

Drop in Water Level May Cut Number of Wells

89th Year

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HEPPNER'S CENTENNIAL insignia will soon be seen on such things as Sheepskin Scrip, pressure sensitive little labels for letters and envelopes, bumper strips, and little store window signs.

REGISTRATIONS UP IN COUNTY

The 18 year old registrations may be the main cause for the increase in registrations in Morrow County. County Clerk Sadie Parrish said "When the poll books

closed last Sat. night, there were 1213 registered Democrats, 1016 Republicans, 69 others for a total of 2298." At the time of the last presidential primary in 1968 there were 1117 Democrats registered, 1018 Republicans and 31 others for a total of 2166.

Hospital Needs Ambulance Drivers

At Thursday's Pioneer Memorial Hospital board meeting, a dire need for ambulance drivers was brought out. Much time has been purely donated to the cause for some years. However, it is difficult to have the ambulance manned on weekends and the board would very much like to obtain some volunteer drivers. If this is not possible, it was stated it may be necessary to discontinue ambulance services here.

The sprinkler system has been completed at a cost of \$4387. The system has pipes painted a light color making it quite unobtrusive.

Room rates are \$50. Rates in Pendleton hospitals start at \$55.

The State Board of Health requires more dishwasher capacity in the kitchen.

Bob Lowe displayed a drawing of a new sign to be placed on the lawn to identify the hospital. He is donating the sign.

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Irrigon Marina Work Starts

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It is expected by the park board that a picnic area and rest rooms will be developed this summer. Eventually there will be lawn, a barbecue area, stoves and a protected shelter. At this time it is not known just when these will be completed.

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First Play Day Winners Listed

Winners in the Cops Barrels were: six years and under-1 Ann Murray, 2 Bridget Greenup; 7, 8, and 9 years-1 Janice Steagall, 2 Tony Currin, 3 Ann Van Schoiack; 10, 11, and 12 years-1 David Steagall, 2 Maureen Healy, 3 Kryn Robinson, tied, 3 Janice Healy, 4 Cindy Doherty; 13 to 17 years old-1 Joan Healy, 2 Patty Daly, 3 Mary Healy, tied, 3 Sherrie Kemp, 4 Michele Evans; 18 and over-1 Erna Lynn Winchester, 2 S.A. Galliber, 3 Craig Munkers, 4 Merlyn Robinson, 4 Bob Van Schoiack tied.

Poles: six years and under-1 Steve Currin; 7, 8, and 9 years-1 Janice Steagall, 2 Anita Palmer, 3 Ann Van Schoiack, 4 Tony Currin; 10, 11, and 12 years-1 Maureen Healy, 2 Cindy Doherty, 3 Kryn Robinson, 4 Janice Healy; 13 to 17 year olds-1 Tim Daly, 2 Joan Healy, 3 Michele Evans, 4 John Healy; 18 and over-1 Pat Doherty, 2 Merlyn Robinson, 3 Bob Steagall, 4 Bruce Bergstrom.

Sack Race: 7, 8, and 9 year olds-1 Jo Lynn Daly, 2 Nancy Miller, 3 Mike Currin. Rings: 10, 11, and 12 year olds-1 Dave Steagall, 2 Maureen Healy, 2 Janice Healy, 4 Cindy Doherty; 13 to 17 years old-Kyle Robinson, 2 Patty Daly, 2 David Daly, tied, 3 Barry Munkers, 4 Judy Healy; 18 and over-1 S.A. Galliber, 2 Craig Munkers, 3 Pat Doherty, 4 Kite Healy.

Optional Race which was chosen by the committee and was a Scurry race: 7, 8, and 9 years - 1 Ann Van Schoiack, 2 Tony Currin, 3 Janice Steagall, 4 Anita Palmer; 10, 11, and 12's-1 Janice Healy, 2 Maureen Healy and David Steagall, tied, 3 Kryn Robinson, 4 Marie Van Schoiack; 13 to 17 year olds-1 Joan Healy, 2 John Healy, 2 Patricia Hughes, tied, 3 Barry Munkers, 4 Sherrie Kemp, 4 Patricia Van Schoiack, tied; 18 and over-1 Craig Munkers, 2 Kite Healy, 2 S.A. Galliber, tied, 3 Jack Wright, 4 Merlyn Robinson.

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as manager of the Cooperative. Mr. Young has consented to continue as manager on a part time basis until the board has selected a new manager.

Boardman's Lions Club Chartered

Boardman's brand new Lions Club will be officially chartered - as will a new Umatilla club - when Lions gather at 7:30 p.m. at Hermonston Sat. evening.

The new clubs are sponsored by the busy Irrigon Lions.

The banquet and charter night are to be held in the Catholic Parish Hall, Hermonston, at 145 S.W. 6th. Gene Trumbull is the first president of the new club.

School Vote Set May 1

At least one candidate has filed for each opening on the Morrow County School and the various advisory committee positions. Only one position will be contested and that is for the Heppner position on the Heppner-Lexington advisory committee where Mrs. Merlyn Robinson and Mrs. Judy Buschke have both filed petitions as candidates.

Jack Sumner and Pauline Winter, incumbent board members, have both filed to succeed themselves as representatives for Zone V and VI on the Morrow County School Board.

In other advisory committee positions the following candidates will be running unopposed: Heppner-Lexington; Ronald Haguwood and Virginia Grieb; Ione; John Edwards, Boardman-Irrigon; Kenneth Boardman; Gayle Shoemaker, and John Matthews.

The election will be held on Monday, May 1, 1972, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the usual school polling sites.

Absentee ballots will be available at the District Office in Lexington for those unable to vote on May 1 at their usual polling place. Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained by phoning Lexington, 989-8123.

Ione Lions Have Election

The Ione Lions Club recently elected new officers. The new president is Ray Boyce. 1st vice-president is Don Heliker; 2nd vice-president, John Jepsen; 3rd vice-president, Darrell James. Lion Tamer is Charles O'Connor; Tail Twister, Herb Ekstrom, Jr.; Secretary-treasurer, Bill Stewart. Directors for two years, Robert Drake and Don Bristow.

Herb Ekstrom was appointed as chairman of the installation committee. This event will be announced soon.

Urban Guest At Sr. Boys Dinner

Approximately 60 guests were in attendance at the Masonic Dinner for Senior boys and faculty Thurs. evening April 20.

Karl Urban of Blue Mountain Community College was guest speaker for the evening and covered the topic of Environmental Awareness.

Bob Kelly acted as Master of Ceremonies and George Simonson is Worshipful Master of the Heppner Masons.

The baked ham dinner was provided by the Eastern Star Ladies and served by the Rainbow Girls.

Mark Hatfield Coming Wednesday

Senator Mark Hatfield will be in Heppner at 3:30 on Fri. May 5. He would be pleased to have folks come to the Wagon Wheel to visit with him during an informal coffee time.

WEATHER BY DON GILLIAM

Wednesday 59 25
Thursday 60 35
Friday 50 39 .02
Saturday 55 29
Sunday 64 27
Monday 61 39 .14
Tuesday 55 35

TIME CHANGE SUNDAY

Daylight Saving Time starts Sunday at 2 a.m. When we go to bed Sat. night, we'll set Seth Thomas ahead one hour.



THE CENTENNIAL LOOK. Mrs. Dennis Doherty adds to the look!

COUNTY BUDGET MEET IS SET

The budget is a great item of concern for the County Court at this time. They anticipate keeping the budget within the 6 percent limitation. The next budget meeting will be held May 11 at 9 a.m. Don Kenyon from the Local Budget Division will attend to talk new budget procedures. There have been some changes in forms and the printing of summaries.

One form of economy may be the deletion of predator control funds.

On April 19, the Court accepted the bid of Groves Construction for an office counter for the County Clerk's office at a cost of \$550.

Sheriff John Mollohan discussed with the Court, the urgent need for an auxiliary gas tank for one of the deputy's pickups. He asked the court to consider a tank and tool box combination that could be purchased locally. The sheriff felt the auxiliary

tank was necessary and the additional feature of the locked tool box was beneficial. Flares and tools could be stored here. The court discussed the possible use of civil defense tanks or an oil drum as substitutes.

Pomona to Be At Rhea Creek

Pomona Grange is to be held Sat. at Rhea Creek Grange Hall, starting at 10 a.m. There will be a dinner at noon.

The program at 2 p.m. will feature a talk by Jack Sumner, candidate for the Legislature. He will talk on the Governor's tax proposal and how it will affect Morrow County schools. This program is open to the public.

Second Tour Announced

For those who missed the tour of the proposed Wilderness area last Sat., another tour will be offered.

The group will meet this Sat., April 29 at 10:00 a.m. at Anson Wright Park. The tour will last approximately six hours.

Employment Listing

JOB OPENINGS-At present the following job openings are listed with the Extension-employment office, Heppner: Bin builders for the Ione area, a permanent, year-round farm job, carpenter's helper, carpenter, waitress, person with farm experience to plow, domestic worker, janitorial job (parttime), and yard work jobs for interested youth.

Please contact the extension office when looking for people with the following work experiences: office workers (typing, bookkeeping, filing, etc.) salespeople, service station attendant, mill workers, truck drivers, babysitters, bartenders - we have a graduate of BMCC who would like to do typing in her home.

WRANGLERS have a regular meeting scheduled for May 2 at the Fairgrounds Dormitory, at 8:00 p.m.

LINCOLN NASH underwent major surgery Monday at St. Anthony's Hospital.

Merchants Offer Money Savers to All

Heppner retailers have gone all out to offer big bargains this weekend during the annual Moonlight Sale. Some prices are for 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday night, Apr. 28. Some are good Thurs., Fri. and Sat. Ads do offer genuine bargains and all are cordially invited to please carefully study the ads, come on into the stores and look over these good buys.

Court has pics taken

The members of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court had their formal pictures taken last Sat. on Dick Wilkinson's ranch. The handsome rail fence and the grove of poplar trees served as the background for their pictures.

Pictures were taken with their horses and on the rail fence as a group and as individuals.

Also present were Court chairman, Pat O'Brien and chaperon Mrs. Bob Peterson, Cista Venard the other chaperon was not able to be present.

Dates are: Fair August 22-25 and Rodeo, August 26-27.

Note to New Scholars

Will you 1972-73 first graders please bring a parent or two to the multi-purpose room of the Elementary School at 10:00 a.m., Tues., May 4?

You should check your birthday, is it before or on Nov. 15? You must be six years old by that date to come to school next fall.

Teachers and the principal will talk with you and your parents and give you information and explanations about your first schooling.

Parents with kindergarten children and those whose children have not come to kindergarten are urged to attend.

Firemen Take 16 Hour Course

Heppner Firemen who completed a 16 hour course in reading and computing radioactivity were Clyde Allstott Tom Wilson, Gary Minkers, Ed Yeoman, Bob Hager and Forrest Kurbenke.

The class met twice a week for four weeks.

Children's Pictures Taken in Color

For many years the Gazette Times has been running a pictorial feature of the youngsters in this area as "Citizens of Tomorrow." In the near future we will again be publishing free pictures of all children who are brought by their parents or other guardian to the following places: HEPPNER - Sat. May 6, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Library Room City Hall.

IONE - Mon. May 8, 1 to 6 p.m. at The American Legion Hall.

BOARDMAN - Tues. May 9, 1 to 6 p.m. at the Grange Hall.

LIVING COLOR An expert children's photographer will take the pictures to assure uniform quality and size for best reproduction. and this year will be taken in natural living color. Please dress your children colorfully to take full advantage of the beauty of Color photography. The pictures will run in black and white in the newspaper.

NO COST TO PARENTS There are absolutely no strings to this invitation nor are there any charges to the

The Boardman branch of Inland Empire Bank has everything in readiness for the Open House they are planning for Sat. Apr. 29 from 1 to 4 p.m. The grand tour will include refreshments.

Marty McDowell, branch manager, extends a cordial invitation to everyone to come see the new bank home. The bank first housed in a mobile home moved a few weeks ago into the new building.

HEPPNER TV SETS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Heppner TV Inc. will be held May 9 at 8 p.m. at the Bank of Eastern Oregon conference room. There is one board vacancy to be filled. Financial report will be made. All members are invited to attend.

Heppner Post To Meet Monday

Heppner American Legion and Auxiliary will meet May 1 at 7 p.m. for a joint family potluck supper at the Legion Hall. Separate meetings will follow. Plans will be made for Poppy Day, state convention, Boys and Girls State delegates selection, Memorial Day observation.

Sand Blow Gets SWCD Attention

A joint meeting was held with the Boardman and the Heppner Soil & Water Conservation Districts. A principal topic was the very serious problem of sand blowing in new land that has been broken.

They discussed such possibilities as to form a blow control district similar to the one in the Lexington area; and, or the possibility of the districts to adopt land use regulations to have some control over timing of crop rotations and the time of year they break it out.

Both districts plan closely working together in a big effort to solve the problem.

OIL SPILLED

Officer Bert Corbin noticed that someone had run into an oil barrel behind Hamlin's Tavern about 1:30 yesterday morning. The oil pipe was severed and oil ran all over the alley and down into the street creating a fire hazard.

Fire Chief Forrie brought over the truck, poured many gallons of foam on it.

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parents ... they do not have to be subscribers or even readers of this newspaper to participate. Neither are the parents obligated to purchase any of the Color pictures taken.

Those who might desire Color photographs may obtain them by making arrangements with the Studio Representative when they select the pose they wish to see printed in the Gazette-Times. There is no age limit and older children and family groups are especially welcome.

APPOINTMENTS may be made by calling HEPPNER - Mrs. Dennis Toney at 676-9407, IONE - Mrs. Dennis McKay at 422-7559, and BOARDMAN - Mary Lee Malow at 481-4685.

While appointments are not necessary to have your children photographed it could avoid your having to wait. Check this date on your calendar now and help us make this a memorable community feature.

Photography will be handled by Woltz Studios, Inc.

While soy beans may be manufactured to look and taste like meat and other substitutions are common Chris Wheeler of the State Engineers office told the Chamber of Commerce Mon. that no substitute for water has been found.

Water can't be destroyed, he said and the amount of water is essentially the same, but in changing forms, ice, snow, glaciers, streams, lakes and oceans. The ground water however is an unknown factor. It isn't measurable. Processes are being perfected that may provide a reasonable inference of the ground water supply.

In regards to the underground water supply, Oregon operates on a different philosophy than the southwest part of the country. In the southwest they operate as on a mining operation using up the ground water supply. With the supply, they plan to build up a civilization that will "bail" them out when it is used up.

In Oregon the theory is not to take more out than goes in. In 1965 the Ordinance Area 12 x 15 miles was declared a critical area. Later the Butter Creek area south of the Ordinance area was declared a critical ground water area.

Ranchers who invest a great sum of money in irrigation wells and pump installations should be protected from having it taken away. Developments shouldn't be permitted that would deprive the farmer from a reasonable chance of paying back his investment.

Wells in this area are dropping 30 feet a year. Mr. Wheeler was uncertain whether this would level out or continue to drop. These wells are over-drafted in that more is taken out than is flowing in. "This may necessitate that some wells be shut down or shift irrigation to another well", he said. "This may be necessary to maintain a stable level of water to protect the user."

More data with measuring devices and further studies will precede the public hearings before a Declaration order will be given.

There are 45 wells in the Ordinance area that are measured on a periodic basis. He said "recharging wells is not as simple as it sounds." Willow Creek Dam wouldn't make any significant change in the ground water level." Bob Jepsen-

Bob Jepsen was named Morrow County Father of the Year by Mrs. Merlin Hughes, Cowbellies president. His name was contributed by the Episcopal Youth group. The prepared portfolio will be submitted in the state contest for the state Father of the Year contest. He will be the guest of honor at a steak barbecue in June.

Mayor Bill Collins said he had word from Senator Bob Packwood's office that there would be a hearing on the Willow Creek Dam on May 10. He suggested letters be sent from the Chamber, City and County stating their positions on the dam.

Dick Sargent announced those working on the survey questionnaire would meet Apr. 26 with representatives from the Extension service.

The Housing committee is pursuing its efforts to find a location for a mobile court to provide accommodations for people moving to Heppner. The area between the high school and Ed La-Trace's home may be available.

D.O. Nelson won the pot. Chamber of Commerce members voted to reverse their decision regarding the Texas Butte and Kelly Prairie areas and recommended that they not be included as study areas for possible inclusion in the Wilderness Preservation System.

Coach Resigns

Coach Bob Clough indicated Tuesday he would ask the school board to release him from the last year of a 3-year contract at Heppner High. He has been offered the athletic directorship at Albany.

Grain Prices

(FOB Lexington does not include warehouse chgs) Courtesy MCGG

Soft white wheat 1.65 1/2 bu.

Red wheat 1.52 1/2 bu.

Barley No Bid