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Weather  
by the City of Heppner

	High	Low	Precip
Tues., July 3	86	50	
Wed., July 4	93	54	
Thurs., July 5	89	43	
Fri., July 6	78	44	
Sat., July 7	81	45	
Sun., July 8	82	49	
Mon., July 9	84	48	
Total precipitation for June was 2.49 inches. Normal is 1.12 inches.			

## State Marine Board will set lake rules at July 17 meeting

The Oregon State Marine Board will hold a regularly scheduled meeting at the Portland Yacht Club Tuesday, July 17 during which they will set temporary public use restrictions at the lake area above the Willow Creek Dam.

According to Jim Hayes, president of the Heppner Economic Development Corporation, the only input that the Marine Board has received thus far was that input from the State Department of Fish and Wildlife before the dam was completed which suggested that the lake area be restricted to electric motors only.

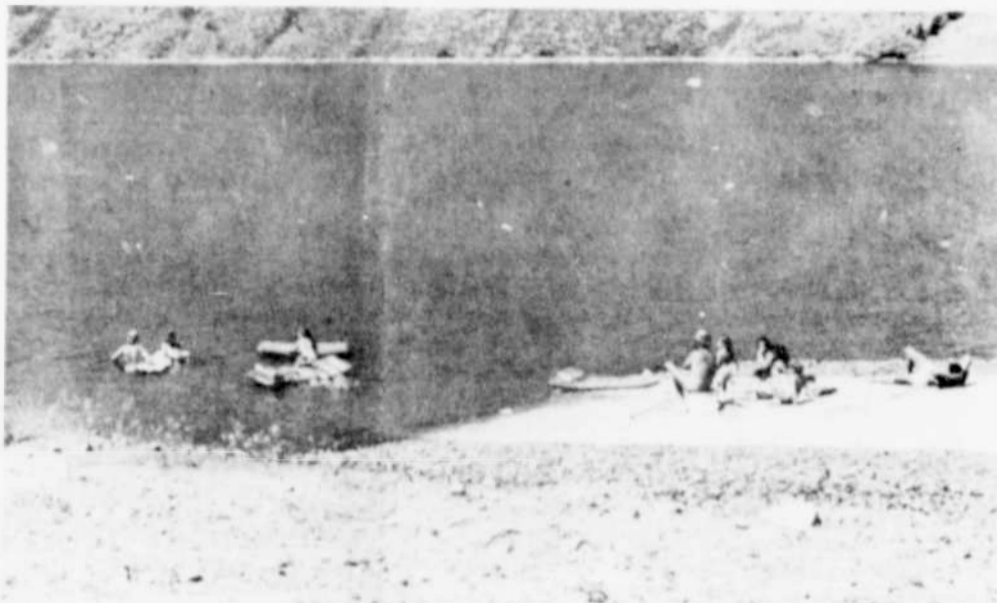
Again, according to Hayes, the Marine Board's position is that it would be easier to lift a temporary restriction against motors other than electric ones at a later time than to impose one. Hayes' position is made clear in the following letter which he has written to the State Marine Board, 3000 Market St. N.E., Salem, Oregon 97310.

Regarding your proposed limitation of motors on Willow Creek Reservoir located at Heppner, we feel it would not be in the best interest of the general population nor on the future development of the lake area to impose a limitation on

usage at this time for a number of reasons.

The objective of the Heppner Economic Development Corporation regarding the Willow Creek Reservoir is development of the full recreational potential of the lake site. This development includes not only fishing, swimming, camping, and picnicking but waterskiing as well. The limitation of motors would limit the fishing potential and eliminate waterskiing.

The lake area is large enough to accommodate all of these proposed recreational activities as long as use is not extremely great. Due to the fact that the lake will draw



### July 17 meeting will decide restricted uses of Willow Creek Lake

from a population base of approximately 2500 or less, we do not feel that extreme usage will be a problem. Also, due to Heppner's relatively isolated location we do not believe that the lake will draw from outside the local area because numerous alternatives are available. However, no one knows for sure how many people will utilize Willow Creek Reservoir. If, under your proposal, the number of users is restricted now with the possibility of lifting the restrictions later, we will still not know how many people will use the lake. We are proposing that no restrictions be placed on size or type of motor or boat for a trial period of four months. This way we will know how much use the lake gets. During the proposed trial period, we plan to work with the Corps of Engineers to develop a master plan for the entire lake area, including any motor restrictions that may be needed.

Some common sense safety questions have already been raised and are being addressed at this time. Two of these are designated swimming areas with speed restrictions and parking on the ramp area.

Another significant factor to consider is the very real economic impact the development of this recreational site can have on the business community. Due to the size of the

community and the adverse economic climate, we feel the recreational development of this site to its fullest potential would give the local business community a needed shot in the arm.

Please consider the aforementioned views in any future decisions concerning motor restrictions on Willow Creek Reservoir.

(S) Jim Hayes  
President Heppner Economic

Couple travels

to promote

county centennial

Chamber to

hear from area

youngsters

School Board to meet July 16

Heppner descendant visits city museum

Lake problems discussed

City buys land for well

Harvest begins in Lexington area

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and Morrow County Grain Growers.

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Noella Rill

Noella Rill, daughter of William and Sandra Rill of Heppner, will be among candidates from throughout the state competing for the title of 1984 Miss Teen of Oregon at the State Finals to be held in Corvallis, July 20-22. The winner of the Pageant activities will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of her choice, merchandise awards and will receive an all-expense paid trip to the Miss Teen of America Pageant where she will join the remaining 49 State Titleholders for the opportunity to be named Miss Teen of America. Miss Teen of America will receive over \$20,000.00 in awards including a \$15,000.00 scholarship to the college or university of her choice.

Prior to arriving in Corvallis, the candidates are judged on their scholastic record, service and achievement to school and community, and personal development. While at the Pageant, all candidates will take a written test designed to measure their general awareness of the world around them. The candidates will also be interviewed and scored in the areas of personality and poise and personality projection by a panel of judges.

The Corvallis Jaycees and Jaycee women will be serving as hosts and hostesses of the event and have been working on the event since last fall. Candidates will also have the option of participating in a special charity event "Bowl for Breath" which will be conducted by the Oregon Cystic Fibrosis foundation.

Rill said she received an application for the contest in the mail and didn't really consider sending it in until her father pointed out that the winner would receive a scholarship. So, she filled out the form, mailed it, and received a letter notifying her of her acceptance as a contestant.

She's "very excited" about the pageant and looking forward to the experience. "I don't expect to win, but if I do, that's great. I won't be too upset if I don't win though, it's just great to be going."

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## Heppner descendant visits city museum

Sunday evening, July 8, Mr. and Mrs. Armand LaPalme from North Hampton, Massachusetts drove into Heppner for their first look at the town named after her granduncle.

Mrs. LaPalme's grandmother Dorthea Heppner was a younger sister of Heppner's founding father, the bachelor, Henry Heppner. The couple arrived after the county museum closed, however, Rachel Harnett scheduled a special visitation to the museum with them before they left town Monday morning.

The LaPalmes were in Oregon to visit their daughter Anne Marie, who is employed by the U.S. Forest Service in the Mt. Hood Forest at Estacada. They said that this daughter probably became interested in a forestry career because her father owns and operates a tree farm at North Hampton. Anne Marie began her college training at the University of Massachusetts and then transferred to Oregon State University where she gained her degree in forestry in 1980.

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