

County voters turn thumbs down

College budget wins

The Blue Mountain Community College proposal for a levy of \$1,858,367 to support a \$3,318,707 operating budget, passed 4,646 to 3,902 in Tuesday's election.

The vote in Umatilla County was 4,187 in favor and 3,365 against. In Morrow County, the vote was 459 in favor and 537 against.

By precinct in Morrow County: Boardman voted 130

yes, 32 no; Irrigon 77 yes, 55 no; Ione 110 no, 65 yes; Lexington 87 no, 25 yes; Heppner 253 no, 162 yes.

The race for director in Position 6 on the BMCC board went to Harman D. Springer of Hermiston. A complete tally of votes in both counties on the race for director was not available at press time. Springer took Morrow County. Barbara A. Wright of the Pendleton area was the second highest vote gainer among four candidates in Morrow County.

Morrow budget defeated (nixed)

The Morrow County School District budget was defeated by an 80 vote margin. The school district budget committee is expected to meet before the end of this week to consider alternatives.

Boardman and Irrigon voters favored the proposal, which called for a 1977-78 budget of \$3,085,373, up \$425,853 over the current year.

Boardman voters cast 134 ballots in favor of the budget and only 31 against. Irrigon cast 85 votes in favor and 49 against.

In Heppner, Ione and Lexington, vote was heavy against the proposed budget. The unofficial totals in Heppner were 288 against and 152 in favor. In Ione, 105 were against the measure and 72 in favor. Lexington voters cast 93 votes against the budget and 23 votes in favor.

The tally for the county was 546 against and 466 in favor.

Tews-Billings in

In elections Tuesday, members were elected to three Morrow County school district advisory committees. Contests in the Ione-Lexington district and the Irrigon-Boardman district were won by Paul Tews and Zoe Billings.

In the Ione-Lexington election, Wilma Cheney won the Cecil position with 201 votes. Pat Wright won the Lexington

position with 256 votes, both were unopposed.

Paul Tews defeated Jerry McElligott for the lone position. Tews gathered 193 votes to 86 for McElligott.

In the Irrigon-Boardman committee race, Zoe Billings received 171 votes to 111 votes for Karen Peck. Bob Byrd, running unopposed, received 266 votes.

In the Heppner-Lexington Advisory Committee race, Jim Wishart took the Heppner position with 460 votes. Sharon Harrison won the Lexington position with 394 votes. Gale

Hughes captured the second Heppner position with 429 votes.

Port nod to Carlson

In the contest for the Port of Morrow, it was Gene Allen 292, Louis Carlson 427, Michael Conley 301, Oscar Peterson 344. Carlson was the decided winner. He farms in the Eight Miles district.

In the Heppner area Water

Control District election, Donald Bennett gathered 147 votes. Robert Laughlin re-

ceived 31 votes to capture the two slots on the ballot. One and two votes each were cast

for Marcel Jones, Gordon Blackburn, Bud Marshall, Dick Wilkenson, Al Osmin.

Don Evans, Jean Bennett, Clyde Allstott, Jewell Hager and Claude Graham.

There were no contests in any of the county cemetery and fire protection districts.



Two persons escaped serious injury in this collision on Highway 74 west of Heppner Thursday evening, April 14. Car at right collided with the overturned truck. Impact at the truck gas tank spread gasoline across the road. Firemen cleaned up and a 930 log loader from Kinzua Corporation set the truck upright, cutting more than one hour from a traffic jam which completely bottled traffic for 45 minutes. (G-T Photo)

Car—truck smash injures two, stalls traffic rush

A car-truck accident on Highway 74 near Heppner Thursday, April 14, sent two men to Pioneer Memorial Hospital and blocked traffic west out of Heppner the better part of an hour.

The accident, involving a light station wagon, driven by Earl Dawson Bonner, 61, of Heppner, and a Pendleton Bottling Company truck, driven by Donald Eugene Erickson, 35, 115 N.W. 8th, Pendleton, took place about 5:15 p.m. one-half mile west of Heppner, during rush hour. According to State Police,

the Bonner station wagon was eastbound when it crossed into the westbound lane in front of the westbound truck. The truck crossed into the eastbound lane and was struck on the right side as the station wagon returned to the eastbound lane. The truck overturned in the eastbound lane and the station wagon came to rest in the westbound lane.

Bonner was cited for driving while under the influence of intoxicants. He was fined \$300 and \$5.00 costs in Justice Court at Heppner Tuesday. Both drivers were taken to

the hospital. Erickson was treated for minor injuries and released. Bonner was treated for minor cuts and abrasions and kept overnight for observation.

Trooper Victor L. Groshens said equipment provided by Kinzua Corporation put the truck back on its wheels and allowed the road to be cleared. No equipment large enough for the job was available locally.

Traffic was blocked both ways for about 45 minutes or more as ambulance crews, firemen, police and others worked to clear the highway.

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New utility foreman finds plenty to do

April 1, the City of Heppner got a new foreman, Don Penney, and along with Don, Morrow County gained four other new Penneys, his wife Ruth, their sons Donald and Bart and their small daughter Patricia.

Although the Penney family came to Heppner, they are living at suburban Ruggs in the double-wide home beside the Wright Store. The boys attend Heppner Elementary School and Don spends long hours catching up with work for the City of Heppner. Ruth and Patricia have been somewhat more homebound, following the recent move.

They came from New York State via Kennewick, Wash.

Don says, "We like it here. It is quiet, the people are friendly and our family enjoys fishing, hunting and camping."

Don Penney finds plenty to do for the city. A big project now is fixing broken-down water meters. Don hurried to brighten the city park on Main Street before last weekend when many children hunted Easter eggs there. He personally saw to the painting of all the tables, the trash receptacles and the playground equipment. Last week, when he had a school holiday, 13-year-old son Donald came to prune the rose bushes that border the park.

Asked about hobbies, Don says he fancies scuba diving which he enjoyed in the Atlantic Ocean and in the Great Lakes. Ruth's hobby is home-making. Donald is interested in marine biology, and Bart collects rocks.

Don says that both his sons seem to be mechanically inclined, which pleases him, as this is where his vocational interests have been.

Don remarked that he was surprised that the people of Heppner seemed to show little interest in the management of their city, detailed by the fact that so few of them turned out to vote in the recent city election.



Don Penney

Boardman LID planned

It will take a \$273,500 payment to meet the cost of the proposed Boardman water line local improvement district. That figure was revealed to the city council Tuesday night by city engineer Steve Anderson.

Anderson gave a full report to the council concerning the project including property

description and anticipated cost per property owner. Some 800 to 900 acres will be involved in the LID.

The 18-inch water line was initially proposed from the Ranney water collector system, south across the I-80N freeway and into the Boardman South development. It was to be left open for hook up

by private parties.

That plan was altered to direct the line to an existing hookup at Kinkaid and S. Main streets. The 8000 feet of 12-inch and 18-inch pipe will cost each effected property owner \$310. "That's about \$110 more than we anticipated," state city manager Jim Thompson. "But we did add

about 1000 feet of pipe to the line."

Josephine Rands' property was eliminated from the district by the council. Council opinion held that Mrs. Rands' property was already sufficiently serviced by city water.

A June 7 public hearing will be held on the proposal at 7:30 p.m. in city hall. All property

owners that are effected will be mailed a detailed report prior to the meeting.

The LID will be funded through Bancroft bonds. The 10 year payment is expected to run around 5 per cent, according to Thompson.

Jim Whitney, Whitney Trailer Court, Boardman, requested that his court be hooked up to city water. Currently the city is leasing water from the I.M. Docken Desert Springs Estates Mobile Park development.

Whitney's hookup was approved contingent on comple-

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Blood drawing set Monday

A blood drawing will be held at the Heppner Elks' Club from 2:30 until 6 p.m. Monday, April 25. The goal of the drawing is to fill 115 pints needed to meet the Morrow County quota, according to sponsors of the drawing.

Sponsors of the blood drawing are the Soroptimist Club of Heppner and the Heppner Ministerial Association.

Donor requirements include all healthy persons between the ages of 18 and 66. A person over 66 years of age may donate at the discretion of the medical director in charge and with written consent of the personal physician dated within two weeks of the date of donation.

Minor consent slips are no longer required and donors must weigh at least 110 pounds.

Eight weeks must elapse between donations. Donors are advised not to come to the drawing hungry and to avoid fatty foods.

Persons should not become donors within six months after major surgery or receiving blood or blood products. Persons receiving immunization

for smallpox, measles, German measles, mumps, yellow fever, or Sabin oral polio, should not come in.

Donors must be free of acute respiratory disease at the time of donation and diabetics controlled by diet alone should not donate.

Other qualifications for don-

ors will be explained at the drawing. Donors with hazardous occupations should not expect to return to work for at least 12 hours.

These and other Red Cross standards will be observed in protecting the health of donors and providing a safe unit of blood for use in transfusions.

3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., Heppner City Hall, 188 W. Willow.

Tuesday, April 26, 8:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m., corner of First and Main, Hermiston; 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., Union Pacific parking lot, Pendleton; 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m., Community Center, Pilot Rock.

Packwood office to visit

Senator Bob Packwood's mobile office is scheduled to visit 17 communities in 11 Eastern Oregon counties during the week of April 25 to April 29. The stop in Heppner is scheduled Monday, April 25, at 3:30 p.m.

Area residents are invited to present their comments and questions regarding Federal government matters to a staff

representative during the visit.

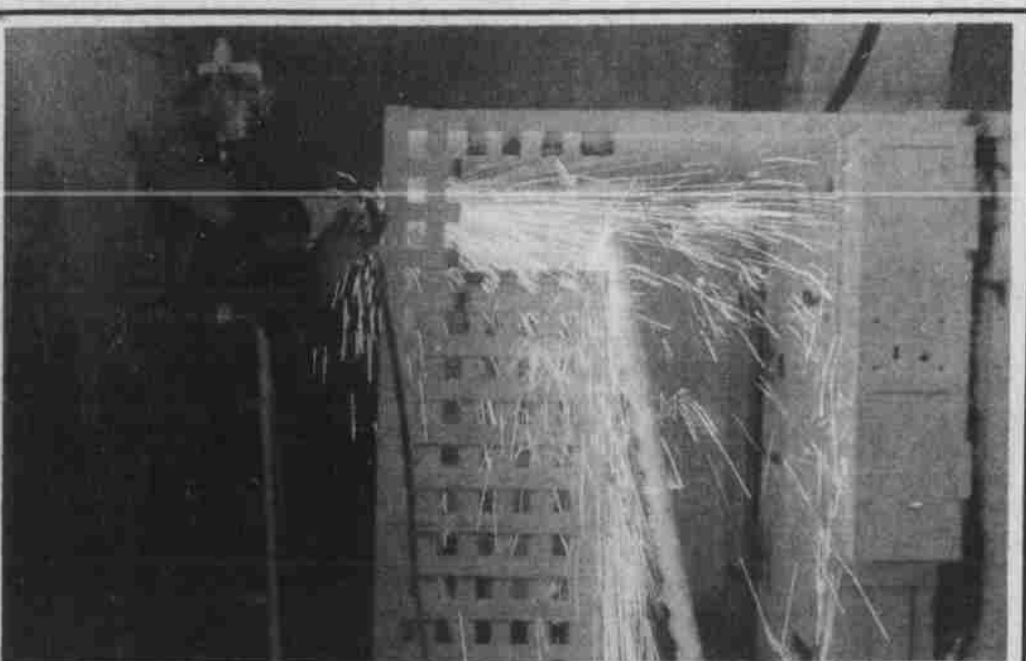
The scheduled time and location of the mobile office in Morrow County and neighboring Gilliam, Wheeler and Umatilla is as follows:

Monday, April 25, 11 a.m. until noon, Condon City Hall; 1 p.m. until 2 p.m., Wheeler County Courthouse, Fossil;

Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Wed.,			
Apr. 13	58	41	.02
Thurs.,			
Apr. 14	58	26	
Fri.,			
Apr. 15	67	37	
Sat.,			
Apr. 16	55	40	
Sun.,			
Apr. 17	54	25	
Mon.,			
Apr. 18	54	29	
Tues.,			
Apr. 19	58	27	

Precipitation through Tuesday, April 19, .07 hundredths, about 1.25 hundredths of an inch below the norm for April to date in previous years.



John DuPont cuts into holding cell erected in Heppner in 1902.

Workmen dismantel old jail

Workmen started this week to dismantel the old Morrow County Jail in Heppner. The steel lock box which, along with door lock units, will be placed in the museum by the Morrow County Historical Society.

The jail lock was patented in Sept. 15, 1874, and the cells were patented in 1878, both by

B.J. Pauly & Brothers of St. Louis, Mo. The jail was erected in Heppner in 1902. The doors are 2-inch and 3/4 inch flat bar. There were no welded seams in the entire jail.

The jail may be renovated to meet modern plumbing and electrical standards. When complete, there will be two

general holding cells and a special cell for juvenile confinement. Television monitoring system and other extras now required by law will be incorporated.

Work on the jail is being done by MACC Builders of Ione. John DuPont and Cliff Aldrich of MACC Builders in Ione are doing the work.