

Irrigon news

•Francis Rose Wilson •922-3352

Sandy Britt, formerly of Spray, spoke for Assembly of God churches in Stanfield Sunday morning, Dec. 30, and at Irrigon that evening.

Miss Britt is the newly appointed missionary to the International Correspondence Institute in Brussels, Belgium. She spent two years in Africa working with the MAPS program in Malawi and Nigeria.

A New Year's Eve program was held at the Irrigon Assembly of God, with a devotional service and music by the young people's orchestra. This was followed by food, fun and fellowship. People brought their favorite treats.

Visitors at the Chester Wilson home on Sunday, Dec. 30, were his sister, Marie

Hinkley of Ontario, Ore., her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Frazier of Hermiston.

The Wilsons' son Lerry spent the week between Christmas and New Year's visiting relatives in Rosemead, Calif.

Don Duncan, who is in the trucking business, returned to his home in Irrigon for the holidays. His mother visited him from Nampa, Idaho, and also a brother from Memphis, Tenn., spent several days here.

Jim and Connie Gordanier visited her parents in Springfield, Ore.

CowBelles to assist in campaign for national 'Beef referendum' vote

Norma French, Morrow County chairman for the "Beef referendum" committee, said ballots will soon be in the mail for beef producers to ratify a check-off plan to finance industry research and promotion.

"Through this self-help plan," she said, "our industry will be able to sponsor beef research, foreign market development and, most important, provide consumers with accurate information about beef."

Mrs. French, whose husband, Ray, is president of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, said the plan is for "every cattleman along the production chain" to invest two-tenths of 1 percent (20 cents per \$100) of the value he adds to every animal. At the

end of the chain, she said, the packer will collect and remit the combined assessments to the Beef Board.

Beef producers are to register to vote in the referendum between Jan. 28 and Feb. 6. Ballots are to be cast from Feb. 19 through Feb. 22 at local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service offices.

ASCS offices for absentee registration and ballots, Mrs. French said.

She said members of the CowBelles, the women's affiliate of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, will assist in promoting the Beef referendum through a telephone campaign.

In addition to the cattlemen's organization and the CowBelles, she said, the

Oregon Beef Council supports the proposed program.

"The collected funds," Mrs. French said, "will be used to fight anti-beef propaganda, promote beef's nutritional value, combat beef substitutes, counter cattle cycle extremes, expand foreign markets and increase demand."

"Spending will be administered by a national Beef Board made up of cattlemen nominated by certified cattle-industry organizations.

"Another feature of this law," she said, "provides a guaranteed refund to producers and feeders if they choose not to support the program. Therefore, the Beef referendum is not an absolute or mandatory collection of individuals' funds."

Hospital Notes

Patients at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner for the week ending Jan. 7 included: Alton Osmin, Alta Stevens, Nancy Welborn and Charlotte Gray, all of Heppner; Shane Munkers and Kathy Cutsforth, both of Lexington; were all admitted and were still in the hospital Monday.

Patients who had been admitted and then released are Alvin Vinson and Thomas Steagall of Heppner, Marsha Green of Lexington and Steven Cyphers of The Dalles.

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Husband, wife team to push for Packwood

The husband-and-wife team of Bob and Suzanne Jepsen of Heppner will manage the Bob Packwood re-election efforts in Morrow County.

Bob Jepsen is past president of the Oregon Wheat League, in which he remains active. His wife was recently appointed by Governor Vic Atiyeh to the Rural Health Coordinating

Council. She also supervises the Senior Citizens Homemaker Program in Morrow, Gilliam and Wheeler Counties making it possible for the elderly to stay in their home longer—an interest she shares with Senator Packwood.

Both Jepsens are very active in the All Saints Episcopal Church.



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