

Town of Boardman Shows Potential 4000 Acres in Morrow Levelled Since 1946

By MARY LEE MARLOW
The town of Boardman has great potentialities in the years to come, and already has a good start with many thriving businesses. It has five service stations, a garage, two restaurants, two motels, a grocery store, a tavern, one drive-in, and another being built, a laundrette and hardware store. It has three churches and a good grade and high school with a modern gymnasium.

Along the service road north of highway 30 the line of business houses starts at the west end with the Frosty Shake Drive-In, owned by Mr and Mrs. Har-

old Baker. Next comes the Chevron station, owned by Dewey West. The M & M Cafe, owned by Maxine Crowder and Mabel Peck is next in line, followed by Ray Gronquist's service station. Next is Wally Hendrix's Flying A Station. The Nugget Motel, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Don Linnel of Condon, is operated by Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Baker. East of the motel is the Hitchin' Post Cafe, owned and operated by Joe Tatone, the town's mayor. The Texaco Service Station is owned by Arthur Allen. Last in line on the service road is the laundrette with

twenty washers and five dryers, and the hardware store, both owned by Millard J. Keyzer. He is also building a drive-in along side the laundrette. Across highway 30 is the Shell Service Station, owned by Vernon Russell. At the other end of the service road across highway 30 from the Frosty Shake Drive-In is Mrs. Glen Carpenter's Motel.

Starting down Main Street the first place of business is Ed Kuh's Garage, with Hayes Grocery farther down, owned by Walter Hayes. The grocery store has next to it a third class post office which handles mail daily, with Mrs. Claud Coats as postmaster. On the other side of the store is the freight house with Claud Coats in charge, and next to it the fire station with two trucks. Zearl Gillespie is chief of the town's volunteer firemen. Around the corner from the post office is the town's one tavern owned by Verla Mathewson.

Across the street from the store and post office is the city park which has playground facilities and tables for picnicking.

West of town is the North Morrow County fair building and grounds. Each year in September there is a fair held there with many entries. There is always a good crowd attending, especially the last day on which there is a parade through town in the morning and races at the grounds in the afternoon.

One of the best fishing sites in the northwest is located at Boardman with the Columbia River nearby. A boat landing dock is near the town and there is much boating, fishing and water skiing done each summer. Boardman is noted for its steelhead fishing and many large sturgeon have been caught there. There is also excellent bass fishing.

The Boardman grade school and Riverside high school gives children the educational opportunities they need. There is an FFA class and shop facilities, a home economics department, as well as science, commercial and other subjects. The schools take part in all sports in the area, with a large modern gymnasium that was built eight years ago. Busses take the students to and from school. A school cafeteria serves hot lunches at noon.

Among social activities there is the Greenfield Grange which meets once a month with Nathan Thorpe as master. The Home Economics club of the grange also meets once a month with Mrs. Earl Briggs as chairman.

The Boardman Garden club with Mrs. Florence Root as president meets once a month, and the Boardman Tillicum club with Mrs. Ralph Skoubo president meets twice a month. The Ladies Aid Society of Community church also meets twice a month with Mrs. John Summers as president. From September to May the county extension unit meets once a month with a different project each time. Mrs. Everett Daniels is the chairman of the unit.

The big point of interest at present in the town is the relocation of the city when the John Day dam is finished. The City Planning Commission with George Wiese as president has put in much time and effort on this and when the time comes to move the town it can be assured that they will have done their best to build a fine new city.

Theories are worthless until they are harnessed to industry.

By ROY TABOR

Four thousand acres of land in the Heppner Soil Conservation District have been leveled since 1946. Engineering assistance on these land-leveling projects was furnished by the U. S. Soil Conservation Service technicians. The Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation office has furnished one-half the cost of leveling, up to \$30 per acre, on qualified cropland.

Land-leveling operations have been carried out mainly in the valleys of the district where

water for irrigation is available.

The increasing popularity of this district service is shown by the fact that one-half of the land leveling has been done in the last five years. Sixty-two district cooperators have participated in this project.

Land leveling is the grading and shaping of the land surface to a given side slope and down grade slope for the purpose of more efficient irrigation. Proper leveling makes possible an even application of water to the land in a shorter irrigation period. This results in uniform crop growth and maturity as well as providing a smoother land surface for harvesting of the mature crop.

Reports from farmers and ranchers in the district indicate land leveling is economically a fast paying operation. The cost of land leveling ranges from \$45 to \$200 per acre. The average is approximately \$95. The production of alfalfa hay, the main crop grown on irrigated land, is from five tons per acre to the 12 tons per acre grown by Hynd Brothers at Cecil. While the cost of leveling seems high, increased crop production pays off this cost in a period of two to five years.

Nearly all the farmers who have completed a land leveling project are continuing with a land leveling program. Darrel Padberg, Lewis Halvorsen, Phil Emert, and Delbert Emert have leveled land in borders for a more efficient system of irrigation. Herbert Ekstrom and Paul Webb leveled with the bench terrace method to irrigate land with steep side slopes. William Padberg leveled 70 acres of dryland pasture. By using the close-spaced ditch method of controlled flooding, he has changed this pasture to a high producing unit using spring water for irrigation. All irrigated lands on the John Hanna, Dallas Craber, Jasper Myers, and Gary Tullis ranches have been leveled. Several other farmers have nearly completed their land leveling.

Drive through any of the valleys in the summer when the range is dry and the grass brown. You will be impressed by the

beauty of green hay and grass. This picture of beauty and prosperity is the result of land leveling. The operation which doesn't cost; it pays. The way money goes these days it would be easy to convince people that it is printed on fly paper.

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Boys in County Invited to Play In Little League

Five years ago in the summer of 1957, several enterprising and interested parents and friends in Heppner organized baseball play for young boys between the ages of 8 and 12, thus beginning the Little League organization.

For the first summer, no uniforms were used, other than names painted on white t-shirts. The youngsters from Heppner and Lexington, were divided into four teams and played one another throughout the summer.

The following spring, four sponsors were obtained, which made it possible to purchase complete uniforms, a league was organized and an application was made to the national Little League organization. The boys eligible for Little League play, between the ages of 9 through 12, before August 1 of the playing summer, were given tryouts and their names drawn by the three coaches in Heppner with the Lexington boys having one team and coach.

The next spring in 1959, the four teams, Braves, sponsored by the B.P.O.E. 358; Dodgers, I.O.O.F.; Giants, Heppner Pine Mills; and the Indians, Morrow County Grain Growers, were full fledged members of the Willow Creek Little League complete with a charter, officers, and a board of directors.

Since then, the teams play an 18 game schedule which is divided into 9-game halves. At the end of the season, the outstanding 11 and 12 year old boys are selected on the All-star team which enters area playoffs in Pendleton the latter part of July.

In the summer of 1961, first half of play was won by the Braves. The season began in May with tryouts for the eligible players and then a selection from these boys were made by the three Heppner coaches to fill their squads to the 15 man quota. The Indian team is now comprised of Lexington and Ione boys and they too have tryouts and a chance for the team as every year the teams lose the 12-year-olds as too old for the next summer's play.

For the boys between 8 and 12 who do not make a Little League team, there are farm and Pee-wee teams organized for practice and inter-squad games during the summer.

Anyone interested in the Little League program, whether as a helper or prospective player, may contact President LaVerne Van Marter in Heppner for more information on this local organization which helps to teach the boys sportsmanship and sports.

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