

**Special Merchants 90th Year!
Meet Friday**

Randall Peterson has announced a special meeting of the Merchants Committee, to be at the Wagon Wheel tomorrow, Friday, at noon.
Several important matters are to be discussed at this meeting.

SADDLES STOLEN
Saddles and riding gear were reported stolen over the weekend from High Mountain Meadow Ranch at Cecil.

**Little League
Work Day**

There will be a work day at the Little League field in Heppner on Saturday, March 31 at 10:00 a.m. The March 21 date which appeared in last week's paper was in error.
There is a lot of work to be done on the field grounds: fences to be repaired, trees need trimming, etc. All little league fathers and mothers are encouraged to bring rakes, shovels and other tools for cleaning and repairing and be at the field on Saturday morning set to work.

**Johnsons To
Remodel
Apartments**

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson of Venice, Calif. have been here this week. They purchased a ranch up Hinton Creek last year from Earl Blake. They also have purchased an apartment house on Court Street from the Phegleys. They expect to have contractors do considerable remodeling there very soon.

**John Wagenblast
Has Basketball
Injury**

John Wagenblast, student at Willamette Law School, severed his Achilles tendon while playing basketball recently. His leg is in a full cast for six weeks and then a shorter cast for 3 weeks.
This happened just before he was to come to the ranch for spring vacation when he planned to get many chores done.

**Edward Schmidt
Passes**

Edward Schmidt of Lewiston, Idaho passed away March 23. At one time he was a well known body and fender repair man in Heppner.
Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in Lewiston. Among survivors are daughters, Mrs. Clyde Allstott of Heppner and Mrs. R.D. Allstott of Hermiston.

**Blue Mtn.
College
Honor Roll**

On the winter term honor roll and winning grade points of 4.00 were Terri D. White of Irrigon and Roy R. Peterson of Monument. Terry Leback of Boardman is on the honor roll.
On the Dean's List are Garry L. Bellon of Boardman; Donna R. Bergstrom, Duane G. Canada, Gwendolyn M. Drake, Rebecca J. Fulleton, and Kirk L. Robinson, all of Heppner; Teresa M. Forrest, Monument; Mary K. Hughes, Paul A. Martin and Craid W. Munkers, all of Lexington; Ture E. Peterson, Monument; Ben Riekkola, Boardman.

WSU Honor Roll

PULLMAN, Wash., (Special). A total of 2,362 students are listed on the first semester (fall 1972-73) honor roll at Washington State University, the Registrar's Office announced today.
To be listed on the honor roll a student must have attained a grade point average of 3.30 or better in at least 14 hours of course work, 12 of which must carry grades.
The list of students from states other than Washington includes Rick C. Marquardt of Lexington.

Wranglers Work Day coming Sunday. Starts at 1 p.m. at the Wrangler Grounds.

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**Waterways People Visit Land
Complexes in
North Morrow County**

Port of Morrow hosted the spring meeting of Pacific Northwest Waterways last Friday. The business meeting held during the morning centered around a general discussion of river transportation. Changes in barges and port facilities that have occurred in recent years were noted and the possible future changes were discussed. River shipping may go to containers as sea-going shipping has. Some talked-of charges that government may make to the water ways were also discussed.

In the afternoon the group was taken on tour by the Port of Morrow commissioners. They toured the irrigation circles on the Boeing land. They viewed the progress that is being made on the feed yards. The fencing and lots are going up. Cement feeders are made up and laid in place. They went to the Carly site for the proposed nuclear plant.
They next visited the new port Processing Park. The Port recently leased land for a new fresh potato pack facility. The facility will process the Desert Magic harvest.

Breathmobile Here Friday



A new health education vehicle in the tradition of the mobile chest x-ray unit will be in Heppner Friday.
The Christmas Seal Breathmobile will be used by the Association throughout Oregon in working with the medical profession and the general public in a variety of educational programs aimed at the prevention of respiratory diseases such as emphysema and chronic bronchitis.
"The Christmas Seal Breathmobile is the first unit of its kind in the nation," Dr. Robins said, "and is a pioneering effort against respiratory disease by the Oregon Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association."

Search & Rescue Conference Dated

Sheriff John Mollahan announced today that the 1973 Pacific Northwest Search and Rescue Conference will be held May 19 and 20 at Camp Rilea, Oregon.
Those groups expecting to attend may contact the Sheriff's office for registration forms. Pre-registration will be required.
Eight hours of instruction and three hours of demonstrations have been scheduled. A three hour leaders course will also be offered. Items to be covered include: Aircraft in Search and Rescue, Radio Communications, and out door survival.
Demonstrations planned are sea rescue and bloodhound search.
Registration for this conference must be completed by May 4, according to Sheriff Mollahan.

DEL SMITH got as far as Portland on his way to Turkey last Saturday when he received a cablegram halting his departure. His departure was delayed due to "internal problems". They asked him to keep his bags packed.
Del Smith, Morrow County's planner was on loan last fall to Turkey to give technical assistance in some special agricultural projects. He was returning this spring to do the season's work required on the same projects.

Early Morning Breakin Attempt at Murrays



All paths appear dead in solving the breakin that occurred in the early hours Thursday morning at Murrays Drug's. A young citizen met Bert Corbin, night patrolman, at the Hotel and told him he had seen two males walk from their car parked by the Assembly of God Church to the alley behind Murrays. They both wore gloves and their actions looked suspicious.
Carl King, student in Police Science at BMCC was riding with Mr. Corbin. They radioed for help and then went to the alley. Police feel that the men were scared away after they broke the window but before they could get into the building. City police, Sheriff's Department and State Police responded to the call.

Shown here are Deputy Larry Fetsch, Assistant District Attorney Dennis Doherty, Carl King. In background is Chief Kolkhorst.

**Mike Bengé
Coming Soon**

Mr. and Mrs. Terrel Bengé have returned home from Washington D.C. where they met Mike. Mrs. Joan Hughes and Teresa returned home earlier. The doctor has put Mrs. Bengé to bed for a week as she is still suffering from the flu. Mike is expected back here in 10 or 12 days. She says he'll be about a week and then will go to California with the State Department.
She says she is very pleased with Mike's condition and in a call he had Tuesday contemplated surgery will not be necessary.

Hospital Rates Upped to Meet Increased Costs

x-rays would be raised 5.5 percent.
The board agreed with Chairman Harriet Evans when she said, "I hate to see it. There's no way to fight it."
Drive In Shower
Because it is so difficult for some of the patients to get into a shower, a "drive-in" shower will soon be installed in one of the present rest rooms on the lower level. This will be used by those who can't shower themselves but are able to do so as they sit in a wheel chair. O.W. Cutsforth donated \$1200. for the installation.
Carl Ritchie is the new janitor at the Hospital.
Nurses and Aides recently were given in-service training. Dr. Wolff was the instructor-lecturer.
Irene Wyman, hospital administrator reported she was investigating again the possibility of signing up at Enterprise, John Day, Nyssa and Grande Ronde at La Grande had signed up. With more using the service, the cost may have gone down since she investigated the last time.

Vel Robinson, member of the board noted that Condon was seeding a two-year doctor on the government program. He wondered if the hospital had any equipment that wasn't being used that could be loaned to Condon if they were successful in their bid for a doctor.
Mrs. Wyman indicated there was nothing that could be made available to them at this time. She reported an average patient load of 12. "Since a year ago, there has been a good patient load summer and winter. Last year was the best the hospital

**Weekend
Movies**

On Saturday, March 31, there will be a double treat in Heppner for movie-goers. The matinee for the kids at 1:30 p.m. at the Grade School multipurpose room will be "Treasure Island", shown along with a cartoon feature.
The evening movie at 7:00 p.m. is "The Reivers" starring Steve McQueen. Admission for all movies is \$1.50, adults; \$1.00 high school students; \$.75, 8th grade and younger.

**Blood
Wanted:
Tuesday**

The Bloodmobile will be at the Elks Club in Heppner on April 3 from 12:30 - 5:00 p.m. Be there.

**Calling
Scout
Supporters**

If you are a Boy Scout supporter and want to make your annual contribution, do so as you attend the breakfast that the Elks Lodge officers are serving March 30 from 7 a.m. until 8 a.m. at the Elks Temple.
This is the "kick-off" for Sustaining membership in the program that supplies the operating funds to support the Scout Council budget. Glen Ward, Institutional Representative said, "The Scout Council is the 'backbone' of all the scouting programs in the area and funds are needed to provide professional and office staff to counsel and serve our volunteer leaders." It costs about \$15.00 per year to provide Scouting service to each Scout and Cub.
Anyone not able to attend the breakfast but wants to donate to the Scouting program may send a check to Mr. Ward in care of Heppner Elks who sponsor the Scouts in Heppner.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS
For those voters not planning to be in the county on Apr. for the school budget election, absentee ballots are available at the School District office until this Friday at 4 p.m.

WEATHER
By DON GILLIAM

	Hi	Low
Wed.	53	37
Thurs.	52	35
Fri.	56	27
Sat.	61	30
Sun.	61	35
Mon.	51	28
Tues.	49	34

**School Budget Reviewed
Budget Election Monday**

Making up a school budget is always a problem during the years the legislature is meeting because the districts never know what the basic support money will be. This year Governor McCall's Tax plan providing a sweeping change in the states tax structure has made budget time even more unpredictable.
Sup't Ron Daniels in his review of the district budget Monday at the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce said, "The Oregon State Department of Education advised local school districts to proceed with a normal budget process just as they have in past years. If the Governor's Tax plan passes at the special election scheduled for May 1 then all budget elections scheduled for May 7 or later would be cancelled and no general fund budget elections would be conducted. If the Governor's program fails then all budget elections would be held as scheduled.

Grain Market
(FOB Lexington does not include warehouse chgs) courtesy MCGG

White Wheat	2.36 1/2 bu.
Red Wheat	2.35 1/2 bu.
Barley	68.50 ton

**HHS Chorus to Present
Pop Concert Friday**

The Heppner High School Chorus will present a Pop Concert this Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the High School cafeteria.

They will sing rock opera and other popular music. Bob Jespersen is the director.

Spray Receives Telephone Loan

A \$278,250 loan has been approved through the Rural Telephone Bank for Blue Mt. Telephone, Inc. in Spray, Congressman Al Ullman announced today. Ullman said the company plans to construct 52 miles

of new lines, to build additions to the dial central offices in Spray and Monument, and to finance new micro-wave toll equipment. President and manager of the company is Robert Ashmead of Spray.

**Bill Lande Is Easter Seal
Chairman**

Bill Lande will serve as the 1973 Easter Seal Campaign Chairman for Morrow County, it was announced here today. Mr. Lande, who is active in Easter Seal work, will begin area-wide organization immediately for the 1973 campaign. During the drive, a statewide appeal for funds will be made by the Easter Seal Society of Oregon to finance treatment and rehabilitation services for crippled children and adults in Oregon.
Last year more than 2,900 handicapped persons received help from the Easter Seal Society. Increased needs of the handicapped and rising costs have placed new demands on

the Society. Funds will support the programs of Children's Hospital in Eugene, Equipment Loan Service, Mobile Therapy Clinics, Camp Easter Seal in Lakeside, the AID program in Portland and the Pre-School Speech and Hearing Clinic in Grants Pass.
In addition to the mailing drive, the Morrow County appeal will include Coffee Day and a Lily Sale. "I haven't a question in my mind that when our neighbors know what Easter Seals are doing to make this a better world for crippled children - and crippled adults as well - that they will be as generous as their means permit", Mr. Lande said.

Condon Ranchers Win Degrees

March is a big month in the lives of Roger E. and Linda Jo Smith of the Condon area. At the conclusion of winter term at Portland State University, Mr. Smith received his Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree and Mrs. Smith received a similar degree at the conclusion of fall term.
This might not seem so remarkable except for an interesting fact: they manage an 8,000 acre ranch with several hundred head of cattle near Condon. As you know, this is

surely a full time job for them. Their procedure, as we understand it, had been to come to Portland State, register, obtain necessary books and supplies, then make arrangements for an independent study program in which they submitted reports at specified times, return to Portland State for necessary tests, then back home again to fit their homework in with running this big ranch.
All we can say is "Whew!" And, Congratulations!

Wranglers Cutting Horse Show

The annual Wranglers Spring Cutting Horse Show is slated for April 7 and 8 at the Heppner Fairgrounds. The competition will begin on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and continue for the

second phase on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Each horse participates in both day's events.
About 50 or 60 horses usually participate with people coming from all over the Northwest for this event.

Junior Rodeo Plans

Bob Van Schoiack announced last week that plans for the June 9-10 Junior Rodeo are progressing at great speed. Ronnie Raymond of Prineville will again furnish the horses. The Snack Shack will be manned by

the North Morrow 4-H Leaders Ass'n. Rainbow Girls will take tickets. Boy Scouts will handle the parking and clean up the stands before and after the show. Curt Robinson will again be the announcer.

Proposed Budget

Handouts distributed provided each member with pertinent facts about the proposed budget that will be voted upon by the district on April 2. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
The tax levy increase of \$42,295, equals 3.2 percent. This increase will cost 47 cents per \$1000 TCV. As the county's evaluation increases the cost automatically decreases.
The amount on the ballot will be the amount outside the 6 percent limitation which is \$958,286. The tax base for the county is low and is about a million short of enough to operate the district's schools.
Mr. Daniels pointed out several interesting facts. The Cash on hand in this budget is \$70,000, which is considered