Agriculture department, the Heppner mayor was accompanied by Ron Ahern, executive assistant of Congressman Al Ullman.

Lamb said that he is hopeful that Congressman Ullman will come to Oregon later this month and that he might be in Heppner around October 1.

The touring Grain Growers manager will have more information to report on his talks on the wheat grade changes when he meets with farm groups.

Majority of '64 Graduates Plan To Start College

An exceptionally high percentage of last year's graduating class from Heppner High school is enrolling in colleges or taking advanced business or vocational training, according to Mrs. Margaret Kirk, high school counselor.

Getting the greatest number of freshmen entrants will be Blue Mountain Community college, Pendleton. Enrolling there will be John Cole, Edward French, Diana (Fullerton) Ball, David Geste, Jerry Greenup, Glenda Hills, Lyle Hopper, Dean Schiller, Kenneth Smith and Dick Struckmeyer.

Entering as freshmen at Eastern Oregon College, La Grande, will be Jennifer Brindle, Virginia Moore and Bill Weather-

ford. In other state colleges will be Bill Sherman, Ray Nichols and Mary Ann Johnson, University of Oregon; Ken Wright and Darryl Dick, Oregon State University, and Gail Hoskins, Portland State.

Don Majeske will enter Pacific University, Forest Grove; Phyllis Nelson, Linfield College, McMinnville; Martha Peterson, Pacific Business College, Portland; Don Van Winkle, Western Business College, Portland, and Larry Muessig, Treasure Valley Junior College, Ontario.

Traveling out of state for college training are Pam Cochell, Arizona State University, Phoenix; Marti Dixon, Asbury College, Kentucky; Lee Padberg,

Boise Junior College, Boise, Ida.; Steve Peck, University of Idaho, Moscow; Marcia Rands, University of Arizona, Tucson; Dale Vance, Yakima Valley Junior College, Yakima, Wn.

Richard Clark is doing apprentice work at a Pendleton Bank, and Don Creswick is getting the same type training at the Condon Bank. Aaron Smith is receiving training in the U. S. Navy. Of the few remaining graduates, some are married and some are holding full time jobs.

Many students have returned or will soon return to colleges during the coming weeks. The paper would appreciate hearing of them, or of those transferring to other colleges, for a story next week.



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