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PRINCESS SUSAN MCCOY

## Dance to Fete Princess Susan

Honors for this week's princess of the week in the royal fair and rodeo court moves to North Morrow county, represented by Princess Susan McCoy. The attractive, vivacious miss is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren McCoy of Irigon, and she is graciously at home on the regal court.

Princess Susan, chosen by the Tillicum club as its representative, will be honored at the fourth of the series of weekly dances for the court at the Heppner fair pavilion Saturday night. The usual good crowd is expected to be on hand, with another good band, "The Avonies," of Pendleton, scheduled to furnish the music.

Susan Lorraine McCoy was born in Pendleton, but has lived in Irigon all her life. Her father is employed by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. Her family includes a twin brother, Larry, who just completed his freshman year at Eastern Oregon College, and a younger sister at home.

The princess possesses an enviable scholastic and academic record, graduating as valedictorian of the class of 1964 at Riverside High school. Last year she was enrolled at Oregon State University and participated in many activities of the school. As a member of the College pep band, she made the trip to the Rose Bowl football

game, and was chosen as a freshman pep rally girl. She plans to return to OSU this year, where her interests are in the field of home economics.

Activities kept Susan busy during her high school days, excelling in band for four years and chosen for all-state band. She was a majorette and student band director, taught baton lessons, served on the school paper and annual staff, was student body secretary, and active in Girls' Athletic Association competition.

An outstanding event in her senior year came when she was chosen as Betty Crocker's Home-maker of Tomorrow in her school. The achievement also spoke well for her 10 years of training in 4-H cooking and sewing clubs, once taking a state blue ribbon in cooking for rolls which she had baked.

Princess Susan is fond of outdoor sports, especially horseback riding. Her favorite mount is a sorrel horse, "Cinnamon," and she also has a colt named "Pepsi." With Queen Judy and the other princesses, she attended the Chief Joseph Days celebration the past week-end. The court's next official appearance will be in Hermiston at the Umatilla County Fair parade on August 20. The queen's coronation will follow the next day, August 21, at the fairgrounds, with her dance following.

## Roaring Flames Engulf Four Buildings Tuesday

Four old buildings were destroyed at the west end of Water Street by roaring flames Tuesday evening, punctuated by explosion of an empty propane gas tank that could be heard over much of town.

Two buildings used as storehouses by Howard Keithley, building contractor, and two old garages owned by Mrs. Katie Currin were leveled in the fire.

Keithley was also using the garages for storage. A small house to the east of the fire was damaged. It is owned by Keithley and occupied by Mrs. Jane Mattair, her mother, and two children. Mrs. Mattair was not home at the time of the fire, since she is taking nurse's training in Pendleton.

Window frames were burned out of this small house, and water and smoke damage was incurred to the building and its contents.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Moore and family occupy another house owned by Keithley in front of the structures destroyed. This house did not sustain severe damage, although some damage may have been done to the roof and exterior paint was blistered. Mr. and Mrs. Moore, on vacation, were not at home at the time of the fire, but their daughter, Ginny, was home.

Keithley said that he lost a considerable number of tools in the fire, as well as a large quantity of building materials. However, he had moved many of his more expensive tools and equipment to a new shop near his present residence on Court Street. Included in the loss was

much mahogany and birch plywood, considerable quantity of paint, electric motors, gas motor, (Continued on page 8)

## District Share of New Riverside School Cost Cut

### Dam Construction Could Start in 3 Years at Best, Engineer Tells Chamber

On the most optimistic basis, construction of the Willow Creek dam could be underway three years from now, Niel Meadowcroft, chief of the survey and reports section of the Walla Walla district, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, told members of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday.

He emphasized, however, that this would be a "close and optimistic" schedule.

Although reluctant to theorize on the future, in response to a question he said that he would estimate that it would take about 2 1/2 years to build the rock fill dam and that several hundred men would be required to do the job.

Meadowcroft said that the

planning for the dam has proceeded so well to this point that it "seems almost as if it has been given priority." He theorized that this may be partly due to attention called to need for the protection of life, in view of the 1903 flood disaster, in addition to the 12 to 1 benefit-cost ratio on the proposed multiple use project.

"We have had the least questions on this project of any of the past two or three years," he said.

In answer to another question, the engineer said that if the irrigation feature were removed from the project, it would be very difficult to "sell" to Congress because the anticipated costs then would be greater than the anticipated benefits.

**Irrigation Benefit Needed**  
Average annual benefits from the dam are figured at \$279,800 and average annual costs are figured at \$233,100. Of the benefits, \$85,900 are listed as those from irrigation. If this were removed, the annual benefits would be well below the costs.

"All benefits are necessary and desirable to justify the project," he said.

Meadowcroft said that while original estimates on construction of the dam figured cost at about \$6,700,000, this has already risen, because of increasing costs, to an estimated \$7,400,000.

Of the multiple uses, the flood control feature would be non-reimbursable, with the federal

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CLAYTON NORTON

### Principal Norton Now at Work Here

Clayton Norton, new principal of Heppner High school, has started work at the school and moved here last Thursday with his family. They are occupying the new home owned by Earl Ayres on Skyline Blvd.

Mrs. Norton is well acquainted with this area, having been reared in Echo. Her maiden name was Clara Coe. Children are Bill, 11, and Shirley, 15. The family came from Redmond where Norton was associated with the school system for 19 years, starting there as a classroom teacher in social studies, world history and geography.

He became vice principal, then assistant principal, and last year was appointed interim superintendent for a year.

The new principal said he is busy making some changes at the school and preparing for the year ahead. He said he is impressed with the school and is looking forward to serving as its administrator.



MRS. DALE (JOAN) GREY has been chosen nursing supervisor at Pioneer Memorial Hospital, succeeding Mrs. Marvin Casebeer who served in that capacity for five years. (G-T Photo).

### Joan Grey Heads Hospital Nurses

Mrs. Dale (Joan) Grey has been appointed nursing supervisor at Pioneer Memorial Hospital to succeed Mrs. Marvin (Ruth) Casebeer who has moved to Bates where her husband is employed, Will O'Hara, hospital administrator, announces.

Mrs. Casebeer has been nursing supervisor for the past five years and was employed at the hospital for four years prior to that.

Five full time nurses and 16 nurse's aides are on the hospital staff. Mrs. Grey has been employed as a nurse at the hospital for three years as of October, 1965. She is a graduate of Heppner High school with the class of 1955 and is a graduate of Deaconess Hospital, Spokane, in 1960. Mrs. Grey is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wright of Heppner.

O'Hara said that patient load at the hospital has been heavier this summer than the average for this season of the year with about 11 patients per day as compared to five or six for a normal summer. In addition there are 18 in the nursing home section of the hospital on the lower level.

### Hospital Engaged In Improvements; TV Sets Coming

Improvements at Pioneer Memorial hospital are nearing completion, Administrator Will O'Hara said Monday.

Major improvement is that to the kitchen which had to be repaired when floor sank because of settling of the soil below. The floor had dropped some three inches and disrupted plumbing connections, the result of a fill beneath at the time of construction 15 years ago, O'Hara said.

All appliances and equipment had to be removed and a small utility room had been in use as a kitchen. A concrete floor was poured in the kitchen and a new type of floor covering was troweled on, leaving an unbroken surface without seams. The rest requires no waxing.

The large electric range has been completely gone over by Bob Lowe, hospital custodian.

One sink will be rebuilt, a new refrigerator will be installed and a steam table will be among the improvements.

Move back into the kitchen started this week as painters completed their work. Shelving and cupboards will be replaced with open metal shelving to replace old covered shelving in the adjoining store room.

About 120 meals per day are served at the hospital, O'Hara said.

Meanwhile, work is in progress on installing a large emergency generator that would supply electricity to the hospital during any prolonged power outage. The generator will be placed on a concrete slab outside the building. It was purchased as surplus at very low cost.

Television sets will be installed in each room of the hospital sometime in the fall, made possible by a bequest from the late Alfred Troedson. These will be equipped with pillow speakers and remote controls for the convenience of the patients. There are now only two television sets in the hospital, O'Hara said.

### WEATHER

By LEONARD GILLIAM

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	95	59	—
Friday	98	59	—
Saturday	98	60	—
Sunday	100	67	.02
Monday	86	55	—
Tuesday	83	52	—
Wednesday	86	50	—

Total precipitation for month of July was .76", same as that recorded for July of last year.

### Board Agrees To \$108,000 As Local Part

Cost of construction of the Riverside High school has increased considerably in the past two years, but under a plan proposed by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers after negotiating with the Morrow County School District, cost to the district will be down by some \$13,000, David Potter, superintendent of schools, said Wednesday night.

At a special meeting Wednesday night the directors signed a letter agreeing to pay 8% of the total cost of construction, Potter said.

At the time of an initial agreement in 1963, the cost was figured at \$905,000 of which the district would pay \$123,000 and the U. S. Army Corps would pay \$782,000.

Under the new plan arrived at when representatives of the district met with the Corps at Walla Walla Monday, the district will pay only 8% of the construction cost, now figured at \$1,350,000. Thus, the district cost will be about \$108,000 and the Corps will pay \$1,240,000.

Because of a change in state standards, the school will include an area of 50,000 square feet as compared with the initial plan for 40,000 square feet. The original \$123,000 to be paid by the district was to be for betterments above "replacement in kind." Under the new plan the Corps will absorb cost of some of the betterments but asks the district to pay the percentage as a share of increase in costs accruing during the time the board held its decision on the school in abeyance.

This arrangement must be approved by the Pacific Division of the Corps in Portland after which it will go to the Chief of Engineers in Washington, D. C., for final decision.

The new school is to be located at the new Boardman townsite, now under construction to be ready prior to the rising of the John Day Dam reservoir.

### Back-to-School Event Next Week

Would you believe it? School is only a month away, starting in Morrow county on Tuesday, September 7, the day after Labor Day.

Heppner merchants realize this fact and offer parents and students the opportunity of getting ready for the school year. They will stage their Back-to-School and Friday, the 13th, promotion on the week-end of Friday and Saturday, August 13 and 14.

Back to School stocks are ready, and some extra good values will be offered for the promotional event.

There will be free parking on Friday, August 13, this time. Usually the free parking is on Saturday during the promotional events, but it was moved up a day in keeping with the Friday 13th theme.

### Good Shrine Tickets Are Still Available

A few excellent seats are still available to those who have not yet purchased their tickets to the East-West Shrine football game in Pendleton on August 21, according to Larry Cook, local chairman.

The tickets are available in the office of Dr. L. D. Tibbles. The next order of tickets is expected to be in second-rate seating areas.

### Paper Asks Help On Early Copy, Ads

Cooperation of advertisers and the public is needed by the paper in submitting advertising and news copy early for the next few weeks.

One of the backshop staff will be on vacation next week, and this is also the edition for the Back to School and Friday 13th promotion with a heavier workload than usual anticipated.

Cooperation on the early copy will be appreciated. Any advertiser who needs help on layouts or other assistance for the Back to School event is invited to contact the paper.



MAJOR WINNERS in the Gazette-Times subscription campaign, concluded Saturday, were these five lively young salesmen. From left they are Frank Halvorsen, lone, who won the grand prize; Alvin Vinson, Lexington, who won the district two cap-

ital prize; Kelly Green, Heppner, who won the district one capital prize; Tricia Prock, Heppner, who won fourth prize; and Janet Gentry, Heppner, who won fifth prize.

## Frank Halvorsen Wins Grand Prize in Campaign

Frank Halvorsen of Lone won the grand prize in the subscription campaign of the Gazette-Times, which concluded Saturday, as he earned 1,594,750 points under the terms of the campaign.

Capital prize winner in district one (Heppner) was Kelly Green, Heppner, with 754,500 points, and Alvin Vinson of Lexington won the capital prize in district two (outside of Heppner) with 583,250 points.

Tricia Prock in the Heppner

district followed Green with 626,250 points, and Janet Gentry was fifth in the campaign with 375,000 points.

The winners had the choice of taking bicycles as part of their prize awards, but all elected to take the cash.

Fifteen other salesmen in the campaign received commissions on the subscriptions they sold.

Halvorsen and Charlotte Hatter of Kinzua tied for a first extra prize of \$10 in cash given for securing the most points on new subscriptions during the

third and fourth report periods, and duplicate cash prizes were given. Halvorsen won a second extra prize of \$10 in cash for securing the most points during the fifth, sixth and seventh report periods.

Many new subscribers were added to the list of Gazette-Times readers as a result of the campaign, and hundreds renewed their subscriptions, so that the paper stands at what is probably a record high in readers during its 82-year history.

The paper staff extends thanks to all the young salesmen who did such an excellent job, and to all those who responded with new subscriptions or renewals in the campaign. Bud Weik of Sandy was campaign manager for Burton L. Denton Subscription Campaigns and the reception by the public in the area is appreciated. Thanks also go to Randall Peterson who acted as judge of the campaign. Complete statement of the judge is on page two of this paper.