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## Corps offers land for sewer plant

By MARY LEE MARLOW

The U.S. Corps of Engineers has offered to allow the City of Boardman to temporarily expand its present sewer treatment plant on its property, and to assist Boardman in locating an alternate site for a permanent treatment plant.

Last week the city was told by Burlington Northern Railway that railroad land east of the Port of Morrow would not be available to the city. This had been picked as the best site for the new plant by the city and engineers. Burlington Northern also refused to let the city use a second site south of Boardman for the plant.

In return for allowing temporary expansion of the present plant, the Corps expects Boardman to treat sanitary waste from the Army's river-side park and to move off the military land as soon as a permanent facility is put into operation.

City officials were to meet in Portland Thursday with representatives of Portland General Electric to determine what the utility's housing needs will be.

A spokesman for Desert Hills housing developers said the firm has ordered a package plant to treat sewage from the mobile home park and apartment complex planned to be under construction within the next two weeks. He also said work on a new well to serve the residential complex was to begin last week. The package plant will be phased out when the city can provide treatment for the housing complex.

In an effort to find a permanent solution to the sewer problem the city council directed Stanley Wallulis, consulting engineer, to begin work on the temporary plant and to negotiate for the Corps' land.

M.D. Van Valkenberg, city attorney, was asked to seek a meeting with Burlington Northern and try to re-open negotiations for the preferred treatment site. If the site is not available, the city may have to withdraw its offer to serve plants at the port's food processing park.

The city requested that Chris Doswell, University of Oregon extension agent, contact the Navy about using some of its land south of the city as a treatment plant site. The Navy land is an alternate to the two sites owned by Burlington Northern Railway.

Wallulis said the Navy land may have to eventually be used as a treatment site to handle expansion of Boardman in the far future.

There were five tables of pinocle in play at the card party last week at the Greenfield Grange hall, sponsored by the Women's Activity Committee of the grange.

Mrs. Ronald Black was hostess. High prize was won by Mrs. Tom Harrison and second high went to Mary Fletcher of Irrigon. Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Albert Warnock received the traveling pinocle prizes.

Pastor and Mrs. Neil King and children, Martha, Cindy, Leora and Randy, spent the spring vacation at Lehman Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Daniels and children, Pam, Vickie and Scott went to Portland last week for the state basketball tournament.

Mrs. LaVern Partlow spent the vacation visiting at the homes of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Partlow, in Walla Walla, and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Stanhope, in Othello, Wn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Donovan went to Imbler over the weekend to visit at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill White.

## OPEN HOUSE AT GARDEN CLUB

The Boardman Garden Club held open house Monday afternoon of last week at the Greenfield Grange hall in honor of its silver anniversary.

Forty friends called during the afternoon. Mrs. Roy Ball was in charge of the arrangements. An anniversary cake was served by Mrs. Charles Anderregg of Pendleton and Mrs. Walter Wyss. Mrs. Rollin Bishop poured tea and coffee and Mrs. Hazel Carpenter was at the punch bowl.

The club was organized in March, 1949 at the home of Mrs. Carpenter by Mrs. Harry Andrews of Echo.

Former members who attended from out of town included Mrs. Stanley Partlow and Mrs. Earl Downey of Prosser, Wn., Mrs. Fred Woolcutt of Kennebec, Wn., and Mrs. Lowell Shattuck of Stanfield.

Other out of town guests came from the Umatilla Garden Club and Echo Garden Club, and from Irrigon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Hinton have returned home after a three-week visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wilson, in Anchorage, Alaska. Also visiting the Hinton's this week is Hinton's mother, Mrs. George Hinton of Ukiah, and Mrs. Ted Witt of Anchorage. Both Mrs. Hinton met Mrs. Witt at Pasco, Wn., when she arrived from Alaska.

## PALMER GIRLS ARE PLAYDAY WINNERS

Barbara, Donna and Anita Palmer, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Palmer, participated in an Appaloosa playday in Pendleton on Sunday. Debora, recovering from a broken wrist, had to watch from the sidelines.

Barbara, competing in the 13-17 age group, placed 1st in figure eight, 2nd in pole bending and 3rd in barrel racing. Donna also in the junior division, placed 4th in pole bending.

Anita, in the 9-12 group, placed 3rd in pole bending, 3rd in barrel racing, 4th in the stake race and 4th in the figure eight.

The girls received ribbons for their awards. There will be another playday in the fall.

The United Church of Christ will hold its annual clothing drive Tuesday, April 2, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Those wishing to donate clothing are asked to bring them to the church after Friday, March 29.

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## Irrigon

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Endicott and Issac visited relatives in Springfield, Ore., during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Tolar and family went to Boise, Idaho, where they were guests of her parents.

Mrs. LaVelle Partlow and Sherry of Irrigon, Mrs. Delpha Mills and sons, Ricky and Randy, of Hermiston and Ron Zielenki of Boardman went to the Ka-Nee-Ta resort during the spring vacation from school.

Bill Kindell of The Dalles is the new owner of the River-view Trailer Court, recently purchased from Hinson Didier. The Didiers retained their home and acreage, where he raises produce for his roadside stand.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bellamy and family of The Dalles were here for several days working on their property, recently purchased from Ray Phillips.

Mrs. Thomas Graves and children visited her mother, Mrs. Vi Olson, at Seaside and also visited friends in Astoria.

Mrs. Tom Sweeney and daughters have returned from Caldwell, Idaho, where they visited her father, Rollie Stickle, who has been in poor health. They also visited her daughter, Mrs. Darwin Munsey, and Mr. Munsey.

The Rooster Fighting Shed west of town was completely destroyed by fire Wednesday night. The Irrigon Rural Fire Department answered the call with three fire trucks, but the building was already engulfed in flames and they were unable to save the building, owned by Mark Morris.

Mrs. Robert Schmolli, Nicholle and Daniel, visited at her mother's home in Portland for several days during the past week. Her sister Nicholle Blohm, who is a stewardess with Eastern Airlines, was also at home for a few days.

## 'Their honors' go to school

Morrow County's two municipal judges, Charles O'Connor of Ione and Ernest Jorgensen of Boardman, attended a school for municipal judges and justices of the peace last week in Salem.

The school was held from Tuesday to Saturday with the judges attending sessions from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

O'Connor reports that the sessions dealt with new laws, legal procedures, and just plain 'shop talk.'

Mrs. Venice Henderickson, Mrs. Ann Chick and Mrs. Marian Rhinehart are back after spending several days in Southern Oregon.

Don Majeske has returned to his home in Deer Park after spending spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Majeske.

Mrs. Frieda Majeske and grandson, Mark Wright, were in Portland during spring vacation, visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jack Mounts, and family. While she was there Mrs. Majeske was able to get acquainted with her great-granddaughter, recently born to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mounts.

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## Rules for insuring adequate fuel

Agricultural producers have high priority for gasoline and diesel fuel for farm use, but they soon must get together with suppliers if they're to have fuel for spring field work and the rest of the year.

Sherwood M. Nicholas, executive director of Oregon's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) Committee, said there is no assurance that local suppliers will have fuel available unless they know in advance the requirements of their agricultural users.

Federal energy regulations authorize agricultural producers to receive 100 per cent of their current gasoline and diesel fuel requirements. Unlike allocations for other uses, agricultural allocations are not subject to pro rata reductions in case of shortages, Nicholas pointed out.

Producers eligible for the allocations are commercial farming, and dairy, poultry, livestock, horticulture, forestry and fishing activities, the regulations state. They also include services directly related to planting, cultivation, harvesting, processing, and distribution of fiber, timber, tobacco, and food intended for human consumption and animal feed.

To qualify for the fuel, a producer files certain information with his supplier, Nicholas said.

The information includes: name, address, and telephone number; a statement that the fuel is for agricultural production; estimated monthly fuel requirements by type of fuel (gasoline, diesel) for 1974, 1972 and 1973 use of fuel by month and type, if the supplier requests this information; justification for the fuel required in 1974, such as crop acreage, equipment, livestock, and so on; a statement that the producer has an energy conservation program in effect.

Nicholas suggested using a form if one is available from the supplier, otherwise a letter should suffice, he said. Either must be signed, he noted.

To help producers estimate how much fuel they will need in 1974, Oregon State University agricultural economists have prepared a worksheet and guidelines for using it.

They are available from local offices of the ASCS and OSU Extension Service. The offices also have information on fuel conservation practices for agriculture.

A supplier who receives a farmer's certification of fuel needs will indicate whether he agrees to supply the allotment, the regulations say. Next, the supplier accumulates the certified requirements and applies to his fuel sources for increased allotments to meet agricultural needs.

"If the agricultural producer is a new customer—say, a beginning farmer or a farmer without a supplier—he should seek a supplier willing to accept him as a customer," suggested Nicholas.

If the producer can't find a supplier or can't reach an agreement with his present one, he can ask for assistance, Nicholas said. Help is available from an ASCS office or from the Oregon Office of Energy Conservation and Allocation in Salem.

Nicholas pointed out that there are petroleum set-asides to meet temporary hardship situations. The state Office of Energy Conservation and Allocation controls these reserves and should be asked to assist in such situations.

OSU agricultural economists estimate that Oregon farms and ranches use about 4 per cent of the state's gasoline and more than 22 per cent of the diesel fuel.

## FORMER TEACHER DIES IN KLAMATH FALLS

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Terrel Benge, Heppner of the death of Mrs. Gladys Benge Herron, Klamath Falls. She was a victim of cancer.

She will be remembered here as a former teacher. She retired from the Klamath Falls school system two years ago.

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## Boardman increases tax base to \$35,000

The Boardman City Council voted last week to include a proposal to increase the city's tax base from \$13,000 to \$35,000 on the May 7 primary ballot.

This is to insure enough money for personnel and plans for the city's economic and residential boom.

Boardman faces the possibility of its population tripling within the next two years, and if plans for a nuclear generating complex are approved, it will increase more.

Mayor Dewey W. West Jr. explained that the present tax base limits the city's operational budget to the \$13,000 a year figure.

The tax rate based on the \$13,000 budget is about \$3.50 per \$1,000, plus an additional assessment of about a dollar per \$1,000 to pay off the city's new fire truck.

West said the increase in the tax base does not mean the tax rate will increase proportionately, as the city does not have to budget for the entire amount of \$35,000. He said if Boardman drew on the entire amount available, the tax rate would be about \$7.50 per \$1,000.

"That is about where we were a few years ago when we moved to the new townsite," West said.

The tax rate could even be reduced within the next few months if Desert Magic, Gourmet Foods and Morrow Produce food processing plants agree to annex to the city. Sources indicated Desert Magic is interested in annexing to the city to reduce its fire insurance costs.

Boardman's assessed valuation is about \$3.6 million. Plants under construction now in the Port of Morrow park are valued at about \$8 million.

Mrs. Clyde Crawford and children, Neil, Tom, Perry and Lori, and their friend, Jeff Brooks, of Eugene, visited Mrs. Crawford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dalzell, Ione, a few days last week. Mrs. Jim Drobny and children, Joe and Wynn, Eagle Creek, also visited her parents. During their stay, Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Drobny visited friends in Ione.

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