

Petition Seeks to Form Park District for Irrigon

IRRIGON — A petition containing 147 names of Irrigon residents who own property within the city limits was submitted to the Morrow county court by Mayor Chester Wilson last week, asking for the formation of a park and recreation district. It was suggested that the park be called "Irrigon Community Park" and its initial development would contain approximately two to three acres lying within the city of Irrigon, adjacent to the present boat launching ramp, and along the Columbia River.

County Judge Oscar Peterson has advised Mayor Wilson that the county court plans to act on the matter Wednesday, August 5.

Boundaries for the tax district were defined as being the same as the original School District No. 10 and the Irrigon Cemetery Maintenance District. Residents within the nine miles square area would pay a small millage for the maintenance of the park, comparable to the financing of the cemetery. Valuation of property in the proposed district is \$834,000.

The petition was accompanied by a certified copy of a resolution from the City of Irrigon, an affidavit of the petitioners attesting to the truth of the document, a proposal that the district be governed by a 3-man board and funds in the amount of \$150.00 to cover the cost of the election that will be held to determine the desire of the

voters as to forming the district. The Chamber of Commerce contributed toward the cost of the election, with the City of Irrigon paying the balance. The law provides for the court to hold public hearings in the community, and these hearings will precede the election.

This move was taken by residents of the community after meeting with the Corps of Engineers in Walla Walla, Wn., who will acquire all land adjacent to the Columbia River. At this meeting, the corps stated its intention to develop a picnic and recreation area near the boat ramp, and these facilities will be leased on a long term basis to "qualified applicants." Formation of the park and recreation maintenance district would provide funds to maintain and expand the park.

The formation of such a district will in no way interfere with present or future land usage within the boundaries, nor would zoning or industrial use be affected.

Mayor Wilson, a strong advocate of the park district, has stated that no decision to award custody of the 90 sections lying within the boundaries of the proposed district is necessary on the part of the county court.

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Graveside Rites Held in Boardman For Earl Downey

By MARY LEE MARLOW

BOARDMAN—Graveside services were held Wednesday, July 22, at Riverview Cemetery for Earl Edward Downey, 73, who died July 20 in the Prosser, Wash. hospital. He was a former resident of Boardman.

Mr. Downey was born May 23, 1891, in Minn., and went to Montana in 1913 where he took up a homestead. He moved to Sheridan, Wyo. in 1921, and there was married to Hannah McIntosh Dec. 27, 1923. They came to Boardman in 1945 and lived here until 1953, at which time they went to Stockton, Calif. and lived until 1945 when they moved to Prosser, where they have lived since.

Survivors besides his widow are a son Don of Boardman; one sister, Mrs. James Guenther of Hardin, Mont.; one brother Gale of Prosser, and two grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sledge and children Sherrill, Phil and Paula went to Condon Sunday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sledge's father, John W. Anderson, 82, who died July 23 in a Hermiston nursing home, where he had been for several months. Besides his widow, he is survived by seven sons and eight daughters. Week-end guests at the Sledge home were Mrs. Sledge's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Brazier of Los Banos, Calif., and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Anderson of Klamath Falls.

Graveside services were held in The Dalles Tuesday of last week for Chester Scoles, four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Scoles, who was fatally burned in a fire which destroyed their trailer home July 19. They were former residents here about a year ago, when Scoles was employed at the Umatilla Electric Cooperative Association in Hermiston. Attending the services from Boardman was Mrs. Ervin Flock.

Fire Destroys Partlow Barn

Fire caused by a spark from burning weeds destroyed the barn on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Partlow Wednesday of last week. The city fire truck went to the scene and prevented the flames from spreading to the house and garage which held valuable farming equipment. When the truck arrived, the roof of the garage already had caught fire, but the volunteer firemen were able to put it out.

Gary Van Blokland Now Auctioneer

Gary Van Blokland of Heppner announces that he is now available as an auctioneer, entering the business after taking a course at the Western College of Auctioneers in Billings, Mont., this spring.

He will cry livestock, farm, household and merchandise auctions, and has as his slogan, "Sell it at Auction, the Modern Way."

Gary, a graduate of Heppner High school, attended California State Polytechnic at San Luis Obispo. He has worked with livestock all of his life and his Hereford steer, Ben, topped the entire field at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in October, 1961, by winning grand champion in the open class.

As a boy and high school youth, Gary was very active in 4-H and FFA. Recently he worked in harvest for D. O. Nelson and currently is working as a carpenter at Elgin.

He has been engaged for one auction to be held in September. Any interested in his service is invited to call the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Van Blokland, Ruggs, Ph. 676-5849.

Wilson's Visit

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wilson of Los Angeles arrived Wednesday for a few days visit with old friends here and looking after business interests. He and his brother own ranch property near home. Mr. Wilson left Morrow county about 1920 but remains keenly interested in the county and returns almost annually for a few days visit. He has been with Firestone Rubber Company for nearly 30 years. They dropped into the Gazette-Times Wednesday evening for a chat and said that they enjoy getting the paper every week. "We'll probably take it as long as we live," he said.

JUSTICE COURT

June 20—Lewis McDonald, disobeyed stop sign, forfeited bail, \$15.

July 3—Henry Merrick, lene, disobeyed stop sign, fined \$15, \$5 suspended.

July 7—Charles L. Mead, Spray, no chauffeur's license, \$5 bail forfeited.

July 18—Jerry E. Green, Lexington, no vehicle license, fined \$25, \$10 suspended.

July 19—Ronald W. Beckett, reckless driving, fined \$20.

July 20—Nola S. Walker, pleaded not guilty to charge of being drunk on a public highway. Trial set for August 7.

July 20—Thomas T. Walker, pleaded not guilty to charge of being drunk on a public highway. Trial set for August 7.

July 28—Joe Delameter charged plea to guilty at trial on charge of furnishing alcoholic liquor to minor under 21 years of age. Jury dismissed. Fined \$100 and \$92.60 court costs.

Arriving Wednesday from Montezuma, Iowa, for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williamson and family were his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williamson, and family. The group plans to leave early Friday for a week-end at the coast near Cannon Beach, and will return Sunday night.

Monument News

By MARTHA MATTESON

MONUMENT — Mr. and Mrs. Mead Gilman, Jr., and four children of Bellevue, Wn., were recent guests of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Mead Gilman, Sr.

Mrs. Grace Sivritt and Miss Laura Lee Shank visited last week in John Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rounds were in Portland last week for check-ups.

Jessie Scot and two sons were in Hamilton recently, visiting at the home of Mrs. Jerry Hudson and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Morris and children have moved from the Miller Ranch, now owned by W. "Red" Foster to one of the Shaw houses near Long Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Foster and baby have now moved to his ranch known as Miller ranch, which is 1 1/2 miles up the river from Monument.

The Monument Junior League, their parents and friends drove to Bates July 19 for a ball game, of which the score was Monument, 16, and Bates, 4.

Verne McCarty recently purchased the Harold Lippert truck which he has turned into a logging truck and trailer.

Mrs. Ernest Johnson, Mrs. Francis Noland and four children drove to Idaho to visit Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harpham at their summer home. Mr. Harpham is a teacher in the Monument schools.

Gene Campbell attended services last week of the late Roger Chapman of Spray.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Gribble and Barbara are planning to leave late this week for approximately two weeks of vacationing at the coast while their home is being remodeled. Mrs. Gribble's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mills of Salem, will accompany them on their trip that will include golfing and sight-seeing.

Grange Hears Anderson Talk on Wheat

By LOVELLE PARTLOW

IRRIGON — Morrow County Pomona Grange was held at the A. C. Houghton school cafeteria Saturday afternoon, July 25, with Bert Akers of Ione, Pomona Master, presiding at the morning and afternoon business sessions.

The Irrigon Grange served a smorgasbord noon luncheon, followed by the entertainment for the day.

Miss Akers of Ione played a piano solo, the Irrigon baton twirling club, under the leader-

ship of Susan McCoy, performed and Henry Baker gave a reading. County Agent Nels Anderson, Heppner, gave an interesting talk on wheat problems.

There will be a field trip on August 8 for the Boardman Soil Conservation District, at which time a demonstration of a "gopher-getter" machine will be held. All interested farmers should contact Max Jones or other Soil Conservation members for further details.

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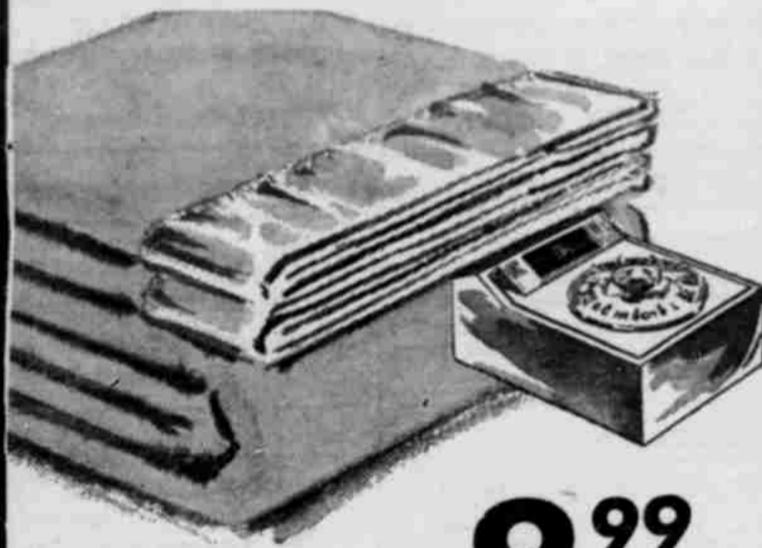
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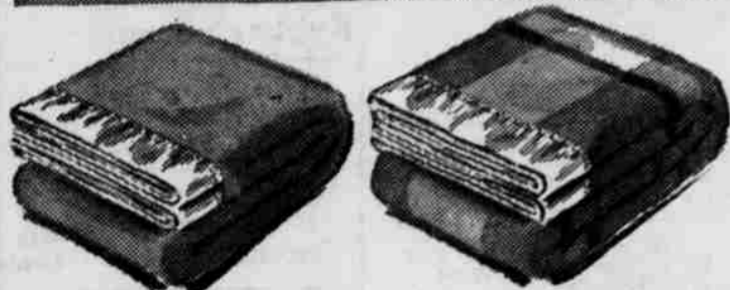
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Send me a new trumpet Address: Anchorage, Alaska

Robert Atwood, Alaska newspaperman and amateur musician, had just put his trumpet to his lips when the earthquake hit. Running outside, he found himself on the ground, arm and trumpet buried shoulder-deep in rubble. To extricate his arm, he had to surrender the trumpet.

One trumpet: a small loss. Perhaps.

The earthquake damage was confined, fortunately, to limited areas. Alaskans are fighting back. Engineering tests are being made to locate safe sites for rebuilding. Materials and equipment are pouring in. Despite a short building season, Alaskans plan to have rebuilding well along by Christmas. Ambitious, —but very Alaskan!

Alaskans are going about their jobs. In damaged areas, merchants are supplying their customers.

Schools, hotels and public services are functioning. Alaska's splendid visitor attractions and accommodations are open and inviting.

Standard, too, lost heavily, but our service did not stop. Within hours of the earthquake, our products were supplying heat and energy to distressed communities. Today, even as we rebuild, they supply energy for Alaska's reconstruction. We've served Alaska almost 80 years. We intend to go forward.

Bob Atwood's impatience to have a new trumpet is symbolic of all Alaskans' determination to recover life's amenities. They came north-by-west to build that life in their Big Land. They mean to get on with it.

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