

Heppner Mustangs to State Tournament

Chamber to Promote Morrow History

At Monday's Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Wagon Wheel, Herman Winter outlined the status of the new History of Morrow County, "The Heppner Hills".

Publishers Binford & Mort of Portland had suggested an 8 1/2 x 11 format for the highly illustrated book, suggested a retail price of \$10 per book. Author Giles French is to receive a royalty of 15% or agreed upon cash price. He has received some cash expenses so far and has put in about two years on the project. Mr. French has written several books.

There have been a number of cash donations to the history project and a considerable number of folks have pledged \$25 each and will have their names printed in the book. There is about \$2000 cash on hand in the book fund.

Binford and Mort would charge about \$18,000 for printing the book and would retain a thousand copies of the printing to sell and to use for promotional purposes.

Mr. Winter moved that the Chamber conduct a pre-subscription campaign and promotion supporting the project.

The Chamber of Commerce voted unanimously to do this.

Heppner Foundation

President Gene Pierce told of the proposed Heppner Foundation which is a fund tailored after the Pendleton Foundation. This would be a fund managed by the Chamber for good purposes in Morrow County. Mr. Pierce explained there have been several funds and residues of other funds which would go into the proposed Heppner Foundation.

Honor St. Patrick's Day

President Pierce, in a fine "Irish" brogue, introduced the program of the day which honored St. Patrick's Day and the county pioneers of Irish descent. (President Pierce said later his Irish brogue was actually Norwegian!)

Phil Mahoney, gaily decked out with green shirt and tie, told of the history of the Irish in Morrow County.

He said he arrived in Morrow County in 1917 and his first day here was on St. Patrick's Day. He related that he followed a bunch of Irishmen out to the Fairgrounds, watched them kicking a ball around and joyfully kicking each other. They stopped briefly to catch their breaths, have a little snort of spirits to clear the dust from their throats, went back to the field for more fun.

Phil related that his own name in Ireland had the prefix O', but like a number of others the O' eventually was dropped. His grandparents came from County Cork in Southern Ireland.

Phil said the Irish of the early times were primarily engaged in the sheep business. At one time there were 200,000 breeding ewes in Morrow County.

He told of a brief sheepherders' strike on a Morrow County ranch. It was soon settled by the boss who used his fists. Phil related that the principal sheep ranching families of that time were William Hughes, Cunninghams, Johnsons, Kilkenny family, the Kennys, Dohertys, Quaid and a number of others. Phil, with his charming brogue, told several wonderful Irish anecdotes, greatly appreciated by his audience.

Joe Doherty of Pilot Rock sang without accompaniment three delightful Irish songs. His skill was apparent with "Danny Boy", "Rose of Tralee" and "How Ireland Got Its Name". (We didn't see many dry eyes at this time. The fine program was arranged by Mrs. Arnold Melby).

Little League to Have Important Meet

Willow Creek Little League will have its first meeting of the season on March 25 at 7:30 p.m. at First Nationals Conference Room. Pat Wonsler will act as chairman.

One or both parents of all the boys who will be playing Little League baseball, directors, coaches, officers and assistant coaches are asked to attend.

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GRAIN PRICES

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(Courtesy of Morrow County Grain Growers)

White wheat	1.66 1/2
Red wheat	1.65 1/2
Barley	50.00

Horsemen Compete Tonight

Opening the first day play is Pilot Rock vs. Wallowa at 1:30 and Concordia vs. Siletz at 3 p.m.

The evening games: Heppner vs. Gilchrist at 7:30 and Enterprise vs. Knappa at 9 p.m.

Friday
The winner of the Pilot Rock-Wallowa game will play the winner of the Concordia-Siletz game on Friday at 3 p.m. and the losers will play at 1:30 p.m.

The winner of the Heppner-Gilchrist game will play the winner of the Enterprise-Knappa game on March 19 at 9 p.m. with the losers playing at 7:30 p.m.

The consolation game will be played Saturday at 1:30 p.m., runners-up will play at 7:30 and the championship game is at 9 p.m.

Pendleton will host the Class "A" State Basketball Tournament March 18-20. Pilot Rock, Wallowa, Concordia, Siletz, Gilchrist, Heppner, Enterprise and Knappa will be in contention for the first place trophy.

Little is known about Gilchrist, who meet the Mustangs at 7:30 p.m. the first night, due to the distance from Heppner. They haven't appeared on the front page of the sports section in the Oregonian, either. A 6'4" forward leads the Grizzly rebounders while a 6'5" forward sees little action. Their two leading scorers are 6'1" and 5'11" so they shouldn't be too hard to stop.

Gilchrist uses a zone 2-3, 1-3, 1, 2-1-2, 1-2-2 and also a man-to-man. They aren't known to press. Coach Clough stated, "They do everything but they aren't good at it."

Pilot Rock has got to be one of the favorites—along with the winner of the Enterprise-Knappa game. However, don't count the Mustangs out.

Horsemen guards John Boyer, Kevin Dick and Sam Bellamy will try to hold down Grizzly scorers in the guard position. If Steve Kemp, Steve Rhea, LaVerne Van Marter and Gary Watkins will work at screening the boards and then get the rebounds, it will be a decisive factor. This will enable us to take advantage of our fast break.

HHS Drill Team To Compete In Pendleton

Congratulations are in order to the Heppner High School Drill Team for their outstanding performance at the Regional Tournament in The Dalles. With a spirited, synchronized routine to the jazz song, "Barefootin'", the girls tied for championship with Pilot Rock. Each girl smiled wide and stepped high as they marched in perfect time during the halftime of the second game on Thursday.

Lib Daggett, Drill Team supervisor said she is "proud of the girls as they looked really good and were in rough competition." Eight teams competed and this is the first time in the history of The Dalles tournament that there has been a tie for first. The Display Case at HHS will have a new trophy for the girls' efforts.

A major factor in the Drill Team's success was the lively tempo provided by the pep band under the direction of Mr. Hedman, HHS band director. They provided the inspiration for the girls' spirit and timing.

The Drill Team will now go to Pendleton to compete in the State Tournament's new feature. For the first time in the State a meet drill and dance teams will perform for honors. HHS Drill Team will march at either the 7:30 p.m. or 9:00 p.m. game on Friday, March 19.

Royal Arch Masons Present 50-year Pins

At their meeting Feb. 24, two distinguished Masons, C. J. D. Bauman and John Wightman were presented 50 year pins by the Grand High Priest of Oregon, George W. Driskell.

After the presentation, the two companions reminisced for a few moments at their many years in Masonry much to the enjoyment of those in attendance.

Power Heads Probe Solution to Garbage

A common problem and hopes for solving it brought a representative group of local governing bodies together for a grass roots session here Monday evening. Garbage disposal, a serious problem and one that continues to become more serious with the steady increase in the amount to be disposed of.

It was this problem, that brought together the mayors of Heppner, Lexington, Ione and members of their councils. County Judge Paul Jones and the county commissioners, the County and City Planning Commission, and representatives from the Federal agencies of the Forest Service and Soil Conservation Service.

All agreed on the problem and that a cooperative venture of securing and maintaining a land fill could best solve the problem.

Mayor Bill Collins opened the meeting by saying a land fill would be too big a job for Heppner alone. He summed up the need of the three towns, the county has refuse for its parks, people outside the city use the garbage dump, the Forest Service needs disposal facilities and the need for a place to dispose appliances, car bodies and equipment.

Judge Jones said one problem would be in getting dumps in convenient places around county roads but if "we don't do something the State will". He told about a bill in legislature that would permit cities and counties to condemn property for landfills. He said, "The county is very much interested in working out something".

Red Leonard, Lexington mayor, said "We're interested. The first thing is to look for a possible site and what is required to get one."

Bill Rietmann, Ione's mayor said they were greatly interested but would want to know the cost before "we can be 100 percent interested."

Marvin Chitty, Forest Service, reviewed the regulations the U. S. Forest Service had laid down for them "We have received instructions to work with you people in anyway we can to solve this problem". He went on to say that he didn't think of a Sanitary Landfill would be considered the final solution but possibly recycling would be the thing. If there is a large volume perhaps we could interest someone going into the business. Chances are the public would

Port of Morrow Budget Figured

By MARY LEE MARLOW

The Port of Morrow drew up their annual budget at the meeting at the city hall last week. Total of the budget will be \$121,204. Total taxes to be levied will be \$29,750, which is less than the levy has been in previous years. The budget committee includes Howard Bryant and Marion Green of Heppner, Roy Lindstrom of Ione and Vernon Russell of Boardman.

The Morrow Produce Company told the port commissioners that it is withdrawing plans to construct a potato warehouse in the port's industrial park this year. The firm had previously requested that the port commission construct a facility and lease it to the firm.

During the meeting the commissioners heard a report that the eight public information meetings in the county on siting of nuclear power plants in Morrow County had brought out encouraging attendance and interest. The commission sponsored the meetings.

Rupe Kennedy, commission coordinator, said the county residents will be asked in three public hearings in April to officially sanction nuclear siting in the Boardman area.

School District Posts Up for Grabs . . . Deadline Zeroes in

The deadline to have petitions filed in the School District clerk's office, Lexington, for positions on the Morrow County Board of Education is fast approaching. April 2 is the deadline. There are two vacancies this year. The board has indicated a strong interest in seeing another woman on the board.

Heppner and area zone 6 which includes about 2 miles out from the city limits will need nominations for a one year term to complete the unexpired term of Beverly Gunderson, resigned. The petitions are available from the school principals and will require 25 signatures.

The other vacancy on the board is at Irrigon from Zone 2 for a 5 year term. Max Jones who has been serving from Irrigon does not seek reelection. Advisory Board

April 2 is also the filing deadline for the positions on the Advisory boards. The terms of office are for 3 years. Ten signatures are required on the petitions. The term of three members on the Heppner-Lexington Advisory Board expires. They are the terms of Harley Sager, Jerry Sweeney and Mary Ann Barclay.

It was reported there was a petition out for Jerry Sweeney but Mrs. Barclay has indicated she does not wish to serve another term.

Ione Advisory Board has two vacancies, those of Mrs. Henry Krebs and Gene Rietmann. Mrs. Krebs has indicated she will not run this term but it is believed that Mr. Rietmann will file.

Boardman also has two vacancies on the Advisory Board. One for three-years which is now held by Shirley Zielinski and for one-year, the term held by Kenneth Broadbent. He was recently appointed to fill out this year for Robert Sicard, resigned.

At Irrigon there is only one vacancy on the Advisory Board and that one for three years which is now filled by Wanda Witherspoon.

Anyone interested in any one of these positions is asked to pick up a petition, secure the required number of signatures and have it filed by April 2. The election will be held May 3.

Armstrongs Take Over Hotel Heppner

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Armstrong have taken over management of the Hotel Heppner. They are in the process of an over-all cleaning. They anticipate bringing some life to the one-time show place. They will put in candy, pop and coffee machines in the lobby and will offer free TV. They will welcome guests on a 24 hour basis.

They expect to have the laundromat open on a 24 hour basis so that people may use the facilities at their convenience.

Chuck plans to go back to school and will enroll at BMCC spring term to finish up his electronics course. He plans to open the Hotel Cafe in June when school is out. His emphasis will be in serving sandwiches and sea foods.

Mrs. Harold Cohn Passes in Yakima

Friends were saddened to hear of the passing of Mrs. Harold (Clara) Cohn Sunday in a Yakima hospital. She had suffered from a long illness.

Memorial services were held Tuesday with burial in Prosser. Mrs. Cohn had worked in a Yakima bank for many years prior to her marriage in September of 1965 to Harold Cohn of Heppner. They resided here in Heppner following their wedding.

Survivors are her husband, Harold Cohn; a daughter, Virginia Bauguess of Travis Air Force Base, Calif., and four sisters, a brother and two grandchildren.

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acquire the site but a contractor could go on from there. I am sure we would have to check with the State Sanitation people. They are interested in getting the right place".

Dale Borer, Soil Conservation Service said his office could provide the criteria and would provide soil scientists who can map the soil on any particular site being considered.

Judge Jones said that some funds are available to towns 5000 population or less for studies and setting up land fills. A tax is being considered of \$5 or \$10 on every auto sold with the money to go back to the cities for the disposal of used and abandoned autos.

Herman Green, Heppner's Garbage collector, and Clarence Rosewall told of their visit to the Baker landfill.

The Heppner City Recorder was asked to write for information to the Oregon League of Cities and the State Sanitary Dept.

The three mayors, County Judge, Marvin Chitty and Dale Borer were named to a committee to pursue every line of information that would help in the development of a cooperative landfill in south Morrow county.

A special Heppner City Council meeting followed. Council approved the unanimous recommendation of the Park Committee for the city to accept the Jaycees offer to improve the City Park area but asked that no asphalt be put under the play equipment.

City approved the request for a guard rail installation on Green St.

Councilman McLeod and City Supt. Vic Groshens will go over the walkway area along Riverside Ave. They will report at the April meeting. It was felt: the city crew could do the work when they had time, 4 feet width would be sufficient, it would not be setting a precedent as it is a safety measure due to heavy traffic on that particular street, the city was not justified in asking people to build a concrete sidewalk at the rear of their homes.

The need for more lights on Riverside and Morgan and a foot bridge at Morgan St. was discussed.

At the request of the Chief of Police, the salaries of the two patrolmen were raised \$30 a month to be in line with the wages paid the maintenance crew.

The mayor reported on the information secured regarding the Boardman and Irrigon contracts with the operators of the Hermiston Sanitary Landfill.

The council adopted a minimum and maximum salary scale of the city employees. Gerry George of Resources, Conservation and Development gave a diagram explanation of possible flood control programs for Shobe and Donaldson Canyons flowing into Heppner. Programs include channels, detention dams or land treatment.

Jack Crum Gets Upped to Captain

First Lieutenant Jack E. Crum of Ione, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Crum has been promoted to the rank of Captain. He is in the First and Ninth Cavalry in the U. S. Army in Helicopter Maintenance near Saigon in Vietnam. Captain Crum has along recently seen action in Cambodia. He expects to be reassigned in the near future.

He attended Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa and Portland State University. He graduated from Officers Candidate School and a year ago from Helicopter School.

Capt. Crum will be returning to the United States in August.



STEVE RHEA pours in two of his 14 points to spark the Mustangs in their 74-39 walloping of the Riverside Pirates. This first round game advanced the Mustangs to the Region 3 Semi-Finals. Riverside's Rick Partlow (21) covers Rhea with Steve Kemp (44) and Kevin Dick (12) of Heppner looking on.

Deadline For Adjustment Of Farm Base is April 9

A producer whose farm conserving base is a limiting factor in operating his farm in line with good management practices may appeal for an adjustment of the base through the end of farm program signup April 9.

Three important provisions will be observed by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) County Committees in adjusting conserving bases for changes in farming operations, according to Walter E. Erickson, Chairman of the Oregon State ASC Committee. They are:

* Downward adjustment of a conserving base will be made only upon a determination that farm operations have changed from conserving crops to nonconserving crops in recent years, or in the judgment of the County Committee, such a change will be made this year.

* Acreage removed from the conserving base will be limited to that determined to be suitable for continuous cropping.

* Downward adjustment will not be made to accommodate a farm's required set-aside acreage under the 1971 farm programs.

"Basically, the rules on conserving bases are being updated in line with modern farming operations," Mr. Erickson said. He pointed out today's market-oriented farm policy requires that farmers have more freedom for decision-making about their farm operations. The Set-Aside farm programs of 1971 provide for this by getting away from the rigid crop limitations of previous programs.

"As for conserving bases," he said, "although adjustments have been made over the years for tangible changes in farm operations, in some instances conserving bases still tended to keep producers locked into types of farming operations that were no longer in their best interests."

"Or they may have had to choose between staying out of farm programs or continuing an uneconomic farm operation."

Mr. Erickson emphasized that adjustments cannot be made to accommodate set-aside acres. "By that, we mean producers cannot be given an adjustment in their conserving base simply to make up for the land they must set aside in order to participate in the 1971 farm programs. The County Committee will review the entire farm operation on the basis of intended

cropping."
He also emphasized that conserving acreage which is recommended only for conserving uses, such as grass cover, must remain the conserving base. "No authority is given for making an adjustment that will result in a conserving base of less than the acreage recommended for conserving uses," he said.

"Naturally, we don't know how many adjustments will be requested and granted locally, nor for how much acreage," the ASC Committee Chairman said. "But U. S. Department of Agriculture officials feel that conserving base adjustments on a national scale will not be of major consequence. For individual farmers involved, of course, it could be quite important."

John Sumner Wins United Nations Trip

Like father, like son . . . John Sumner was the district winner at the District United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth speak-off Sunday in Pendleton. The topic of his talk was "The Strengths and Weaknesses of the United Nations after 25 Years". The Wallowa contestant was named alternate.

John will leave in July for the bus trip with the other district winners of the Northwest to go to Washington, D. C., and New York.

John is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sumner. Jack was the first one from this district to go on the IOOF sponsored pilgrimage.

Mr. Sumner had been in Portland Saturday for the state IOOF Convention. He became ill with food poisoning in the night and had to be rushed to the hospital. He slept a few hours upon his return to his friend's home and then drove to Pendleton for the contest. John was the third speaker and his dad arrived as the second speaker was giving his talk!

Carol Wiley of Irrigon, daughter of the Tom Sweeneys, was winner of fourth place this year.

WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM

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Wednesday	53	38	.06
Thursday	51	34	.02
Friday	52	35	.33
Saturday	48	32	.12
Sunday	52	29	.02
Monday	48	31	.03
Tuesday	41	25	—