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## Weather

by The City of Heppner

	High	Low	Precip
Tues., Mar. 30	50	34	.11
Wed., Mar 31	51	25	.01
Thurs., April 1	47	31	trace
Fri., April 2	53	30	
Sat., April 3	52	28	trace
Sun., April 4	52	28	.03
Mon., April 5	51	31	.03

March precipitation was 1.67.  
Normal for March is 1.19.  
Precipitation for March 1981 was 1.11.

## New water system for Heppner ready



Heppner's new water tank, ready for use.

Heppner citizens should be getting their water through the city's new system this week, if everything works out right.

Testing of the new system, which includes new lines and a new storage tank, has been going on for some time, however, final tests and operation was scheduled to begin Tuesday.

Water pressure may be higher in some homes in the city, and users may find a higher chlorine content and taste when the system goes into effect, city officials said Monday.

Other problems may develop also. "We're not exactly sure what might happen," city administrator Marshall Lovgren said.

The system has been tested, though, Don Johnson of the

Army Corps of Engineers told the city council Monday night.

He said the city's new water storage tank has been filled, flushed and checked for leaks, and that all the water lines have all been disinfected and checked.

In other business, the council heard from Ken Hunziker, project engineer with Eucon Corp., which is building the dam. Hunziker asked that his company be able to buy water from the city for use on the dam project. The city okayed the sale, of surplus water only, for "a little over" one dollar per thousand gallons.

agreed to pay Coats Construction Co. \$2,500 for settlement of a lawsuit brought against the city by Coats.

## Abrams named co. chair of Keep Judge Campbell

Robert B. Abrams, Heppner has been named Morrow County chair of the Keep Judge J.R. (Bob) Campbell on the Supreme Court committee, announced a news release from the Supreme Court committee.

Justice Campbell was appointed Circuit Court Judge in 1965 by former Governor Mark Hatfield and was elected to that position three times. In 1979 he was appointed to

the Oregon Court of Appeals and in December, 1980, to the Supreme Court. Both appointments were made by Governor Vic Atiyeh.

Judge Campbell earned a B.A. degree from Willamette University in 1940 and graduated from Willamette University College of Law in 1942.

Prior to his service on the bench, Judge Campbell was a practicing attorney in Canyon City.

## Flood siren mysteriously set off March 30

Last Tuesday evening, March 30, the townspeople of Heppner were reminded of past nightmares when the flood siren over the Heppner swimming pool mysteriously went off.

The constant whine could be heard all over the community for approximately 30 minutes before it shut itself off.

According to Mayor Cliff Green, as of early Tuesday, April 6, no one was positive what had occurred, other than

it was a malfunction.

"As far as we can tell, moisture got into the (electrical) contacts between city hall and that one siren," said Green.

Heppner Fire Chief Forrie Burkenbine later explained that it was a short in the

siren's phone line caused by moisture.

"We've had the same problem with the fire alarm when it goes off for no reason and shuts off for no reason," said Burkenbine.

"There's one thing that concerns me about this," stated Mayor Green. "Had this been the real thing, I don't know what we would have

done; because when the siren went off, people didn't run to the hills. Instead, they ran down to the creek to see what was happening."

City work crews began checking the flood sirens Tuesday, and a test is scheduled to be done next week, according to Forrie Burkenbine. (see related story, this page.)

## Thompson house moved to Cemetery Hill

By CATHY PECK

A lot of people in Heppner turned out to watch the Thompson house being moved from its site on Willow Creek to the top of Cemetery Hill in Heppner. When weather and ground conditions improve, the movers will lower the house to its projected site across from Hope Lutheran Church on Cowins Street.



Terry Thompson house photo by Cathy Peck

The house and barns were purchased by Thompson's father in 1949 from Frank Monahan. The ranch belonged to a Jim Jones about the turn of the century. George Currin bought the ranch from Jones who, while waiting to move his livestock to another state, was drowned in the Heppner flood of 1903.

George Currin sold the ranch to Mr. and Mrs. John Byland who in turn sold it to Monahan. According to Katherine Hisler, Monahan's daughter, her father built the house in 1929 along with the sheep sheds.

The original Jones house is still standing on the ranch site. It has also been visited due to

the construction of Willow Creek Dam but has not yet been sold.

## Heppner man made manager in Minneapolis

David E. Hall has been appointed group manager of the Conklin Company, a Minneapolis-based chemical and energy-related products manufacturer. Hall and his wife, Nancy, live in Wallowa. Dave is the son of Gene and Harriet Hall of Heppner.

Hall's appointment recognizes his leadership training and sales and marketing achievements within the organization.

As one of 1,600 group managers and more than 22,000 independent Conklin

distributors, Hall has helped build the company and will share in its returns. With \$38.8 million in sales in 1981, Conklin will return approximately \$7 million in commissions to independent field managers and in bonuses to distributors.

The Conklin Company manufactures roofing and coating materials, cleaners, agricultural chemicals and energy-related products, which are distributed through a franchise network of independent distributors.

## EOSC announces honor roll

Eastern Oregon State College officials have announced the names of students who made the Winter Quarter Honor Roll.

To qualify for the Honor Roll, students must have a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on 12 graded credits that term.

Area students who qualified

## Wheat League members meet with Sec. Block in Wash., D.C.

Louis Carlson of Ione, president of the Oregon Wheat Growers League, along with eight other league members recently traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Block.

by the National Association of Wheat Growers.

The group met again with Secretary Block in an afternoon session to reaffirm some of the points the league is making in Washington relating to the farm program, Grilley said. He related that

Secretary Block said he would take the group's ideas under advisement and that the secretary seemed to be fairly optimistic.

Grilley said the policy states 1. there will be no export restriction due to rising prices, 2. food will not be used as a weapon for foreign policy and 3. world markets will be kept free of trade barriers and unfair trade practices. Grilley said Secretary Block confirmed the policy statement to the group at a breakfast arranged

## Bob Smith to visit here on the campaign trail

By CATHY PECK



Bob Smith

Bob Smith, Republican candidate for the Congressional House of Representatives, will spend the day in Morrow County on April 20. The co-chairmen for his Morrow County campaign, Ray French and Merlin Hughes, are planning a full schedule of activities.

Smith, a businessman and cattle rancher, hopes to represent the Second District, which includes 20 counties, all 18 counties east of the Cascades plus the southern two-thirds of Jackson and Josephine counties.

## Ministerial Assoc. donates 15 books to Ione Library



Ione Librarian Lorraine Ladd (left) and Ione Topic Club President Loree Hubbard (right) accept gift of books for Ione library from Rev. Cathy Barker, of the South Morrow County Ministerial Association.

The South Morrow County Ministerial Association Monday donated 15 books to the Ione Library.

The books, which include copies of a Bible atlas and a Bible dictionary, as well as a book of Bible stories, are mainly for children, but there is also a trilogy titled "Chronicles of Narvia" for adults.

"We're happy to have these books," Librarian Lorraine Ladd told the Rev. Cathy Barker who turned over the books at the library.

"Children are our biggest group of readers at the

library. We feel if they learn to use the library when they're young, it develops good habits when they are older," said Lorraine.

About other aspects of the Ione Library, she said they are presently on a "buying spree" and will have some new books for adults soon.

The library is now open from 3 to 5 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and Loarraine says she hopes to be open one more day per week. "We're trying to get enough money to open every afternoon. If we could get some volunteer help we could open more often," she said.

## CowBelles Spring Fling Apr. 12

The Morrow County CowBelles Spring Fling is planned for April 12, 6:30 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Club. The no-host dinner is \$4.00 and members are invited to bring a friend. Those planning to attend should call Gail Hughes at 676-9782 or Meg Murray at 422-7509.

## Wranglers Playday slated April 18

Morrow County Wranglers Riding Club's first Playday will be April 18. Membership is open to everyone who owns a horse or has access to one. The yearly membership fee is \$7.50 for a family or \$5.00 for single, stated a Wranglers spokesperson.

Playdays are Sundays April 18, 25 and May 2, 9. There is a potluck lunch at 12:00 with activities beginning at 1:00. Age groups for games are 6 & under, 7, 8 & 9, 10 - 12, 13 - 17 and 18 & over. Ribbons are given for winners with final awards given for highest points in June.

There is plenty of fun for everyone and spectators are welcome, the spokesperson said. For more information, contact Janet Greenup, club secretary.

## New deputy joins force

The Morrow County Sheriff's Department recently acquired a new county deputy from Pendleton.

Scott Lillie is originally from the Heppner-Condon area. From October 1974 to August 1978 he was in the United States Air Force, honorably discharged as a sergeant.

Following his discharge, Lillie attended Blue Mountain Community College for a pre-law degree. He is married and has two children ages four and two.

The Lillie family intends to settle in Heppner.



Deputy Scott Lillie

## Variety show back by demand

Jim Ackley's Variety Show is back by popular demand. The show will make its second appearance Monday, April 12, 7:30 p.m. at the Heppner High School cafeteria, said Ackley and all proceeds will be added to the Jim Ackley Scholarship Fund.

The first show, held March 18, will be repeated, said Ackley and will again feature Karen Kenny, Marti Baker, Polly Fortenberry, Cindi Bergstrom, Carri Brownfield and "assorted other characters," Ackley added.

## MCGG receives award for FFA support

Morrow County Grain Growers of Lexington received a State Future Farmers' of America distinguished service award at the 54th annual State FFA Convention held in Corvallis recently.

Six businesses in the state receive the award each year, said Roger Records, Heppner

FFA Advisor.

Both the Riverside and Heppner FFA chapters would like to extend their appreciation to MCGG for all their support in our programs. Without the help of the Grain Growers, our programs would not be nearly as successful as they are, continued Records.

## Gilman to succeed Miller at 1st Int.



Ken Miller



Mary Gilman

Mary Gilman of Heppner who has been with First Interstate Bank of Oregon in Heppner for 40 years, has been named manager of the Heppner branch, it was announced by the bank's public relations dept. in Portland.

Mrs. Gilman started with First Interstate at the Heppner branch in 1942.

She succeeds Ken Miller who has been promoted to regional lending officer for the Portland-based eastern region office. Miller had been manager of the Heppner branch since 1978.