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Council Acts On Details Of Business

Monday night's meeting of the Heppner city council was devoted largely to finishing details and acting on matters that had been started at the regular meeting in October, but some new routine items were also covered.

The telephone company advised the council that it would move the phone booth located near the Northwestern Motel to a site one block south as soon as the work could be done. The move had been requested at the October meeting.

City Attorney Robert Abrams reported that the easement to cross property of the Parker Corporation with a water main on the west side of town has been signed. Other property owners are also cooperating on signing the necessary easements.

Advise Against Asphalt Walks
The City of Richland, Wash., sent a letter advising the council that asphaltic concrete sidewalks are not satisfactory and recommended that Heppner not permit them here. The check was made at the request of the council at the October meeting with the knowledge that Richland has the asphaltic sidewalks in parts of the city. The reply was to the effect that these were installed by the Federal government and do not hold up.

No parking signs, ordered for Barratt Boulevard as a result of action at the October meeting, have arrived and will be installed soon. City Superintendent Vic Grohens said. No parking will be permitted for the full extent of the street.

Councilman Bill Collins, chairman of the street committee, reported on a check made of the condition of East Linden way at the request of a property owner who said the street needs gravel and grading. The council decided that the city will do the blading but property owners

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Rosewall Elected Heppner Mayor

W. C. (Clarence) Rosewall, who has been serving as Heppner mayor by choice of the council following the death of former mayor Al Lamb early this year, was elected to the position in Tuesday's city election. He received 305 votes as compared with 262 for Bill Collins. Both men were entered in the election by petitions circulated by friends. Collins, who is serving as a councilman, won in two precincts, Southeast Heppner, 50 to 49, and Northeast Heppner, 68 to 65, while Rosewall won in two, with somewhat wider margins, Southwest Heppner, 73 to 30, and Northwest Heppner, 118 to 94.

J. F. (Jerry) Sweeney was elected to the council by write-in vote, polling a total of 67 in the four precincts. No candidate had filed to run for this position.

Joe Balfe was elected to the council, running unopposed, and will succeed LeRoy Gardner, present councilman, who did not seek reelection. Re-elected without opposition were Carl Spaulding and Harlan McCurdy, Jr.

Mrs. Elaine George, recorder, and Mrs. Mary Jean McCabe, treasurer, were re-elected without opposition.

Holdover councilmen are Collins and David McLeod.

Ione Voters Elect City Officials

Three were elected to positions on the Ione city council from a field of six candidates on the ballot for the city election Tuesday. Bill Rietmann, an incumbent, was reelected; Ray Boyce, who was appointed to the council when Jim Barnett was elevated to mayor, was elected; and Bob Drake was elected as a new councilman.

Other candidates were Hugh Salter, Howard Crowell and Herb Ekstrom, Jr.

Three other city officials, including Mayor Jim Barnett, were elected without opposition. Mrs. Howard (June) Crowell was returned as recorder and Mrs. Ray (Lillian) Boyce was re-elected as city treasurer. Barnett was appointed mayor when Charles O'Connor resigned prior to the expiration of his term, and the election Tuesday was Barnett's first to that position.



THESE THREE MEN contributed to the fine success of the Farm-City banquet here Wednesday night, November 2. At right is Reub Long, the "desert philosopher" of Harney county, who gave the homespun and witty talk of the evening. In the center is Stewart Patty of Eugene, a vice president of the First National Bank of Oregon, who lived up to his reputation as an excellent toastmaster. At left is Larry Lindsay, president of the Morrow County Livestock Growers, who introduced the guest speaker and whose organization was one of the sponsors of the banquet. (G-T Photo).

Author Speaks Of Conservation Research Needs

"A combination of good neighbors, good food, good speakers and a \$100 prize is now found to be the ingredients for a good crowd." Larry Lindsay commented last Wednesday evening as he introduced the main speaker of the Farm-City banquet, Reub Long, famed Oregon desert philosopher.

The speaker was well received by his audience of 225 banquet guests, as he spun his home style yarns and witticisms. He displayed a deep love and respect for the Oregon land and philosophized to a great extent on its beauties.

In a serious vein, Long spoke of the importance of agricultural conservation research, our need to keep agriculture economically healthy by maintaining good soils.

"Everyone depends on what grows out of the ground," he stated, "and conservation and research are two things that we cannot pay too much for and still get our money's worth. Money spent for research will eventually pay off, because that is where we get the knowledge of how to make the best possible use of our lands. We will profit nothing if we win all 'isms' in the world, and yet lose our own topsoil."

Long, too, is a firm supporter in finding new ways of handling public lands, opening them to further recreation, wildlife and grazing. He spoke of the importance of the Multiple Use Land Act, urging its support and hearings, making their wants known.

The annual banquet honored several county citizens for outstanding service and achievements. As Livestock Men of the Year, Barton and Don Ned Clark were presented an award by Dick Wilkinson; Bill McClintock was recognized as Conservation Man of the Year with an award presented by Raymond French. Special certificates of recognition were presented Fire Chief Charles Ruggles for his years of service; Mrs. Amanda Duvall for the gift of a new county ambulance, and Bob Abrams, for work as director of Blue Mountain Community College.

The room full of banquet guests were anxious participants in the "find the diamond" game sponsored by Randall Peterson. The happy recipient was Bernard Doherty who graciously presented it to his wife, Jerry, and is having it mounted for their 27th wedding anniversary.

Stewart Patty of Eugene moved the program along in humorous styl eas master of ceremonies. The dinner was prepared and served by the Lexington Grange.

Assigned to Viet Nam

PFC Sherrill McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McDonald, is home on 14-day leave from Fort Riley, Kansas; he arrived in Pendleton Friday, November 4. Private McDonald completed his basic and advanced training at Ft. Ord and has been at Fort Riley since August. He will leave with his division on November 28 for service in Viet Nam. The division will travel by train and ship, and should arrive in Viet Nam by late December.

WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM
Official weather report for the week of November 3-9 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	51	31	—
Friday	59	30	—
Saturday	60	36	.01
Sunday	49	32	.33
Monday	47	33	.04
Tuesday	43	30	.05
Wednesday	49	29	.13

* Rain and snow

Hill Tells Wheatgrowers Farmer Must be Informed

Farmers must face the fact that they are becoming an increasingly small minority, and if they are to have a chance, they must be informed politically and must be organized. Jim Hill, manager of Pendleton Grain Growers and vice president of the Oregon Agri-business Council, told members of the Morrow county Wheatgrowers association and their business guests Tuesday.

Hill spoke at a luncheon meeting during the all-day session of the wheatgrowers at their annual fall session in the parish hall of St. Patrick's church. Some 80 persons were present and Louis Carlson, president of the county association, was in charge.

The speaker pointed out that the place of farmers in America has changed. Years ago, farmers were dominant, but now they are in the minority, he said.

"It's an awful shock," he said. "We're no longer God's gifted chosen people."

Agriculture has done a tremendous job in increasing efficiency and productivity, Hill declared, but the farmer isn't getting the benefit from it. The gains made are not kept by the farmer but are passed on to others. As a result rural communities haven't been as prosperous as they should have been.

He stressed the need for farmers to be joined by business people to discuss problems and work together because of their interdependence.

"Things are not all bad, but we must change our thinking," he asserted. "We can't afford the luxury of doing as we damn please any more."

Steps that might be taken include working with national organizations which are working for farmers, making commodity groups stronger and stronger, and developing cooperative organizations.

Speaking of cooperatives, he said, "Some are getting so big that they have some economic power of their own for creating

Pettyjohn Buys Shell Oil Plant, Service Station

Paul Pettyjohn, Shell Oil jobber at Ione, has purchased the Shell distributorship in Heppner from A. L. (Jerry) Daggett and the Shell service station here from Jim Farley of Farley Motor Company.

He is leasing the service station to Daggett, who is now operating the business.

Marion (Sonny) Biddle, who was born and reared in Heppner, will represent the Shell Oil Co. for Pettyjohn in the Heppner area. He is married and makes his home in Heppner.

Pettyjohn has handled Shell products in Ione for 20 years as of next May, Daggett purchased the distributorship here a number of years ago from John Pfeiffer and has been driving for 13 years.

In announcing the deals, Pettyjohn said, "In combining the two areas we can offer our customers better and faster service at less cost to everyone."

An advertisement announcing the transaction is elsewhere in this paper.

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NONDA CLARK (center), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barton Clark of Heppner, has won her way to the finals of the Oregon Soil Conservation speech contest by taking first place at the semi-finals in Arlington Friday. She is shown here with Marcia Harper of Helix, who also spoke at Arlington as an area winner, and with Martin Buchanan, chairman of the contest at Athena. Miss Harper tied with Miss Clark at Athena, but Nonda took first place over the Helix entrant at Arlington. (Cut courtesy Valley-Herald, Milton-Freewater).

Nonda Clark Reaches Finals

Nonda Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barton Clark, has kept up the remarkable record of Heppner speakers in the annual speech contest of the Oregon Association of Conservation districts.

She won the semi-final contest at Arlington Friday, and now goes to Seaside this Friday to compete in the state finals at the convention of Oregon conservation districts. She will speak there at 1:30 p.m.

Nonda, Heppner High school senior, has gone through three elimination contests to gain the finals. She won the local contest at Heppner High, tied for first at an ensuing area competition at Athena, and again emerged on top at Arlington Friday.

In the Friday contest was

Duncan, McCall, Ullman Carry County; Mann, Van Winkle Win

(County vote tabulation on page 6)

Close contests, commonly known as "cliffhangers," were the rule rather than the exception in Morrow county, as well as in the district and state, in Tuesday's general election.

Mark Hatfield, Republican, won a narrow victory over Robert Duncan, Democrat, for a U.S. Senate seat from Oregon, although it was by more margin than had been predicted. In Morrow county, Gov. Hatfield

lost the county by 17 votes, the outcome determined by the heavy balloting against him in strongly Democratic precincts. Duncan carried Lexington, Boardman, Southeast Heppner, Northwest Heppner and Irrigon, while Hatfield won in Northeast Heppner, Southwest Heppner, Ione and Hardman.

Tom McCall, Secretary of State and Republican, topped Robert Straub, State Treasurer and Democrat, by a sizable margin around the state for governor. In Morrow county, the differ-

ence was 116 votes—918 for McCall and 802 for Straub.

The real "cliffhanger" in the 28th legislative district was the contest between Irvin Mann of Stanfield, Republican incumbent in the legislature, and Martin Buchanan of Milton-Freewater, Democrat. Rep. Mann won, but by the slim difference of 338 votes around the five-county district, 9,034 to 8,696 for Buchanan.

The incumbent carried Morrow county, 909 to 787; won in Umatilla by only 54 votes, 6,678 to 6,624; took Wheeler county, 396 to 288; and Gilliam county, 546 to 456. Buchanan won Sherman county, 541 to 505. The 338 vote difference in the five county total was less than the 475 difference between the same two in the 1964 general election.

VanWinkle Margin Slim
But Morrow county had some local thrillers, too. Jack VanWinkle, Democrat, won the post of county commissioner over Gene Ferguson, Republican incumbent, but by only 77 votes, 882 to 805. VanWinkle received narrow margins in six precincts, while Ferguson led in three.

Bob (Butch) Laughlin, Democrat, who challenged Rod Thomson, Republican incumbent, for county assessor, also made a good race, winning three precincts but losing the county, 771 to 902.

Another close one was that for the position of Morrow county port commissioner, two year term. Oscar Peterson, Republican and former county judge, won over Harry O'Donnell, Democratic incumbent, 849 to 812.

The only two contests on the ballot which were not at least fairly close here were those for representatives in Congress, first district, and the two four year positions for Morrow county port commission.

Ullman Wins Easily
Rep. Al Ullman posted the most lopsided victory in the county over Everett Thoren, Republican, of Elgin. The Democratic incumbent ran up 1294 votes, highest of any contested candidate on the county ballot, while Thoren received only 476 votes from the county's nine precincts. Ullman's easy victory held true throughout the second Congressional district.

J. B. (Barney) Malcom, Heppner, totaled 1089 votes for port commissioner, giving him one of the two positions for four year terms, and Garland Swanson, Ione, incumbent, received 1048 votes, returning him to the other spot. Loser in the 3-way contest was Joe Tatone of Boardman, an incumbent.

Among those who were on the ballot without opposition, Herman Winter of Heppner rang up the highest total of votes with 1560 for reelection as district attorney. He had received both Republican and Democratic nominations in the primary election.

Second high was Judge Wil-

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Son's Safety Reported

"Came through without a scratch," was the happy note received by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ball Tuesday from their son, Pvt. Jay Ball, who just finished heavy combat fighting in Viet Nam with the Fourth Infantry Division. The men were pinned down by Viet Cong fighters in a surprise battle along the Cambodian border and suffered heavy casualties. Ball is a radio telegraphic operator for his lieutenant and his division is now being moved to the Mekong River area.

Veterans Day Set As Legal Holiday

Veterans Day is Friday, November 11, and will be observed as a legal holiday by public office, banks, the post office and some other offices and businesses.

School will be dismissed across the county for the day. Bob Henry, chairman of the merchants committee in Heppner, said that the committee was making no recommendation either for closure or for staying open. Some stores will be closed and some will be open, he said.

Chamber members also discussed closure on Veterans Day (Friday) but no set policy has been recommended by the merchants committee, according to Bob Henry, chairman. He said that businessmen feel this is an individual matter of decision and that some will be open and some will close.

Herman Winter, first vice president, was in charge of the meeting in the absence of Harley Young, president, who was ill with the flu.

Columbia Basin Annual Meeting Slated Thursday

Annual meeting of the members of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative will be at the American Legion Hall in Fossil on Thursday, November 17, Harley Young, manager, announces.

Registration will be at 11 a.m. and the meeting will conclude by 3:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Owen W. Hurd, managing director of Washington Public Power Supply System, the builders and operators of the Hanford Nuclear Power Plant.

Four directors will be elected with ballots being cast by members prior to the meeting. These have been mailed to the members together with annual reports. The completed ballots may be mailed to the cooperative or may be brought to the annual meeting where counting will be completed. A self-addressed envelope is included with the ballot and annual report.

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Satellite Center Planned at Spray

Western Union Telegraph Company plans to build a satellite communication center at Corncob Ranch near Spray, according to stories carried during the week by national press services.

This will be one in a \$19.5 million network of earth stations as the first step toward setting up Western Union's own domestic communications satellite system by mid-1968, the story said.

Chamber to Ask For Speed Limit

A controlled speed limit of 45 or 50 miles per hour through the Heppner city limits north through the location of Kinzua Corporation will be requested by the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce as a result of action taken by the organization Monday.

The group passed a motion asking the state highway department to investigate and consider establishing a speed lower than the basic speed and suggesting the speed of 45 miles per hour. This will be on the new stretch of highway now being completed. Such limits are established by the state department.

In other business, Gene Winters, program chairman, announced that Loren McKinley of the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry will be in the county soon to organize an OMSI committee here.

Dick Carpenter, high school principal, called attention to the fact that this is National Education Week and announced plans for the elementary schools' open house Wednesday night. He said a similar event, planned for the high school, will be postponed until about a month later because of conflicts.

He also gave a report on the Vale-Heppner game and said that he felt the Mustangs played a good game, represented the school very well, and received compliments on their conduct on the trip. The loss was to a fine team and was no disgrace he said.

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