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Weather

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	High	Low	Precip
Tues., July 27	100	67	
Wed., July 28	99	62	
Thurs., July 29	99	66	trace
Fri., July 30	90	53	trace
Sat., July 31	81	46	
Sun., Aug. 1	73	48	
Mon., Aug. 2	72	47	01

Jim Hayes Sr. chosen as Fair & Rodeo grand marshal



Jim Hayes Sr.

Jim Hayes Sr., a life-long resident of Morrow County, has been chosen as grand marshal of this year's Fair & Rodeo parade, parade chairman Ralph Limanen has announced.

Hayes, whose father came to this area in the late 1800s and was a sheep rancher for many years, was born on the family ranch on Rhea Creek in 1906.

The family raised sheep up until Jim was about eight years old, and then changed the ranch over to wheat farming and cattle ranching.

"The biggest trouble was getting help," Jim says of the demise of most sheep ranching in Morrow County.

"People just didn't want to work them. You have to have a herder with the sheep all the time."

Retired from ranching now, (his son Jim Hayes Jr. is running the ranch) Jim says the cattle business and farming "is kind of hard now."

"The price of production is very high. The stock need a lot of doctoring," he explained.

He says the cost of equipment is high also, and so is the cost of land preparation. "We never used to fertilize or spray for weeds," he points out.

Growing up on the ranch, Jim recalls the self sufficiency of the operation. The family had a garden for fresh vegetables, chickens for eggs and cows for milk, some of which

he used to bring to town and sell to the Morrow County Creamery.

"We didn't have any electricity back then, so we cured all of our meat. There wasn't any refrigeration," he says.

Although his father was the second person in the county to bring in an automobile, Jim says the family still came to town in a wagon, "because in the winter the roads were so bad the car couldn't make it."

Jim, whose wife's name is Margaret, is a long-time Morrow County Fair & Rodeo goer, and is pleased to be this year's grand marshal. "I appreciate it very much. I didn't expect it and it's kind of an honor."

Mayor, 4 councilmen to be elected in Heppner

Five positions on the Heppner City Council will be up for election in November. Anyone wishing to file must do so at city hall by the August 24

deadline. Positions up for election include the mayor's, a two year term, and four council positions, three are four year

terms and one is a two year term. One councilmember, Joe Miller, has announced that he will not run for re-election.

Part of Heppner unofficially out of flood plain now

At least unofficially, many portions of Heppner are no longer in the flood plain and will no longer require flood insurance or special building specifications, the city council was told Monday night.

Mayor Cliff Green said that as of July 15, 50 percent of the Willow Creek Dam was completed, which is enough in the eyes of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to remove areas of Heppner from the flood plain.

Green said, however, that maps of the new flood plain have not been made, so local bankers are still requiring flood insurance for loans made in the old flood plain area.

Lt. general to arrive Thurs. to inspect Willow Creek Dam

The head man of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will make an inspection trip of the Willow Creek Dam project on Thursday, the Corps has announced.

Lt. General Joseph Bratton, the chief of engineers out of

Washington D.C. will arrive by helicopter on Thursday, August 5, to take a 45 minute tour of the project.

The general's helicopter will land at the public viewing area overlooking the dam at 4 p.m.

After the tour the general

will be presented with a polished piece of aggregate from the project as a souvenir.

Accompanying Bratton will be Brigadier James W. Vanloben Sels and Col. Robert Williams, the district Col. from Walla Walla, Wash.

I.U.C.C. & Willows Grange slate potluck picnic at Cutsforth Park

The Ione United Church of Christ and Willows Grange will hold a combination potluck picnic at Cutsforth Park on Sunday, August 15, an-

nounced a spokesperson for the event.

A church service will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the park with dinner following.

Those wanting to ride the

bus to the park should meet at the church at 10 a.m.

Everyone is asked to provide their own basic table service, she concluded.

A.F.S. student has home in Heppner for the next year



Joanna Bown (center) with host parents Larry and Mary Ann Cerullo

Joanna Bown, an A.F.S. (American Field Service) student from Johannesburg, South Africa, has a home in Heppner for the next year. After an orientation at Long Island University, Greenvale, New York, she arrived in Heppner last Friday and will be living with Larry and Mary Ann Cerullo.

Born in Zambia but living most of her life at Johannesburg, this is her first venture to the U.S.

She will enter Heppner High School this fall as a senior and is especially interested in drama.

While attending Roosevelt High School at Johannesburg, she was active in a wide variety of groups and organiz-

ations, including public speaking competition, drama, and was house captain in charge of organizing sporting events (the school is divided into four houses for competition purposes). She was one of two students elected from her school to serve on the Johannesburg Junior City Council. Bown served as chairlady of the environmental committee of the council. She was also one of 20 students who served at prefects to help keep the school running smoothly.

She has a brother, Adam, 10, a sister, Lisa, 12, a stepbrother, Jan, 18 and a stepsister, Katrin, 15. Her father, Robin, is a sales director for a paint company, her mother, Joan, is a secretary for a shipping

company and her stepmother, Marlies, is an electrologist.

The 17-year-old enjoys modern dance, drama, and spending time with children. She also likes to watch television. At home, she has only two channels to choose from and they are only broadcast in the evenings.

While staying in Oregon, she would like to see Portland and the Oregon Coast. She is also looking forward to seeing snow.

After living in Johannesburg, population 2.2 million, Heppner is quite a change. "I like what I've seen. It's much smaller than what I'm used to but I'm sure I'll like it," she said.

Efforts underway to construct baseball diamond at foot of dam

An effort is now underway to have a new baseball field constructed in Heppner at the base of the Willow Creek Dam.

The Corps of Engineers would build the field and turn it over to the city for maintenance.

Although the Corps has not officially approved a construction of the field, indications from the head office in Walla Walla, Wash. are the project is a favorable one, says Leif Erickson a spokesman for the Corps.

If the project goes ahead, a triangle piece of property at the foot of the dam would be sodded and a permanent irrigation system installed by

the Corps, Erickson said.

A Heppner little league representative told the council the teams need a permanent baseball diamond on which to play. He said if the field were constructed to little league standards, tournaments could be held in Heppner.

The council agreed to write a letter to the Corps in support of the baseball park construction. "There would be no cost to the city, except upkeep," Erickson said.

The little league has agreed to be responsible for maintenance.

In other business, the council:

heard from the city engineer, who said McGrew Corp. has finished work on the city's

new water system, and that Delta Summit Corp. is still working on the new water tank.

approved liquor licenses for Buchnams Tavern and Cal's Cafe.

learned that with the new solar heating system at the pool the city has spent only about \$30 for fuel. The city spent a total of \$2,300 to heat the pool last year. The pool will be open until Aug. 29.

announced a special meeting Aug. 16 at 8 p.m. to consider whether or not the city should move ahead with plans to drill another well, and to decide which streets in the city should receive work this year.

Turning pro possibility for local golfer



Charlie Rawlins

Who is Willow Creek Country Club's most frequent golfer member this season? Charlie Rawlins of Heppner can be found at the course almost daily; mornings, afternoons and evenings, except when he's away playing tournaments.

And all his practice has and is paying off well. The 23 year-old golfer won the Oregon State Left-Handers Championship last month for the third straight year.

Other accomplishments for Rawlins this season have been winning the Chattanooga Invitational at Chattanooga, Tenn., at Hobson Grove, Bowling Green, Kentucky, the Willow Creek Open here at Heppner and placing second at the Tri-Cities Amateur Open.

A student at Western Kentucky University at Bowling Green, Rawlins came home for the summer to practice and to play in Northwest tournaments.

He played on the golf team at Central Oregon Community College at Bend for two years before transferring to WKU, where he has also played on the golf team for two years as first and second man. A physical education and geography major, Rawlins will graduate in December.

After graduation, he plans to go to either Phoenix, Arizona or Southern California to

play in a mini tour ("a testing ground for professional golfers"). "I'm trying to gain experience," he said.

"My whole idea was, if I played well this summer (which he definitely has), it would justify turning pro and playing in the mini tour," Rawlins explained. If he plays well in the mini tour, he intends to enroll at Professional Golfers Qualifying School.

A 1977 graduate of Heppner High School, Rawlins began learning the sport at age 15 as a freshman. He started playing in amateur tournaments and championships about four years ago.

With a low score of 57, he holds the course record at Willow Run at Boardman with five under par for 18 holes. His best score at the Heppner course is a 32 for 18, eight under par.

"Next month I want to qualify for the U.S. Amateur Championship." Though he didn't make it last year, he will give it a second try on August 17.

Rawlins was to leave Wednesday to play in the Shadow Hills Invitational at Eugene August 6, 7, and 8.

"It's kind of frustrating. I haven't won anything big in my home state. The Shadow Hills tournament is a good tournament and I hope to make a good showing," he said.

Catholic Church vicar recovering well

Word has been received that the Rev. John O'Brien, vicar of St. Patrick's and St. William's Catholic churches in Heppner and Ione, is recovering well after suffering a heart attack in Ireland, July 16.

The Rev. O'Brien left July 7 for a three month vacation to

visit relatives.

A church spokesperson said he was to have left the hospital last Saturday, July 31, and that his doctors reported that his condition has much improved.

The Rev. Francis Hebert of Idaho has been conducting

services at the two local churches and will continue to do so until the Rev. O'Brien returns in October.

Well wishers may address correspondence to: Fr. John O'Brien, in care of James O'Brien, Bewley Cappoquin, County Waterford, Ireland.

Two Morrow Co. Court dates changed in Aug.

A regularly scheduled meeting of Morrow County Court at the Court Annex in Irrigon on August 25 will be held at the County Courthouse in Heppner instead.

A meeting scheduled for August 18 in Heppner has been changed and will now be held at the Court Annex, Irrigon, said a court spokesperson.

Meeting cancelled

The Monday, August 9 meeting of the Heppner Planning Commission has been cancelled, reported Dick Bigelow, chairman.

The next regular meeting will be held Monday, September 13.

Lifesaving classes to begin in Ione

Junior and Senior Lifesaving classes are scheduled to begin Tuesday, August 10, at the Ione Swimming Pool, announced a spokesperson for the pool.

Classes will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. at a cost of \$3.50 per person for ages eleven to adult, she said.

For more information, call Terry McElligott.

Heppner High art class wins poster award

In mid-June, members of the Morrow County Grain Growers staff attended the annual convention in Portland of the Pacific Northwest Grain and Feed Assn., a trade association comprised of grain and feed cooperatives and companies from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

In conjunction with the theme "The Good Old Days" of the opening night mixer, members of the association were asked to solicit, from their local high schools, posters depicting the school mascot and promotion of the school. M.C.G.G. presented the poster prepared by

the Heppner High School art class, and recently received a \$100 check payable to the Heppner High School for First Prize.

The second place poster was submitted by St. John Washington high school, and third place went to Wilbur Washington high school.

Congratulations are extended to the HHS art class students for the fine job done on the poster, stated a M.C.G.G. spokesperson. M.C.G.G. expresses its thanks to the students for cooperating on the project and helping to make the evening more enjoyable for all in attendance, he concluded.