

Boeing Plans Tests After December 15

Actual testing at the Boeing company's missile site in northern Morrow county is scheduled to get underway soon after December 15. William T. DuFrane, security supervisor for the company, told members of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday at their luncheon meeting.

DuFrane, guest of Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman, said that the test installation is 90% completed with the exception of the elevator. It is planned to test a new rocket engine on the site using new exotic fuels, he said.

Before actual tests are made, a warning will be given to the area within a radius of 15 to 20 miles around the site. Tests may be heard as far as 20 to 30 miles away, DuFrane said, but no damaging noise is expected.

Visitors have been permitted to go to the site during construction, but security will be tightened after December 15 with the start of testing, the speaker said.

An area 5 miles by 9 miles is the core area for the Boeing Company's installation, DuFrane said. The outer perimeter and other inner perimeter areas will be leased for livestock grazing.

It is possible that after the minimum water level has been reached on the river, possible docking facilities may be constructed to serve the Boeing facilities here.

DuFrane, who has been with Boeing for 24 years, came to the Boardman site from an assignment at Minot, N. D. In his talk here he told of the history of the company, being established in 1914 by William E. Boeing, and being first known as William E. Boeing and Associates.

In order to meet expenses in the earlier days, the company also built furnaces.

Today William B. Allen is president. The company's stock on the market has increased from \$36 per share to \$64 per share in the last 10 months.

The first airplane built by the

firm was a seaplane, and the first government order received was for a single engine biplane. It wasn't until just prior to World War II that the company really came into its own.

Boeing built Flying Clippers just before the war and then was principally known for its production of the B-17E, B-29 and B-50 airplanes. After the war it started manufacturing commercial planes, such as the B-707.

Today, Boeing company is composed of five divisions: 1. Headquarters division, 2. Aerospace division, 3. Transport division, 4. Industrial division, 5. Wichita division (support division for boosters).

Letters containing Christmas seals having been mailed throughout Morrow county in the annual seal sale, Mrs. Rose Marie Stroeber, seal sale chairman for the Morrow County TB and Health association, reports.

"I urge every citizen in this area to help in this good cause," says Mrs. Stroeber.

She called attention to the fact that Jimmy Dean, for the second consecutive year, will urge all Americans tuned to "The Jimmy Dean Show" on ABC-TV, Thursday, from 10 to 11 p.m. to help promote the "Friendship Tree," a special Christmas-time project conducted by the National Tuberculosis association and its 1900 affiliated organizations in behalf of the Christmas Seal campaign.

Dean will ask his viewers to send Christmas cards decorated with Christmas Seals to him, and the cards will be placed on "Friendship Trees" throughout the United States, including this area. All holiday cards, except those Dean uses on his own hour-long variety program, will be redistributed to TB workers for Christmas trees to cheer patients in hospitals, TB wings and children's wards.

"The Christmas cards and Christmas seals you send to 'The Jimmy Dean Show' will certainly cheer hospital shut-ins," says Mrs. Stroeber. "With the support from our community, TB can be wiped out and other respiratory diseases brought under control."

Holiday cards decorated with Christmas seals should be addressed to Jimmy Dean, in care of "Friendship Tree," Box 355, New York, N. Y. 10046.

Mrs. Stroeber urges that those receiving seals respond with their contributions as soon as possible. Community chairmen working on the project here include Mrs. W. L. Cox, Heppner; Mrs. Gene Cutsforth, Lexington; Mrs. Paul Tews, Ione; Mrs. Ruth Coy, Irrigon; and Mrs. Dewey West, Boardman.

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OLD SANTA CLAUS, back on the job after a year of toymaking, lays a fond hand on the head of one of his ardent admirers at Christmas Opening here Saturday. The man with the white beard gave out more than 400 sacks of candy on his visit. (G-T Photo)

21 Win Contest Prizes; Santa Gives Candy

A chilly day for Christmas Opening failed to dampen enthusiasm too much Saturday and the event kicked off the holiday season in successful fashion.

Santa Claus, who arrived perhaps even a little ahead of his expected 1 p.m. appointment, passed out more than 400 sacks of Christmas candy as he greeted kids of the area. He came in on a fire truck driven by Chief Charles Ruggles and found-time to go to the hospital for a visit there.

Streets of the city were brightly illuminated for the occasion with the decorations installed by crews of the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative and the firm's new ladder truck.

Through the excellent cooperation of Kinzua Corporation, the city had its Christmas tree in place and decorated for the opening. The Columbia Basin men erected it and placed the decorations. The Kinzua Corporation obtained the tree for the public enjoyment.

Twenty-one winners were chosen in the annual window guessign contest, and the winners are listed on another page in this paper. Considerable fun accompanied the guessing, and in some cases, the competition was very close.

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an excellent guesser, winning prizes at both M & R Company and at Peterson's Jewelers.

Danny Sweeney, sixth grade son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sweeney, came within 2c of guessing the exact amount of a basket of groceries, retailing for \$39.29, at Red and White Grocery. His guess was \$39.27.

Mrs. Sue Vinson came within 50c of guessing the correct answer, in the amount of \$96.50, of the difference of two insurance premiums at C. A. Ruggles Agency.

Terry and Theresa Hughes, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Hughes, were both prize winners, Terry at Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. and Theresa at Humphreys Drug.

Good crowds were on hand with the peak early in the afternoon at the time of Santa's arrival.

Cub Awards Given Out at Pack Meeting

Cub Scouts of Pack 661 met at the grade school cafeteria Thursday evening, November 19, for a potluck dinner and presentation of awards.

Scout Master Arnie Hedman introduced the den mothers, Mrs. Alice McCabe of Den 1, and Mrs. J. G. Stephens of Den 4, the officers and committee members.

Boy Scouts Mike Warren and Kelly Green, den chiefs for Den 4, presented the boys for their wolf badges.

Boy Scouts Mike and Steve Hedman, den chiefs for den 1, presented the boys for their bear badges and arrow pions.

Marion Green, secretary, presented the awards to both dens. A program included a song skit by Mrs. Stephens' den, reading of the letters of America by Mrs. McCabe's den, and group singing led by Mr. Hedman.

A committee meeting was announced for December 9 at the Bank of Eastern Oregon. Date and place of the next pack meeting will be announced later.

Hynd Reports Creek Reaches Dry Areas After Long Drouth

During the past few days Willow Creek, gaining momentum under fall rains, has reached the area in the creek bed that has been dry at the Hynd Bros. place since about June, Herb Hynd reported Wednesday.

The flow has connected up spring holes in the creek bed in the area north of Cecil after the dry spell. Whether the flow has gone on to reach the Columbia as yet, Hynd could not say. It would take a day or two to make the 13-mile trip over porous spots he said.

Herb said that springs from about 12 miles south of the Columbia often feed enough water into the stream so that it flows on to the river, although there are dry stretches between the Cecil area and Ione.

Hynd states that he wishes he had kept a record on the dates that the creek dried up in the early summer and when it started to flow through the place in the winter, but he has not. This year seems to be about normal, he said.

It surprises some people in the Heppner area to see so much water going down the creek when they realize that it is only now reaching the northern ends of the creek, Hynd declared.

"Some people don't believe me when I tell them that I have seen years when there was never a drop of water in the creek here for the entire year," Hynd said.

He said this looked as if it might be one of those years until recent rains came. Now the situation is much improved and the grass is getting green out on the range as well.

WEATHER

By LEONARD GILLIAM
The official weather report for the week of November 25-December 2 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	46	31	.02
Thursday	42	28	.01
Friday	40	32	.13
Saturday	46	34	.10
Sunday	53	34	.04
Monday	53	47	.14
Tuesday	56	42	.11
Wednesday	47	30	.03
Total precipitation for the month of November was 1.56."			

Post Office Adds Hours For Rush

The Heppner Post Office, Hardman Rural Station, and Lexington Rural Station will offer additional hours of window service on Saturday, December 12, and Saturday, December 13. James H. Driscoll, postmaster, says.

Service hours will be extended to 5:00 p.m. instead of the usual noon closing on the two days. In addition, at Heppner the evening closing time will be extended on week days from December 14 through December 23 for the purpose of receiving outgoing parcel post and other mail.

The money order window will close at the usual time of 5:00 p.m.

Postal rates are the same as last year. Unsealed Christmas cards may be sent for four cents. These must not contain a written message other than such words as "Merry Christmas" or "Best Wishes," etc. This four-cent unsealed card may be sent either locally or out of town, the rate being four cents for the first two ounces. Sealed cards cost five cents per ounce or fraction thereof and are handled as first class mail.

All patrons are urged to use Zip codes on their Christmas parcels and other mail. This is a material help in expediting the transportation of mail under the present zoning system. It is evident that many persons are aware of this advantage. Postmaster Driscoll says, but a majority of mailers are not as yet aware of the importance of this feature.

"Zip codes are here to stay. Please make it a regular part of the address," he states. "In your return address after the word 'Oregon' is the place for all patrons of the Heppner Post Office and the Hardman Rural Station to place their zip code number and this is the number 97836. Patrons of the Lexington Rural station have a separate zip code number which is 97839."

Community Groups Combine Efforts For Ione Festival

Willows Grange hall in Ione is busy with activity this week, with organizations of the community combining efforts to put on the fourth annual Community Festival on Sunday afternoon, December 6.

Some new entertaining games and bazaar booths are being planned to aid both old and young to have a better time and choose gift items to take home. Among these are the sugar shack, the dollar store, wheel of fortune, country store, cake walk, and others.

The public will be served a full course ham dinner from 12:30 until 2:00 p.m. by members of the Willows Home Economics club. Booths will be open from 12:30 until 4:30 p.m. One big door prize drawing will be made at 4 p.m., and the winning ticket holder must be present to receive the prize.

About 14 organizations in the community have participated in previous years.

Jaycees Sponsor Adult Recreation

An adult recreational program will begin Tuesday, December 8, under sponsorship of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. It was decided at the Wednesday night meeting of the Jaycees.

Both men and women above high school age are invited to participate. Sessions will be in the Heppner High school gymnasium each Tuesday and Thursday night, starting at 8 p.m.

If enough interest is shown, a recreational basketball league will be started. Harley Sager, president, states.

Credit Association Meet Date Changed

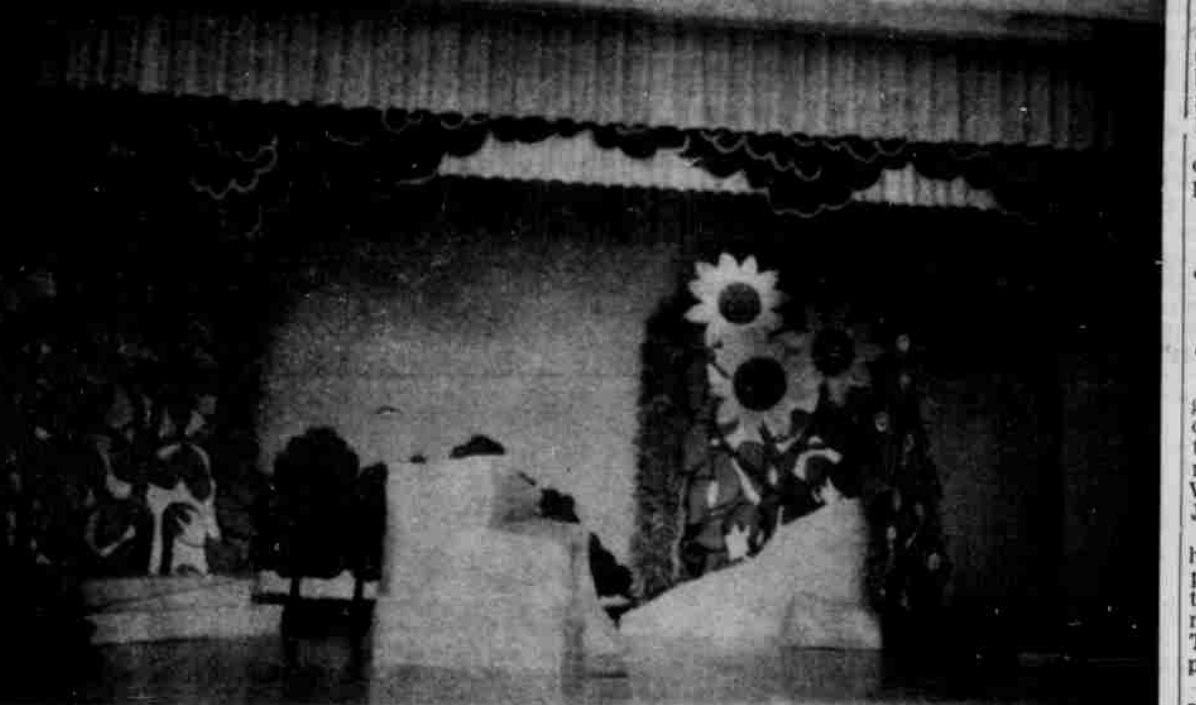
Date of the meeting of the Heppner Credit Protective Bureau, originally set for Wednesday, December 16, has been changed to Thursday, December 17, at a noon luncheon in the Wagon Wheel Cafe, Roy K. Temple, Jr., of the Credit Bureaus announces.

The Wednesday date was in conflict with a previously arranged meeting at Milton-Free-water, he said.

Kids May Telephone Santa December 15

Children of the area who want to talk to Santa Claus by telephone will have the opportunity to do so on Tuesday, December 15, through arrangements being made by the Morrow county Jaycees.

They may call him on that night between 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., according to Harley Sager, Jaycee president. The telephone number will be 676-9163. The youngsters may call and tell Santa what they want for Christmas and converse with him about any other matters that may be on their minds in the holiday season.



HUGE SUNFLOWERS are part of the stage setting for the Junior Class play, "Green Valley," which will be staged Friday and Saturday nights in the multipurpose room at the school. The comedy-fantasy will feature some unusual stage properties upon which students have been working for weeks under direction of Mrs. Janet Groves. (Heppner High Photo)

Junior Class Play to be Presented Friday, Saturday; Props Unusual

"Green Valley," three-act comedy-fantasy, will be presented as the junior class play at Heppner High school on Friday and Saturday nights, December 4 and 5 in the high school multipurpose room. Curtain time is at 8 p.m. and tickets can be purchased from members of the junior class or at the door.

The play is a fantasy about the past and the present Berry family who live in a picturesque hidden valley in the hills of California. Eldon Berry (David Clark) is the present Berry who suddenly finds that his crops are doing too well. Everything is grown in rampant profusion—strawberries as big as your head, sunflowers taller than the house, beanstalks that grow before your eyes!

Most unusual of all is Eldon's cow, Minnie, who gives gallons of rare milk—milk so rare that

those who drink it hear weird music and see people—who walked the earth many years before. Eldon's girl friend, Prim, (Shirley Erwin) comes from a nearby valley that is being flooded by an unscrupulous land operator, Tobias J. Everheer (Tim Driscoll). He is assisted by his timid tractor driver, Tinker Smith (Gene Hekker), Maureen Doherty, Tinker's girl friend, and Brenda Young as Eva Friese from the creamery complete the cast of the present.

Out of the past, long dead Berries, riled by the noise of Everheer's tractor and his threat to their valley, come back to help Eldon. They are Grampaw (Steve Warren), Granny (Judy Jones), Calhoun (David Van Schoalack), Jeb (Simon Winters), Ransome (Ken Morgan) and Prudence (Sheridan Wyman).

A group of settlers who have been flooded out of their homes

by Everheer's dam are played by Mike Pierce, Mickey Massey, Richard Flatz, Joan Stockard and Janis Baker.

The cast and production crew have worked long hours to get this play ready for its first performance Friday night. Weeks of work have gone into the production of the set, Mrs. Janet Groves, director, states.

The class found the building of rocks, trees and giant sunflowers quite a challenge. The new lighting system at the high school has proven to be an asset to this play and unusual affects have been worked out to add interest. Music and sound effects also have an important part in this play.

This is an unusual production suitable of the young and the mature audience, and is probably the most difficult play ever attempted at Heppner High school.

Chamber Hoopsters Accept Challenge; To Battle Lions

All-star basketball players of days of yore in the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce are responding to the call to rally and have accepted a challenge from the Ione Lions club to engage in a maplecourt battle in a Christmas tournament on December 18.

Charles O'Connor of the Lions tossed out the challenge a week ago, and this week the Chamber members started hunting for togs big enough to go around their midriffs. A Jim Farley has been named coach of the powerful chamber five and La Verne Van Marter, Jr., has been appointed assistant coach. In the all-star lineup scheduled to start, according to leaks in the classifica security plans of the aggregation, are John Venard, Bob Abrams (whose football experience may be a big factor in a chamber hoop victory), Frank Turner, Ralph Richards and Al Lamb. Scrubs may be picked from younger and less experienced members of the Chamber.

In the tournament, the Lions will have two squads, the younger ones to play Heppner Junior Cham... of Commerce team.

Mustang Season Tickets on Sale

Season tickets for the Heppner High school home basketball games are now on sale, according to Pete Glennie, athletic director at the school.

A reserve section will be set aside for all season ticket holders, and they will also be entitled to park in a reserved area, he said.

The opening game of the year for Coach Bob Clough's boys will be at DeSales, Walla Walla, on Friday, December 11, after their opponents have played two games. Enterprise comes here for the home non-league opener on Saturday night, December 12.

Coach Clough has released no information on his squad to the present time, although the boys have been in practice sessions for some two weeks.

Two Directors Chosen For Morrow Rodeo Board

Archie Munkers was reelected to the Morrow county rodeo board and Jerry Dougherty was elected to fill another vacancy on the board at the annual meeting of the board at the county fairgrounds Wednesday night.

Munkers, whose first term expires at the end of the year, will continue to be in charge of the rodeo dances. Dougherty, who will succeed Gerald Swagart, will be in charge of grounds.

A nominating committee, composed of five members and headed by Howard Bryant, submitted the names of Dougherty and Donald Evans for the one position and Munkers and Wm. C. Collins for the other.

Two other positions will be filled by appointment because of resignations. Fred Mankin and Floyd Jones have resigned prior to the end of their terms.

Dates of August 29 and 30 were set for the 1965 rodeo after Bernard Doherty, chairman of the fair board, announced that the county fair will be held during the week starting August 23.

It was decided that the queen of the rodeo will be chosen in the month of January, and one of the two directors yet to be appointed will be in charge of the queen and court and their various appearances during the rodeo season.

E. H. (Tad) Miller, Jr., chairman, who presided at the meeting, said that an attempt will be made to have the rodeo board represented at the convention of the Northwest Rodeo association at Yakima, Wn., Saturday and Sunday, and it was agreed to extend an invitation to the association to hold its 1965 convention in Heppner.

A motion was passed to change the by-laws so that the annual rodeo meeting will be at the time of the regular rodeo meeting in October of each year, board.

These points will be discussed with Cutsforth as the trophy donor for his consideration.

Other discussion centered on the Northwest Amateur Bronco Riding championship and the possibility of changing rules so that previous winners could compete again, and on whether the general public, which is invited to annual meetings of the board, should have the right to vote for directors.

Directors present at the meeting were Chairman Miller, Raymond French, Bob Stegall, Archie Munkers, Elmer Schmidt, Roice Fullerton, Wes Sherman and Secretary Jack Locke. Also present and participating in discussion were Charlie Daly, Harold Erwin, Vern Evans and Chairman Doherty of the fair board.