

# WELCOME, COW CUTTERS!

A U.S. Navy A6A Intruder jet crashed last Wednesday afternoon at the east end of the Navy bombing range, killing two officers.

## Morrow County Passes School Budget

In a relatively light vote, Morrow County voters approved the 1973-74 school budget by a 3.5 to 1 vote. A total of 436 votes with 342 yes votes and 94 no votes were cast. The vote approved \$958,286, outside the 6 percent limitation for a total budget of \$1,673,610.

Vote by Precincts	Yes	No
Boardman	70	8
Irrigon	48	20
Hardman-Ruggs	13	2
Ione	57	29
Lexington	37	7
Heppner	117	28

## 226 Visit Breathmobile

"The turnout in Heppner was better than excellent as 226 individuals were tested during the 5 1/2 hour testing period." So stated Anthony Habersach, Regional Director, Eastern Region, OTRDA, concerning the Breathmobile visit in Heppner last Friday. He believes they handled about a maximum load for the time allotted.

The following numbers were tested in the towns of: Fossil, 83; Spray, 47; John Day, 132; Condon, 137; Arlington, 40; making a total of 665 for the eastern region.

## Wranglers Play Day Sunday

The first of the spring Play Days sponsored by the Wranglers will be held this Sunday. The play day will start with a potluck dinner at noon followed by games and roping.

Members of the dinner committee are Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. George Luciana, Roice Fulleton and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hughes.

## Hospital

Patients: Anna Potter, Condon. Christopher Craig, Fossil. Katherine Lindstrom, Ione. Released: Frank Howell, Monument. Leon Hamberg, Fossil.

## Van Schoiack on Honor Roll

George L. Van Schoiack made the scholastic honor roll winter term at Portland State University. It was announced today.

Mr. Van Schoiack, a senior at PSU, earned a grade point average of 3.60. He is a graduate of Heppner High School.

## Courthouse Face Lift

Revenue sharing money has been designated for some very badly needed maintenance at the County Court House. First improvement has been in the steps, rock wall and basement wall. The crumbling mortar has been removed and new mortar put in its place.

Improvements are to be made in the wiring. Three electricians have examined the building and it is expected that a bid will be accepted this week. Probably the air conditioning of the court room will be included in this bid.

Cliff Aldrich of Ione has been the lone bidder to date to paint the trim of the Court House. Improvements to be made to the dome include new tie rods and bracing materials.

90th Year!

15 cents

Annual Cutting Horse Competition

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## See & Hear the Hootenanny Saturday Night

Laugh and be merry at the 2nd annual Hootenanny Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Heppner Elementary School multipurpose room. The variety show will feature many forms of entertainment. The Rollin' Stones, Bob Roberts, Roy Roberts, Russ Roberts, Steve Hedman and Dale Chick, will play and accompany some of the soloists and the audience sing. Duane Neiffer and Peter Sundin will play their guitars. There will be piano numbers by

the Hudson Sisters, Bill Kenny and the Gray Sisters. Everybody will sing. There will be imitations of animals. Rick Wadholt has promised to sing a solo and a duet with Jack Unrein. Mrs. Vernon Wilson has been in charge of the program.

Dennis Cass will act as emcee. TOPS and Soroptimist members will serve cookies, coffee and punch at the end of the program. Donations may be given towards the purchase of the furniture for the Solarium.

## Ione Council

By Cassandra Chapel  
The Ione City Council met at the City Hall April 2. The regular order of business was conducted. A liquor license was

approved for Robert and Janet Oswald, who hope to be the new owners of The Office Tavern.

Patty Kincaid has owned the business for several years.

## New Bank Manager Here



Hello and Goodbye. Don Belcher, right, is the new manager at First National. Harley Sager, left, the bank's manager for the past 3 1/2 years will leave sooner for a new position as comptroller of C & B Livestock in Hermiston.

New Manager at First National, Kenneth Belcher began his duties this week. He comes to Heppner from the Riddle branch where he was also manager. He began his career with the bank as a management trainee in 1964. He has served as installment loan officer, general loan officer and commercial loan officer prior to his assignment as manager at Riddle.

A native of Idaho, he graduated from high school at Middleton, Idaho. He attended his first two years of college at Boise

State and graduated from the College of Idaho in 1964. He has since earned two advanced certificates from the American Institute of Banking.

He is married to the former Shirley Tullius. They have two sons, Mark 10 and Gary 6. In Douglas county, Mr. Belcher has been active in the Lions Club, Livestock Association and Red Cross.

He was in the Marine Corps with Mike Bengé. He is a pilot and owns his own plane. He also likes to hunt and fish.

## Siren Account Finalized

Following the 1971 flood, the county and city installed flood warning sirens. They were installed on a 50-50 basis with the Oregon Department of Civil Defense. The total cost of the installation was \$2181. Contributions were made at the time of the flood and \$525 was contributed from Scarborough Funds. The City and County split the remaining amount required from local sources. Because the entire amount had

to be paid before the state paid its 50 percent, the county advanced that amount. A check for \$1157.03 was received by the county this week to reimburse them for the money that had been advanced. This closes the book on the procurement and installation of a flood warning system for Heppner.

The sirens are tested every first Thursday of the month. A group of concerned women literally "bulldozed" this program until it became a fact and not just talk.

## Mountain Survey Shows Short Water Supply

Al Osmin and Dave Franzen made last week's snow survey on Friday.

The Arbuckle snow course showed a depth of 18.2 inches of snow. In 1972 there were 24.3 inches of snow. Water content

was 6.9 percent and last year it was 12.1 percent at this time.

Lucky Strike had a depth of 28.6 inches while in 1972 there were 48.5 inches. Water content there is 8.2 percent this year and was 19 percent last year.

## Ivan Robinson Graduates

BILOXI, Miss.—Airman Ivan L. Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie E. Robinson of 599 Eagle Mill Road, Ashland, Ore., has graduated at Keelsers AFB, Miss., from the U. S. Air Force Communications equipment repairman course conducted by the Air Training Command.

The airman, who was taught installation and maintenance of high-powered ground communications equipment, is being assigned to Mt. Hebo Air Force Station, Ore., for duty with a unit of the Aerospace Defense Command which pro-

tests the U. S. against hostile aircraft and missiles.

Airman Robinson was graduated in 1971 from Ashland Senior High School and attended Southern Oregon College.

His wife, Janice, is the daughter of Mrs. J.H. Morgan, 45 Alida, Ashland. Mrs. Robinson's father, Bill G. Lynch, resides in Heppner.

## Grain Market

White	2.37 1/2 bu.	ton
Red	2.37 1/2 bu.	ton
Barley	67.00	ton

## Come Enjoy Our Spring Opening

### Council Okays Two More Duplexes

A building permit was approved at Monday's City Council meeting for Heppner Investors who will build two 2-story family duplexes at 240 Skyline Drive. Buildings will cost \$30,000 each. Each building measures 28 x 32 and each has a carport.

Builder is Bill Nelson of Boardman.

Permit was issued Ed La Trace who will tear down an old building and replace with garage at 340 Water St. Garage will cost \$1000 and will be 20 x 22 feet.

Permit was granted on a temporary basis (90 days) to Gerald Smith to place mobile home on lot at 135 E. Cannon. Don McEwen requested permit to tear down house at 680 Riverside and place a second home. Matter would require conditional use permit and was referred to City Planning Commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Johnson who bought the Phegley Apartment building at 104 N. Court St. applied for permit to remodel. Building has not been occupied for thirteen months and a multi-family unit requires conditional use permit so matter must be referred to City Planning Commission.

Ordinance 385 regarding trees and bushes on parking strips along sidewalks and city streets considered a nuisance and unsafe was passed on second and third readings. Also applies to dead trees and provides penalties.

Mrs. Arnie Hedman was appointed budget officer. Representative is expected this month to come and talk to council committee regarding mandatory life insurance and retirement program.

Clyde Allstott reported a comparison with water and sewer rates showing Heppner is in line with other cities of this size.

Resolution approved 2 year contract for garbage hauling by Herman Green. Okayed rate increase from 2.00 to 2.50 per month. 50 cents for additional can.

Council discussed purchase of new backhoe. Campbell Equipment bid \$8000 for a Ford and Case Co. bid \$9200. Both offers with trade on the old backhoe.

Resolution passed to buy a truck to haul sludge and pave a number of streets.

Mayor appointed Bobette Jones as the third lifeguard and Marie VanMarter as basket girl for Heppner's swimming pool. Marsha Young was appointed head life guard last week and Judy Gentry again will be a guard.

A special council meeting March 28th was centered around Heppner's water problems. With coming developments, more water is needed here. Gil Groff of Clarke & Groff Engineers said the local water study is only partially completed. Needed is a new main water line of 16,000 feet down Willow Creek. Discussed was installation of 12 inch pipe. However, engineer favored 14 inch pipe for added capacity and pressure. Also needed is a new reservoir. Engineer recommends installation of a reservoir of from 1 and 1/2 million gallons to 2 and one quarter million gallons capacity, located at a much higher elevation. Present storage capacity is about 1,100,000 gallons.

Major Carlos Hickman and Howard Hogan of the U.S. Army Engineers were present. They said the Corps would pay for laying pipe when the dam was

built on Willow Creek. They will pay the difference in cost of 12 or 14 inch pipe from 8 inch pipe that is now there. They will have figures available on the project including location of the pipe and the new road. Information will be available at completion of their study at the end of April. Whether the dam can be feasible will not be known until that time. However, they said flood control dams had been approved in California with a cost-benefit ratio of less than 1 to 1 because of loss of life from floods.

Lou Baxter of the FHA told of mechanics of applying for a government 5 percent loan, payable over 40 years. Mr. Baxter said construction costs are rising fast and could add a good 50 percent in five years.

Mayor Sweeney thanked Bud Springer for acting as city foreman since Vic Groshen's retirement.

## Daniels Available on Governor's Tax Plan

Superintendent Ron Daniels was to give a report on his analysis of the Governor's Tax Plan at the meeting of the Umatilla County administrators meeting Wednesday.

He will be available to speak with any group to explain what the Governor's Tax Plan will do for the people of Morrow County. He may be reached at the County office in Lexington 989-8123.

## Japanese Host Families Get Together

Morrow County host families for the Japanese exchange students which will be in the county mid-summer are asked to circle April 29 on their calendars, and plan to attend another orientation session in preparation of the exchange students' arrival.

At this meeting, Mrs. Byron Flint of Beaverton will serve a Japanese meal which everyone will have helped prepare.

Special guests at the meeting will be Elizabeth, Kathy and Meg Eubanks from Walla Walla, who will give a talk about the trip they took to Japan. The girls will bring two Japanese boys who go to college in Walla Walla.

The session will be held at Heppner Elementary School, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Those with questions may contact Mrs. Robert Davidson in Lexington at 989-8402.

## Mrs. Swanson Named to Museum Board

The Morrow County Court has named Mrs. Gar Swanson to the County Museum Board replacing Mrs. Ralph Thompson who has moved to Pendleton.

## Unbelievable....see "The Crucible"



These young girls of Salem under the conjuring influence of the slave Tituba, plan their accusations which eventually lead to the infamous witch trials. See them in "The Crucible" April 12,13,14 Heppner High School.

Back row: Marie VanMarter, Tami Meador, Lynda Baker. Front Row: Linda DeSpain, Alice Abrams, Michelle Evans. Photo by Lynda Baker.

## Bert Corbin Named

At a recent City Council meeting, Mayor Jerry Sweeney appointed Bert Corbin as Heppner City Utility foreman.

Mr. Corbin is well-known in the county, having been a resident since 1931. He was a Special Deputy Sheriff for several years and has served as a Heppner Policeman for the past six years.

He will assume his duties as soon as a replacement is found on the Police Force. So far, there have been no takers.

## Assessor Passes Another Appraisers' Exam

Assessor Joyce Bergstrom has taken another exam and passed with a 96. This entitles her to appraise all kinds of income property which includes ranch property, apartments and commercial and industrial property.

## Columbia Basin Board Okays Plans for Rate Study

The Board of Directors of Columbia Basin took action at their meeting on March 22nd to approve plans for a rate study by David Don, former Chief Engineer of the Oregon PUC.

Don is a native of the Fossil area and is scheduled to meet with staff personnel and the Board in the near future.

## Wranglers Work Day

Wranglers had one of the best Work days Sunday that they have had for many years. A crew hauled in dirt and rock to smooth the railroad crossing. The arena was worked and litter picked up. Splintery boards from the grandstand were replaced with church pews loaned by Tad Miller.

The work was completed before the rains fell. In spite of the weather, the workers finished the day with roping.

## Coffee to Help the Handicap

Two restaurants in the Heppner area will again be supporting the Easter Seal Society of Oregon B.A.C. Coffee Day next Wednesday. B.A.C. or Buck-a-Cup to Brace-a-Child buttons will be sold at all participating restaurants for \$1.00 prior to that date. The purchase of a B.A.C. button will entitle the wearer to drink free coffee, as much as he wants, throughout the day at any of the restaurants which are participating. All personnel in the restaurants will be wearing B.A.C. buttons and will have them for sale to customers. The participating

businesses are The Wagon Wheel and Cal's Cafe.

Area Rainbow Girls will also take part in the campaign drive by selling Easter Lilies which were made by handicapped persons. Bill Lande, Easter Seal Chairman for Morrow County said more than 90 percent of the money contributed will remain in Oregon to brace a child through rehabilitation services such as Children's Hospital School, Camp Easter Seal, mobile therapy treatments, equipment loan pool, and other Easter Seal projects. The remaining 10 percent supports national programs of research, service and education.

## Boardman Lions Club Adds to Sight Fund

The Boardman Lions Club made \$161. from their Harlem Stars vs home town talent basketball game recently. This went into their Sight Foundation to be used locally to help buy glasses for those who need

them. The Lions Clubs of Oregon sponsor an Eye Clinic at Providence Hospital in Portland. This is made available to people who need surgery and glasses who can't afford it.

## Winter damage of roads plagues Court

Much time and effort will be put forth to improve the county roads this spring and summer following the harsh effects of the winter according to Judge Paul Jones. The frost rolls have taken the bottom out of the roads in some places.

A petition was recently presented from the lone area concerning improvements of the county road from the Ted Palmateer ranch to the Gilliam County line. They asked that the road be widened and surfaced.

"The improvements may not be made this year but put in next year's plans for road improvements," Judge Jones said. The Gilliam County Court has indicated they would consider improvements but would not include surfacing. The road cuts diagonally across country and comes out a few miles south of Arlington and is considered a "short cut" to Portland.

Road improvements will come from the Road Serial Levy and Revenue Sharing. The Court has tabled a request of the Port of Morrow for 50 feet of the right-of-way of

old Hwy 30 to be included in the new Food Processing Industrial Park being developed by the Port.

The Court authorized the installation of a stock guard by George Griffith on Road No. 536. He had at first asked for a closure of the road. The maintenance of the stock guard is the responsibility of the farmer installing it.

## WEATHER

By DON GILLIAM

	HI	Low	Precp.
Wed	60	31	.04
Thurs.	56	28	
Fri.	55	35	.5
Sat.	51	34	.15
Sun.	52	32	.01
Mon.	55	27	
Tues.	61	28	

Precipitation for March was 1.16. Normal is 1.28. Growing season for Sept. to Sept. Since Sept. 1972 precipitation was 7.15, normal is 8.57. Since first of January precipitation has been 2.99 and normal is 3.73.

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