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More Power to 'Em

Earth Day caused quite a ripple in Heppner last Wednesday with students taking the lead to point out some of the pollution areas they could do something about and others they wish somebody else would do something about.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Heppner elementary school students who were out all day with sacks in hand picking up litter from bank to bank along the creeks, back alleys and side streets. They surely will put their own litter in the barrels and baskets and see that their families do likewise after those hours of back bending labor.

The high school took another approach to the problem. They provided a program to hear reports from members of the Sociology Class on pollution of the air and water. This was followed by a panel of local people who aired pollution problems in their own professional areas or personal interests.

They closed their evening with slides of eye sores in and about Heppner.

It was GOOD listening. Better yet if it prompts some action. On the theory that the squeaky wheel gets the oil, we hope the students won't stop but continue pushing until they attain some of their goals.

Hearing on Willow Creek

A hearing on various projects is coming up soon. The proposed Willow Creek Dam project has a chance for some funding if we are noisy enough . . . and lucky enough. Congressman Al Ullman has alerted the Morrow County Court about a hearing in Washington, D. C. next Tuesday. The Chamber of Commerce will send Clarence Rosewall and the County Court will send Commissioner Jack Van Winkle. These gentlemen will present the case for the Willow Creek project. We understand this has been done about three times before this so it is a "never say die" effort. This year, they have added ammunition following last year's flood, even though it was on an adjoining creek.

Good News for Irrigators

Some big things are happening here in Morrow County. You and I have seen the beginnings of the coming revolution in agriculture here, with some acreage going into potatoes and beans. Ken Turner and the Lindstrom Bros., among many others, had pointed out the possibilities. Also, they had pointed out the big fat limitation—water.

Early this week it appeared that the 160 acre Bureau of Reclamation ownership limitation for irrigating was done for. This has stopped four or five large developments in north Morrow County. Long range effects, we believe, will be great and may reach right down to the very center of the county if pumping from the Columbia develops as we believe it will.

Mrs. Roy Drake was called to Spokane Sunday by the sudden death of her brother, Stephen Elmo Wright. Funeral services were held Wednesday in Spokane and Mrs. Drake expects to spend the rest of the week there.

School Lunch Menus

Presented Through Courtesy of Heppner Branch

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON

Heppner Elementary and High Schools

Monday, May 4—Chili, corn bread, fruit salad, peaches, cookies, milk.

Tuesday, May 5—Hot Dogs, potato chips, pickles, green salad, Jell-O with fruit, milk, ice cream bar.

Wednesday, May 6—Macaroni and cheese, Harvard beets, cole slaw, rolls, milk, pudding.

Thursday, May 7—Potatoes and gravy, cinnamon rolls, spinach, vegetable salad, candy bar, milk.

Friday, May 8—Toasted cheese sandwiches, vegetable beef soup, lettuce wedge, Pine-apple upside down cake, milk.

PROPERTY TAX FAX

If you have a question concerning real or personal property please state all the facts as briefly as possible and mail it to Mrs. Joyce Ritch, Morrow County Special Assessor, Box 742, Heppner, Orge.

QUESTION: I conveyed my land by deed to the county for a road in November, 1968, dedicating it to the public. Should the real property taxes for 1968-69 be prorated?

ANSWER: No. Pursuant to ORS 311.405, taxes become a lien on the property July 1. There is no authority in the statutes for prorating the taxes where a road is dedicated and dedicated under ORS 368.546, as was apparently done here. There is no way in the instant case to prorate taxes.

Ron Sherman On Honor Roll

One name was omitted from the nine week honor roll for Heppner High School that was pirated last week. Ron Sherman with 3.50 GPA should have been listed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Charlie and Dorothy: I now something good about you and, I've chosen this little verse to help me convey my sincere thanks and appreciation for your good deed. Using your time and allowing space in your paper to plead for the worthy cause to help the many civic minded groups, with their projects for the less fortunate, is a most commendable brother's keeper program.

ABOUT YOU Wouldn't this old world be better if the folks we meet would say, "I know something good about you?" And then treat us just that way?

Wouldn't it be fine and dandy! If each handclasp warm and true. Carried with it this assurance "I know something good about you!"

Wouldn't life be lots more happy. If we praised the good we see? For there's such a lot of goodness In the worst of you and me.

Wouldn't it be nice to practice That fine way of thinking too? You know something good about me I know something good about you.

Gratefully yours,
Mrs. Lois Winchester

Dear Dorothy and Charlie, Do you know, or have you heard—has anything constructive been done towards building the Willow creek dam? After the June 1969 flood, Judge Jones journeyed to the Capitol, to attempt to start some action on the Willow creek dam, which was authorized by Congress in 1965. What has been done, besides more money spent on 'studies'? There have been studies since 1903. Where have these 'studies' led? Nowhere?

Heppner is my hometown. I am interested in my hometown. Sometime in the future, my husband, Jim and I plan to return to Heppner. Will Heppner still be plagued with the threat of yearly spring floods? Or will there be a dam on Willow creek to handle the cloud bursts? Or possibly two smaller dams would be the answer to the problem which has plagued Heppner since the disaster of 1903.

If you have any 'info' on the Willow Creek Reservoir, I would appreciate hearing it. Soon, it will be Memorial Day, and the first half of June, when the other floods have occurred. I would like to see the floods stopped and the water used for building, not destroying Heppner.

My husband and I, and our children enjoy reading the Gazette-Times each week.

Sincerely,
Nancy J. Rounsefell
Rt. 4 Box 1855
Boring, Oregon 97009

Remember me? I'm Gene and Fay Ferguson's daughter. It is raining here, as the people my father-in-law hired to plant several thousand tiny Christmas trees, try to finish planting before the ground gets too wet? God bless you.

Dear Editors: So on Saturday came another surprise over the telephone with Mildred Green calling. Her name is Mrs. Lester Lundquist (daughter of Mattie Green and the late Alex Green) and she and her husband of these past five years live near Gresham. Mildred says she went to school with Ellis Thomson from the first grade until graduation from high school. She has

taught for the past 23 years and is at Corbett teaching third grade. She plans to teach until retirement age.

Mildred is the mother of two children, a son at Santa Monica who is being transferred to Colorado Springs and a daughter whose husband is a Major in the Air Corps in Germany, so Mildred and her husband will be leaving for Germany in June on vacation.

She was reminiscing about the olden days and mentioned how her sister, Ruth Green McCaleb, used to pinch hit for me in the old East Oregonian days when I was on vacation. Ah me. Memories, olden dreams long gone.

Mr. Lundquist is an accountant at the Gender Machine works.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney were in Portland for a few days. He attending a meeting for attorneys. While here they stopped by to visit Josephine Mahoney Baker, a sister by the stretch of the imagination.

Josephine Mahoney Baker

Pioneer



Ponderings

By W. S. CAVERHILL

The Coming Election

The May and November elections this year are of unusual importance. The money situation, the riots, the campus unrest and higher taxes are reasons for the average voters' apprehensions. It is difficult to get a good man or woman without special interest to run for office. This is a time when we should look carefully at the people who are running for city, school and county offices. Those who are seeking to return and have done a creditable job should not be retired because they may have opposed some regional or personal request. It takes good men to do that sometimes.

CHUCK WAGON

Wish someone could explain why two or three dandelions come up where we've just dug up one.

Our thanks to Elma and Everett Harshman and Alice and Art Vance for a couple of loads of what makes our garden grow.

Vic Greshens caught a 23 inch salmon and a 17 inch in the Columbia last weekend. He says his secret in landing them is to let 'em have the line and not fight 'em.

Betty Bunch recently had a Siamese tom cat "Tuffy" shot. She said this is the second Siamese she owned that had been shot. She doesn't know whether a rabbit hunter shot it by accident or whether it was a mean ornery cuss who does the dirty work.

Automation is arriving all over. Last week busy people swarmed over the lawns at All Saints' Episcopal Church here. An automatic sprinkler system was installed with special ditch digging equipment by folks who know what to do to make lawn watering more pleasurable.

And—in spite of the weather—lots of flowers are appearing all around the county. In spite of appearances to the contrary, we think spring will arrive some time.

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM YOUR FRIENDLY CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE?

We don't see how you missed us. There are a MILLION enrolled in our Sunday schools. There are more than 6,000 Nazarene congregations around the world, cared for by more than that many ministers. For years the Church of the Nazarene has led all other Protestant denominations of over 100,000 membership in per capita giving. AND when you are in Kansas City, Mo., on vacation, be sure to see the Nazarene Publishing House—the seventh largest denominational publishing house in the world—publishing under the NPH and Beacon Hill imprint. AND that Lillenas music you see so often in advertisements and in music stores is ours too. It is published also at Kansas City by Lillenas Publishing Company, the largest gospel music publishing house in the world. No wonder we are surprised that you don't know us.

But that may be more our fault than yours. So while this weekly article will acquaint you with our Church at large, we do want to cordially invite you to visit with us and thus acquaint yourself with our Heppner Church. We just hope that in a few weeks we will never be strangers again.



SANDRA LEIGH McBRIDE

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. D. V. McBride announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Leigh, to Mark Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rod Murray of Heppner. The wedding will be a June event.

Sandra, a 1968 graduate of Newberg High school, has been attending Emanuel Hospital School of Nursing in Portland. Mark graduated from Heppner High school with the class of '66 and is now a senior in the School of Pharmacy at OSU.



Over The Tee Cup

By MARIE McQUARRIE

"Annual Work Day" turned out to be an "on again — off again" affair, but finally ended up to be "on" for a few brave, warm-blooded industrious men and women. The men who did show up did a good job where time and weather permitted. The gals prepared a nice lunch for them, which tasted mighty good coming into the warm club house. Thanks to everyone who ignored our unseasonal weather and did their job Sunday. Another work day will be planned but that can wait until we can be half-way sure of a nice day.

The Bank of Eastern Oregon donated three full years of their nice large calendar sheets to the Willow Creek Country Club. These will be hanging on the wall in the clubhouse and coming dates and events can be posted to remind everyone just what is going on. We certainly appreciate your giving these to us and a "Great Big 'Thank You'" , Bank of Eastern Oregon.

The ladies decided snow was not conducive to good golf so our "first Ladies Day" found none of us on the course. We are hoping (and who isn't?) for better weather next week. Ladies Day starts at 9:30 A.M. Next week, May 5th, will be the first Tuesday of the month and will be sack lunch day and a meeting, so stick around, gals, after playing and we will all eat together and visit and maybe talk a little business.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo recently attended a medical meeting in Portland. He said he had a very enjoyable trip, accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Milo Prindle.

Irrigon Families Join Overseas Husbands

By FRANCES ROSE WILSON

IRRIGON—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jeffrey and Kevin, of Selah, Wn., were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Coy, to visit Mrs. Opal Fitzgerald and children before they leave to join ESG David Fitzgerald, in the Philippine Islands. Mrs. Keith (Mary) Maddox left Portland by plane to join her husband in Bamberg, Germany. She flew over the North Pole and Greenland. Sp/4 Keith Maddox is clerk in a motor pool, stationed with the U. S. Army in Germany.

Members of the Morrow County Juvenile Advisory Committee met at the County Courthouse in Heppner on April 20. Student members who attended from Irrigon were Bruce Buchanan and Leon Wilson.

There was discussion from the group, representing the various communities of Morrow County, on preventive programs that could be developed. Possible program areas were drug education, use of volunteer students to tutor younger and less able students especially with reading and exploring use of adult volunteers for certain services.

The next meeting will be May 18, 8 p.m., Riverside High School, Boardman. Mrs. Don Leighton is convalescing at her home after recent surgery at St. Anthony hospital, Pendleton. Mr. Leighton's mother, Mrs. Zora Schmitt of Elgin was a visitor at their home on Sunday and Monday. She came with Ida Slaughter, a former resident, who also visited friends in the area.

CA Day Observed

National C. A. Day was observed by young people of the Irrigon Assembly of God on Sunday when they were in charge of the opening exercises of the evening services. The group listened to a tape recorded testimony by Tom Lester, who plays the part of Eb on the TV program of "Green Acres". The choir sang a special song and Pastor John Kenny gave a message geared to meet the need of young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Rees Morgan traveled to Riley, Kan., where they are visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Batie Rand returned from a vacation trip to Lake Havasu City, Ariz., the past week.

Mrs. Josephine Buchanan and Mrs. Herman Havecost visited their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Montague in Toppenish. Mrs. Buchanan stayed

ed a week while Mrs. Havecost returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Overbaugh visited his sister and her sister in Portland and West Linn, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Coy, Starla, Revell and Ryan and Mrs. Opal Fitzgerald, Fay, Charles and Mark, visited Clara Fay Coy on her birthday, Saturday in Portland. They all called on Mr. and Mrs. Whittenberg (Aloma Boone) at Kalama, Wn.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

MAY 5

Golden Age Club meets first Tuesday
7:00 Potluck Luncheon
Episcopal Parish Hall

APRIL 30

Heppner High School Speech Club
3 one-act plays, 7:30 HHS Auditorium, \$1.00, 50c

MAY 4

Election of School District directors

MAY 8

Degree of Honor Food Sale, 10:00 a.m.
Evans Lumber Yard. Pie and Coffee served.
Benefit Linda Cooper travel fund.

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GRAND PARADE, Saturday, May 9 — 10:30 a.m.
Mounted Gymkhana, Saturday, May 9 — 1 p.m.

JUNIOR TRACK and FIELD MEET Saturday, May 9 — 1:30 p.m.

ENGLISH MOTOR BIKE TRIALS Saturday, May 9 — 2 p.m.

GIANT CHICKEN BROILER CUE Starting at 3 p.m., Saturday, May 9

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE — Saturday Night

QUEEN'S CORONATION and TALENT SHOW Monday, May 4 — 7:30 p.m. Mac-Hi Auditorium

TEEN DANCE FRIDAY NIGHT, May 8 Music by the JOINT SOCIETY — 9 to 1 a.m.

CARNIVAL THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY—MAY 7-8-9

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