

School Board Picks Architect

Howard Leonard Glazer of Portland has been chosen as the architect for two school buildings to be constructed in northern Morrow county. School directors picked Glazer at a special meeting Monday night.

The selection was made after 19 architects had been interviewed by Supt. David Potter, who reduced the number to five for consideration and interviews by the board. At least one school director viewed buildings for which each of the five had been architect.

Glazer was architect for the Central Linn High school between Halsey and Brownsville. This school is a six year junior-senior high, similar to that proposed for the new Riverside school to serve Boardman and Irrigon.

The Portland architect also designed the Whittaker elementary school now under construction in Portland. He will draw plans and specifications for the six-year elementary school proposed at Boardman.

Funds for the new Morrow county schools will come largely from reimbursement to be paid by the Federal government for relocation of the Riverside school necessary because of the rising of the John Day dam reservoir. Proceeds of a previous district serial levy are also on hand for the jobs.

A meeting has been set for January 27 in Walla Walla, Wn., with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. Directors of the school district and the architect will be present.

Supt. Potter said that the meeting is designed to orient the architect and to bring the agencies involved to common thinking on the project.

Budget Meet Set

A budget meeting of the district has been set at Boardman for Monday, February 1, at 7:30 in the school cafeteria. This will be a planning meeting with directors and budget committee in attendance.

Supt. Potter said that a state meeting on curriculum in small high schools has been scheduled at the Hilton Hotel in Portland for Wednesday and Thursday, February 3 and 4, as a result of work done by a committee of the State Department of Public Instruction. The superintendent plans to attend because the meeting is pertinent to the Morrow county district, and he has invited district directors to go also.

Supt. Potter said that he has cancelled plans to attend a meeting of the American Association of School Administrators in the east February 13-18, to which he had been given a special invitation to assist in a study on application of the administration's poverty program.

The board previously had unanimously voted to authorize his attendance, but Potter said Tuesday, "There are just too many things going on here to make the trip. My first responsibility is here."

Also at the Monday meeting the board considered personnel in the district in planning for next year but announced no decisions.

Airman Buys Horse From Ione to Ride Home to Nevada

By KATHERINE LINDSTROM

IONE—A young man with an adventurous spirit left last Wednesday for his home in Yerington, Nev., by horseback. The horse he was riding was the sorrel named "Joy" purchased from Leo Crabtree of Ione. It had belonged to Crabtree's daughter, Sharon, who had made her official appearances on the horse as princess of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo.

Airman George Cooper received his discharge January 12 from the 636th Radar Squadron at Condon after four years service and decided to ride the horse home.

He is riding a pack horse purchased from Joanne Froman of Condon and carries a supply of food for himself and the horses, as well as a tent, bedding and clothing. Although not an experienced horseman, Cooper has done some riding in his home state and quite a little around Condon.

He planned on making the 700-mile trip in 40 days and was going via Fossil, Spray, John Day, Burns, McDermitt, Nev., and Winnemucca. He has contacted Chambers of Commerce in these localities for board and room for himself and the horses.

Mustangs to Play Sherman Friday; Ione Faces Pair

Hope of going to the district tournament rides with every game that the Heppner High basketball team plays in the Greater Oregon League from now on. They can afford to lose only one more league game to make it.

This is the pressure that they face as they play Sherman county's Huskies here Friday night. Jayvee game will be at 6:30 and the varsity contest starts at 8:00 p.m.

The Huskies have had an up and down season to date. Although defeated by Condon, they have knocked over some of the better teams in the area, and the Mustangs realize they have a tough one on their hands. However, the home five does hope to break into the league column in this one.

The Mustangs have a full slate of basketball at Pilot Rick on Saturday, but all of these are non-counters in league play.

Fresh play at 2:30 in the Rockets' lair, Jayvees play at 6:30 p.m. and the varsity concludes the day's program in the 8 p.m. game.

Meanwhile, Ione's Cardinals, running in a tie at the top of their league, have two counters on deck this week-end. They go to Echo Friday night and will host Umanine on Saturday night. Coach Gene Dockett's boys are favored over both teams, but can't afford a letdown or they could be bumped by the opposition.

Meeting Slated On Mental Health

Some 40 persons in the area have been invited to attend a no-host dinner meeting Tuesday evening, January 26, to discuss the possibilities of developing a mental health program. Father C. Bruce Spencer announced.

The meeting will be at 6 p.m. at the parish hall of All Saints' Episcopal church.

Those invited include leaders in the community who have evidenced or may be interested in developing a mental health program, Father Spencer said.

Four persons from the Mental Health Division of the State Board of Control will be present at the meeting, including R. E. Stevens, director of planning and facilities; Dr. John Waterman, director of community services; Robert L. Prairie, psychiatric social worker consultant; and Dorothy Collard, psychiatric nursing consultant.

The will seek to acquaint the local persons with some of the ways that other Oregon communities have approached the problem of getting local mental health services.



QUEEN JUDY SHERER

Queen Judy I Named to Rule At Fair, Rodeo

A pretty brunette who served as a princess in the 1964 Morrow county fair and rodeo court has been chosen as queen of the 1965 events.

She is Judy Sherer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold (Doc) Sherer of Ione and graduate of Ione High school with the class of 1964. She is now attending Eastern Oregon College, La Grande, as a freshman.

Eighteen-year-old Judy was an honor student in her graduating class, achieving a grade point average of 3.67. She received the Dads' club award from Oregon State University at commencement.

She was a princess of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in October, 1963; Sweetheart Princess at Ione High in 1961; was Homecoming Princess in 1963 and was Prom Queen at the high school in 1964.

Queen Judy I is an excellent rider, as was evident in her public performances as a rodeo princess last year. She has been active in the Ione Saddle Horse club and in the Wranglers. With her quarter horse gelding, "Rocky," and former shetland, "Rusty," Judy has won many fair and horse show ribbons.

Riding, reading and dancing are among the new queen's favorite hobbies. She helps her parents on their ranch, four miles northwest of Ione, drives tractor and trucks and assists with general farm work in the summer time.

Mann Heads Study On Fire Costs

Representative Irvin Mann, Jr., of the 28th legislative district was appointed chairman of a committee of interested laymen and legislators to study per acre ceilings on private landowners' participation in fire protection costs by Don McKinnis, chairman of the Joint Ways and Means sub-committee on natural resources in the legislature in Salem Monday.

Others appointed on Mann's committee were Charles Ogle, forest representative, James Corlett, Forest Protection association representative, Senator R. R. Raymond of Helix, and Rep. Bob Smith of Burns.

McKinnis then adjourned hearings on the fire protection portion of the State Forester's budget until Mann brings back his report. Mann advised he felt his committee would have a report for Ways and Means before the weekend.

A ceiling on fire protection costs has been long sought by eastern Oregon owners of combination timberland and grazing land.

Jack Farris Dies In Auto Accident

Jack Farris, 72, for many years barber and tavern operator in Ione, was found dead early Thursday morning (today) beside his wrecked auto about two miles north of Lexington by the Willow Creek highway.

Apparently the small sports model had gone off the highway after hitting a slippery spot. It crashed headon into a power pole, and Farris evidently was thrown out of the car by the impact.

The accident was discovered about 7 a.m. by Bruce Bothwell who reported it to officials. Jerry Sweeney of Sweeney's Mortuary said that Farris appeared to have died instantly from injuries sustained in the crash.

Dr. L. D. Tibbles, Morrow county medical examiner, and Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman went to the scene to investigate the accident.

Friends said that Farris had been in Ione for about 40 years. It appeared that he was returning to Ione from the south when the accident happened, but it was not learned where he had been.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Earline Bailey, of Chehalis, Wn. Funeral arrangements are pending and the body is at the Sweeney Mortuary.

Arbuckle to Join In Observance Of National Week

The Arbuckle Mountain Corporation and the Arbuckle Ski Patrol will join in the nationwide observance of National Ski Week from January 22-31. Together with similar groups throughout the country, local skiers will mark the salute to the nation's fastest growing winter sport, emphasizing the theme, "Ski—Fun for Everyone."

In a simultaneous program, at 6:00 p.m. on January 22 ski instructors at major American ski areas will stage torchlight parades, initiating the 10-day celebration that will include ski programs for beginners, open house at ski shops and ski clubs, and televised ski competitions.

Locally, activities will center around a special ski patrol demonstration at the Arbuckle ski area on Sunday, January 24. Fun races will be conducted for young skiers. In addition a mid-winter ski day will be held at the area Thursday, January 28, particularly for adults. On this day no charge will be made for use of the tow or for equipment rentals by Peck's Ski Shop. "Ski Oregon" posters will be prominently displayed in local businesses to call attention to the excellent skiing facilities provided in Oregon.

National Ski Week is sponsored by member associations of the National Ski Study group, National Ski Patrol, United States Ski Association, Ski Instructors of America, Federal Recreation Services, and Ski Industries of America.

Two new directors of the Morrow county Rodeo Board were chosen at the January meeting of the board to replace Floyd Jones, chairman for many years, and Charlie Daly of Butter Creek who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Fred Mankin.

Greenup will have the assignment of being in charge of the arrangements for the fair and rodeo court and Daly will be director in charge of trophies and concessions.

Jerry Dougherty and Archie Munkers previously were chosen to fill posts on the board. Munkers by reelection and Dougherty coming on for the first time.

Chamber President Names Committees

President Randall Peterson Monday announced committees to work on Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce activities for the current calendar year.

They are as follows: Merchants—Bob Henry, chairman, Ed Dick, Ed Gony, Elma Harshman, Clint McQuarrie, Jim Myers, Randall Peterson.

Rodeo, Parades—Elmer Schmidt, chairman, C. J. D. Bauman, Orville Cutsforth, Jim Farley, Randall Peterson, Dr. Robert Todd.

Legislative and taxation—Herman Winter, chairman, Bob Abrams, Joe Balfe, Dick Farley, Paul Jones, Oscar Peterson, David Potter.

Program—Wes Sherman, chairman, Avon Melby, John Venard, Harley Young.

Christmas Lighting and Street Decoration—Mrs. Melby, chairman, Cutsforth, Young.

Development—Oscar Peterson, chairman, Farley, Herb Hynd, Al Lamb, Harry O'Donnell, Gene

Road Serial Levy Special Election Set February 24

Special election on a serial road levy of \$125,000 per year has been called by the Morrow county court for Wednesday, February 24, it is announced by County Judge Paul Jones.

Decision was made by the court in special session Monday, January 18.

"In view of the disastrous flood of Christmas week, it was felt necessary to ask our people

Friday Deadline For Registration

Tomorrow (Friday) is the final day to register for the special election called for Wednesday, February 24, on the county serial road levy, Sadie Parrish, county clerk, advises.

This, of course, applies to only those who are not already duly registered. Any who have moved from one precinct to another, those who have come from another county, and women whose names have been changed by marriage must re-register.

Registration may be completed at the county clerk's office in the courthouse, Heppner. Any who have questions may phone the office 676-9915.

Engineers Slate Study of Floods At Ione and Lex

Study of flood problems of Lexington and Ione is scheduled by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers as a result of requests made by the Morrow county court and others, Col. Frank D. McElwee of the Engineers has advised County Judge Paul Jones.

The colonel said that a survey team would be in the county this week to survey channels in the flood-damaged streams.

Complete text of his letter is as follows:

"In accordance with the request in your letter of 8 January, 1965, we will soon schedule a reconnaissance study under Public Law 885 of the flood problems of Lexington and Ione. We have received a number of requests for flood protection studies since the Christmas 1964 flood and will work up a schedule for accomplishment of these studies in February 1965. We will keep you informed on this matter.

"At the request of the Office of Emergency Planning, we are making a survey of channel conditions in counties declared disaster areas as a result of the Christmas 1964 flood to determine if there are any conditions of debris deposits and channel clogging which present a potential for additional flood damage from high flows anticipated this winter and spring.

"A complete survey of all channels in the many flood-damaged streams is not possible with my limited staff, so I am asking each county court to identify problem areas for my survey teams. I will have a survey team in Morrow county during the week of 17-23 January 1965. I would appreciate it if you would have someone direct my crew to damaged areas.

"This crew will determine if the problem is eligible for correction with funds provided by the Office of Emergency Planning under PL 875. Any channel cleaning or debris removal found eligible may be performed by the local entity on a reimbursable basis with PL 875 funds, or if they desire, the Corps of Engineers will perform the needed work. My field survey team will contact you by telephone to make an appointment."

Morrow Business Gains in Number

Business population of Morrow County increased 3.2 per cent during 1964, according to statistics released by William T. O'Connell, district manager of the Portland office of Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.

O'Connell reports that in 1964, 93 businesses were listed in Morrow county and today 96 businesses are listed.

The Dun & Bradstreet Reference Book lists all manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers who seek or grant commercial credit. It does not include some of the service and professional businesses such as beauty and barber shops, security dealers and real estate brokers. Therefore, the figure for businesses in Morrow county would actually be higher than the number quoted above.

Heppner is listed as having 57 businesses, Ione 14 and Lexington 8.

for a levy of \$125,000," the judge said in a statement.

"Although we will receive some federal help on county roads and on those roads under the PAS system (Federal Aid), the court does not believe that our present effective road program of oiling and maintenance of existing roads as well as construction of new roads can be maintained at the present level," he continued.

"The replacement of most of our roads damaged by the floods would be at minimum standards, below that even of our existing road system. If we are to repair and replace our roads and continue with a planned road program, then it is imperative that we ask the people of Morrow County for a vote of confidence on this special levy."

Completion of the road across Sunflower Flat to meet the Grant County road from Monument at the Morrow-Grant line is planned. This route would be an all-weather road, the judge said. In addition, some 32 miles of oiling is scheduled for the summer of 1965. These projects are among those which are contingent on passage of the serial levy, the judge said.

While the annual sum asked is more than that proposed in the serial levy that was voted down in November (\$100,000), the amount is less than that which was voted in the past years with the exception of the years 1962-63 and 1963-64 when the levy was reduced to \$115,000.

The vote in November, of course, came ahead of the damaging December storms.

"This is not a new tax that is being asked for," the judge said. "Morrow County has had a road levy of this nature since 1945 and before that we operated on road bonds."

The county court expressed its appreciation to residents of the county for "their extreme patience and consideration" during the weeks after the flood.

"Our crews are working long hours in an attempt to open and repair all roads, but there are still many miles of unopened country roads," the judge said.

The engineer team here this week to make a survey of damage for federal aid was out the first three days of the week on the job. Judge Jones was also in the party making the check.

Report of the findings of the team will be mailed from Salem some time next week with all figures computed on the basis of contract bids.

First National Makes New Gains

First National Bank of Oregon has begun its Centennial year by announcing new record figures in earnings, deposits and loans.

President Ralph J. Voss said the bank's net operating earnings increased to \$8,534,570 for 1964, a gain of 14.3 per cent over the previous year's revised total of \$7,468,335. This is equivalent to \$3.93 per share, compared with the revised \$3.44 per share in 1963. This revision of 1963 income, undertaken to make the 1963 and 1964 figures comparable, gives effect to accounting changes adopted in 1964.

Voss also revealed that deposits at the end of December reached \$1,132,979,988, and loans of \$679,829,126 were reported by the bank's 13 offices. Both are the highest ever in First National's 100-year history.

Comparable figures for a year ago show deposits at \$1,048,221,239 and loans at \$636,084,036.

First National's total resources rose to \$1,260,256,615 from the previous record of \$1,161,203,444 in 1963.

The Heppner branch of First National reported year-end deposits of \$5,974,517.16 and loans of \$4,352,315.01 according to Branch Manager John Venard.

Comparable totals for the branch a year ago were \$6,018,159.51 in deposits and \$3,937,445.50 in loans.

Voss attributed the substantial earnings increase and deposit and loan growth within the bank to favorable business conditions and economic expansion throughout the state.

Conservation Unit Sets Annual Meet

Annual meeting of the Heppner Soil and Water Conservation district will be Wednesday, February 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lexington Grange hall, N. C. Anderson, secretary, announces.

A film on conservation and an address by Verle G. Kaiser, Spokane management agronomist, will be highlights of the program. Annual business will also be conducted.

Additional details will be printed in next week's paper.