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Heppner Needs Another Doctor

In order to keep Pioneer Memorial Hospital open and up-to-date, there will have to be more use made of the facilities. To insure this Heppner needs another doctor, preferably a surgeon.

Concentrated effort by every individual and organization will be called upon. The effort may have to include financial assistance in several forms.

Last week the Soroptimists heard two medical students explain the Preceptorship program arranged by the head of the Family Practice Division of the Oregon Medical School. Twenty-nine sophomores spent their vacation terms with physicians in larger and smaller towns which included Bandon, John Day, Prineville, Burns, and Mountain Home in Idaho. So they can be attracted to smaller towns.

Their's was a duo-program: Extern program at St. Anthony in the morning and Preceptorship program in the afternoons in the doctors' offices.

Hopefully Heppner's two doctors and Pioneer Memorial Hospital could become interested in a similar program for next summer.

Another Tip

How to Bring a New Doctor To a Rural Community

CHICAGO — Here's a tip for the rural community that doesn't have a physician and wants one: "Look for an MD who grew up in a small community, perhaps even in the same part of the country," suggests the current AMA UPDATE (July/August).

Some 132 rural counties in 26 states are presently without a non-federal physician. "Paradoxically, most MD's who live and practice in rural areas enjoy their work," says Dr. Bond L. Bible, secretary of AMA's Council on Rural Health. "Once he has established his practice there, a doctor isn't likely to leave."

Nearly half the physicians polled in a Council survey who were practicing in towns smaller than 2500 said they were brought up in a small town, Dr. Bible says.

AMA is helping small communities solve their medical care problems in several ways. The Association's Physicians' Placement Service helps communities find a doctor, and vice versa.

Particularly in sparsely-populated areas, "we urge groups of communities to establish a centrally-located medical center with a group practice, together with mobile health units or satellite health stations," Dr. Bible says. "Thanks to today's automobiles and roadways, a doctor may be 15 or 20 miles away in distance, but only minutes away in time."

In one 4000-square-mile area of Washington State, with a population of five persons per square mile, AMA is supporting a pilot project to extend the capability of medical services in such areas. "It's a team approach, basically, in which the area's eight doctors coordinate their own efforts, and those of physician's assistants (called Medex), nurse practitioners, social workers and community health people," Dr. Bible explains.

(Medex are former medical corpsmen, returned from the armed forces, who have been retrained to serve as physician's assistants).

All About Horses

By DWIGHT STEWART

Bill Morse of Beaumont, Texas asks—

My partner and I have a double horse trailer. His horse hauls fine. My horse climbs the outside walls. I have tried him on both sides of the trailer, but he still does it. How can I stop this?

You didn't tell me what kind of divider you have in the trailer. If it is, as I suspect a solid one, this is probably your troublemaker. Many horses will climb the wall when hauled next to a solid partition. Most trailers and many horse vans have a divider, made of pipe. This lets the horse take a small step sideways on the turns, and so he stops the wall climbing.

In the case of an extra large horse, it is sometimes necessary to give him the whole trailer or at least move the partition over, so that he has more room.

Jennifer Jones, Shreveport, La., wants to know—

What can be done about warts on a yearling's nose? Are they contagious? Will they do any harm?

Many young horses from a year through two years get warts. They don't seem to cause much trouble except in rare cases or when they are bumped or scratched; at which time they bleed quite freely. The veterinarian tells me they are contagious to other young horses.

Regular applications of mineral oil will remove most of them. However, if you can't get rid of them this way, your veterinarian can give them an injection with a needle and the warts disappear. In rare cases a second injection is needed.

Colts or young horses seem to outgrow them in most cases, but if you plan on showing your colt, you should get rid of the warts.

Concerning Kindergartners

Ten new Kindergarten mothers attended the meeting held Aug. 6. The main purpose of the meeting was to explain the 4-C program of Federal Aid for kindergartens. This is operated under the social security program. For every 1.00 contributed locally, 3.00 is received from the Federal Government. The issue had to be voted upon, and was accepted, therefore an application was sent in.

If the Heppner Kindergarten is acceptable for Federal aid, the money will be used to enlarge the budget and format. There would be 2 classes of kindergartens, one coming in the morning until 11 then given the

option to eat or not, in the cafeteria. The second coming in at 11, with the same option and class that afternoon.

Kindergarten registration will be held the same day as grade school registration. The first day of school will be Sept. 7.

There will be another kindergarten meeting Monday, Sept. 20. This meeting is primarily to select new officers.

Kindergarten Registration is Sept. 3

The Heppner Kindergarten registration will be held Sept. 3 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Kindergarten room in the Junior High Building. The Kindergarten is open to all 5 year olds.



Salem Scene

By Jack Zimmerman

Special Measures Promise Extra Election Fireworks

Next year promises a renewal of Oregon's biennial battle between "legislative wisdom" and the will of the people.

The former refers to legislation enacted by state lawmakers at Salem during odd-year legislative sessions. The people's will means the popular vote. And the so-called battle invariably occurs during even-year elections following legislative adjournments.

The stage was set for these every-other-year squabbles in 1902 when Oregon became one of the first states to adopt the process of initiative and referendum. In effect they give the people the power to legislate on their own and to repeal acts by elected Legislators as well.

The check-and-balance system is further refined by a requirement that legislated Constitutional Amendments must be referred to the voters.

All of this tends to expand citizen participation in the Democratic process. And it also tends to sustain those long "bedsheet" ballots so familiar to Oregon voters.

A review of legislative activity and word from the Secretary of State's office combine to lead election buffs to believe 1972 could be the year for ballots in the kingsize category. The 1971 Legislature has referred 11 Constitutional Amendments to the people. Five will be voted upon during next May's Primary Election and six will appear on the ballot in November '72.

At the same time an additional 13 measures are being instigated by the people — nine of which already have been certified and proponents are busy seeking enough signatures to place them before General Election voters.

The Legislature has the power to specify at which election voters will ballot on amendments it refers. But initiatives—those instigated by petition dealing with both Constitutional Amendments and new statutes, appear on General Election ballots only. The same applies to the referendum power reserved by the people, which could be expressed as the people's power to veto legislation.

All three actions necessitate petitions signed by registered voters prior to specified deadlines. In each case the number of signers is a percentage of the total votes cast for all gubernatorial candidates during the preceding election of a governor.

An initiative amendment currently requires 53,312 signers and a statutory amendment, 39,984. The figures are eight and six per cent, respectively, of the total vote for governor in 1968. And in both cases, proponents have until next July 7 to obtain the signatures in order to qualify for the '72 General Election.

When it comes to the popular referendum, however, those who would overturn a legislative act must complete their challenge before the act becomes law—90 days following adjournment of the Legislature. It takes four per cent of those voting for governor to meet this petition requirement and current referendum promoters must obtain 26,656 signatures by Sept. 8.

Amendments referred by the Legislature to next May's Primary deal with eliminating voter literacy requirements and lowering the voting age, repealing the decennial state census, allowing Legislators to call special sessions, provide bonds for state capital construction and bonds for irrigation and water development.

Referred by lawmakers to voters at next year's General Election are proposals that would permit location of state institutions outside Marion County, set standard qualifications for sheriffs, amend county purchase and lease limitations, change Constitutional provisions regarding religion (with special reference to providing state funds to denominational schools), permit six-member juries and broaden eligibility for loans to veterans.

On the initiative front, petitioners would prevent property tax funds from being used to finance education, prohibit union security contracts, invoke a two per cent residential property tax limitation, create a one-half per cent limit on all property taxes, enact a net receipts tax, change the line of succession to the office of governor, repeal the ban on lotteries, permit sale of alcoholic beverages to those 18 and older and repeal gubernatorial pensions.

Referendum petitions would repeal 1971 city-county consolidation enabling legislation, repeal the cigaret tax, repeal obscenity provisions in the new Criminal Code and repeal the city-county power to levy a motor vehicle registration tax.

If all petitioners are successful,

1972 would see voters balloting on at least 24 issues—as well as trying to decide who will occupy some mighty important offices. Several times in recent history voters have faced a dozen or more such issues in a single year. But the greatest number of statewide measures was established in 1952 when the ballot listed a total of 18. Next heaviest recent year was 1970—one less, for a total of 17.

Chances are slim, however, that all petitioners will succeed. Since its inception in 1902, the people have used the initiative petition only 219 times. And the referendum has been invoked only 48 times in the same period.

The battle between legislative wisdom and the people's will is really a pair of confrontations. The first skirmish—obtaining sufficient signatures, now is under way. The second, the actual fight at the polls, is more than a year away.

Whatever the outcome, each will play a significant role in an Oregon election year already promising campaigns for President and other offices.



A fire of nearly a half acre burned grass on the hill back of East Hager Street last Thursday afternoon. Very little damage but it's probably not much fun fighting fire on a hot afternoon. Thanks to our good fire ladders.

Ed Hunt thought he'd relieve his wife of her truck driving duties on the final load of wheat recently. Truck hit a soft shoulder and turned over. This was a close call but he was unharmed. Gene and Don Majeske helped Ed right the truck with the help of the Morrow County Grain Growers derrick. Didn't lose much wheat after all.

Dorothy has written an editorial on the need for another doctor here. Nationally, one doctor is needed for every 700 residents but many places like Morrow County, can't approach this figure. Quite a few places are much worse off! We're grateful to our two doctors and a dentist and optometrist.

Umatilla County officers have discovered several small "farms" recently producing marijuana. Some of these farms were in remote areas. Morrow County Sheriff's Department, the Oregon State Police and City Police in this county are cooperating in the State-wide drive to ferret out isolated plots of this high-priced weed.

Giles French, writing in the Sherman County Journal, made a remark last week pointing up the vital importance of "Legal Notices". Here's what he said: "For years Portland legislators have tried to reduce the notices given in newspapers to those concerned with legal affairs. Some have been discontinued therefore. Now Portlanders have discovered the value of giving legal notice as hundreds were having their homes sold without knowing why, when or what for."

Mr. French will be here at the Fair Thursday to autograph the history book, "Homesteads and Heritages."

A budget is a device for going into debt in an orderly manner.

"Our dog is just like one of the family."
"Really? Which one?"

Science has produced so many substitutes, it's hard to remember what we needed in the first place!

Quickest way to make a tossed salad is to feed vegetables to an 18-month-old child.

Class reunions are going to be real confusing 25 years from now when everyone has a haircut.



WORLD CHAMPION Saddle Bronc Rider for 1970, Dennis Reiners, is making a successful ride on "Stranger", part of the Double R stock company, during the Morrow County Rodeo this Aug. 28-29.

TO THE EDITOR...

Aug. 23, 1972
Camas, Wash.

To the Editor:

I wish to Thank three girls from Ione for helping my mother and my two children take me to a hospital at The Dalles. These girls so graciously gave of their time on a very hot day to help us. One girl drove our car and the other two followed in their red VW. They disappeared so quickly we did not get to thank them.

Also a thank you to the service station man at Union 76 at The Dalles for his concern and help.

I had a sun stroke and stayed in the hospital 24 hours. I do not want anything like this to happen again, but if it should, I hope there will be willing people to help as these people did.

THANK YOU so much.
Sincerely,
Audrey L. Lasater
(Mrs. Nell)
834 N. W. 19th
Camas, Wash.

The Ole Swimmin' Pool!

I read about its many troubles and hope the floods are finished starting in Shobe Canyon which runs into Donaldson Canyon and into Heppner.

But the pool has been a life saver for the youth (and more) for so, these many years.

And the memories, I particularly remember the glorious summer when I swam every day and Bernard McMurdo was life guard and Kay Ferguson was assistant and after swims Jeanette Blakely and I lay in the sun after a swim acquiring a tan.

And what close friendships were made there.
Josephine Mahoney Baker
Terwilliger Plaza

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 your COUNTY ASSESSOR Joyce Ritch, under the name "PROPERTY TAX FAX". Please ask only one question per sheet. Then watch this column for the answer.

QUESTION:

We have a water control district in our county that annually certifies special assessments to the assessor for extension on the tax roll. This year the assessor discovered an error in the certification to him. Does the assessor have the authority to correct this error?

ANSWER:

No. The assessor acts as an agent of the board of supervisors in making entries certified to him and cannot act independently of them except to correct a clerical error made by the assessor's office. If the board of supervisors finds that an error has been made in the certificate, the board should file an amended certificate with the assessor correcting the error.

RALPH THOMPSONS

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Thompson of Portland were here for the weekend with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson. They came to celebrate the Ralph Thompson's 59th Wedding Anniversary.

Pioneer Ponderings



By W. S. CAVERHILL

Responsibility Is Needed

It appears that organized labor and other pressure groups have taken over our economic destiny, and so far have not shown much concern for the general stability needed in our fiscal behavior. Geographically and politically we are a union of fifty states, but our economy is dominated by a platform of unrelated unions. That being the case, perhaps Congress should be abolished and a union of unions be set up to exercise the responsibility that they are asking for.

Home on Leave To Wed

An Aug. 14 wedding date brought David Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wright home on a 30 day leave from McConnell Air School in Wichita, Kan., where he is stationed. David and Linda Pettyjohn were united in marriage and have already left for McConnell base where he has been stationed.

Bill Rawlins' Have First Grandson

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rawlins went to Portland Sunday for a quick trip to see their new grandson. Their first grandchild, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brewster of Canby but who will be in Corvallis for the fall term. His name is Mathew Alan and he weighed 6 lb., 10 oz. The other grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Back of Sherwood, Mrs. Rose Rawlins of Anoka, Minn., is his great grandmother. Mrs. Rawlins expects to be with the family for a few days when Mrs. Brewster and the baby leave the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Becker, Gard and Chris came Friday evening to pick up their No. 1 son, Mike who had been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heard, for the past three weeks. The Beckers live at Gold Beach where they both teach.

Notice of Supplemental Budget Hearing

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for the City of Heppner, Oregon, for the fiscal year 1971-1972 will be held in the Council chambers in the City Hall at 8 P.M. on September 3, 1971. Copies of the supplemental budget are available without charge at the office of the City Recorder. The budget may be inspected by interested persons at the office of the City Recorder during regular office hours. Any person may appear at the public hearing on the supplemental budget and discuss the budget or any part of it.

CITY OF HEPPNER SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1971-72

UTILITIES FUND Resources

Loan from City Reserve Funds	\$ 7,500.00
Anticipated Grant from Farm Home Administration	7,500.00
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$15,000.00

Requirements

Materials and Labor for Water Line replacement on Cannon Street	\$ 7,985.00
Materials and Labor for Sewer Line replacement on Cannon Street	7,915.00
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	\$15,900.00

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