



SKETCH BY the architect, Thomas G. Vadnais, shows new Arlington banking offices for the Bank of Eastern Oregon. The new bank will be constructed in the planned new business district being developed to replace old downtown area. Tensenson & Associates, The Dalles, did the engineering design.

Willow Project Takes Another Big Step

Senators Seek Funds For Pre-Construction

Senators Wayne Morse and Maurine Neuberger have asked the Senate Appropriations committee to give serious consideration to approval of \$161,000 for fiscal year 1966 for pre-construction planning on the Willow Creek project, they notified the Gazette-Times by telegram Tuesday.

Should the planning appropriation be approved during this session of Congress, it would move the time schedule for the dam ahead at least a year, since it is considered very unusual to get authorization through the omnibus bill and a pre-construction planning appropriation the same year.

Thus, approval of the appropriation asked by the two Oregon senators would be another major step towards culmination of the project.

The text of the telegram from Senators Morse and Neuberger is as follows:

"In view of the fact that Willow Creek project has been included in Omnibus River and Harbor Authorization Bill, reported to Senate on July 19, we are asking Senate Appropriations committee to give serious consideration to approval of \$160,000 for fiscal 1966 for pre-construction planning on Willow Creek project. We hope to receive encouraging news on our request because favorable action would accelerate eventual beginning of construction on project."

Normally, authorization in an omnibus bill comes in one session of Congress and an appropriation is sought at the next session.

Willard Sively, who, as chief of the floods control section of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' district in Walla Walla, was active in working on the Willow Creek project two years ago, gave information on what is included in "pre-construction planning" when he was contacted by telephone Wednesday.

It would include many details on the project that must be accomplished before general construction could be undertaken, he said, such as working out plans for the irrigation feature and identifying water users, drilling out details of the spillway, planning for rights-of-way without actually taking property on the proposed rights-of-way describing areas needed for the dam and reservoir, and similar matters. Next step would be to draw up contract plans and specifications.

The appropriation for the pre-construction planning must precede the appropriation for construction of the project.

Sively said that the Engineers, having completed their survey for the project, which has been approved by all agencies, can do nothing more until a pre-construction planning appropriation is forthcoming.

He said he has known projects that awaited appropriations for years following authorization and said that if a planning appropriation were obtained this year, it would speed up the project's timetable a "minimum of a year."

The senators' telegram, following closely the announcement that the project is included in the Omnibus bill, brought additional joy to local leaders who have been working for the project.

Mayor Al Lamb said that Cong. Al Ullman had expressed hope that the appropriation might be expedited in the same year as the omnibus bill, but the news from Senators Morse and Neuberger came as a considerable surprise here, even though supporters full well realize that the fact that the appropriation is asked for does not mean that it will be approved.

Ascar Peterson, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce development committee, said that he has written letters of appreciation to the senators and to Congressman Ullman. Other supporters of the project expressed similar appreciation and declared that swiftly developing events may be partially due to local interest demonstrated in the project and the need for the multiple uses of the dam.

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School Board Rejects Irrigon Petitions

2nd Extra Cash Award Announced

(See Pictures Page 4)

Workers in The Gazette-Times subscription campaign have shown such interest in the extra cash prize offered last week, that a second cash award was announced Wednesday by the campaign manager.

This new \$10 cash prize will go to the worker in either district who turns in the most points on subscriptions, either new or renewal, from now until the campaign closes at 6 p.m. Saturday, July 31.

Subscriptions turned in for this Saturday will count seven points per year, those turned in for next Wednesday will count six points per year, and orders turned in for the final report will count five points per year.

This new prize is in addition to the bicycle and cash prizes announced at the beginning of the campaign.

Interest in the campaign mounted rapidly this week as parents and friends of the various workers got behind their favorites to help them win the top prizes and highest honors.

Increasing numbers of subscribers are calling at the office and paying their subscriptions to the credit of their favorite worker. Youngsters receive full credit for all subscriptions brought in or mailed to campaign headquarters. Subscribers should signify which of the young workers they wish to have credit for their order.

Rep. Mann Reviews Work of Legislature

Congressional redistricting, accomplished in the special session, was the "most spectacular" achievement of the legislature this year, Rep. Irvin Mann of Stanfield, representing the 28th district, told the members of the Heppler-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday.

He said he believes that the addition of Lane and Marion counties to the 2nd Congressional district "the lesser of many evils," adding "these two counties are more in sympathy with our point of view."

It was important that the legislature acted as it did, he said, because the alternative would be to submit the matter to federal courts for decision.

Revamping of the Workmen's Compensation law was cited as the second greatest accomplishment. Under its provisions employers may provide their own accident insurance, insure with a private carrier, or insure with the state.

"A lot of thought has gone into this act, and it is indeed a model act," Rep. Mann said.

Tax Relief Seeds Sown

Fears of financial distress for state funds failed to recognize the vitality of Oregon and the vast amount of construction underway, and it was found possible to establish a real property tax relief account, the Republican representative said.

The legislature appropriated \$25,000,000 for property tax relief to be distributed to counties for such relief on the basis of



REP. IRVIN MANN

Register Now For Fair Booths

Organizations or groups who are planning to enter booths in the Morrow County Fair are urged to have space reserved now, according to Mrs. Lenna Smith, secretary.

Eighteen booth spaces are available, with room to add more if necessary. These will be given out on a first come, first served basis, and those who might have preference in location are urged to contact the fair secretary at the county agent's office and have the booth space reserved.

Theme of this year's county fair is "Harvest Time."

Contracts Let on Buses At July Meet

Petitions sponsored by a group of Irrigon residents asking for the northern end of the county to leave the Morrow administrative school district and join with the northwestern portion of Umatilla county were rejected Tuesday night by the board of directors of the Morrow school district.

Director Luftey Warner of Irrigon made a strong appeal in favor of the petitions and moved that they be accepted, but his motion was voted down, 3 no against his lone yes vote. A motion by Ralph Skoubo of Boardman then followed that the petition be rejected, and it carried by a vote of 3 to 2. Some members abstained in each vote.

In the rather lengthy discussion on the matter it was pointed out that schedule calls for the design memo on the new Riverside High school, to be located at Boardman, to be in the hands of the Army Corps of Engineers by August 16 and contract with the Engineers must be signed in December of this year.

Supt. David Potter said that the schedule with the Engineers is now as "tight as it can be."

"I sincerely question if the Corps would proceed if this action is instigated," he said.

Attorney Bob Abrams, called on for his legal opinion, said that it would be necessary to hold hearings in the affected districts and also to find the answers to questions on the tax bases in these districts.

He said that he questions the legality of an agreement between the districts that would stipulate that neither would assume bonded indebtedness of



PRINCESS ERNA WINCHESTER

Princess Erna Due for Honors

Deserving honor will come to Erna Lynn Winchester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Winchester, Heppler, in the second of this year's series of princess dances for the Morrow County Rodeo court Saturday evening, July 24.

Continued good support is expected for the dance at the fair pavilion, when the public is invited to come and enjoy a good time and dance to the music of The Western Gentlemen from Condon.

Princess Erna can rightfully be called a true "daughter of the saddle," with a fine family history of riding, and a lifelong member of the Wranglers, her sponsoring organization.

Brown-eyed, titian-haired Erna has lived all of her 16 years with her family in the house on the corner of Church and Main streets. Her mother, Lois, who has operated a beauty shop at that location since 1927, also has spent her entire life there.

The pioneering great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Reid, occupied quarters in the old Heppler Hotel, which was located on the same corner, in the year 1901. The hotel was washed away in the 1903 flood and the Reids built the house in which the family still lives, and behind it the grandfather operated a lumber yard.

Ernie Winchester, father of the princess, came to Heppler from Massachusetts, where he has worked as a contract carpenter and painter.

The princess has come to be as much at home on a horse as she has in her native community, where her gay spirit and vivacious personality has made her many friends. She appeared in her first rodeo parade at the age of one year, sitting on a pillow in front of her mother's saddle, then riding alone when she was two, and each year thereafter.

She has missed riding in only

WEATHER

Official weather report for the week of July 15-21 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	92	55	—
Friday	94	55	—
Saturday	93	50	—
Sunday	81	52	—
Monday	82	52	.10
Tuesday	68	52	.02
Wednesday	68	43	.07

HERE ARE VOTE STANDINGS In Gazette-Times Campaign

Listed below, in alphabetical order by districts are the boys and girls who are working in the Gazette-Times subscription campaign, together with vote standings up to press time.

NOTE: These standings are comparative, and while they do show the exact place the worker is in, do not reveal the actual vote count. This is in fairness to the youngsters.

DISTRICT ONE (Heppler)	
Larry Anderson, 676-9228	27,000
Donald Cossitt, 676-9228	29,000
Dyrk Dunlap, 676-9240	31,000
Shannon Farley, 676-5329	32,000
Janet Gentry, 676-9296	44,000
Doug Gonty, 676-9264	40,000
Kelly Green, 676-9228	45,000
Jeritha Keithley, 676-9702	25,000
Allen McCabe, 676-9934	39,000
Dave McLeod, 676-5573	41,000
Jim Myers, 676-5340	22,000
Tricia Prock, 676-9412	34,000
Mike Sweek, 676-9483	36,000
Jim Van Schoiack, 676-9167	43,000
DISTRICT TWO (Outside Heppler)	
Jerry Boyer, Monument—WE 4-2295	33,000
Frank Halvorsen, Ione—422-7107	46,000
Charlotte Hatter, Kinzua—768-2731	38,000
Duane Lamb, Irrigon—922-3396	42,000
Alvin Vinson, Lexington—989-8492	37,000
Matt Warren, Rt. 2, Heppler—676-9760	35,000

Rain Temporarily Halts Harvest

Grain Harvest came to an abrupt halt in Morrow county this week just as it was getting well underway. Rains came Monday night and continued intermittently through Wednesday, moving harvesters out of the fields.

While the crop may not take serious damage if it does not continue for a prolonged time, the rain brought delay to a harvest that started later than usual. July 4 is considered a normal start of early harvest in the northern part of the county, and much of the crop across the county is in storage by late July.

On the other hand, it is nothing unusual for rain to interrupt harvest. It slowed proceedings in late July last year, but harvest was almost completed by mid-August. Early rain in July, 1963, delayed start that year but harvest was virtually finished by August 22.

In the 1962 season, off and on rains hampered harvest and the crop was not all in until early September.

Eugene Winters, county extension agent, said those in the Ione area were halted about 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, not having received the earlier rain felt in Heppler Monday night.

Al Lamb, manager of Morrow County Grain Growers, said that the cooperative had received 7,387,000 pounds of wheat, or 123,000 bushel, by time of the general shutdown, and 8,236,000 pounds of barley, or 171,000 bushels. Since the Grain Growers receive an annual total of some 2,000,000 bushels of wheat and barley in a harvest season, it is apparent that harvest was just underway.

Lamb said that he does not believe any rancher was completely through harvest when the rain came. Elevators at Heppler and Ruggs had not yet started receiving.

He said he did not believe the crop was mature enough to hurt test weight substantially. If rain ceases as of mid-week, harvest should be well in swing again by Monday, he said.

"We've never lost a crop yet because of rain," Lamb declared.

But this doesn't keep anxious farmers from "champing at the bit" since there is always the possibility of hail or heavy thunder showers to wreak damage to the crops.

Indications are still that the crop, while no in the bumper category, will be a real good one with both yield and quality high and no rust or other misfortunes to mar it.



THESE WILLOW CREEK all-stars will open play in the area Little League tournament at The Dalles against the Deschutes county all-stars Friday evening at 6 o'clock. Bottom row (from left) are David Gunderson, Kenny Baker, Joe McEll gott, Dallas Harsin, Terry Cannon, Rory Stillman, Gary Watkins, Tom Hughes, Back row (from left) Bruce Marquardt, who will not see action because of a broken leg, Keith Curmuff, John Hal Greg Greenup, Stan Kemp, Terry Hughes, Bob in Duffy, Gene Crowell and Coach Lindsay Kincaid. Gary Huber and Manager Wayne Harsin are not pictured. The team will play again Saturday night whether they win or lose in the first game. (G-T Photo).