

# 8 from Heppner join group to discuss County juvenile delinquency

Several area citizens including 8 from Heppner met in Boardman Monday, July 28, to address programs and problems concerning juvenile delinquency in Morrow County.

The meeting, sponsored by the 18-member Juvenile Services Commission, was set up to identify needs of juveniles in the county, to address overcrowding at Hillcrest (Salem) and McLaren (Woodburn) juvenile centers and to discuss formulation of a county juvenile program.

A county program is required said Bill Sheirbon, Lexington, who is employed at the Children's Services Division in Boardman and is co-chairman of the commission, before the county can receive the \$25 to \$30 thousand in state

funding it is asking for next year. The county presently has \$17,000 which must last until July 1, 1981.

"We're at the stage now, where we're trying to deter-

mine our needs," said Sheirbon. "If we wish to use it (state funding), we have to have an assessment of needs and problems of this county." Sheirbon said that some of

the county's needs might include:

- increased day care and night care during harvest.
- recreational activities and programs, including a summer camp program.

alternative schools.

- a youth employment program.

Existing programs such as day care centers are also

eligible for funding if they submit plans to the commission and their plans are approved said Sheirbon. Plans must be submitted by October, he added.

"Referrals to the Juvenile department are up," said Sheirbon. "They are unusually high this month at the north end of the county, but kids in the whole county

have needs that should be met." dress needs and plans has been scheduled for Monday, August 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lexington School.

## Foundation pres. named

The Executive Committee of the Eastern Oregon State College Foundation this week elected former Vice President Barbara Odegaard as President. She will fill the vacancy left when former President Jim Petersen resigned to accept an appointment to the Oregon State Board of Higher Education.

Odegaard, long time resident of La Grande, was in her second year as vice president and her third year on the Foundation Board of Trustees. She will serve as President until the annual election in November.

Petersen, assistant administrator at Grande Ronde Hospital in La Grande, said he will remain on the Foundation's Board of Trustees but that to continue to serve as president would conflict with his work on the State Board of Higher Education. He said about four months ago he wrote a letter to Governor Victor Atiyeh strongly urging him to appoint someone from eastern Oregon to the state board. "I didn't realize at that time that I would be appointed," he said, "but I'm excited about it." Petersen will meet with the board for the first time in August.

Odegaard said Outstanding Achievement Awards for incoming eastern Oregon freshmen and the Stadium Fund Drive will continue to be high foundation priorities. The non-profit organization provides support services to EOSC such as scholarships, visits to campus by prospective students, student tours, promotional publications, advertising and handling the current Stadium Fund Drive, which cannot be funded with tax dollars.

## Agriculture grads needed

Food and agricultural professions, including farming and ranching, will need more graduates—especially those with advanced degrees—than are expected to graduate during the next five years, said a U.S. Department of Agriculture study.

Educators, scientists and others have been concerned that higher education was not producing enough graduates with food and agricultural expertise for future growth of agricultural productivity and efficiency, said Anson R. Bertrand, USDA director of science and education.

"The overall estimate is an annual shortage of 8,500 individuals with associate, baccalaureate, master's, doctoral and doctor of veterinary medicine degrees in agriculture-related subjects," said Bertrand.

The study, done by the USDA's Science and Education Administration, projects the most severe shortages for graduates with doctoral de-

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