

Lake Umatilla Formed; Recreation Plans Eyed

A major milestone in the development of the Mid-Columbia area was reached this week when the John Day Dam on the Columbia River was closed and Lake Umatilla, 76 miles long, was formed.

With the closure of the dam Tuesday morning, water fed from heavy discharge of a number of dams upriver brought the level of the new lake up at the rate of one foot per hour. It was expected to reach a depth of some 80 feet above the normal river level at the dam, and the former Arlington and Boardman townships were expected to be inundated by Friday when Lake Umatilla reaches its minimum pool elevation of 257 feet at the dam. The new lake will be a last step in making a series of slack water lakes out of the river.

All traces of the former Riv-

erside school at Boardman near the river was gone after it was razed by salvage contractors last week.

Move to the partially constructed new school building was completed also last week when students were on spring vacation. First day of high school in the new structure, utilizing only the classroom area, was Monday and Principal Dan Daltoso reported that all went smoothly in view of the limitations of the unfinished structure. Primary pupils are going to school in the Greenfield Grange hall.

There was little heat in the new school building because the main heating system has not been completed. Supplementary heating was supplied by small electric space heaters.

Hundreds Watch Rise
Hundreds flocked to the river

Tuesday to see the filling of the lake, but it did not come in a spectacular manner, appearing to be gradual. Sight-seers were warned away from the riverbanks in order that they not be caught napping by the rising water.

Over the week-end, those interested in Indian artifacts went to the river armed with rollers, cloth and ink to obtain impressions of the Indian writings that the river's rise would inundate.

At the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce meeting here Monday, Tom Slater, landscape architect of the Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla district, told something of the plan for filling Lake Umatilla and gave information on parks and recreational facilities that are being developed along the huge reservoir.

He said that projects above McNary Dam were spilling water to fill the reservoir, starting with flow from Lake Pend Oreille in northern Idaho Friday.

When the minimum pool is reached after three days, the navigation locks at John Day Dam will operate and the Coast Guard buoy tender Bluebell will be the first ship to come through—this on Saturday.

800 Eggs Collected
Slater told of Operation Mother Goose in which the Fish and Wildlife Service picked up 800 unhatched goose eggs by helicopter and other means to save them from inundation.

It was hoped that parks along Lake Umatilla would be completed by this summer, Slater said, but the schedule could not be met. Concentration has been on the "underwater" work, that part which will be inundated with the forming of the reservoir. This includes driving piling, building breakwaters, providing launching ramps and working on boat basins. Some parking lots also have been rough graded.

Facilities will be operable soon at several parks for those who want to launch boats, but he said that more money must be appropriated until the areas will look like parks.

The plan is to do the rest of the work as soon as possible. Slater said that it is estimated that 400,000 recreation visitors will come to the parks and (Continued on page 8)

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School Board Meets in New Building

Lone Merit Mother Due For Honors in Salem

Mrs. Lewis (Dot) Halvorsen of Ione will be honored, together with seven other Oregon mothers, as an Oregon Merit Mother by the Oregon State Mother's Association Tuesday, April 23, at the Marion Motor Hotel in Salem, Mrs. Vivian Peterson of St. Helens, president of the association, announces.

The event will particularly honor Mrs. Anne Kennedy Smith of Portland who has been chosen Oregon Mother of the Year. Highlight of the event will be presentations by Governor Tom McCall at the State Capitol Building at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Halvorsen was nominated for Oregon Mother of the Year by the Ione Masonic lodge recently. She was not chosen as the 1968 Mother but is among the eight who are to be cited as Oregon Merit Mothers. Others are Mrs. Lucy Avis, Mrs. Evelyn Cross, Mrs. Ida Pope, Mrs. Mary Diamond, Mrs. Mildred Wilson, Mrs. Grace Wilch and Mrs. Elsie Zatterberg, all from other parts of the state.

The event Tuesday will start at 10:30 with a "brunch" at 11 a.m. A program will be presented at the motor hotel after which the group will go to the capitol building for the governor's presentations. Reservations have been made for members of Mrs. Halvorsen's family and other relatives, but no more can be accommodated.

In nominating Mrs. Halvorsen, the Ione lodge's letter stated, "She has always been available to take the lead in our installation dinners and other functions. Each year the lodge is host to the local high school boys and their men teachers at a banquet. We always ask the Order of Eastern Star to help, and Mrs. Halvorsen is always there, bringing along a group of Rainbow Girls to serve."

In the Eastern Star, Mrs. Halvorsen has held an office every year for 21 years and has led the order as worthy matron three times. She has been interested in Rainbow Girls for 10 years and organized an assembly in Ione in 1961.

She is active in many other groups in the community, including PTA, Ione United Church of Christ, and Grange. She is a past master of Willows Grange and has served as secretary for 13 years.

The Halvorsens have four children, Mrs. Linda May Prock of Heppner; Joe Halvorsen, a junior at Eastern Oregon College; Mark Halvorsen, sophomore at EOC; and Frank Halvorsen, junior, at Ione High. In addition, they reared two foster daughters, Judy and Alyce Mason.

All six have made fine records of achievement, attaining many honors in their school



MRS. LEWIS HALVORSEN

years. The boys have been exceptionally fine athletes.

"The affectionate bond between members of the family is readily discernible wherever they are seen together," the nominating letter said. "Their farm home, which is kept neat and tidy through the mother's guidance, is a center of youthful activity, and it is not uncommon to have several extra boys for dinner without notice."

Mr. and Mrs. Halvorsen have lived on the family ranch two miles from Ione since their marriage on December 30, 1936.

Mrs. Halvorsen's nomination as Oregon Mother of the Year will remain on file for three years and she will be eligible for consideration as the statewide choice any year through that time.

Telephone Operator Gets Aid to Woman Who Suffers Stroke

Alertness of a Pendleton telephone operator resulted in bringing aid to a Heppner woman who suffered an apparent stroke here Saturday. The unusual series of circumstances were recounted by Dale Slusher, manager of the telephone company in Pendleton.

At 10:07 p.m. Saturday Muriel Czubiak, evening operator in Pendleton, was in the process of removing the connection on a long distance call from Heppner. However, she noticed the Heppner end of the call had not cleared.

Mrs. Czubiak went on the line and heard a woman's voice ask for help. Unable to find out the woman's name or telephone number, Mrs. Czubiak notified her supervisor, Mrs. Helen Deakin, who contacted Bill McCoy, chief transmissionman. McCoy called Glen Mecham, installer-repairman at Heppner, to have him trace the call. With the help of Paul Weston, transmissionman in Pendleton, they identified the four subscribers on the four party line.

Mecham recognized names of two of the subscribers. He contacted the Heppner City Police, and together they checked the two addresses.

At the second address they found Mrs. C. L. Stephenson lying on the floor after suffering an apparent stroke. The police called for an ambulance and a doctor at about 11:15 p.m. Mrs. Stephenson was taken to the hospital where report Tuesday was that she was in fair condition.

Mrs. Stephenson had taken the phone from its cradle before the long distance call had been completed. One of those involved in the call was also on her four party line, and when she took the phone off, it kept the line open and enabled the operator to hear her plea for help.

Students Have First Classes After Moving

Directors of Morrow County School District R-1 met in regular session in the new Riverside school, which is partially completed, for the first time Monday night.

Like the students who had attended classes for the first day there Monday, the directors depended on small electric heaters to keep warm.

Supt. Ron Daniels, in a progress report on the school, said that the move from the old school had been accomplished without trouble and students had adjusted to the new building smoothly despite the impairments caused by the unfinished areas.

He said that plaster has been cracking in some places on the under side of the exterior overhang, and that this problem is to be checked out by a plaster expert.

Daniels also reported that grass in the cover crop of the area being landscaped is not growing as had been expected, and that the landscape engineer and the landscape contractor must work out this problem between them.

Since the heating system is not completed at the school, the students will depend largely on the small electric heaters until weather warms.

Kirk Horn Resigns
Written resignations of three teachers were read at the meeting, including those of Kirk Horn, Heppner High biology teacher; Cecilia Delmore, Heppner High English and speech teacher; and Jack Trujillo, Ione High business teacher.

Horn expects to continue his education with graduate work and said in his resignation that he hopes later to return to this area. Miss Delmore plans to continue her studies in speech and to work towards her master's degree.

The board approved the hiring of Victor Marchek, who now teaches at Hermiston, for a social studies position at Riverside, and Sharon Donovan, a graduate of Riverside High, for an English position in the new school. She will teach language arts in the seventh and eighth grades. Miss Donovan is now completing her college work.

Daniels said that this leaves only a few positions in the system to be filled, and applications have been received for all of them. They are for counselor at Riverside, English and business at Ione, two English positions and a biology teacher at Heppner High.

Budgets Adopted
A recently published supplemental budget, providing for transfer of \$8000 to the teacher fund, was approved. This requires no vote because no tax levy is involved. The 1968-69 budget for the district was also approved as changed at the public hearing April 9 and election on the budget in the district will be on May 6.

Discussion was held on advertising for purchase of school buses, and it was decided to advertise for one 30-passenger and one 54-passenger bus.

Principal Dick Carpenter of Heppner High proposed a plan being considered at the high school for teaching language arts and social science in a combined class with two-hour blocks for freshmen and sophomores and for juniors and seniors.

He asked permission for two teachers to be placed on an extended contract for an additional week in the summer to work out plans for the course. Because of the uncertainty as to whether money would be available in the budget, the board deferred decision on this until the next meeting.

Gordon Myers was approved as lifeguard for the lone swimming pool for the coming summer. He also served as lifeguard there last summer.

An eighth grade field trip to the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry and to Oregon Historical Society in Portland from A. C. Houghton school on May 10 was approved.

Budget to be Short
In his financial report, Supt. Daniels said that indications are that the district will not be able to finish this school year "in the black."

"We may be \$40,000 in the red," he said, adding that all indications point to the fact that receipts estimated in the 1967-68 budget will fall somewhere between \$40,000 and \$80,000 below expectations.

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BISHOP LANE W. BARTON

Merchants Slate Moonlight Sale

Heppner merchants will hold their second Moonlight Sale on Friday night, April 26, from 7 until 10 p.m., Bill Hust, merchants committee chairman of the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce, announces.

Extra special values will be offered during the three-hour period. The Moonlight Sale bargains will be available only during that time and will not be on sale at reduced prices before the time nor after.

Many of the participating merchants have bought merchandise especially for this event, Hust said.

As an added feature, each of the stores is planning to have an exceptionally "hot" buy to be offered at 9 p.m. only.

It is planned that the stores will close at the regular time on the Friday and then reopen for the Moonlight Sale event.

MEETING SCHEDULED

All Heppner merchants are asked to be present at a "Dutch treat" luncheon meeting Friday at noon in the Wagon Wheel Cafe to complete plans for the forthcoming Moonlight Sale, Bill Hust, merchants chairman, announces.

Church to Honor Retired Bishop Of E. O. District

Members and friends of All Saints' Episcopal church will say farewell this Sunday, April 21, to the Rt. Rev. Lane W. Barton, D. D., who will retire as Bishop of Missionary District of Eastern Oregon early in the fall, according to announcement by Rev. Dirk Rinehart, rector. By the middle of October a new Bishop will have been elected to serve the district.

Bishop Barton has made many visitations to Heppner over the past 22 years, and has confirmed many adults and young people at the Heppner church. This Sunday, for the last time, the Bishop will confirm young people from both Heppner and Condon.

Also during worship, six men will receive Lay Readers' licenses from Bishop Barton. Each license represents many hours of supervised study, which has prepared the men to conduct worship during the rector's absence. Heppner men who will be presented licenses will include Bob Abrams, Ned Clark and Herman Winter.

Following the 11:00 a.m. worship, Bishop and Mrs. Barton will be honored at a potluck dinner in the parish hall. All friends of the Bishop are encouraged to be present.

Bishop Barton has had a long and active tenure. He established the district headquarters in Bend when he came to Oregon nearly 22 years ago. He has seen church membership in the district grow from 3,400 to 7,600; the number of parishes increased from six to 13; value of church properties raised from around \$800,000 to \$2,600,000.

Dr. Wolff Files For R-1 Director

Dr. Wallace Wolff has filed petition for director of Morrow County School District R-1 for zone VII, and seven candidates have filed for advisory committee positions around the county, Ron Daniels, district superintendent, announces.

Dr. L. D. Tibbles, now director of zone VII (Heppner), will not be a candidate for reelection.

Election will be on Monday, May 6. At the same time, voters of the district will cast ballots on the 1968-69 budget.

The slate of eight director and advisory committee candidates means that there is one candidate for every position open, but there are no contests for any of the positions.

Those up for election for the advisory committee places are: Heppner-Lexington Advisory Committee—Mary Ann Barclay, Lexington, 3-year term; Jerry Sweeney, Heppner, 2-year term; and Edda Mae Lovgren, Heppner, 3-year term.

Ione Advisory Committee—Dorothy Krebs, Cecil, 3-year term; Gene Rietmann, Ione, 3-year term.

Boardman Advisory Committee—Shirley Zielinski, 3-year term.

Irrigon Advisory Committee—Wanda Witherspoon, 3-year term.

Big Band Carnival Billed Saturday; Support Urged

A carnival-like atmosphere, with booths, prizes, fun and games, will prevail Saturday night, April 20, at the fair pavilion, when the PTA units and band departments of both Heppner High and Elementary schools combine talents to produce and present the annual band carnival.

General chairman for the event is Paul Warren, who is assisted by PTA presidents, Mrs. Wallace Wolff and W. W. Weatherford, and band director, Arnie Hedman.

A full evening of fun and games, and lots of prizes is assured for those attending, with the hope that this year's band carnival will be one of the most exciting events sponsored here.

Dinner will be served from 5:30-7:30 p.m., and will feature a barbecued beef plate, hot dog plate, or plain hot dog, served with a variety of delicious salads, desserts, coffee and punch. Bands will entertain during the dinner period.

The real fun will begin at 6:30, when the variety of booths will open for business, among which are the country store, fish pond, dart throw, and many others. A bookstore, featuring comic books and hard back books, will be run by the fifth grade class. Sixth graders will be in charge of the cake walk; seventh grade will have charge of the telegram booth, and eighth graders will operate the ever popular dunk tank.

The evening's fun will be further enhanced with the appearance of the mysterious Madame LaZונה, who specializes in fortune telling and palm readings.

Elementary candidates for the king and queen contest are Christy Bradley and John Myers, sixth grade; Barbara Sherman and David Eckman, seventh grade; and Debbie McLeod and Bruce Bergstrom, eighth grade. Jim Sherman and Susan Melby are the high school candidates. Winners will be announced during the carnival and will receive three-piece luggage sets as prizes.

Youth and parents alike will be invited to attend the dance immediately following the carnival, which will be held in the fair pavilion. Musical entertainment will be provided by "The Living Souls," a five-piece teenage dance band from Pendleton.

Door prizes to be given away at this year's carnival include an Arvin 10 transistor portable radio, complete with case and earphones, an Arvin 4 transistor portable tape recorder, with two reels of tape, plug-in earphones and remote control mi-

crophone, and a family ticket to the new Heppner city swimming pool.

Proceeds from the carnival event will be used by the PTA to provide special scholarships.

Paper to Print Pictures Taken Of Local Children

Periodically for a number of years The Gazette-Times has run a pictorial feature of the youngsters in this area as "Citizens of Tomorrow."

In the near future the paper will again publish free pictures of all children who are brought by their parents or guardians for photos to be taken in Heppner and Ione.

In Ione the pictures will be taken from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Friday, April 26, at the American Legion Hall. In Heppner they will be taken also from 10:00 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 27, at the Heppner Hotel.

Pictures in Color
An expert children's photographer will take the pictures to assure uniform quality and size for best reproduction. This year they will be taken in natural color. Parents are advised to dress the children colorfully to take full advantage of the beauty of color photography. The pictures in the newspaper will run in black and white.

There are absolutely "no strings" to this invitation nor are there any charges to the parents. They do not have to be subscribers of this newspaper to participate. Neither are the parents obliged to purchase any of the color pictures taken.

Those who might desire color photographs may obtain them by making arrangements with the studio representatives when they select the pose they wish to see printed in The Gazette-Times.

There is no age limit and older children and family groups are especially welcome.

Appointments Asked
Appointments may be made by calling Mrs. Lindsay Kincaid at Ione (Ph. 422-7418) or Mrs. Arnold Raymond at Heppner (Ph. 676-5820). While appointments are not necessary to have the children photographed, it could avoid having to wait.

Those interested are urged to check the dates on their calendars now and help us make this a memorable community feature.

Photography will be handled by the Dansville, N. Y., office of Woltz Studios, Inc.

Cliff Harris Buys Tum-A-Lum Site

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Harris, owners of Harris Drive-in, have purchased property and buildings of Tum-A-Lum Lumber Company, which adjoins their drive-in. Mrs. Harris confirmed Tuesday.

Expectations are that the property will be developed with office spaces, an upholstery shop, barber shop and additional parking for the restaurant, she said.

Other ventures are also being considered to be added to the site.

Tum-A-Lum announced last week that the 48-year-old firm is quitting business here, and a sale is currently in progress to dispose of stock.

Harris is in Lebanon this week and was not available to give further details on plans for the site.

Mrs. Harris said that it is planned to start the project in the very near future.

Chilly, Chilly

After hitting a warm 79 degrees last Wednesday, maximum temperatures here dropped to a chilly 47 Tuesday, report of Don Gilliam, weather observer, shows. Skiffs of light snow fell at various times but moisture was still conspicuously light. Complete report for the week is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	79	41	—
Thursday	63	37	—
Friday	45	20	—
Saturday	57	20	—
Sunday	60	39	—
Monday	51	35	.03
Tuesday	47	20	.01

Cow Cutters Coming For 9th Spring Meet

Ninth annual spring cow cutting meet of the Wranglers club will be staged in Heppner this week-end and it may attract a record number of entrants from around the Northwest.

Gene Pierce of the sponsoring committee said that entrants are expected from the Seattle area, the Spokane area, from Boise, Yakima, Redmond, Medford, Eugene, Salem, Portland, Vancouver and many other cities, as well as the local contingent.

Requests for entry blanks have come from all of these points and more, he said.

The cutting events will be held in the covered arena of the Morrow county fairgrounds Saturday night at 7 o'clock and will be continued there at 9 a.m. Sunday.

Wranglers Playday will follow at the Wrangler grounds at 1 p.m. Sunday with a special OBRA barrel racing event as the highlight.

Competition in the cow cutting this year will be divided into seven classes with two grounds in each. They are as follows: Novice Novice, for horses which have won less than \$100, and novice rider; \$100 Novice, for horses which have won less than \$100, and any rider; \$300 Novice, for horses which have won less than \$300, and any rider; \$750 Novice, for horses which have won less than \$750, and any rider; Junior Registered, for registered quarter horses four years old and under, and any rider; Senior Registered, for registered quarter horses of more than four years, and any rider; and open.

This competition is approved by the Northwest Quarter Horse association and the Cutting Horse association.

This year, \$200 has been added to the open purse. Every winner, determined by the average, will get a horse blanket as a trophy.

Judge of the event is Steve Bishop of Chimacum, Wash.

At least two new local cutting horses will be in the competition this year, since Art Vance and Dr. Jim Norene have recently acquired horses that they expect to enter. In addition, veteran horses will be entered by Floyd Jones, Ralph Beamer and others.

On the Wrangler committee

in charge are Beamer, Howard Bryant, Jones, Fred Mankin, Bill Healy, Cornett Green, Vance, Roice Fullerton, Mrs. Vance, Bob Bergstrom, John Eubanks and Pierce.

The public is welcome to come and watch the events at no admission charge.

Budget Adopted; Few Changes Made

School budget for the Morrow county district R-1 was adopted by the board of directors at its regular meeting at the new Riverside school, Boardman, Monday night after some changes had been made at the budget hearing at Lexington on Tuesday, April 9.

The changes were minor and did not increase the budget expenditures.

A sum of \$5000 was added under instruction to provide the district's share of the cost of the Umatilla-Morrow media center. Federal funds for support of the center expire in October of this year and the districts in the two counties must pick up the cost, according to Ron Daniels, R-1 superintendent.

To compensate for this addition, two deletions were made. A sum of \$1500 that had been budgeted for repairs and maintenance was taken out. This was to provide two sets of exterior doors for Heppner Elementary school.

In addition, \$3500 was cut from improvement of sites, being a sum that had been set aside for the improvement of the road up the hill to Heppner High school.

The total budget remains the same, and the proposed tax levy remains the same.

Only two persons, other than those connected with the schools, appeared at the hearing, Daniels said.

X-Ray Unit Due

Residents of the area are urged to take advantage of the free X-Ray services of the Mobile X-Ray unit on Thursday and Friday in front of Murrays Rexall Drug store. Hours will be 11:20 and 3-6 p.m. on Thursday, and 9-12 noon on Friday.