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MUNKERS TOPS SOIL JUDGING



PICTURED ABOVE receiving a first place award at the annual convention of State Conservation Districts is Vernon Munkers, Heppner SWCD supervisor. Munkers had the high individual score at the state soil judging contest held at Seaside last fall. Art King, soil conservation specialist, made the presentation.



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Resource Council Important

By KEN TURNER

A new organization has been formed that will be quite important to all people living in the Pacific Northwest. This is the region-wide Columbia Plateau Resource Council, a combine of farmers, business people and others living in the Columbia River drainage area of Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Its purpose is to insure the orderly development, efficient use, proper management and conservation of land and soil, water and other vital sources of the area.

Such an organization is needed to cope effectively and efficiently with the unique land and water problems this region has.

Soil resources are being lost to erosion in critical areas at an alarming rate. The development of water resources including use of the Columbia River and its tributaries for local irrigation has been sorely neglected.

In order that the greatest long-range benefits will accrue to the greatest number of people, all people are involved and their understanding and participation is essential.

So far the CPRC has been compiling and studying facts for the region.

At its second annual meeting to be held at the Davenport Hotel in Spokane, February 23-24, the council directors will start to pinpoint needed changes and projects. Rep. Irvin Mann will give a report at the meeting and Kenneth Turner of Heppner, a director for group I (conservation districts) will also attend.

The public is invited and anyone concerned should plan to attend.

Nonda Clark Wins Fourth with Speech



NONDA CLARK

Nonda Clark took fourth place in the 1966 conservation speech contest. This is an exceptional accomplishment since 1800 students entered the competition in high schools throughout the state of Oregon.

Oregon's state Association of Soil and Water Conservation

Districts sponsors the annual contest with most of the state's 64 districts participating. Students sponsored by Heppner's SWCD have had an enviable record in the event with five local youths making the state finals in recent years. Interest in conservation is high in this area and it is reflected among our local students.

Nonda, a high school senior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barton Clark.



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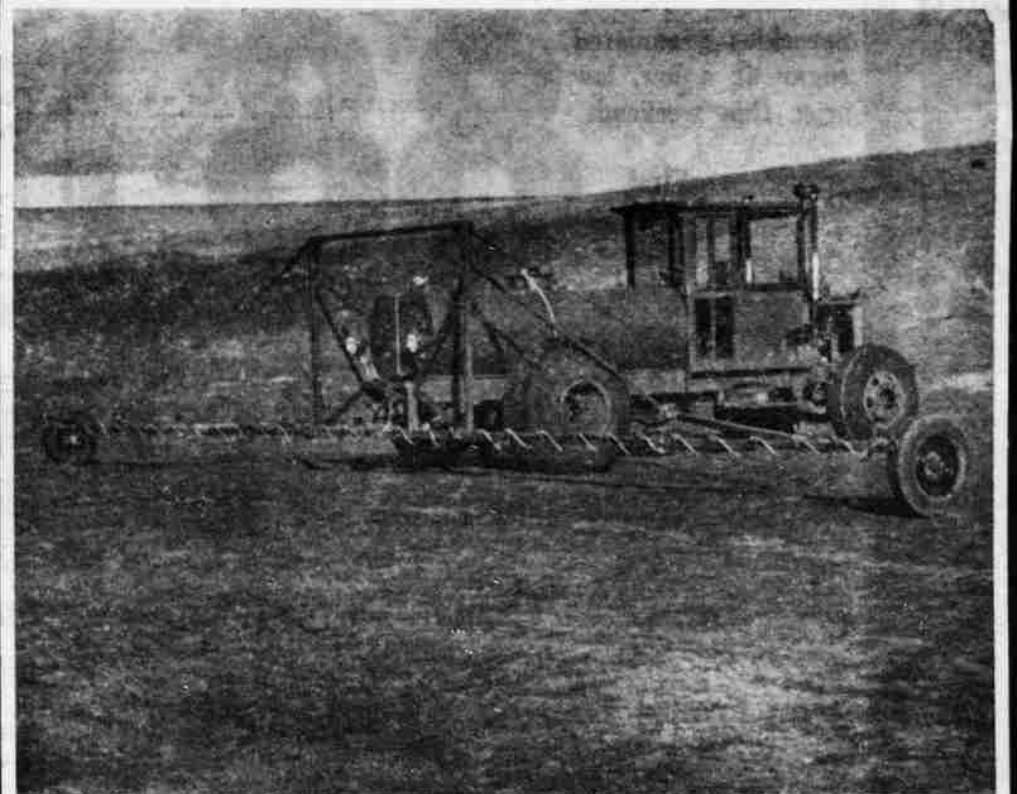
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