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Congratulations to Men of Kinzua Corp.

Congratulations to men of Kinzua Corporation who have achieved an excellent safety record this past year. The total of all operations, which includes the Heppner and Kinzua plants and the Eastern Oregon Logging Co. showed a reduction of 57 1/2 percent in the number of lost time accidents over the previous year 1968.

By divisions Eastern Oregon Logging Co. had a 71 percent reduction, Heppner 50 percent and Kinzua 50 percent.

Each plant is encouraged to surpass these excellent improvements and make 1970 even safer!

Morrow Can Stay First

About a year ago Wes Sherman commended Morrow County for leading the state in percentage of registered voters casting ballots in the general election. He pointed out that it is possible that our residents take their voting franchise just a little more seriously than do those in some other areas of the state.

The record here is nearly 90% voting and Wes urged everyone to resolve to "up our voting percentage. If everyone took the clue and made a sincere effort, the county could come close to 100%. That would not only give the state something to talk about, but would give Morrow County some national recognition."

Perhaps the thing to do would be to urge your friends to be sure and register, if they're not registered. Then, when it's time, to be sure to vote. If we want to enough, we can make Wes' wish come true.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editors:

Miss Frieda Mason is with a group of about 40 from the Lutheran College in Tacoma, who left by plane Friday for a trip to Italy. They are on a 23-day tour. Frieda, a former student in the Lutheran school is now attending Lewis and Clark College in Portland. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mason, Jr., of Oakgrove and granddaughter of Mrs. A. H. Nelson of Terwilliger Plaza in Portland and of Mrs. Ruth Mason of Wilamette View Manor, Portland. They are all former lone residents.

Very truly yours,
Josephine Mahoney Baker
2545 S. W. Terwilliger,
Apt. 525
Portland 97201

January 8, 1970
Charles & Dorothy Heard,
Publishers
The Heppner Gazette-Times
Heppner, Oregon

Dear Charles & Dorothy:

Although I have not had the pleasure of meeting you in person, my weekly reading of the Gazette-Times over the past two month period, with its folksy news and comments makes me feel that I have known you always. Your wide and varied coverage of events and subjects in the news within Heppner and Morrow County appeals to me greatly.

As a native son and resident of the county for over 61 years I am still most interested in their wonderful people and their daily endeavors. We are also still fairly large property owners and taxpayers within the county and are naturally interested in the progress of Morrow County and the state.

We are enclosing our check for another year's subscription to the Gazette-Times and trust that your faith in the future of Morrow County will prove rewarding.

Sincerely,
Garnet Barratt

Dear Editors:

Creston (Cres) Maddock was to see me today and in our visiting he told me that his sister, Gussie Wilkins, had died in December, 1969 in San Francisco, at the age of 87 years. She is survived by a son, Lawrence of Los Gatos, Calif. He is retired from the telephone company. Her daughter, Frances Wilkins, is working for the State of California in San Francisco. There are also two grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Her husband, Joe Wilkins, died several years ago and was buried in Eureka, Calif. The Wilkins owned the old Palace Hotel which stood on the corner of Main and May streets

where the Rosewall Garage now stands. This was a pretentious three story brick building. It was destroyed by fire in 1918.

Cres is a retired insurance man.

Very truly yours,
Josephine Mahoney Baker
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From the Kinzua Log

Department of Forestry
John Day, Oregon
Dec. 23, 1969

Mr. Allen Nistad
Kinzua Corporation
Kinzua, Oregon

Dear Allen:
We had a successful 1969 fire season. The contributions of the Kinzua Corporation towards this effort was outstanding. Your interest in furthering the protection efforts in the East Central Oregon District have contributed towards our goal of preventing the large fires as we had in 1968.

Please convey my personal gratitude to your employees for all their help.

Sincerely,
Harry G. Pearson
District Forester

Kinzua Corporation
Kinzua, Oregon 97849
Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your lumber shipment of Dec. 8, originating in Kinzua and stopping over in Heppner for completion, order No. 3092 shipped in car GTW 515079.

The car arrived last Friday, Dec. 19, and I'd like to report that your lumber was well received. Your customer was favorably impressed with the texture and quality of your 1 x 4 No. 3 Common Ponderosa Pine. We'd like to pass these comments on to you.

Also, the Christmas trees in the car arrived just in time for our customer and his partner to use for their home decoration. They are very appreciative of your thoughtfulness and we, too, want to express our sincerest thanks.

Best wishes for a prosperous New Year.

Kind regards,
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Two Majeskes Home

Donald Majeske who teaches 6th grade at St. Helens and his sister Ginger Majeske, who has been working in Pendleton were both home for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Majeske and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Majeske, at Lexington. Ginger plans to enroll at BMCC for the winter term.

The Good Old Days . . .



IN 1913, the 7th and 8th grades taught by one teacher numbered 46 students. This picture was taken on the back steps of the grade school. All but one of the students have been identified by Lea Briggs Taylor, a member of the class. From left, front row: Garnet Barratt, Vawter Crawford, Jr., whose parents owned the Gazette-Times, Kenneth Binax, Dale Watkins, Jasper Crawford, Alton Hayes, Robert Notson who is now editor of the Oregonian, Emory Gentry, Earl Evans, Ralph Marshall. 2nd row: Lola Hayes (Robinette), (unidentified), Lyle DeVore, Lorraine Groshens, Gladys Wattenburger, Cecil DeVore, Ruth Van Vactor, Nellie Thompson, Alma Akers (Gilliam). 3rd row: (goes zig-zag) Ed Notson,

missionary in Formosa, Willis Winnard, Norton Winnard, Anderson Hayes, who lives at Hotel Heppner, Max Rogers, Henry Aiken, Harry Groshen, Merle Perry, Charlie Wattenburger, Lea Briggs (Taylor), Emile Groshens, Minnie Winters, Earl Gordon, Elverda Winnard, Isabelle Wilson who later married Vawter Crawford, Blanche Akers (Barlow), Willette Barratt, Dessa Devin. Back row: the teacher, Miss Hazel Faucett, Mildred Zehrunig, Mabel Wilcox (Roundy), Blanche Minor, Neva Hayes, Hanna Wilson (Jones), Norma Frederick (Lee), Florence Ralston. (Two boys standing on the right of the picture have been identified by Ed LaTrace as La Monte Slocum and Ed LaTrace).

REMEMBER THIS? REMINISCÉ!

FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
January 15, 1925

Ferguson Bros. have removed their service station to the lot on Main St., formerly owned by the K of P lodge of this city, and more recently used as the place for pitching the big Chautauqua tent. The little building was placed on the corner of the lot on Tuesday, and the boys are getting it nicely shaped up for business. Gene and Raymond Ferguson recently purchased this corner from Marion Evans and when they get fixed up they will have one

of the best locations in the city for a service station.

Dillard Franch was in the city Tuesday from the Gurdane farm. He was interested as a stockholder and director in the annual meeting of the Farmers and Stockgrowers National Bank. Mr. French seems to be wintering quite well.

The Lexington Odd Fellows and Rebekahs entertained the brother and sister lodges of Morrow County at their hall in Lexington on last Thursday evening, and no less than 200 people, members of the orders, were in attendance.

Following the program luncheon was served by the Rebekah lodge of Lexington, and the remainder of the evening was spent in playing games and a general good social time.

Miss Violet Hynd, teacher near Lone, spent the week-end with her parents at Butterby Flats.



Pioneer Ponderings

By W. S. CAVERHILL

Want To Cool Inflation

If you are serious about cooling inflation you might consider the suggestions made by a member of our coffee club. They are simple. "First, let the unemployment figure run to five percent and beyond and Uncle Sam extend unemployment benefits until he runs out of money. Second, let strikes run uninterrupted until their strike funds are exhausted." I believe that would "cool it," but it would "chill" a lot of the rest of us if they did.

What Is Murder?

War, of courses, is premediated mass murder, that incidentally includes noncombatants as well as armed men, on many occasions. I am surprised by the furor rising over the incident in South Vietnam where a couple of sergeants and their men are accused of wiping out an entire village of VC and others. It looks like they are being made the "scapegoats" for something that the military has been doing since we intervened over there. It is being done to purify the atmosphere for the pacification program? If we recall the news reports over the past years, there were daily incidents of much larger slaughter of innocent by bombing raids and artillery attacks. What about the destruction of the Citadel in Hue and the Delta City of ten thousand that was completely destroyed in order to "Save It"? True the innocent victims were not "lined up," but they were just as dead as if they were. The case in question smells like propaganda.

The Real Conservationists

The land the Indians left to us willingly or otherwise was unspoiled. The streams were not obstructed and full of fish. The forests were prime and had no echo of a chain saw. There were no pock marks of prospecting searching for minerals. The mother lodes lay untouched. Pollution of air and streams was minimal. Their trails didn't gash the countryside. Sod remained unturned. There was no erosion. The land they left us was in pristine condition. They were real conservationists. We owe them for that.

Mrs. Driscoll Gives Violet Care

Mrs. James Driscoll gave pointers on care of African violets at the meeting of the Heppner Garden Club Tuesday evening. The group met at the Neighborhood House.

She recommended Blossom Booster for any houseplant as soon as buds appear. She advises adding fertilizer to the violets at least once a month. New violets are propagated from leaf rootings. It takes about 8 months from leaf to bloom. The leaf should be cut with a sharp knife and then left on the counter 2 or 3 hours to harden before being placed in water to start rooting, preferably in colored glass containers.

The potting mixture she uses is made up of sand, peat moss, Black Magic and sterilized dirt. A tip on sterilizing dirt that she passed on to the group is to heat the dirt for 350 degrees for 1 hour. Set it aside for 2 weeks before using it. Stir it every day and add boiled water if it gets dry.

In potting she prefers foam cups. If she uses a tea cup or other container without drainage, she recommends using charcoal in the bottom.

Violets thrive on winter sunshine but no sun from April to November because they sunburn easily.

Bill Rawlins, president announced the next meeting would be the 2nd Monday of February. Members and those interested are to watch the paper for the program.

Ed Hunt of Lexington had surgery Friday at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton. This is his third operation for hernia.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

HEPPNER HIGH BASKETBALL
Jan. 16, Pilot Rock at Pilot Rock
Jan. 17, DeSales at Walla Walla
Jan. 20, BMCC JV's at Heppner

IONE GARDEN CLUB
Feb. 11, 10:00 a.m. Potluck 12:00
Pruning demonstration by Tom Zinn of Condon, 1:00 Public invited.

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Bridge Club Holds Up-Side Down Party

Clara Kincaid says she likes her grandson's whiskers. Lindsay Kincaid is sporting a full beard as the result of some weird statement about a certain football team winning a certain game!

Anyway his whiskers remind his grandmother of an incident that occurred on the old Mason homestead on Rhea Creek. This gentleman who had a full beard had stopped at the ranch and was staying for supper. Clara was just a little girl and her mother had asked her to put the chairs up to the table. It was about the time the gentleman got up from his chair to get a live coal from the fireplace to light his pipe that Clara took his chair to the table. He sat down . . . on the floor. She just chuckled as she told it!

What a lovely library. Made my first visit Monday evening. Time was when that would have been the first place we'd go. If Charlie has a hobby, it's reading. Don and Judy must have inherited his love for reading.

One time I remember when they were both home for spring vacation, I was busy getting breakfast and Don was reading in his favorite chair. Judy got up and said, "I thought I'd get up early and talk to Don but how do you talk to a book?" Then she turned to me "Mother you should know you've been married to one for 22 years!" Now I've been married to the same "book" for 32 years and I still don't know!

The Lexington Bridge Club met on Thursday evening for a traveling party and for the highs and lows to be entertained by the middle scores as pay-off. Mrs. Bob Davidson, Mrs. Mervin Leonard, Mrs. Elden Padberg and Mrs. Dean Hunt were hostesses.

The group met at the home of Mrs. Davidson where refreshments were served at the beginning of the evening. Tally cards and table numbers were drawn and the ladies were informed then where they would be playing.

Table one met at the Padberg home, table two at the Leonard home and table 3 at the Davidson home, with the ladies having to walk from table to table. All report a very good time, but play stopped after five progressions due to weather conditions.

Attending besides the hostesses were Mrs. Lester Cox, Mrs. C. C. Carmichael, Mrs. Gene Cutsforth, Mrs. John Ledbetter, Mrs. Inez Huffman, Mrs. Bob Jepsen, Mrs. Sadie Parrish and Mrs. Art Watkins. Prizes were given to Mrs. Cox, winning high but receiving low, Mrs. Huffman, winning low and receiving high and Mrs. Jepsen, second high and receiving a low.

Square Dance Group Adopts Name

Kinzua square dancing group was formed the first of December with 8 couples having now completed 4 lessons of instruction. At last Saturday night's get-together the name "Kinzua Mountaineers" was chosen and Marvin Sandler was elected as President, Earl Norris Vice-President and Lavina Conner, Secretary-Treasurer. Anyone interested in joining this group contact one of its members. The clubs purpose is to have fun.

The Snappy Snippers met at the Tews home on Dec. 15. We made Christmas cards and tree ornaments to be given to the nursing home and hospital patients. On Dec. 17 we were joined by Mrs. McCabe's club; together we visited the hospital and nursing home patients and sang carols to them.

We met on Jan. 6 at the Tews home. We continued working and practiced sewing on buttons.

Carol McElligott, reporter

Engagement Announced

A Christmas Day family dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Bardenhagen was the occasion for announcement of the betrothal of their daughter, Vicki, to Steve Wagenblast, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wagenblast of Lexington.

The bride-elect, a 1969 graduate of Sherman High School, attended Oregon State University and is currently enrolled at Blue Mountain Community College. Mr. Wagenblast also attended OSU and BMCC. No wedding date has been set.

Senator Jernstedt will make a report on legislative matters next Monday at the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Wagon Wheel.

NOTICE

Personal property taxpayers are required to file a return of taxable property as of January 1, 1970 with the Assessor on or before March 3, 1970. A penalty is provided for late filing.

Inventory owners (including all livestock) will again be eligible for some reduction of property tax this year if the return is filed on time. The law does not permit the Assessor to allow the reduction in inventory value for tax relief under certain circumstances when the personal property report is not accurately reported or is filed after March 3.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

FUTURE PENALTY PROVISIONS—The 1969 Legislature amended ORS 308.295 (Late Filing Penalty Law), to provide: The Penalty for late filing (After March 3) of Personal Property Returns shall be \$1 for each \$1,000 (or Fraction) of True Cash Value but not less than \$10 or more than \$250.

Any person who has not had an opportunity to report by mail or personal contact may obtain the forms at the office of the assessor.

Time is getting short. ORS 308.290 makes it the responsibility of the taxpayer to file these reports on time or incur the penalty provided by law.

JOYCE RITCH
Special Assessor
Morrow County