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AMONG COUNTY and city officials taking part in the Civil Defense exercises here last Thursday were those at one of the "communication centers." From left are Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman, County Judge Paul Jones, Mayor W. C. Rosewall, Fire Chief Forrest Burkenbine and Don McCarty, county Civil Defense coordinator.

Red Cross Drive Seeks \$1400 Goal

Campaign for this year's Red Cross Fund Drive in Morrow county is being climaxed this week with special efforts by county and town chairmen, seeking to reach the estimated \$1400 quota.

Many residents of the county will be contacted through a house to house campaign during the next few days, and any who are not personally contacted but wish to participate are asked to mail in contributions to the county chapter, in care of Joe Balfe, Morrow county chairman, or directly to the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Through efforts of the county chapter during the past year, a blood refrigerator was purchased for Pioneer Memorial Hospital; instruction in Red Cross swimming was given to 150 persons; instruction was given in the First Aid course to 50 persons; considerable aid has been given military families in the county, and large amounts of blood have been made available to county persons in need of it.

The following are working as chairmen for the drive: Mrs. Orville Cutsforth, Heppner; Mrs. Cecil Jones, Lexington; Mrs. Gar Swanson, Ione; Mrs. Joe Tatone, Boardman; Mrs. Orville Buchanan, Irrigon, and Joe Balfe, county chairman.

The following is recent President Johnson's part proclamation, when he launched the 1967 Red Cross Campaign, urging all Americans to give this voluntary organization their full support for the benefit of all citizens: "For 85 years the American Red Cross has never failed to help those who need help. In war, fire, flood, and storm, wherever and whenever tragedy strikes, the Red Cross is always there. Though it is chartered by the Congress, it depends for its very life on our private generosity. May I suggest that every American give what he can so the Red Cross can remain strong and always be there."

WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM

Official weather report for the week of March 22-28 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec
Wednesday	63	42	.02
Thursday	62	40	.02
Friday	54	33	—
Saturday	49	27	—
Sunday	54	30	—
Monday	51	28	—
Tuesday	52	33	.53*

*Snow and rain



SATURDAY was a happy time for children of the area as they participated in Easter egg hunts sponsored by Heppner Elks lodge. Here children of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gray get a little consolation or moral support from their mother (Marlene). At left is Susan and at right is Ariens, who seems a little dissatisfied with the contents of her sack. Several hundred children participated in hunts at the courthouse lawn, city park and lower field at the elementary school. (G-T Photo).

Mock Disaster Provides Civil Defense Exercise

Emphasizing disaster readiness, nearly 50 persons took part in a day-long Civil Defense conference and exercise here last Thursday in the Elks' Temple with the Division of Continuing Education and the Cooperative Extension Service of Oregon State University directing the program.

Climax of the session came in the afternoon when a practice exercise was held following a simulated nuclear attack.

Three "nerve centers" were set up with county and city officials at one center, a U. S. Department of Agriculture defense board at another and the state Civil Defense department at a third, all in the same room. Others attending watched as an observing audience and posed questions later.

Elwood Miller, rural defense specialist for the extension service, directed the exercise. The three bodies were in actual communication via radio and telephone. Their conversations were amplified via loud speaker so that the audience could also hear.

The exercise proceeded as if the participants were in fallout shelters at various locations and were acting on questions and problems that might come up. Their communications concerned such matters as water pollution, calls to the agriculture department on the possibility of food contamination, questions concerning the density of fallout, and similar matters.

Don McCarty, Civil Defense coordinator in Morrow county, said the exercise proved very enlightening. It was staged following the showing of a motion picture of a nuclear attack. Morning sessions were devoted to talks by Leonard J. Chase and Louis D. Farnsworth, consultants in civil defense education, and discussion.

Seventeen of those attending filled out questionnaires indicating that they were willing to take active parts in civil defense organization in various capacities, McCarty said. The group also discussed the possibility of building a low-cost shelter in Heppner.

Snow Blacks Out Television Here

Tuesday afternoon's surprising snow storm, coming on the heels of a good rain earlier in the day, was held responsible for a television outage on the Heppner TV cable system Tuesday evening.

Pictures went off about 7 p.m. and Carl Spaulding, manager, said that when he went to the hill where the microwave dish and equipment are located, drifts of snow as deep as 2 1/2 feet were encountered.

After slogging in the snow for more than two hours and getting stuck three times, the men gave up for the night and expected to clear the difficulty Wednesday. They traced the trouble to a steep hill where the cable comes down from the receiving equipment, but because of the pitch of the hill and the depth of the snow, it would have been virtually impossible to find and correct in the night.

Although the snow piled up on the hills surrounding Heppner, it didn't stick in the city area despite the fact that it came down heavily for some time. Perhaps it was a premature April Fool's trick by Mother Nature.

Spaulding said Orville Cutsforth reported that a bolt or two of lightning accompanied the storm, and there was some speculation that this was the direct cause of the TV outage.

Meanwhile, children in Heppner, without TV to watch, probably went to bed earlier than they had for some time—and perhaps their parents did too.

Wranglers Slate Eighth Annual Cutting Event

Eighth annual spring meeting of the Wranglers club will be Saturday and Sunday, April 8 and 9, Gene Pierce of the club announces.

This year, there will be six divisions in cow cutting with the program starting at 7 p.m. April 8, in the covered arena at the fairgrounds and continuing Sunday morning at 9 o'clock in the same location. Barrel racing and Wranglers playday will follow Sunday afternoon at the Wrangler grounds.

The six classes will include: 1. Novice novice, for novice horses and novice riders, \$2, \$100. Novice, for horses which have earned less than \$100 and any rider, \$300. Novice, for horses which have earned less than \$300, 4. \$500. Novice, 5. \$1000. Novice, 6. Open.

The registered event will not be included this year, and the "novice novice" class takes the place of last year's "junior novice."

Indications are that another large group will participate with horses and riders coming from points throughout the Northwest. Pierce said that he had received a request from Madras for 20 entry blanks for that area alone.

There is no admission charge and the public is invited to come and watch all events.

School Budget Cut and Approved

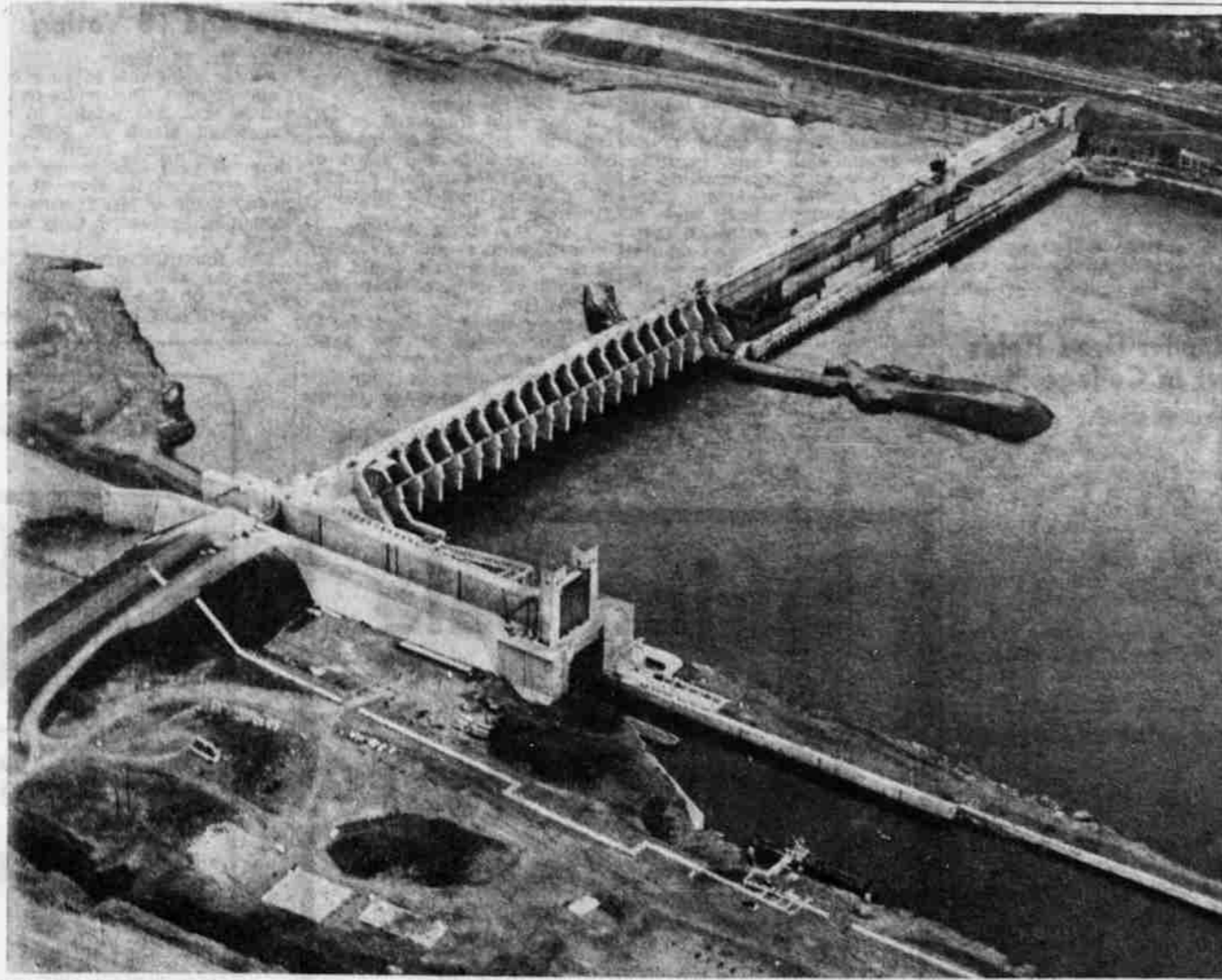
Morrow county school district budget for 1967-68 was cut by \$15,020 at the public hearing on the budget at the Lexington school office Tuesday night, and then it was approved by the budget committee for submission to voters in mid-April.

Only one citizen, Dr. H. S. Huber, appeared at the hearing.

Removed from the budget were \$2500 from instructional salaries, \$2000 for a pickup truck, \$2520 on equipment, and \$8000 for Morgan street extension improvements in Heppner. The latter part has been transferred to an account with the city with the hope that the state may agree to improve the extension on a matching basis with the city.

The \$2520 for equipment cut from the budget was on a change on a type of walk-in cooler for Heppner Elementary school and removal of a duct control unit in a school shop.

Vote on the \$652,285 above the 6% limitation is scheduled in the county for April 17.



JOHN DAY Lock and Dam is drawing close to completion, as this aerial photo shows. It looks southeast toward the Oregon shore from the Washington side of the Columbia River. The multipurpose project, under construction by the Walla Walla district, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, is scheduled to put its first power on the Pacific Northwest power lines in the spring

of 1968. Navigation lock and Washington shore fish ladder are in the foreground. Breached cofferdams, now being dismantled, show in the center of the river. Powerhouse with generator cells is shown near completion on upper half of main structure. (Photo by U. S. Army Engineer District, Walla Walla).

Band Carnival Set For Saturday Night

Annual spring carnival, an evening of fun for everyone, is only a few days away—Saturday, April 1, when parents and children of the Heppner schools present their yearly benefit dinner, followed by a fun night complete with door prizes, games, booths and a dance. All the excitement will be under one roof, at the Morrow County Fair Pavilion.

Money made at the PTA and Band Parent sponsored affair will be used for scholarships given by the PTAs each year and for partial payment of tuition at summer band school.

Generous door prizes, in addition to the main prize of the evening—a brand new typewriter—will be awarded at drawings held at 8:30, 9:00 and 9:30 p.m. Other main prizes will be a 30-cup percolator, a tape recorder and a lamp. Ticket holders must be present to win the door prizes, but do not have to be present to qualify for the typewriter.

Menu for the dinner, which will be served during the early part of the evening beginning at 5:30, includes meat balls and gravy, scalloped potatoes, salad, hot rolls and cake. Ticket sales for use in booths and games will start at 6:30. Scrip tickets are 10c and 25c and door prize tickets will be given with them.

Crowning of the Junior and Senior Kings and Queens will take place at 8:30 p.m. Dancing to the music of the Henchmen will begin at 10 p.m., and continue until 1:00.

Chamber Directors Vote \$100 for Book

Directors of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday voted to contribute \$100 towards the cost of preparation and publishing the Morrow county history book.

Oscar Peterson, chairman of a committee seeking to publish the book that will be prepared by Giles French of Moro, said that work will begin when \$1000 is in hand. Contributions given to date from individuals and organizations are close to meeting that figure. It is estimated that some \$7500 will be necessary to see the completion of the publication.

Peterson also said that the Elks' lodge had volunteered to give \$50 to the project and others in the county have shown similar interest. Most of the contributions to date have come from interested individuals, each of whom has given \$25 or more. Others who would like to help are invited to send their contributions to Gene Pierce, treasurer, Morrow county Historical association, at the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Jaycees Schedule Talent Show Here

Morrow county's best amateur performers will participate in a talent show to be sponsored by the Jaycees here on Saturday, May 20, in the Heppner junior high auditorium, Gail McCarty announces.

The Jaycees are already working to make this the "best ever" show, he said. All kinds of talent is wanted—dancing, singing, instrumental music, skits, and any sort of good variety entertainment.

There will be a number of different divisions to be announced later with prizes in each division. Winner of the show will be auditioned for an appearance on the "Palace Showcase" television show in Portland.

Those who are interested in performing are invited to contact Harley Sager or McCarty. Within a few weeks, the Jaycees will begin in earnest to recruit talent for the show.

An advance ticket sale will be conducted, probably starting the last of April, with Wayne Lamb in charge. It is expected to fill the auditorium with spectators. Proceeds will be used to buy playground equipment for the city park.

A panel of judges will determine winners in each division. One rule of participation is that none of the contestants may receive more than half his income from his particular talent.

Conferences Slated For Grades 1 to 4

There will be no school Thursday, April 6, for pupils in grades one through four at Heppner elementary school, Principal Al Martin announces. The day for teachers of those grades will be devoted to conferences with parents.

Schedule for the conference was drawn at a meeting Monday night, and parents will be contacted through the school as to times that they will be invited to come and discuss their children's progress.



"EASTER KEEPERS" may be what Mary Virginia Krieger, 4, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Krieger, is saying as she holds candy Easter eggs that she found at the city park Saturday. (G-T Photo).



LITTLE Mary Arbogast, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arbogast, seems perfectly content with the one Easter egg she plucked from the grass at the city park Saturday morning. (G-T Photo).