

Budget Calls for \$868,452 Tax Levy

Budget for Morrow County School District R-1 for 1966-67, prepared by the district budget committee, calls for a tax levy of \$868,452 as compared with a levy of \$807,914 for 1965-66, the published figures show.

The budget summary is published for the first time in this issue of the Gazette-Times on page 4, section 2.

Public hearing is scheduled for March 22 at 8 p.m. in the Heppner Elementary school. At that time all persons have the right to be heard either in opposition or in favor of the budget, and changes may be made in the estimates. Election on the budget is dated for April 10.

Total budget requirements are set at \$1,381,543 as compared with \$1,338,612 in the 1965-66 budget. Requirements for the general fund are placed at \$1,081,801 as compared with \$1,

042,285 for the current fiscal year.

Reasons for Increase

Three principal reasons account for the increase shown in the budget this year, Supt. David H. Potter said.

One item is that in fixed charges where \$30,100 is budgeted for social security as compared with \$23,090 for 1965-66. This is due to the increased rate for social security that will cost the district an additional \$7,010 for the coming year.

A second item is that provided for estimate of taxes levied but not to be received in the ensuing fiscal year. In the past it has been the policy of the district to allow 3% of the levy as that amount which may not be collected. The district's auditor, however, said that this figure must be raised to 5% to be realistic. So the amount shows

as \$41,354 for 1966-67 as compared with \$23,531 in the 1965-66 budget.

The third main reason for increase is to be found in the capital outlay section of the budget, which is up by some \$52,000. Among items allowed by the budget committee here are \$8,000 for the Morgan street extension improvement to Heppner High school (sidewalks and curbs); guard rail along bank, \$500, gravel and black-top, \$1500, and curb, walk and cement floor in garage, \$800, all at Heppner High; install acoustical ceiling in Heppner Elementary gym, \$1500, vent oven in kitchen, \$200, and blackout drapes for three rooms at the elementary school, \$300 acoustical tile ceiling in Heppner High gym, \$3200; instructional equipment for lone schools, \$2708; instructional equipment

for A. C. Houghton elementary, \$660; for Riverside High and Boardman, \$1440; for Heppner elementary, \$1200; equipment for county office, \$3003 (to be used for schools countryside); for Heppner High school, \$8,086.

Items for non-instructional equipment throughout the system, approved by the budget committee, total \$9,110. These were pared to that figure from requests totaling \$11,345. Tentatively included is an item of \$6000 for washer and dryer at Heppner elementary school.

Estimate for administration appears to be up some \$4,200, but items for supplies totaling \$4,154 are listed in this section of the budget after being listed previously under instruction. In the administration an increase of \$1000 per year is provided for the superintendent's

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Division Winners Head for La Grande



READY FOR ACTION in the district tournament at La Grande are the Heppner High Mustangs, champions of the western division, Greater Oregon League. Front row (from left) are Coach Bob Clough, Steve Warren, Russ Kilkenny, Mac Hoskins, Jim Jacobs, David Clark and Jim Barclay, manager. Back row—Jeff Turner, David Hall, Dennis O'Donnell, Jim Doherty, Gene Heilker, David Gray and Stan Rauch, manager.

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Susan Lindstrom Named for Royalty

Honors are not new to Susan Lindstrom of Ione, who was chosen last week by Willows Grange as its princess in this year's Morrow County Fair and Rodeo court. As an active and popular young lady in school and in her community, she has received many enviable honors.

Princess Susan's radiant personality and congeniality will

make her a welcome addition to this year's court. Also her love for riding, which she has developed on the family farm of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Lindstrom, near Ione, will be obvious as she rides with others on the court at appearances throughout the summer.

She has lived all of her 18 years in the Ione community. The second in a family of three children, she was born April 16, 1948, in Pendleton. Her brother, Stephen, is a sophomore at Pacific Lutheran college in Tacoma, and a younger sister, Christina, is in the 5th grade.



PRINCESS SUSAN LINDSTROM

Miss Lindstrom is a senior this year at Heppner High school. During her three years of high school in Ione, she was Homecoming princess for two years, was a varsity cheerleader, member of the band, chorus and Girl's League. She has developed many friendships in Heppner High school, as a member of Future Business Leaders of America, in the photography club, as president of the chorus, and in Girl's League.

Susan has been very active in the Ione Rainbow Assembly No. 89 as a past worthy advisor, and as past grand choir director for Rainbow Girls in Oregon.

As an active 4-H member for eight years, her primary interests have been in the riding clubs, but she has also had instruction in sewing and cooking club projects. She is president this year of the Ione Horseflies club and instructs others as a junior leader. In the 1965 Horse Show, Susan placed second in showmanship; in 1964 her horse judging team placed first and in competition at the state fair, won third place. She has received several ribbons in 4-H Horse Shows and in Wrangler shows, and for two years has been a 4-H pennant bearer in the fair and rodeo parade.

Besides riding, a favorite hobby of Princess Susan is water skiing. She is an accomplished member of a water skiing team of young people in her community. During the summer she helps her parents on the farm

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Jolene Ammons—Red Heads' Fabulous Dribbler

Jaycees Mobilize Forces For Red Head Battle

Heppner's Junior Chamber of Commerce is mustering all the basketball strength it can find in the hope of defeating the world-renowned All-American Red Heads, champion girls professional team in a game in the Heppner High school gym Sunday night at 8 p.m.

Harley Sager announced that he has lined up 13 stalwarts for the Jaycees to perform in the contest, including John Pankey, Curtis Culp, Dr. Robert Todd, Dave Flanagan, Dale Holland, Bob Clough, Jim Potter, Lyle Jensen, Larry Prock, Clint Agee, Bob Hoskins, Robert Haux and himself.

It might get confusing with maroon-hatched Culp in the lineup for the Jaycees!

Holland was the star in Heppner High faculty's recent big victory over the Greater Dirt

League team at a school benefit. Many of those on the squad have had high school and college experience.

But they will find more than their match in the queens of big time basketball who are booked out of Caraway, Arkansas.

The team includes Patty Eubank, 6-3 Kentucky girl, who plays center and is featured in the Red Heads' halftime show, "Sportacular"; Alice Washington, smallest on the team, from Arkansas, fine set shot, clever passer and terrific driver; Jolene Ammons, the "Georgia Peach" from Homerville, Ga., outstanding dribbler, razzle dazzle performer, and dynamic competitor; Georgia Washington, team captain, of Calico Rock, Arkansas, a top scorer with a terrific pivot and an uncanny hook shot; Sharon (Tigerbelle) Glenn, 5-9 guard, super duper ball handler; Sue Dawson, Tulsa, Okla., who gave up a professional modeling career to play basketball with the Red Heads; Delphia Allen, Alma, Ga., forward, with quick moves, a rugged player, and high scorer; and Martha Olsen of Maine, defensive star of the team.

Pankey said he understood six of the girls will play here. Of 203 games played in 1964 the Red Heads won 140 contests against men teams, which doesn't look so promising for the Jaycees.

The girls play regulation men's rules in their games.

One official has been chosen—Don McClure as referee. Admission is \$1.25 for adults, \$1 for high school students, and 50c for children.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at Columbia Basin Electric, Bank of Eastern Oregon, First National Bank, Lyle's Barber Shop or Jerry's Barber Shop.

Mustangs Face Nyssa In Tourney Opener

Heppner will play Nyssa High school in the first round of the district 7 A-2 basketball tournament Friday night at the EOC gymnasium in La Grande at 7:30. It was learned at press time Thursday that the Bulldogs had defeated Grant Union in a playoff for fourth place in the tournament, 46 to 45. The playoff game was at Baker High school Wednesday night. The Bulldogs, who were also in the tournament last year, finished the eastern division of the Greater Oregon league with a record of 3 wins and 1 loss and tied with Vale for the title. However the Vikings defeated Nyssa Monday night, 50 to 46, in a playoff for first place.

Carrying the banner of champions of the western division of the Greater Oregon League, Heppner High's basketball team will enter the district 7 A-2 tournament at La Grande Friday night prepared to meet the best of the other teams in the two divisions.

The Mustangs claimed their first clearcut championship since joining A-2 ranks when they disposed of Burns, 77 to 56, Friday night here and Grant Union of John Day, 58 to 46, Saturday night also on the home court. The victories shut the door in the faces of the two clubs that were hot on their heels, Grant and Wahtonka.

With losses only to Grant Union early in the season and to Wahtonka at Chenoweth two

weeks ago, Heppner finished the double round robin play with an 8-2 record. Wahtonka, which also topped both Burns and Grant Union on the final weekend, took second with a 7-3 mark, while the John Day lads toppled into third.

This meant that Grant Union had to play the second place team of the east for the right to the fourth spot in the tournament. That second place was deadlocked until Monday night, adding further complications to the pre-tournament picture. Nyssa and Vale each finished their seasons with 3-1 records and had to play off for first and second places. Vale won Monday night, 50 to 46, which gave the Vikings a ticket to the tournament, but Nyssa still had to meet Grant Union Wednesday night to determine which team makes the tournament and which stays home.

In the second round Friday night, Wahtonka and Vale will clash at 9:15. Winner of that contest will advance to the finals Saturday night to meet the victor of the opening contest. Losers will be matched in consolation Saturday evening prior to the championship contest.

Of course, the big thing at stake in the tournament is the right to go to the state A-2 tournament at Coos Bay on March 14, 15, and 16.

The Mustangs earned the right to go to state last year, and they would like to do it again.

Unlike last year's "Cinderella team" which made the district tournament the hard way, Heppner this year goes in as division.

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Scholarship Winners To Enter District Meet At The Dalles

Margaret Green and Mark Brown, Heppner High school seniors, were judged winners of this year's local Elks' Scholarship Contest, according to Clint Agee, chairman of the scholarship committee.

The two winners will compete for district honors when interviewed Sunday, March 13, by Northeast District Judges at the Elks Temple in The Dalles. Mr. Agee will accompany them.

A top boy and a top girl will be selected at this competition to represent the District in the State Finals. Also a runner-up boy and girl will be selected for district level awards. State finals will be in Ontario on March 25.

Bowman to Work On Irrigation

Quentin Bowman of the State Water Resources Board will come to Heppner Monday to assist in contacting those along Willow Creek who may be interested in the forming of an organization for irrigation from the proposed Willow Creek project, Judge Paul Jones said.

Bowman will make individual contacts to answer questions and give information about the project.

It is hoped that some irrigation organization may be formed in the near future in order that Congress may be requested to approve appropriation for pre-construction survey of the project.

Mann, Buchanan File Again for Representative



MARTIN BUCHANAN

Martin Buchanan of Milton-Freewater, a native of eastern Oregon and prominent in Umatilla county and Oregon public affairs, announces that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for state representative of the 28th legislative district. The district includes Umatilla, Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler and Sherman counties.

Buchanan was a candidate for the same office two years ago and lost to Irvin Mann, Jr., by a narrow margin.

A wheat and pea farmer in the Milton-Freewater area for many years, Buchanan said, "Although Oregon is enjoying a boom in its economy, I believe it is a good time to look closely at the state's tax structure. We need to get from the state to the cost of operating public schools and what ever else can be done to provide property tax relief."

Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan have four children. He has been active in civic and community affairs in the Milton-Freewater area.

No More Filings As Deadline Nears

No more filings for political offices in Morrow county were reported by Sadie Parrish, county clerk, this week.

With less than two weeks remaining until filing deadline on March 15 for the primary election, it appears that politics on the local level will be particularly quiet this year.

One commissioner position is up, and Gene Ferguson, Republican, has filed for reelection. Assessor position is also up this year but Rod Thomson, incumbent, had not filed as of Tuesday.

Only other filing to date has been Gar Swanson for one of two positions on the port commission.

Candidates for representative from this legislative district file through Salem, and Irvin Mann, Republican incumbent of Stanfield has announced his candidacy as has Martin Buchanan, Democrat, of Milton-Freewater. The two opposed each other in the 1964 general election.

District attorney position is also up for election, the post now held by Herman Winter. He, too, must file through Salem, since this is considered a state office.



REP. IRVIN MANN

Irvin Mann, Jr. (R) of Stanfield announced Wednesday his intention to file for the nomination to succeed himself as State Representative from the five counties of the 28th legislative district.

Representative Mann was first elected to the legislature in the 1964 election, overcoming a 2200 Democratic registration majority to win by 880 votes. He served his first term in the 1965 session where he served on the Taxation, Fish and Game, and Agriculture committees.

He is presently serving on the Oregon Interstate Cooperation Commission—one of four members from the House of Representatives—and is chairman of the House Committee.



HELICOPTER of Reforestation Services, Inc., lies in crumpled wreckage on the Union Pacific track just north of the Kinzua mill after it struck a power wire and crashed last Thursday morning. Don Ledwos of Silverton, pilot of the aircraft, suffered a mild compression fracture of the spine in the accident. He was dismissed from Pioneer Memorial hospital over the weekend and was taken to Salem for continued treatment. The helicopter was engaged in weed spraying the UP right of way when the crash occurred.

Jim Myers Moved To Vets' Hospital

Jim Myers was transferred to the Veterans hospital, Portland, Friday from Good Samaritan hospital there after undergoing delicate brain surgery recently.

The Heppner pharmacist started specialized treatments Monday at the hospital, and it was reported that he will remain there for at least a month.