

100 Morrow Seniors Set to Graduate Next Week



GOVERNOR MARK HATFIELD will give the commencement address at Heppner High school on Wednesday night, May 26.

Governor Coming For Exercises Here

An even 100 high school seniors are scheduled to graduate in commencement exercises on three consecutive nights in Morrow county's high schools next week. The class of 1965 numbers 65 at Heppner High, 10 at Ione High and 25 at Riverside High, Boardman.

Governor Mark Hatfield will highlight commencement at Heppner High Wednesday night, May 26, as he will give the principal address of the evening. He confirmed the long-standing engagement with Principal Gordon Pratt this week. The Heppner High exercise will start at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

Ione High's class will graduate on Thursday, May 27, with Dr. Frank Bennett, former president of Eastern Oregon College, giving the commencement address in the school gymnasium. The program starts at 8 p.m.

Riverside High's exercises will be Friday night, May 28, at 8 p.m. in its gymnasium with Dr. Bennett also giving the address here.

Baccalaureate programs for each senior class will be held on the same night, Sunday, May 23, in the respective schools. The services will start at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium at Boardman and at Heppner High, and at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at Ione High.

The Rev. Eugene Hamblen of First Methodist church, Hermiston, will speak on "The Power of Commitment" in the baccalaureate sermon at Riverside, and Rev. Kenneth Robinson, pas-

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PRINCESS RUBY FULLETON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roice Fulleton of Heppner, is competing for queen of the Spray Rodeo to be Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23, at Spray. Ruby is a student at Heppner High school and is an expert rider.

Ruby Fulleton Is Rodeo Princess

Ruby Fulleton, one of Heppner's expert young riders, will be a princess in the Spray Rodeo this week-end, May 22 and 23, and has a chance to be queen of the event.

The queen is chosen on a point system. Those who purchase tickets for the rodeo from the princess will be casting a ballot for her selection to head the royal court. Ruby is now selling tickets to friends here.

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New Post Office Planned at Ione

An assignable land option for the site of a proposed new post office building in Ione has been accepted by the Post Office Department. Mrs. Edna J. O'Connor, has been advised by Postmaster General John A. Gronouski.

The property is located at Main and Cherry Streets and comprises approximately 5,000 square feet. It is presently owned by Mr. and Mrs. Omar Rietmann.

The site option will be transferred to the successful bidder, who will purchase the land, construct the building to Post Office Department specifications, and lease it to the department. The proposed building specifications and bidding forms will be available soon.



CECIL BERRY

Cecil Berry Given \$100 Scholarship

Cecil Berry, graduating senior of Heppner High school, was awarded the second annual \$100 Masonic scholarship at the annual dinner given by Heppner Lodge No. 69, AF&M, Friday evening, May 7, at the Heppner Masonic temple.

Hubert Wilson, chairman of the public schools committee of the lodge, made the presentation. Worshipful Master Len Ray Schwartz presided as master of ceremonies, and Don Turner spoke briefly on Masonic history and purposes.

The dinner honored the men of the high school faculty and this year's senior boys. The dinner was prepared by members of Ruth Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, and served by members of the Rainbow assembly. Principal Gordon Pratt, who is resigning his position here, acknowledged the pride and satisfaction he had received during his tenure at Heppner.

Last year's scholarship was awarded John Cole, who is completing his first year at Blue Mountain Community college.

Good Rain Brings Joy To Ranchers

A lovely rain fell Wednesday, being recorded by Leonard L. Gilliam in Heppner at .59 inch. This was just what the farmers had been hoping for, and apparently it was a pretty general rain around the county.

"This comes about as close to being a 'million dollar' rain as we could get," County Agent Nels Anderson said Thursday morning.

With the rain, general prospects for the forthcoming crop look better than they did a year ago. "Quite a little better," he said.

"Another rain in three weeks or a month and we will have at least a normal yield—if it doesn't turn off too hot," he said. The rain broke a long dry spell. Last measurable rain was in mid April, and there was very little of that.

Complete report from Mr. Gilliam is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	71	36	—
Friday	70	45	—
Saturday	73	54	—
Sunday	65	33	—
Monday	61	33	—
Tuesday	68	42	—
Wednesday	72	37	.59

Oscar Peterson In D. C. This Week

Oscar Peterson, former county judge, is in Washington, D. C., this week with representatives of the Inland Empire Waterways association to appear at hearings on behalf of Northwest water resources projects and to confer with senators and representatives.

They were to appear before the subcommittee on public works in the House on Wednesday May 19, and were to appear before the same committee of the Senate Thursday.



NELS ANDERSON, Morrow county agent for 19 years, will leave his position here June 15 to go with his family to Niger, Africa, where he will be extension advisor for that country. (G-T Photo)

Nels Anderson Takes Africa Post

Nels Anderson, "Mr. Agriculture" in Morrow county through 19 years as extension agent, will begin a leave of absence June 15 in order to accept a position as extension advisor for the Republic of Niger, Africa.

In this capacity he will organize an extension staff for the country which attained its independence from France only in 1960. It is expected that Anderson will depart for Africa about August 1, and members of his family will either go with him or join him shortly after.

Farewell Picnic Planned June 13

A countywide farewell picnic for Mr. and Mrs. Nels Anderson and family is scheduled for Sunday, June 13, at 2 p.m. at the fair pavilion, Heppner.

Arrangements are being made by the county extension advisory council. All friends and 4-H alumni are invited to the picnic.

Before leaving he must take qualifications tests in New York on reading and speaking the French language. The position is provided through the Near East foundation in a 3-year arrangement with the Republic of Niger and Agency for International Development of the U. S. State Department.

Anderson, who will work with two others, will train about 20 native extension agents who will cover the country that is 1150 miles long and 825 miles wide. He will be responsible for the fiscal program, bookkeeping and reports with headquarters at Kolo agricultural school at the nation's capital of Niamey. His work will take him to four other schools at various parts of the country and travel will be largely by air, since there are only 40 miles of improved roads in the country of 2,390,000 population.

How long Anderson will stay depends on the situation. "A lot depends on living conditions and schooling," he said. The contract is for a year, renewable at the end of that time. Going with Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will be their twin sons, David and Doug, who graduate from Heppner High next week; son, Kit, a freshman; and Rick, a first grader in Heppner Elementary.

David and Doug are planning to attend the University of Ibadan in Nigeria, about 300 miles to the south "as the crow flies" from Niamey. Kit may also attend high school there, boarding at the school. However, it has been learned that a high school may be established at Niamey which would make it possible for him to stay with his parents. Population of Niamey is listed at 30,030.

An older son, Jerry, will remain in Heppner. He is employed by Heppner Nor-Gas. Two married daughters will not share the adventure. They are Mrs. Mike (Carol) Rogers of Provo, Utah, whose husband is attending Utah Technical Institute, and Mrs. Gary (Connie) Linton, whose husband is a coach and teacher at Bandon.

The Niger government will furnish housing and furniture. The family will take only personal effects. Unlike much of the county, they will have electricity and the conveniences it affords.

Three-fourths of Niger is covered by a portion of the Sahara Desert. Main exports are peanuts, beef and cassava oil. One of Anderson's responsibilities will be to promote development of a plant called kenaf, fiber of which is fine for jute for burlap bags.

Four-fifths of the population depends on agriculture, and nomadic tribes roam with herds of livestock. Their average annual income is about \$125 per year. One of the predominant varieties of cattle is Santa Gertrudis, a long-horned, thin, long-legged breed of poor quality.

"There will be plenty of room for improvement," Nels said. Rainfall varies from none on the Sahara desert to 40 inches in a narrow belt. Noamey's rainfall ranges from 10 to 20 inches.

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Glennie to Quit High School Post

Pete Glennie, athletic director at Heppner High school, will resign from the position here to accept a coaching and teaching position at Central High school, Monmouth-Independence, he said Tuesday. He signed the contract for the new job during the week.

Glennie has been at Heppner High for four years, coaching baseball, jayvee basketball and assisting with football.

His resignation will mean that his wife, Jackie Glennie will also leave her position as teacher in Heppner Elementary school. They plan to move about June 1.

"We have met many fine people here, and it has been nice to be associated with them," Glennie said. "We really have appreciated the fine support given to athletics and extra-curricular activities by the townspeople."

Glennie said the new position, close to Oregon College at Monmouth, would give him a good opportunity to continue work towards his master's degree. He will be assistant coach in basketball and baseball and will teach world geography and business law there.

Principal Gordon Pratt will be principal at Central High, having announced recently that he has accepted this position.

More Plans Made On Annual Picnic

Indications are that a good many old-time friends will meet again at the annual Morrow county Pioneer Picnic on Sunday, Memorial Day, at the fair pavilion, Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles French of Moro will be special guests and Mr. French will be the speaker for the occasion.

Registration will begin at 11 a.m. and dinner will be at 12:30, according to Mrs. Ed (Eleanor) Gonty, secretary.

The Soroptomist club of Heppner is in charge of registration and women of the Rebekah lodge of Heppner will be in charge of coffee and hot dishes. Rainbow Girls will assist about the room.

Oscar Peterson, who is on a trip to Washington, D. C., this week is president and will be in charge of the picnic. Officers for the coming year will be elected.

Rev. Weller Takes Church in Idaho

After serving the Church of the Nazarene in Heppner for the past 23 months, the Rev. J. G. (Jack) Weller, pastor, has accepted a call to the Filer, Idaho, Church of the Nazarene, he said Wednesday.

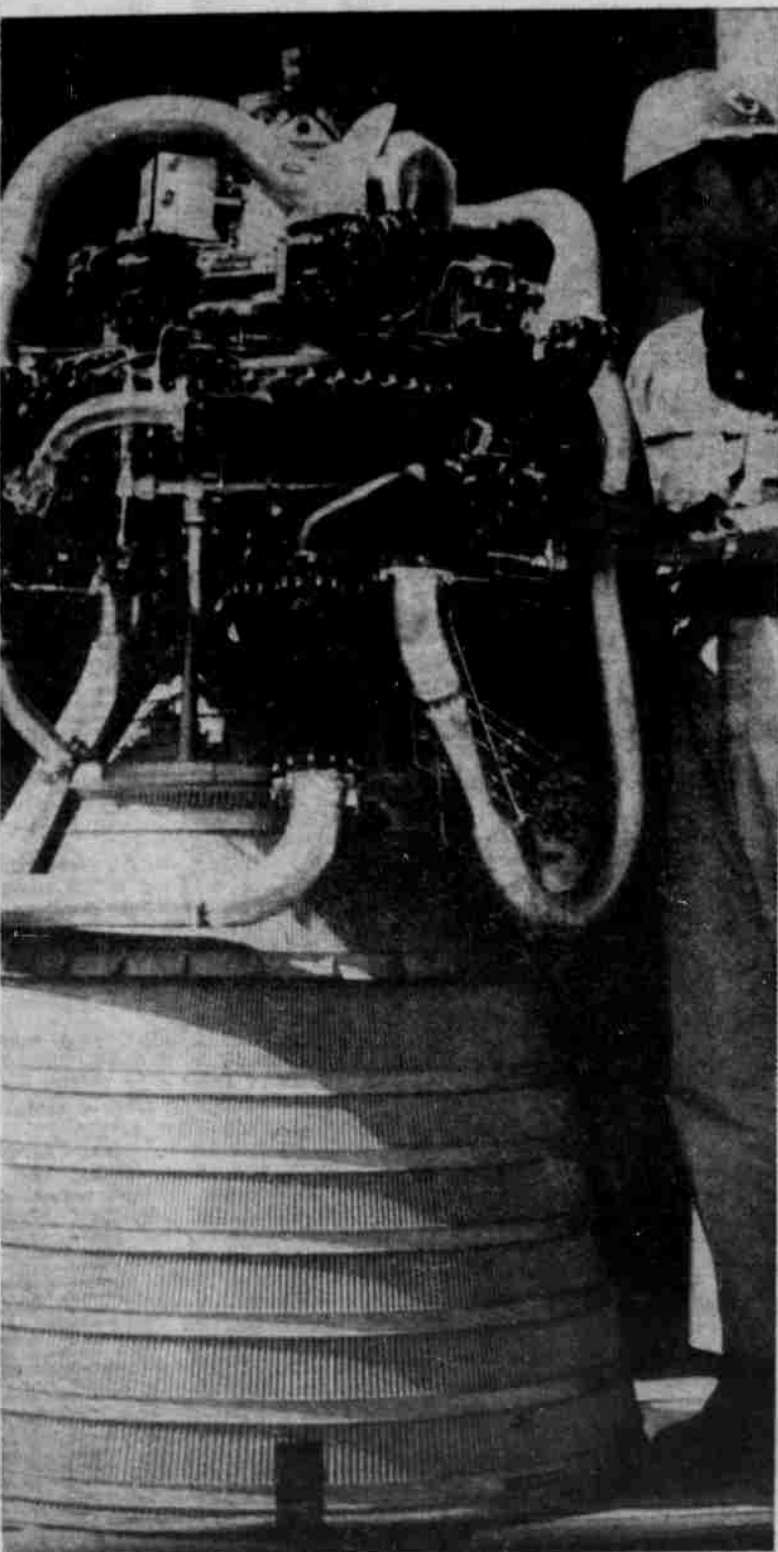
The Rev. and Mrs. Weller and family, which includes two daughters, Susie and Judy, plan to move about June 1.

During the time they served the church here, a new church was constructed on the hill below the hospital. It was dedicated last year.

The local church has called a minister from California, but no announcement can be made as yet because the acceptance is not yet definite.

The church at Filer presently has a membership of about 65, the Rev. Weller said.

Boeing Site Blossoms in Desert Area



AN RL-10 Pratt and Whitney rocket engine which will develop 15,000 pounds of thrust, is described for visiting newsmen by Eugene L. Kelling, a Boeing laboratory supervisor, on a tour to the Boardman site last Tuesday. (Boeing Photo).

In marked contrast to the barren desert country surrounding it, The Boeing Company's complex 44-ft. high double-decked rocket test stand, composed of 75 tons of steel and 440 tons of concrete, looms as a testimonial to the scientific progress of men as it brings a touch of the Space Age to Morrow county.

With auxiliary buildings, tanks and installations, the test stand—now fully completed—represents an investment of \$1,300,000 as Boeing's initial venture on its 100,000-acre Boardman site, leased from the State of Oregon.

The company gave newspaper and television men of Oregon and Washington their first organized tour of the site last Tuesday with Bob Knoll, Seattle, of the public relations department, in charge of arrangements. John Basic, assistant site manager, and Walt Muretta, senior supervisor, described the complicated operation and answered questions of the 18 newsmen who came from Seattle, Portland, Walla Walla, the Tri-Cities, The Dalles as well as the immediate eastern Oregon area.

The test site is now closed and visitors must apply at a station (the old navy buildings) far away from the actual testing grounds. Each member of the press was required to don a hard hat and carry a pass, which was filled out with name and address upon departing.

First rocket engine firing on the stand will be sometime in July, Basic said. To the present, tests have been limited to space propulsion systems using cryogenic (very cold) fuels, such as liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen. They started in February and will continue through July.

The rocket engine test will not be the noisy affair that many have imagined. Basic said that it would register only 100 decibels at the mouth of the diffuser where the fumes are exhausted. The diffuser is a huge pipe that looks like a gigantic saxophone which drops down from the center of the test stand. Cold water is forced through a jacket around the pipe to protect it from 2,000-degree heat during such a test. The diffuser tends to muffle the noise of the test.

The assistant manager said that he doubted if the noise could be heard as far as Boardman, some 12 miles away.

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