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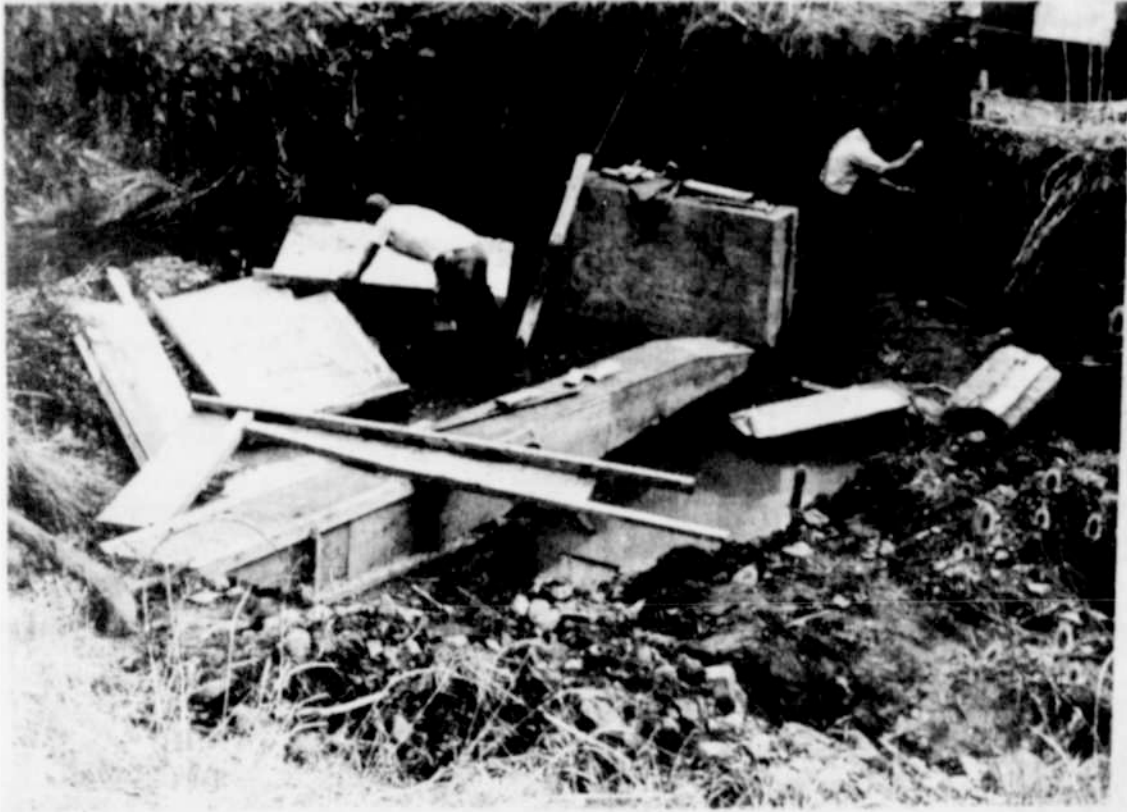


September 10-16			
High	Low	Precip	
Tues	62	45	0
Wed	67	48	0
Thurs	70	41	0
Fri	68	47	34
Sat	65	45	42
Sun	66	42	0
Mon	66	42	11

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Weir work —



Workers with the U.S. Geological Survey proceed with construction of a concrete weir on Willow Creek below Hager Park in Heppner. The weir will be used to measure stream flow in the creek, according to the Geological Survey.

County police to crack down on Lexington traffic violations

On Tuesday, Sept. 10, Lexington City Council met with Morrow County Sheriff Roy Drago to discuss their concerns over vehicles speeding through town, failing to obey stop signs and parking illegally.

Drago attended the meeting on a written request from the mayor of Lexington.

"The Morrow County Sheriff's Office will use all means at its disposal including radar to enforce the traffic laws within the city of

Lexington," responded Sheriff Drago. "We, of course, do not have the manpower to patrol 24 hours a day, but we will maintain a periodic and enhanced patrol of the city limits."

Hep. Ranger Station announces Sat. office hours

Firewood gatherers will be able to purchase wood permits for woodcutting areas on the Umatilla National Forest on Saturdays, 7 a.m. until 10 a.m., through September at the Heppner Ranger Station reports the U.S. Forest Service.

"Our offices will also be open Saturday mornings through October 5 to accommodate the growing

numbers of people who are gathering firewood from the National Forest," announces J. Phil Kline, Umatilla's timber staff officer in Pendleton.

Saturday office hours may be continued through the hunting season, if there is demand for the service, Kline says, explaining that many working people living in

communities within driving distance of Umatilla Forest offices are unable to buy permits during regular office hours.

Permits sell for \$2.50 per cord, and permittees may buy as many as ten and no fewer than four cords. Maps of woodcutting areas and load tickets are furnished with each permit.

Currin Ranch to be on NBC Thursday

When an NBC television crew wanted a story about the typical cowboy they came to the Ron Currin Ranch on Little Butter Creek last weekend.

According to a spokesperson for the Currin family, the camera crew

spent all day last Sunday filming scenes of cowboys roping.

For those who would like to watch how a typical cowboy works, the segment is scheduled to be aired on NBC's PM Magazine Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Hearing screening slated at area schools

The Umatilla Education Service District (ESD) will be providing hearing screening to public elementary school students including all kindergarten students - students in grades 1, 3, 5; new students to the

county and parent-teacher-principal referrals of students in kindergarten through sixth grade. These students will be screened on the following schedule:

Wednesday, Oct. 9 - Heppner and Ione; Wednesday, Oct. 30 - Boardman; Tuesday, Nov. 5 - Irrigon; Tuesday, Oct. 29 - Heppner and Ione; Wednesday, Nov. 13 - Boardman; and Tuesday, Nov. 19 - Irrigon.

The hearing screening is done by the Umatilla ESD for public school students of Umatilla and Morrow County. It is cooperatively sponsored by local school districts. Approximately 4000 children will be seen.

Any questions regarding the hearing screening program, may be directed to school principals or the Speech, Language and Hearing Department at the Umatilla ESD, 276-6616, Extension 168.

Morrow County Ballot Measure Results Sept. 17, 1985	Boardman	Irrigon	Ione	Lexington	Heppner- Hardman	Totals
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	No	No	No	No	No	No
Measure one, Sales Tax FAILED	38	19	29	2	76	164
	432	275	562	216	737	2222

Enrollment figures discussed by Co. School Board

North end expansion proposed

Enrollment figures for the current school year are in, and the Morrow County School system gained eight students over 1984, the school board was told Monday night.

Columbia Junior High, Ione High School, Sam Boardman Elementary, Ione Grade School and Riverside High School, all showed increases in enrollment.

The most significant gain in enrollment was at Columbia Junior High and Riverside High School, which showed an increase of 29 students over last year.

The most significant drop in enrollment was at Heppner Grade school, which lost 38 students over last year.

No reason for the drop was given to the board, however, one principal suggested that setting the cut-off date for kindergarten students back six weeks this year, could have accounted for some losses for both Heppner and A.C. Houghton. A.C. Houghton lost three students from 1984.

Other schools that gained were Ione High School, three students, and Ione Grade School plus one. Sam Boardman Elementary was up 17 students.

Heppner High lost one student over 1984 figures.

In light of the growth at the north end of the county (overcrowding is occurring there, especially at Sam Boardman) the school board formed a committee to look into the future expansion plans for the district.

"At Sam Boardman, Riverside and Columbia we're right up there," Superintendent Doyle McCaslin re-

ported to the board. "We have 340 at Riverside High, and at Sam Boardman everything is at capacity. It may even be too late for a building," he said. "It may take emergency measures at Sam Boardman to make room."

In other business, the board:

-following a closed executive session voted to sign a one year contract with the Morrow County Fair Board for use of the fairgrounds in Heppner for football games, PE and other activities. The board also moved to investigate the cost of developing the football field

behind Heppner High school with bleachers, lights etc. to be used for football games.

-learned that the district does not have to remove asbestos from the schools, it merely has to post notice that there is asbestos in a certain area, and keep files on asbestos up-to-date.

-voted to lease purchase a new AT & T merlin phone system for the district at a cost of \$25,000.

-heard a letter from the Morrow County Fairboard thanking the district for use of a school bus during

fair & rodeo, to transport people to and from the fairgrounds. The bus was used to alleviate parking at the grounds.

-hired Shane Fritz to teach Spanish at Riverside High on a parttime basis.

-hired Dale McCreary to teach science at Riverside parttime. McCreary is also working for the North Morrow Vector Control District.

-approved hiring Joyce Hughes as dance team and cheerleader advisor for the Heppner grade school, and Kevin Egan as assistant volleyball coach at Riverside.

ENROLLMENT DATA													
(as of September 13, 1985 compared to September 13, 1984)													
Grade	ACH		SBE		Heppner		Ione		CJH/RHS		Totals	Increase (Decrease)	
	1984	1985	1984	1985	1984	1985	1984	1985	1984	1985			
K	41	38	69	60	52	33	17	7			179	138	(41)
1	39	43	60	68	35	44	9	18			143	173	30
2	40	38	50	59	35	28	14	10			139	135	(4)
3	47	46	52	49	41	30	10	17			150	142	(8)
4	46	49	39	49	45	39	12	10			142	147	5
5	39	48	40	44	34	43	13	14			126	149	23
6	46	33	44	42	40	35	3	11			133	121	(12)
7					50	37	15	3	94	89	159	129	(30)
8+					44	49	14	18	91	93	149	160	11
9					42	42	9	12	85	92	136	146	10
10					47	43	10	10	72	87	129	140	11
11					46	44	5	8	62	75	113	127	14
12					43	48	7	4	55	52	105	104	(1)
Totals	298	295	354	371	554	515	138	142	459	488	1803	1811	8

Lottery Commission slates public meeting in Pendleton

The Oregon State Lottery Commissioners have announced two public meetings for question and answer sessions on Tuesday, Sept. 24 in Pendleton.

From 7 to 9 a.m. there will be a breakfast meeting at the Tapadera

Hotel. Reservations will be required. Then at 11:30 a.m. the commissioners will meet at the Pendleton courthouse, room 114, 216 SE Fourth. The public is invited to both sessions.

Ripple promoted as grain dept. manager at MCGG



John Ripple

John Ripple, former Fertilizer manager with the Morrow County Grain Growers, has been promoted to Grain Department Manager, the Co-op has announced.

Ripple, 33, has been with M.C.G.G. the past eight years, all at the

fertilizer division in Ione. Ripple, who lives in Lexington, will replace Tom Elliott, who has left the co-op to take a position with an implement dealer in Pendleton. Elliott worked for M.C.G.G. for the past 6 years.

Murrays honored with academic grants

The Professional Society of Pharmacists has announced they have awarded grants of \$100 each to John and Ann Murray of Lexington.

This achievement reflects a high degree of academic success and professional activity with the College of Pharmacy stated a release from the University of Oregon.

DMV releases office hours

The Department of Motor Vehicles in Heppner announces that it will be closed Wednesday, Sept. 18, as well as during the week of Sept. 23 for a special managers' conference. The office will reopen on Monday, Sept. 30.