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Weather

by the City of Heppner

	High	Low	Precip
Tues., June 28	82	56	.12
Wed., June 29	69	47	.10
Thurs., June 30	73	53	.23
Fri., July 1	68	45	.15
Sat., July 2	65	47	.01
Sun., July 3	77	47	
Mon., July 4	85	54	

Total precipitation for June was 1.63"; normal is 1.12".

## Run committee presents \$705 to Little League



Liz Curtis, an organizer of the annual Rolling Hills Run, presented a check for \$705 to Little League Association President Bob Krein last week on behalf of the run committee.

This year's annual run was held April 10. Proceeds will be used to purchase a back stop for

a new little league field at the base of Willow Creek Dam, Krein said. Chain link fence material has been purchased with proceeds from a microwave oven raffle, he added.

Next year's run has been set for Sunday, April 8, Curtis announced.

## Nominations open for Oregon Farm Family of the Year

Nominations are now open for the Oregon Farm Family of the Year award, announced Dalton Hobbs executive vice-president of the Agri-Business Council of Oregon. Presented jointly by the Agri-Business Council and the Oregon State Fair, this annual award honors an Oregon farm family for strong family involvement and achievement in production agriculture. The first family to be awarded this honor was last year's recipient, the Larry Kaseberg family of Wasco.

This year's family will be presented in ceremonies on the main stage at the State Fair this summer. Deadline for nominations is August 15.

Selection is drawn from the Oregon farm family which best represents five factors: strong family involvement in all areas of farm management, innovation in family

farm operations, utilization of modern agricultural techniques and methods, active community involvement, and leadership in agricultural

organizations.

"Agriculture has become the state's leading industry and it is the family farm that is the backbone and basic unit of agricultural production. We

want to call attention to and honor these families," said Hobbs.

Nomination forms are available from all county ex-

tension offices, many feed and implement dealers and the Agri-Business Council offices, 1437 S.W. Columbia St., Portland, Oregon. 97201.

## County 4-H'ers spend busy week at OSU



The Morrow County 4-H delegates to OSU 4-H Summer Week posed during their busy week on campus in Corvallis June 13 through 18.

Front row, left to right: Gibb Evans, Irrigon; Mike Ammons, Boardman; Cindy Stroeber, Heppner; Paula Heatherly, Heppner.

Middle row, left to right: Marion McMillan, Lexington; Noella Rill, Heppner; Steve Miller, Heppner; Jan Evans, 4-H leader and chaperone, Irrigon.

Back row, left to right: Chris McLaughlin, Heppner; Kimberle Wright, Heppner; Jason Palmer, Heppner; and Diann Morter, 4-H ambassador of Ione.

## Oil in Morrow County?

Oil in Morrow County in the Heppner area? About 40 Teledyne Exploration and Atlantic Richfield Co. employees are here from Texas to try and find out if oil in Morrow County could become a reality.

The workers arrived last week and are staying in Heppner and Boardman.

W.P. Edmiston of Teledyne's Midland, Texas office says the group is conducting geophysical testing in ground

structure for oil. Teledyne, under contract by ARCO, only does the testing. Edmiston said, ARCO does all the data processing and makes all interpretations.

Last year Teledyne employees worked in the Condon area; however, Edmiston said his company didn't learn the results of those tests.

He said his crew would probably be working in this area for about two or three months.

## Sidewalk Sale set

This year's sidewalk sale, "Heppner Daze," has been set for Saturday, July 30, and plans are underway for a full day of fun.

More plans about the event will be announced as they become available.

All groups and organizations are invited to participate with booths, demonstrations or displays. Anyone interested may contact Andrea Mortimore at Gardner's Men's Wear in Heppner.

## Heppner golfer moves into big competition



Charlie Rawlins

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

Heppner's outstanding golfer, Charles Rawlins, who works at the Paradise Valley Golf Club's pro shop in North Phoenix, Arizona, has had several golfing successes recently.

He is now qualified as one of the four from the 141 who tried in the Southwestern U.S. to go to play in the U.S. National Public Links Championship at Coltsneck, New Jersey, from July 11 to 16. This will be Charlie's first participation in a U.S. Golf Association national contest, and participating in it will qualify him to also play in the Harding Cup competition this year.

Charlie, who for several years was Oregon's left-handed champion, now holds that title for the state of Arizona. He won this honor at Tucson's National Golf Course. He did not try for the Oregon title again this year.

He gained his qualification for the National Public Links Championship in the regional competition held at the Papago Park Golf Club in Phoenix. If he can make it, he is interested in coming to Tacoma, Wash., immediately after the Public Links play in New Jersey to compete in the National Left-Handed championship.

He sent the facts about his winnings and qualifying for the national tournaments to his parents, Jane and Bill Rawlins of Heppner.

## Wright appointed to energy committee

Governor Vic Atiyeh has appointed Herbert C. Wright of Fossil and James A. Swayne of Milton-Freewater to the state Energy Policy Review Committee.

Wright succeeds Lake Oswego resident LaRue "Lou" Van Dyke, whose term expired June 30, 1983.

Swayne replaces Norm Matteson of Medford, who completed his term on December 21, 1982. Swayne's term began December 22, 1983, and will expire December 21, 1984.

The nine-member board consists of three state senators, three state representatives and three members of the general public who are appointed by the governor. No member may serve for more than two terms.

The committee represents

The committee represents public concerns on contingency and curtailment planning to the director of energy, and advises him on areas of needed research and development. It also reviews conservation programs and recommends needed legislative or policy changes.

Wright, the other appointed member, is the owner of Wright Chevrolet in Fossil. He has served as director of the Columbia Basin Electric Co-op for 12 years and has been chairman for the past two years.

A native of Fossil, Wright is also a member of the Associated Oregon Industries' Energy Committee and the Oregon Rural Electric Legislative Committee.

## More may compete at state 'Make it with Wool' Contest

There are opportunities for more contestants from district contests of Make It Yourself With Wool to travel to state competition this year, according to Ruth McCabe, district director of Ione.

If the total number of contestants is greater than 30 in a district, that district may send an additional junior or senior contestant to the state competition.

Contestants may be from ages 10 through 21 years of age

this year. Entries may be in sewing, knitting or crocheting. Boys, as well as girls, may participate.

The local district contest also includes a special division for adults.

The district judging is scheduled for October 22 at St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Hall in Heppner.

Entry forms may be picked up at any OSU Extension office in Oregon, or by calling Mrs. McCabe at 422-7194.

## Many attend Conservation Man of Year tour

By BOB COSTA  
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A large group of area farmers attended the Conservation Man of the Year Tour at the Bunch's Last Straw Ranch last Tuesday, June 28.

Al Bunch and his wife, Betty, operate the Last Straw Ranch with their son, Mike, and daughter-in-law, Tracie. The Last Straw Ranch includes fields on Bunker Hill Road, in Clark's Canyon and near Hardman.

The farming practices that earned them the conservation title include strip cropping, terracing and stubble mulch tillage.

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The home place fields on Bunker Hill Road are protected from erosion by strip cropping and 65,870 feet of level terraces. The Clark's Canyon fields contain 90,855 feet of graded terraces. Bunch prefers the level terraces because they hold more water in



Al Bunch (R) and his son, Mike

the field where it can be saved for use by the crop.

Tillage practices are done to leave enough crop residue on the soil surface to help protect against erosion.

The stubble was left standing over the winter. This spring, a chemical fallow herbicide was used to kill cheatgrass and volunteer, and reduce the need for tillage. The

first tillage was a shallow disking. Bunch would like to give up the disk because it is destructive to soil structure, but the disk's ability to break sod and large clods is often necessary. Next, the summer fallow fields were chiseled with sweeps with a tine harrow attached. The fields will be rodweeded as necessary to

control weeds. The Bunches are experimenting in one field to find out the minimum number of tillage operations they can reasonably get by with.

With concern for the future, the Bunch family has made notable efforts to protect their farmland from the loss of precious top soil.