

Kevin Rountree assumes manager post at Les Schwab, new assistant manager hired

Kevin Rountree has been named manager of the Les Schwab Tire Center in Heppner.

Rountree, who has been the assistant manager, succeeds Robb Rush, manager for the past two and a half years, who has been transferred to the new Les Schwab Tire Center in the Santa Clara district of Eugene. His family will be going there shortly.

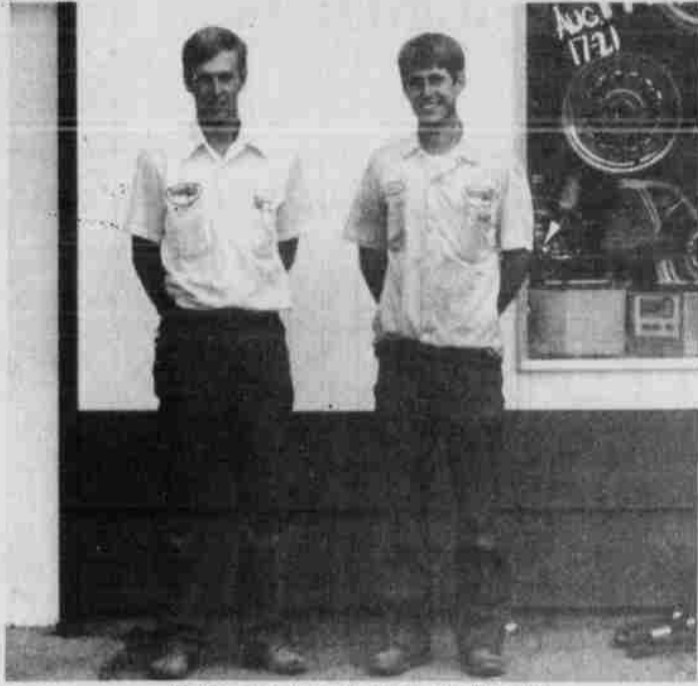
With the change at the local store, Gino Gugliemelli has been named assistant manager.

Rush and his wife Gayle are both natives of Prineville. Rush joined the Schwab organization nine years ago. Before they came to Heppner, he had been assistant manager of the Schwab store in Walla Walla.

During their stay here, Mrs. Rush was employed at the Heppner Gazette-Times as an advertising representative and in type composition and layout work.

Gugliemelli has worked for three years in sales and services at Les Schwab's Tire Center in Milton-Freewater. A native of Walla Walla, Gino will marry Sally Dyer of Milton-Freewater September 8.

He is a member of the Milton-Freewater Elks Club and enjoys fishing when not working in the tire business.



Kevin Rountree & Gino Gugliemelli

Koffler joins Bank of EO

George Koffler is the new loan officer at the Heppner Branch of the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Koffler, a mathematics and physical education teacher at Heppner High School from 1974-1978, has returned to Heppner with his wife, Debbie and two sons, Rick, 4, and Brian, 1, after a year in Portland as a branch manager for Fred Meyers Savings and Loan in Beaverton. After serving as a savings branch manager, Koffler worked in the institution's construction appraisal department.

He sees his new job as an



George Koffler

opportunity to get into commercial banking. He also wanted to return to Eastern Oregon. He is originally from Echo and a graduate of Echo High School and Oregon

College of Education at Monmouth, where he majored in mathematics; he has 30 hours of master's degree work in math.

In his spare time, he enjoys refereeing basketball games, and likes to hunt elk and to fish.

George is currently a member of Heppner Elks Lodge 358.

Beecher's has new owners

Gale and Jennie Gray are the new owners of Beecher's Restaurant and Lounge in Ione. They have purchased the business from Beecher Emert.

Gale was raised in Burns, Oregon and Jennie in Albany. Before entering the restaurant business, Gale worked 17 years for SWF Plywood of Albany and Jennie was an employee of the Smokecraft Beef Jerky plant in Albany.

The couple has five children, three boys and two girls, and four grandchildren. They are currently living in Heppner with Jennie's mother, Mrs. Dorothy Rugg.

Gale is a member of the Eagles and American Legion and the couple enjoys camping when not working at their new restaurant.

The family style restaurant is open 6 days a week from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sundays and closed on Monday. The lounge is open from 10 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. Beecher's features live music on Saturday nights.

Osmins host Canadian family

The Glenn Miller family has recently had Canadian relatives visiting in their Matlock St. home. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Osmind and daughters Tathina and Natasha from British Columbia spent one week in Heppner and "enjoyed this small town."

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Visitors at the Gladys Van Winkle home over the weekend were their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradd of Ontario, Mr. Bradd's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bradd Sr. of Salem and their sons.

All were here for the baptismal services for Josie Renae Bradd, infant daughter of the younger Bradds from Ontario.

Also present was Jan Edwards from Pendleton.

Betty Christman returned

John Bristow joins family business

John Bristow has retired as a colonel in the U.S. Air Force and is co-manager of Bristow's Market in Ione with his brother Don and working with their father, E.W. Bristow.

John retired after 23 years

in business administration and economics; Linda is expected to attend Blue Mountain Community College. She has a daughter, Stephanie Ann.

E.W. Bristow has been owner of the business since 1944.



John Bristow

and 7 months with the Air Force from the maintenance engineering division under the Secretary of the Air Force. He is a 1955 graduate of Oregon State University with a degree in business administration and a minor in food technology. In 1956, he entered the service after serving in the Air Force R.O.T.C. program, went through pilot training at Bartow Air Force Base, Bartow, Florida and Reese Air Force Base, Lubbock, Texas, flew 77 combat missions as a helicopter pilot for the Air Force at Bien Hoa, 20 miles north of Saigon and received an air medal and the Bronze Star for his combat activity.

Following his combat duty, he attended two years at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and was then assigned to the office of the Secretary of the Air Force.

Upon retirement, he received the Legion of Merit.

Bristow is married to the former Maire Linder of Hermiston, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Linder. The couple have a son, Doug and a daughter, Linda. Doug will be attending OSU and majoring

this week from a OSE workshop at Monmouth.

Eula Bloodworth is home from St. Anthony's Hospital.

Leora Kane received a visit from the small children of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Roberts over the weekend while their parents traveled to the Portland area to pick up their other children.

Jason Van Winkle of Enumclaw, Wash. is visiting his father, Bill Van Winkle and his grandmother, Gladys Van Winkle.

Gene Heliker from Seattle, is visiting his mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. O.W. Cutsforth and other friends and relatives in Heppner and Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Glyn Horan and grandson Christopher Bailey is visiting at the C.C. Jones ranch, from their home in Everett. They are here to attend the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Williams are guests of their son, Lt. Jg. Norm Williams from Alexandria, Virginia, enroute, he stopped to evaluate the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve Training Center at Alameda, Cal. He is a former Lexington resident and Heppner student.

Josie Peck has returned home from a stay in The Dalles General Hospital where she underwent major surgery. She was brought home by her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Peck.

Frinks visitors at Rietmanns

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Frink of Hunt Beach, California and their two sons, Tal and Terry are spending their vacation with the David Rietmanns of Ione.

Schools hire personnel

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has been out of state.

who used to hold an Oregon teaching license but

Certificated personnel hired include Dan Adams, a social studies and science teacher at Ione Jr. High School, Pam Ausman, intermediate teacher at Heppner Elementary, Carol Boerger, home economics and art, Ione, Rosanne Casseday, language arts, Riverside Jr. High School, Patrick Christensen, business education, Riverside High School, Kathryn Dean, language arts and business education, Riverside High School, Brent Eggers, language arts and boys physical education at Heppner High School, Barbara Fairchild, intermediate and Heppner Elementary, Gordon Munck, language arts, Russ Reed, mathematics, Heppner Jr. High, Roger Rossberg, language arts, Riverside High School, Jean Strange, physical education and art, Heppner Elementary, Paul Stringer, boys physical education and counseling, Heppner Jr. High and a position to be filled at Ione High School.

New persons hired in classified positions include: Heppner Elementary, Louis Smith, custodian, Marge Crewse, aide, Deena Reid, aide; Riverside Jr. and Senior High schools, Carl Homes, custodian, Diana Parlow, Title I A; A.C. Houghton Elementary, Vicki Van Dorn, Title I, Janet Cooley, Title I, Erma Kotila, mental health and Jeanie Creamer, mental health and Ione schools, Diane Taylor, head cook and Marie Key, bus driver.

The board approved two bids for a 30 and 66 passenger school bus. A body bid of \$6,886 was accepted from the W.J. Roots company for the 30 passenger bus and a 30 passenger chassis bid of \$10,800 from the Morrow County Grain Growers. A complete unit for a 66-passenger bus was accepted from Schetky N.W. Sales for \$22,793. Delivery of the latter is expected from 7-10 days.

In other action, the board recommended closure of portion of the Ione city streets which still run on school property, Fourth, Fifth and

Green Streets. According to Chuck Starr, the city says it took action to close Fifth street at the school but that information has never been recorded on county records.

Supt. Doherty was designated as the district official responsible for Public Law 874 which authorizes federal monies in lieu of property taxes.

Doherty asked the board for permission to attend an administration conference and announced that on August 27, new teachers would be given a tour of Morrow County by Harold Kerr.

In other business, the board approved the appointment of Paul Sumner on the Heppner advisory committee to fill the vacancy caused by Jim Wishart's appointment to the school board; Sumner was also appointed to the budget committee; Pauline Winter was appointed to the transportation committee along with Jim Bloodsworth and Claudia Hughes.

MC Creamery, Hager's Dairy purchased by two Heppner men

The purchase of two long-time Morrow County businesses was announced this week by Terry M. Hager and Michael J. Sweeney, both of Heppner.

Morrow County Creamery, manufacturers of Pride of Oregon ice cream, was purchased from Allen Burkenbine of Heppner. Burkenbine has operated the Creamery for the past two years, having purchased it from W.L. "Bill" Cox, whose family operated the enterprise for more than 65 years.

Hager's Dairy, a wholesale grocery and dairy products outlet, was purchased from James and Jewel Hager of

Heppner. Hager's Dairy, like the Creamery, has a long-standing history in Morrow County and Eastern Oregon as a purveyor of grocery and dairy products.

The two businesses will maintain separate business identities according to the new owners. Morrow County

Creamery is incorporated under that name and Hager's Dairy will become Blue Mountain Provisioners, Inc. The operation will be headquartered at the Creamery building at 148 East Center Street in Heppner.

Blue Mt. Provisioners, Inc., is a distributor for a full line of

grocery, drug and general merchandise items and Darigold Farms milk and ice cream. The firm will also distribute the Pride of Oregon brand of ice cream.

Morrow County Creamery, Inc., will manufacture a full line of gourmet ice cream under the Pride of Oregon label. The product is known for its rich, full-bodied flavor obtained by using a cream with a high butterfat content. The firm also manufactures and distributes block and cube ice.

Terry Hager, who has been employed as general manager of the Heppner Gazette-Times for the past two and-one-half years, will assume responsibilities of general manager of the two firms and will act in a sales position as well. Sweeney is a partner in the Heppner law firm of Winter & Sweeney.

No purchase price for the respective businesses was disclosed.

Ullman to face race against newspaperman

Denny Smith of Salem, a newspaper publisher who expects to challenge Congressman Al Ullman, D-Ore., in the 1980 elections, was to visit Heppner today.

Smith, 41, is chairman of the board of Eagle Newspapers, a group of Oregon weeklies.

A spokesperson for Smith, who advised the Gazette-Times of his trip to Eastern Oregon this week, said he "hasn't publicly announced

his candidacy," although he has filed in the Republican primary for the congressional race.

Olive Hughes

home filled with

summer visitors

Olive Hughes of Heppner has had a series of visitors this summer. Several great-grandchildren, the grandchildren of Tom and Joan, have been here. Most recently Olive's son Joe came from Los Angeles to visit his mother and to get re-acquainted with scenes of his youth.

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