

# Irrigon

City Engineer Val Toronto met with the Irrigon City Council Dec. 11 to outline the current status of proposed water improvements.

Also present from Farmers Home Administration were Ken Durall, county supervisor, and Larry Spindler, engineer from the Portland office, F.H.A., provided financing for the initial water facilities.

Recent rejection by the State Engineers Office of an application permit for drilling a second well was based on critical lowering of ground water in the area and the fact that only a small part of the first permit allowance is being utilized. An attempt to have a representative present from the engineers office was unsuccessful.

Priorities appear to set additional storage first and discussion of the proposed 200,000-gallon reservoir was finally stymied when legal questions arose in connection with methods of financing.

A meeting between the city attorney and Majestic Acres Corp. was authorized to answer some legal points for the council. Cecil Cooley was present representing Majestic Acres, which plans a subdivision in the southeast area of town.

The council will be meeting in the office room at the city's service building at Division St. on the highway, beginning in January. Meetings are always the second Tuesday of the month, and have been held in the old building of A.C. Houghton School. Critical fuel shortages triggered the move.

The city elected to pay taxes on wages paid rather than reimbursement of unemployment benefits as provided under a new regulation effective Jan. 1, 1974.

The Irrigon Community Baptist Church and Sunday School, under the direction of Pastor Charles Ashby, will present the annual Christmas program Sunday, Dec. 23, at 7:30 p.m. Three one-act plays, along with recitations and Christmas carols, are planned.

The Irrigon Assembly of God Sunday School will present its annual Christmas program Sunday, Dec. 23, at 7 p.m. Each class will participate. The junior, junior high and high school classes and choir will have a cantata, "The Night the Angels Sang." Pastor Robert Schmoll extends a welcome to all.

The Lion's Club Christmas tree and treats for the children

of the community will be at the Lion's Club building, Saturday, Dec. 22, 2 to 4:30 p.m.

The Irrigon Lion's Auxiliary had its annual Christmas party Tuesday night at Margaret Jorgensen's home. There was a gift exchange, and games were played. Mrs. Haveron of McNary and Mrs. Bessie Dunn of Richland, Wn., were guests.

Mrs. Ruth Coy has returned to her home after treatment at St. Mary's Hospital in Walla Walla, following a stroke. Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Coy plan to spend several months with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David Fitzgerald, and family in Sacramento, Ca.

Margaret Finney, a former resident, visited old friends during the past week, including Mr. and Mrs. Rees Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Stephens.

The Rev. and Mrs. Robert Schmoll attended the funeral of her father, Frank Blohm, in Portland, Saturday, Dec. 15.

He died in a hospital in Nina, Wis., where he had gone for treatment of cancer. He had lived in Nina before moving to Portland. Mrs. Schmoll spent the week with her mother.

## VETERINARY SCIENCE CLUB HEARS MAATTA

John Maatta, leader of the Veterinary Science 4-H Club, discussed rashes and parasites in cattle, their detection and treatment, at the Nov. 27 meeting.

At the previous meeting, new members were introduced: Shannon Kelly, Dan Akers, DeWayne McClain and James Marquardt.

Leader Maatta discussed animal disease, symptoms and treatment of pneumonia; the stance, appetite, and pasture of animals; and sore spots on horses.

Randy Devine is the club president.

Boardman is still getting a lot of rain. It rained most of Sunday and all Sunday night. Skies were mostly clear Monday.

# Boardman

The Boardman Tillicum Club held its annual Carnation Sister Christmas party last week at the home of Mrs. Ronald Black.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. Carroll Donovan, Mrs. Walter Hayes, Mrs. Pete Peterson, Mrs. Dewey West Jr. and Mrs. Arthur Allen. There were 27 present. The evening started with potluck dinner.

Carnation Sisters were revealed with exchange of gifts, and new names were drawn for next year. The group also sang Christmas carols.

The next meeting will be Jan. 8, the place to be announced later.

The Women's Activity Committee of Greenfield Grange was hostess for the annual Mystery Sister Christmas party Wednesday afternoon of last week at the grange hall. In charge were Mrs. Donald Baker, Mrs. Chub Warren, Mrs. Walter Hayes and Mrs. Frank Marlow. Hazel Carpenter was in charge of decorations.

Hazel Miller was in charge of group singing of Christmas carols, and Mrs. Bill Bates read the Christmas story from

the Bible. The group was further entertained by the Riverside High School chorus singing several Christmas songs, directed by John Weddie, music instructor at the school.

Mystery Sisters were revealed with exchange of gifts, and new names were drawn for next year. Mrs. Roy Ball was in charge of the drawing.

Following the party a short business meeting was held and the group voted to send a donation to the Eastern Oregon Hospital and Training Center for Christmas.

Greenfield Grange met Saturday night at the hall starting at 4 p.m. The following officers were installed by Master Nathan Thorpe: Pansy Seehafer, lecturer; Mabel Allen, treasurer; Arthur Al-

len, executive committee.

Following the meeting a Christmas party was held with exchange of gifts. Martha Baker was in charge of the program, and Hazel Carpenter assisted with the gifts. A potluck supper was held at 6:30 p.m. Hostesses were Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Chub Warren and Mrs. Frank Marlow.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gantenbein have returned from a recent trip to California where they attended the National Milk Producers Federation annual meeting held at the Hilton Hotel in San Francisco. They also visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Iseli in Corona, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hendricks in Fresno and at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Branco, and family in

McKinleyville.

Roy Ball has returned home from the Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston and is recuperating from his recent stroke.

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