

R-1 Board Hires Principal, Teachers; Gets Resignations

Three teachers and a principal for Heppner High school were offered contracts by the board of directors of Morrow County School District R-1 at the regular meeting Tuesday night. Eight resignations, some of which had previously been reported, were accepted from various schools in the district.

The resignations included those of Mrs. La Rue Briggs, 2nd grade, Heppner Elementary; Richard McIntyre, 5th grade, Heppner Elementary; Donald McClure, physical education and coach, Heppner High school; Joe Hausler, mathematics, Heppner High; Donald Clark, language arts—7th grade, Heppner Elementary; Mrs. Louise Clark, librarian, Heppner Elementary; Opal Silva, 5th grade, Lone Elementary; and Mrs. Naomi Leshman, 1st grade, Heppner Elementary.

Richard L. Carpenter, who at the present time is principal at St. Paul High school, was offered a one-year contract as Heppner High principal.

Teachers offered contracts include the following: Rodney White, Albany, social studies

Rauch Re-elected

Irvin Rauch of Lexington, who has served as chairman of the district board for the past year, was re-elected to that position upon the insistence of his fellow directors. This breaks a precedent in which the chairman has served for only one year before the position rotated to another director. However, Oregon school law provides that a member may serve as chairman for two consecutive years.

Maxwell Jones of Irrigon was elected vice chairman.

Riverside Delays Talked

Delays in progress towards construction of Riverside High school were discussed at the meeting.

Supt. Potter said that the building must be completed by September 1, 1967.

"We're not ready to call for bids because of a number of small technical details," he said. The district is experiencing some difficulty in getting some items approved by the

Engineers that were included in the design memo, Potter said.

"We must come to some conclusions," Daniels said "our backs are to the wall on time."

Letter from Architect Howard Glazer called attention to some of the items that are holding up approval of the project. Further meetings with the Engineers will be held soon to iron out the problems.

The board authorized the district clerk, Mrs. Alice Vance, to borrow funds up to \$250,000, if and when it becomes necessary, to pay bills incurred in the construction of the new high school. This action was taken on advice of the school district's auditor. In construction of the school, the district pays for work contracted and is later reimbursed by the Army Corps of Engineers. It was pointed out that the Corps is billed for interest incurred on the loan.

School officials are uncertain (Continued on page 8)

Principal Accepts Heppner Contract

Richard L. Carpenter of St. Paul accepted the contract as principal of Heppner High school Wednesday, David R. Potter, superintendent of Morrow County Schools, said.

The superintendent contacted Carpenter by telephone Wednesday morning after the school board offered the St. Paul man a one-year contract Tuesday night.

Carpenter has been principal at St. Paul High school for the past two years and taught in the same school for five years prior to becoming principal. He will be 33 years of age later this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter have two daughters, age 12. The new principal has a bachelor of science degree from the University of Oregon in 1959 and will receive a master's degree from Portland State College this year.

It is not known when he will come to Heppner this summer, but he will need housing, Supt. Potter said. Any persons having information on housing available are asked to contact the school office at Lexington.

Pacific Gas Gets 'Go-Ahead'; Lone Plant Scheduled for '67

Pacific Gas Transmission Company will break ground within a few days on the first project in a \$13.9 million expansion program in the Pacific Northwest. Vice President and General Manager Charles Pennington said.

A 9,000-horsepower compressor station at Lone is scheduled for construction in 1967, according to a news release from the company. This is expected to cost \$2,369,000.

The two-year program of the company is part of a \$30 million expansion on both the Canadian and U. S. portions of the 1,400-mile Alberta-California "Big Yard" natural gas pipeline, Smith said.

Start of construction follows approval by the Federal Power Commission in Washington, D. C., of the company's application for an import license and a certificate of public convenience and necessity to install new compressor horsepower.

PGT will step up delivery of Canadian gas to northern California via the pipeline that crosses Morrow county. Now averaging 415 million cubic feet a day, it will be increased by 100 million cubic feet about November 1 of this year and an additional 100 million cubic feet about November 1, 1967, Smith said.

First new compressor units to be installed will be those in Spokane county, Wash., where a 9,100-horsepower station will be constructed at Rosalia at a cost of \$2,141,000, and in Jefferson county, Oregon, where a 16,000-horsepower station will be built at Madras at a cost of \$4,273,000.

These are the only two phases of the expansion program scheduled for construction this year. Those coming in 1967 include the lone station, and other work as follows: Enlargement of a Sandpoint, Idaho, compressor; new supervisory gas control equipment at operating headquarters in Spokane; modification of Wallula, Wash., compressor station; new compressor station at Bonanza in Klamath county; modification

of compressor station at Diamond Junction; and enlargement of meter station at Malin, both also in Klamath county.

A possible maintenance base in Oregon at a site not yet determined is also being considered. One has been mentioned as a possibility for this base.

Sidewalk Bazaar Interest Mounts

Nine organizations have already made arrangements to participate with booths and sales of various kinds in the Sidewalk Bazaar on Friday and Saturday, July 8 and 9, Bob Henry, chairman, told the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday.

This is in addition to the stores and businesses that will participate in the sale.

"We have had a much better response from merchants than in the past," the chairman said.

This will be the third annual Sidewalk Bazaar. Both of the first two events were fine successes, but according to Henry's prediction, the 1966 Bazaar will be even better.

"We need more 'fun type' promotions for the Bazaar," he said. Organizations which have not already made arrangements to take part are invited to stop in at Gardner's Men's Wear and choose a space on the sidewalk.

Jaycees will move their new Little League building to the downtown district for the Bazaar, they have announced. They will give away a 30-06 rifle to a winner at the conclusion of the two-day event.

Merchants and organizations are asked to start planning for promotion of their sales and exhibits now. The Gazette-Times will need all Bazaar advertising by Friday, July 1, because of the intervening July 4 holiday prior to the July 7 edition which will be the Sidewalk Bazaar edition.

Jones, Cutsforth Explain Proposed Parks District

County Judge Paul Jones and Orville Cutsforth, chairman of the county parks commission, explained the proposal to establish a county parks district at the meeting of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday.

The district was proposed recently by the parks commission following a joint meeting with the county planning commission. It would include all of the county with the exception of Boardman and Irrigon where districts are already set up.

Judge Jones said that the district would seek to match state and federal funds with funds from the local level. The state marine fund of some \$2400 would be available but it must be used in connection with marinas only. Funds available through the new Federal conservation fund would make some \$6200 to \$6400 available annually to the county.

A tax levy, expected to be about one-half mill, would provide matching money. At the present time the county includes \$2000 in its budget for parks, so the difference that would be raised in added taxes would be \$6000 approximately.

Because of a restriction in the law that requires that a district be formed for a certain number of weeks before the matter is submitted to the county assessor for inclusion on the tax rolls, the judge said that it probably would not be possible to form such a district this year, even if the public favors it. However, it is possible that it may be ready to be submitted to voters at the time of the general election in November.

Cutsforth said that he met with Robert Wilder of the State Parks and Recreation division last week in connection with the proposed Swale Creek impoundment.

Wilder was of the opinion that the idea of using matching federal funds for development of the site, which is on U. S. Forest Service land, would not be possible because of the fact that federal funds cannot be matched with federal funds. Giving of the site would probably be construed the same as federal funds he told Cutsforth.

Cutsforth said that in view of this, the parks commission is checking on the possibility of leasing the site. However, if this is done, the clearing would have to be done by the local group and not by the Forest Service. He said that he is checking further also on the question of whether the giving of the land by the Forest Service would be construed as "matching federal funds with federal funds."

Nevertheless, the parks commission chairman said that if the Swale Creek project cannot be accomplished, the county has several other sites that should be developed, including those on Rock Creek, Ditch Creek and at North Jones Prairie. The parks district should be formed to get "revolving fund money" on hand in order to be prepared for needed development, he said.

Death Takes Len Gilliam; Funeral Services Friday

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LEONARD L. GILLIAM, weather observer in Heppner for 33 years, died in Portland Tuesday. Member of a family prominent in Heppner history, Gilliam was formerly a partner in Gilliam and Bisbee Hardware. The picture shows him at his weather station at his home.

Barbecue To Honor Bob Abrams

Everyone is invited to the Morrow County CowBelles "Do-It-Yourself" barbecue Sunday, June 26, at the fairgrounds. The annual dinner will honor Bob Abrams 1966 Morrow County Father of the Year. He was nominated for the honor by St. Alban's Acolytes of All Saints' Episcopal church.

Those attending are asked to bring their own steak or hamburger, table service and grill utensils. The grill will be ready for barbecuing between 5:30 and 6:00 p.m. The CowBelles and Morrow County Livestock will furnish the rest of the dinner.

Abrams, partner in the law firm of Mahoney and Abrams, is attorney for both the county school district and the City of Heppner. He is a director of the Boy Scouts, a director of Blue Mountain Community college, and is lay leader and lay vicar of All Saints' church.

At the time of his selection, it was announced that he was chosen "because of the job that he and Mrs. Abrams (Marian) have done in rearing their children, because he is highly respected, and because he gives unselfishly of his time in community activities with particular attention to youth projects."

The Father of the Year, who formerly served as Morrow county district attorney, is a member of the Masonic lodge, of Royal Arch Masons and of the Elks Lodge No. 358.

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Mike Benges' Work Told in Article

Work of Mike Benges, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terrel L. Benges of Lone, with the Montagnards in Vietnam is described in an article that appeared in the Oregon Journal last Thursday.

Rolla J. Crick, military editor of the Journal, wrote the article while accompanying Robert Dwyer, Portland lumberman, on a mission for the U. S. Agency for International Development.

The writer described his visit with the Montagnards and then interviewed Benges, who has been serving in Vietnam for three years. He is assistant province representative at Ban Me Thout for the U. S. Agency for International Development.

The lone man discussed the possibilities that chemical fertilizers have in the agricultural development there. He is engaged in teaching the Montagnards but realizes that it will take time. There have been cases of using too much fertilizer and burning rice crops with it.

"The point to remember here is that this is showing a farmer a new way to do something and that is hard even in the states, where people have more education than they do here," Benges was quoted as saying.

Benges' picture accompanied the article.

47 Get Semester Honors

Forty-seven students at Heppner High school made the honor roll for the second semester, according to announcement from the school office. Seniors topped the roll with 16, followed by juniors with 14, sophomores with 10 and freshmen with seven.

Three students made perfect 4.00 grade point averages. They are Karen French, senior and class valedictorian; Martha Peck, junior; and Merri Lee Jacobs, sophomore.

Forty-eight were included on the honor roll for the fourth nine weeks period. Juniors led this list with 17, followed by seniors with 16, sophomores with 10 and freshmen with five. Maralee Murray, junior, was the only student to receive a 4.00 grade point average for the nine weeks period.

Those making semester honors were as follows:

Seniors—Karen French, 4.00; Mark Brown, salutatorian, 3.83; Maureen Doherty, 3.83; Margaret Green, 3.83; Gayle Batty, 3.66; Shirlee Erwin, 3.66; Barbara Gribble, 3.66; Jean Healy, 3.66; Mark Murray, 3.66; Cheryl Smouse, 3.66; Brenda Young, 3.66; Trisha Farley, 3.50; Erna Winchester, 3.50; Sheridan Wyman, 3.50; Tim Driscoll, 3.33; and Joan Stockard, 3.33.

Juniors—Martha Peck, 4.00; Maralee Murray, 3.83; Carol Rawlins, 3.83; Linda Clark, 3.66; Nonda Clark, 3.50; Erin Dick, 3.50; Verlin French, 3.50; Jim Jacobs, 3.50; Jill Schmidt, 3.50; Mike Sweeney, 3.50; Barbara Bloodworth, 3.33; Jan Hager, 3.33; Pam McCabe, 3.33; Kathy Melby, 3.33; Donna Potter, 3.33; Marsha Sowell, 3.33; and Steve Wagenblast, 3.33.

Sophomores—Merri Lee Jacobs, 3.83; Steve Pettjohn, 3.83; Sheila Luciani, 3.66; John Rawlins, 3.66; Vickie Robinson, 3.66; David Hall, 3.50; Beth Ford, 3.50; Helen Anderson, 3.33; Nancy Doherty, 3.33; and Norita Marquardt, 3.33.

Freshmen—Terry Peck, 3.83; Sue Greenup, 3.66; Sara Miller, 3.66; Patti Holt, 3.50; and Teresa Harshman, 3.33.

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The 26 delegates from Morrow county also attended classes, assemblies, county meetings and such free time activities as dancing, bowling, rifle, swimming, tennis, gymnastics, and a boys' and girls' track meet.

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