

# Two Counties Join On Highway Route

Representatives of several official and civic agencies of Morrow and Umatilla counties met in the Morrow county courthouse Wednesday afternoon and agreed to take a unified stand in backing the Umatilla bridge route for the proposed federal interstate highway 82.

They drew up a short statement to that effect and at the same time went on record as opposing the Van Sycle canyon route for the highway (proposed to go via the Tri-Cities).

County Judge Paul Jones called the meeting after County Judge Sam Cook of Umatilla county contacted him and after a Morrow county group had met Tuesday to decide on a course of action.

Present besides the judges, were Norman Schroth, Hermiston, representing the Northeastern Oregon Roads association; Barney Malcom, Heppner, Space Age Development Association; Randall Peterson, Herman Winter, Harley Young and Wes Sherman, Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce; Dewey West, City of Boardman and SPADA; Clarence Rosewall, Morrow county Planning Commission; Bill Belt, Hermiston, Space Age Development Association; Al Lamb, Morrow county Port Commission; and Bob Woehler, Pendleton, and Avim Melby, both representing the East Oregonian.

The statement agreed upon was brief: "At a joint meeting held at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner, Oregon, on the 16th day of June, 1965, representatives of the Morrow County Court, the Umatilla County Court, the Morrow County Port Commission, the Morrow County Planning Commission, the City of Boardman, the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce, Space Age Development Association, Mid-Columbia Planning Council, the Northeastern Oregon Roads association and the Port of Umatilla have unanimously agreed to support the Umatilla bridge route of the

proposed interstate highway 82 and to vigorously oppose an alternate Van Sycle Canyon route." Copies of the statement will be sent to the congressional delegation, to the highway commissions of Oregon and Washington and to others who may have an influence on a decision on

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## Wednesday Night Rain Near Inch

Wednesday night's rain—coming just two days after the 62nd anniversary of the 1903 flood—might have brought some qualms to old-timers who remembered.

But although it was the heaviest rain in many months, it stopped in time and just meant another good soaking for crops coming on. There were no water spots nor cloudbursts, but it was a sizzle-sozzler.

Weather observer Leonard Gilliam measured the rain Wednesday night in Heppner at .89 inch, and total precipitation here for the week was 1.35 inches, which topped the entire month of June in 1964, when the total was 1.33.

Official weather report for the week of June 10-16 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	91	54	—
Friday	76	47	.12
Saturday	69	39	—
Sunday	72	45	.27
Monday	59	47	.07
Tuesday	62	49	—
Wednesday	75	56	.89

## Lone Voters Pass Fire Truck Levy

Voting on the 5-year serial levy to obtain funds to purchase a much needed fire truck for lone was held on Monday afternoon. The yes vote totaled 34 and 12 were against the levy. The city council plans to buy a used truck with a new truck guarantee at about \$12,000. The truck will have a pumping capacity of 750 gallons per minute. The actual capacity is much more, being about 1200 gallons per minute.

The truck will be brought here from Sunnyvale, Calif., where it has been in service. Mayor Charles O'Connor said. The mayor said that the city wishes to complete its preparation of the budget for the coming fiscal year before completing arrangements for the truck, but it will be brought to lone soon.

The election brought only a light vote with only 46 votes cast. A normal election with a good turnout might bring out 150 votes inside the city limits.

## CowBelles Plan Father's Picnic

Morrow county CowBelles have set the date of Sunday, July 11, for the annual barbecue to honor Dr. L. D. Tibbles as Morrow county's Father of the Year.

The Do-It-Yourself barbecue will be at the Morrow county fairgrounds. Dr. Tibbles, nominated by the Hoof and Horn Livestock club, was chosen Father of the Year earlier this year. Additional details on the barbecue will be announced later.

## Plans for Movie Postponed for Now

Plans of the Junior Chamber of Commerce to show a motion picture tonight (Thursday) on a trial basis have had to be postponed, Wayne Lamb of the Jaycees announces.

The movie that had been scheduled was cancelled by the distributing firm, Lamb said. Plans for weekly movies will be postponed until further notice. Lamb and other club leaders will be on vacation for the next two or three weeks, after which they may implement the plan again.

## 200 Gather to Bid 'Farewell' to Andersons

More than 200 persons from all over the county came to say farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Nels Anderson and family Sunday at a potluck picnic held in their honor at the county fair pavilion. While the family will remain in Heppner through the summer before Anderson takes his new position in Niger, Africa, as extension advisor, he left his familiar office as county extension agent here this week—an office he has held for 19 years.

At the conclusion of the affair Sunday, the family found itself well laden with gifts which came from a number of sources. They had listened to some recollections of their years in Morrow county that brought

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# School District Office to Move



BROTHERS Steve (left) and John Wagenblast hit the jackpot at the Oregon Wheat Growers League Junior Livestock Show. Steve exhibited the Grand Champion FFA steer and John the Reserve Grand Champion FFA steer. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wagenblast of Lexington, Ore. They exhibited as members of the Heppner FFA Chapter.

## Morrow Site Offered For Big Atom Smasher

A Morrow county location is among sites submitted by the State of Oregon as possibilities for the location of a proposed \$280 million atom smasher, more properly identified as a 200 billion electron volt proton accelerator.

The Atomic Energy Commission has been seeking a suitable site for the accelerator somewhere in the nation and has submitted a list of requirements to be met in choosing the site.

Three Morrow county groups—the county court, port commission, and planning commission—collaborated in filing an application and employed Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, engineers, to compile data to be used on the application. This had to be submitted by June 15 and cost was paid by the port commission.

Governor Mark Hatfield announced June 11 (Friday) that the division of planning and development of the Oregon Department of Commerce had presented two sites in the state for consideration—the Willamette Valley and eastern Oregon.

The eastern Oregon location included information on three sites: North of Ordinance (the Morrow county site), west of Umatilla and south of Madras. The Willamette Valley report contained data on four sites: One northwest of Eugene, and one southeast of Rickreall, and one at French Prairie, south of St. Paul.

The Port of Umatilla and community agencies of Madras helped with the Eastern Oregon report.

"All of the sites," Governor Hatfield said, "meet the criteria established by the Atomic Energy Commission, especially so in the areas of availability of low-cost power and abundant water supplies."

He said that the eastern Oregon sites are especially strong in offering low-cost land and bedrock foundations for the huge accelerator. The governor pledged Oregon's fullest cooperation with the AEC in the acquisition and development of the site.

The giant accelerator will be 10 times more powerful than the largest existing accelerator. It will enable scientists to explore into the broad field of

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## Anderson Given Chamber Award

Nels C. Anderson, who left his office this week as Morrow county agent, to prepare for a new position in Niger, Africa, was presented a Certificate of Recognition by the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce at the Monday meeting.

President Randall Peterson made the presentation and cited all the work done by Anderson in and for the Chamber during his 19 years here.

Anderson responded by expressing appreciation that he had received from the organization for his work in agriculture and said that he expected his successor, Eugene Winters, to receive the same fine treatment.

Bob Abrams presented the program at the meeting, showing colored slides taken of mountain peaks on his trips climbing mountains in Oregon and Washington. He told of some of the characteristics of some of the peaks and said that he felt Mt. Jefferson presented the hardest climb of any in the State of Oregon.

Among those introduced as guests for the picnic were W. G. (Jerry) Nibler, state extension agent, and Mrs. Nibler; Judge and Mrs. Paul Jones; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hay. Hay formerly worked as Morrow county agent, 4-H, with Anderson.

Anderson responded on behalf of the family, extending words of appreciation and telling of the challenge expected in their future work. Members of the family present included sons David and Doug, the twins; Kif and Rick.

At the conclusion of the program, Mrs. Norman Nelson led the group in singing "Auld Lang Syne."

The picnic was sponsored by the extension advisory council.

## Champion Steer Of Wagenblast's Brings 55c Pound

Steve Wagenblast's champion FFA steer, a 905 pound Hereford exhibited at the 19th annual Oregon Wheat Growers League Junior Livestock Show in The Dalles last week, brought 55 cents a pound at the auction sale there last Wednesday night.

The Lexington youth's steer went to Tennessee Engineers, The Dalles, at that price. Harvey Aluminum of The Dalles bid 50 cents a pound for the grand champion 4-H steer, a 1025 pound Hereford owned by Bruce Davis, Olex.

In all, the young livestock exhibitors collected \$27,712.30 for 248 head of grain fattened steers, hogs and lambs.

Morrow county youth captured more honors on the final days of the show. Steve Wagenblast of Heppner placed first and his brother, John, placed third in FFA beef showmanship.

The Oregon Hereford association award was presented to Steve Wagenblast as FFA member and to Bruce Davis of Olex as 4-H member, and Wagenblast also received the Oregon Junior Hereford association award for the top exhibit of an FFA member.

Patti Healy won a second place in 4-H with her heavy Hereford, and Dale Van Blokland won a second with his light Hereford. Herb Ekstrom, III, of Ione, won second in 4-H junior beef showmanship.

## Budget Meet Set

Hearing on the Morrow county budget will be Thursday, June 24, at 10 a.m. in the courthouse. All those wishing to be heard on the budget should appear at that time. The complete budget is published in this paper.

## Redmond Man To be Principal

Clayton Norton of Redmond was chosen as Heppner High school principal by the board of directors of Morrow County school district R-1 Monday night. In another action, the directors voted unanimously to move the district office from the courthouse to the Lexington school building.

Other significant actions taken in a meeting packed with important business were these: 1. Acceptance of the resignations of Leonard Herrick, lone elementary administrator; Beverly Gunderson, district clerk; and seven teachers.

2. Abolition of senior sneak days throughout the district. 3. Hiring of five teachers. 4. Selection of Mrs. Alice Vance as district clerk.

5. Setting aside a fund of \$3000 to establish a district-wide textbook rental system. 6. Authorizing calling for bids for two new school buses, one of which will be equipped with high back seats for travel on long trips.

7. Decision to call for bids on 10 bus runs that have student loads of eight or less.

8. Authorizing the superintendent to call for bids on supplies, fuel and equipment. 9. Receiving petitions from an irrigator delegation calling for annexation of the north end of the district to Umatilla county.

**Norton Chosen**  
The board had difficulty choosing between two candidates for Heppner High principal after the field had been narrowed from some 20 applicants. Norton, who has been acting superintendent of Redmond Union High school, and W. A. Brumbaugh, principal of Vernonia High school, came for interviews with the board in executive session prior to the regular meeting. When the matter of the election came up on the agenda, the directors couldn't decide between the two and went back into executive session, after which a motion was made to offer Norton the contract, and this passed unanimously.

The new principal is 45 years of age and has been teaching since 1943, serving the year 1943-44 at Echo. He has been in Redmond since 1945 and during the past school year was chosen acting superintendent of the union high school. He and Mrs. Norton have two children.

Supt. David Potter said that he telephoned Norton Thursday to tell him of his selection, and the principal said that he would come to sign the contract.

**Office to Move**  
A unanimous decision to move the district office to Lexington was made after the board discussed the pros and cons of the matter. The abundance of space in the school building, which will provide ample storage room, implement a plan for central purchasing and allow for administrators' meetings, as well as other meetings, was a major factor in the choice. It was pointed out that the building is in good repair, that it is more the "hub" of the county, and that other county offices need the space in the courthouse.

Supt. Potter said that the county court had indicated that it would help pay costs of maintaining the office there, since by law, counties are obliged to furnish space for the county school office. No time has been set for the move.

**Nine Resign**  
Nine resignations were accepted at the meeting. Administrator Leonard Herrick of Ione Elementary school has accepted a position as principal of the Warden, Wash., elementary school, which has some 500 students. His wife, Esther Herrick, a teacher at Ione, also resigned. Resignation of Mrs. Gunderson as clerk, had been announced earlier.

Other teachers who have resigned include William Spohn, Gilbert Lujan and Carol Miller, all of Ione; Ellen Caudle, Irri-gon; and Ted Talbot and Al Reeves, both of Boardman.

**Contracts Offered**  
Contracts were offered to five teachers: Edward J. Roley, Roseburg, with a B.S. degree from Oregon College, Monmouth, and two years experience, as teacher and coach at Ione Elementary.

John Snyder, Estacada, with B.S. degree from New Mexico University and M.A. degree from Eastern New Mexico University, 12 years experience, to be in charge of music at Boardman and Irri-gon.

Arnie Hedman, Heppner, with B.A. plus 45 hours from North Michigan College of Education, 10 years experience, to be in charge of music at Ione. Hedman taught at Ione for a number of years before entering the furniture business in Heppner.

Alfred L. Loyd, Dallas, B.S. degree from Oregon College of Education, one year teaching experience, to teach at Heppner High.

Mrs. Jim (Madge) Thomson, Heppner, B.A. degree plus 45 hours, 4 years teaching experience in addition to substitute work, to be Heppner High librarian.

Supt. Potter said that positions remaining to be filled include the following teachers: Chemistry and physics, Heppner High; one upper elementary position, Heppner Elementary; commercial and Spanish, Ione High; one intermediate and one primary

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## Forest Service Sets Fire School To Start Monday

Annual fire school for the Ukiah, Dale and Heppner ranger districts of the Umatilla National forest will be held starting Monday of next week at the Tupper work center, W. S. (Sam) Miller, Heppner district ranger, announces.

About 80 are expected to take part in the training in two units which will continue through Thursday. Jay Hughton, fire staff man of Pendleton, will conduct the school.

Men are housed in the new dormitory buildings of the work center, and trainees will be quartered in tents. Miller said that the camp is now pretty well filled with the fire season coming on.

Lookouts will man towers following the fire school, he said.

## Christian Church Pastor Coming

Al Boshee of Trafalgar, Ind., and his family are expected to arrive in Heppner sometime this week preparatory to assuming his duties as pastor of the Heppner and Lexington Christian churches.

The new pastor will be guest speaker in the Lexington church on June 27 and will assume duties as pastor of both churches on July 1.

The Rev. Earl L. Soward will complete his interim pastorate at the Lexington Christian church June 30, and the Rev. Charles Ardeman of Woodburn will also complete his interim work at the Heppner church. He has been coming here on weekends from Woodburn for the interim ministry.

The Rev. Boshee is a native of Milton-Freewater and Mrs. Boshee is a native of La Grande. During the past year, since he obtained his bachelor of divinity degree, he has served the Christian church at Trafalgar, near Indianapolis.

The Boshees have two children, a boy who will start school in the fall, and a girl, 3 years of age. They will live in the Christian church parsonage in Heppner.

## Lone Lions to Sell Legal Fireworks

Lone Lions club will sell legal fireworks in Heppner and Ione prior to July 4 as a club project. It was decided by the club at its meeting Monday night. "Legal fireworks" include such items as sparklers.

Stands will be set up in Heppner and Ione at places to be designated. Selling will be on June 26 and the three days prior to the fourth. Further announcement will be made later.