

7th Annual Meet Calls Cow Cutters

Cow cutters from throughout the Northwest will be in Heppner Saturday and Sunday for the seventh annual spring meet sponsored by the Wranglers club. Advance entries indicate that the field this year may reach 50 cutters. Gene Pierce, secretary, said.

The program will start in the covered arena at the fairgrounds at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and will resume at 9:30 a.m. Sunday. Changes have been made in the program this year to provide just four events—junior novice, novice, registered and open.

Junior novice is for horses which have won less than \$100 and for novice riders. Novice is for horses which have won less than \$500 and any rider.

This year, \$100 has been added to the open as a trophy for the event and \$50 has been added to the novice division. The other two events will have horse blankets as trophies, Pierce said.

Little League Trials Slated; Work Day Set

One sure sign that spring is here is the announcement from the Junior Chamber of Commerce that Little League organization time is at hand.

The Jaycees have scheduled a work day at the Little League field at the fairgrounds Saturday at 2 p.m. and have set the Saturdays of April 23 and 30 for Little League tryouts.

Harley Sager, who is in charge of the Little League committee for the Jaycees this year, said that all fathers and others interested are asked to be at the field this Saturday at 2 p.m. prepared to help in getting the field and facilities in shape for the coming season. They will clean up the field, mow grass, repair dugouts and backstops and do other work felt necessary.

On the next two Saturdays—the 23rd and the 30th—tryouts will be held at 11 a.m. for 11- and 12-year-olds at the field and at 1 p.m. on each of the Saturdays for the 9- and 10-year-olds.

On the same two Saturdays, members of last year's teams are to report at 11 a.m. to their respective managers at the field. These managers are Lindsay Kincaid, Indians, Dave McLeod, Dodgers; Dr. Robert Todd, Braves; and Tom Hughes, Giants.

Last year's team members do not need to tryout for play this year.

Indians were the league champions last year.

Any boy who will be nine by August 1 is eligible to try out. Those who play may not become 13 years of age before August 1. Sager said, too, that insurance rates have gone up this year, and it will be necessary to charge \$1.50 instead of the \$1 that was charged last year.

Highway Job Here Faces Some Delay

Work of reconstruction of the highway from the Hinton Creek bridge in Heppner to some three miles north of town will be delayed several months. This was the information given to the Chamber of Commerce Monday by Gene Pierce, president of the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Pierce said that he had talked with A. F. Parson of La Grande, division highway superintendent, and was informed that some difficulty in connection with railroad rights-of-way along the highway will cause temporary delays.

It was originally planned to let contract on the job this spring, but indications are now that the State Highway Commission will not let the contract until August or September, Pierce said.

Mayor Says City Zoning To Help Solve Problems

Zoning, now in the process of formation in Heppner, might help control problems that could come with the construction of the Willow Creek dam, Mayor W. C. Rosewall told members of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday.

Rosewall, who was named chairman of both the county and city planning commissions prior to his election as mayor, displayed maps showing proposed areas for zoning in the city, including limited commercial, central commercial, residential, and industrial.

At the same time he pointed out that the consultant from the engineering firm of Cornell, Howland, Hays and Merryfield had complimented Heppner because it appeared as if the city

had had planning in the past. Each of the various classes of structures are pretty well bunched, and residential and commercial areas are not very much in conflict. The consultant is Richard Ivey, who also is doing similar work for the county.

Mayor Rosewall explained that the law requires an engineering firm to make a study prior to a city's establishment of zoning. The study here is financed on a matching basis with the city, state and federal governments sharing in the cost.

A proposed zoning ordinance has been drawn and the city commission is currently reviewing it. This will be completed at the next meeting of the group, Rosewall said.

Speaker Coming For Annual TB, Health Meeting

Dr. Samuel B. Osgood, Portland, division director of local health services for Oregon State Board of Health, will be guest luncheon speaker at the annual meeting of the Morrow Tuberculosis and Health Association next Thursday noon, April 21, at the Wagon Wheel dining room.

Dr. Osgood will speak to the council officers, directors and special guests about current health legislation proposed for the State of Oregon.

Members of the Soroptimist club will join the health association group for the noon luncheon, and will have the privilege of hearing Dr. Osgood talk.

Annual business meeting of the health council will follow the luncheon program.

Voter Signup Deadline Nears

Those who are not registered to vote have only until April 23 to register if they wish to vote in the primary election on May 24. Mrs. Sadie Parrish, county clerk, states.

Registration may be completed at the courthouse in the office of the clerk, or with any of the registrars elsewhere in the county. These are as follows: Ione, Charles O'Connor; Boardman, Mrs. Zearl Gillespie; Lexington, Mrs. Elden Padberg; and Irrigon, Mrs. Marguerite Houghton.

Any who voted here in the elections of 1964 will be registered, but any who came new to the county, any women who have been married and any who have moved to different precincts should go to re-register. Those who have become 21 have the right to register and vote for the first time.

Two Dogs Victims Of Poisoning Here

One of the most despicable acts of a human being is to deliberately poison a dog—or any other pet.

Two dogs were poisoned in Heppner Wednesday and suffered painful deaths before the eyes of their owners.

One was Cindy, the cute black spaniel owned by the Ed Gonty family and a constant companion to members of the family for the past five years.

The other was a dog owned by John Gray, who with his father, Nick Gray, operates Gray's Saddlery.

The Saddlery and Gonty's store are located in adjoining buildings.

Gonty said that the manner in which Cindy died made it obvious that she was poisoned by strychnine, and this was confirmed by the veterinarian.

Gonty said that a cat in the neighborhood also died from poisoning.

Others with pets in the area were warned that some cowardly human is at large putting out poison food. What would he do if a small child were tempted by his bait?

County Budget Total Set \$670,000

Morrow county budget for 1965-67, printed for the first time this week in this paper on pages 6 and 7, section 2, calls for total expenditures of \$670,978, well within the 6% limitation.

The budget was approved by the budget committee on April 6, and public hearing has been set for Wednesday, May 4, at 1:30 p.m. at the county courthouse.

The total expenditures will be some \$131,000 greater than last year's total of \$539,885, but most

of the difference is accounted for in the general road fund where resources, other than taxes, are placed at \$230,144 as compared with \$144,206 in 1965-66.

Resources in general roads show a cash carryover of \$133,274, primarily from relief funds that came following last year's floods.

Expenditures in the road department are figured at \$344,144 for the coming year as compared with \$257,200 for the current year.

Total taxes to be levied to

balance the budget will be up less than \$9,000. Taxes levied for 1965-66 were \$28,710 as compared with \$30,127 for the coming year. Of the latter figure, \$125,000—that approved by voters as the road serial levy—will not be subject to the 6% limitation, leaving \$132,127 within the six per cent limitation.

The county fair and rodeo department budget is listed in detail for the first time this year. Total expenditures are placed at \$70,040, all coming from sources other than a tax levy.

Hospital operating and maintenance fund is placed at \$13,000 this year as compared with \$9,000 last year. General school fund is at \$23,170 as compared with \$21,250.

As reported previously, the county welfare budget is down from \$15,849 to \$14,572. A sum of \$2,000 is allowed for county parks, as compared with \$1,050 for 1965-66. Also in the budget is \$1,000 for repairs to the Ditch Creek channel to divert water to Willow Creek under the county's water right.

The fair and rodeo depart-

ment shows a sinking fund of \$25,000 and a \$14,840 fund for a grandstand, a start towards construction of a new grandstand at the rodeo grounds.

Most of the county officials will receive no salary increases for the coming year, the budget shows. Commissioners will be raised from \$1450 per year to \$1600, but other elective officials hold to the same salaries as for 1965-66.

At the May 4 hearing, the public is invited to attend and express suggestions, criticisms or proposed changes to the budget.

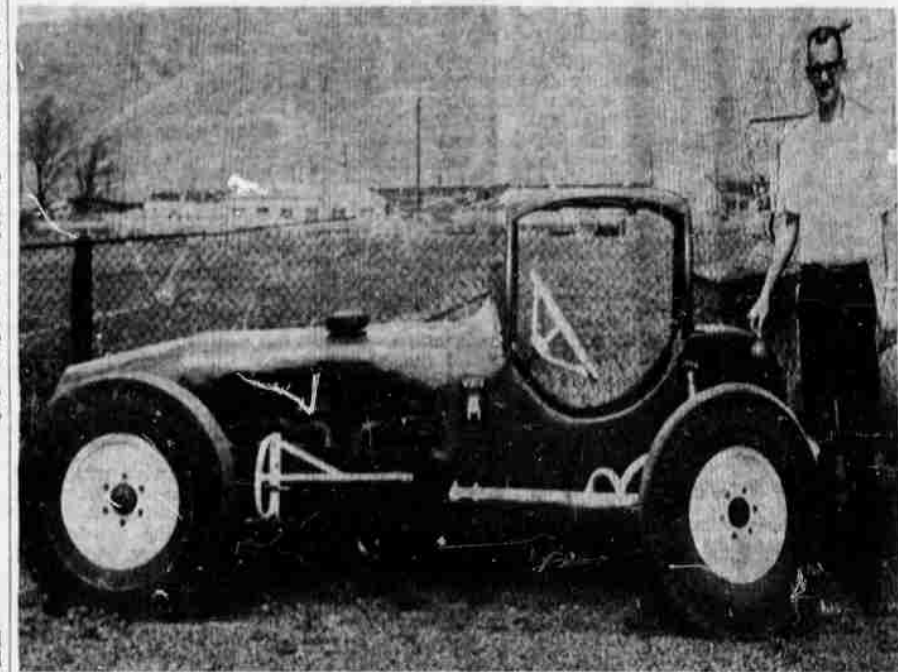
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"DIMICO" is the name of this custom-made hardtop which Dick Robison, shown with the racer, will enter at the Rocket Speedway, Pilot Rock, as it makes its debut on the track. The name is a combination of the names of Dick Robison, Mike Gray and Gene Cole who made it in spare time hours over the past several months. (G-T Photo).

Heppner Hardtop To Make Debut At Pilot Rock

When the racing season opens at the Rocket Speedway, Pilot Rock, Sunday-afternoon, a brand new hardtop from Heppner will be entered.

This is the creation of three racing enthusiasts here — Dick Robison, the driver; Mike McCoy and Gene Cole.

Dick, who raced at Pilot Rock last year, has developed an enthusiasm for the sport, and Mike and Gene, each of whom operates his own local garage and repair shop, combined their mechanical abilities in building the racer.

Powered by a Chevrolet 6 cylinder motor, the hardtop has 160 horsepower. While this is not great in comparison to today's high speed cars, Robison points out that its horse-power-to-weight ratio is "terrific." The racer weighs 1800 pounds. This, he says, makes the ratio equivalent to 500 or 600 horsepower for an ordinary car.

Chassis for the low-slung vehicle was obtained from a "fellow in Pendleton." The three then custom built the "Dimico" from there, equipping it with racing slicks (tires).

Robison, who operates a barber shop here, says that it is built for safety as well as speed. It has roll bars over the cockpit, is equipped with safety belts and shoulder straps, and particular attention in construction was given to its cornering.

At the Rocket Speedway, Robison will compete against racers from Umatilla, Milton-Freewater, Pendleton, Baker, La Grande, Pilot Rock and other places.

19 Schools to Compete In Heppner Invitational

Heppner High's invitational track meet is growing by leaps and bounds.

This was apparent with announcement by Coach Don McClure that 19 schools will participate in the meet here Saturday, 13 of them class B schools and six in the A-2 ranks.

The meet this year will be held at the rodeo grounds with the field events starting precisely at noon, and the running events beginning at 1:30 p.m.

There will be separate competitions for class A and class B schools, the track coach said. First National Bank of Oregon and Bank of Eastern Oregon have each given a trophy, one to go to the winning B school and the others to go to the winning A-2 school.

Ribbons will be given to the individual winners for the first six places in each event. McClure said. A total of 15 events is scheduled for the big meet.

It is expected that some 250 athletes in all will be taking part.

Forest Grove Man Chosen Principal

James Kohl of Forest Grove has been offered a contract as principal of lone schools by the directors of Morrow county school district R-1. The action was taken at their meeting Tuesday night at Riverside High school.

Kohl has served as vice principal of Banks High school for 1 1/2 years. He will obtain his master's degree from Pacific University, Forest Grove, this summer. Kohl is married and has two children.

The new principal will succeed Everett Holstein who has resigned after serving as high school principal one year and principal of both lone schools for two years.

Students to Scour City on Cleanup

Heppner High school students, who in the spring of 1965 came out full force one day to conduct a cleanup of the city, will do the same thing again on Friday, April 29. Student Body President Tim Tullis told members of the Chamber of Commerce at their Monday luncheon meeting.

The high school will coordinate its cleanup with the city-wide Cleanup, Fixup week proclaimed by Mayor W. C. Rosewall and with activities of cleanup week, April 22, to 29, of the Chamber of Commerce.

Tullis said that the school had planned to conduct the spring cleanup this year on May 13, but changed the date to coordinate with the Chamber and the city.

Students will divide the town in four sections and classes will compete to see which one does the best job.

Principal Clayton Norton said that he would like adults to be responsible for pickups and vehicles used in the cleanup and said that faculty members will work with the students.

Tullis said that students appreciated soda pop furnished last year by the Chamber of Commerce and indicated that it would be welcome again. The students will conclude their cleanup day with some gaiety and games at the school.

Earl Soward reported on the good work being done at lone on a citywide cleanup with Mayor Jim Barnett spearheading the project.

"They're getting rid of all the old cars. The garden club is really going at it there, and Mayor Barnett is proud of the way people are going out to get the city cleaned up," Soward said.

Mayor Rosewall told members of the Chamber, "Heppner will be just as good as we want to make it."

R-1 Board Reverses Action, Hires Coach

Directors of Morrow county school district R-1 reversed a previous action and offered a one-year contract to Coach Jim Potter when it met in regular session Tuesday night at Riverside.

Two directors voted in favor of offering the contract and three directors abstained from voting. At a previous meeting two directors voted for rehiring the coach and four voted against.

At the Tuesday meeting a delegation of Heppner High students and parents came to speak and request that Potter be offered a contract. Tim Tullis, student body president, presented a petition which reportedly carried the names of 179 students.

Kenneth Batty and Dr. L. D. Tibbles voted in favor of offering the contract. Maxwell Jones, Ralph Skoubo and Don McElliott abstained. Howard Cleveland was absent. Irvin Rauch, chairman, customarily does not vote except to break a tie.

One speaker said that parents felt it unfair for board members from towns other than Heppner to tell Heppner schools which coach they should hire.

Six Teachers Resign
Resignations of six teachers were received and accepted by the board. Gerald Jonasson, vocational agriculture teacher at Heppner High for a number of years, resigned to go to ranching with his father.

Roy Kirk, history teacher at Heppner for several years, resigned to go to Colorado, where he will be with a sister.

Other resignations include those of Elaine LaCombe, Boardman; Harley Harris, Heppner High social studies teacher; Mrs. Naomi Leishman, Heppner first grade teacher; and Dianne Stone, Heppner High English teacher who plans to be married.

School Budget Passes, 208-70; All Areas Favor

Morrow county's 1966-67 school budget was approved by nearly a 3-to-1 margin Tuesday with only a small percentage of the county's registered voters casting ballots.

The count was 209 yes to 70 no.

Each of the six areas in the county where a polling place was established returned affirmative margins for the budget.

Boardman's count was 36 yes to 3 no. At Rhea Creek, 11 voted in favor and only two were against the budget.

Heppner brought out 83 affirmative votes and 23 against, while Ione had 38 yes votes and 22 no votes. Irrigon approved the budget, 27 to 18.

There are some 2100 registered voters in the county; hence with 78 voting, only about 12 percent took the trouble to cast ballots on the budget.

The budget calls for total expenditures during the fiscal year of \$1,381,543.

First Forest Fire Covers Two Acres

First forest fire of the year on the Heppner ranger district occurred last Wednesday near Lovellet Coral, Loren Lucore, fire control officer of the district, reported.

The man-caused fire started from burning of slash. It was brought under control quickly, Lucore said.

Under rain of this week, some of the district has been unusually dry for this time of the year, he said.

Land Purchase Talked

Superintendent David Potter reported that at a meeting with representatives of the Boardman Land Company Monday, no decision could be reached on a mutually satisfactory price for the proposed purchase by the district of adjoining land to the Riverside High school site. The board has been seeking 9.2 acres of a 163 acre plot.

The company asks \$2,850 per acre for the land, but the district contends that average price on lots in the new townsite is \$1,250. Representing the school district at the meeting were Directors Rauch, Jones and Skoubo, Supt. Potter, and Ron Daniels, Riverside High principal.

At the directors' meeting Tuesday night, Skoubo moved that the board hire an appraiser to place a value on the land as a basis for further negotiations. Attorney Bob Abrams outlined procedure necessary for the district to obtain the land by condemnation.

Other Actions
Skoubo gave a brief report on the matter of teacher housing in the Boardman area. He will give a further report at the special meeting called by the board to consider school policies on April 21 at 8 p.m. at the Lexington school office. His report will be relative to costs for the district to build houses for the teachers.

Jack Grossnickle, Heppner elementary principal, said that the committee on the laundry at the elementary school is continuing its study on the matter. They have found it difficult to find a time to meet.

A portion of the George property near Heppner elementary school will be offered for sale as a result of an action approved by the board.

Good Samaritan Banker Better

John Venard, manager of the Heppner branch of the First National bank, was dismissed from Pioneer Memorial hospital Tuesday after suffering a painful injury while rushing to aid a bank patron a week earlier.

A man faintered in the bank on Monday, April 4. Venard ran to get a doctor and in so doing snapped the Achilles tendon near the heel of one foot. He returned to the bank with the doctor but had to enter the hospital himself and remain there for a week.

He is in a cast from his thigh to his toes on the leg that was involved in the injury, but is making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

WEATHER

Official weather report for the week of April 7-13 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	72	40	—
Friday	70	43	—
Saturday	64	44	.06
Sunday	62	40	.02
Monday	63	36	—
Tuesday	53	25	—
Wednesday	63	38	—

The program Sunday is scheduled. (Continued on page 8)

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS it is for the best interest and benefit of the citizens of Heppner that their City present a clean and attractive appearance for the better enjoyment and economy of the residents and to create a favorable impression upon our visitors, and

WHEREAS it is necessary and proper that ALL citizens work together in cleaning up, fixing up and painting up the buildings and grounds of their homes, business houses and vacant lots;

NOW, THEREFORE I, W. C. ROSEWALL, Mayor of the City of Heppner, do hereby declare the week of April 22 to April 29, 1966, to be Clean Up Week in Heppner and earnestly solicit the cooperation of every citizen in this important project and in the continuing care and maintenance of his property for the beautification of our City.

W. C. ROSEWALL, MAYOR

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