



'Well, this swimming pool is just about the coolest place in the whole city of Heppner'

(G-T Photos at Heppner Swimming Pool).

**License Examiner Due**

A Drivers License Examiner will be on duty in Heppner Tuesday, July 15, at the courthouse, between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., according to an announcement received from the Department of Motor Vehicles of Oregon. Persons wishing original licenses or permits to drive are asked to file applications well ahead of the scheduled closing hour.

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**On Again, Off Again**

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Weather Observer

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	67	45	.02
Thursday	65	45	.06
Friday	64	45	.03
Saturday	69	46	.02
Sunday	72	47	.02
Monday	82	45	—
Tuesday	88	51	.01
June rainfall, 2.59 in.			
June average, 1.36 in.			

# THE GAZETTE-TIMES

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## Federal Purchase of Kelly Prairie Gets Approval by State Board

Morrow county may become the home of Oregon's second largest water impoundment if the U. S. Forest Service goes through with plans to develop Kelly Prairie in the Umatilla National Forest south of Heppner.

A major step toward government development of the project was taken Tuesday, when the Oregon Board of Forest Conservation approved USFS purchase of 648 acres of land from Heppner rancher Orville Cutsforth.

The land is to be used to make a 516-acre impoundment

for public recreation. The land purchase had already been approved by the federal counterpart of the state board, pending the state agency's approval.

"The Forest Service has held an option to buy the tract from Cutsforth," Marvin Chitty, local USFS official said Tuesday. According to Chitty, money has been set aside for the land acquisition from land and water conservation funds. Development, though, faces a demand for funds.

Money for development has hit snags before, but that was

due to private ownership of the land. Even when the Morrow county court agreed to purchase the land from Cutsforth, funding could not be made.

Funding had been expected from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation of the U. S. Department of the Interior, in early 1968. However, the BOR explained that 85 per cent of the shoreline at Kelly Prairie would be on Forest Service land.

"It seems clear that the resulting public use would then obligate the Forest Service to provide recreational facilities and services," said Fred J. Overly, regional BOR director at the time.

Since at that time it was not entirely federal project, the funds could not be granted.

Now, however, the way is cleared for acquisition of the tract. Final step will be approval by the director of lands of the option held by the USFS.

Development plans will have to wait for a while, USFS official Sam Nagel said Wednesday. "Plans haven't gone any further than core drillings at the site," Nagel said. Core drillings are done to determine if the site would hold water.

"Above the ground, it looks like it will hold water," Nagel said.

Core drillings will be done by the State Game Commission, and although that money has been budgeted, it is not known for certain when the project will be done.

Nagel speculated that if feasibility studies prove the project can be done, it would probably be done by the Game Commission.

He said it would probably be done much like Bull Prairie, where the Game Commission built the dam and stocked the lake.

Access and further recreation development would be up to the Forest Service, Nagel said.

While the county court is now out of the picture, Judge Paul Jones noted the project "would have a tremendous impact on Morrow county."

"It should bring lots of people through here," the judge said.

If the lake were developed fully to 516 acres, it would be almost 18 times as big as Bull Prairie.



LOOKING OVER A CHECK for \$3,291, the federal government's share of the cost of civil defense radios in Morrow county are C. J. D. Bauman, county civil defense director, Bill DePew, regional coordinator of the state Department of Emergency Services and Paul Jones, Morrow county judge. The check helped pay for 14 units, which are used for county officials everyday as well as in an emergency situation. (G-T Photo).

## Several Celebrations Scheduled for Fourth

An evening of fireworks and a day of many activities are on tap this long Fourth of July weekend as area celebrations are planned.

It all gets underway Thursday evening at Ione, where a baseball game pitting the Ione farm team against the Little League Indians is scheduled.

The game begins at 6 p.m. at the Ione Memorial Field.

At dark, a fireworks display is planned for the field, under the sponsorship of the Ione post of the American Legion.

Donations will be taken during the display to help defray costs. Concessions will be available during the evening from the Legion Auxiliary.

Condon's Fabulous Fourth gets underway early Friday morning with a Buckaroo Breakfast at the City Park, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Visitors to the city will be welcomed in the park at 9:30 that morning, and an hour later, paraders will march down the city's Main street in the Fourth of July parade.

Scheduled to ride in the parade is Morrow county Fair and Rodeo's 1969 Queen Sheila Luciani and her princesses.

The Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce will sponsor an entry in the Porcupine Race, always a highlight of the Condon festivities. The race will begin at noon in the park.

Visitors can pick from among several activities during the afternoon. A Jackpot Rodeo at the Gilliam county fairgrounds will get underway at 1:30 p.m. Kids games are set for the city park at 2, as is a Hole-in-One contest.

Swimming, tennis and horse-shoes are offered all afternoon in the park.

Hungry participants are invited to a barbeque at 5 in the park, and can watch a fiddlers contest at the same time.

A two-hour show of fireworks is slated for 10 p.m. on the Condon high football field, adjoining the city park.

Dancers can have their chance after the fireworks with a dance at the fairgrounds.

No organized public celebrations are planned for Heppner.

## Services Today for Mrs. Malcom

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Malcom, who died at a Pendleton hospital on Monday, will be today (Thursday), at Mountain View Chapel in Tacoma, Wash.

The 3:30 p.m. services will be followed by burial at Mountain View Cemetery in Tacoma.

Mrs. Malcom had been ill for the past year.

She is survived by three children, Gale, Camille, and Benham, and her parents and four brothers.

Mary Ida Rose Malcom was born March 15, 1923, in Baker, Mont., to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hamilton. They moved to Eatonville, Wash., when Mary was a child.

On August 6, 1945, she was married to James Byron (Barney) Malcom, also of Eatonville. After a fire destroyed Malcom's

sawmill in Eatonville, he operated a truck line for a year or so, then moved to Heppner and started operation of the Heppner Lumber Company. The firm has mills at Spray and Heppner.

After Barney Malcom died of a heart attack on February 28, 1967, the mills continued operation under the management of his brother Bruce.

The children moved to their grandparents' home in Eatonville last week. Benham had been there since school was out.

Mrs. Malcom's brothers are Kenneth and Donald, of Puyallup, Wash., and Max and Harold of Cooper Landing, Alaska.

The family has asked that those wishing to remember Mary with memorials may leave contributions to the Heart Fund at the Heppner branch of the First National Bank.

## Kickoff Dance Saturday Night, Will Honor Queen Sheila, Court

The first event of a summer full of activities will mark the opening of the 1969 Fair and Rodeo season this Saturday night.

Queen Sheila Luciani of Pine City and her court, Princesses Sherri O'Brien of Heppner, Patti Healy of Lena, Joyce Howton of Ione and Rhonda Belling of Boardman will be honored by the Kickoff Dance at the Fair Pavilion here Saturday night.

The dance starts at 9:30 p.m. and ends at 1 a.m. Admission is \$1.50 per person, and refreshments will be served.

The Piccadilly Line, Pendleton band, will provide music for the dance.

Music arrangements have also been completed for ensuing dances to be held throughout the summer.

The first dance after the kickoff dance will honor Princess

Patti Healy of Lena. Music for the Saturday, July 12 dance will be by the First National Band, Pendleton.

The same group will be featured Saturday, July 19 when Princess Rhonda Belling of Boardman is honored.

Princess Joyce Howton, Ione, will be honored July 26, with the Re-Actions, La Grande, providing the music.

The last princess dance will honor Sherri O'Brien of Heppner. The dance on August 2 will feature the music of the Misfortunes, Dallesport, Wash. band.

Queen Sheila of Pine City will be coronated August 9, and the dance following the coronation will feature music by Condon's Western Gentlemen.

All these dances will run from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Two dances the week-end of the rodeo will begin at 10 p.m. Friday, August 22, music will be by The Piccadilly Line, while the Saturday night dance will feature the Western Gentlemen again.

This Saturday night's dance will cap two days of activities for Queen Sheila and her court. The court will ride Friday in the Fourth of July parade, in Condon, and at the Condon Ro-

deo that afternoon. They will be back in Heppner for the Saturday night affair.

The queen and her princesses were guests Monday of the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce. Each of them told of an event they had been present at during the past two months, including the Intercollegiate Rodeo, the Arlington Rodeo, the Spray Rodeo, the Umatilla Sageriders Rodeo and the Wranglers Ride.

## First Barley Cut In Morrow County

About 20 tons of barley were delivered Monday to Morrow County Grain Growers' North Lexington elevator, marking the beginning of the county's grain harvest.

The barley was delivered from the William J. Doherty ranch north of the elevator.

"The quality of the barley was pretty good," said Riley Munkers, MCGG grain division head. "Yield-wise, there was not enough cut to tell."

North Lexington elevator operator Bob Laughlin also reported that several samples of wheat had been brought in for testing, but tests showed the wheat was too wet to store.

Munkers said Tuesday more barley was to be delivered that day, with Stan Kemp expected to join the Doherty ranch in the barley harvest.

The county wheat harvest is expected to start next Monday at North Lexington.

The two elevators at Lexington and the one at Ione are also expected to open next week, although Munkers indicated they would be open about the middle of the week.

Hugh Salter will operate the Ione house, while George Stillman and Dick Flaiz will be at Lexington.

The elevators at Heppner and Ruggs will get into operation after the middle of the month, Munkers said. Jack Healy will be here, and Elwyn Hughes is scheduled to operate the Ruggs elevator.

## Local Artists' Creations To be Displayed at Bank

Work of local artists will be displayed at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Heppner in the coming months, with one individual featured as Artist of the Month.

Opening the series of exhibits are paintings by Mrs. Nellie G. Anderson of Heppner. Mrs. Anderson has selected two groups of her work, one of watercolors and the other of oil paintings, for the current display. Many are in frames which will themselves be of interest, especially to local antique collectors.

Mrs. Anderson says, "I began painting when my daughter was a baby. The wife of the Christian church minister, Mrs. McDonald, gave water color instruction, and I was one of several people in the class."

Ten years ago Mrs. Anderson switched from watercolors to oils. She liked the oils so much that she has worked in that medium since then.

As in the case with other artists who will exhibit work in various media during the com-

ing months, some of Mrs. Anderson's paintings are priced but others are not for sale. Anyone interested in buying a painting should contact Mrs. Anderson personally.

The frames are not included with the sale of the paintings. "They are beautiful, ornate antiques well worth the visit to the exhibit to be viewed for themselves," said Mrs. Paul Brown, who arranged the display.

During August the exhibit will feature work by Alfred Nelson of Lexington. Nelson is a student of Dr. Margaret McDevitt, who has been teaching classes in oil painting during the past two years at Heppner, Arlington, and Pilot Rock.

In coming months other Morrow county residents will be "Artists of the Month" with work displayed at the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

The exhibits are the project of the Morrow County Amateur Art club. The group hopes to stimulate interest in creative work such as painting.

## Contract Accepted For HHS Position

A Hermiston administrator has accepted a contract for the position of principal at Heppner High school, according to Morrow County School District R-1 Superintendent Ron Daniels.

Jim A. Bier, vice-principal at Hermiston High school for the past three years, accepted the position left vacant by Richard Carpenter, who resigned to take a similar job at Central Linn High school in Halsey.

The contract for Bier has not yet been approved by the R-1 Board of Directors, however, and is not binding until the board meets July 21.

At Hermiston, Bier was in charge of curriculum, scheduling and staff supervision.



"RED SAILS IN THE SUNSET" is the object of Mrs. Nellie Anderson's careful eye. Mrs. Anderson painted this picture, which along with others, will be featured at the Bank of Eastern Oregon. She is the first of several local artists whose works will be shown. (G-T Photo).