

## Johnson Speaks On Inventory Aid

Explanations of state relief on inventory taxes and of the proposed 1 1/2% property tax limitation initiative were presented to members of the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce at its luncheon meeting Monday by Bill Johnson, appraiser in the office of the Morrow county assessor.

Johnson reviewed action by the 1965 legislature which passed a bill providing for a graduated scale of relief to those paying personal property taxes on inventories. The scale covers a five-year period and seeks to absorb 10% of the inventory tax in its first year to 30% at the end of the fifth year.

The legislature appropriated \$2 million as the state's aid for the coming year, he said. Further action must be taken to provide funds for the increasing relief for the ensuing years.

"If the legislature does not appropriate any more money in future years, cost of reimbursement would have to be shifted against another class of property," he said.

### Livestock Included

All stock and trade and livestock are included in the inventory classification under terms of the bill. Livestock is defined as all forms of animal life put on the open market for sale.

Johnson stressed the urgency of each taxpayer with an in-

ventory to make his return at the full 100% level so that the county may get its full share of relief allocation from the state. After all returns are filed early next year, the assessor will report the total to the state, and the funds to be allocated to the county will be figured by the state for reimbursement to the local taxing districts to be applied against the personal property taxes.

The speaker pointed out that the new law is a difficult one for the assessor to administer correctly and will take considerable work because he must take each individual return and figure the percentage applicable to it.

County Average Below 1 1/2%. As to the proposed initiative that would limit property taxes to 1 1/2% of true market value, Johnson pointed out that in Morrow county at the present time the average of the 20 code areas is only 1.25% of true cash value.

Two code areas have tax percentages above 1 1/2%. They are Heppner with 1.65 and Ione with 1.81, the latter due primarily to the purchase of a new fire truck. One code area, 10-2, is less than 1% at .94, he said.

"Since the average in the county is well below 1 1/2%, the proposal would not benefit taxpayers in this county as property tax relief to any extent, he said, adding that Multnomah, Marion and Lane counties would be the ones particularly affected.

Large industrial plants and utilities would get the greatest relief, he added.

Loss of revenue from property taxes would have to be supplemented by revenues from some other source, the appraiser said. It is possible that the state would turn to a sales tax or an increase in income tax to provide for the difference.

Morrow county residents would share in these taxes to provide the relief for those benefitting from the proposal.

### State Could Adjust Budgets

Since the state tax commission has the authority to come into the county to adjust budgets to fit needs, the 1 1/2% limitation could throw considerable control of taxation from the county to the state level.

In a question and answer period after Johnson's talk, David Potter said that it is estimated that the limitation would cut property taxes around the state to an aggregate of approximately \$90,000,000 which would have to be made up from other sources.

Johnson made it clear that he was neither speaking for nor against the proposal, its possible advantages and disadvantages, but was only offering an explanation of the proposal.

Petitions are now being circulated in the state to get the 1 1/2% limitation measure on the November election ballot next year. Sponsored by a Portland group, the proposal is expected to receive the some 58,000 signatures on petitions without much difficulty.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Bosshardt, parents of Mrs. Arnold Raymond, visited from Friday afternoon until Monday morning with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond and family. The Bosshardts live at Merwin Dam on Lewis River near Woodland, Wn., where he is an operator at the dam for Pacific Power Co. This was their "Christmas visit" since the families probably will not be able to get together at Christmas time.

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er counties. However, we were quite fortunate in that we did have a crew stationed in Condon with adequate equipment to handle any emergency that came up in that area."

Damage to lines and facilities amounted to approximately \$20,000, he said.

In construction work the first major project was the building of 12 miles of single phase line in the Heppner Junction and Blalock areas, he said. This was a relocation due to the John Day dam. Next was construction of a 69,000-volt substation and line to serve the Permanent Pozzolan plant located in the north end of Gilliam county.

Construction of the line up to Cutsforth Park required approximately seven miles of 3-phase line.

### Condon Line Planned

In discussing future programs, Young said, "We anticipate that the first major construction will be in the Condon area which will tie the City of Condon to the existing Bonneville transmission line."

This will provide a much shorter transmission line to serve Condon and surrounding area and will give a third alternate source of power for Condon, he said.

As to the Bonneville Power Administration's proposed rate increase, Young said the directors have opposed it as being unnecessary and also are opposed to the proposed method of increase.

Should the increase come, however, the cooperative will hold its retail power cost to customers at the current level, Young assured the more than 200 attending the meeting.

"We are in a position to absorb this increase if it is ultimately approved by the Federal Power Commission," he said. However, it would have an effect on the cooperative's margins.

### Double Payments Made

"As you can note, our operating revenue amounted to \$676,000 and our expenses \$565,000, leaving a net margin of \$111,000. When you consider the fact that during this year we paid double principal and interest payments both to REA and to Pacific Power Company, totaling approximately \$262,000, our past year's operation has been a successful one," he said.

Secretary-treasurer's report was given at the meeting by Jack Hynd, Jr., who also read minutes of the last annual meeting. Among guests introduced were Douglas G. Poland, manager, Harry England and Edward A. Wilkin, all of Westinghouse, Portland; Roy Nishi, Bonneville Power Administration's area power manager, Walla Walla, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Smith, of Smith, Gerstein and Smith, accountants; Vancouver, Wn.; Ray L. Woolley, Manager, Umatilla Electric Cooperative association, Hermiston; Eric A. Johnson, Wasco Electric Co-op manager, The Dalles; Clarence R. Post, board chairman, West Extension Irrigation district, Umatilla; and Robert Smith, board member of the district, Irrigon.

Mrs. Shirley Rugg won the electric clothes dryer offered as a major door prize at the meeting. Other prize winners included Mrs. Avery Taylor, Mrs. R. B. Rice, O. W. Cutsforth, Al Lamb,

## Chairman Tells Of Cooking School

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Mrs. Malcolm Fargher, Dufur. Those wishing more information may contact Mrs. Drake. In a pre-cooking school demonstration of use of wheat in cooking, Grace mixed up a batch of sour cream drop cookies, using wheat germ in place of nuts in the mixture.

She also prepared a chocolate confection using wheat germ which came out as a compromise between a cookie and a candy and proved to be tasty indeed.

Recipe for the sour cream cookies is as follows: 1/2 cup shortening, 1 1/2 cups sugar, 2 eggs, 1 cup sour cream and 1 cup soda, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 1/2 cups flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon baking powder, 1/2 cup wheat germ (Yes, it's available on grocer's shelves!)

CREAM together the shortening sugar and eggs. STIR IN sour cream, soda and vanilla. SIFT together flour, salt and baking powder, add wheat germ and mix into creamed mixture.

CHILL one hour, DROP rounded teaspoonful, 2 inches apart, on an ungreased cookie sheet. BAKE 8 to 10 minutes or until delicately browned.

The cookies should not be overbaked. Test them for doneness but by lightly touching them. If almost no imprint remains, the cookies are ready to take out and cool on racks. This makes about five dozen 2 1/2 inch cookies.

Bernard Doherty, C. N. Jones, all of Heppner; Emmett Davis, Mrs. Homer Davis, and Edith Perry, all of Lonerock; David Rietmann, Earl McCabe, Fred Martin and Lewis Halvorsen, all of Ione; W. L. Reinhart and Isabelle Davis, both of Condon.

## Christmas Tree Permits Available

Permits for cutting Christmas trees in specified areas of the Heppner Ranger district, Umatilla National forest, are now available, according to Jack Krieger of the district.

The permits may be obtained in the Forest Service office in the Gilliam and Bisbee building here on week days, and the office will also be open on Saturdays until Christmas to accommodate the public, he said.

The cutting area is composed of about two sections of forest land due west of the Bull Prairie junction, off the Spray highway. It is an area reached by the Kinzua cutoff road, and is the only location in the district that is open to tree cutting.

Krieger has drawn maps to show the public the location. Permits are issued at a fee of \$1.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients who were admitted to Pioneer Memorial hospital for medical care during the past week, and were then dismissed, were the following: Dianne McLachlan, Heppner; Ralph James, Kinzua; Shirley Winks, Condon, and Richard Robison, Spray.

Those who were admitted, and are still receiving medical care, are the following: Betty Ledford, Baker; Hazel Elliot, Kinzua; Jeff Walker, Heppner; Maynard Struthers, Jr., Heppner, and Homer Bowman, Kinzua.

## Cooking Club Meets

The Butterfingers third year cooking club met Thursday, November 4, at 4 p.m. at the Wallace Wolff home. We called this meeting together to get our records completed, to start the introductory lesson in Food Adventures, and to elect officers.

Our officers are: Barbara Allstott, chief cook; Libby Martin, assistant chief cook; Libby Abrams, steward, and Kelley Green Wolf, reporter. Margaret Green is our junior leader. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 16, at 4 p.m.

Kelley Wolff, reporter

## School Chairman Picks Committees For Special Work

District-wide committees on special phases of school work were appointed last week by Chairman Irvin Rauch of Morrow County School District R-1 school board. They will work with the school board and present recommendations to the board.

Committees are composed of board representatives, advisory board members, administrators, teachers and lay persons.

Committees on buildings and grounds will be composed of school board member or members from the area involved, as well as the complete advisory committee for that area, and the school principal.

Other committees are as follows: Transportation — Ken Batty, Heppner, school director; Clayton Norton, Heppner, administrator; Leonard Toll, Heppner, bus supervisor; Jim Barnett, Earl McQuaw, Boardman, Orville Buchanan, Irrigon, Gene Majeske, Lexington, and Homer Hughes, Heppner, advisory committee members; Cecil Jones, Ione, Dean King, Boardman, George Luciani, Lexington, and Gene Hall, Heppner, lay members.

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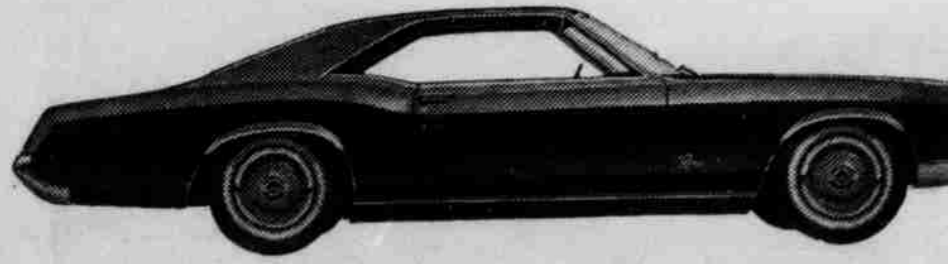
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