



A license for fertilizers

A review session for farmers who want to obtain a private applicator's license so that they may purchase and apply restricted-use chemicals will be held Wednesday, April 2, at 1 p.m. at Lexington School.

The test will be given about 2:30 p.m. by a representative of the Oregon Department of Agriculture, said Harold Kerr, Morrow County agent for the Oregon State University Extension Service.

Kerr also advised that the government's Commodity Credit Corporation is buying wheat to replace sales lost because of the embargo against Russia. Farmers may offer their wheat in carload lots, USDA No. 2 quality or better. Growers may set the price they want for their wheat. A total of 4.3 million metric tons is to be purchased. To make an offer, contact the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office.

"As I understand it," said Kerr, "USDA will buy the cheapest wheat which would probably come out of the Midwest."

65% against plan, national tally shows

Results of a nationwide referendum indicate cattle producers have voted against inaugurating a national beef research and information program.

Ray Fitzgerald, administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said of the 231,032 ballots cast, 151,119, or 65 percent, were against the program. There were 79,913 votes in favor.

Fitzgerald said there were 288,445 beef producers registered and eligible to vote in the referendum conducted Feb. 19-22.

If the referendum had passed, the program would have provided for assessments on beef producers to finance research and information activities designed to improve the markets for cattle, beef and beef products.

Oregon is one of only 17 states that favored this referendum. It had 1,594 votes in

Public asked to comment on ag programs

Robert Adelman, district conservationist for the U.S. Soil Conservation Service in Heppner said that Friday, March 28, will be the end of a 60-day review period, during which the public has been asked to indicate the direction conservation programs should take.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has proposed seven possible strategies for changes in its soil and water conservation programs. These include the possibility of federal and state laws that would require farmers to control soil erosion. Also included is a suggestion that farmers be required to have a soil conservation program before receiving crop insurance, price support payments, low interest loans and other help from the USDA's farm programs.

Another of USDA's proposals is that farmers be offered stronger incentives to practice soil conservation. Such incentives could include tax reductions, cash bonuses and low interest loans.

Anyone of these strategies could become a reality if the majority of the public favor it strongly. These strategies can be reviewed in detail at the Soil Conservation Service office in Heppner. Written comments can be sent to the RCA Response Analysis Center, USDA, Box 888, Athens, Georgia 30603.

Rate increases requested

Oregon's three suppliers of natural gas have filed requests with the public utility commissioner to increase rates because of a major increase in the price of gas provided to Oregonians by Canada.

The filings range from a 21 percent overall increase requested by Northwest Natural Gas Co. to a 19.6 percent increase for Cascade Natural Gas. CP National Corp. is requesting 20.9 percent.

Poison Center saves lives and money

More than \$1 million in hospital emergency room costs were saved through the successful use of home telephone management of emergency poison cases by the Oregon Poison Center and Drug Information Center, according to Dr. Marc Bayer, director.

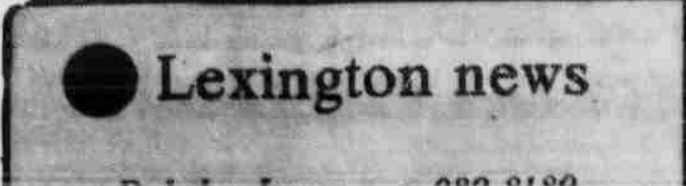
"In 1979, more than 21,000 patients who had been exposed to a poisonous substance were able to be managed at home with close follow-up by our Poison Center personnel," Dr. Bayer said.

"Assuming that these people would otherwise have been seen in an emergency department where the minimum cost for a visit is about \$50," he explained, "the savings in health care costs to Oregonians has been about \$1 million."

Statistics for 1979, the Poison Center's second year of operation, have just been released by the Center, which is located at the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center.

During 1979 the number of calls handled nearly doubled; 28,817 calls in 1979 as compared to 16,843 calls in 1978. Approximately 24,000 of these calls involved emergencies in which someone—usually a child under 5 years of age—had already ingested a poisonous substance, requiring immediate action.

Morrow County had 121 calls to the Oregon Poison Center in 1979 and 67 in 1978.



• Delpha Jones • 989-8189

The annual district meeting of the Rebekah Lodges for District No. 20 was March 15 at the Holly Rebekah Lodge Hall. The three lodges in the district are: Sans Souci with Noble Grand Della Tash, Vice Grand Irene Bonner, Secretary Donna Fortenberry and Treasurer Adelle LeTrace; Bunchgrass No. 9 with N.G. Anna Ball, V.G. Marilyn Bergstrom, Secretary Edith Mathews, Treasurer Gladys Drake; Holly Lodge with N.G. Virginia Peck, V.G. Joyce Buchanan, Secretary Delpha Jones and Treasurer Dorothy Burcham.

The days activities started at 10 a.m. with Holly Lodge opening the Rebekah degree. Introduced at this time was Maxine McIntyre Marshall of the Assembly of Oregon, who in turn introduced the President of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon Anna LaKamp who was here to pay the district an official visit and D.D. Jo Heston paying an official visit. The meeting turned to the district officers as follows: Chairman, Delpha Jones, V.C. Donna Fortenberry, Sec. Gladys Van Winkle; Treas. Edith Mathews; Warden Hilda Yocom; Conductor Helen Pettyjohn; Musician Leila Messenger; O.G. Florence McMillan, I.G. Ruth McCabe; Chaplain Lucile Rietmann; R.S.C. Vera Rietmann; L.S.C. Joyce Buchanan, E.S.V.C. Ruth Bergstrom; L.S.V.C. Freda Majes-

ke; Past Chairman Gladys Drake pro-tem for Margerat Akers who was in Pioneer Memorial Hospital, and R.S.P. Ida Coleman for Norma Rea who was ill, L.S.P.C. Leila Palmer, R.S.C. Freda Slocum, L.S.C. Berniece Nash.

Address of welcome was from Delpha Jones of Holly and the response Helen Pettyjohn of Bunchgrass. There were several educational discussions and demonstrations on the work of the order, by Sans Souci officers. Tribute to 50 year members by Holly with Freda Majeske and Florence McMillan giving the following members roses: Ruby Roberts, Norma Rea, Ruth Bergstrom, Lucile Rietmann, Gladys Drake, the 50 year members from other lodges not present.

The memorial tribute was from Sans Souci with Jo Huston and Donne Fortenberry lighting a candelabra at the altar which was left there for the remainder of the day.

A tribute to Past Chairman was enjoyed and was under the direction of Mary Wright

and Helen Pettyjohn of Bunchgrass. Each past chairman was presented a gift by the ladies. A salad luncheon was served in the dining area; after which the ladies were again ready for the activities of the afternoon with group singing accompanied by Betty Marquardt at the piano. The President's songs "The Best things in life are free" and "One little Candle" were enjoyed.

A tribute to the Assembly President was by Joyce Buchanan and to the Marshall by Marilyn Bergstrom was next. The officers of Delpha Jones presented her with a hanging basket as an appreciation gift with a most clever reading composed and given by Donna Fortenberry.

Bunchgrass issued an invitation to meet in 1982 at Ione and it was accepted.

The pinning of the green was the theme of the installation for the newly elected 1981 officers by Holly members Jo Irvin, Valda Smith, Leila Palmer and Virginia Peck. There were clever little bowties using the dollar bill as tie on a field of green. The following ladies were installed for the coming year: Chairman Donna Fortenberry, V.G. Vera Rietmann, Sec. Jo Huston, Treasurer Dorothy Burcham, Warden Berniece Nash, Conductor Marilyn

Bergstrom, R.S.C. Ruth Bergstrom, L.S.C. Freda Majeske, Chaplain Edith Mathews, RSC Hilda Yocom, L.S.C. Virginia Peck, O.G. Florence McMillan, I.G. Adelle LeTrace, R.S.V.S. Norma Rea, L.S.C. Ruby Roberts, Musician Gladys Drake, Past C. Delpha Jnes, L.S.P.C. Joyce Buchanan and RSPC Mildred Wright. The meeting was then turned back to Holly for closing.

The city council met for its regular meeting and elected a water bill collector Mrs. Joan Morris who with her husband manage the Lexington Chevron. The bills may be paid at the station five days a week.

The City of Lexington wishes to thank Marie Steagall for her many years work for the city of Lexington as bill collector for the water and TV bills.

Mr. and Mrs. Laddie Henderson and sons of Hood River were Lexington callers on Sunday.

Hazel Jackson, sister of Gladys VanWinkle is spending a few days with her while her trailer home is being set on the Woods lot across from MCGG. Mrs. Jackson has been making her home in The Dalles.

Three Links Club met at the hall for its regular meeting, and clean up day. The ladies enjoyed a potluck dinner at noon. An election of officers was held with Dorothy Bur-

cham as chairman, Ruth Robinson as vice chairman and Joyce Buchanan as sec. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yocom and daughter Marie, and Lynn Dee Devin were in Lincoln City several days of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Chick visited her mother and the Chick children over the weekend.

Mrs. Kenneth (Linda) Jones spent several days last week in The Dalles where she was receiving schooling as a crew leader for Morrow County to supervise the upcoming 1980 census and housing. She received instruction in recruiting, training and supervising of enumerators or census takers.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Jones were Pendleton callers Sunday where they visited Norman Nelson who is a patient in St. Anthony's Hospital. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards also visited his father A.M. Edwards a patient in Heirshe's Nursing home in that city.

Several members of the Papineau family were Kenne-

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OFFICIAL BALLOT
Morrow County School District
Morrow County, Oregon
Tuesday, March 25, 1980 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mark a Cross (X) or a Check Mark (✓) in the voting square before the word "YES" or before the word "NO" for the answer voted for.

ONE YEAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY

PROPOSAL
Shall Morrow County School District levy \$3,079,974 outside the Oregon Constitutional limitation for district operation during 1980-1981?

PURPOSE
The District has authority to levy only the tax base of \$588,510. This sum, plus non-tax revenues, is not adequate to operate the schools. It is necessary to submit to the voters a levy request in excess of the tax base. The levy to finance the operating budget for 1980-1981 is \$686,361 greater than for 1979-1980.

EXPLANATION
Reasons for increases are: Staffing and operating new buildings, increases in salaries and fixed costs and inflation combined with growth.

If this measure is approved \$3,079,974 of the taxes will be financed partially by the State of Oregon which will result in an estimated tax rate of \$6.90 per \$1,000 of true cash value exclusive of levies for bonds principal and interest, and serial levies for capital construction.

- YES, I VOTE FOR THE TAX LEVY
- NO, I VOTE AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

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DISTRICT DIRECTORS AND BOARDMAN-IRRIGON ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Tuesday, March 25, 1980 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mark a Cross (X) or a Check Mark (✓) in the voting square between the number and the name of the person voted for.

VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - ZONE II 4 year term

- 1 John Matthews

VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - ZONE V 4 year term

- 2 Jean Bennett
- 3 Robert L. Greene

VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - ZONE VII 1 year term

- 4 Paul Sumner
- 5 Monte Stookey

VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - AT LARGE 4 year term

- 6 Sharon Hill
- 7 Pauline Winter
- 8 F. E. Ed Glenn

BOARDMAN-IRRIGON ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #2 3 year term

- 9 Robin Cooper
- 10 Shane Fritz

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #1 1 year term

- 11 M. J. Struge

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #6 1 year term

- 12 Lovella L. Conboy

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #5 3 year term

- 13 Robert Byrd

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IONE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #1 3 year term

- 18 Paul Tews

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #5 3 year term

- 19 Ed Patton

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OFFICIAL BALLOT
Morrow County School District
Morrow County, Oregon
DISTRICT DIRECTORS AND HEPPNER-LEXINGTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Tuesday, March 25, 1980 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mark a Cross (X) or a Check Mark (✓) in the voting square between the number and the name of the person voted for.

VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - ZONE II 4 year term

- 1 John Matthews

VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - ZONE V 4 year term

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VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - ZONE VII 1 year term

- 4 Paul Sumner
- 5 Monte Stookey

VOTE FOR ONE DISTRICT DIRECTOR - AT LARGE 4 year term

- 8 F. E. Ed Glenn
- 6 Sharon Hill
- 7 Pauline Winter

HEPPNER-LEXINGTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #3 3 year term

- 14 Sharon Harrison

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #5 3 year term

- 15 Gail Hughes

VOTE FOR ONE POSITION #1 3 year term

- 16 Judy Buschke
- 17 E. George Koffler

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ELECTION NOTICE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with ORS 259.090 that an election for Blue Mountain Community College District is to be held on March 25, 1980, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., for the purpose of submitting the following ballot to the qualified voters of the District:

STUB BALLOT NO. _____ STUB
To be torn off by Clerk of Election Board
(Fold ballot to perforation line)

OFFICIAL BALLOT
for
BLUE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
held in
The counties of Morrow and Umatilla, State of Oregon

SAMPLE BALLOT

Election to be held on Tuesday, the 25th day of March, 1980

Vote "YES" OR "NO"

Mark a Cross (X) or Check (✓) inside the voting square for the answer voted for. If you wrongfully mark, tear, or deface the ballot, return it and obtain another from the election officer.

QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE LEGAL VOTERS OF SAID DISTRICT
TAX LEVY OUTSIDE THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION

Proposal: Shall Blue Mountain Community College be authorized to levy \$2,335,439 outside the tax base for the purpose of financing college operations during 1980-81?

Explanation: The college has no tax base; therefore, the total tax levy is in excess of that authorized under Section II, Article XI, of the Oregon Constitution. Because the college has no tax base, it must submit the total levy to the voters annually to obtain operating funds. The amount requested here would provide operating funds for the 1980-81 fiscal year.

The increase over the preceding year is due to inflationary increases in the cost of materials, services, and salaries. Social security and retirement costs are mandatory and the rates for electricity and heating fuel are also continuing to increase. These inflationary cost increases result in increased operating costs without any major program expansions.

If this measure is approved, \$2,335,439 of the taxes levied will be financed partially by the State of Oregon which will result in an estimated rate of \$1.37 per \$1,000 of true cash value, exclusive of levies for bond principal and interest and serial levies for capital construction. The rate of \$1.37 per \$1,000 T.C.V. is an increase of 5¢ per \$1,000 over the current year's levy.

- YES, I VOTE FOR THE LEVY
- NO, I VOTE AGAINST THE LEVY

Mark a Cross (X) or Check (✓) inside the voting square between the Number and Name of the Candidate voted for.

FOR DIRECTOR POSITION No. 3 - for a 4-year term, ending June 30, 1984

- 12 JOE B. GREEN

FOR DIRECTOR POSITION No. 4 - for a 4-year term, ending June 30, 1984

- 14 KEN W. DAUBLE

VOTERS RESIDING IN PRECINCT NOS.: WILL VOTE AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES:

- 1. Greenfield Grange, Boardman
- 3. Ione School, Ione
- 4. Morrow County Building, Irrigon
- 5. School Administration Office, Lexington
- 2, 6, 7, 8, 9. Old Library Building, Heppner