



Del Piper, owner of Del's Market, Lexington, and Len Ray Schwarz, owner of the Court Street Market, Heppner, show plans for their proposed supermarket complex to be built here.

30 new homes to be built

Thirty new homes will be constructed in Heppner, and some of them will be ready for occupancy by Jan. 1, according to Bill Nelson, vice president of S.N.K., Inc., the corporation in charge of the project to be known as Valley View Estates.

Approval of the city planning commission and city council will be sought at the first Monday meeting in August.

The project will also be presented to HUD for approval so that purchasers of homes in Valley View can be financed through FHA and GI loan plans.

The homes will be constructed on 90 x 120-foot lots just east of the hospital. They will be custom-built, with most of them containing three bedrooms and two-car garages. Construction will be of wood frame, one-story high. According to Nelson, the homes will be priced at \$20,000 upward. There will be 150

models for owners to choose from, Nelson said.

"I think Valley View Estates will signal a new concept of living in Heppner," Nelson pointed out. "Not only will it help meet the demands for new housing because of new industry, but it will go a long way toward inducing other industry to locate here." He also suggested that the town might take on a new look, with owners upgrading their homes and improving them, "to keep their property values up" if nothing else.

As soon as the city council gives preliminary approval to the project, sewer and water installation will begin.

S.N.K., Inc., is located in Hermiston. President is Stan Schnell, Hermiston; vice president, Bill Nelson, Boardman; and secretary-treasurer, Ray Kalal, Hermiston.

The engineer for Valley View Estates is Donald Staebler of Pendleton.

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Typical outdoors girl is princess

Patricia Hughes, 16, Morrow County Fair & Rodeo Princess, was born in Morrow County, and has lived here all of her life.

She resides about 3 miles from Heppner on one of the W.E. Hughes and Sons ranches. The ranch in Heppner consists of approximately 2,700 acres and is only one of other ranches owned by the Hughes. The Hughes work ranches total 27,000 acres.

Princess Patty attends Heppner High School, and will be a senior in the fall. She is a member of the Honor Society and was a member of the Pep Club.

Patty at present has no plans for the future, except that she would like to stay home and raise cattle.

Her many hobbies include sewing, cooking, painting, and reading, to name only a few. "I like to work with my hands and do creative things," said Patricia. "Although I like to do all of these things, I am not very good at any of them," she continued. But she is only 16, and has spent her time doing a variety of things, not specializing in any one.

Princess Patty enjoys horseback riding, and is presently working with her part Arabian colt, Sher. She is halter broke and lets Patty's younger sisters, Carolyn and Jennifer sit on her. Another one of her likes is the interest in the family pup, Poppy.

Patty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hughes and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Hughes, Ukiah.

This Saturday evening a dance honoring Princess Patricia will be held at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. This is one of the many dances in store for Patty until July 22, when the entire court travels to Elgin to participate in the parade and grand entry prior to the Elgin Stampede.

The court will be honored at the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo, and will also participate in the Pendleton Round-up in September.

Patricia loves the wide open spaces, the trees and mountains. This special love makes driving the cattle with the P H brand to the reserve each summer a special treat for this typical outdoors girl.



PRINCESS PATRICIA HUGHES

Washington, D.C., Office of Economic Opportunity is rushing to act before the end of the fiscal year on stalled applications for funds, Cong. Al Ullman said today.

The OEO has parcelled out not more than \$237,000 to several Oregon agents, he said.

Because the status of OEO was in question until two recent court decisions, numerous applications for funds have been stalled for weeks.

Oregon grants include \$460,600 to Blue Mountain Economic Development Council in Pendleton, which serves Morrow and Umatilla Counties.

ENTRIES FOR SHRINE PARADE SOUGHT

Participants are being sought for the Shriners' annual parade preceding the East-West All-Star Football Game, August 18, in Baker, Oregon.

Local clubs, youth groups, marching units, novelty groups, and others are invited to participate.

Prospective entrants should register by contacting parade chairman Carol Miller at 1950 Fifth Street in Baker or by phone at 523-4235. Entries could also be sent to the Baker Chamber of Commerce.

Parade starting time is 2 p.m. July 31 is the deadline for entry.

\$300,000 supermarket gets swift approval

Six building permits were unanimously approved last night by the Heppner Common Council, among which was one for a new \$150,000 supermarket for downtown Heppner.

The permit was granted to Peter Young and Sons, building contractors, Spokane, Wash.

The new facility will be located on Main Street where the Hager and Knox buildings were situated. It will have 9,400 square feet of floor space and parking for more than 50 cars.

Del Piper and Len Ray Schwarz, Lexington and Heppner store owners, will be owners-operators of the new shopping complex.

This Heppner Food City Store will be constructed of masonry with wood beam ceilings. It is expected to cost in excess of \$300,000 upon completion.

As an indication of what the new store will mean to the economy of Heppner, its owners have projected an annual pay-

roll of more than \$72,000 for permanent and part time help. The exact date for starting construction has not been set, but according to John C. Young, builder, "the grand opening of both the supermarket and the

Bank of Eastern Oregon's addition will probably be held about Christmas time."

The new complex, in addition to being the latest in supermarket styling, will have the finest in refrigeration equip-

ment. A full line of supermarket items will be carried in the store, along with a complete line of soft and white goods which will be supplied by the United Retail Market Stores of Spokane, Wash.

Indecision 'incredible'

"It is incredible that the people of Heppner haven't been able to make up their minds in eight years to the point where they can say yes or no on a project as vital to their lives and property as the Willow Creek Dam," Ernest V. Joiner, new publisher of the Gazette-Times, told a Chamber of Commerce gathering Monday.

He was referring to the "less than enthusiastic" response of the public to the hearing held in Heppner recently by the Corps of Engineers to determine

residents' attitude toward construction of the dam.

Judge Paul Jones had told the group just before Joiner's speech that the Corps had expressed disappointment that the 80 or more persons who attended the hearing failed to speak either for or against the dam project. Judge Jones said he, too, was disappointed that more people failed to express their sentiments.

Joiner, while wondering at the lack of interest on the part of local residents, put a great deal of the responsibility for the delay in construction on the shoulders of Cong. Al Ullman and Sen. Mark Hatfield, both of whom had promised to push for construction of the dam—but evidently had not.

Herman Winter moved that the chamber send a resolution of endorsement of the dam to the county court, Senators Bob Packwood and Hatfield, and Cong. Ullman. It was approved without dissent.

O.W. Cutsforth, former rancher said during discussion of the resolution that he had

seen strong wells and even springs dry up and die as the water table continues to fall. "This is coming closer and closer to Heppner," he said, and added that a dam on Willow Creek would do a lot to bring up the water level in area wells.

Joiner said that he and his associate in the newspaper, Ernie Ceresa, had excellent credentials for criticizing the slow progress of the dam.

"We have a \$100,000 investment in Heppner, and we have no intention of seeing it swept down Willow Creek—along with you, your wives, and children. We intend to bend every ear, twist every arm, and even rap a few skulls if there's a chance of getting this project out of the area of absurdity and into reality," he concluded.

The city council adopted a resolution Monday night which reiterated the council's stand favoring the Willow Creek flood control project. Letters are to be sent to the Corps of Engineers, Senators Packwood and Hatfield and Congressman Ullman.

Predators hit sheep, lambs

Spring totals of livestock, wildlife and fowl destroyed by predators continue to mount as late findings on rangelands are reported to the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

In Wallowa County, an estimated 156 sheep and 650 lambs had been killed prior to the current May 13 to June 9 reporting period and not discovered until recently. Also not reported until now were losses of 116 lambs, 11 calves and four sheep in Harney, Klamath, Linn, Malheur and Morrow Counties.

Recorded as killed during the current period were 245 lambs and 116 turkeys with Crook and Harney Counties each losing 32 lambs and Lane County losing 24 to head the list. Yamhill County reported loss of 68 turkeys and Clackamas County submitted proof of 29 turkeys lost.

More than two thousand lambs and 1,103 turkeys have been killed by predators during the fiscal year, according to bureau records. Kills of chickens total 830; sheep, 679; calves, 408; ducks, 232; and geese, 110.

New disposal site approved

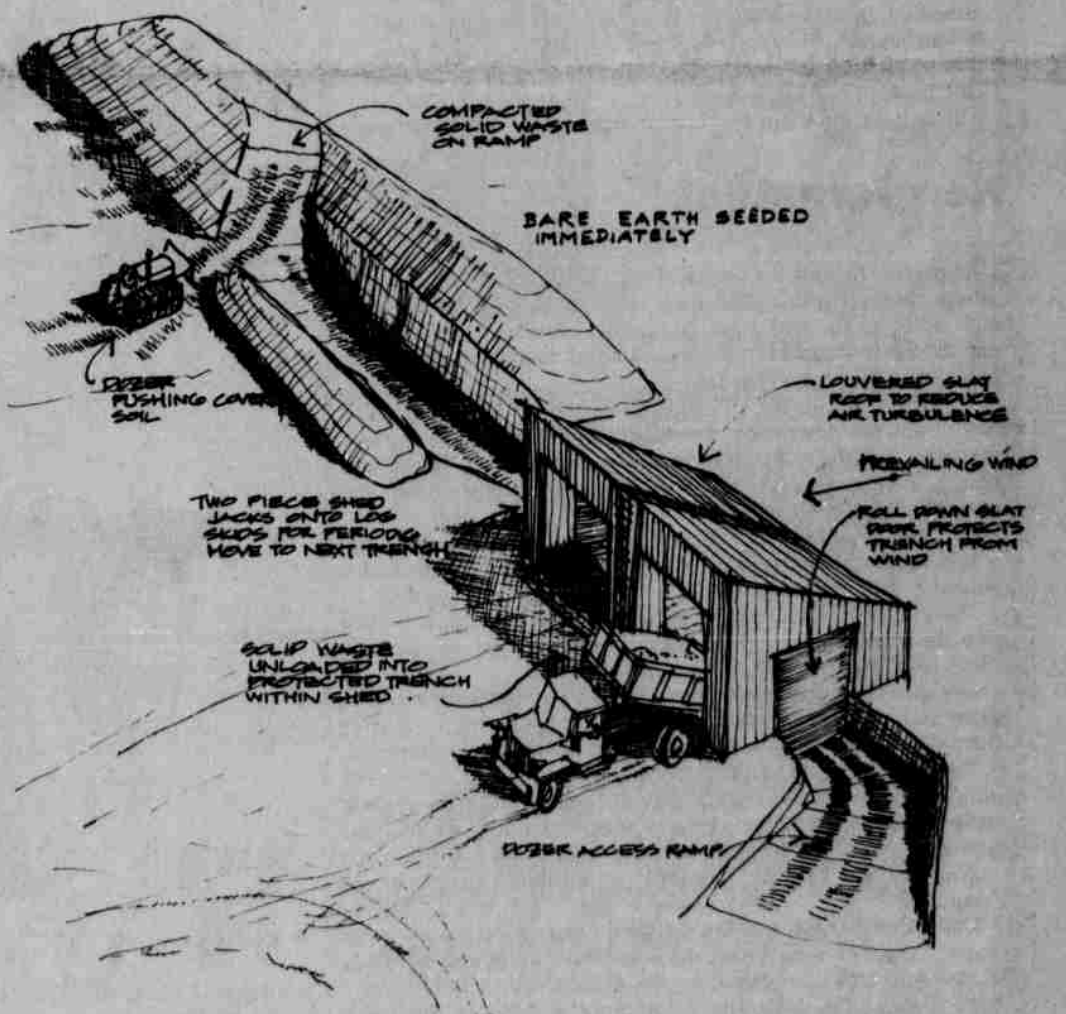
The Blackhorse site, between Lexington and the Lyle Cox place, has been selected as the new solid waste disposal location, pending approval of the Department of Environment Quality, July 18-19.

The action was taken at the June 26 meeting of the Morrow County Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee, on recommendation of John McDonald, consultant, Portland.

Heppner pays \$60 a month for a man to operate its disposal site, with him keeping any fees he collects. McDonald said no plan had been worked out as to how the county and cities would operate the new site. Mayor Jerry Sweeney said that the three mayors in the southern cities had worked together on the problem before DEQ came into the picture, and pointed out that the City of Heppner levies taxes to run the present dump, about \$1,500 a year.

According to Judge Paul Jones, Harry O'Donnell and members of the County Budget Committee want to finance the new disposal site from revenue sharing monies. Another possibility discussed was formation of a solid waste control district.

It was estimated that it would cost each family in the south end of the county about \$12 a year for operation of the site. Judge Jones



This sketch of the Blackhorse disposal unit shows how it will prevent unsightly conditions. There is a covered shed over a trench to hold waste until it can be buried. It is large enough to hold a week's accumulation. It is built in two halves for ease in moving to the next trench location. The roof is sloped to protect against wind. A dozer comes once a week to push waste along the trench and compact it. Cover soil is brought in and grass seed sown over all exposed earth except that within the trench itself. It will care for the needs of the county for 10 years.

put the amount of tax at 10 cents per \$1,000 valuation if it were collected along with the property tax.

As to how the landfill site should be financed, it was generally agreed that revenue sharing money would be preferable for the first year or two; then, if this were insufficient, a dump fee, franchise fee or some other funding could be considered.

The new landfill site will probably not be in operation until the first of the year.

McDonald and Del Smith, planning director, will talk to landowners and residents near the Blackhorse site, owned by Elden Padberg, to get their reaction. It was pointed out that there are some shallow wells in that area with a depth of no more than 20 feet, and they may face condemnation.

Present at the meeting were Judge Jones, Smith, Lois Allyn, planning office secretary; Mayor Sweeney; Bob Drake, Mayor of Ione; Harold Kerr, county extension agent; Avon Melby, East Oregonian reporter; Dorris Graves, Chairman of the planning commission; and Consultant John McDonald of Portland.