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Conservation Demands Active Interest

It is quite obvious that the destruction from December flooding has emphasized the great need for soil and water conservation. If there were those who regarded the need only casually before, they should now, with the evidence of the disaster apparent on all hands, realize that this is something that demands the active interest and attention of all.

Ken Turner, Conservation Man of the Year and vice chairman of the Heppner Conservation district, points out that enough soil was lost in the recent flood to make up a farm of 1500 acres, worth some \$150,000 to \$200,000. Future yield potential of the county was decreased three percent on the average, an annual income loss of \$75,000.

This hurts not only the farmer, but the businessman and the working man, since economic loss in the county is detrimental to every citizen.

Think what additional disaster might have come if nothing had been done to prevent erosion. Strip cropping, erosion dams, ditching and other practices prevented loss many times as great, and this is a tribute to those who have been working constantly to save our soil and water resources.

With these things in mind, the annual meeting of the conservation district Wednesday night at the Lexington Grange hall should attract more interest than ever before. Businessmen should make a special effort to attend.

Pages four and five of this paper tell of the work, accomplishments and objectives of the district. This is commended as prime reading for those truly interested in Morrow county and its future.

Any who have not been concerned should become concerned, and each should do what he can, in his respective field, to promote conservation.

Robert Van Houte was in Heppner Friday visiting friends and taking care of business. He is leaving this week for Juneau, Alaska, where he will work as executive secretary of the Alaska Education Assoc., starting February 1. His daughter, Mrs. Neal Penland, was coming to Portland Sunday for a family reunion from their home in Klamath Falls, where her husband is a technician for one of the large radio stations.

Grange Degree Slated

Pomona Grange will meet Saturday, January 30, for general business and degree work at Willows Grange hall. Grangers wishing to take the Fifth Degree are asked to be present promptly at 5:00 p.m. when the degree will be exemplified by a team from Rhea Creek Grange, according to Mrs. Vern Dalzell, secretary.

Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

"WHO THREW the Overalls in Mrs. Murphy's Chowder?" is a minor fictional mystery immortalized in song. Maybe Ed Gonty couldn't solve this, but he was wondering who threw something in his clam chowder when he was eating at one of the local restaurants the other day. Ed figured out his trouble for himself. He had absentmindedly dumped a couple spoonfuls of sugar in his chowder instead of in his coffee. No new recipe is apt to be circulated as a result of the experience. It tasted, "Ugh!" in Ed's words.

SEEMS AS if there has to be one in every legislative session. Some misguided legislator has come up with some rather idiotic bill. A few years ago, a state senator introduced a bill to prohibit eating popcorn in movie theaters. This cost taxpayers a lot of money, even though it was defeated, because of hearings, debate and so on.

Some 25 years ago, if we recall correctly, another introduced a bill to prohibit taking a flashlight into the woods—this to prevent spotlighting of deer.

This session's nomination for the "goofy bill" department may be House Bill 1130, which provides that employers must provide each employee the necessary time off to vote, four consecutive hours in which to vote while the polls are open.

With the ski area getting this much attention and with the potential of bringing newcomers and visitors here, some permanent arrangement should be made to see that the Shaw Creek grade is kept plowed and open in winter time. It would seem fitting that the county court should take this if all those interested in Arbutuckle support the road serial levy coming up in February.

WE'VE BEEN talking a lot about skiing (for a guy who can't even stand up on a pair of skis!) but want to say one thing more: Even if you don't ski, you can see some beautiful scenery on these winter days in the Cutsforth-Arbutuckle area. We were among those who enjoyed a fine evening and supper Sunday as guests of the Ken Pecks in their mountain cabin. What a beautiful spot with a foot or so of snow on the ground! A photographer could have some field days up there, with the creek cutting through snow covered woodlands. It's a chance to get pictures for 1965 photo Christmas cards.

ANOTHER real interesting letter on Butter Creek comes from John R. Leach of Portland. He also quoted Lewis McArthur's "Oregon Geographic Names" in explaining to Mrs. Annie Payne, now of Ithaca, N. Y., the origin of the name, following her request to the editor for information.

We don't have room to run Mrs. Leach's letter this week, but will next week, for she contains in it some material that old timers will enjoy.

THIS WEEK'S THOUGHT: Man is a creature who buys football tickets three months in advance, but waits until the day of her birthday to buy his wife a gift.

WE HAVE TAKEN a calculated risk in using Ken Turner's picture on the Conservation page this week. He has forbidden it, thinking that since he has been working on assembling the material for the page, people will think he is blowing his own horn. Not so. Ken was duly chosen Conservation Man of the Year, and a good choice it was. As such, we feel it incumbent to use publicity about him to promote the purposes of conservation, a prime reason, to be sure, for starting the Conservation Man awards in the first place. So, after consulting his colleagues, we use his picture.

JUST OUT is the Oregon Blue Book for 1965-66. For years the top source book on our proud state, the Blue Book this year is another excellent work, up

Biddies to Meet

Lexington Co-op Biddies will meet Monday, February 1, at 1:30 p.m. at the Lexington City hall. Program will be presented by Mrs. Clyde Nutting of Heppner who will show how to renovate old picture frames.

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Boys Get Awards At Cub Meeting

Dewayne Steers and Jon Hedman received awards for completing their Cub Scout work and going into Boy Scouts at a meeting of Cub dens 1 and 2 in the grade school cafeteria last Thursday night.

Den of Mrs. J. G. Stephens gave a skit on historical people. J. G. Stephens, Boy Scout leader, told the boys of the advantages of being Scouts and the trips they can earn.

Cecil Berry was eligible for the Boy Scout award but was not present.

Cubmaster Arnie Hedman told of plans for the Blue and Gold banquet in February, and he led the boys and parents in group singing. Refreshments of punch, coffee and cookies were served. Also present was Mrs. Alice McCabe, a den mother.

Amanda Smith Home

Amanda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray E. Smith, was brought home from Portland Monday by her father after undergoing an operation in the Shrine hospital nearly a month ago. The operation was on her knee. It is expected that the difficulty is now corrected after having this second operation, but she must go back for a checkup in February and must be on crutches for the present. Amanda is a freshman at Ione high school.

Christian Church To Hear Speaker

James E. Davis of Pendleton will be lay speaker Sunday morning at worship service of the Christian church, it is announced. The service begins at 11 a.m.

At a recent meeting the Lexington and Heppner Christian churches voted to obtain a unit pastor to serve both churches. However, none has been called to the present.

Yester-Years

By HELEN SHERMAN
THIRTY YEARS AGO
January 24, 1935

Climaxing the 38th Oregon Wool Growers convention here January 15, was a banquet served to 430 people, taxing the capacity of the Elks hall. Harold Cohn and his large corps of assistants carried out the minutest detail for the largest affair ever staged in Heppner.

J. G. Barratt, Lee Beckner and Jack Hynd were named by the county court this week to serve as the county fair board for 1935, and allocated \$600 for expenditures on premiums.

Coach Winter's high school proteges, the "Fighting Irish," added to an impressive string of victories at the local gym last evening when they won a close contest from Arlington, 17-16.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
January 27, 1945

Discussion of the proposed Morrow county hospital was one of the principal features of Pomona grange program when it met at Boardman January 6.

Ensign Don Bennett is on his way home for a visit after graduating from Harvard January 8.

Ladies Club of Pine City held an auction sale, with proceeds of \$351 going to wartime activities of Red Cross, USO, the Pendleton Doughnut Hut, and Blue Mt. Camp and Hospital committee. Reports say that Bob Runyon, auctioneer, could have sold the Axis on the idea of unconditional surrender that night.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Huddleston left for Portland on the first leg of the long trek back to Valdez, Alaska. Frank Turner will drive their car back from Portland.

TEN YEARS AGO
January 28, 1955

Reopening of the Heppner Bakery, closed for several months, is planned by the new owners, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hulchinson, formerly of Pendleton.

Marion Green, who has been employed by the local Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co., left this week for Milton-Freewater where he will be assistant manager with the company. He has been replaced by Jim Sumner who recently returned from army duty in Korea.

Fifty-year membership pins were presented by Heppner Elks lodge No. 358 to J. O. Rasmus and Fred Lucas; 45-year pin to Frank W. Turner, and 40-year pins to L. E. Bisbee and John J. Monahan; 26 were presented 35-year pins and 10 their 30-year pins. The special ceremony was the first of its kind to be held by the local chapter.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

Coming Events

HEPPNER HIGH BASKETBALL
Friday, January 29
Wahatoka at Heppner
Saturday, Jan. 30
Ione at Ione
Jayvee game, 6:30 p.m.
Varsity game, 8:00 p.m.
Support the Mustangs!

MOTHER'S MARCH
March of Dimes Campaign
Ione, Mon., Feb. 1
Heppner - Lexington, Wed., Feb. 3

RED CROSS COURSE
Advanced course begins Monday, Feb. 1.
Junior High Library, 7:30 p.m.

SKIING AT ARBUCKLE
Tows operating Sat., Sun., from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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Loans on Savings Accounts 45,981.00	Advances from FHLB 568,000.00
Title I FHA Loans 69,176.00	Loans in Process 134,482.00
Real Estate Sold on Contract 59,465.00	Reserve for Borrowers Taxes
Real Estate Owned 107,032.00	and Insurance 104,420.00
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock 200,000.00	Deferred Credits 15,847.00
Investments & Securities 1,388,767.00	Other Liabilities 958.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks 233,349.00	Specific Reserves 9,662.00
Office Building and	General Reserves 1,047,794.00
Tenant Improvements 175,260.00	Surplus 149,988.00
Office Equipment 40,717.00	
Other Assets 67,457.00	
TOTAL ASSETS\$16,827,419.00	TOTAL CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES\$16,827,419.00

GROWTH IN ASSETS

1936\$295,559.31
1941\$697,349.80
1946\$1,915,122.05
1951\$3,571,027.35
1956\$7,571,490.48
1961\$12,457,061.06
1964\$16,827,419.00

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