

New Industry Comes To Morrow County

GRAIN PRICES

(Courtesy of Morrow County Grain Growers)
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(July 15 Delivery, Wheat 1.44)
(Last Half July Delivery, Wheat 1.40)
(Barley No Quotation)

Valerie and Gwen Give Reports On Girls' State

Valerie Boyer and Gwen Drake are home after a week at Girls' State held on the Willamette campus. As delegates to Girls' State, they were financed by the Heppner American Legion Auxiliary and Soroptimist Club. Girls' State is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. It is a system of democratic government in action. The girls are divided into parties and assigned to counties and cities. Both girls were members of the Federalist party. Valerie was assigned to Weddell county and the town of Ketola and Gwen to Gower county and the town of Laurel City.

Gwen ran for representative from Gower County, defeated, she then served as secretary to a representative. She wrote notes and other memorandum for the representative. Her representative served on the Health and Welfare Committee which introduced a bill to legalize prostitution which was defeated.

Valerie was elected city councilman of Ketola and ran for representative from Weddell county. After she was defeated, she was appointed secretary to a senator. Each committee introduced a bill.

Valerie's senator's committee introduced a bill to eliminate the six-months' waiting period for final adoption of children. The bill passed both houses.

Each girl participated in the flag raising and lowering which is held morning and evening. Another solemn occasion was Vespers held each evening.

The girls sang constantly at meal time, before a speaker, at Vespers at flag raising and serenaded the state officials.

George Sanders, as for the last several years, was named the best of speakers. The Heppner delegates are hoping their class of 1971 may have him as commencement speaker. Mr. Sanders, a TV figure from Portland has proved to be an outstanding speaker. He offered to answer any and all questions the girls wanted to write out and ask.

He answered Valerie's "How would you treat the student unrest on the campus?" and Gwen's "Do you think marijuana should be legalized?"

Other speakers were Governor Tom McCall, Secretary of State Clay Myers, Bob Adkins, two Salem Police force members who talked and showed films on drugs.

Department Commander of the American Legion and president of the American Legion Auxiliary were present for the inauguration of Girls' State Governor, Cathi Galati who was from Gwen's county.

The candle lighting ceremony Friday night was held on the Quad. Each girl carried a battery candle and marched to form a horseshoe to sing. A cross was formed when they sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and last year's Girls' State Governor laid a wreath at the foot of the cross.

Mrs. Grace Drake attended the Candle Lighting Ceremony. Other fun times were the picnic and county parties which lasted well into the morning.

They visited the Supreme Court while it was in session and heard the attorney's presentation for a case. Earlier in the week they heard a mock trial that was presided over by a judge.

They visited Bush House. The meals were extra good. They enjoyed the Talent Show. Style shows were held during meals.

They came home exhausted.

Surveyor At Penland Prairie
The surveyor spent four days at Penland Prairie this past week. He is staking the perimeter of the 160 acres that the Penland Prairie Corp. has purchased from Orville Cutsforth. They ran in to some heavy undergrowth and had considerable difficulty in establishing the lines. In some cases they had to fall two or three trees.

Packwood's Assistant Looks over Willow Project

Lamar Crosby, executive assistant to Senator Bob Packwood was in Heppner Thursday. With Judge Jones and the three members of the group that went to Washington, D. C., he went over the Willow Creek project. He said it was a more compact project than he had envisioned it and small in the eyes of most public projects.

He talked with the Corps of Engineers in Walla Walla Wednesday. He was told there is no money at the moment in the 1970-71 budget for the construction of Willow Creek Dam. If the costs continue rising the cost-benefit ratio of the project will be out of proportion and it won't be feasible.

He noted the great value to the project of the visits and testimony of the delegates who have gone to Washington, D. C. Their appearance before the committee continues to remind them of the project.

Former Heppner Boy Receives Carnegie Medal for Heroism

(Ed. note: This story is proudly shared with us by Mrs. Robert Lowe. Robert Scott is her son-in-law married to the former Ida Sue Stratton. Mrs. Mabel Chaffee is Mr. Scott's great aunt. He also has other relatives in this area.)

Robert D. Scott, son-in-law of Mrs. Bob Lowe has received the Carnegie Medal for Heroism and \$500. The award was made on the basis of a rescue made in the turbulent waters of the Snake river above Clarkston June 16, 1968. With him was Douglas K. Harris who received the same award.

They saved one life, Catherine Herndon, and recovered another child, Steven, but Mrs. Herndon and another child disappeared in the river after their pickup left the highway and went into the river. Steven was pronounced dead by a physician on shore. Mike Herndon, the father, is a Milton-Freewater boy.

Mr. Scott, an iron man on Dworshak Dam, is still living at Clarkston. The Scotts have three children, Robin, Shane and David.

The award was presented recently at a ceremony.

Ione Celebration Due July 3

Ione will greet the 4th of July with a kind of big preview on Friday, July 3. Starting things off will be a fine color movie "Brightly of the Grand Canyon" presented at 7 p.m. along with some cartoons in the Ione School Cafeteria. The movie is sponsored by the Ione Lions Club.

Afterwards, the Ione post of the American Legion will present a fine fireworks display at Ione Memorial Field.

There will be concessions available, courtesy of the Ione American Legion Auxiliary.

Everyone is cordially invited to this fine patriotic celebration.

The Twister Strikes Once Again

It was in 1957 that Dean Hunt saw a twister within a mile of the same place he saw the one last Friday. When he first saw it, it was so black he thought it was a grain fire. There seemed to be a dark streak in the center with a smaller one close to it. As it got closer it was like a wall of dirt.

He jumped under the combine he was using in the field and watched the "funnel" speed towards his farm shop where 17 year old Bruce Marquardt was working.

Because the wind had been blowing all day he didn't notice any increase in the wind but it became so dark and there was so much dust he couldn't see anything. The door slammed shut and everything started creaking and cracking. He couldn't get a door open but as the building twisted the big garage doors parted enough so he could get through and he dove into the creek bed and hung on to the bushes along the bank.

Later it was discovered that one of the big garage doors went down right where he had run between the shop and the combine. It is not known which moved the combine or the building but there are dents and red paint matching the paint on the combine on the side of the heavy galvanized steel wall of the shop.

87th Year

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Game Count Shows More Deer, Elk

The annual Oregon State Game Commission game survey of Heppner Unit for the past winter was recently completed. It was made by Glen Ward and Jack Melland.

The 1970 deer census was made by horseback and showed 15.1 deer per mile. The five year average is 14.4 deer per mile.

The number of bucks and fawns per 100 does totals 15 bucks and 76 fawns. In 1969 there were 17 bucks and 63 fawns per 100 does.

In 1969 there were 9300 hunters harvested 2470 bucks and 1280 antlerless deer plus 20 in the archery season. Total 3770 deer harvested.

The winter loss on 167 miles of the horseback census sampling showed 1.06 deer carcasses per mile, considered a very light winter loss. The number of antlerless permits are based on winter range conditions and damage complaints of landowners. There were 20 damage complaints in 1969.

Elk Count
Annual elk census was made by airplane with 67 miles flown.

Census showed in 1970 there are 5.1 elk per mile. The five year average is 4.8 elk per mile. There are 7 bulls and 46 calves per 100 cows. Last year 2610 hunters harvested 220 bulls, 91 cows or calves.

There is no elk winter loss and the outlook appears real good, according to the Game Commission officials, Glen Ward and Jack Melland.

They say there is better range this year in the high country and deer and elk are in the higher elevations. This accounts for people not seeing much big game in lower elevations as they had in recent drier years. Many twin fawns have been reported this year.

The Game people anticipate a better forked horn buck harvest this year. Of the bull elk observed 88% were spikes indicating very heavy hunting pressure in this area. It was observed that perhaps a shorter season might be needed so some of the older bulls would survive for breeding stock.

Adult Swimming Begins July 7th

The Heppner Swimming Pool will begin adult swimming lessons on Tuesday, July 7, from 9:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Tuesdays thru Thursdays.

The course will last two weeks. You may register at the pool. A basket fee will be charged.

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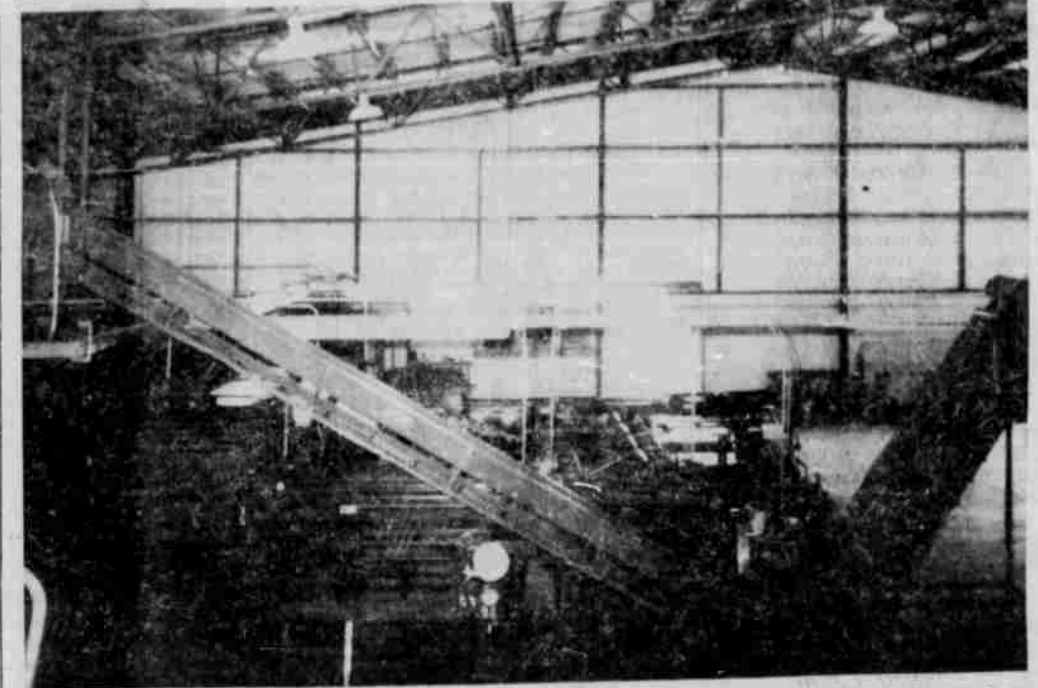
Finder Please Notify
Dean is still looking for the shade from his combine. He had a plywood 8x8 shade on the combine painted a bright yellow. The freak storm took one 4x8 sheet and left the other. If anyone finds the other half, he is curious as to how far it was taken and where it was deposited.

When the building finally settled it was about 4 feet off the foundation with buckled doors and bowed walls.

The storm traveled on from the southwest towards the north east.

At Paul Bunches
Carl King was doing the yard at the Paul Bunches when he came in to tell Mrs. Bunch that there was a wheat fire or "something" happening in the wheat field. They jumped in the car but about the time they came to the county road the dust hit them and they went back to the house.

To them it looked like a lot of little whirl winds developing beside the big one with a ter-



AN OVER-ALL shot of the Morrow Produce Co's new potato plant shows Buddy Batty in the plaid shirt pointing out the system of diversion gates to Ken Turner.

Chamber Hears IFYE Student from Japan

MOVIE COMPANY SEEKS LOCATION

The East met the West at the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce when the Japanese IFYE student sang "Oh Suzannah" in Japanese much to the enjoyment of members. She briefly told of her parents chicken ranch with 10,000 chickens close to a town of 60,000 population. The entire membership of their family works with the chickens, her parents, an older brother and a younger sister and the grandfather.

Midori Furokawa is charming as she searches for the American word she needs then finally resorts to a Japanese word. Her ready smile shows her even white teeth which look even whiter against her olive skin.

She explained her oriental dress which because she wears it so seldom requires 30 minutes to don. She usually wears American style clothes.

She showed slides of Japan's "Expo 70" and other scenes from Japan.

She told Frank Turner he had won the jackpot in Japanese!

Announcement was made that a film company was seeking information regarding all types of sites available in this area. They asked for brochures, maps and photographs. A letter was read from the J. C. Penney district manager relating their reluctance at closing the store here.



BRIAN KROLL held by his mother, Mrs. Bob Kroll and admired by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Nelson was one of the youngest at the Morrow Produce Co. Open House Saturday afternoon. If the American public keeps eating potatoes, Brian may become a 3rd generation in Morrow County's Potato Empire.

Kick Off Dance Opens Rodeo Season

The annual Kick-off Dance Saturday night officially opened the Rodeo Season in Morrow County. The crowd moved in and out smoothly as Archie Munkers and Bill Collins sold tickets. Western Gentlemen played.

Charlie Daly introduced the Court. The girls wore their official outfits. Queen Sherri in white and the others in their burgundy suits and rose pink hats and blouses.

Queen Sherri invited everyone back to dance on July 11 honoring Princess Jeri Krebs. Page 12 will play. The dance is sponsored by Willows Grange.

The Court will ride in the 4th of July parade and in the Grand Entry at Condon.

WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM

For week of June 24-30

	HI	Low	Prec
Wednesday	95	60	—
Thursday	100	55	—
Friday	98	75	.02
Saturday	75	61	—
Sunday	68	42	—
Monday	65	44	—
Tuesday	72	45	—

Prec. for June—57; Normal—1.30.

Prec. for June, 1969 — 2.68; Prec. for 1970—8.39; Normal—7.72.

Shrine Game Tickets Ready

The annual East-West All-Star Football Game for benefit of the Shrine Hospital will be an event of Aug. 22 in Pendleton.

Lee Huson of Heppner is an end on the team; Kevin Flatt of Condon and Leland Eubanks of Arlington are tackles on the East team.

Kathy Schwarzin of Heppner is this year's Shrine Game Queen.

Tickets are now available; Bryan Branstetter, Box 416, Pendleton. Prices are Gen. admission 1.50; Reserve 3.00; Box seat 3.50.

Tickets are available at Dr. Tibbles' office.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association refused to sanction the game last year because it didn't produce the required amount of net proceeds. As a result—according to Chet Broyles, game chairman—the NCAA set up rules to follow which included discontinuing lifetime passes held by former players. This will make several more ground level box seats available this year.

Pickup Totalled Saturday Night

A one car accident early Sunday morning totalled a pickup driven by Janet Palmateer of Ione. Miss Palmateer was hospitalized in Heppner but released late Sunday and is now home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Palmateer. The accident happened 1/4 mile north of the Art Watkins ranch on the Heppner-Lexington Hwy.

About 300 people went to the Morrow Produce Open House Saturday to see the new metal building filled with an array of new equipment that is the second step in the expanding of agricultural programs in Morrow County.

Last year's three circles of potatoes have expanded to more than seven circles this year farmed by the D. O. Nelsons and the Raymond Battys. This year thousand acres of potatoes will be processed in the new \$150,000 fresh potato packing plant in the Port of Morrow Industrial Park at Boardman.

The potatoes are irrigated from deep wells and were hauled out of the county last year for processing. The new facility is the result of sweat, blood and tears of the Nelson-Tuckers, the owners of Morrow Produce Co. and who own and operate the ranch 20 miles south of the new plant.

Don Tucker, manager of the plant, says they have received applications from all over Morrow County and will hire from 30 to 35 during the processing season which will last from 3 1/2 to 4 months. Processing is expected to get underway July 25 or August 1.

Begin Here

The potatoes freshly dug will be rolled at the plant onto a rubber covered continuous chain belt and raised into the even-flow tub. Here the rate of flow into the plant will be regulated.

The in-put elevator takes them over the screen sizer. A 2" screen allows the pee wees to drop through. A series of gates on any of the machinery can regulate the direction the potatoes are to go. Gates on the sizer may send the pee-wees to go out for cattle feed to the cull bin or to be sacked for B's.

The potatoes then go to the washer-dryer. They are sprayed with water, brushed with nylon bristles and dried as they go over sponge rubber rollers. If the potatoes are clean, they bypass this machine.

As the potatoes roll over the white PVC rollers, they are handpicked for culls and No. 2's. Potatoes with bruises and green spots are sent down another chain. The culls go back to the cull tank.

The green spots, bruises and knobs are cut-off and are sacked for No. 2's.

No. 1's
Basically the potatoes going on are No. 1's. These are rolled over an expanding sizer. Plastic spirals on the rollers set at certain distances apart sort them from small to large in four sizes.

By a combination of gates potatoes can be distributed to different tables for 100 lb. sacks, 50 lb. cartons or 10 lb. bags in any one of the four different sizes. They will pack under four brands: Butter Creek, Oregon Bounty, Mor-O' Gold and Mor-O-Value (No. 2's).

Electronic Sizer

Most fascinating was the Melrose electronic sizer. An electric eye measures the length and width of the potatoes for the 50 lb. boxes. According to set size, there will be from 60 to 120 potatoes in each box. Each box will be filled with the same size potatoes. These are packed mostly for restaurants who can

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BLM Asks Comment On Land Class

A proposal to classify approximately 12,000 acres of public lands in the Baker District for continued multiple use management was announced by Archie D. Craft, Oregon State Director of the Bureau of Land Management. The proposed classification includes approximately 650 acres in Morrow County, 6600 acres in Umatilla County and 4900 acres in Union County.

Classification is the process used by BLM to plan the future role of public lands. Decisions are made to determine whether lands should be transferred to private or other governmental ownership or retained for continued multiple use management by BLM.

"The proposed classification is the result of intensive study," Craft explained, "which included contacts with groups and individuals and the response has been favorable, but we want to give everyone a chance to comment."

The proposal is being published in the Federal Register. Written comments will be accepted by the Baker BLM District, P.O. Box 589, Baker, Oregon for 60 days following publication. If circumstances warrant it, a public hearing will be held at a convenient time and place, which will be announced.