

Kinzua Buys Big Forest Land Tract

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Company Gets 52,000 Acres From Hudspeth

Purchase of approximately 52,000 acres of forest and open lands from the Lloyd Hudspeth estate was consummated on July 25 by Kinzua Corporation as agent for a group of individuals designated as "Kinzua owners," Allen Nistad, general manager of the company, announced Wednesday.

The purchasers are presently holding the properties operated by Kinzua Corporation. Main block of the purchase is the Rudio Mountain area with major drainage to the John Day river. It lies above Monument, Kimberly and Dayville and is some 75 miles east of the Kinzua Corporation mill at Kinzua.

The large acreage will be added to Kinzua's present 172,500-acre tree farm, bringing the total acreage in the tree farm to 224,500.

Nistad said that the purchase was made to assure a continuous sustained yield operation for the company. Improvements will be made to the forest tract through the tree farm operation. The general manager said that much of the timber on the purchase is destined for the sawmill at Heppner.

He said that the corporation and the purchasers are "very happy" about the transaction and are eager to utilize it in their operation. Nistad also said that logging operations are well underway in company holdings of the Snow Basin burn, hit by fire a few weeks ago.

"The timber is proving highly salvageable, and we're logging it vigorously," he said. Dust from ashes of the fire is proving to be a considerable handicap, but workmen are wearing masks and making the best of it, Nistad added.



MORROW COUNTY JAYCEES give a severe test to the new slide that they purchased and installed at the city park. "Anchor Man" at left is Reggie Pascal, and going from left to right are Tom Wilson, Clyde Allstott, Rich Vinson, Jerry Hollomon and Bob Hager. The slide stood the test, proving sound and sturdy. (G-T Photo).

Two Firms Merge Sales Operations

Announcement of the merger of sales operations of Kinzua Corporation of Kinzua and Heppner and Biles-Coleman Lumber Co. of Omak, Wash., have been announced by E. W. Stuchell, president of Kinzua Corp., according to a story in The Oregonian Friday.

Sales operations for both mills will be at the Biles-Coleman offices in Omak, Stuchell said. He was quoted as saying that the merger puts the firm "in an important new position as a softwood lumber producer, adding that the merger took a year to complete.

The report added that in terms of combined production, Kinzua and Biles-Coleman rank 25th in the United States and Canada. Sales in 1967-68 fiscal period were in excess of \$20 million.

Boeing Steps Up Testing Program

The Boeing Company has stepped up its testing program on jet engines at its installation in Morrow county, Forrest Zuppe, manager of the operation here, said this week.

Crew working on sound suppression testing of the jet engines has been increased from a force of 12 to some 25 to 30, Zuppe said. The program has been expanded from one to two shifts, being from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. and the other from 12:30 a.m. until 7:30 a.m.

Two jet engine testing programs are being conducted, Zuppe said. It is hoped that data being collected will be useful in sound suppression of the aircraft engines.

The manager said that he expected the present crew of 25 to 30 to be a "stable" force at the installation near Boardman.

Follensbee Picked For Montana Post

Jim Follensbee, office manager of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative here for the past 1 1/2 years, has accepted a position as manager of the Big Horn County Electric Cooperative at Lodgegrass, Mont., he said Monday.

Follensbee is scheduled to start work on the new position on September 1 and will move with his family by the end of August. The couple has three children, two of whom are of school age. They will live in Hardin, Mont.

The Follensbees came here from Eureka, Mont., to take the Columbia Basin position. In the short time that they have been here, they have been solid supporters of the Heppner area and Morrow county. They have made many friends and said that they have enjoyed living here.

Senate and House Agree on \$27,000 For Willow Study

A wire service news item from Washington, D. C., Friday reported that \$27,000 for the Willow Creek project is among \$48.5 million for Army Engineer construction and planning in Oregon approved by House and Senate conferees.

The announcement came as some surprise locally, and it is not known whether the sum is a part of, or in addition to, appropriations previously asked for investigation and survey of the project here.

County Judge Paul Jones said Tuesday that he had sent a telegram to Congressman Al Ullman, asking for clarification.

Also included was the Columbia South Side project for \$41,300 for investigation and survey. This is the project that may be feasible for irrigation along the south bank of the Columbia River, a good part of which lies in Morrow county.

Earlier this year, a sum was appropriated for the Bureau of Reclamation for its feasibility study of the irrigation feature of the Willow Creek project. This work has been underway this summer with field work being done a number of weeks ago. Results of the survey have not been reported as yet.

The \$27,000 reported in the Friday news story was said to be for Army Engineers construction and planning. Hence, it is believed that this is not included in the amount announced earlier in the year for the Bureau of Reclamation.

Both agencies have a hand in the proposed Willow Creek project. While it is essentially a Corps of Engineers project, the Bureau of Reclamation is working with the irrigation feature of the multipurpose project.

The Friday story said that the \$48.5 million approved for Corps projects in Oregon is nearly \$1 million more than the house had planned to approve, but represents a cut of \$1.4 million from the figure asked in the President's budget message last January. The amount includes \$45.1 million for construction and \$1.4 million for planning.

Tickets on Sale For Shrine Game

Those planning to go to the Shrine East-West A-2 and B All-Star football game in Pendleton on the night of Saturday, August 24, may obtain tickets here now from Dr. L. D. Tibbles.

Dr. Tibbles has acted as local source for the tickets for a number of years. The quantity he has on hand is less than usual, perhaps because of the conflict with the Morrow county rodeo.

Those who wish tickets are advised to get them early in order that they may have good preference as to seating.

Jaycees Plot to Regain Trophy at Coronation

Information from the underground indicates that Morrow County Jaycees are plotting—by fair or devious means—to regain the coveted trophy from the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce at the annual Tag of War coming on Saturday night, August 10.

This event will be one of the features at the coronation of her majesty, Queen Bernice Matthews, of the Morrow county Fair and Rodeo court. It will be held at the fairgrounds.

Last year, the C of C stunned the Jaycees by pulling them into the streams of water issuing from fire hoses, despite the heralded feats of prowess and super strength of the younger men.

Another highly popular event to be at the coronation will be a series of amateur boxing matches, popularly called a "smoker." Contestants are currently being signed, and a number have been in training at the summer recreation program at the high school.

Those who wish to participate in the boxing matches must have slips authorizing parents' consent. These are available at Heppner Barber Shop and from Stuart Dick, lifeguard at the swimming pool.

Wes Sherman, president of the Chamber of Commerce, has appointed Randall Peterson to recruit and train C of C members, their friends, relatives, allies and associates.

for the team to humble the Jaycees once more. (In the meantime a frantic search is on for the inimitable trophy, which seems to be lost from last year. Will everyone check their ash trays to see if one may be the priceless trophy—an old coffee can with a balancing wire handle?)

If the new steel grandstand is not ready in time to be used, the coronation will be at the buckaroo stands across the way.

Bruce Rigby of the Jaycees is scheduled to be master of ceremonies.

In one of the few announcements regarding their highly-guarded plans for the tug-of-war, the Jaycees said that all their officers are being conscripted for front line duty on the rope, and would like to see the Chamber officers do the same, that is if they have the nerve to show up and get dragged through the mud. Meanwhile, there was a vicious rumor floating around that Chamber of Commerce officers are burning their draft cards.

However, it is well established that a golf tournament in another town is working effective espionage for the Jaycees by enticing virtually all of its able-bodied citizens.

In any event, it is assured that there will be a big crowd on hand at the coronation, as there has been ever since the Jaycees stepped in to sponsor it.

Morrow Jaycees Install New Slide At Heppner Park

Morrow county Jaycees, who have carried on a continuing project of improvements to the Heppner city park, added another chapter recently by installing a new slide at the playground.

The 20-ft. slide was installed about two weeks ago with the members doing the work after purchasing it from an equipment company. Cost of the slide was \$138. It adds to the facilities for children, which include swings, rings and a merry-go-round, all in a fenced play area.

Other recent contributions to the park by the Jaycees were three picnic tables, made by and purchased from Beckett Equipment Co., and three garbage cans. Lumber for the picnic tables was donated by Kinzua Corporation.

There are now five sturdy picnic tables in the park area, most of them made by Harold Beck, and it is an attractive place for picnic dinners and outings. Trees on the lawn adjoining the library-museum have grown fast and give abundant shade. Lawn is thick and green, and the entire park beckons an invitation this summer season.

Hermiston Man Hurt in Accident

Driver of an auto involved in a one-car accident north of Heppner early Tuesday morning was hospitalized and a passenger sustained minor injuries.

William Hoffman, 36, Hermiston, was taken to Pioneer Memorial hospital for treatment of a broken left arm, cuts, abrasions and bruises. Michael Tompkins, 25, Rt. 1, Hermiston, owner of the car that Hoffman was driving, was given medical treatment at the hospital for minor injuries.

The car failed to fully negotiate the S-curve near the Molahan place on the highway to Lexington. A state police officer who investigated said that the vehicle traveled 492 feet after the brakes were first applied. The car was headed north, rounded the first part of the curve but went out of control in attempting to negotiate the second part. It traveled along an embankment, flipped and came to rest on its wheels, headed back towards Heppner, the officer said.

The accident happened about 5 a.m. The 10-year-old automobile was a total loss and was taken to Ceglia's Wrecking Yard.

A near-accident close to the same turn occurred at 10 a.m. Tuesday when a load of 2x's on the trailer of Woodpecker Trucking Co. rig shifted. The driver stopped without losing control of the vehicle but it was necessary to unload the trailer and reload the lumber before proceeding. He was hauling from Kinzua Corporation mill at Kinzua.

Police Chief Kolkhorst Discusses 'Gap' Between Law and Society

A void in understanding between law enforcement officers and society is known to policemen as "The Gap." Chief of Police Glen Kolkhorst told the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce Monday in a talk on police-community relations.

"This gap has been broadening," he said.

Supplanting of foot patrolmen to cars with 2-way radios is partly responsible because it has eliminated the public's chance to communicate with the officer making his rounds on foot, Chief Kolkhorst said.

"At one time furnishing information to a policeman was considered a person's duty as a good citizen. Today, the same person may be called a 'stool pigeon,'" he said.

Police are setting up communications centers in high crime areas and are encouraging people to come with their problems. "Citizens involved with making a living have tended to move away from their civic responsibilities," the chief said, "such as serving on juries, giving information and acting as witnesses."

Mutual understanding and cooperation between the citizenry and the officers helps break down "The Gap," Chief Kolkhorst declared.

Primary responsibility of the police is to serve the public. The



CHIEF GLEN KOLKHORST

Shall We Say 'Warm'?

No, Sunday didn't set a record high for the summer temperature in Heppner, according to the report of Don Gilliam, official observer. The mercury reached 101 but it will have to top 103 degrees to hit a new mark for 1968. Nights stayed warm, the temperature never falling below 51. And not a single drop of rain fell even though just a little bit would have hoisted this July over the average for the months of July. Complete report is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	88	51	—
Thursday	91	55	—
Friday	93	55	—
Saturday	98	60	—
Sunday	101	65	—
Monday	95	60	—
Tuesday	85	55	—



PRINCESS SHEILA LUCIANI

Dance Spotlights Princess Sheila

Spotlight will be on Princess Sheila Luciani here Saturday night when she is honored at the fourth princess dance of the summer at the Morrow county fair pavilion. Music will be furnished by The Miss Fortunes of The Dalles, with dancing from 9:30 to 1:00.

Princess Sheila was chosen in February by the Lexington Grange to be its representative on this year's court. The tall and stately brunette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Luciani, adds much grace and charm to the court of Queen Bernice Matthews. Her ready smile and pleasant disposition win her many admirers as the court makes its appearances to neighboring communities. Riding talent and general popularity seem to run in the Luciani family, as her oldest sister, Karla, preceded her as a rodeo princess in the 1965 court.

Raised on the large family stock and grain ranch in the Pine City area, Princess Sheila has developed interests in riding and helping her parents with ranch duties. During the summer harvest, she is an important member of the crew, driving grain trucks for her father, helping with harvest supplies, also with rounding up stock and taking care of her own good-sized beef herd, which started as a 4-H project.

Princess Sheila started riding when she was six years of age, and was active in horse and livestock 4-H clubs for eight years. She has grown to womanhood on the ranch where her parents came to live in 1949. Her father, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Luciani of Echo, grew up near Echo. With his wife, a native of South Dakota and small daughter, they moved in 1949 to the ranch which has since been their home. The family has been active in Lena Grange, and in several smaller community groups. Interests have included boating at the McNary Yacht Club, and riding with the Heppner Wranglers. They are active members of Trinity Lutheran church in Hermiston.

Sheila attended her first five grades of school in Echo, then transferred to the Heppner schools, where she graduated this spring.

During her senior year, Sheila held several offices of responsibility, which included being treasurer of the student body, president of Future Homemakers of America club, and captain of the pep club's drill team. At the same time she maintained high grades and was a member of the National Honor Society, and participated in activities of the student council, Girls' League and the Pep Club.

She plans to continue her education by enrolling this fall at Oregon State University, with plans to specialize in guidance and counseling in the field of teaching.

Besides her parents, her family includes her older sister, Karla, a beautician in Portland;

Merchants Meeting Scheduled Friday

Meeting of Heppner merchants is scheduled for Friday at noon in the Wagon Wheel Cafe, Mrs. LeRoy Gardner, announcer.

All merchants are urged to attend in order that plans may be made for forthcoming events. Scheduled for fall are Crazy Days and Moonlight Sale.

Any merchant who cannot attend themselves are asked to send a representative to the luncheon meeting.

younger sister, Patty; and a brother, John Henry. In her appearances with the court this summer, Princess Sheila rides the family's well-trained quarter horse "Honey". Next scheduled dance will follow the coronation ceremonies for Queen Bernice next Saturday evening, July 10. The public is urged to give continued support to coming events for the court.



JIM BARNETT

Barnett to Seek Sheriff's Post As Independent

Jim Barnett, mayor of Ione and resident there all of his life, announced this week that he plans to be a candidate for Morrow county sheriff on the general election ballot in November.

He took out petitions from the office of Mrs. Sadie Parrish, county clerk, last week to obtain the necessary signatures for filing as an independent candidate. A total of 105 signatures is necessary, being 5% of the total votes cast in the county for presidential electors in 1964.

Candidates who will be on the ballot representing their parties as a result of the primary election in May are C.J.D. Bauman, Republican, sheriff for many years; and John Mollahan, who won the Democratic nomination, defeating Bert Corbin.

Barnett said that friends have assured him that necessary signatures will be obtained within a short time.

He has operated a service station in Ione for 15 years and has been active in civic, community, lodge and club affairs there. He is a past master of the Ione Masonic lodge, past patron of the Order of Eastern Star, past president of the Ione Lions club, and past commander of the Ione post, American Legion.

Barnett has served as mayor of Ione for two years and was on the city council for 10 years prior to that time.

He is a veteran both of World War II and of the Korean War. He served 22 months in the navy in the area of New Guinea during World War II and was in the Korean conflict for 16 months after being called back to active duty in the Navy as a reserve.