

BLM Plans North Lands Auction Sale

"Cash on the barrelhead" will be the rule at the Bureau of Land Management public auction sale of 12,000 acres of BLM lands in North Morrow county.

So stated County Judge Paul Jones to the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce Monday in telling of the decision to offer the lands at auction. This was reached at a meeting in Portland Friday by the Morrow county court and BLM officials after months of deliberation as to how the lands should be disposed of.

Judge Jones said that anyone wishing to bid on the lands should make arrangements to have necessary financing available before coming to the sale. The auction is planned for Boardman, perhaps sometime in November, and the sale will be conducted under the 1964 Public Land Sale Act.

Previously, it had been thought that the 1964 act could not be applied to the 12,000 acres of BLM land because the county was not zoned. However, the judge stated, "Existing Morrow county zoning authority has been found to satisfy purposes of the act."

The land to be sold is check-boarded with privately owned lands. There is no restriction on how many tracts one bidder may purchase.

Some 3,400 acres of other BLM land in the county will be sold under the "old sale act," probably early in 1968. Contiguous landowners will have preference on these acres.

During the past two years, the Bureau of Land Management lands in North Morrow county have been the focal point of interest for many who envision developing them through irrigation projects. Many filed for desert entry on the land, but this method of disposal was ruled out in favor of outright sale of the lands.

At public hearings small land owners opposed the disposal under the 1964 act and many favored desert entry.

Judge Jones said that he believes the land sale may add as much as \$750,000 to the county tax rolls.

Planning Starts For Ski Season At Arbuckle Mt.

Plans for starting another season at the Arbuckle Mountain ski course were initiated at a meeting of directors of the corporation and interested persons last Wednesday night in the Gilliam and Bisbee building.

Some 10 or 12 persons were in attendance and W. C. Rosewall presided in the absence of President Ken Peck. A representative was present from Condon to affirm continued interest of 4-H club members and others from that area.

Clyde Allstott and Jerry Holmstrom of the Morrow county Jaycees were present and said that they "had not closed the door" on the possibility of the organization operating the ski run again this year.

It has been somewhat doubtful whether the course could be operated in the coming season because of the difficulty in obtaining an operator. The Jaycees took the responsibility last winter after Bob Henry, prime mover on the project, moved to Burns.

Rosewall appointed a committee, composed of Ed Dick, Dick McElligott, Al Martin, Avery Taylor and Don Peterson, to meet with the U. S. Forest Service representatives to determine what is needed to continue the Forest Service permit.

This meeting was held Friday, and Rosewall said later, "It appears that we are going to get the permit, all right. I don't think they're going to be too tough on us."

Plans were made to go to the site for the purpose of seeing what trees and brush need to be cleared.

Rosewall said that a breakfast meeting of directors will be held soon to continue planning. A budget is in the process of being prepared with Herman Winter assisting.

The ski course set a new record in use last winter. Participation of 4-H clubs helped spur the use. The revenue came very close to meeting expenses, which included the purchase of a truck to obtain a motor for the rope tow.

Big Buck Contest Tickets on Sale

Tickets are now on sale from members of the Heppner post, American Legion, and at Hamlin's Sporting Goods for entry in the Legion's Big Buck contest. Jerry Rood of the Legion post announces.

Prize for the winner of the contest will be a .30.06 rifle. Weigh stations will be at Central Market, Economy Market and Court Street Market. The winner will be the biggest buck, locker dressed, with head attached.

Entry fee is \$1, Rood states.

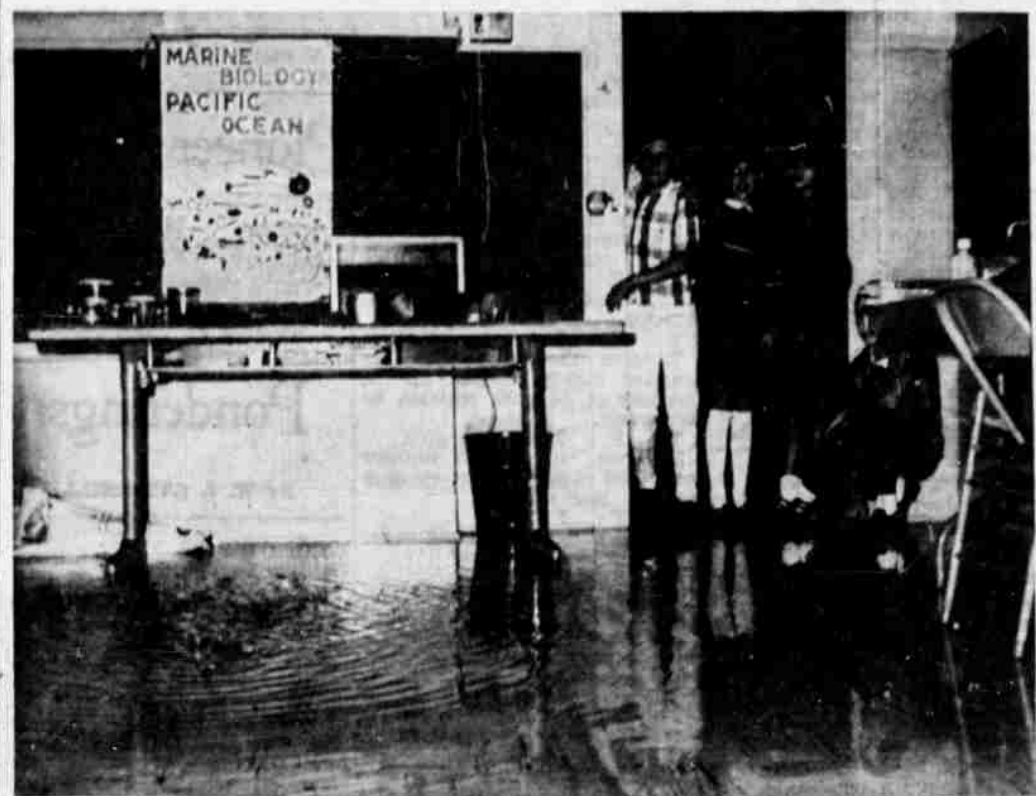
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SUNDAY NIGHT'S rain brought realism to this classroom display in Heppner's upper elementary school even though it flooded out Monday morning's classes in two rooms. It appears that some of the ocean came in to support the poster, "Marine Biology Pacific Ocean," but the water spilled through the building when a roof drain clogged during heavy rains of the previous night. It made a mess of the nice exhibit in the room of Mrs. Inez Erwin. Surprised pupils shared the teachers' dismay. (G-T Photo).



MRS. JUSTINE WEATHERFORD, Heppner upper elementary teacher, seems to be trying to drip dry some of the sodden papers from her desk after rain water poured through her classroom Sunday night and Monday morning. Many of Mrs. Weatherford's personal books were badly damaged in the "flood" as well as textbooks of the school. (G-T Photo).

First Moonlight Sale Due Here On September 22

Three hours of bargains in the "moonlight"! That's what is on tap for those who shop in Heppner from 7 until 10 p.m. on Friday, September 22, according to Bill Hust, chairman of the Merchants committee of the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce.

This city's first annual Moonlight Sale will be on that evening, and extra special bargains, perhaps even better than Side-walk Sale or Crazy Days, will be offered to the public at that time.

The special bargains will be available in the three evening hours only, and so those who wish to obtain them must plan on coming to town that evening.

Some of the merchants have bought merchandise especially for this sale, and others will have extra special values from merchandise in stock. Under the Moonlight Sale plan, stores will close at the regular time Friday afternoon, but those participating will reopen at 7 p.m. and the shoppers can go at the special merchandise full tilt until the 10 p.m. closing.

Next week's paper will carry the advertising messages of those participating in the Moonlight Sale and the goods that will be offered. All are urged to watch for this paper.

Merchants to Meet

All Heppner merchants are urged to attend a luncheon at 1 p.m. Friday in the banquet room of the Wagon Wheel Cafe. Bill Hust, merchants' chairman, states.

This is for all merchants and not just members of the Chamber of Commerce, he emphasizes.

Plans will be made for the forthcoming Moonlight Sale at the meeting.

Fire Razes House In Clarks Canyon

Fire destroyed a house, two sheds, and approximately 20 acres of grass early Friday evening in Clarks Canyon on property owned by Marcel Jones. The house was an older one that had been vacant for about four years. The damage was estimated to be about \$3,000, and was covered by insurance. The alarm was sounded at 6:15 p.m., but by the time firemen arrived, the fire was burning at such a fast rate that it was impossible to save the buildings. The fire was allowed to burn itself out and two men, Ron Jones and Paul Arbo-gast stayed with it. Cause of the fire has not been determined.

Local firefighters were again called out Sunday to the Kin-zua Mill, where chips and sawdust were smoldering on the hillside east of the mill. Some 7,000 gallons of water was dumped on the fire, and firemen remained on the scene for about two hours.

Plugged Drain Cause of 'Flood' In School Rooms

Two classrooms of the Heppner upper elementary school were flooded Monday morning after a roof drain had clogged during heavy rains of the previous night.

Damage was heavy in the room of Mrs. Justine Weatherford on the upper level on the south end of the building and in the room of Mrs. Inez Erwin, on the main floor below Mrs. Weatherford's room.

Bits of paper and debris had blown on the roof plugged the drain and caused a large pool of water to collect in the low corner of the roof. This found means of seeping through, and water was more than an inch deep in each of the rooms affected.

A considerable quantity of books and teaching materials, together with papers and classroom displays, were ruined or heavily damaged. Ceiling tiles were stained, and it was yet to be determined Tuesday whether floor tiling would be damaged from the moisture.

Among the items heavily damaged were personal books and items owned by the teachers. Mrs. Weatherford said that some of her books were ones that had been autographed by the authors or professors and she considered them irreplaceable.

Two other rooms in the building were available for classes, and pupils were moved to them. By Tuesday the "mopping up" process was well along and classes were meeting again in the rooms.

The elementary school roof is in very good condition, but the large volume of water that collected apparently found cracks along the retaining walls to seep through.

Good Rain Breaks Drouth for Sure

When .45 inch of rain came in Heppner, most of it in the early morning hours of Monday, it broke the long drouth for sure. The .01 of Tuesday, September 5, had officially ended the dry spell, but wasn't enough to bring much relief on drying conditions.

The good soaker Sunday night and Monday morning was welcome in all quarters, except perhaps at the grade school where a plugged drain caused the rain waters to spill down and drench two classrooms.

At the same time, cooling temperatures were enjoyed. Monday and Tuesday dropped into the 60's as a maximum temperature, the first time the thermometer fell below a 70 degree maximum since June 22.

Official weather report from Don Gilliam, weather observer, for the week of September 6-12 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	81	52	—
Thursday	85	55	—
Friday	86	54	—
Saturday	80	51	—
Sunday	80	45	.02
Monday	64	49	.43
Tuesday	69	41	—

R-1 Board Awards Landscaping Job At Riverside High

Landscaping bid of All-City Landscape Service, Portland, was accepted by the board of directors of Morrow county school district R-1 Tuesday night for the new Riverside school at Boardman.

The bid, one of four received at the time of opening on August 28, was for \$51,700. Since then, the firm has agreed to allow \$3500 credit if the district furnishes a man to help with the watering for a short time, making the cost of the work \$48,200.

As the quiet regular September meeting, many of the items on the agenda had to do with the new school. Discussion was held on deepening the well another 100 feet at Riverside.

Cost of this work was figured at \$2400, at \$24 per foot. Supt. Ron Daniels said that it might go as much as \$2700, since Strasser Drilling Co. desired to change the terms for drilling to \$19.50 per foot, but the district would conduct testing at its expense. While this would be somewhat more costly to the district, it might work to the district's advantage if it were necessary to go more than 100 feet. The superintendent was authorized to negotiate with the company for deepening the well.

Walls Going Up
Director Ralph Skoubo reported that walls at Riverside are going up, with those between the gym and the main building.

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Robinson Stock Tops at Colfax

Six head of cattle entered at the Palouse Empire fair, Colfax, Wash., September 7 to 10, from the Kirk and Robinson ranch, Heppner, took 12 awards, a performance matched only by the Burns and Dougherty ranch of Walla Walla.

The Kirk and Robinson awards included champion female, five blue ribbons for first places, four red ribbons for second places, and two third place ribbons.

The Wallowa ranch showed the champion bull, reserve champion bull and had five blue ribbons, according to Don Robinson of the Heppner ranch. Reserve champion female went to Sheehan Hereford Ranch of Colfax.

The Colfax fair is one of two qualifying shows in the northwest for Register of Merit shows, the other being the Oregon State Fair.

Robinson says that he does not plan to enter the Pacific International Livestock Exposition but expects to show in the Oregon Classic at the state fairgrounds on November 13 and 14.

Contest Started For Parade Theme

Following the practice started last year, contest to choose a parade theme for the Rodeo Parade of 1968 is getting underway early in order to permit early planning for floats, Randall Peterson, parade chairman for the Chamber of Commerce, announces.

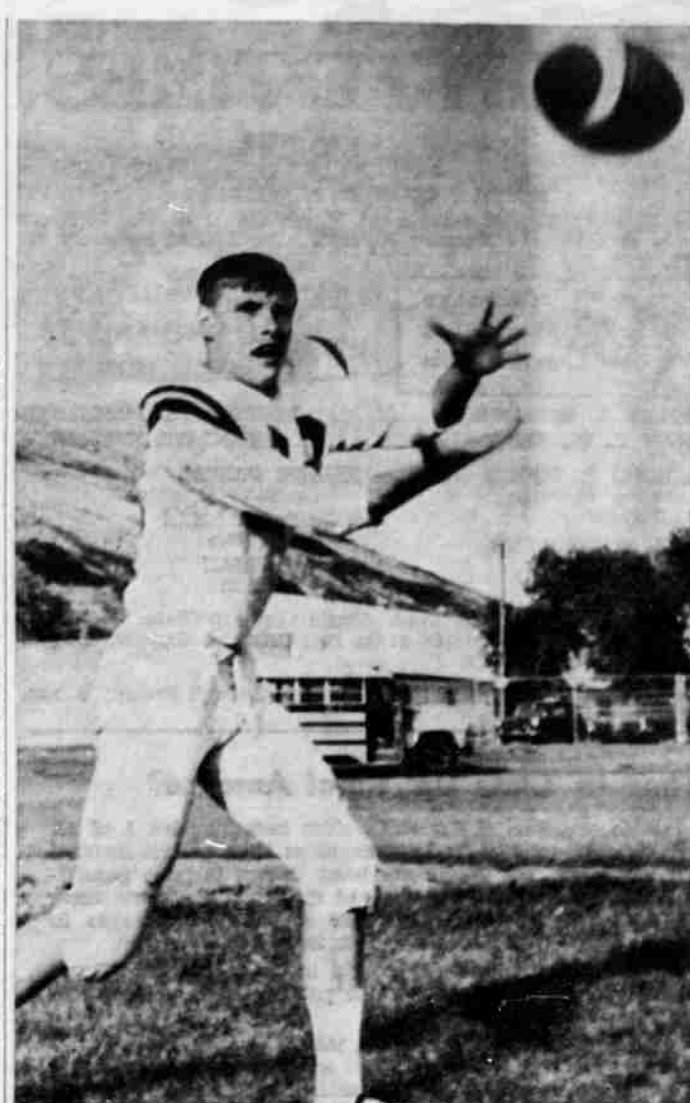
An entry blank is printed on page 8 of this paper, giving the rules. Winning entry will receive two tickets to the rodeo shows in 1968.

Theme of the parade for this year was "Fashions and Flowers," which was chosen from entries submitted in the contest last year.

Mortgage Burning Ceremony Planned At Hope Lutheran

A Service of Celebration is planned by Hope Lutheran church on Sunday, September 24, to celebrate the burning of the mortgage on the church sanctuary, according to announcement by the Pastor Don Pederson. Members of the congregation made their final payment of a 10-year loan on July 31, on the sanctuary built in 1957 at a cost of \$17,100, but now valued at approximately \$30,000.

Returning to be guest speaker at the 4:30 p.m. special service will be the Rev. Kenneth Robinson, pastor of Hope Lutheran church from June, 1961, to June, 1966. He now serves Lutheran Memorial Lutheran church in Northeast Portland.



BILL McLEOD, fleet-footed end for the Heppner High football team, stretches for one in this photo. The senior, who is also a speedster in track and a member of the varsity basketball team, is son of Mr. and Mrs. David McLeod. He will be in action against Condon Friday afternoon. (G-T Photo).

Mustangs Meet Condon Friday

Dutli Paces Savages To 19-14 Grid Victory

There was just too much Jim Dutli for the Mustangs to handle Friday night in the home football game at the rodeo grounds that was the opener for Heppner High's inexperienced gridgers.

The diminutive 5-9 back tallied all 19 points for the Enterprise Savages, but the Mustangs were full of kick at the end of the game. With a late surge they tallied 14 points, and if the final whistle hadn't cut them short, they might have put an end to the Savages' pre-season dominance over the Blue and Gold. But the final count was 19-14.

There was little doubt that the plucky Mustangs' inexperience was showing at the start of the game. But the crowd that nearly filled the rodeo grandstand to capacity could see the difference in the team by the end of the contest.

"I didn't think we were ready," said Coach Ed Hiemstra after the game. "We showed it. Our tackling was poor. We were grabbing instead of tackling." Heppner had a golden opportunity to score soon after the

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Elementary PTA Plans Reception For Next Week

Plans for the annual Elementary Teachers Reception are being made under the direction of Mrs. Wallace Wolff, Heppner elementary PTA president.

The reception will be held Friday, September 22, at 8:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Heppner grade school. Theme of the reception will be "Stars of Our School". New teachers will be escorted to the reception by parents and extended a special welcome.

Invocation and benediction will be given by Father Raymond Beard and Jack Sumner will preside as master of ceremonies.

Mrs. Wolff will be installed in her new office at the beginning of the meeting by outgoing president, Mrs. Clyde Allstott. Other officers, who were installed in the spring, are Mrs. Wesleye Marlatt, vice president, and Mrs. Don Munkers, secretary-treasurer.

The officers report excellent response of parents who are being asked to work on various committees, but there are still a few committees open and anyone who wishes to work may contact one of the three new officers.

Mrs. Wolff has chosen a committee to complete plans for the reception and they include the following: Mrs. LaVern VanMarter, Jr., Mrs. Ron Leonnig, Miss Terry Lincecum, Mrs. Bud Marshall, Mrs. Wes Marlatt, Mrs. Dick Carpenter, Mrs. Alan Martin and Mrs. Carl Spaulding.

The reception will conclude with refreshments of dessert and coffee.

The date of Wednesday, October 11, has been chosen for the Heppner High school PTA teachers reception. Detailed plans will be announced later by Bill Weatherford, this year's president.

Anderson Returns From Africa Post

N. C. Anderson, former Morrow county agent, was "back home" over the week-end after completing his two years' work with the Near East Foundation in Niger, Africa. There he worked in developing agriculture and training young native farmers in the N'Dounga project.

With him were his wife, Esther, who had returned earlier this summer, and sons Ricky and Kit. While here they stayed with another son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson.

The Andersons have rented a home in Albany where he will be a Linn county agent for the present time.

Their personal belongings arrived back from Africa in good time, Anderson said, with that sent by ship arriving as fast as that coming by air.

Anderson said that it was good to be "home" after the two years in Africa, but said that he felt the experience had been excellent. Sometimes he despaired of teaching the natives any improvement in farming methods for they often seemed to be content with their status and were unwilling to work.

They were surprised when Anderson would get out and work in the fields himself, and this sometimes shamed them into pitching in to help.

Before returning to Heppner, Anderson spent several days in Washington, D. C., consulting on similar projects in Africa. He felt that he made considerable progress in the project goal of helping to teach the natives to do for themselves.

At a later time—when the children are all farther along in school—he might wish to return to foreign service.

At the present time Oregon looks very good to the whole family.

The Andersons returned to Albany Monday night after spending the week-end here.