

Grain Seals Halted 89th Year

Dave McLeod of the Agriculture Stabilization & Conservation office said this week that the Commodity Credit Corporation would not reseed for the 1973-74 storage period. Storage will be paid through May 31.

There is a grain sealed in the county from the 1968 crop and some from all the crops since. He said he would estimate a total storage of 1 1/2 million to 2 million bushels. Using 3000 bushel bunkers, it would require something over 500 railroad cars to move the grain out.

This certainly calls for an orderly marketing of grain.

Gertrude Parker Hurt

Gertrude Parker slipped and fell at the hospital in Heppner last week and broke her hip. She was taken to Pendleton to the hospital the end of last week and her hip was set Monday morning. She was doing satisfactorily after it was set and seems to be coming along all right.

Mrs. Trotter Honored

Maralee Trotter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rod Murray of Heppner, was elected to membership in Phi Kappa Phi at its fall initiation and honors accoleade. Phi Kappa Phi is an honor society to recognize superior scholarship in all fields of study. To become a member one must maintain an accumulative grade point average of 3.50 and be in the top ten percent of the Senior class.

Mrs. Trotter was initiated as a Senior I in Pharmacy at Oregon State University. She and her husband and daughter are living in Springfield where her husband is employed as a Chemical Engineer.

Roy Lindstrom Elected VP

Roy W. Lindstrom was elected vice president of the Morrow County Planning Commission at the meeting Feb. 6. Harold Rash of Boardman was named a member of the commission by the County Court. He takes Arthur Allen's place who declined reappointment.

The Planning Commission approved application of Basil Rogers for a change in zoning from Farms to Farm-Residential. He lives east of Boardman on Olson Rd.

There will be a public hearing on the sub-division ordinance for the county. Dates and places will be set later.

State Fire School

Deputy State Fire Marshal Stan Phillips will be at Lexington Fire Station at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 20 to conduct a State fire school. All firemen of lone, Lexington and Heppner and interested persons are invited to attend the special fire school.

Cars Collide Here Sunday

Cars driven by David Cox and David Schwarzin collided Sunday afternoon on Main Street here. Police reported both cars had over \$200 damage. Fortunately, no one was injured.

Both drivers were cited for failure to drive on the right side of the street.

Red Cross

An American Red Cross field representative from Spokane will meet with Morrow County chapter officers and chairmen on Feb. 21. The no-host luncheon meeting will be held at the Wagon Wheel.

Lions Honor Members



Lone Lions President Ray Boyce presented Paul Pettijohn and Don Heliker with service awards at Monday's Lions Charter Night.

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Elks Will Present 76th Annual on 24th

Heppner Elks Lodge No. 358 has completed plans for the 76th Annual. The event will be on Saturday, Feb. 24th here. Registration will open at 11 a.m. at the showroom of the former Ford Garage. From 1 to 4 will be the Ladies' tea and

card party at St. Patrick's Parish Hall. An initiation will be included in the Annual program that afternoon.

A beef dinner is being prepared by Willows Grange from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Evening will be topped off by a big dance.

Tracie Norene is HHS Homemaker of Tomorrow



TRACIE NORENE

Forest Forum Set For Feb. 27

If you are interested in the management of the Umatilla National Forest and wish to become involved, Forest Supervisor H.B. Rudolph encourages you to attend one of the public forums to be held in the near future.

A public forum will be held on Feb. 27, in the Heppner, Oregon Elementary School All-Purpose Room. Both public forums will begin at 7:30 p.m. The other one is to be today, Feb. 15 at the Dayton, Wash. Grade School.

One of the Forest Service objectives is to involve the public in Forest policy and program formulation. These forums are scheduled to give everyone an opportunity to voice their opinions and ideas concerning land management activities on the Umatilla National Forest.

These public forums will not have a formal agenda. Instead, it is the purpose of these forums to provide a free exchange of information concerning land management activities and programs. To get the meetings underway, Supervisor Rudolph may begin discussion with some topics of local concern.

Last spring the Umatilla National Forest held its first public forum in Pendleton. It is hoped that these meetings can become a regular occurrence, although public interest will determine whether any other meetings will be scheduled.

J-Mar Duplexes to Rise Soon

The City of Heppner issued permits last week to J-Mar Construction Co. of Echo for two duplexes to be built on two lots they purchased from Randy Lott in the Lott-Rasmussen Addition. Cost is \$30,000 each. Randy Lott secured the permits for them as agent. Owners of the firm are James R. Marion and Ben Trotter, both of Echo. Construction is to start as soon as possible.

Grain Market

White Wheat	2.39 1/2 bu.
Red Wheat	2.17 1/2 bu.
Red Wheat	2.33 1/2 bu.
New Crop	2.17 1/2 bu.
Barley	72.00 ton

Tracie L. Norene has been named Heppner High School's 1973 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. Chosen on the basis of scores in a written knowledge and attitude examination administered to high school seniors here and throughout the country last Dec. 5, she will receive a specially designed award from General Mills, sponsor of the annual Betty Crocker Search for American Homemakers of Tomorrow. In addition, she remains eligible for state and national honors.

Ski This Weekend

If there's no chinook, there will be skiing this Saturday and Sunday at Arbuckle.

Mary Schwarz Passes

Mary Louise Schwarz died at Pioneer Memorial Hospital Feb. 12, 1973. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Hope Lutheran Church with the Rev. Mark Johnson officiating. Carl and Betty Marquardt sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "In The Garden" accompanied by Lucia Cutsforth.

Bearers were Don Greenup, Mike Monahan, Eddie Gundersen Jr., Don Bennett, Don Evans and John Gochnauer.

Honorary bearers were Dr. L.D. Tibbles, Herman Green, Howard Bryant, Harold Becket, Vic Groshens and Joe DePaolo.

Concluding services were held at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of arrangements. Mary Louise Schwarz was born Jan. 20, 1907, in Heppner, the daughter of Vawter Crawford and Cora Spencer Crawford, long time owners of the Gazette-Times.

She worked at Humphrey's Drug store before she was married. She and Leonard Schwarz were married in Heppner on Nov. 29, 1928. She worked with him in the operations of Court St. Market until she became ill. She shared his enthusiasm for fishing, the year around. They enjoyed fishing through the ice during the winter. They also liked to hunt together.

She was a member of the Neighbors of Woodcraft.

She is survived by her husband, Leonard; a son, Len Ray of Heppner; a brother, Arthur Crawford of San Jose; four sisters, Virginia Turner of Eugene, Janet Jones of Elma, W.A., Margaret Hayes of Joseph and Coramae Ferguson of Heppner and three grandchildren, Ronnie, Pat and Ted. Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Soroptimists List Priorities

The Soroptimist Club of Heppner has agreed on the following priorities that they would recommend to the County Budget committee for the use of Revenue Sharing money.

The group feels that buildings should be maintained and their first recommendation was for the necessary electrical rewiring of the County Court House for greater safety and efficiency.

The second recommendation is to provide additional bed space at the Nursing Home.

The third is a jail facility preferably in cooperation with the City of Heppner to provide space for men, women and juveniles.

Their fourth recommendation was to provide the other half-salary for the Juvenile Director if it can't be provided elsewhere in the county budget, to make it a full-time position.

American Legion to Host District Meeting

Heppner Legion Post 87 and the Auxiliary will host a District 6 meeting on Feb. 18 at 1 p.m. The meeting will start with a potluck dinner at the Legion Hall. The meat will be furnished.

All veterans and their wives are invited to attend. Janita Murchison of Pendleton will present Leadership training to the unit. District 6 Commander Hammer and Unit president Daley from Hermiston will also attend.

Hospital

Patients receiving medical care at Pioneer Memorial Hospital are Buelah Mankin, Heppner; Joanne Judd, Fossil; Otilla Hunt, Heppner; Stella Devin, Heppner; Walter Fleming, Fossil; and Clara DeSpain, Stanfield.

Dismissed were Dave Masonheimer, Heppner; Roy Tiller, Lone Rock; and Ron Cornwall, Heppner.

WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM

	High	Low	Prec.
Thurs.	38	20	
Fri.	35	23	
Sat.	41	26	.45+
Sun.	46	29	
Mon.	38	26	.01
Tues.	34	28	

+ (4 1/2" snow)
Total Prec. Jan. '74
Normal Jan. 1.25
Total Jan. '72 1.29

Judge Jones Talks On Road Levy

The County Court recently inspected the main roads of Morrow County for winter damage and estimated the cost of repairs. These roads included Road No. 504 at Gene Cutsforth to Road No. 966 at Clarks Canyon. Judge Jones told the Heppner Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday that the estimate for repairs would be approximately \$121,668. This would include machine rental 15 percent, rock 34 percent, asphalt 37 percent and labor 14 percent.

In explaining the proposed serial road levy, he said it had been voted continuously since 1948 and this 5 year levy shows little increase. The road money to be raised in the proposed levy was set at \$145,000 annually, he said.

It was first anticipated the serial road levy would be set at \$175,000 but when Revenue Sharing became a reality, it was proposed to take \$30,000 from Revenue Sharing and reduce the road levy to \$145,000. "So revenue sharing is indirectly a tax off-set," he said.

Of the \$145,000, \$10,750 will be returned to the cities each year as their share of the monies which is raised by the city taxpayers. This is based on a formula as provided by state law.

The first year \$145,000. Serial Road Levy will cost 1.58 cents. The five year \$145,000 Serial Road Levy will cost 1.58 cents per 1000 TCV for the first year. As the County's evaluation increases the rate will go down. This is just 1 cent more than the previous serial road levy which was \$1.57 per 1000.

Judge Jones said that Boeing had told him they would build a road at their expense from their new feed lot installation and join Hwy 74 on Willow Creek. The route will take into consideration, the easiest grade and soil conditions. The county will be obligated for the construction of the entrance to the Willow Creek Rd. This will provide a market road to bring cattle and feed grains from the south end of the county to the new feed lot.

In talking with the County Court the State Maintenance Engineer asked about priorities for state highway improvement within the county. Judge Jones said most ranchers he had talked with seemed to favor improving the highway from Lexington to Butter Creek as

District 6 is in first place in Department but still lacks 29 to reach membership goal. The Heppner Unit is short 10 members of goal. Any Vietnam veteran is eligible to join the American Legion and wives, daughters and granddaughters may then join the Auxiliary. Anyone who would like to join the Heppner unit is asked to call Mrs. Frank Hamlin, secretary.

Members attention, this meeting will replace the Feb. 19 meeting so please plan to attend.

School District Agenda

The Morrow County School District R-1 board meeting will be held Feb. 19 at 7:30 at Riverside High School.

Under new business the board will consider: bids on Valby-Gooseberry contract run, hire bus driver to replace Jim Bloodsworth, approve contract for replacement for Don Hendrix, consider request to co-sponsor Sunday Ski bus, Consider approving outdoor education program for Heppner Elementary, Consider field trip request from lone and Heppner High and consider contract renewals for certificated employees. (Executive session)

Reports will be heard on World of Work Day.

Announcements to be made: Budget Hearing on March 12, 7:30 p.m., District Office and next regular board meeting, March 12, District Office.

Paul Hisler Elected

Pendleton Production Credit Association, agriculture lender, has completed its annual meetings with a successful attendance at both Enterprise and Pendleton. The terms of two directors expired at these meetings. Elections were held and Clifford Johnson was elected to represent Wallowa County and Paul Hisler was elected to represent Morrow County.

Ken Jackson, manager, gave the financial report at both meetings and it was shown that a good agricultural year was enjoyed throughout the Associations territory of Umatilla, Morrow, Wallowa and Union Counties.

County ASCS Office Closed Feb. 19

Because Washington's Birthday will be observed as an official federal holiday on Monday, Feb. 19, the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service ASCS county office will not be open for program sign-up or other farm program business on that day.

Pointing out that this is the only holiday which occurs during the Feb. 5 - March 16 sign-up period for the 1973 feed grain and wheat program, David McLeod, County Executive Director said producers might want to circle that calendar date to remind themselves NOT to come in on that date.

Grange Visitation

Monday is Grange Visitation night at the Lexington Grange. The Lexington Grange will provide the main course dish for the potluck dinner to start at 6:30 p.m. Willows Grange will provide the dessert and Greenfield Grange will arrange the program.

PREMIUM BOOK TO BE UPDATED

Morrow County Fair Premium book is in the process of being revamped and updated. Anyone with suggestions for a change is asked to call the Extension office or Mrs. Charles (Beverly) Doherty, Chairman at lone.

Alvin Wagenblast

Friends and relatives of Alvin Wagenblast were deeply grieved to hear of his death on Sunday at Community Hospital in Pendleton where he was taken 15 days ago following a serious heart attack. Alvin was a well known Morrow County rancher, was born Dec. 20, 1918 in The Dalles, the son of Mr. and Mrs. B.I. Wagenblast and passed away Feb. 11, 1973 at 54 years of age.

He was united in marriage Feb. 15, 1940 to Lee McLeod at her home in Moro. He was a cadet in the US Air Force the years 1943-1945. They moved to Lexington Feb. 15, 1949 purchasing the place known to many as the Reaney place on Willow Creek where they have made their home. They recently moved into a lovely double mobile home at the site of the old Reaney house.

Recently the family purchased the Ray Dolven ranch known as the Ben Swaggert place. Their son, Steve and family lives on the Swaggert Ranch.

Alvin was a member of the Lexington Grange and Morrow County Pomona Grange and he was past master of both, serving several terms. He put in many hours of earnest work. He was also a member of the Heppner Elks No. 358 and the Heppner Methodist Church.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Lee and two sons, Steve of Lexington and John who is attending law school at Salem; a grandson and granddaughter and one brother.

Services were held Feb. 14 at the Spencer-Libby Funeral Chapel in The Dalles with interment in Grass Valley in the family plot.

School Budget Tax Up Only 3.23 Percent

The line-by-line review of the proposed 1973-74 school budget was completed at the third session held in Irrigon last Tuesday. The total budget resources is \$1,673,610 which is an increase of 4.37 percent or \$70,077.

Total required to balance the budget is \$1,349,682. Tax levy increase over last year is \$42,295, or an increase of 3.23 percent. This is an increase of 44 cents per \$1000. TCV. Evaluation in the county increased \$2 million last year which is reflected in the tax levy for next year.

Also reflected in the smaller levy is the larger than expected cash carry over of \$70,000.

Smoothness and dispatch of the budget committee meetings was noted by Don McElligott when he said "Looks like the administrators and the advisory committees did some good screening and cuts on that level before the budget got to the committee".

Cutsforth's Off for Africa

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD
Morrow's most intrepid traveling duo, Mr. and Mrs. O.W. Cutsforth, who did the Colorado River last year, are soon off one of these days to do east Africa. Former State Treasurer and Mrs. Robert Straub are departing a little ahead of the Cutsforts and there is talk of Bob Straub and O.W. having a challenge race to the top of the 19,270 ft.

Mr. Daniels said that \$24,000 in equipment requests were dropped by administrators and advisory committees. For several years the president has sought to reduce impacted aid funds but congress has restored them. This year the anticipated revenue from this source was dropped to \$6000 from \$12,000. If the district loses any of the funding, they won't be hurt quite so much but Mr. Daniels said "I suspect we'll lose it all."

These funds were designed to assist districts where federal workers' children in large numbers attend school. In Morrow County this includes Forest Service and Ordnance Depot workers.

Budget hearing will be March 12 at 7:30 followed by the regular board meeting at 8 p.m. at the district office in Lexington.

Any line items can be adjusted up to 10 percent as long as the amount of the levy is not affected.

Property Tax Relief Assistance

Sheriff John Mollahan announced this week a schedule of dates when representative from the Sheriff's Department would be in the various towns of the county to answer questions pertaining to the new Property Tax relief.

Persons seeking help should

Mustangs Edge Condon, Dumped by Umatilla

By GREG GREEN
Heppner came back from a first quarter slump to defeat the Condon Blue Devils 66-63 Friday night, but fell to the point of no return against the Umatilla Vikings 79-55 on the Mustang court Saturday.

Umatilla jumped on the Mustangs in the first quarter racing to a 20-12 lead at the end of the period. Heppner offense never recovered from then on as the Mustangs slowly fell farther behind to the 24 point loss.

Umatilla shot 50 percent from the field and a high 76 percent from the charity stripe. The Mustangs, 40 percent from the field and only 39 percent from the line.

John Boyer dumped in 29 points for the losing cause and Allen McCabe had 9. Mike Bergstrom led Heppner in rebounding with 9. Dave Eckman brought down 8 and Lloyd Wilson 7 rebounds.

Six foot seven inch David John led the Vikings with 21 points.

Friday Night
The start of Friday's game looked bad for Heppner. Condon

have with them information on their income, social security number and property tax statement. Hours at each town are the same, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Boardman City Hall Feb. 14 and 28; Irrigon A.C. Houghton School Feb. 16, March 2; Lexington School Feb. 21; lone City Hall Feb. 23.

quickly jumped to a 7-0 lead and were ahead 11-2 with 2 minutes remaining in the first quarter. But the Mustangs corrected their mistakes and came back to within one point at the end of the first period. Halftime found Condon still ahead by one. During the second half the Mustangs displayed good ball playing and kept a few points ahead most of the time. The Blue Devils attempted a rally in the last few seconds but didn't succeed.

The winning team outshot the losers from the field 45 percent to 31 percent. Condon did better from the bonus line hitting 51 percent to the Mustangs 43 percent.

Mike Bergstrom grabbed 13 rebounds and put in 18 points, one basket made as he fell flat on his back, to lead Heppner. Boyer got 17 and McCabe 16. Lloyd Wilson brought down 11 rebounds.

Kevin Morgan led Condon with 26 tallies and Dave Eaton 12.

The Mustangs are now in fourth place in the league with a 5-4 record. Condon remains in third with 5-3, Umatilla second

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Banquet Honors 4-H Leaders

Morrow County 4-H Leaders and-or husband and wife will be honored with a banquet at the lone High School cafeteria, February 15, 6:30 p.m.

The annual event, recognizing the contribution of volunteer leaders to the development of youth through out Morrow County is sponsored by Columbia Basin Electric. The 4-H Empire Builders Club plan, prepare and serve the appreciation banquet, and are in charge of the evening's program.

Guest speaker will be Andy Landforce, Extension Specialist, OSU. "Andy has a really great program for this event. I personally encourage all leaders to attend, and will guarantee they will be glad they did", said Birdine Tullis, Morrow Extension Aide. "He has some special magic for understanding youth-adult relationships today".

This year the Empire Builders have included some "friends of 4-H (individuals or business who have contributed to the support of 4-H in the county). While not every one who has assisted the 4-H program can be invited every year, the club feels some should be invited each year to recognize their efforts along with those of leaders.

Birdine added, "Our 4-H leaders are very special people! They do so much, so faithfully, and with no concern for recognition of their efforts. We really hope every leader will be present for this annual "thank you" event".