

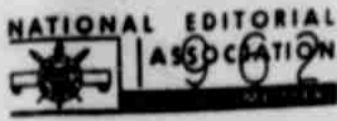
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DDD to Bring New Era in Communications

Distant places will be as near as your neighbor next door in the world of communication when direct distance dialing comes to this area in May.

The new system, brought about by almost fantastic advances in the field, will bring new adventure to long distance telephoning and at the same time will speed calls placed anywhere across the continent.

As Dale Slusher, Pendleton district manager of Northwest Bell, explained to the Chamber of Commerce Monday, the caller will dial eleven digits to reach points outside his own area (which in our case is the state of Oregon). Inside the state, he will dial less, eliminating the three for the area code.

An ingenious part of the system, too, is the billing control. Accounting will be of two types, LAMA (localized automatic machine accounting) and CAMA (centralized automatic machine accounting) which will handle the business part of each call and see that the charges are properly made. An incredible punch tape system is used in the process.

All letter prefixes will be eliminated to add needed capacity to the system throughout the country, since new telephones are being added at the rate of 8000 per day. This, too, will eliminate confusion that is experienced in pronunciation of the letters in the prefixes, such as "d's" with "t's" and "b's" with "r's."

There has been a tremendous amount of work in developing this system, and although the telephone company seems to have thought of almost everything to make it as simple as possible for the public to understand, and as easy as possible to put into operation, the changeover will be a big task.

In ensuing months, an intensive program will be undertaken using various methods to educate the public to the new seven-digit local numbers and to implement the direct distance dialing system.

One presentation designed for community groups, explains the plan entertainingly and tells the part that the telephone user has to play. Any groups interested in having this at their meetings may contact the Pendleton office, for further information.

Century 21 Gaining Keen Interest

All indications point to the fact that the Century 21 Exposition in Seattle, April 21 through October 21, is capturing the imaginative interest of the public.

Apparently ticket sales have been booming, and even in our own area quite a number have made plans to attend. Jack Bedford, manager of the First National Bank here, has announced that the bank has books of tickets for sale at discounts of 35 to 40 per cent until March 15.

This World's Fair should be a great tourist attraction for the entire northwest. To boost it, advertisements in national magazines suggest that visitors tour the entire "WONDER-full state of Washington."

Oregonians hope that visitors from far-flung places will find time to see this state's scenic attractions, too. And for those who want to find the real flavor of the west, we would suggest that they go off the beaten track and come to Morrow county to see the wheat and cattle country. We will have some attractions of our own, too, in the rodeo and fair that could well stand additional promotion this year.

We have one suggestion for the "WONDER-full state of Washington" that visitors would appreciate: Its highway department should do a better job of marking roads and highways. We took our first trip to the Kennewick-Kenwick-Richland-Pasco area on a recent Sunday. In downtown Kennewick, we came to a main intersection that wasn't marked, took a wrong turn and traveled some 25 miles without seeing a single directional sign until we realized (upon consultation of a map) that we were in Horse Heaven country. When we started out, it wasn't our intention to go all the way to Heaven, even though we were traveling in our wonderful neighboring state to the north!

Even the signs that announce names of towns are so small that a motorist really has to squint to read them. Maybe that is a subtle method of getting drivers to slow down, but we think Washingtonians could well learn a lesson from the Oregon State Highway department on announcing its cities and towns, as well as on marking highways.

How to Gain Equal Status With U.S.S.R.

Those persons who are inclined to speak disparagingly of the United States' progress in comparison to the U.S.S.R. might well consider some information passed out by Gene Pierce, manager of the Bank of Eastern Oregon, from the American Economic Foundation recently.

In a little folder called "The Economic Facts of Life," were some facts compiled by the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce. It said:

"In order to achieve equality with the U.S.S.R. here is what we must do:

1. Abandon three-fifths of our steel capacity.
2. Abandon two-thirds of our petroleum capacity.
3. Scrap two out of every three of our hydroelectric plants.
4. Forget over 90% of our natural gas.
5. Eliminate 95% of our electric motor output.
6. Rip up fourteen of every fifteen miles of our paved highways.

7. Destroy two of every three miles of our railroads.
8. Sink eight of every nine of our ocean going ships.
9. Junk nineteen of every twenty of our cars and trucks.
10. Slash all paychecks by three-fourths.
11. Transfer 60,000,000 Americans back to the farms.
12. Destroy 40,000,000 television sets.
13. Rip out nine of every ten telephones.
14. Tear down seven of every ten houses that now stand.

"Revealing as they are, these figures cannot portray the comparatively miserable conditions of the Russian people.

"While an American worker is earning \$16 for an 8-hour day, a Russian worker earns about \$2.25.

"In America there is about 370 square feet of housing for every man, woman and child—in Russia the figure is about 79 square feet.

"In hours of labor a Russian pays about 13 times as much for a suit of clothes, 30 times as much for a pair of shoes, 3 times as much for bread, and 6 times as much for milk.

"In central heating, plumbing, and labor saving home appliances, the disparity is too great to attempt a measurement.

"It would seem that in spite of Russia's 'economic miracle' we are still comfortably ahead."

What Rights—Communist or Democratic?

"Hall to Fight for Rights" was the headline in a daily paper Tuesday relating to Gus Hall's battle to schedule speaking engagements in the northwest. The question comes to mind whether he is seeking the "rights" that he is enjoying in a democratic society or whether he is thinking of the "rights" (or lack of them) that would be granted under communism, the system he espouses.

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Boardman Council Discusses City Problems, Plans

By MARY LEE MARLOW
BOARDMAN—The Boardman city council asked the City Planning Commission to investigate the possibilities of forming a Mosquito Control district here at the meeting of the council last week. The mosquito problem is becoming worse each year and the past practice of just spraying the town has been unsatisfactory.

The planning commission recommended that the council reject two franchises that had been submitted to them, one for garbage collection, and the other for supplying gas to the city. The council voted to table the matter until next month.

A decision was made to ask the city attorney to attend the hearing of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative Association in Hermiston February 15 for application for exclusive territorial rights, and ask that the city of Boardman be excluded from this territory.

Bob Sicard, school board member, announces that there will be a hearing on the Morrow county school budget March 26 at 8 p. m. in Heppner. The budget committee adopted the budget at a meeting there last week. There will be no increases in taxes this year, although there was an increase in the budget, the basic school support will cover the increase. Any group requesting a special hearing can do so, and the board will come here for it.

Grange Gives Degrees

Thirteen new members of Greenfield Grange in Boardman, and Willows Grange in Ione received initiation in the third and fourth degrees here Sunday afternoon at the grange hall. Those from Ione were Ralph and Roger Kincaid, Bill Akers, Shirley Hicks and Sherry Corley. From Greenfield were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boothman, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Crews, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Donovan and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hay.

Clyde Tannehill, retiring county deputy, was presented a gift by Willows Grange.

Other visitors present from Ione were Mr. and Mrs. Wate Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lundell, Mr. and Mrs. Ber Akers, Mrs. Vida Heiker, Mrs. Evelyn Hicks and Mrs. Tudie Swanson.

The Ladies Aid Society of Community church met Wednesday afternoon of last week at the church, with Mrs. Rollin Bishop and Mrs. Seth Russell as hostesses. Mrs. Clifford Wood of Roseburg was a visitor.

Della Faulkner led the missionary program, her topic being "Others."

The society recently sent 130 pounds of clothing to the Open Door Children's Home in Hazard, Ky. Bandages were rolled to send to missionary Margery Benedict in Africa.

The next meeting will be an all-day workshop at the church February 21.

Thorpe New County Deputy

Nathan Thorpe, master of Greenfield Grange, has received appointment as county deputy for Morrow county to replace Clyde Tannehill, who recently resigned after serving as deputy for ten years. Announcement was made at the meeting of Greenfield Grange Thursday night of last week at the hall.

Ed Boothman was installed as assistant steward, and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Crews received the obligation in the first and fourth degrees.

The evening began with potluck supper at 6:30, with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Briggs and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Worden as hosts.

Following the meeting the rest of the evening was spent playing pinocle.

The grange will have another card party February 16 at the hall.

Postmaster Flossie Coats, secretary of the Oregon Branch, National League of Postmasters, attended an executive board meeting last Thursday at Twenty Miracle Miles on the coast. Friday she attended a regional office meeting in Portland. Cells



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Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

"YESTERDAY I picked me a buttercup," said Bill Weatherford as he came booming through the Gazette-Times door Tuesday. "This morning I heard a kildeer. And today I saw a ground squirrel. All 10 days earlier than usual."

Well, this portends that something good is on the way. We'll accept these signs as considerably more reliable than some of the TV weather prognosticators.

IF YOU are one who has searched the columns of the G-T in vain for announcement of the monthly visit of the drivers examiner, we regret to say that it

Norton, Mitchell postmaster, and Bea Scoggins, Arlington postmaster accompanied her.

Mrs. Charles Anderegg was called to Corvallis Monday by the illness of her daughter Barbara, student at OSU, who had an emergency appendectomy Monday morning at the Good Samaritan hospital in Corvallis. Mrs. W. G. Sechafer accompanied her and will visit at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George 'Olderman.

Pvt. Earl Easton, who just finished basic training at Fort Ord, Calif., visited the first of the week at the home of Mrs. Ervin Flock. He and Mrs. Easton who has visited here for a month, left for Oakesdale, Wn. to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Deulen, and from there will go to Maryland where he will be stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Zivney and children of Portland were recent overnight visitors at the home of Zivney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zivney.

Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hoffman were Hoffman's mother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hoffman of Condon, his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Webb of Stanfield, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Steinke of Arlington, Mrs. Clifford Wood of Roseburg, and Mrs. Louise Earwood of Boardman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Skoubo and children David and Janell spent the week-end in Eugene visiting at the home of Mrs. Skoubo's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Luhrs.

Pat Miller, daughter of Mrs. Russell Miller, has been a patient in Good Shepherd hospital in Hermiston since last Tuesday, suffering with a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Fortner spent last week in Portland visiting at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fortner. On their way home they also visited at the home of Harriet Wells at Wasco, and Mrs. T. M. Rolfe at Grass Valley.

Mrs. Clifford Wood of Roseburg visited her sister, Mrs. Louise Earwood, for the past ten days.

The annual Sweetheart Dinner of the Boardman Tillicum club will be held at the Hitchin' Post Cafe, February 13 at 6:30 p. m. **Board Meeting February 19**

The board meeting of the 4th district of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs which was to be February 12, has been postponed until February 19. It will start at 9:30 a. m. at the Hitchin' Post Cafe.

W. W. Hartle has returned to the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marlow, after visiting the past seven weeks at the homes of his daughters, Mrs. Clarence Thomas in Riggin, Idaho, and Mrs. Lyle Smith in Welter, Idaho. His son, Harold Hartle, Pendleton, brought him home Sunday.

Roberta Phillips of The Dailies spent the week-end at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miller.

STAR THEATER
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hasn't been printed. Reason: The card from the Department of Motor Vehicles, telling of the February 6 visit, arrived here February 11 and was postmarked February 9.

MRS. ORVILLE Cutsforth is of the opinion that there is at least one fellow who needs a little more education on direct distance dialing.

The phone rang at their place near Lexington one night after the family retired. Mrs. Cutsforth got up to answer the phone and a voice asked, "Is Frank there?"

She told him that there was no Frank at their home.

Then the voice asked if this wasn't a certain number in New York. Mrs. Cutsforth said, "No, this is 3-8473 in Lexington, Oregon."

Whereupon the man apologized and hung up.

She had hardly gotten back to bed when the phone rang again.

"Is Frank there?" the same voice asked.

And the same routine was gone through once more with Mrs. Cutsforth patiently explaining that their wheat ranch was quite a distance from New York.

Of course, direct distance dialing isn't in effect here for the public but Dale Slusher, Pendleton telephone manager, says that operators have been using it for some time. And there may be some persons in other parts of the country who have it.

It is possible that he might have dialed the 503 code for Oregon by mistake and the following digits correspond with the four for the New York state codes resemble that for Oregon.

It's a mystery. Maybe Frank will show up on the wheat ranch some day. . . .

Heart Fund Drive On Through February

The 1962 Heart Fund drive in Morrow county is getting well underway this week, according to Mrs. C. C. Jones, Lexington, county co-chairman. Most business houses have heart fund boxes out for public contribution. Letters have been mailed to residents and various coffee hours have been sponsored in benefit of the drive, especially in the Lexington and Ione communities.

Heading the organization with Mrs. Jones is Mrs. Cecil Thorne, Ione, Mrs. Bob DeSpain, Ione, Mrs. Anna Schaeffer, Cecil, and Mrs. Frank Hamlin and Mrs. Earl Soward, Heppner. The drive will continue through the month of February.

Those wishing to donate to the fund as a memorial to a deceased person, in lieu of floral offerings, are asked to send them directly, or through the family involved, to Mrs. Ruby Roberts, postmistress, Ione, who is memorial chairman.

Church Holds Meeting

The annual congregational meeting of the Boardman Community church was held Sunday morning at the church following services.

The annual budget was presented and accepted, and annual reports were given.

Leo Potts was elected as elder for a term of three years, and Harold Rash was elected trustee for three years. Mrs. Russell Miller was elected Sunday school superintendent, and Mrs. Arnie Hug assistant superintendent.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD
Coming Events
BENEFIT PANCAKE SUPPER AND CARD PARTY
Rhea Creek Grange hall, Saturday night, 6 p. m.

COOKED FOOD SALE
Red and White Grocery By Carnation Club Saturday, from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

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MRS. ARCHIE Padberg, back a few days ago from a trip to California, picked up a little poem that she thinks fits Heppner to a T:

Little Town
I like to live in a little town where the trees meet across the street, where you wave your hand and say, "Hello!"

to everyone you meet. I like to stand for a moment outside the grocery store and listen to the friendly gossip of

the folks that live next door. For life is interwoven with the friends we learn to know

and we hear their joys and sorrows as we daily come and go. So I like to live in a little town. I care no more to roam.

For every house in a little town is more than a house, it's home.

DON'T BE surprised if there is a sudden Indian uprising in the hills of upper Willow Creek country. There must be a few redskins still hiding out up there who are on the warpath.

One of the Kinzua log trucks

came into the Heppner shop Wednesday with a flat tire, according to D. H. Jones.

When Joe Yocom of Lexington started to work on the tire, he dug out the instrument that caused it to go flat. It was a well-shaped flint arrowhead with a tip and corner broken off.

Padbergs Return From Southern Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Padberg returned Feb. 5 from a month's vacation trip through California. The couple left January 4 and were as far south as Los Angeles, Calif. One week was spent at the home of Mr. Padberg's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore. Other relatives visited were Mrs. Edith Castle, a sister-in-law in Yuba City, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Garth Wake, a niece and husband of Mrs. Padberg, in Vacaville, Calif.

They spent some time sight-seeing around Hollywood and were able to sit in on some TV shows. They experienced all kinds of weather, including the cold and snow, and plenty of rain.

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