



READY for their first football game of the season against the Madras White Buffaloes Saturday at Madras at 1:30 p.m. are the Heppner Mustangs. The Heppner eleven goes into the game with a 1-1 record in pre-season tilts. In the photo are (top row, from left): Al Drake, Dean Kindie, Frank Lovgren (who sustained a broken leg in the Hermiston Jayvee game Saturday), Hal Bergstrom, Jim Jacobs, Steve Pettyjohn, Russ Kilkenny, Bob Dobbs, Terry Corbin, Pat Kilkenny and Lee Huson. Middle row—John Harris, Al Witherrite, John Rawlins, Dennis O'Donnell, Mike Alsup, Jim Doherty, Steve Anderson, Nalbro Cox, Stan Rauch, Jeff Turner and Rick Cox. Front row—Steve Munkers, Roger Britt, Mike Smith, Bill McLeod, Dave Hall, Jerry Stefani, Larry Pettyjohn, Rob Abrams, Bill Greenup, John McCabe and Matt Murray. Some of the team was absent when the picture was taken. (G-T Photo by Spike Pardee).

Accidental Shooting Claims Boy

An accidental shooting while playing with his brother claimed the life of Robert Lee Macken, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Macken, in Heppner Saturday afternoon.

The youngster, a third grade pupil in Heppner Elementary school, was shot in the face from a British-made .303 rifle in the Macken home, 660 Garigus Street, according to Chief of Police Dean Gilman, one of the officers who investigated.

The 11-year-old brother who held the rifle did not realize it was loaded, Chief Gilman said. There was only one cartridge in the house that fit the gun.

Mr. and Mrs. Macken were shopping downtown. Other children in the large family were at home but were in other parts of the house and did not witness the accident.

Death apparently was instantaneous. The bullet entered the boy's head by the side of his nose. Time of the accident was placed at 2:55 p.m. by the chief of police.

Both of the boys had rifles with which they were playing, and neither was believed to be loaded.

The Mackens moved to Heppner about a month ago from Lone.

Funeral services were at Sweeney Mortuary Chapel Tuesday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Billie Alsup, pastor of the Assembly of God church, officiating. Interment was in Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Robert Lee Macken was born in Portland on April 18, 1957.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Macken; three brothers, James, Larry and Frank, all at home; and five sisters, Lois of Hillsboro, Patty, Shirley, Linda and Jo Ann, all at home.



ANDY LANDFORCE, OSU extension wildlife specialist, displays with some pride a big buck that he shot last season. He will be in Heppner Thursday evening to speak on "The Care of Venison—from Shot to Pot" at the fair annex Thursday night, October 6, at 8 p.m.

Landforce to Give Talk on Venison Care

Andy Landforce, OSU extension wildlife specialist, will present a program of general public interest at the County Fair Annex on Thursday evening, October 6, at 8:00 p.m.

His talk, "Care of Venison, from Shot to Pot," will include discussion of information regarding field care, skinning, cutting, wrapping, freezing and cooking of the game meat. Two films will accompany the talk, emphasizing correct field dressings and cutting.

A discussion period for questions and answers will follow the talk and films.

Hunters Poised For Deer Season Opening Saturday

October 1 will be a double-barreled opening for Oregon hunters, and the choice of targets will depend on whether individual preference is for big game or for upland game birds. Legal targets on that day will be buck deer, chukar partridge, Hungarian partridge, and blue and ruffed grouse.

For the rifle enthusiast the choice is obvious, but for the gunner who likes all types of shooting the choice will be a tough one to make.

Undoubtedly, most hunters will choose buck deer, with this general season extending through October 23 east of the Cascades and through October 30 on the west side. Legal bag limit is one buck deer with visible antlers east of the mountains, and one buck deer with at least a forked antler west of the mountains.

Last year more than 277,000 deer tags were issued, and if the annual trend of past years continues, the number will be increased by about 5 percent this coming season. If your favorite hunting area is a little more crowded than usual, you will know you are competing against several thousand more hunters than you did a year ago.

For the shotgun enthusiast, October 1 means chukar and Hungarian partridge, feathered bombshells of the rimrocks, sage and cheatgrass ranges. All gunning for these fine upland game birds is confined to eastern Oregon with no seasons scheduled for the west side.

The season is a long one, extending through January 15, 1967. Bag limits are also liberal this year, with the allowable take 8 birds per day, singly or in the aggregate, 16 in possession.

Probably the best bet for buck hunters in eastern Oregon will be in a broad belt through the John Day drainage and the Burnt and Powder River country. Mule deer populations are high throughout this area from the open sage and rimrock ranges to higher timbered areas.

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Martha Peck Ranks High In National Merit Test

Principal Richard Carpenter has announced that one senior at Heppner High school has been named a semifinalist in the 1966-67 Merit Scholarship competition.

The student cited for her high achievement is Martha L. Peck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peck, Lexington.

She is among the highest-scoring students in the state of Oregon on the National Merit Scholarship qualifying test, administered last spring in 17,500 schools nationwide. More than 14,000 semifinalists were appointed across the country.

The semifinalists can advance to finalist status by receiving the endorsement of their schools, substantiating their qualifying test performance on a second examination, and submitting information about their achievements and interests. All merit scholars for 1967 will then be selected from the finalist group.

Semifinalists are representative of the country's most intellectually able young people, according to John M. Stalnaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

"From them will come much of our future leadership," he said.

"These students bring honor not only to themselves, but also to their families, their teachers, and their communities," Stalnaker said. "Their success is the result of their own efforts, including well directed energy, usually coupled with the effective direction and encouragement of parents, friends, and teachers."

To improve the opportunities of financial assistance for those needing aid, NMSC sends the names of semifinalists to all regionally accredited colleges and universities and to scholarship-granting agencies and other sources of financial aid. Studies show that about half of the semifinalists in former years have received financial aid from sources other than the Merit Program.



MISS MARTHA PECK

In past programs at least 97 percent of semifinalists have become finalists. Each finalist receives a Certificate of Merit in recognition of his distinguished performance in the program. Finalists are eligible for the scholarships sponsored by NMSC and some 340 corporations, foundations, colleges, unions, trusts, professional associations, and other organizations, and individuals.

Names of the Merit Scholars chosen from among the 1966-67 finalists will be announced about May 3, 1967.

Crazy Days Due October 21-22

Crazy Days has been set in Heppner for the week-end of October 21 and 22, Bob Henry, chairman of the merchants committee of the Chamber of Commerce announced following a meeting of the committee Monday.

New Car Showings Due Here Friday

Friday will be a great day for automobile enthusiasts.

Most new car models will go on display during the day, and local dealers welcome all visits as they show off their new wares. There will be coffee and sweets served to all by the three agencies here, Farley Motor Company, Fullerton Chevrolet Company, and Heppner Auto Sales.

Advertisements in this paper announce the new 1967 models, including those in the Ford, Pontiac, Chevrolet, Buick, Mercury, and Rambler lines.

Each dealer is enthused about the models he has to show, and each will be glad to show features of the 1967 cars and trucks.

Channel 2 to Film Conservation Work

Television station KATU (channel 2) of Portland will film a documentary motion picture of conservation work in the Heppner Soil and Water Conservation district to be released over the station, Ralph Richards, work unit conservationist of the district, announced this week.

He said that men from the station will fly here to make the film, probably on Thursday, October 6.

They are coming to this county because of the work done in strip cropping, in diversion ditches and other conservation practices, Richards said. Interviews will be conducted with farmers during the making of the film.

Kerby Brumfield of the station is in charge of the project, Richards said.

HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Coming to extend birthday greetings to Mrs. Millie Doolittle September 17, were her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doolittle and sons Dennis and Ronald of Portland. They arrived on Saturday, her birthday, with a special cake in her honor, and returned to their home Monday.

\$100 Diamond Gift And Top Speaker Set for Banquet

A \$100 diamond will be given away and Reuben Long, co-author of "The Oregon Desert," will speak as two exceptional highlights of the forthcoming Farm-City banquet, which is scheduled for Wednesday, October 26, in Heppner.

The Farm-City banquet is held in connection with the annual meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers association. The Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce and the Heppner Soil and Water Conservation district join the stockmen in sponsoring of the banquet.

Randall Peterson of Peterson's Jewelers will give a diamond, valued at \$100 to be won by someone attending the banquet. He said that he felt attendance at the banquet has been below what it should be, and is making the offer to help attract a larger crowd. The diamond will be given away at the banquet. Peterson said that he expects to give each person a small packet, all but one of which will contain a rhinestone. The particular one will contain the \$100 diamond.

Roller Rink Opens Friday for Season

Morrow County Roller Rink will open Friday for a season of skating in the Heppner Fair Pavilion, according to an announcement this week by Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harsin, who have taken over operation of the rink from Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Hudson.

The new operators will offer free skating on Sunday afternoon, October 2, in connection with the opening. Regular weekend hours are 7 to 10 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays, and from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

Registration Up At Blue Mountain

Registration at Blue Mountain Community College, Pendleton, showed a sharp gain when the count was complete this week, President Wallace McCrae reported to the Gazette-Times by telephone Tuesday.

The "head count," including all who are enrolled in any part of the college, totals 894 this year. The president explained that this does not mean that all are full time students.

Lower division collegiate courses have 382 enrolled as compared with 292 in 1965, and the vocational-technical department has 401 as compared with 298 last year. Thus, the total in these two departments is 783 as compared with 590 last year.

In addition, there are 75 in the Manpower Development Training program and 36 in adult education. The total "head count" of 894 is compared with 630 last year.

The new vocational-technical building is in full operation, having just been completed. Dedication is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, October 16, President McCrae said.

October 8 Final Day to Register

Sadie Parrish, Morrow county clerk, calls attention to the fact that Saturday, October 8, is the final day to register for voting in the November 8 general election.

To accommodate those who are late in registering, the clerk's office in the courthouse will be open throughout the day and into the evening on the final day, October 8. The office will open at 8:30 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. on that day.

Rod Pardee Joins Newspaper Staff

Rod (Spike) Pardee, 26, who has worked in and with newspapers since he was 11 years old, has joined the staff of the Gazette-Times to assist Mr. and Mrs. Wes Sherman, publishers. His duties will be principally in advertising and photography but he will also help in other capacities.

Most recently on the advertising staff of the East Oregonian, Pendleton, Pardee moved to Heppner over the week-end with his wife, Gail, and seven-week-old son, Robert Roy. They are living in an apartment of the former Heppner Clinic building.

Pardee was born and reared in Castle Rock, Wn., and he got his introduction to the newspaper business as a paper boy at the age of 10. At 11, he started work as a printer's devil on the Cowlitz County Advocate at Castle Rock. His interest in journalism was furthered through the Boy Scouts when he worked for a journalism merit badge and continued in the field. Pardee's interest in the Scouts also continued, and he became an Eagle Scout. He retains this affection for the Scouts and has helped with the organization as a Scout leader.

The new Heppnerite graduate from Castle Rock High school and graduated from Columbia Junior College, Longview. He has attended other colleges and universities in Washington.

For a time Pardee owned and operated The Observer, weekly newspaper at McCleary, Wn. Other experience includes work on the Columbia Press, Astoria, and the St. Helens Mist. He worked with the East Oregonian advertising department for about eight months before accepting the position here.

An active member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Pardee expects to participate in the Jaycee organization here.

The Sherman state that Pardee was added to the staff to help make a better newspaper with more complete coverage, and at the same time to relieve other members of the staff of some of their duties.

Morrow County 4-H Clubs Observe National Week

Morrow county 4-H clubs and their leaders are joining thousands of other clubs throughout the nation this week in observing National 4-H club week.

County Judge Paul Jones has proclaimed the week and paid tribute to work of the organization for its contribution to youth and the future of the county and nation.

Special emphasis on the observance of 4-H week is made in the second section of this week's Gazette-Times. Information on the various local clubs, their leaders, number enrolled and procedure for joining 4-H is given. Merchants and businesses supporting the organization also have their messages in the section.

Window displays in downtown Heppner show some of the work being done here by 4-H and call attention to 4-H week. Some churches will have special observances for 4-H in Sunday services.

Gail McCarty and Mrs. Marjorie Wilcoxon are Morrow county extension agents in charge of 4-H work.

Weed Program Reviewed At Monday ACP Meet

By GENE WINTERS
County Extension Agent

Each year farmers and ranchers are invited to meet with the Agriculture Conservation Program Development Committee to adopt ACP cost sharing conservation practices.

Monday afternoon 15 Morrow county producers met at the fairgrounds with agency people to review the 1966 ACP program and make recommendations for the 1967 program.

The weed control practice, as changed for 1967, received considerable attention. The new practice, in addition to controlling perennial weeds, includes biennial weeds in permanent vegetative cover when designated noxious by the State ACP Development group with approval of the Director, Farmer Programs Division, ASCS. According to the specifications, this practice is applicable only in areas where weed control measures will be carried out on an organized basis which will minimize reinfestation.

It was recommended to the local group that branching knapweed, usually a biennial

in Morrow county, be included with those weeds eligible for control with Federal cost sharing funds.

Branching knapweed was said to be the number one weed problem in the county. This weed, first identified in the county in 1952, has made serious inroads to range areas in the general Hinton Creek, Willow Creek, Balm Fork and Upper Rhea Creek areas. It was reported that it was showing up in other areas as well.

The next step in receiving approval for the inclusion of branching knapweed in this 1967 program will be a meeting of all farmers and ranchers having spreading knapweed problems to determine the area of infestation and set up a control program. The time and date of this meeting will be announced soon.

Johnson grass, a perennial, in the Boardman-Irrigon area, was also recommended to be included.

Noxious perennial weeds previously listed are Canada thistle, wild morning glory, white top, Russian Knapweed and quackgrass.

Chamber Concerned Over Weed Problems

Concern over the problem of branching knapweed in the county was evident at the Monday meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. Orville Cutsforth called attention to the problem, stating that PMA payments towards its control have discontinued because it is considered a biennial instead of a perennial.

The weed destroys grass and even kills sagebrush, he said. It makes range unfit for grazing and some 15,000 acres in the county may now be covered with it.

Infestations have been spread from this county to other counties. Weed seeds are picked up in mud on vehicle tires and spread along roads, leading some ranchers to take steps towards keeping hunters' vehicles from their lands.

County Agent Gene Winters advised that ranchers interested in seeking government funds for control of the weed express themselves at the ASC meeting Monday, which was done.

The Chamber took no action other than to offer help at any time on the problem when the organization may be of assistance.

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WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM
Official weather report for the week of September 22-28 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	90	52	—
Friday	79	47	—
Saturday	69	50	—
Sunday	75	47	—
Monday	71	53	.02
Tuesday	76	42	—
Wednesday	85	48	—