



Santa & friend (unidentified) at the Artifactory.

Christmas Lighting Contest

★ Residences ★ Churches

Judging will be Dec. 23 by a committee of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce.
Cash prizes in each category will be awarded as follows: \$30, first place; \$20, second, and \$10, third.

Yes, I wish to have our display judged in the Christmas Lighting Contest.

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Please mail to Heppner Gazette-Times, Box 337, Heppner, or bring to our office, 147 West Willow Street.



Sandi Campbell's portrait sketchings made a big hit with the young and old at the Artifactory. A group of youngsters peek over her shoulders here to admire her work.

Morrow DA named head of drug overseer group

At the Oregon District Attorneys' Association convention in Lincoln City, Morrow County District Attorney Dennis Doherty was appointed to head a committee that will keep the state's district attorneys informed on the progress of the proposed Controlled Substances Committee (CSC) changes.

Doherty has publicly denounced the CSC's changes in the classification of drugs and at the convention, he and Jack Frost of Linn County drafted a resolution. The two district attorneys presented the resolution to the convention and it was endorsed by the association.

As the new committee chairman, Doherty can appoint other DA's to the committee.

He said his duty is to "stay on top of this and keep the others informed."

At the convention, Doherty said information was received from many public officials in government that showed great disfavor for the proposed down-scheduling of drugs made by CSC.

"The more information I receive—the more devastating I think it (the down-scheduling) will be to law enforcement," Doherty said. "It will be bad for all the people in the state."

The resolution presented by

Doherty and Frost at the annual winter conference objected that a non-elective, seven member committee was given the authority to change a law of such magnitude.

The proposed changes made by the committee would depart significantly from the Federal standards, which are now in use in Oregon.

The resolution that was adopted at the convention goes on to state that the Oregon District Attorney's Association believes the committee reclassified the drugs ignoring the realities of illegal drug use and abuse. The changes in the drug schedules would affect the criminal justice system and the people of Oregon adversely.

The resolution continued to state that the down-scheduling of drugs as proposed by the Controlled Substances Committee would reduce the penalties for drugs so that Oregon would become an attractive site for illegal drug trafficking; diminish the deterrent effect of Oregon's drug control laws; and generally degrade the credibility

and integrity of the criminal justice system in the eyes of the public.

For these reasons, the association opposes the proposed changes of the Controlled Substances Committee and requests a moratorium on further drug reclassifications by the committee until the

Oregon State Legislature can reconsider the delegation of authority it gave to the committee.

The DA's said the Legislature should re-evaluate the role and function of the committee; the criteria to be

used by the committee; the process the committee uses in discharging its statutory functions; and the process by

which the decisions of the committee should be reviewed.

Road dept. reorganized

The Morrow County Court accepted two resignations last week.

One was from County Clerk Sadie Parrish, which will take effect Dec. 31, and the other was from Tax Collector Elvira Irby, effective Dec. 1.

Mrs. Parrish, who has been the county clerk for 36 years, is resigning because of a request made by her doctors. Irby is resigning for health reasons.

Margot Sherer, who has been the temporary tax collector for the past month since Mrs. Irby's illness began, was named as the replacement. No successor has been named for the county clerk position.

The county court members have also agreed to create the position of a director of public works, effective Dec. 26. The director will reorganize the road department and supervise the public parks operation, the county landfill and the courthouse grounds maintenance.

The court is publicizing the opening and accepting applications until Dec. 26. An engineering degree is hopeful but experience may be substituted.

The pay scale is open.

"We decided to reorganize the road department by hiring a public works director."

Judge McElligott said. "The problems with the roads is all I have heard about since I took office. This position is really the old roadmaster's position with additional responsibilities."

Don Ball is the acting roadmaster.

The county court decided to transfer its emergency services responsibilities to the sheriff's department because it can monitor any emergencies on a 24-hour-a-day basis, according to Judge Don McElligott.

McElligott also said the court has decided to combine the offices of tax collector and county treasurer in an effort to save personnel money. Persons interested in the position must run for election by filing with the county by March. The new official will take office in January of 1981.

The court also decided to send out a letter to irrigators in Morrow County because of some complaints the court has received. Some irrigators are running their sprinklers across county roads, which is a violation of Oregon statute 368.930. The violation is punishable of a fine not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 60 days, or both.

Christmas tree permits only \$2

Christmas tree permits are now available in the Heppner Ranger District of the Umatilla National Forest. Permits are \$2 each.

Permits will be sold at the office only during regular hours, Monday through Friday, from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 15 and 16, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The entire Heppner district has been designated as a cutting area. A spokesman for the Umatilla forest said trimmings or limbs must be removed from roadways. Stumps must be left no higher than 10 inches. Any green limbs must be cut off the stumps, and these may be used for "trimming greens."

Cutters also must not "long butt" over 6 feet. The maximum size of tree to be cut is 14 feet.

Furthermore, there are to be no commercial Christmas tree sales or cutting in plantations.

Permits may also be obtained from the forest supervisor's office in Pendleton.

Drugs..

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of amphetamines, an illegal drug commonly known as speed, according to testimony. Hashish and marijuana were also confiscated. The street value of the drugs was estimated at \$6,000 and \$10,000 in U.S. currency was also seized from the residence.

Testimony at the trial indicated that Gaehring felt he could put together a transaction involving as many as 100,000 tablets of speed with his connections. The wholesale price of the amphetamine tablets is approximately \$110 per thousand.

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