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Jokesters at Kinzua Corporation posted this notice on a utility pole near the plant Friday to greet the influx of hunters and, possibly, to dampen their enthusiasm for the hunt! It sent the staff on a hunt of its own through the newspaper files for the piece of verse which appears below. It was written by Harry W. Fletcher and published in the Gazette-Times for Oct. 2, 1968. It could have inspired the author of the sign posted near the Kinzua plant.

## Equalization

Oh where is my wandering husband today?  
Well, he's out in the hills and far, far away.  
He's out with his rifle a-hunting the deer  
With chums and a Jeep-load of whiskey and beer.  
And who shall assert that he hasn't the right?  
So that's why my husband is absent tonight.  
Each year he looks forward to having his spree,  
without any qualms or thoughts about me.  
He leaves me alone to look after the place  
And greet his return with a loving embrace.  
Of course I'll be here, where else would I go?  
But what I've been doing he never will know.  
He thinks I'll be knitting or darning his socks  
While he goes cavorting around on the rocks.  
The coast is all clear and I sit here alone.  
The timing is ripe for a spree of our own.  
Come over, my lover, come in the back door.  
There's meat on the griddle and liquor galore.  
While he's hunting deer, his dear's on the loose.  
What's good for the gander is good for the goose.

## \$1.6 million bond issue would complete college

The Blue Mountain Community College campus will be completed within two years if voters of Morrow and Umatilla Counties approve plans proposed by the board of education last night.

The board voted unanimously to ask voters on Nov. 6 to authorize a \$1,600,000 bond issue to construct a physical education and music facility. If approved by voters, construction could be completed by the opening of the 1975-76 school year.

Amount of the levy was reduced by more than \$300,000 when the board ordered reduction of the building from 55,000 to 47,000 square feet. The approved plan to cut the size of the main floor and relocated certain physical education programs to the basement.

Board Member Bob Abrams, Heppner, suggested the reduction in size of the facility, and all other members agreed. He said he felt the district needed the complete facility that would allow a full program of health, recreation and physical education for residents of Morrow and Umatilla Counties.

Kenneth Dauble, board member from Weston, proposed a levy of \$1,600,000 and an early vote. With building costs rising by an average of 1 per cent per month, the election should be held at the earliest possible time, he said. The full board agreed on both the date of the election and the amount of the levy.

Although cost of the facility is pegged at \$1,684,985, state funds will make up the difference between the levy and building costs, President Wallace McCrae pointed out.

The full facility provides for a gymnasium, swimming pool, wrestling and weight lifting facility, handball, lockers, storage and a 3000 square foot music room. The gym, although reduced in size, still allows for two intramural basketball courts or eight badminton courts or three volleyball courts.

McCrae said the facility, although considerably smaller than originally proposed, still retains all the essential elements of a physical education-health-music program and would be adequate for both students and other residents of Morrow and Umatilla Counties.

"The swimming pool," he said, "is not Olympic size but is adequate for our purposes and for recreational and health needs of our two-county area. It will be the only covered pool in the district that will be available to all residents of our two counties," he added.

The music facility will provide classroom space for general choral and instrumental instruction, plus practice area.

Based upon present valuation of the two-county district and a 6 per cent interest rate, cost of the bond issue to voters would be about 25 cents per \$1000 true cash value, McCrae said.

In other action, the board approved final plans for a \$40,000 agriculture laboratory to be constructed on the campus this fall. To be paid out of state funds, the building will include a laboratory for animal science and one for farm machinery. It will be located on the northwest corner of the campus adjoining the animal laboratory.

The board met again last night to open bids for outdoor track and field facilities, including tennis courts, all to be paid from state funds.

## New road plan wins approval

At a meeting of the City Planning Commission last Wednesday evening action was taken to approve another route, alternate B, as the new relocation road leading from the Willow Creek Dam into the City of Heppner.

The original plan submitted by the Corps of Engineers, plan A, met with opposition from some local residents because it necessitated removal of homes in the area, and the proposed road itself had a grade of 8 per cent.

Plan B, although longer, will have only 1 per cent grade. There are no homes requiring removal under this plan, although it will pass directly through the center of 10 building sites owned by Mr. and Mrs. Elwayne Bergstrom, and located just below Skyline Drive.

Alternate plan B was accepted with some modifications, one of them being that an access road be provided for the residents presently living on Skyline Drive.

Allowing Chase Street to remain open is another pro-

posal which will be submitted to the Corps.

The final plan of the road relocation rests with the Corps of Engineers, and at present no cost figures are available for plan B, which may be a determining factor in the choice of the two plans by the Corps of Engineers.

The City Planning Commission also recommended for approval a new 40-unit subdivision with some minor changes required. The proposed site is located in the River Drive area. Builders of the units are Bill Nelson, contractor, and Al Nistad, general manager, Kinzua Corporation.

## MAN HELD ON DWI CHARGE

William Henry Padberg Jr., 49, Heppner, was arrested for driving while under the influence of liquor, Oct. 8.

Bail was set at \$305, and he was released on his own recognizance. He is scheduled to appear in the Morrow County Court on Oct. 16.

## Trinidad visitor praises 4-H work

Morrow County entertained another foreign visitor recently with the arrival of Albert Ridley Ranjattan, 40, 4-H Extension Officer from Trinidad, B. W. I.

For a week he has been the house guest of C. R. "Dick" McElligott of Ione. He is here on behalf of the government of Trinidad to receive training in 4-H work. He started his training in Washington, D. C., in September and will return to Trinidad, Dec. 8.

Ranjattan told the Gazette-Times that Trinidad has 45 4-H Clubs with 1500 members between the ages of 9 and 19.

"What you have here is fantastic," he said. "Imagine, here youth is taught such things as forestry, how to make camps in the outdoors, how to control fires and survive with nature. Morrow County 4-H is a vibrant and functional one. Very good."

He was impressed, he said, with the fact that half the eligible youth of the county is actively engaged in 4-H work.

He was equally impressed with the wheat and grain growing capacity of the area. It was, he said, the first time he had seen such grain production, and he enjoyed riding horses on the McElligott and Kirk & Robinson ranches.

Last week Ranjattan gave a slide lecture to students of Heppner High School on 4-H work and on his country in general. He also spoke to three groups at Ione High School. His English is precise and correct, with no identifiable accent.

The visitor has a diploma in agriculture from the Eastern Caribbean Institute of Agriculture and Forestry. Trinidad: has engaged in Rural Youth work under sponsorship of the United Nations; and earned a diploma in nutrition from the University of the West Indies, Jamaica.

He spoke glowingly of his native Trinidad, which has had its independence from Great Britain for only 11 years. "Trinidad is a miniature United Nations," he said. "We have all races working together in my country, and there is no friction. We all get along well together." There are large populations of Spanish, American, English, German, African, Chinese, Indian and French people, he said. English is the official language, but French is a second one. Hindi (Indian) is a third. He is of Indian ancestry, as his

## Boardman plans for 4,000 residents

BOARDMAN-The Boardman City Council last week began working with the problem of low and medium cost housing need in the city due to the increased population.

Mayor Dewey West Jr. announced that the new count is 405 certified by the state. The population is expected to double or triple within the next few years, if Portland General Electric decides to build a nuclear generating plant west of the city on land managed by the Boeing Company.

Boardman's overall population in the next few years is expected to reach 4,000, or 10 times its present size. Not only is the city faced with housing problems, it is already having to worry about doing something about a water and sewage system which will be needed in the near future.

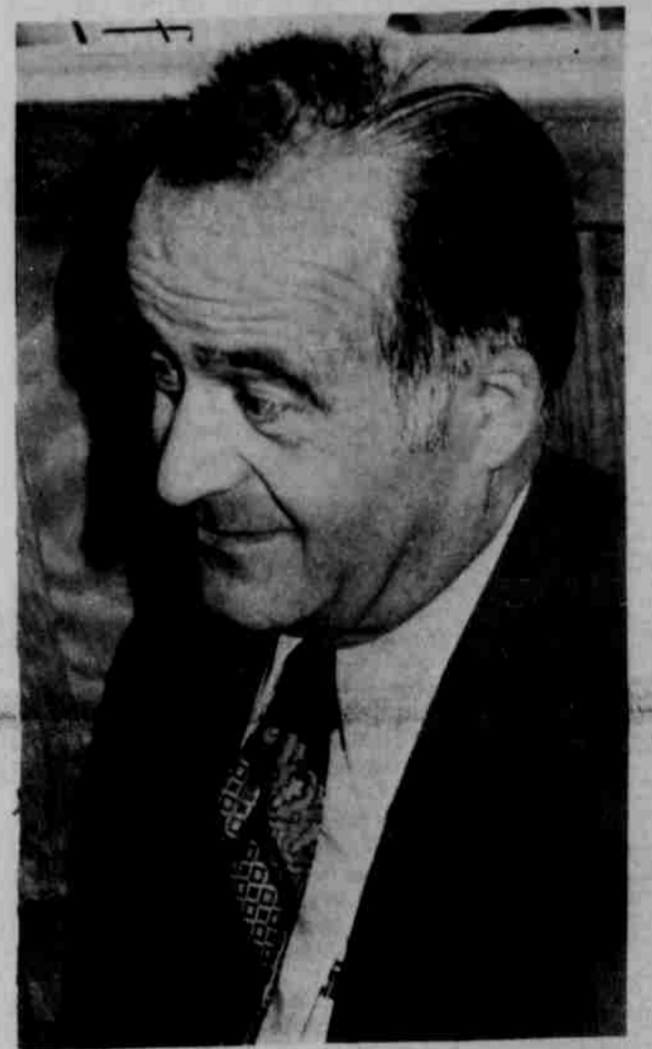
Jack McFadden of the city planning commission asked the council to reconsider changing the zoning in a portion of the Faler Addition to allow construction of modular homes or installation of mobile home units. He said he did not mean to turn the area into a mobile home park, but

was looking toward the type of development where units are placed on permanent foundations that would not be towed away in a few years. The land he referred to is along Columbia Court where the lots adjoin the Union-Pacific Railroad yard and would not normally be used for residential construction.

The council agreed some changes in the Faler Addition are needed to promote sales of lots in the area, but decided rather than re-zone the tract the city should curb and pave it to make the lots more attractive to potential buyers.

The council also heard a report on the city sewer and water problems from Stanley Wallulis. He said he is trying to schedule a date to meet with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to discuss using federal land for the city's sewage treatment project. He said the city has applied to be included in a proposed regional water district study.

The city has also applied for a \$7,500 grant to study the city's housing needs. The city applied for a similar grant last year, but the application was not made in time for funds to be obtained.



State Senator Kenneth A. Jernstedt, Hood River, of the sprawling 28th senatorial district, was a Heppner visitor Monday and a luncheon guest of the Chamber of Commerce. Sen. Jernstedt told the Gazette-Times that the legislature opened a "can of worms" when it enacted, over his opposition, the law to extend collective bargaining privileges to teachers and other public employees. It is now possible, he said, for organized education to shut down the schools of the state over wage and benefit disputes.



Birdine Tullis, Extension assistant, welcomes Kirstin Howell, 3, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Howell, to the Newcomers Night at the High School Cafeteria last Tuesday. The balloon and the cookies belong to Kirstin, but someone had to hold her belongings while she took a drink of punch.



ALBERT RANJATTAN

the Extension Service.

Ranjattan gave his talk and slide show at the Morrow County Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday. At

the conclusion he said he had been impressed by the friendliness and hospitality of the people of Heppner and of his host family, the McElligotts.