

## Olympians try harder

It was the thrill of victory and the agony of exhaustion for quite a number of Heppner elementary and junior high students last Friday as they tried to qualify for the AAU Junior Olympics. Pictured here, Eric Thompson clears the high jump bar at a height almost equal to his. In the photo at far right Nita Shehan puts forth all she's got in hurling the discus for a second place. Three Heppner youth will travel to Portland June 2 to compete in the regional meet. Story on page 5.



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## Heppner Elks slate 'Glen Ward Day' Sat., May 19

"GLEN WARD DAY" has been proclaimed by the Past Exalted Rulers of B.P.O.E. No. 358 for May 19.

Elks members and guests are invited to a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Elks Lodge to honor Glen and his family. Since 1958, Ward has been secretary of the local lodge. For his many years of outstanding service to the organization and for his extensive community service, the dinner is planned to express deep appreciation.

Since 1953, Ward has been a game biologist for the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Department. His coverage area for which he is responsible covers Morrow, Wheeler, and the northern part of Grant County. Ward's duties in such a large area would keep most men so busy there would be no time for community service—but Ward has been a key man not only in the Heppner Elks, but in numerous youth activities.

In 1973 Morrow County Cowbells selected him Morrow County Father of the Year.

In 1972 he was voted "Outstanding Employee" by his department. He has declined all efforts by the department to move him up the ladder because "I don't want to move my kids to the city and I do want to stay here and work with our young people at grass-roots level. They are our country's greatest resource."

Ward's work with youngsters has been prodigious. He's been involved with girls' softball, the swim team, Little League, Boy Scouts, Hunter Safety, and Elks Scholarship selections. When the Star Theater burned, he spearheaded showing movies at the Legion Hall. For several years he worked with roller skating at the Fair Pavilion.

Since Ward was instrumental in organizing many of these activities, he obviously needs no coaxing to add "one more" responsibility to his 36-hour days.

Somewhat, he also manages additional responsibilities such as the Centennial Committee, development of Lake Penland, the Tupper Outdoor School, and the Easter Egg Hunts sponsored by the Elks.

He was commander of American Legion Post No. 37 for two years. As a member of the Sierra Club he helped organize Sen. Mark Hatfield's tour of the Minam Wilderness Area before passage of the law creating that wilderness.

Not only does he cover his wide area during hunting seasons to help hunters and "round up" lawbreakers, he takes his children out to hunt and plays a big part in the Elks Hide Collection project in which the Heppner lodge has been outstanding.

He organized the five-day search for Dr. A.D. McMurdo in 1970, then went on to help organize the Morrow County Search and Rescue squad.

He serves on the City of Heppner budget committee,

the Chamber of Commerce Parks and Recreation committee, and has been a member of the Morrow County Planning Commission advisory board.

Ward is a man who, seeing a need in the community, does not look about for someone to fill it; he quietly steps in and does the job himself.

In 1956, he and Joyce Ward of Heppner were married in St. Patrick's Catholic Church. They have three children: Ron, 18; Sandra, 15; and Judy, 14. Joyce is employed at Pioneer Memorial Hospital and the children, good students, have been involved in most of the youth activities their father has devoted so much effort toward—and not just for them by any means.

If there's anyone in the area who doesn't know Glen, it's hard to believe. He's friendly, has an easy smile, is a great neighbor, and—believe it or not—found time to build a big log cabin at Lake Penland. So far he has NOT had the time to finish the shake (hand hewn) roof or to use the cabin as much as he'd hoped.

His labors in the Heppner Elks Lodge alone would suffice for the recognition planned for him for Saturday, May 19.

Meat for the dinner will be furnished by the Elks. Elks wishing to help with the recognition planned for Glen and his family may contact LaVerne Van Marter, Jr.; Everett Keithley, or an officer of the lodge.

## Candidates Sought For County Commissioner replacement

Three or four candidates are expected to surface Monday at a special meeting of the Morrow County Republican Central Committee at the Circuit Court room of the Courthouse at 8 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting, said Central Committee Chairman Steve Peck, is to make a nomination to the County Court for the position held by the late Homer Hughes, Lexington, who died

May 3 in Walla Walla. Candidates for the commissioner seat must be Republicans and will have the opportunity Monday night to make a presentation to the committee.

For further information, interested applicants should contact Steve Peck at 989-8127.

The Central Committee will make its recommendation to the County Court composed of

Democrat D.O. Nelson and Republican Commissioner Warren McCoy who must give the final okay for the position.

Peck welcomed the public to attend and listen to the presentations. After the public presentations, the county G.O.P. plans a private caucus to decide on its candidate.

"He will be a tough man to replace, a fine man," Peck commented.

## Four indicted in county drug probe

Four more individuals have been indicted by the secret Morrow County Grand Jury investigating drug problems. District Attorney Dennis Doherty announced Tuesday at the County Courthouse, Heppner.

Two of the four have been arrested on Circuit Court warrants. Charged jointly in two separate indictments are Rick Rea, 18, Heppner and Delbert Turner, 18, Bombing

Range Rd. Each is charged with two counts of possession of a controlled substance, delivery of a controlled substance to a minor (Second Indictment), first count, for consideration (money) and second count delivery to a minor. Rea is charged in an additional indictment with two counts of perjury.

There are charges pending against two other unnamed individuals, Doherty said, one

who is out of state.

Rea was arrested Monday night by a Sheriff's Deputy and placed in the custody of the Hermiston Safety Center and Turner arrested Tuesday. Rea posted bail Monday Rea will be arraigned on the charges May 15 in Circuit Court.

With the latest announcement, Doherty said, "this grand jury has probably completed its work with some

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## Funeral Services For Long-Time Commissioner Homer Hughes

Funeral services were held Monday at Lexington Cemetery for Morrow County Commissioner Homer Hughes who died May 3 in Walla Walla.

Hughes was commissioner for two full terms and elected to a third term in January.

A life-long resident of Morrow County, he was born March 12, 1918 in Heppner. He was a cattle farmer, member and elder of the Lexington Church of Christ. In addition to his County Commissioner responsibilities, Hughes was a

board member of the Morrow County Grain Growers and a member of the Oregon Wheat League, Morrow County Cattlemen's Association, National Rifleman's Association and the Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Majo, Lexington; Three sons, Randy of Lexington, Matthew, Boardman, and Robert, Orofino, Idaho; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Kay Bellamy, Echo and Carol R. Collins, John Day.

Also surviving are his

brothers, Elwin, Heppner, Matthew, Heppner, Eldon Cave, Tigard; sisters, Edith Pfiel, Salem, Ethel Gaard, Murphys, Calif., Edna Kohlman, Tigard, and Betty Pettyjohn, Melba Quackenbush, June Bellenbrock and Lena Kelly, all of Heppner and four grandchildren.

Burns Mortuary, Hermiston, was in charge of arrangements. For those who wish, contributions may be made to the Shrine Hospital in memory of Hughes.

## Heppner City Budget Gains Speedy Passage

The Heppner City Council adopted a \$465,908 budget for fiscal year 1979-80 following a brief public hearing Monday night at Heppner City Hall.

City Administrator Marshall Lovgren said the \$22,650 increase in the proposed budget of \$443,258 represents monies the city is not expected to spend during the coming year but a carry-over amount.

It includes the \$60,656 accepted by the voters March 28 as the city's budget request over the 6 per cent limitation. Also inserted in the budget was \$16,740 in anticipated federal revenue-sharing monies. Lovgren said the city is not assured of receiving those monies.

The Council held a public hearing Monday night before the start of the regular Council meeting but received no public comments.

The Council approved an Urban Growth Boundary for the city allowing the city planning commission to regulate future subdivisions close to the present city limits. Mari Hall, a planner for the city of Heppner, attended Monday night's session and will take the plan to the county for proposed adoption of a joint city-county urban growth agreement.

Terry Hager, City Planning Commission Chairman, reported there is a vacancy on the planning commission because of the resignation of Dr. Lee Hazen. He said most of the board's members are Kinzua employees but added that the place of a person's employment should not be criteria for selection to the board.

The Commission is currently developing a zoning and subdivision ordinance and undertaken an inventory of lot sizes.

Because of Council concerns that developers might subdivide their property without approval of the planning commission and before adoption of the proposed subdivision ordinance, the Council recommended planning commission scrutiny.

City Attorney Bill Kuhn said he had been contacted by Norm Paulus who had a question concerning development of lots on Linden Way.

That sparked a debate between Kuhn and Councilman Warren Plocharsky over charging legal services to the city for service to private individuals. Kuhn insisted he handled only references from the city.

But the Council approved \$200 for Kuhn to attend a

seminar in Seattle on federal grants. Kuhn said the conference would be of special use to the city because of its future receipt of a Farm Home Administration grant for sewer work.

Councilman Ron Forrar wanted to know what would happen if the city split the cost of the conference with Kuhn. Plocharsky thought the city would be getting its money's worth if the attorney attended the conference.

Said Kuhn: "I want to emphasize that this isn't a weekend junket. I generally throw away forms for seminars."

The Council went on to record in support of the proposed Willow Creek Dam project from a resolution by Councilman Cliff Green. Green's resolution said the city recommended construction of the dam to Sen. Mark Hatfield and Congressman Al Ullman. Green was concerned about construction of a 12 inch water line in the flood zone.

In other business the Council approved the sale of 85 parking meters to John Van Winkle, the high bidder at \$3 apiece; the lower bid submitted by Brad Christensen; will investigate the sale of brass water meters, learned the

impellers on the water pump on Well No. 6 at Balm Fork are in need of repair; referred a proposed rate increase in garbage pick-up to the franchise committee; learned from City Attorney Kuhn there are no city restrictions on installation of a 1,000 diesel fuel tank, though there is an ordinance against parking logging trucks on city streets, and approved the Cal Sherman's construction of an aluminum storage building despite its non-compliance with building setback rules.

## Pioneer Picnic Set For May 27

The 26th Annual Morrow County Memorial Picnic will be held May 27 starting at 10 a.m. at the County Fair Pavilion.

It will be sponsored this year by the pioneer Peck family, according to Harold "Shorty" Peck, whose father first came to the county in 1893.

Beginning at 10 a.m. is registration followed by dinner at noon. The picnic's

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