

Congratulations

CLASS OF '69

❖ Special Graduation Section ❖ 80 Seniors in County To Receive Diplomas

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THE DAY OF BEGINNING...

Graduation is one of the most important milestones along the highway of life. It is a significant accomplishment. Yet, while it marks the achievement of a successful program of training and education, it is not an ending, but in a real sense it is a beginning.

The future belongs rightfully to those who have prepared for it, who will now move upward, striding confidently toward a new plateau-- to higher education, and along the routes designated commerce, industry, public service, and medicine, to name but a few.

Graduation has opened the book of life to a fresh new page, to the beginning of a new chapter; and each member of the Class of 1969 through individual effort shall determine what will be recorded thereon.

Salutations and best wishes on this momentous occasion!

Eighty seniors in Morrow county's three high schools will graduate at commencement ceremonies in the ensuing week — 46 from Heppner High school, 19 from Ione High and 15 from Riverside High.

Riverside's exercises will come first, to be Friday night, May 23, in the gymnasium of the new junior-senior high school, starting at 8 p.m. The class of 1969 will be the first to graduate from this modern new building. Baccalaureate services for the class were Sunday evening, May 18, in the Boardman Community church.

For the first time, Heppner High school will combine its baccalaureate service and commencement with the program to be Sunday afternoon, May 25, at 2:30 p.m. in the Heppner High Gymnasium.

Ione's senior class will be presented at baccalaureate services Sunday night, May 25, starting at 7 p.m. in the school gymnasium and Commencement will be Tuesday night, May 27, at 8 p.m. at the same place.

Number of graduates this year is six more than in 1968 when 74 completed their high school courses. Ione's 19 seniors this year compares with 12 in their class of 1968; Heppner's 46 this year is five more than the 41 in their 1968 class; but Riverside's 15 is down from the 21 of last year.

At Riverside, the valedictorian is Michael Earl Fossey, who has the outstanding distinction of being a National Merit Scholarship winner, an unusual achievement. Salutatorian is Miss Jana Clare Everett.

Bonnie Kae Akers is valedictorian of the class of 1969 at Ione and Earl Pettyjohn is salutatorian.

Valedictorian for Heppner High is Terry Peck and salutatorian is Sara Miller. All six of these seniors have made superior scholastic records during their four years of high school.

Rev. Neeley Speaks

Rev. George Neeley, pastor of the Community church at Boardman, delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the Riverside High class Sunday night. Rev. John Kenny, pastor of the Assembly of God church, gave the invocation and benediction. Robert Chilman, music instructor at the school, and Victor Marchek, also a Riverside teacher, sang.

Combined churches of Irrigon and Boardman presented Bibles

to the 15 seniors. Mrs. Albert Partlow was organist and Mrs. LaVern Partlow was pianist for the professional and recessional.

Paul Herbst will be the commencement speaker at the Riverside commencement Friday night. Dante Daloso, principal, will present awards to the class and Maxwell Jones, a director on the county school board, will present diplomas. Salutatory will be by Miss Everett and the valedictory by Fossey.

Music will be furnished by Miss Donna Pummel, Miss Diane Black, Grant Walter and Jody Tatone. Father Simon Coughlan, pastor of St. Patrick's church, Irrigon, will deliver the invocation and Rev. Chandler Jackson, of St. John's Episcopal church, Hermiston, will pronounce the benediction. Processional and recessional will be by Mrs. Albert Partlow and Mrs. LaVern Partlow.

Class motto of the Riverside seniors is "We have a dream which is not all a dream." The class flower is the iris, and colors are navy blue and gold.

Heppner Exercises Sunday

The Rev. Melvin Dixon, pastor of the Heppner United Methodist church, will present the baccalaureate address at the combined exercises at Heppner High Sunday afternoon. Remainder of the program will be furnished by the class and the faculty at Heppner High.

Richard Carpenter, principal, will present awards, and the senior class advisors, Mrs. Jane Rawlins and Elmer Weitzel, will

present the class. Mrs. Beverly Gunderson, a director of the Morrow county school board, will present diplomas.

The salutatory will be by Miss Miller and the valedictory by Peck. The class will sing the number, "Make America Proud of You," and the high school band will play the processional and the recessional. Rev. Dixon will deliver the invocation and pronounce the benediction.

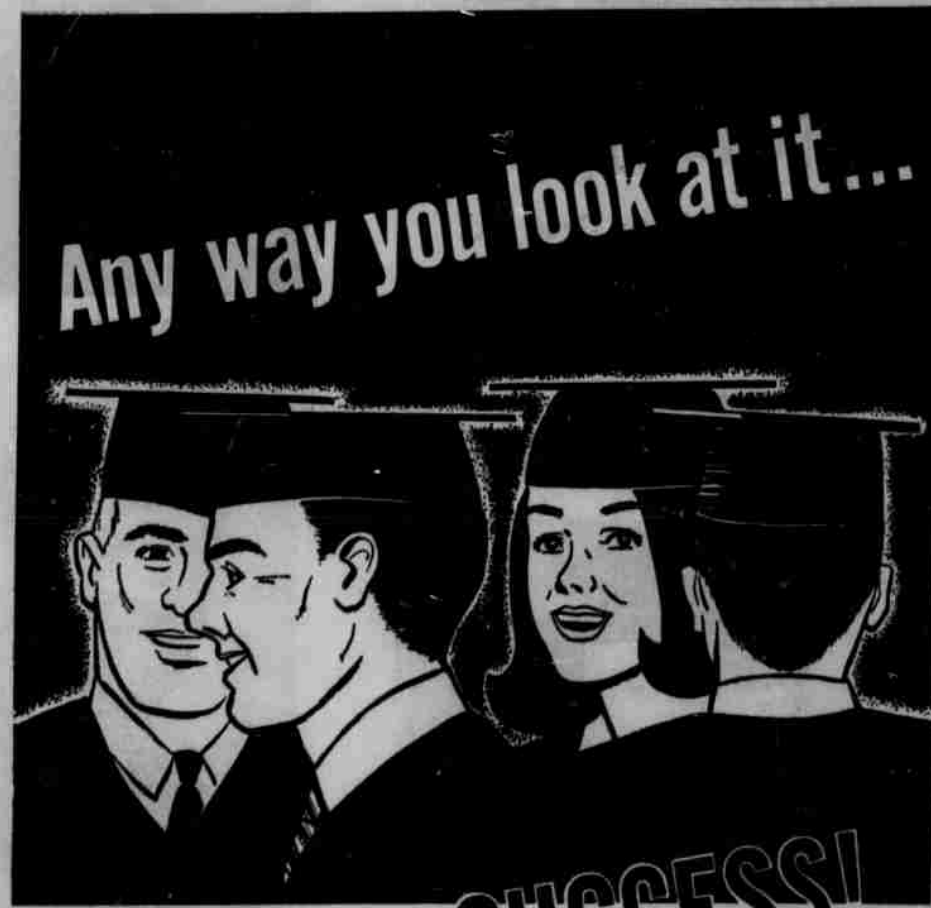
Heppner High's class of 1969 has as its class motto, "America's destiny is our tomorrow." Class colors are red, white and blue, and the class flower is the rose.

Baccalaureate address at Ione High's Sunday evening service will be given by the Rev. F. W. (Mike) Luedde, Jr., pastor of the Ione United Church of Christ. Solos will be sung by Mrs. Anna Lee James, home economics and English teacher at the school, and Keith Nelson of the class will read the scripture. Pastor Rudolph Mensch of Hope and Valby Lutheran churches will give the invocation and the benediction. Gene Rietmann will play the processional and the recessional.

Shockley to Speak

At Ione's commencement, Dallas Shockley will be the principal speaker. Awards will be presented to the class by Principal Harold Beggs, who will also present the class.

Don McElligott, chairman of the Morrow county school board, will present diplomas. Salutatory will be by Pettyjohn and (Continued on page 5)



Any way you look at it...

it spells SUCCESS!

The class of 1969 has earned it and we're proud of you. CONGRATULATIONS.

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