

Chamber Hears Of Gun Controls

Monday's Heppner - Morrow County Chamber of Commerce was at the Wagon Wheel, President Gene Pierce, in honor of National FFA Week, had Hal Whitaker introduce local Chapter officers. President John Curran told of the 9,000 chapters in the United States. He added that agriculture is still the largest industry in the world. John attended the National Convention last fall at Kansas City.

Mark Hopkins, treasurer of the Chapter, told of the scholarships offered Future Farmer members.

Mark Miller, Chapter sentinel, told of the many awards given Chapters and their members.

Ron Brittner Speaks

Mrs. Charlie Heard introduced Ron Brittner who spoke on "The right to keep and bear arms". This is a branch of a national organization opposing restrictive controls on private ownership of guns.

He told that gun control is very controversial, but so was our form of government in 1776.

Speaking of the Gun Control Act of 1968, he said the Uniform Crime Report of 1970 of the FBI stated there were twice as many crimes committed with guns in 1969 as in 1968. The law does not permit 18 year olds to own a handgun. He thinks this contradicts the government law allowing 18 year olds to vote but they are apparently considered not competent enough to own a handgun.

Section of the law concerned with penalties states "Any firearm or ammunition involved in or used in or intended to be used in any violation of this law or any other U. S. law shall be subject to seizure and forfeiture. He stated this portion of the law could apply to all hunters in Oregon now. Last year there were more than 250 firearms stolen in Oregon and would be interpreted by courts as giving just cause to believe that all firearms of hunters were the intended victims of theft and theft is a crime. He said while this might seem unlikely, just think of some of the recent decisions. And some leaders of the so-called New Left groups have said they intend to steal all the guns they can carry and use them in a war against the U. S. and, he added, this would surely involve them in a crime against this country.

Mr. Brittner said the one thing that makes it almost impossible for gun control advocates to confiscate guns from the 40 million owners is that they do not know who the owners are. He said this is a good reason to keep an eye open for legislation that would give them this information.

He told of attempts at gun control since 1911 quoting a study in New York on the Sullivan Law. In spite of the law there is a vast increase in crime and homicides is evident, much faster than population growth. In Oregon there are three bills pertaining to gun control

and two have been stopped or slowed. HB 1006 sponsored by Mann and Hansell was supposed to prevent accidents with loaded guns in cars. This bill has been revised and he said it is now a good bill. Rep. Statos has introduced a bill that had 150 protestors go to Salem to make objections. Next bill to come up is the "Crime Law Revision" which contains gun control legislation.

Mr. Brittner told of an interview in Shooting Times Magazine:

Q: What will the "hard core" anti-gun forces push for next?
A: Big push will be aimed at the hand gun in an attempt to divide the pro-gun people.

Q: You frequently hear sportsmen express the suspicion that the real aim of gun control laws is confiscation of firearms. Does that danger really exist?
A: There is very little danger of the police coming to your door and taking your guns, by force if necessary. But, as in New York, there will be so much red tape and expense in obtaining permits that most people just won't bother. Even so there is no guarantee he can get his permit renewed next year; they have been refused. The NSSF conducted a survey on the number of crimes solved by tracing firearms by serial numbers and it was asked "what were results of the survey?"

A: We found that only six serious crimes in the last 10 years in the 50 states had been solved through tracing.

Mr. Brittner concluded saying that there was one thing we should all keep in mind: If we lose our right to keep and bear arms, we will lose our ability to protect all our other rights.

School Board Reviews Contracts

Dr. Wallace Wolff, Irvin Rauch and Jim Bier were named to the Fair Grounds Improvement committee at the meeting of the District R-1 Board of Education Feb. 15 at the Riverside School.

It was voted to put \$8000 in next year's budget for the purchase of a furnace for the lone Elementary School and the balance would be taken from this year's emergency fund. Application for a special education program at Heppner was approved.

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Ron Daniels, the board voted in favor of a \$5000 deductible fire insurance policy. With the Oregon Rating Bureau increase, the 1971 premium on \$3000 deductible would be \$21,123 and on the \$5000 deductible the premium would be \$18,498. Mr. Daniels said he felt the district would be on safe footing. Vandalism will probably cost us \$500 to \$600. Recovery on vandalism has been \$140 to \$150.

Resignations
Resignations of Peggy Brown, 2nd grade at A. C. Houghton and Sandra Hoiness, English, Reading and Speech at lone High were accepted.

Contracts were awarded to the following teachers:

At A. C. Houghton: one year, Audrey Botti; three years, Gladys Hobbs, La Vern Partlow and Eleanor Sargent. Mrs. Bentley is retiring.

At Riverside: one year, Celia Mitchell, Don Hendrix, Dennis Faletti, Bill McLarty; three years, Victor Marchek, Delia Lindsay.

At Heppner Elementary: one year, Linda Riley, Alena Anderson, Alan Beck, Suzanne Dagley, Tom Shear; three years, Jessie Faye Morris, Frances Williams, Clifford Williams, Arnie Hed-

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**Dust Storm Crash
Hospitalizes
Bob Pierce**

Robert L. Pierce of Heppner was taken to the Good Shepherd Hospital by the Hermiston ambulance following a head-on collision on Hwy. 207 out of Butte Creek Wednesday afternoon. His physician reported by telephone to the Gazette-Times that he had received head injuries, was still unconscious but apparently had no other injuries. He had lost some teeth.

The accident occurred in a severe dust storm when Mr. Pierce, south bound, hit head-on in the north bound lane with a truck and semi-trailer driven by Clinton H. Russell of Milwaukie who sustained no injuries.

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160 Attend Big FFA Banquet

CH2M Tech People Probe Boeing Land

The Heppner - Morrow County Chamber of Commerce welcomed Boeing's Elton Weeks, administrative assistant to Denver Grigsby at their Monday meeting. He was accompanied by Boeing's long time representative in the county, Forrest Zuppe.

He noted that they are now situated in very spacious quarters in the lower level of the Dodge City restaurant. They now have six in the office. He invited those present to stop in to see the office anytime they were in Boardman.

Cornell Howland, Hayes and Merryfield have technical people in to make the study of the developmental plans which are to be completed this spring, hopefully by May 1. Every facet will be included in the study. A progress report is expected to be made very shortly.

With all the money going into the CH2M study, the feeling is that Boeing must have felt so confident from the initial study that the cost for further study was warranted.

According to their first announcement, plans for irrigation would be so developed that in the event the coolant waters from a nuclear plant were to become available they could be worked into the system. The over-all plan for irrigation will be developed.

As big a program as this would be, it hardly seems possible that smaller sized test tracts would start the program. If the word is GO after the report by the engineering firm this spring, the activity of the area will be watched with great interest. The start from scratch on this virgin soil holds great excitement and almost awe. It is hoped that a controlled influx of labor might be implemented in the development of the 60,000 acres.

Family Will Move
If the go ahead signal is given, Mr. Weeks will be moving his family from Haysville, Kan. He is delighted with Boardman and this part of Oregon and is hoping to make the move. The Weeks' have two sons, Bill a senior in high school and Dan a sophomore and daughter, Carol in the 7th grade. Bill is interested in computer science and anticipates entering Oklahoma State, however there is a possibility Oregon State may lure him later. He is also interested in ROTC.

Mr. Weeks has been interested in the community where he's lived having served on the Board of Education. He is anxious to tour the Riverside School and to meet Supt. Daniels and other educators. He also likes to play golf.



1971 STATE FARMER Kirk Robinson stands with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson who are automatically honorary chapter farmers. Mr. Robinson holds Kirk's State Farmer plaque, his mother the Livestock Grower plaque and Kirk holds chapter Star Farmer plaque and his Livestock Production plaque. Both of them are National Foundation Awards.

Heppner High Mustangs Place Two Weekend Wins

By HANK DICK
La Verne Van Marter, HHS super-star led the Broncos to double victories this weekend trampling Sherman here 76-51 and dumping Stanfield there 97-82. Van Marter poured in a fabulous 71 points—averaging better than 35 points for both weekend games.

The Mustangs used a 1-3-1 zone defense both nights and it ended up the key to our win. Starting out in a man-to-man defense, the Horsemen were forced, by Stanfield shooters, to switch to a zone defense. Coach Clough had a lot of praise for John Hall who played a good game protecting the basket.

Free throw shooting by the Broncos against Sherman was an improved 60%. At Stanfield the Mustangs shot 17-31 for 55% at the gift line.

The twin wins brought the Broncos into soul possession of second place with a record of 8 wins and 3 losses.

Sherman game
Sherman 14 10 18 10—52
Heppner 18 20 18 20—76
Individual scoring: Kemp 10, Van Marter 29, Rhea 7, Watkins 11, Bellamy 6, Dick 1, Gunder-

**John Hall Selected
For East-West Game**
By DALLAS HARSIN
John Hall, the Heppner Mustang's ace fullback, was selected to play in the annual East-West Shrine game in August, at the Pendleton Roundup grounds. "As a co-captain John showed great leadership and dedication to the sport," said Varsity Coach Ed Hiemstra. "John will be playing the toughest competition he has ever played before," he also stated. There are three other backs that are really good. Two of them the football fans are already aware of and these are Weatherford from Condon and Turner from Pine Eagle. The third back is Tinker Hatfield from Central Linn. "John was named All-League two or three years and has played on the starting lineup for all four of his high school years," Hiemstra said. "Maybe playing in the Shrine game will help me to play at OSU next year," John said. "I'm satisfied with my performance my senior year but I don't think that it was my best year. I feel that my Junior year was the best," he added. "Really I didn't expect to be chosen to play, but still, I was hoping. There is no better way to wrap up a successful season," said John. "It's not a matter of winning or losing the game, but of being able to play in a game where the money goes for a good cause."

Free Groceries!
Bushel baskets of groceries will be given away free Friday and Saturday here at Central Market. The free groceries are to be given away all day each day to the lucky persons being checked out when the alarm sounds.

Chapter President John Curran gave the welcome address at the annual Future Farmers of America annual Parent and Son banquet held Tuesday evening at the Heppner High School. He said the 160 guests at this dinner contrasted greatly with the 33 guests at their banquet five years ago. At that time they had \$14 in their treasury, now swollen to \$600. They started with 13 members and now have 43.

President John introduced guests which included a past State Farmer, Ned Clark and Mrs. Clark; a past American Farmer, Allen Hughes and Mrs. Hughes; Supt. and Mrs. Ron Daniels; Mr. and Mrs. Dave McLeod; Dr. and Mrs. Wallace Wolff; Mr. and Mrs. Art Vance; Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sager; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kerr; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Heard; Debbie Campbell, president of Future Homemakers of America; Mr. and Mrs. Barton Clark; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wagenblast; Mrs. Avon Melby; John F. Ricker of Enterprise; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Pierce.

Inspiring Talk
Jim Wilcox, State Sentinel from Enterprise, told of the dawning of a new day and new vistas of opportunities for agriculture. He said that agriculture is the strength of our nation.

Mr. Wilcox spoke with much conviction when he told of the values of FFA which gives one his first experience in public speaking, tells how to conduct a business meeting and many other things of value. All FFA programs, he said, are aimed at their benefit which takes work and sweat to enjoy.

Pointing to the future he listed research, farm supply, ag teaching and ag business and the hub of life—farming itself as great opportunities. For every four jobs in agriculture there will only be one trained person to fill the jobs. He challenged his FFA listeners "What role are you going to play in agriculture?"

He pointed to the giant FFA poster on the back wall which says in huge type "Get involved in America's Future".

Special Awards
President John Curran announced a very special annual award and presented a plaque to Larry Mills as Honorary Chapter Farmer. Mr. Mills is manager of the Morrow County Grain Growers, long time supporters of the FFA movement.

Another special announcement was made as Kirk Robinson introduced his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson as Honorary Chapter Farmers because he had just been informed of being recipient of the State Farmer degree. Kirk will be honored at the State Convention.

Program
Invocation was offered by Sam Bellamy. Carl King made the annual Chapter Report, a duty of the Chapter Reporter. This tells of the Chapter's accomplishments during the year. Hal Whitaker, Chapter advisor here, made the presentation of awards as follows:

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Dennis Martin Joins Ranger District Here

Dennis W. Martin has joined the Heppner Ranger District staff of the Umatilla National Forest, according to H. B. Rudolph, Forest Supervisor. Martin was promoted to the Timber Management Assistant position formerly held by Frank A. Rasmussen, who transferred to the Alesia District Ranger job on the Siuslaw Forest. Martin comes from the Wallowa-Whitman Forest, where he served in timber management assignments on the Baker District since his permanent appointment in 1966. He received a B. S. degree in Forest Management in 1965 from Oregon State University. His tour of duty with the U. S. Army included one year in Korea, after which he graduated from Officer Candidate School as a 2nd Lieutenant. Martin and his wife, Leric, have a 17-month old son, Samuel.

GRAIN PRICES

(F.O.B. Lexington, does not include warehouse chgs.)
(Courtesy of Morrow County Grain Growers)
Soft white wheat 1.65 1/2
Hard red winter wheat No Market
Barley 50.50



LARRY MILLS, manager of Morrow County Grain Growers, was named at the annual FFA Banquet here Tuesday as Honorary Chapter Farmer by the Heppner FFA. This award is made annually to an outstanding Morrow County citizen who has been helpful to the local chapter of FFA.

Cardinals Cage Echo 84-74 Friday

Rebounding by Snider, assists from Gutierrez and free throws tallied by Krebs gave the lone Cardinals a winning advantage over Echo in their only weekend contest Friday.

Although rebounding by both teams was about even, lone made 22-28 from the gift line and 31 of 61 attempts from the field. Dick Snider led the rebounds with 15 and was high scorer with 25. Kent Gutierrez had 5 assists and Clint Krebs hit 100 percent, sinking 12 out of 12 free throws.

"Everyone played real well; we finally put four good quarters together instead of 2 or 3 and only had 11 turnovers," said Coach Eugene Doccker.

Individual scoring: Snider 25, Warren 8, Wilson 8, Gutierrez 15, Krebs 16, Marick 10 and McCarty 2.

Board of Review Meeting Saturday

On Feb. 27 at 10 a.m., the Board of Review members, Jack Sumner, Heppner, Harold Baker, Boardman, Jasper Myers, Butter Creek and Kenneth Smouse, lone, will meet with County Assessor Joyce Ritch and appraisers, Elwood Wirth and Dick Schlichting. They will review comparable sales figures or income-approved factors being utilized by the County Assessors' office in arriving at assessed values of Agricultural lands to be used on the 1971-72 tax roll. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome.

Donkey Basketball Profits Go For Peace Corps Project

Proceeds from the frivolous Donkey Basketball game will go to the Heppner High School Student Body's serious Peace Corps project.

The \$238.40 collected for the game held at Heppner High School Feb. 22 will be used to complete last year's \$1000 donation to the Mizque school project in Bolivia. Funds were borrowed from the Student Body treasury to complete the necessary figure set for last year's contribution. Reimbursement will now be made from the Donkey Basketball game receipts.

SUCCESS STORY
FOR SALE—Approx. 2 tons bulk treated Flynn barley. Price \$48.50 ton. Bob Jensen. Bob Jensen called and said 10 minutes after he'd read his ad in the Gazette-Times he'd sold his barley. Give the G-T Want Ads a try. Call 676-9228 for a quick want ad that may sell for you as it did for Bob!

WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM
Week of Feb. 17-23

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	45	34	—
Thursday	51	34	.28
Friday	41	29	—
Saturday	46	41	—
Sunday	37	23	—
Monday	45	29	—
Tuesday	50	36	—



PROOF that Heppner is still a real live Western town is shown in this photo of Fat Brady, one of Floyd Jones' horses. Floyd hitched his horse to the meter, paid his money, went in for a cup of coffee after he had been on one of his cattle drives. (Note the little dog on the right hand side. He kept a very wary eye on us highly suspicious looking photographers.)

Many Women To Participate In World Day of Prayer

Mrs. Don Burwell of the Assembly of God Church will lead the singing at the World Day of Prayer to be held March 5 at 2:30 p.m. at the All Saints' Episcopal Church in Heppner.

Mrs. Kenneth Smouse of the lone United Church of Christ will play a violin solo. Mrs. Robert Kelly of All Saints' will be the organist.

Women from each of the 11 participating churches will have a part in the worship hour, "New Life Awaits". The message, "Relating Vision to Commitment and Action," will be given by the Rev. Dan Thompson of All Saints'.

All women of the community are cordially invited to the Get-Acquainted coffee-cocky hour at 2:30 preceding the worship hour.

Kinzua Buys Pine and Fir Timber

The successful bidder for Kinzua Road timber sale was Kinzua Corporation. Estimated volume of 1,540,000 board feet was appraised at \$31,474.70 and sold for \$31,913.60. The sale area is located in Wheeler and Morrow Counties about 18 miles east of Kinzua. Final prices bid per thousand board feet during oral bidding were \$30.00 for ponderosa pine and \$6.00 for Douglas-fir and other coniferous species. In addition, a price of \$2.59 per acre was paid for 1,040 acres of small log material.