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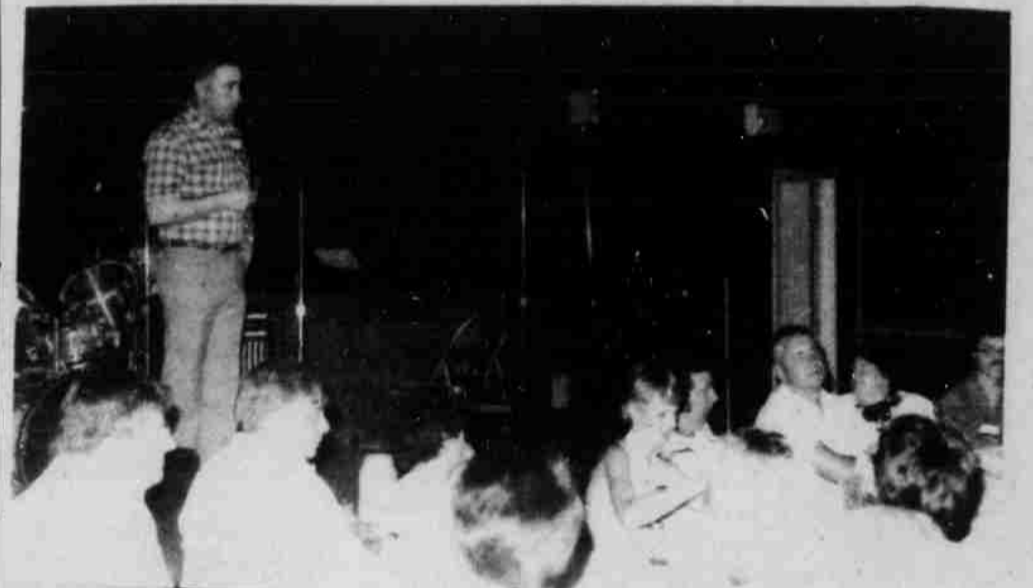
	High	Low	Precip
Mon., June 22	68	45	
Tues., June 23	74	42	
Wed., June 24	81	50	
Thurs., June 25	88	52	
Fri., June 26	81	40	
Sat., June 27	76	43	
Sun., June 28	81	43	
Mon., June 29	91	54	

Precipitation for the month of June, 1981 was 1.38. Normal June precipitation is 1.12.

ELECTION RETURNS JUNE 30, 1981

	BOARDMAN	HEPPNER-HARDMAN	IONE	IRRIGON	LEXINGTON	TOTALS
A Ballot COUNTY TAX LEVY PASSED	115	239	113	65	62	594
SHALL THE VOTERS AUTHORIZE MORROW COUNTY TO LEVY \$1,927,583. OUTSIDE THE SIX PERCENT LIMITATION TO BALANCE THE 1981-1982 OPERATING BUDGET?						
YES	71	227	47	135	42	522
NO						
B Ballot HOSPITAL TAX LEVY PASSED	111	329	121	40	79	680
SHALL THE VOTERS AUTHORIZE MORROW COUNTY TO LEVY \$108,565 OUTSIDE THE SIX PERCENT LIMITATION FOR HOSPITAL AND NORTH MORROW CLINIC OPERATION?						
YES	77	136	39	158	26	436
NO						
B Ballot ADDITIONAL SERVICES LEVY FAILED	61	144	73	57	34	269
SHALL THE VOTERS AUTHORIZE MORROW COUNTY TO LEVY \$40,778 FOR A SHERIFF TRANSPORT DEPUTY AND A BUILDING INSPECTOR?						
YES	123	321	87	142	69	742
NO						
B Ballot ROAD LEVY FAILED	81	208	109	44	56	498
SHALL THE VOTERS AUTHORIZE MORROW COUNTY TO LEVY A THREE-YEAR ROAD SERIAL LEVY OF \$4,966,633 OUTSIDE THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION?						
YES	107	255	51	154	49	616
NO						

HHS classes hold reunion



Cliff Green speaks to class reunion Sat. night

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

"A great reunion, great weather, great work by the committees" said one of the over 160 who attended the gathering of the classes of 1960, '61, '62, and '63 which was arranged by Marlene Griffin Gray '61 and Shirley Van Winkle George '61 and their husbands Mike Gray '60 and Kit George '62. Each class group had its own special secretaries: Shirley Nash Connor for '60; Sharon Keithley Harrison for '61; Archie Ball and Merlin Hughes for '62 and Fran Barnett for '63. The groups have records showing that members and spouses who were checked in included 22 from '60, 53 from '61, 40 from '62, and 38 from '63; however, not everyone signed the guest books and there were quite a few who came who were not graduates of any class but who attended HHS with them. Everyone was pleased to see three former teachers, Inez Erwin, Rachel Dick and Tom Hughes.

Saturday night at the Elks Club all enjoyed a barbecued steak dinner and lots of fun visiting and dancing to live music by "Borderline." On Sunday they brought along their children to the County Fairgrounds for a potluck picnic which Merlin Hughes supervised and where horse

shoe pitching and baseball and especially more great visiting was enjoyed.

Although only 20 years ago (or slightly less) the group members were all enrolled at HHS, now it includes a mayor, several teachers, carpenters, farmers, businessmen and women, millworkers, doctors and lawyers. They were all touched by the sad news that Francine Moyer Howard could not be with them because she has recently suffered a heart attack which was followed by a stroke. A card was circulated sending her greetings to 36 Starlifter, Hope Airforce Base, North Carolina, 28308.

Saturday night the decorations of school pictures and mementos, including Marlene Gray's cheerleading outfit displayed on a manikin, were enjoyed and admired. Each class had its own M.C. who helped with the awarding prizes. Several whole-group "gag-type" recognitions went to Grandmas Leanne Joynes Fanning from South Dakota and to Jeanne Schmidt Creswick from Scappose and to fellows with the least hair, Tim Yackley, Chehalis, W.N., and Kit George, Heppner.

M.C. Tom Hayward helped the Class of '60 select Carolyn Carter Howard, Pendleton, as most changed; Tom Hayward, Pendleton; least changed; Bill Irby, Irrigon for having the

most children; and Oakley Ott who had come the farthest, from West Fir, Oregon.

The Class of '61 M.C. was Neal Penland. They selected Neal Penland, Tigard, as their most changed; Tim Yackley, Chehalis, W.N., as least changed; Kathy Spencer Clark, Heppner, has the most children and Charles Smallwood traveled farthest, coming from Pearl City, Hawaii.

Bruce Moyer served as M.C. for the '62's. They found Rose Nash Gott, Milwaukie, OR., their most changed and Beverly Davidson Flint, Beaverton, their least changed. Jim Cason, Heppner, claimed the most children and Bruce and Diane McCurdy Moyer from Lolo, Montana, had come the greatest distance.

The youngest group, the '63's, had Dick Springer as M.C. They named Dick Springer from Grants Pass the most changed; Shannon Mahoney Smith, Canby, the least changed. Carol Tholberg Erickson, Pilot Rock, has the most children and Leanne Joynes Fanning came the longest distance, from Fort Pierre, South Dakota.

As the members of the four classes left the fairgrounds on Sunday, they talked of having another picnic-type gathering in five years. They were all enthusiastic, happy and rather tired from their big weekend together.

Millers honored as Conservationists of year

Morrow County Conservationist of the year Tad Miller says he is about "half through" with an overall plan for maximizing conservation on his 4,400-acre farm on Sandhollow Rd. outside Lexington.

So far Tad, his wife, Melba, and son, Mark, have installed about 90 thousand feet of diversion ditches, put in some silt dams and practiced "trashy fallow" to control wind and water erosion on the 3,600 acres they have in dryland wheat.

The Millers also try to start seeding early, and have some channels seeded in grasses to cut down on water erosion.

With the stubble mulch or trashy fallow farming, Tad says he will use a chisel plow and go over the land twice, with the residue helping to cut down on water run off and reduce wind erosion.

He says he has put in about one mile of silt dams on the farm to reduce water erosion, but that they are only temporary until more efficient diversion ditches can be installed.

"We're trying some experiments with chemical fallow to see how that works out," says Tad who was born and raised on his farm.

"We're trying Roundup on 100 acres," he says. "I think we're going to see more chemical tillage in the future."

In honor of the Miller family's selection of conservationists of the year, a twilight tour of the farm was held Tuesday night.

Guests had a chance to look over variety plots near the Miller farm and the Frank Anderson farm and enjoy a steak barbecue.



Mark Miller, Melba and Tad Miller

Weed Control District petitions circulated to farmers

By BOB COSTA,
County Extension Agent

Petitions are now being circulated to farm owners for the purpose of forming a Morrow County Weed Control District.

Many noxious weeds have become widely established in Morrow County and are rapidly spreading. Branching Knapweed and Canada Thistle are obvious examples. Complete eradication of widespread weeds may not be possible, however they may be prevented from spreading into

areas not now infested.

Skeleton Weed, tansy ragwort, dalmation toadflax, leafy spurge, scotch thistle, and Johnsongrass are identified on the petition as weeds that will be completely eradicated when found growing in the county. Other weeds, including Knapweed, goat grass, poison hemlock, and many more are identified for control and eradication in some areas. Weeds can be added or removed from the list by the County Court if necessary.

The purpose of the Weed Control District is to provide a cooperative effort between landowners, the county, and the state, to control noxious weeds. Landowners will not be forced into a financial burden to control weeds.

With the formation of a County Weed Control District, the State Department of Agriculture will provide, to the county, a jeep spray rig for use by landowners and herbicides for use on certain noxious weeds.

If a majority of farm owners sign the petition, the county

court will declare a special Weed Control District as required by state law. The county court will appoint an advisory committee of farm owners to develop policies and procedures for the Weed Control District.

For more information, call or stop by the Extension office in Heppner.

G-T office closed Friday

The Heppner Gazette-Times will be closed Friday, July 3 because of the Independence Day holiday.
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Metal detectors to screen murder trial audience

In an effort to tighten security at the trials July 9, July 20, and August 3 of three Boardman men charged in an April 25 murder of another Boardman man, Morrow County District Attorney Ann Spicer said that persons entering the courtroom at the

Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner during the trials will have to pass through a metal detector.

Spicer said that persons wearing pacemakers should be especially cautioned of the presence of the detectors.

See related story this page.

Public offices closed Friday

The Morrow County Courthouse, the city hall and the public library in Heppner and the school district office in Lexington will be closed July 3 because of the Independence Day holiday. The Health Dept. office in Lexington will be open July 3, but closed on Monday, July 6.

Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

News and advertising deadlines are Monday at 5 p.m. for that week's paper.

School offices will be open throughout the summer months to serve local communities.

The Morrow County School District Office in Lexington is open daily from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Landfill closures

The Morrow County and Lexington landfills will be closed Saturday, July 4.

Dates set in murder trial

Trial dates for all three men charged in an April 25 murder at a Boardman tavern have been set, according to Morrow County District Attorney Ann Spicer.

Jose Mario Mendoza Verdugo, 23, will be tried on July 9 at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner on charges of murder and conspiracy to commit murder in connection with the death of another Boardman man, Antonio Delgadillo Guzman. Verdugo has entered a plea of not guilty.

Sebero Andrade Berduco, 33 or 34, who is also pleading not guilty to a charge of murder in the death of Guzman, fatally shot in an incident at the H-Bar-W Tavern, will be tried on July 20.

The third man indicted in the murder, Pedro Cisneros Ortiz, 30, will be tried on August 3 on charges of conspiracy to commit murder and murder.