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PRINCESS IRENE POTTS

Next Dance Due To Honor Irene

Princess Irene Potts, sponsored on the Morrow county Fair and Rodeo court by the Tillicum club of Boardman, will be honored at the next scheduled pre-fair and rodeo dance Saturday night, July 28, in the fair pavilion, starting at 10 p.m.

Music will be by Leonnig's orchestra and admission will be \$1.50 per person. This is the third of the dances preceding the fair and rodeo. First was the kick-off dance, followed by the lone dance honoring Princess Dianna Pettijohn Saturday night. This dance brought a near-record crowd to the Legion hall there.

Princess Irene will be a junior at Riverside high school for the coming school year. She has lived on a farm near Boardman all of her life and is an expert rider. Her mount through the festivities of the fair and rodeo will be her horse Judy.

Although she has many interests, Princess Irene has a special fondness for swimming and has plenty of opportunity for this sport because she lives near the Columbia river. Fishing is another favorite pastime. At Riverside High she has been active in the Girls' Athletic association and in the Pep club. She was on the first team in volleyball as a sophomore last year.

Princess Irene has completed her ninth year in 4-H club work. She is a member of the Stylish Stitches and of the Boardman

4-H livestock club, in which she has been a junior leader. Two trophies and several blue and purple ribbons have been won for her work in cattle club.

In the way of crafts she likes leather carving and stamping. She enjoys cooking and sewing and helps in these departments in the home.

Support Price On 1962 Barley Placed at \$1.03

Prices for the 1962 crop of barley will be supported at \$1.03 per bushel in Morrow county, David McLeod, Office Manager, Agriculture Stabilization Conservation Committee, has announced. This compares with the support of \$1.04 per bushel for the 1961 barley crop.

The basic rate is for barley grading No. 2 or better, except mixed barley. It is adjusted by discounts for grade and quality to determine support prices for individual producers. The discount schedule for 1962 is the same as for the 1961 crop program.

For major producing areas, as in the past county support rates reflect terminal rates less the freight and handling charges needed to get the barley to terminal market. Production shifts prompted a one cent per bushel decrease in all terminal rates.

Terminal rates are available in ASCS county offices for farmers who wish to store their grain in terminal elevators.

The office manager reminded growers that price support on 1962 crop barley will be available to barley producers who participated in the 1962 feed grain program by diverting barley acreage to conserving uses.

For barley price support on the normal production, farmers also must not exceed their 1959-60 average corn and grain sorghum acreage. To be eligible for corn or grain sorghum support, they must participate in the 1962 feed grain for these two crops.

As in previous years, price support will be carried out through farm and warehouse stored loans and purchase agreements. Support will be available through January 31, 1963.

Teacher Unable To Accept Post

Steve Hachishak of Michigan who had been offered a contract by Morrow County School district R-1 to teach seventh grade at Lone has written to say that he will be unable to accept the position. Robert Van Houte, county school administrator, said Tuesday.

This vacancy is one of two yet to be filled to complete the teaching staffs of the county schools. The other is for a girls' physical education teacher at Heppner.

Grand Jury Called

Morrow county grand jury will convene on Thursday, August 1, to consider the charge against Wilbur Wade Warren of Heppner, who was arrested in early July on a charge of auto theft. Warren is accused of taking a car from the used car lot at Heppner Ford. He was apprehended by state police in Klamath Falls and was returned here by Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman.

College Budget Gets 2-to-1 Margin

Budget for the first year of the Blue Mountain Community College district was approved by voters in the district, Morrow and Umatilla counties, Friday by a count of 1,313 to 551, more than a 2-to-1 margin in favor. In Morrow county, where the vote was extremely tight, the count was 116 yes and 40 no. Irrigon vote solidly in favor, 23 to 0. Other precincts in the coun-

ty were as follows: Heppner, 26-16; Lone, 30-13; Lexington, 20-9; and Boardman, 17-2.

The budget calls for total expenditures of \$246,273 of which \$103,704 will be raised by taxation. Balance will come from student fees and funds received by the state.

The college, which will take over the Pendleton Technical School, will get underway this fall, and a minimum attendance of 200 is expected. Approval of the formation of the college district was given by voters on June 8 and seven directors were elected at that time.

Levy on property tax for the budget is estimated on present valuation of the district to call for approximately 1.18 mills.

Meeting Called To Discuss Farm Reappraisal Date

Oregon State Tax Commission has notified Morrow county that all farm lands and improvements must be revalued in time to be included on the tax roll for 1963-64. Assessor Oliver Creswick said Wednesday. However, he points out that it will be "virtually impossible" for the county to comply with the order because of lack of help to accomplish the work by then and no allowance in the county budget to provide for the work.

In view of these circumstances, a meeting has been called for Wednesday, August 1, at 2 p.m. in the courthouse with the county court, board of equalization, assessor and representatives of the tax commission attending. They will consider the matter and attempt to work out a course of action, Creswick said.

Work of reappraisal of property in towns of the county is now underway with Bill Johnson now working on the last town, Heppner. Revalued property in Lone, Lexington, Irrigon and Boardman is already on the roll, and the reappraisal in Heppner will be completed so that it will be on next year's roll, the assessor said.

Nothing was provided in the budget for extra help in the assessor's office, and the budget committee was unaware that the order from the tax commission would be forthcoming.

School Employees Urged To Obtain Health Checkups

All employees of Morrow county schools are reminded that Oregon School Law requires a school health certificate to be registered with the County School Office prior to the opening of school on September 4.

The requirements for a health certificate include either a current negative chest x-ray report or a current negative tuberculin skin test report. Mrs. Velma Glass, public health nurse, wishes to remind employees and physicians that a tuberculin patch test is not acceptable according to the law.

The Morrow County TB and Health Association sponsors a "free day" on the first day of each month (between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.) at Pioneer Memorial hospital. On this date chest x-rays may be obtained at no cost to the employee. However, if the employee finds it necessary to make an appointment with the technician on some other date, the cost of the chest x-ray will be \$1.50 and the employee will have to assume that nominal charge.

If chest x-rays are taken in the offices of private physicians, the films must be sent to a qualified radiologist appointed by the State Board of Health for interpretation.

All school health certificates must be countersigned by the county health officer before they can be registered with the county school office.

The school health certificate cards for both chest x-ray and tuberculin skin test reports are available in the offices of private physicians and at the Morrow county health department office in Heppner.

First Lady To Head 1962 Seal Campaign

Mrs. John F. Kennedy will serve as National Honorary chairman of the 1962 Christmas seal campaign. It was announced by Mrs. W. W. Weatherford, president of Morrow county TB and Health Assoc. Word of Mrs. Kennedy's acceptance came from Dr. James T. Speros, president of the Oregon association.

Mrs. Kennedy's acceptance is felt to be of special distinction for the national association, in view of the multitude of similar requests she has received.

The Morrow county seal sale chairman for this year is Mrs. H. J. Stroeber of Heppner.

District Vote Solid Against Mosquitoes

Apparently there isn't a single voter in the Boardman area who is on the side of mosquitoes. The insects with the long proboscises might as well pack their gear and move out.

Formation of a vector (insect) control district was approved without a dissenting vote Wednesday in a special election there. Count was 37 in favor and none against.

Through the district it is hoped to work out an effective program against the mosquitoes in sloughs of the Columbia along the north front of the county. The district will extend several miles south from the river.

Since it is too late to provide for funds for operation of the district this year, it will not be included on the tax roll until 1963-64 and the program cannot be undertaken until then, Sadie Parrish, county clerk, said.

Five directors will be appointed by the county court and a budget will be submitted by the district for inclusion in the county budget.

Mosquitoes have been a problem in the Boardman area for many years, residents state.

High School Bid Opening Delayed

Opening of bids on construction of the new Lexington-Heppner high school building has been delayed until Tuesday, August 7, two weeks from the advertised date, Robert Van Houte, Morrow county school administrator, has announced. It was originally planned to open bids on Tuesday night, July 24, at 8 p.m.

The postponement was necessary because electrical specifications were delayed and could not be placed in the hands of those interested in submitting bids, the administrator said.

It is now apparent that construction on the \$600,000 plant to be built around the present Unit-A at Heppner will not get underway until late summer. There is little hope that the building will be completed in time for use during the coming school year unless it is for incidental use, such as for graduation and commencement at the end of the year, Van Houte said.

Grange to Hear Planning Leaders

Lecturers' program at Pomona Grange meeting at Greenfield Grange hall in Boardman promises to be at its best Saturday, July 28, at 2 p.m. Grange leaders, David Rowe, Pendleton, of the Bureau of Municipal Research will discuss planning and zoning regulations as set up for Morrow county and will answer questions. His talk is expected to be of special interest to North Morrow county residents since the new zoning regulations will effect changes there because of the John Day dam.

Mrs. Elaine Esselstyn, executive secretary of the Mid-Columbia Planning Council, will also be on the program and will bring those attending up to date on the workings of the organization.

Regular business of the Pomona Grange will be at 10:30 a.m. followed by a potluck dinner at noon. During the business session, there will be reports of various committees, including the legislative and agriculture committees, which are of vital importance to Grangers.

Mrs. W. G. Seehafer, lecturer, announces that the program is open to the public, and everyone is urged to attend.

Fire Covers 10-Mile Front, Razes Buildings

A fire that took off beside Highway 30 near Arlington swept east and southeast Friday, driven by a 17 mile wind, and traveled almost to Willow Creek before it was controlled.

Flames roared down the hillside into the Willow Creek canyon and engulfed buildings of the old Williams place, owned by the Wilkinson and Rugg interests. All of the farm buildings were destroyed, including a two-story house, unoccupied at the time.

Mrs. Dick Wilkinson said that the house was kept partly furnished and was used part time by men working for them there. All furnishings and appliances were lost. Corals were burned and other farm buildings were engulfed by the flames.

A large number of hives of bees, placed on a hand to prevent damage to a string of box cars on the tracks in the Willow Creek canyon.

Word of the fire came to the Wilkinsons just as they were going to the church for the wedding of their daughter, Judy Cochell, Friday night. They continued on to the ceremony.

Permit Closure Now in Effect In Forest Areas

The State Department of Forestry has closed several high fire hazard areas in the state to entry by permit only.

Large, bright yellow signs are posted around the areas involved and mean that all persons, landowners and otherwise, are required to get permits for entry. In the Rancharie and Heppner areas, these permits can be obtained from the following stations: Fossil State Forestry headquarters, Kinzua Guard station, and Chapin Creek Guard station.

In other areas they may be obtained from stations designated on the posters.

Permits will be written for business only, to landowners, loggers or other persons having a legitimate business in the area. This excludes all recreation: hunting, fishing, rock-climbing, picnicking and wood-cutting in the closed area until the closure is terminated by the governor.

The closed areas are the solid red areas shown on the poster maps. County roads maintained by the counties, and highways through the areas are not closed, also the areas are not closed to firefighters or in case of emergencies.

Closed areas do not include any land inside Federal Forest boundaries.

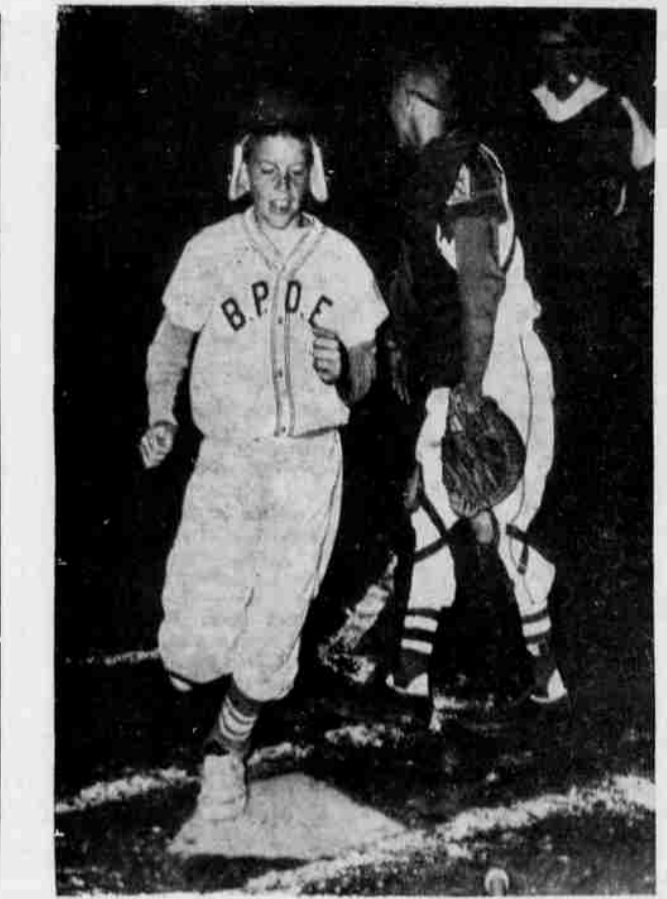
No Fires Reported In Forest Areas

Now well into the "extremely hazardous" period of the dry season, forest areas of the Heppner district have remained fire-free to this time, it was reported Thursday by the office of Sam Miller, district ranger.

A report circulating in Heppner early this week that a fire had broken out in Sunflower Flats in the southern part of the county was only a rumor, the district office reported.

Lightning came across the district Tuesday night, but there were no fire-causing strikes in the district.

The office urged continued care and caution in the prevention of fires.



KEVAN PRATT, Willow Creek All-Star third baseman, crosses the plate after slugging out a home run in the Little League All-Star game in The Dalles Friday. The team battled The Dalles Americans, going into three extra innings before losing, 4-3. (Picture and cut courtesy The Dalles Chronicle).

Willow All-Stars Win Third Place in Playoffs

Willow Creek Little League All-Stars returned home Saturday night with third place spot in the area playoffs at The Dalles over the week-end. Despite the first game loss on Friday, they were given many compliments on their sportsmanship and attitude during the game.

They lost, 4-3, to The Dalles Americans in three extra innings. The heartbreaker was a well-played game with Jeff Turner going nine innings for the Willow Creek All-Stars and Jim Bailey handling the duties for The Dalles Americans.

The local boys bounced back Saturday night to down The Dalles Western, 7-6, in a seesaw battle with the homeruns playing an important part.

The Friday night game saw the Willow Creek club take the lead with a homerun by Kevan Pratt in the top of the third. The Dalles Americans came back in the bottom of the third to lead, 2-1, on a homer by Pitcher Jim Bailey with one man on.

Both clubs picked up a run in the fourth. For Willow Creek, Steve Pettijohn singled to score Jeff Turner who got on via a walk. A single by Sawyer scored Faragher of the Americans. In the top of the sixth Turner put the local club back in the ball game with a homerun to tie it up, 3-3 and sent it into extra innings. Neither team could score from that time until the bottom of the ninth when Swick singled and scored Slusher who had walked. Jeff allowed four runs on eight hits, fanned 15, and walked eight.

The Dalles Westerns opened the scoring Saturday with two runs in the first while holding the Willow Creek crew to one score in the third, a homerun by Roger Leonnig. Ricketts cracked out a 2-run homer in the top of the fifth, making it 4-1. The Willow Creek team rallied in the bottom of the fifth to score four runs on five hits, including a homer by Chris Lovgren, to lead 5-4.

The Westerns took the lead again in the top of the sixth with a 2-run homer by Evans. Kevan Pratt, coming to bat in the bottom of the sixth, lashed out a homerun, Leonnig grounded to short, and Lovgren slammed his second homer of the game to clinch the contest. Russell Kilkenny and Leonnig pitched for the local team with six runs on nine hits, six strikeouts, and four walks.

First National Gains Reported

Deposits and loans for First National Bank of Oregon hit new mid-year peaks on June 30, it was announced by President Ralph J. Voss.

Deposits of \$921,320,103 compared with the previous June 30 high of \$874,974,993 a year ago. It also is an increase of \$27,559,216 over the first quarter figure.

Outstanding loans made through the 88 offices of the statewide banking system total \$530,278,014 for an all-time high. This compared with the loan total of \$484,796,714 a year ago.

Total resources stand at \$1,020,698,286.

The Heppner branch of First National reported deposits of \$5,167,841 and loans outstanding of \$3,130,857, according to J. H. Bedford, Manager.

Comparable totals for the branch a year ago were \$4,463,048 in deposits and \$2,756,168 in loans.

This month First National will open its 89th banking office in Madras using a specially built trailer. A permanent building will be completed by the end of the year.

Long Dry Spell Here Goes Back to May 19

Those who are saying, "It has been a long dry spell," are right. It has been more than two months since the area has had any rain of consequence, although .04 inch was reported by Leonard L. Gilliam, weather observer, in Heppner Monday evening.

Last measurable rainfall here was June 13 at .03, and prior to that, the .05 of June 2, hardly enough to "wet a whistle" in either case. Back on May 19, though, .73 inch came, preceded by some other good rains that brought a total of 1.73 for that week.

May rains made the crops look real good at that time, but now that wheat harvest is reaching the full swing stage, farmers are still ruefully wondering when a good mid-June rain will come to give the last-minute boost needed for a bumper crop.

	Hi	Lo	Prec
Thursday	86	49	—
Friday	91	51	—
Saturday	94	55	—
Sunday	96	57	—
Monday	98	62	.04
Tuesday	99	65	—
Wednesday	93	57	—

Next Free TB Chest X-Rays On Wednesday

Free chest X-rays, sponsored monthly by Morrow County TB and Health Association, will be given the next regularly scheduled day, Wednesday, August 1, at the Pioneer Memorial hospital between 7 and 8:30 p.m.

Anyone desiring transportation is asked to call Mrs. W. W. Weatherford, the association president, at 676-9731.

Merchants Win Over 8-Run Lead

Heppner Merchants baseball team had to come from an 8-0 first inning deficit to down the Condon Air Base, 11-9, at Condon Sunday. The Air Force boys got things going in the first with an 8-run spree and held the lead until the bottom of the eighth when the Heppner boys got a rally going.

A double by Dallas Rea and a 2-run homer by Wayne Ball pushed across five runs. They had picked up four runs in the third, one in the fourth, and one in the fifth while holding the Condon team to one more run in the seventh. Dennis Barnall was on the mound for the Merchants with Ernie Snow behind the plate.

The club has two games left. They go to Condon against the Condon Elks Sunday, July 29, and the following Sunday, August 5, they play here against Kinzua which winds up the season. The Condon game will start at 1:00 p.m. and will be the first of a doubleheader.

Judge Hager At Work Following Illness

Judge J. O. Hager, 84, is back at his desk as justice of the peace at the county courthouse office following an illness on June 28 which kept him confined to his home.

Judge Hager, who returned to work July 23, is working a few hours more each day in the office as he regains his strength.

Harshmans Have Son

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Harshman, Ketchikan, Alaska, are the parents of an 8 lb., 7 oz. son, born July 13. The young son is named Randy Joe and joins two other brothers, Noel, 6, and Everett, 4. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Everett Harshman of Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Walker, Savannah, Mo. Gay is employed by a communications company in Ketchikan.