

# Long Budget Meeting Occupies School Board

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previously had 2 glass backboards deleted which cut \$640. At Heppner High School top priority 2 Viking Sewing machines were left in and a refrigerator for \$225 deleted as were 6 drafting machines at \$345 and 1 radial saw, \$450, for a final cut of close to \$1000.

At Ione schools where they had wished to replace three old typewriters with Olympia typewriters the motion allowed for the purchase of only two to cut \$315.

In the final figure, the 735.1 series was \$82110 less than the proposed total but was a \$2024 increase over last year for a final approved figure of \$8158.

Under 735.2, Replacement of Equipment (non-instructional) the set of furniture for faculty-conference room at A. C. Houghton came under discussion. Principal Mick Tolar explained the room now had a worn out day-report which they hoped to replace with a couple of chairs. It is used by the faculty but also by the speech therapist and by the Mental Health Clinic people. The motion to delete it was defeated and the furniture for \$250 was left in.

### Really Heated

It was during the discussion of the 1200 series on Capital Outlay that the discussions became heated and sparks flew. It was apparent that some of the voting was going on school lines rather than district lines.

In an effort to cure an over-heating problem an awning at \$2000 had been requested for Ione High School. A similar problem at A. C. Houghton had been corrected with individual room air-conditioners. Because the awnings would be subjected to severe winds, it was suggested air-conditioners might better solve the problem.

Mr. Sumner asked "how many rooms are there in this district that are not air conditioned?" The \$2000 request was cut to \$1000.

Ione came to the front in more discussion which centered around a \$4000 request for Devac windows for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades and complete the started last year 5th grade. This was cut to \$2000.

Heppner Elementary School which carries the largest figure for capital improvements was defended by Principal Al Martin. The building is said to be structurally sound and warrants the extensive improvements which he hopes to continue "the next 1000 years" which was a quote from an earlier remark by Irv Rauch.

It was during the 1278.1 Capital Outlay (instruction) discussion that Mr. Sumner moved for some drastic cuts and said that maybe in the future the number of pupils in a school should be used as a basis to determine the amount to be spent in capital outlay. He also noted that the new equipment purchased each year eventually will find its way into the Replacement of Equipment in the 735.1 series. He said that he felt if the school had gotten along without that particular piece of equipment before and had a good program then he thought the purchase was unnecessary.

Mr. Rauch said that maybe a ratio between pupils and purchase of instructional equip-

ment might be worked out but felt that the number of high school students should be weighed as against the number of grade school students and probably weighed more for the first 50.

Supt. Daniels said such a formula might be worked out for another year but he had no recommendation for such a procedure at this time.

Don McElligott smarting from the board's discussion of the evening before suggestion that Ione High School students be transported to Heppner and the Elementary children be moved to the Ione High School building as an economy measure to avoid the purchase of a new furnace, took exception to some of the cuts suggested for Ione. He said, "I feel like I'm being shot at".

Ed Dick spoke of other school districts' difficulty in getting their budgets within the 6% increase over last year's budget. He said he felt that Morrow County had a good budget and was under the suggested limits. He felt no further cuts necessary and questioned just what kind of a reduction "are we shooting for?"

When the motion finally came to a vote, the tally was 4 to 4 with two abstaining. The chairman took his prerogative and also chose to abstain so the motion died.

Supt. Daniels noted that the two big items, a multilith press for \$4000 and a universal gym for \$2700 had previously been cut from the proposed budget and there had been a realistic effort to cut the budget. Administrators and advisory committees had done a conscientious job talking about the \$ figure and not talking about any school as against any other school.

Dr. Wolff said he felt that it was not as essential this year that the budget be cut further. He felt that the county was in as good a condition as any time in the last two years to make a capital outlay.

It was finally voted to have a five minute recess. After that the principals would voluntarily cut from their requests on a priority basis.

When the meeting re-convened, Principal Brandon of the Ione School suggested the deletion of a used string bass, Diatonic alto-sop bells, Congo drum, working model steam engine for a total of \$310. Riverside High School chose to delete a portable dishwasher for \$200. Heppner High School deleted frictional wrist roll \$75. Safety Crash pad \$250 and Polaroid Micro instrument \$75, for a total of \$400. Heppner Elementary, horizontal bar \$220, 4 student carrels reduced \$100, Viewtex previewers \$72, 2 Prime-o-tec \$600, 1 Super 8 loop projector \$160, to total a \$1152 reduction.

The first publication of the notice of the hearing and the summarized budget appears in this issue of the Gazette-Times. It will be published a second time on Feb. 25. All board meetings and budget meetings are open to the public. The Public Hearing on the budget will be held March 9 at 7:30 p.m., at the District office.

## Horsemen Dump Condon; Fall To Umatilla

By HANK DICK

Gary Watkins and La Verne Van Marter shot the net war against Condon there Friday night to attain the winning score of 74-62, but the nets were of a different material Saturday night here with Umatilla. The Vikings trounced the Mustangs 64-74.

A cold first half gave Condon a 25-30 lead. The Mustangs started their comeback in the third quarter where they nearly caught the Blue Devils, (46-47). But a hot fourth period led the Vikings to the Horsemen, dumped in 28 to Condon's 15. This left the final score 74-62.

The Horsemen shot 70% from the gift line. They dropped 26 of 37.

Individual scoring: Kemp 6, Van Marter 21, Watkins 26, Rhea 9, Bellamy and Roberts both with 3, Hall 2, Dick 2, Papineau 2, Boyer, Curnutt, Gunderson.

A poor balanced attack on Heppners part cost them the Umatilla game. Only 4 hoopers scored in the first half for the Broncos. Steve Kemp and La-Verne Van Marter scored 25 of the 29 total first half points. They cooled off though in the second half, scoring only 11 points between them. Kemp hauled down 14 rebounds with Van Marter snagging 11.

Heppner found themselves 4 points down at the end of the half 29-33. The Viks stretched their lead to 10 in the third period. The Broncos battled to a 23-23 final period score, this left the final score 74-64 in favor of Umatilla.

Individual scoring: Kemp 15, Van Marter 21, Watkins 4, Hall 4, Rhea 11, Roberts 6, Curnutt 3, Bellamy, Dick, Gunderson, Papineau, Boyer.

## CowBelles Receive National Recognition

The Morrow County CowBelles have received a beautiful silver tray as First place winners in the National Membership Drive. They had the largest increase of members paying National Membership dues over the nation this past year.

The American National CowBelles are expanding their work in promoting beef consumption and consumer education throughout the United States. The National president writes, "If we in the cattle business do not care about beef promotion, you can be sure no one else will care either. We cannot be effective in our CowBelles projects without the help of Cow-Belle dues. We need to back our business with our dollars.

Dues are now payable and may be sent to Mrs. Bob Mahoney, sec-treasurer. Dues are \$1.00 county, \$1.00 state and \$3.00 National.

## Soroptimists to See School Improvements

Al Martin will speak and show Before and After pictures of improvements done at the Heppner Junior High building the past two years and some that are contemplated this summer at the Heppner Soroptimist meeting Thursday noon at the Wagon Wheel. Members who formerly attended the school will especially appreciate seeing these pictures.

## Water Supply Forecast near Normal

Water users in Umatilla, Morrow, and Gilliam counties will have near average water supplies this coming spring and summer. Late January snow surveys show the snowpack is slightly above last year and above the 1953 to 1967 average. Arbutle snow course had 26.4 inches of depth and 8.2 inches of water.

Snow surveys are made periodically through winter and spring under a Federal-State-private cooperative program administered by the Soil Conservation Service.

Snow in the foothills is non-existent. Precipitation, mostly in the form of rain was near average. Rainfall recorded at Heppner by Don Gilliam for the December-January period was 1.82 inches as compared to an average of 2.67 inches.

Soil moisture for the mountainous areas is near average and streams should respond well to

any precipitation received during the next several months.

McKay and Cold Springs reservoirs contain above average amounts of water for this time of year. McKay, which is much below last year, has 35,000 acre feet and will most likely not fill to capacity of 73,800 this spring. Cold Springs has 35,600 acre feet and will fill.

Statewide the snowpack at the higher elevations is mostly above average. Lower elevation snow in Malheur, Harney and Lake Counties was melted by

warm rains during the latter half of January. Much of the state received above average rainfall during the month.

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## Mann & Hansell Tell Irrigation, Tax News

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permit a nuclear power generating plant and an irrigation project be tied together, and that if Pacific Power and Light is to participate in the plant, the Company would be willing, prior to the construction of any such plant, to advance to the irrigation project, any net savings that would be realized by once-through cooling. Reservoirs that would be developed would serve the needs of both the irrigation project and the requirements for the cooling for the plant.

Day added that the Company, "by its willingness to contribute potential net savings in advance, would make possible the timely pursuit of the irrigation program as well as assuring orderly construction of the plant at such time as it could be scheduled into the Northwest hydro-thermal program."

Mann and Hansell stated that the developments of today spell "an irrigation bonanza for Morrow and West Umatilla Counties."

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