

# Weatherford, New Film On Fall Wheat Program

# County's Agriculture Income Set at \$10,202,363

Marion Weatherford of Arlington will be guest speaker on behalf of the Oregon Agri-Business Council and show the new motion picture film on Oregon agriculture at the annual fall meeting of the Morrow County Wheat Growers association Wednesday, October 23.



MARION WEATHERFORD

The meeting will be in St. Patrick's parish hall with the business meeting starting at 9 a.m., according to Bob Rietmann, president.

Weatherford will speak at the luncheon at noon, and the wheat growers invite all Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce members and county businessmen as guests at no charge.

The color film, 30-minutes in length, "Yours is the Earth," will be shown at the luncheon, which is expected to conclude at 1:30 p.m. Chet Huntley, one of the nation's most highly respected news commentators, narrates the saga of Oregon's second largest industry—agriculture.

The film took 10 months to produce and pictures the drama of modern agriculturists combining their skills with the

state's natural resources to provide a multi-million dollar base for Oregon's expanding economy.

Morrow county's Wheat Growers association will be host for the state Wheat League convention in Portland on December 9, 10 and 11, and plans to fulfill its obligations by the meeting Wednesday.

Committee reports, discussion of matters of interest to the wheat growers, and election of officers are other matters on the day's program.

Ladies of St. Patrick's Altar Society will prepare and serve the luncheon. Rietmann urges all wheat growers to attend the meeting, and invites all businessmen to attend the luncheon as guests of the association.

## Crazy Days Due Here Next Week; Kids' Parade Set

Crazy Days is scheduled in Heppner on Friday and Saturday, October 25 and 26 with merchants offering extra special "ridiculous" bargains for the event.

Many of the merchants will dress up for their costume day on Friday, according to Mrs. Marj Gardner, chairman of the merchants committee, and a Kids' Parade is planned for the Saturday morning, probably at 11 a.m.

The youngsters will be invited to dress in costume appropriate for the Halloween season and prizes will be offered to several with the best costumes. Jerry Adamson, manager of J.C. Penney Co., is acting as chairman of the Kids Parade.

Children through the fifth grade age in school are invited to participate and are requested to begin planning their costumes now. Children in neighboring communities are welcome to take part.

Next week's paper will give more details on Crazy Days and will contain advertising of the special bargains to be offered. Merchants are advised to get their advertising in early because of the big paper expected by the G-T staff.

## Bargains Galore Promised at Sale

Bargain hunters from age "6 to 60" will be pleased with the wide array of bargains from which to choose at the bi-annual Heppner Civic League Rummage Sale scheduled for Friday and Saturday, October 25-26.

Sale will be held in the former Tryco building on Main street and will begin at 8 a.m. both days, with doors open until 6 p.m., Mrs. Art Galbraith and Mrs. Bruce Griffith, co-chairmen of the event, announce.

A baked goods sale is also planned for Friday morning while the rummage sale is in progress.

Persons having items that they wish to donate for the sale are asked to contact Mrs. Marilyn Kellogg, 676-5505, Mrs. Sharon Biddle, 676-9247, or Mrs. Carol Baker, 989-8447 for pick-up.

The sale is sponsored twice each year by the Civic League organization, with proceeds derived from the sales used to purchase needed supplies for the kindergarten classes and to assist with teacher's salary.

Kindergarten instructor this year is Mrs. Don Turner.

## Lost Youth Shoots Buck; Ward Again At Right Place

Stories of lost hunters are getting to be commonplace here, but this one has a new twist.

Mike McCarty, 17, of Hood River who was reported lost while hunting in the mountains southeast of Heppner Monday, wasn't found until about 12:30 p.m. Tuesday. He was unhurt and undaunted after his night alone in the wilds. The unusual part is that he took the time to shoot and kill a four-point buck Tuesday morning before he was "found."

Again Glen Ward, state agent, was in the right place at the right time. He picked up the youth after he had walked out just after noon Tuesday. Ward was on Coal Mine Hill at the time. Ward had also picked up Joe Green after the Pendleton man was reported missing on opening week-end.

A search party was getting organized under the direction of local officers when the youth appeared. He had been hunting with his brother, Steven, and other companions from Hood River when he became lost.

Ward said that he figured the youth had traveled some 25 miles after his disappearance Monday until he was "found."

He didn't know just where the buck was that he had shot, but after getting some counsel on directions from Ward, he left with his friends to retrieve it.

## The Rains Came

A total of 60 of rain came to Heppner this week, most of it Friday, but it let up in time for the Burns-Heppner football game in the evening. Official report of Don Gilliam, weather observer, shows the week's maximum temperature to be 63 degrees and the minimum 33. Report for the week is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	63	33	—
Thursday	59	43	.02
Friday	61	41	.46
Saturday	60	43	.11
Sunday	58	38	.01
Monday	56	33	—
Tuesday	56	41	—

Wahtonka and Madras battled to a 7-7 tie Friday.

In other league action, Enterprise rolled easily over cellar-dwelling Pilot Rock, 33 to 0, and Grant Union sailed through Sherman, 19-6.

To date, the Heppner High team has lost league games to Enterprise and Burns and has deadlocked with Sherman in a scoreless tie. They opened the season with a non-league victory over Condon, 26 to 0.

Only two home games remain for the Mustangs, including the Wahtonka contest. They play Grant Union here on Friday, November 1.

Two other league games will be played away from home. They will meet Pilot Rock on the Rockets' gridiron on Friday night, October 25, at 8 o'clock and will play an afternoon game at Madras on Friday, November 8, starting at 1:30.

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## Collins Running For Mayor; Others Seek City Posts

William C. (Bill) Collins, a former mayor of Heppner and veteran of 16 years on the city council as councilman and mayor, has filed his petition as a candidate for mayor.

The petition was circulated by friends last week after Mayor W. C. (Clarence) Rosewall announced that he would not seek reelection. Rosewall, too, is a veteran of long service in city administration and has served as mayor since the death of Al Lamb a number of years ago.

As of Tuesday, petitions had been filed at the city hall for three seeking council positions, including those of Jerry Sweeney and David McLeod, both seeking reelection, and Dick Robison, in his first venture into city politics.

Petitions also were filed on behalf of Mrs. Elaine George, recorder, seeking reelection, and for Mrs. Ernest (Mary Jean) McCabe, seeking reelection as treasurer.

Deadline for filing of petitions in order to be on the city ballot on Tuesday, November 5, was Wednesday, October 16.

Collins, currently a councilman, served as mayor for four years from 1955 to 1959. He had served for eight years on the council prior to that time. He returned to the council when he was elected in 1964 and is now completing a four-year term in that position.

McLeod completes his first four-year term this year, and Sweeney is completing a two-year term.

The three seeking election to the council will all be on the ballot for four-year terms.

Mrs. George and Mrs. McCabe are both running for their third terms, each completing the second two-year term this year. The mayor position, under terms of the city charter, is also for a two-year term.

Holdover councilman whose terms do not expire this year include veteran Carl Spaulding, Joe Balfe and Harlan McCurdy, both of whom are in their first terms.

## Speech Contest Support Urged

Annual district speech contest, sponsored by the Heppner Soil and Water Conservation District, will be Thursday evening, October 24, in the Heppner High school multipurpose room. It will start at 7:30 p.m.

High school students are preparing talks, based on this year's assigned theme, "Forest Management in an Oregon Conservation District". Interest among the students is reported to be good, with several planning to participate, with the assistance of school speech instructors.

Trophies will be given for first, second and third place winners, with the first place winner eligible to continue in the area contest. Heppner was represented at the area contest in Hermiston last year by Teresa Harshman, who won first place there and advanced to the semi-finals. The local school has had many outstanding speakers, which continued on into state competition.

"It is our earnest desire," stated Albert Wright, this year's chairman, "that parents, friends and teachers will turn out in large numbers to support the students in this contest, and give them the backing which they deserve." There is no charge, and attendance of a large audience gives the students added incentive for a good performance.

## Rep. Mann to Speak At Chamber Monday

Rep. Irvin Mann of Stanfield will be guest speaker at the meeting of Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce Monday at the Wagon Wheel Cafe at noon. He plans to discuss the forthcoming session of the legislature and some of the matters that are expected to come before it.

On Monday, October 28, Bruce Cowan, executive vice-president of Inland Empire Waterways association, will be the speaker. Non-members who would like to hear either of these speakers are invited on a non-host basis at \$1.25 per plate.



TROPHY WINNERS in the Punt, Pass and Kick competition here Saturday are pictured with men of Ione Lions Club and Heppner Auto Sales, Inc., sponsors of the local contest. Front row (from left) are Steve Kessler, third, Richard Walker, second, and William Smith, first, all 10-year-olds; Sam Myers, second, and Jeff Cutsforth, first, both 8-year-olds; Mark Mecham, special trophy winner; Jim Kenny, second, and Delbert Turner, first, both 6-year-olds; and Clint Carlson, special trophy winner. Middle row (from left) Doug Gunderson, first, 13-year-old; Joe Kenny, third, Mark Cutsforth, second, and John Myers, first, all 11-year-olds; John Kilkenny, third, Kevin Hagewood, second, and Jerry Gentry, first, all 11-year-olds. Among those assisting at the competition were (back row, from left) Lindsay Kincaid, Lions chairman; Everett Keithley, Heppner Auto. contest chairman; Herb Ekstrom, Jr., Lions president; and Ray Boyce, Lions secretary. Many more Lions and others helped at the event. (G-T Photo).

## Six Boys Win, Advance In PPK Contest

Six Morrow county boys Saturday earned the right to go to The Dalles Sunday to take part in the district Punt, Pass and Kick competition when they won in the six different age brackets of the local contest held at the rodeo grounds.

The local winners are Delbert Turner, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Turner; Jeff Cutsforth, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cutsforth; William Smith, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith; Jerry Gentry, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gentry; John Myers, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Myers; and Doug Gunderson, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Gunderson.

In the competition the boys punt, pass and placekick for distance and accuracy. The distance that the ball lands from a white line is deducted from the length of their pass or kick. The combined total of the punt, pass and kick is then computed as their score.

Winners scores were as follows: Turner, 100½; Cutsforth, 147; Smith, 172; Gentry, 202; Myers, 214½; and Gunderson, 175½.

At The Dalles Sunday the boys will compete with other local winners in their quest for regional and national prizes.

Other winners and their scores were as follows: Eight-year-olds: Jim Kenny, second, 90½; Kenneth Pearson, third, 89½. Nine-year-olds: Sam Myers, second, 141; and Jerry Cutsforth, third, 127. Ten-year-

olds: Richard Walker, second, 153½; and Steve Kessler, 147. Eleven-year-olds: Kevin Hagewood, second, 188; and John Kilkenny, third, 192. Twelve-year-olds: Mark Cutsforth, second, 162½; and Joe Kenny, third, 152.

Two boys, through error, competed in a lower age bracket than they should have and had to be disqualified because they would not have been eligible to continue as winners in the district contest. They were Clint Carlson, who made a score of 107 in the 8-year-old division but should have been in the 9-year-old group because his birthday comes prior to January 5, 1969, and Mark Mecham, who made a score of 149½ in the 9-year-old group but should have competed with 10-year-olds for the same reason.

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## Banquet Tickets Placed on Sale

Tickets for the annual Livestock-Farm-City banquet, scheduled for Wednesday evening, October 30, in the high school cafeteria, are now on sale at \$2.50 per plate. They are available at the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner Branch First National Bank, Turner, Van Meter and Bryant Real Estate, and at the County Extension office.

Walter Leth, director, State Department of Agriculture, will be principal speaker at the banquet, which will come at the end of the day following the annual meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers association.

Randall Peterson announces that he will again give a \$100 diamond away to a lucky ticket holder at the banquet as an added attraction. Lexington Grange will serve the banquet, which will start at 7 p.m. Further announcement will be in next week's paper.

## Wheat Leads With Total Of \$3,316,000

Total agricultural income for Morrow county for the year 1968 is estimated at \$10,202,363, according to Gail McCarty, Morrow county extension agent, and Robert Ganger, county statistician specialist for Oregon State University and the United States Department of Agriculture.

The income is a decrease of more than \$507,000 below the estimated income of 1967, which was reported at \$10,709,765.

Leading in value of product sold for 1968 is wheat with \$3,316,000. However, the value of the 1968 wheat crop is only 75% of the 1967 crop, which was valued at \$4,435,000. Federal Crop Insurance payments, estimated at \$485,000, helped fill the breach of a bad crop year.

Beef cattle sales were estimated to be up slightly in total from the 1967 figure of \$2,407,000. This increase is mainly in higher prices received for cull cattle sold, McCarty said.

Breakdown of the total income is as follows:

CROPS — Wheat, \$3,316,000; wheat certificates and feed grain diversion, \$2,000,000; barley, \$415,000; other grains and seed crops, \$47,000; Conservation Reserve Program, \$58,363; Commodity Reserve Storage payments, \$45,000; hay crops, \$290,000; vegetables, melons and tree fruits, \$202,000; farm forest products, \$40,000; Federal Crop Insurance, \$485,000. Total, all crops: \$6,898,363.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY—Beef cattle, \$2,678,000; sheep and lambs, \$276,000; wool, \$68,000; Wool Incentive, \$28,000; hogs, \$5,000; dairy (milk and ice cream), \$199,000; poultry, \$38,000; miscellaneous animal products, \$12,000. Total, livestock and poultry: \$3,304,000.

Not included in the above are 1968 Agriculture Conservation Program cost sharing payments. These estimates are based on information available to the Department of Agriculture statisticians and the county extension staff as of September 15, 1968, McCarty said.

## Church to Serve Annual Dinner

Altar societies of St. Patrick's and St. William's Catholic churches will sponsor their annual Turkey Dinner—with all the trimmings—on Sunday, October 20, at the Catholic parish hall in Heppner.

Dinner will be served from 12:30 until 6:00 p.m., and in addition to the main turkey course, will feature a variety of homemade pies.

The public is cordially invited, and visiting hunters and travelers in the area are invited to come as they are. A nursery will be provided to help care for small children.



THIS IS THE way the pickup truck of Tom Griffith looked after it ran into the rear of a loaded log truck near Heppner Lumber Co. about 11 p.m. Friday night. Griffith was hospitalized but escaped serious injury and was dismissed Sunday. (G-T Photo).

## Pickup Crushed in Crash; Driver Crawls Out

When a pickup truck, driven by Tom Griffith of Heppner, crashed into the end of a truckload of logs near Heppner Lumber Company in the darkness Friday night, the vehicle was totally demolished. Its cab was obliterated, and the pickup was reduced to a smashed mess of metal.

But Griffith, only occupant, was dismissed from Pioneer Memorial hospital Sunday, his injuries being relatively minor, apparently being confined to lacerations and bruises. Friends marvel that he was not fatally injured in the accident.

The accident happened about 11 p.m. Friday. The loaded log truck, owned by Hubert Asher of Spray and driven by Benjamin Hamilton, also of Spray, had stopped in the northbound lane to await passing of on-

coming traffic before making a left turn to the sawmill, according to City Officer Bert Corbin, who with Deputy Sheriff Dean Gilman, investigated the accident. Hamilton told them that he had turn signals going to indicate the turn.

Griffith told Corbin later that he did not see the truck when he came upon it from the rear, also headed north. His pickup hit the logs, one of which pierced the windshield and cab. The right front wheel of the pickup was ripped off as it hit the truck's trailer wheels under the logs. The pickup apparently rolled over when its right side hit the left trailer wheels, and the vehicle came to rest upside down across the southbound lane of traffic, with Griffith inside.

Some saw Griffith curled up in the overturned pickup and believed that the injuries had been fatal, but in a few minutes he crawled out with only the relatively minor injuries. The frame of the windshield was still on the log at the rear of the truck when it later went to the sawmill, Officer Corbin said.

The officer added that traffic traveling the "new" stretch of highway at speeds of 70 miles per hour or more was difficult to control in the darkness while the accident was being cleared. He expressed the belief that consideration should be given by the State to provide left turn lanes on the highways at the sawmill driveways.

Hamilton, driver of the log truck, is postmaster at Spray and drives for Asher from time to time to help out.

## LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W	L	T
Madras	2	0	1
Wahtonka	2	0	1
Grant Union	2	1	0
Enterprise	2	1	0
Sherman County	1	2	0
Burns	1	2	0
Heppner	0	2	1
Pilot Rock	0	3	0

WEEKEND SCORES — Burns, 14, Heppner, 0; Enterprise, 33, Pilot Rock, 0; Grant Union, 19, Sherman County, 6; Wahtonka, 7, Madras, 7 (tie).

By PAT KILKENNY  
Heppner High's Mustangs will be looking for their first league victory in four starts here Friday night when they play Wahtonka in a football game at the Morrow county Rodeo Grounds.

The Eagles share top spot in the Greater Oregon League with the Madras White Buffaloes.