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Weather

by Don Gilliam

	High	Low	Precip.
Tues., Dec. 9	30	10	..
Wed., Dec. 10	51	18	..
Thu., Dec. 11	62	37	..
Fri., Dec. 12	51	35	..
Sat., Dec. 13	47	27	..
Sun., Dec. 14	57	31	T
Mon., Dec. 15	70	44	+

+70 degrees was not a record. It got up to 75 degrees in Dec., 1939.

Growers and friends attend Farm City Banquet



Bob Peterson (R) presents award to Gordon and Helen O'Brien

Livestock Growers, friends and supporters turned out last Friday night at the Morrow County Fair pavilion for the annual Farm City banquet.

Livestock growers of the year, Helen and Gordon O'Brien, were honored with a trophy presented by master of ceremonies, Charlie Daly, and guests heard a speech by Wes Kvarsten, director of the Land Conservation and Development Commission.

Diners enjoyed a roast beef dinner during which they were entertained with songs by Ella Mae Green.

Following dinner, several awards were presented, including the steer of merit award which went to Jason Palmer, first place, and Larry Palmer, second place.

Overall steer awards went to Trina Helberg, Mike Van Schoiack, Tom Smith, Kurt Hellberg and Cathy Lindsay. Winners were given cash awards up to \$100 from the Morrow County Grain Growers.

Peterson's Jewelers presented a diamond to the winner of a door prize held at the dinner.

James Wishart was presented a community service



Joe Miller

award by the Livestock Growers, and Joe Miller was presented with an award for the establishment of an essential business.



(L-R) Tom Smith, Mike VanSchoiack Kurt Hellberg, Trina Helberg and Cathy Lindsay



Jason Palmer (L) and Larry Palmer

Wes Kvarsten

Irrigon man named to School Board

Bob Byrd of Irrigon was appointed to the Morrow County School Board Monday night, filling the vacancy left with the resignation of John Matthews.

Byrd, 38, is an insurance agent and has lived in Irrigon the past 15 years. He was a teacher in the district for seven years.

Byrd and his wife, Barbara, have four boys, ages 12, 10, 9 and 7.

In other business, the board:

voted unanimously to extend Superintendent Matt

Doherty's contract for another year.

voted unanimously to appoint Turner, VanMarter and Bryant Insurance of Heppner, and Schroth Insur-

Rodeo dance Sat., Dec. 27 not Dec. 21

The Morrow County Rodeo Committee will sponsor a dance Saturday, Dec. 27 at the fairgrounds pavilion.

The dance will start at 9

ance of Hermiston as the district's insurance agent of record. The two agencies will work jointly as agent of record.

p.m. and will feature music by Pumphouse.

The date for the dance was erroneously listed as Sunday, Dec. 21 in last week's issue of the G-T.

Irrigon Audit report reviewed

by Frances Rose Wilson

The annual audit report for the City of Irrigon covering the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980, was reviewed at the Dec. meeting of the Irrigon City Council.

The report, prepared by the Hermiston firm of Faunt, Lewis and Bare, shows the city basically to be in good financial condition. Adjustments were necessary in several areas because of over budgeting in anticipated revenues which failed to materialize.

Caryle Mayrand of Hermiston was appointed to the position of city recorder. She replaces Barbara Draxton who has served in that position for the past year. Draxton submitted her resignation in the Nov. meeting, effective Dec. 15, to join her husband, Gary, who is employed in a nuclear plant at Sweeney, Texas, about 100 miles south of Houston.

Mayrand began her orientation sessions last week under Draxton and assumes full duties immediately. She is the mother of two children, 11 year-old Shayne, and Angela, eight years. Her husband, Robert, is employed as a salesman dealing in chemicals and light fixtures.

The office of Councilman Dennis Reisch was declared vacant by reason of prolonged absence and Marie Johnson was appointed to fill the vacancy. Her term will run through Dec. 31, 1982. She is an employee of West Extension Irrigation Dist. as secretary and bookkeeper.

In other business, the council:

Reversed a previous decision to sell the old 20,000-gallon reservoir for scrap. The reversal came about with

concern that the reservoir could be needed and the scrap price would be only a small percent of its value.

Discussed the need for a charter revision. The council agreed to seek advice from the League of Oregon Cities.

Granted an easement across the old railroad property west of 1st Street to Joel Stahl, by resolution. It was needed, he said, for access to an area to be developed as a church-school complex, of the Seventy-day Adventist Church.

Granted a property division to Albert Phillips, involving property west of Division St. at California Ave. at the intersection of Greenwood St.

Changed the logo on future city stationery. The old stationery which carried a leaping fish with the motto, "Come where the big ones are," has been in use for 20 years.

New stationery will carry a logo developed a couple of years ago in a community town hall meeting workshop. The circular-designed emblem depicts a sunrise, circle irrigation sprinkler, green fields and livestock. An example of the colorful design applied by former Recorder, Mary Wilson, is displayed in the entrance hall of the North Morrow Annex Bldg. which also houses city offices.

Court meetings rescheduled

The Morrow County Court meetings on Dec. 24 in Irrigon and Dec. 31 in Heppner have been cancelled because of the holidays. Instead, the Court will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 30 at 10 a.m. at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner.

Kinzua to start second shift

Kinzua Corp. will start a second shift Jan. 5 at its sawmill near Heppner, General Manager Harry Kennison announced Tuesday.

Speaking to the weekly Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Kennison said because of increased demand for some of the wood manufacturers products, the company will run a swing shift starting at 3:30 p.m. He said the second shift will mean 15 to 20 more jobs at the plant.

Kennison painted an optimistic picture of the operations at Kinzua, saying that in these times of higher interest rates and a slump in the home building market, Kinzua has managed to stay healthy and in production.

He pointed to Kinzua's diversification and move into the commercial building market supply as the main reason.

"The new computer mill has put Kinzua into a new market and a very positive position,"

said Kennison in referring to the new small log mill now under construction and expected to be finished at the Kinzua site in April.

"Right now things look good for us, but if interest rates stay high, it's bound to affect the commercial market also," he added. He said hopefully the new administration of Ronald Reagan in the White House will do something to bring inflation under control.

Growers meet, elect board members

The Morrow County Livestock Growers Association elected four new members to its board of directors at the grower's annual business meeting last Friday, Dec. 12, in Heppner.

Ron Currin elected Fair Board chairman

Morrow County Fair Board elected a new Fair Board chairman for 1981, on Dec. 8. Fair Board member Ron Currin, will begin his term of office as chairman the first of January. Other Fair Board members are: Pete Richards, Virginia Grieb, Charley Daly, Harold Peck and Dorothy Estberg.

Merchants will not be open Thursday eves.

Heppner merchants will not be open for business this Thursday night as previously announced. Because of school programs Thursday evenings, the merchants have decided not to extend their hours.

However, if you have last minute shopping to complete, many of the merchants will be open Sunday afternoon, Dec. 21, after church until 5 p.m.

Hospital solarium, not basement needs new air purifier

A statement in a story in last week's G-T entitled "Doll raffle to benefit Pioneer nursing home residents" was in error.

The statement, which read "at present there is no ventilation in the hospital basement where the nursing home is located" should have read "at present there is no ventilation in the solarium." The hospital basement is ventilated.

Donations to fund an air purifier to ventilate the solarium are still coming in, according to A.K. "Lucky" Felt, hospital administrator. "The unit has been ordered," said Felt, "but there's still money left to raise."

An air purifier will enable both smokers and non-smokers to use the solarium, said Felt.

Cost for the purifier has been estimated between \$325 and \$350. One-hundred-fifty

CowBelles gather for annual meeting



New CowBelle President Betty Carlson is presented to members at the annual meeting held at the Wagon Wheel restaurant in Heppner Friday, Dec. 12.

After luncheon, members learned of the status of the CowBelle-sponsored beef certificate promotion, and heard committee reports and announcements of 1981 committees.

Present at the annual meeting was Norma French, recently elected 2nd vice president of the Oregon CowBelles. Out-going CowBelle President Ruth Nutting is presented with a "grandma's brag book," a gift from the CowBelle membership.

dollars toward the purifier were raised by the hospital auxiliary who sold food and craft items at the "Artifactory" craft fair in Heppner Dec. 6.

Additional money to fund the purifier is now being raised in an auxiliary-sponsored doll raffle. Raffle tickets for the nurse doll are available for 25 cents each from auxiliary members. The

drawing will be held at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Heppner on Dec. 19. Ticket buyers need not be present at the drawing to win, say auxiliary members.

The doll, whose uniform and satin evening dress were made by Erma Keithley, Heppner, is on display at Gardner's Men's Wear.

To purchase tickets, call 676-5389 or 676-5019.

G-T will be a day early Christmas week; deadline Sat., Dec. 20

The Gazette-Times will be out a day early next week, so that readers can get their papers before Christmas Day. The paper office will be open this Saturday, Dec. 20, but will be closed Christmas Day and the day after.

News and advertising deadlines for the Dec. 24 issue of the G-T will be 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 20.