

Court takes Portland trip, looks at treatment plant

The Morrow County Court recently made a trip to Portland, to inspect that city's waste treatment facilities, and speak with city officials concerning Portland's proposal to barge sewage sludge up the Columbia to be dumped in northern Morrow County.

The commissioners toured the city treatment plant and also went through two of the city's electroplating plants.

In the proposed dumping, Portland would barge 80 million gallons of sewer waste sludge up the Columbia and dump it after processing on land near Boardman.

Portland officials contend that the sludge would have fertilizer value for farm land. But commissioners are concerned that heavy metals, mainly cadmium, contained in the sludge would contaminate soil and crops on which it was deposited.

Portland officials have supposedly pinpointed the electroplating plants as the source of the heavy metals. Commissioner Dorothy

Krebs said after the tour of the electroplating plants, that steps have been taken to cut down on the amount of cadmium going into the Portland city sewer system.

"We saw new equipment going in to cut down on the heavy metals into the system," she said. She added that Portland had imposed a \$10,000 fine on the plants until the problem was solved.

The commissioners, however, were not satisfied to the point of giving the go-ahead to the sludge dumping project.

"There are still a lot of questions to be answered," says Krebs. She said the problem of monitoring the sludge to keep quality high, has not been solved. "Monitoring would be vital-mandatory," she emphasized.

"Portland is eager for us to answer," she says. But, "we can't give it to them yet, we don't feel we have quite a good enough handle on it."

"Morrow County will not become a dumping ground," she adds.

Pre-1940's reunion a great success at Ione

by Justine Weatherford

On the last day of August, Sunday, Aug. 31, students from 21 classes at Ione High School gathered at the Ione American Legion Hall for much great visiting, a harvest style potluck dinner and great reminiscing. More than 140 former students and teachers and family members enjoyed the short program over which Harlan McCurdy Jr. presided after their meal together.

Especially greeted were former principals, George Tucker, now of Spokane, and Errell Hummel of Portland. Teachers who returned included Delores Leavens and Linea Troedson Nottage, Portland, and Florence Emmons Riggs and Lyle Riggs, Salem. They each recalled incidents from their times in Ione.

Elva Troedson Tews, the oldest living graduate, a member of the class of 1910, was unable to attend but sent a letter which was read. Della Davidson McCurdy of the class of 1916 was honored as the earliest graduate attending.

Graduates and former students from the classes after Della McCurdy's who attended were: 1918-Ruby Engleman Roberts, Edna Ritchie Wilcox, Snoda Cook Blake and Charles Chick; 1921-Walter Linn; 1922-Vera Engleman Rietmann, Alice Rietmann Peterson; 1923-Linea Troedson Nottage, James Howard; 1924-Gladys Lundell Drake, Carl Linn.

1925-Anna Peterson Ball, Alice Head Linn, Norma Swanson Rea, Frank Lundell, Dean Ekleberry; 1926-Lucille Bristow Rietmann; 1927-Ruth Swanson Lundell, George Ritchie; 1928-Hazel Akers Miller, Louise Miller, Alfred Balsiger, Gene Engleman; 1929-Leona Ritchie Jennings, Fern Engleman Turner, Edith Ely Matthews, Wilbur Akers; 1930-Mildred Smith Head, Kenneth Smouse; 1931-Gladys Brashears Armington, Geneva Pettyjohn Palmer, Margaret Crawford Morgan, Milton Morgan, Norman Swanson, John Eubanks, Barton Clark, Lewis Buschke, Ardie Forrens, Norman Nelson, Irvin Ritchie; 1932-Muriel Patterson Palmer, Joe Engleman, Ralph Isackson; 1933-Alfred Nelson, Claude Brashears, Berl Akers, Robert Bates, Henry Buschke; 1935-Dot Crabtree Halvorsen, Harriet Heliker Busby, Bryce Keene, Alice Patterson McCabe; Paul Pettyjohn, Eva Swanson Hamlett, Lloyd Morgan; 1936-Virginia Griffith Burns, Ruth Kitching Payne, Mildred Lundell Morgan, Irene Zinter Hunt, Harlan McCurdy, Eugene Normayle; 1937-Joyce Carlson Dorst, Mignonette Perry Barkhurst, Louise McFerrin Keene, Wallace Lundell; 1938-Jane Huston Rawlins; 1939-Katherine Griffith Lindstrom, Bernice King Thompson, Helen Lindsay Crawford, Lola Cannon Pritchard.

Before disbanding, the assembly voted to reunion again in 1985.

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Holly Rebekah Lodge met on Thursday evening at the hall for the first meeting of fall. The meeting was presided over by the V.G. Joyce Buchanan. Following the usual business the group enjoyed refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Glover Peck and daughter Jeanette were Hood River callers for a few days last week. Jeanette was returning to her home in Douglas, Alaska, after several weeks visit with relatives and friends.

Mike Kane is visiting his family for a few days from his work in South America.

Kathy Tellachea and children spent several days recently in Colorado, visiting her sister, Linda, and son.

Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Jones attended the funeral services

on Thursday for Dave Stamback in Haines.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt recently attended their daughter Charma's graduation from the Police Academy in Portland. They also visited other relatives and friends.

Carl M. Marquardt attended a meeting at the Tadmoor Baptist Camp near Eugene last week.

Audrey Mounts of Portland is spending a few days with her sister, Pat Wright, and their mother, Freda Majeske, in Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Messenger are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Messenger, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Peck and children were recently vacationing at the coast and Hood River.

Embroidery Class to meet

A meeting for all those who signed up at the fair for Brazilian embroidery will be held on Friday, Sept. 19, at 2 p.m.

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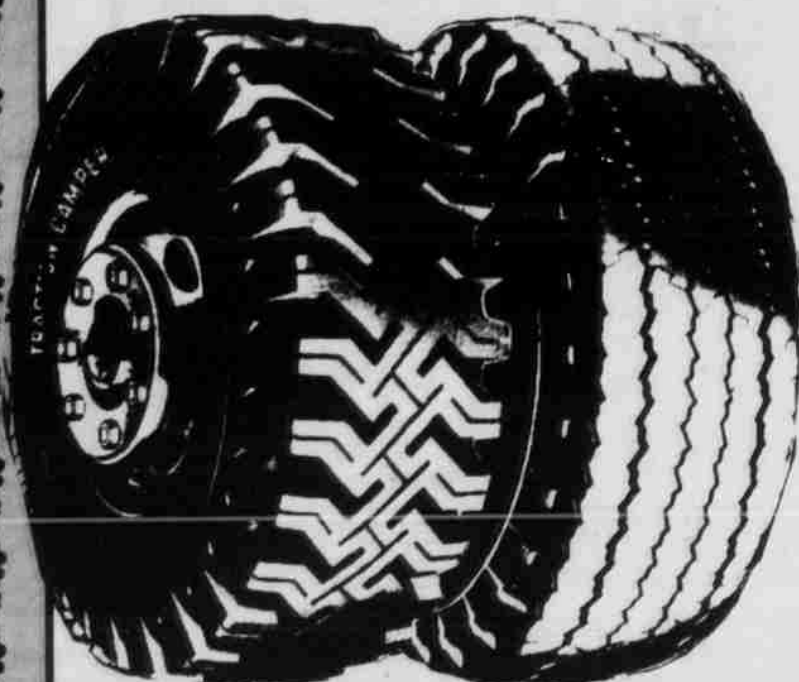
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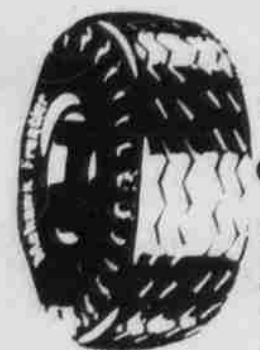
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