



## Salem Scene

by Everett E. Cutter

### 'Down To Business' on Air, Water Quality

Oregon can clean up its own waters and free its air from industrial waste, but all states probably will have to look to the federal government to police that greatest pollution health hazard: motor vehicle exhaust.

That is the view of Sen. Ben Musa (D-The Dalles), chairman of the new Senate standing committee on air and water quality control. The "long overdue" committee was created this year because increased activity in purifying our state has outgrown the scope of Health and Welfare.

Sen. Musa, whose leadership includes committee round-table discussions to isolate and analyze specific problem areas, believes everything possible must be done at the state level to abate stream pollution and eliminate industrial wastes going into the air. He further believes these goals are attainable within the framework of existing statutes.

"We have enough air and water quality laws," he states. "What we need is enforcement, and adequate financing for the State Sanitary Authority."

The Sanitary Authority, he says, has done a good job, albeit somewhat optimistic in regard to its limited budget. He points to the proposed 1967-68 budget submitted by outgoing Gov. Hatfield, in which Sanitary Authority requests have been whittled by Finance and Administration recommendations from \$639,357 to \$490,524 for air

quality control and from \$824,021 to \$609,695 for water clean-up.

The veteran legislator and 1963 Senate president also believes the regulatory body could operate more efficiently if more technical people served on its board. His committee is considering an amendment to change the board's composition and make it more independent. Under present law, it consists of the state health officer, state engineer, one member each from the fish and game commissions, and three public members from as many Congressional districts.

"It reminds me of the 1935 law when dog racing came to Oregon," says Sen. Musa, "and every senator and representative had to name someone to the commission. What did we know about dog racing?"

Industry representatives and others have been cooperative in providing technical background, he feels, but their role should encompass policy making as well as advising.

In tackling current problems, Sen. Musa's committee is considering legislation to offer tax incentives to industries installing pollution control equipment after a certain date. Such industries might expect a write-off against their corporate income taxes, a direct tax credit similar to investment credit, or a limited property tax exemption on their new devices.

### Justices Oppose Proposed Measure

Oregon Justice of the Peace association has voiced opposition to Senate Bill 123 which would abolish justice courts in some counties of the state, especially those served by district courts.

Bill Marshall, Arlington justice of the peace, in a telephone call to the Gazette-Times Tuesday called attention to a public hearing before the Senate Judiciary committee at 1 p.m. on March 1 in Salem. He said that justices of the peace have been seeking the aid of Rep. Irvin Mann and Sen. Ben Musa in opposing the bill.

Marshall said that Gilliam and Morrow counties apparently would not be affected by the bill at the start but that passage would be a "foot in the door." The Arlington justice of the peace said that, while criticism has been directed towards their number because some are said to lack legal knowledge, he feels that the public would rather "talk to their own kind" on minor offenses.

He requested anyone interested to attend the hearing and testify on the bill.

A number of attorneys have taken an opposite position on the bill, feeling that justice can be more fairly and consistently administered by those trained in the legal profession.

## Riverside FFA Holds Annual Banquet

By MARY LEE MARLOW

BOARDMAN—About 100 persons attended the annual Parent and Son FFA Banquet held last week in the school cafeteria. Mike Partlow, chapter president, was toastmaster, and Don Jorgenson gave the invocation.

Opening ceremonies were by the chapter officers which included besides Partlow: Bob McRae, vice-president; George Kenny, secretary; Keith Maddox, treasurer; Carol Lathrop, reporter; Chet Phillips, sentinel; Ronald Black, advisor. Gene Gollyhorn gave the address of Welcome, and Chet Phillips introduced the guests.

Ronald Black presented the following Foundation Awards: farm mechanics, Keith Maddox; farm electricity, Bob McRae; soil and water management, Mike Partlow; crops farming, George Kenny; farm safety, Chet Phillips; public speaking, Mike Partlow; home improvement, Don Jorgenson; Star Greenhand, Bob Skoubo; Star Chapter Farmer, Mike Partlow.

The officers presented Honorary Chapter Farmer degrees to Mr. and Mrs. James McRae and Mrs. Ronald Black.

Films of the national FFA convention in Kansas City, Mo., were shown by Chet Phillips. Bob McRae, Keith Maddox and Don Jorgenson.

The speaker of the evening was Gary Wells, state sentinel from Wy-East High school.

There are 30 members in the Riverside chapter. The dinner was prepared and served by Mrs. Della Lindsay and her Home Economics class. It consisted of ham, baked potatoes, corn, tossed salad, rolls and jelly, coffee and milk, and apple crisp ala mode.

### New Church to Hold Service

The first service in the new Boardman Community church will be held March 4. New hour for the opening of Sunday School has been announced by Pastor George Neely to be at 9:45 a.m. instead of 9:55. Church services will be at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

At the evening service March 4, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Goodman, missionaries from Indonesia and Borneo will be speakers.

Glen Terry of the World Gospel Crusade at Upland, Calif., will show a color and sound film, "Narciso", at Community Church March 8 at 7:30 p.m. The film was produced professionally in Mexico. Friends are invited to attend.

Mrs. Leo Root was hostess for the Boardman Garden Club the first of last week at her home.

### 4-H Leaders' Council Plans Coming Year

South Morrow County 4-H Leaders' Council met Thursday, February 16, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cutsforth. President Bob Bergstrom presided over a meeting which heard a complete treasurers report for the year past and discussed budget plans for the next 4-H year.

Discussion also took place on the subject of improvements in 4-H Council equipment, snack shack and summer camp facilities.

Mrs. Cutsforth and her co-hostess, Mrs. Gladys Van Winkle, served dessert and coffee to those present.

Roll call was answered by giving the name of a flower to be planted in the yard this spring.

It was voted to have a clean-up campaign in Boardman to get rid of all the debris that has blown against fences, etc., and to ask the city officials and other organizations if they were interested in helping with the project.

In a game played prizes were won by Mrs. Zearl Gillespie and Mrs. Frank Marlow. Mrs. Rollin Bishop received the door prize.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Roy Ball on March 20.

At the request of parents, Mrs. Harold Baker has started holding kindergarten classes in her home each morning from 9 to 11:30. All supplies are furnished.

Any mother interested in sending a child may contact Mrs. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ball spent the week-end in Yakima, Wash., visiting at the home of Ball's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Rod Flug went to Hood River over the week-end to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gotz.

Mrs. Frank Marlow visited three days last week with her aunt, Mrs. Ernest Zerba, and Mrs. A. C. Knudson, in Walla Walla, Wash.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tatone included his brother-in-law and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Don Pfennig, and Mr. and Mrs. O. Stetzman, of Portland, his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Tatone of The Dalles, and his mother, Mrs. Dominic Tatone of Arlington, who were all celebrating the elder Mrs. Tatone's birthday.

Cafeteria menus for Riverside High school and Boardman Grade school for the week of March 6-10 are as follows: Monday—hot ham sandwiches, buttered corn, vegetable sticks and berry cobbler; Tuesday—pizza, tossed salad, filled graham crackers and fruit; Wednesday—stew, cheese sticks, rolls and jelly; and pudding; Thursday—creamed beef and biscuits, green beans, vegetable sticks and ice cream; Friday—fish fillet, Tatar sauce, buttered corn, and cake with berry sauce.

Mrs. Hazel Miller and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Effie Miller, visited friends in The Dalles over the week-end.

Mrs. Herman Burg and child-

ren Debbie and Steve of Valleyford, Wash., were week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rash. Carolyn Burg visited Anna Obermeier, and Luann Burg was a visitor at the home of Pam Kuhn.

## Rockhound Corner

By ELEANOR GONTY

A report on the Portland Rock Show by Mrs. George Miller, Federation chairman of the Morrow County Gem and Mineral Society, was a featured part of the February meeting of the club on Saturday evening, February 25.

Theme of the show, held at the OMSI building, was "From Pick to Polish." The three stages of rock were discussed; first in the rough material, then slabs, and finally cut, polished and made into jewelry. Mrs. Miller estimated over 3,100 people had attended the show.

Mr. Miller told of seeing some of the interesting fossils and artifacts that were from the Hancock collection.

Three Rivers Gem and Mineral show will be held in Richland on March 17, 18 and 19. Several members of the Heppner club are planning to attend.

The society is planning a field trip to the Columbia River area on a Sunday in March. Members will be contacted as to the exact date.

Members are saving commemorative postage stamps in order to salvage the dye which can be used in geology research. Any group or individual wishing to help with this continuing project should contact Ed Gonty.

Slides on "The Starry Universe" were shown for those present by Ed Gonty.

George Miller won the door prize, a slab of polished agate brought by Ervin Anderson.

President Avery Taylor presided at the meeting. Guests welcomed were Peggy Taylor and Melinda Eubanks, small granddaughter of Mrs. Alice McCabe.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson served delicious refreshments.

Next meeting of the society will be at the former city library building on Saturday, March 25, at 8 p.m.

## Anderson Elected As Vice-President Of Hereford Group

The Oregon Hereford Association held its annual meeting and election of officers at La Grande recently, and elected Don Bradshaw, Central Point, as the new President. Bradshaw served the 70-member group as Vice-president during the past year and succeeds John Osborn of Baker at the helm of the organization.

The new Vice-President is Frank Anderson, Heppner and continuing as secretary-treasurer is Ruth Adams, Enterprise. Newly elected to the board of directors were J. R. Breese, Prineville; Leonard Forster, Tangent; Henry Heyden, La Grande.

Other directors are John Osborn, Baker; Brent Horn, Echo; R. A. Brogotti, La Grande; and Rod Wright, Klamath Falls.

Plans were discussed for the Far Western Hereford Heifer Sale at La Grande on April 5, and for the Hereford Congress

## Basic Electronics Course Considered

Possibly a course in basic electronics will be offered for the coming year of 1967-68 at Heppner High school. This course is being planned by Elmer Weltzel and Hal Whitaker. The two high school teachers attended Blue Mountain Community College last week and interviewed the head of the BMCC electronics course. While at the college they viewed equipment and the program involved in the course. The course has been approved by the Morrow County school board and teachers are now waiting for information on equipment from different companies.

Basic electronics is a course designed to familiarize students with basic electronic equipment and theory.

to be held in Pendleton on May 19 and 20, to be followed by a two-day tour in several counties in the north central part of Oregon, visiting a number of Hereford herds.



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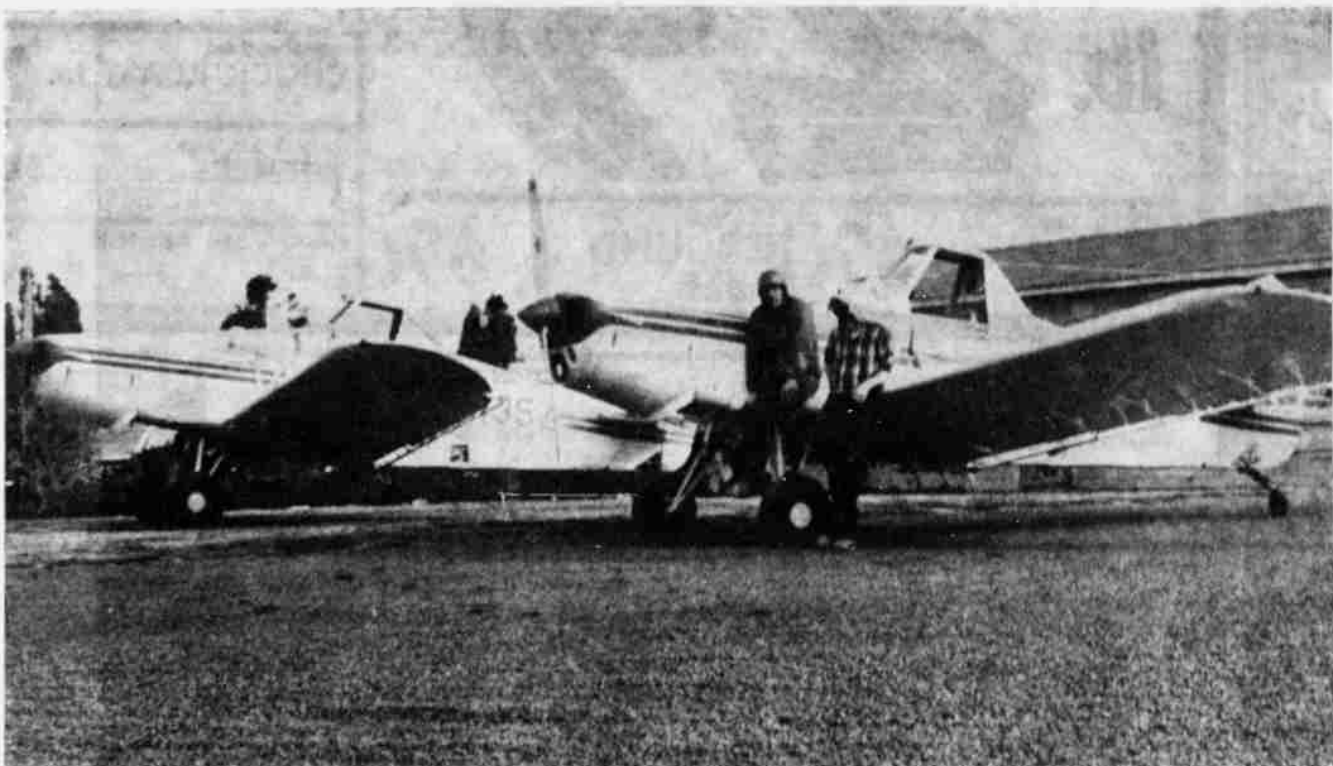
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