

GRAIN PRICES

(Courtesy of Morrow County Grain Growers)
(F.O.B. Lexington, does not include warehouse chgs.)

Soft White Wheat	1.42
Barley	38.75

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WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM

Week of Feb. 4-10

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	42	30	—
Thursday	43	30	.06
Friday	43	34	.28
Saturday	41	35	.02
Sunday	40	34	—
Monday	38	34	—
Tuesday	37	34	—

Board Approves School Budget For 1970-71

Budget Completed At Tuesday Meeting

By RON DANIELS

The Morrow County School District R-1 Budget Committee completed work on the 1970-71 school budget at a meeting held in Lexington on Feb. 10, 1970.

The budget as approved by the budget committee calls for total requirements of \$1,460,774. An increase of \$80,782 above the 1969-70 budget. This figure represents an increase of 5.8% over the present budget.

The actual tax levy increase will only be \$48,190 due to a cash carryover of \$32,592 from the last year's budget. The tax levy increase of \$48,190 represents a tax levy increase of 4.2% above this year's tax levy.

The cost of the increase will be approximately 55¢ per \$1,000 of TCY.

Taxpayers in code area 1, the Heppner area, will actually pay less school taxes next year due to the fact that the old school district No. 1 bond levy of 94¢ per \$1,000 TCY was paid off this year.

The Budget Committee met three times and made budget cuts amounting to \$14,532. However, due to increases in the cost of fire insurance and social security it was necessary to increase fixed charges by \$7,230. This resulted in a net budget reduction of \$7,302.

The budget hearing date was set for March 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the district office at Lexington.

Mustangs Face Double Header

By JOHN HARRIS
Western division league standings

Madras	4	0
Wah-tonka	3	1
Heppner	1	2
Sherman	1	2
Pilot Rock	0	4

Friday games: Sherman at Heppner.

Saturday games: Madras at Pilot Rock; Heppner at Wah-tonka.

Two league games are on the agenda for the Heppner Mustangs this weekend, Feb. 13 and 14. Friday night the Horsemen take on Sherman's Huskies on the HHS floor. Saturday night they tangle again with the Wah-tonka Eagles at The Dalles.

Coach Bob Clough's team comes off a three-game losing streak including last week's 82-57 trouncing by the Madras White Buffaloes.

The Mustangs will play Sherman for the first time this season Friday night; although both teams participated in the Heppner Christmas tourney they did not meet.

Clough says that he saw Sherman last Saturday night and they looked good against Condon. He added that they had a bad night shooting, but they played pretty good basketball.

Saturday takes the Horsemen to The Dalles for a revenge match with the Wah-tonka Eagles. In the last outing against the Eagles, the Mustangs came up on the short end of a lopsided score. Teaming the inside power of Butch Schmidt with the outside ability of Carl Settler and Lynn Fulps, the Eagles trimmed the Mustangs' hooves. The Mustangs beat the Eagles in three overtimes here to take the Christmas tournament, so this game is in the nature of a playoff.

Both varsity games will start at 8:15, with preliminary junior varsity games scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

1970's First Fire Brings Quick Action

The first fire call since Thanksgiving was Sunday evening at the Adrian Cook residence on Chase St. An overheated flue was extinguished by Mr. Cook just before the fire ladies arrived. Three trucks and 14 firemen promptly responded to the call. And no damage resulted from the fire.



CLIFF INGHAM

Chamber to Get Economic Report

The Morrow County Applicant Potential and Economics Base Report, completed last year by the Employment Division's Smaller Communities Program, will be presented to county officials and businessmen at the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber luncheon meeting at the Wagon Wheel in Heppner Monday, Feb. 16. Copies of the 40-page report will be available at that time, according to Cliff Ingham, supervisor, Smaller Communities Program, Salem, who will make the presentation.

The Morrow County study, which contains photographs of various industries and scenic spots in the area, has sections covering history, population, agriculture, nonagricultural industries, employment distribution, natural resources, industrial sites, the labor force and human resources of the county. The publication will be made available to large industrial firms, to planning groups, civic groups, schools, libraries and will be available through the Morrow County Chamber of Commerce, Port of Morrow County, and the County Court.

Trailer and Camper License Deadline Approaching

Owners of travel trailers, mobile homes and campers who have not licensed the unit under ORS 481.990 may be issued a citation for a traffic offense. ORS 481.504 requires that each sheriff shall make a search in his county at least quarterly during each calendar year for campers, mobile homes and travel trailers located in the county and not displaying a proper license plate evidencing registration.

This information is contained in an Attorney General's opinion and was sent to John Molahan, Morrow County Sheriff. The 1969 legislature passed into law the licensing regulations. All such units must be licensed by March 31, 1970.

FFA Week Activities Planned Feb. 22-28

National FFA Week Feb. 22-28 will be observed with a variety of activities. The Heppner High School chapter will have the banquet on Feb. 24. This will be prepared and served by the Future Homemakers. The members will meet with 8th grade students and explain to them about FFA to interest them in becoming members when they get to high school. John Harris, FFA president, will be a guest at the Chamber of Commerce on Feb. 23. Hal Whitaker is FFA instructor.

The Boardman Chapter of FFA has planned its banquet for Feb. 24. They have sent for FFA around school telling the FFA story. Ron Black is the FFA instructor.

Merchants Date Big Sale Days

The Heppner Merchants Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has set Feb. 20 and 21 next week for the annual George Washington Birthday sale days.

The big event is one of the largest bargain times of the winter sale season and will be noted by special mark downs in many different lines. If you don't need anything, the merchants cordially invite you to come on in anyway and look around, admire the displays and meet your friends.

Kdg. Mothers Plan Chili Feed

"WANTED" posters are out. The Heppner Civic League better known as the Heppner Kindergarten Mothers want YOU to attend the Chili Feed on Feb. 20 at the high school. Proceeds will supplement the kindergarten teachers salary, supplies and milk for the snack time.

This group meets once a month on the 3rd Monday in the kindergarten room of the Junior High Bldg. Mrs. Bruce Griffith is president, Mrs. Randy Lott, vice president; Mrs. Jerry Adamson, secretary; Barbara Jessmer, treasurer.

There are 37 kindergarten children divided into the morning and afternoon sections. Mrs. Marcel Jones is the teacher. Room mothers for the morning are Mrs. Bill Brannon and Mrs. Sybil Galliher and for the afternoon Mrs. Dan James and Mrs. Dave Kircher.

They put out a newsletter every month, The Chatter Reporter by Chatter Box.



LEE HUSON

Lee Huson Makes East Shrine Team

The East-West Shrine game is back at Pendleton this August and Lee Huson of Heppner has been selected as one of the players. This honor is rightly deserved by this outstanding young man from Heppner High School who not only is an outstanding athlete but keeps a good GPA along with other school activities.

Early this year he was chosen as an Outstanding Teenager of America along with Jody Rugg and Patrick Kilkenny. They are entered in the state competition for the Governor's Trophy which is rewarded to one Outstanding Teenager.

He has been elected to numerous offices and went to Boys' State last summer at Corvallis. He was elected vice president of his freshman class, treasurer of his sophomore class and was ASB sergeant-at-arms his junior year.

He served on the Junior-Senior banquet committee and chair-maned the Class Activities Evaluation committee. He has been the Heppner representative on the EO's Student "As We See It".

Lee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Huson.

Players this year in the Shrine game will be allowed just one gift, costing \$10 or less. The game was cancelled last year by the NCAA because too great a percentage of the receipts was spent and because players received more than one gift.

Named to All-State Chorus



GRANT WALTER, Riverside High School senior chosen to sing in the All-State Chorus in April.



PAMELA KUHN, Riverside High School senior who has been chosen to sing in the All-State Chorus.

Wonser Hopes to Better Heart 1969

Pat Wonser has accepted the appointment as Chairman for Morrow County for the 1970 Heart Fund Drive. He says "Heart disease accounted for 54% of all deaths in Oregon during the year 1968. Contributions to the Heart fund make possible the never-ending research on grants made possible through the Oregon Heart Ass'n. Developments such as the Start-Edwards mitral valve and jogging program are but two of the breakthroughs made within the state."

Morrow County residents donated a total of \$1193 to the Heart Cause during 1969.

Ways to make contributions are varied. The informational letters will be mailed out this week. Contributions may be mailed back in the enclosed envelopes, Heart Fund memorials may be made at any time at First National.

Feb. 15-22 is Heart Week and Feb. 22 is Heart Sunday.

In addition to his Heart chairmanship, Mr. Wonser is a mem-

ber of Morrow County Jaycees, treasurer of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce, member of the Elks Lodge and of the American Institute of Banking. He also serves on the Morrow County Juvenile Advisory Committee.

Chamber Enjoys Trip to Ireland

The Chamber of Commerce was chaired at the Monday luncheon by Vice President Gene Pierce.

Jerry Adamson announced the annual George Washington Sale would be an event of Feb. 20 and 21 here.

IFYE Student Talks

Harold Kerr introduced Martha Wiley of Sauvie's Island, near Portland. She had been a Farm Youth Exchange student in Ireland this summer. As a busy 4-H member with much experience with sheep, Miss Wiley was much impressed with the fine folks she associated with in Ireland. She explained that life was much as it was in the USA except for a few differences in the way of conveniences. The Irish cook and heat with peat. Entertainment is much more centered in the homes there. Dancing is very popular and often 4 evenings a week are spent in dancing. She showed many slides depicting all kinds of things seen in Ireland, from the famous cut lead glass works at Waterford, the commercial fishing country, national horse shows, fox hunts, many castles, Irish gypsies, and a great many phases of their farming. The country is as green as everyone has said it was. Audience was much appreciative of the fine talk and tour offered by Miss Wiley.

Shobe Study Underway

TELEGRAM received 3:45 p.m. Feb. 10—

Am pleased to report the Corps of Engineers study of Shobe Creek is now underway. I will be anxious to follow up on the Corps recommendations.

Al Ullman

County Gets Highway Funds

Morrow County is to receive a little chunk of the distribution of \$5,189,677 in highway user tax funds from the State Highway Commission.

The county had 4,418 vehicles registered in 1968 and is to receive \$10,008.77.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



WINNER OF Five Dollars this week is this snow scene behind Sylvia Wells' home taken by Al Martin.

4% Increase Seen For Coming Year

With all members of the budget committee present except one Tuesday evening, the committee approved the school budget to be submitted to the people.

The proposed budget of \$1,460,774, shows an increase of 5.8% over last year's budget. With the cash carryover from last year's budget, the 1970-71 budget will only increase taxes by 4.2% or about 55¢ per \$1,000 TCY.

The committee went through the budget series by series and after much discussion and some changes, approved each one before finally approving the final budget.

The 200 series, the instruction series, is the biggest item on the budget. The final approved figure was \$882,718. This was lowered by \$7300 with one less teacher required for the district this year.

Comments

The base pay for teachers set at \$7800 with subsequent raises on all steps of the salary schedule accounts for a major portion of the entire budget.

The amount for substitute teachers is more in the elementary grades because a substitute is required while in the high schools, other teachers may fill in.

Supplies have increased but the amount budgeted has remained the same due to bulk purchasing and bidding of many supplies.

This is not a state adopted text book year. Language Art, Science and Math and Social Studies texts are used for 6 years. A category is selected every two years.

The testing program is county wide. Only one set of Achievement, IQ and Aptitude booklets are ordered for use in all the schools and ordering by the district office has cut this item considerably.

400 Series

The 400 series is Health. Here there were some raises over the proposed budget as first studied due to rising costs in the Student Health Insurance. By taking



REP. IRVIN MANN

Irrigation Project Speaker at Lexington Grange February 25

Ken Turner and Dave Baker recently appointed co-chairmen of a committee to investigate all the possibilities for water development in Morrow County, have arranged for a meeting with John Mangan, Salem Reclamation office. Mr. Mangan, area engineer will speak at the Lexington Grange Hall Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m. He will discuss the Columbia South Side project which includes all lands south of the Columbia River between Buttercreek and the Deschutes River and back to 1400-1500 ft. elevation.

Also on the program will be Rep. Irvin Mann Jr. who will explain the State Bonding program which he sponsored at the last session of the Oregon Legislature.

McTavish Back Home Again

McTavish, the popular yellow tom cat owned by the Heppner Hotel (or who 'owns' the Heppner Hotel) is back home again. He disappeared Feb. 1 and got back home last Saturday, fur badly rumpled, somewhat skinnier and with real sore feet.

Folks have guessed that he was stolen and had walked quite a long distance. This well known cat usually suns himself in front of the Hotel, has visited a number of stores, all cafes in town and even has been seen at the banks.

Heppner Elks Date Big Event

Heppner Elks Lodge No. 358 will hold their 73rd annual celebration here Saturday, Feb. 21. The event always coincides with George Washington's birthday. Registration will be at Heppner Auto Sales, Inc., showroom at 11 a.m. Regular lodge will convene at 2 p.m. Dinner is to be served at the high school at 6 p.m. A dance will be at 9.

Capital Outlay Rates Longest Discussion

Capital outlay received considerable discussion at the budget meeting Tuesday evening. This will be reviewed in next week's issue of the Gazette-Times.

Budget Dates Set

The first publication of the notice of hearing and the summarized 1970-71 school budget will be printed in the Feb. 19 issue of the Gazette-Times. The second publication of the notice will be published Feb. 26. The public hearing on the budget will be March 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the District office.

ing the blanket coverage for all students the cost per child is much less. Half of the cost is collected from the students. Last year \$1500 was the amount of resource from student payments. The charges for next year were raised from \$2.00 to \$2.50 in grades 1 to 8 and from \$6.00 to \$6.75 for grades from 8 through 12. This increase raised this series to \$4900.

500 Series—Transportation

Three thousand dollars was added to transportation but \$7000 was removed from contracted services because the bus will pick up some students that had been contracted previously.

It is possible that pickups for use in the FFA departments may be procured on a basis similar to the Driver Ed. car. Supt. Daniels reported that he had talked to 10 car dealers in the area as well as regional representatives. The district would be required to pay the insurance and return the pickups at the end of the year. With this possibility, the budget committee voted to eliminate the half-ton pickup from the replacement of vehicles at a reduction to the 535 series of \$2500.

A total of 35 rigs are covered in the fleet comprehensive coverage with \$100 deductible carried by the district.

Total transportation services was approved at \$114,287.

600 Series—Operation of Plant

Light bulbs seem to be quite an item and salesmen will bid this year as last. The Light bulb item runs \$1500 to \$2000 a year. The Heppner High School heating system continues to be a serious problem of inefficiency. The shop and gym are heated with an oil furnace, the rest with electric heat. The Riverside School system functioning properly has provided over temperatures throughout the building.

The telephone bills were dis-

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