

AROUND ABOUT

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

It has been sometime since promotional brochures were last printed to tell outsiders about our county. Several successive brochure committees of the Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce have worked on the project, and now, at last, an updated brochure about this productive, beautiful county is available. The last brochure came out during Judge Paul W. Jones' tenure in office. The new one was "unveiled" last week, and you may obtain a copy of it from one of the city offices, from the courthouse, from the school district office, from the Gazette-Times or perhaps from an industry or business that contributed to its reality.

It has been a pleasant and interesting effort to be part of the committee along with ex-officio members, Chamber President Fred Toombs, V-P Bob Harris, the Rev. John Maas, David Sykes and Judge McElligott, whose recent secretary, Judy Laughlin, drew the county map on its outside back, mailing section.

The committee members are hoping that folks will enjoy the pictures and the text on the 12 sections or pages of this "come hither" pamphlet. My knowledge about this county has grown considerably since I began to collect some of the facts, figures and information included. David Sykes was the capable chairman for the pictures selected. A few of the colored shots used were inherited from previous committee workers, particularly from Harold Kerr and Terry Hager.

When the original committee was assigned the project of producing a "first-class brochure" costs were probably much less than half of what they have grown to now. The C. of C. had managed to include the cost of the previous publications in its budget, but could not possibly pay out all that this slick-paper, larger production cost. So in addition to collecting pictures, figures and facts, the current committee went about trying to collect money for the pamphlet.

I find the collection of funds most difficult--I've long known that selling something is definitely not my forte. However, Judge McElligott, Rev. Maas and the other members of the committee proved to be more adept. County residents should be pleased to know that contributions were made by industries, by businesses, by communities and by an individual. Each of the "five incorporated, thriving communities" contributed as did the Morrow County Grain Growers, Kinzua Corporation, Portland General Electric, Columbia Basin Electric, Far Western Real Estate (Heppner) and Mountain Valley Land Co. (Boardman). The project was primarily funded by the Heppner-Morrow Chamber, the county government and the Port of Morrow. The county schools purchased some brochures and former County Judge Oscar Peterson, Ione, made a most helpful personal contribution to the cause.

In reviewing the contributions made toward this project it is satisfying to find that about one-third of the funding came from "whole county" in contributions from the county government, the County Grain Growers, Columbia Basin Electric Co-op and the purchase by the county school district. A second one-third came from the "south county" including the Heppner C. of C., Kinzua Corporation, the cities of Heppner and Ione, Far Western Real Estate and from Oscar Peterson.

We positively object to dividing the county and know that the three classifications we are using are disputable. The contributors we count as "north county" are Port of Morrow, Portland General Electric, Mountain Valley Land Co., Boardman Commercial Club and the cities of Irrigon and Boardman.

We understand that Kinzua Corporation will soon become a "north county" business, too. We appreciated the information given to us by our County Extension Office, by Heppner U.S. Forest Service District Ranger Ben Siminoo and by the Port of Morrow manager and the information center at the coal-fired plant and by Kinzua Corporation. Mr. Siminoo explained that the USFS did not budget any funds for local promotions.

Some previous brochures were definitely dated by the use of officials' names. The current committee did not include any personal identification in this effort, but found it impossible not to use a date (1980) when presenting some statistics.

So many changes have taken place in Morrow in the fifteen years that I have lived here, and more are coming along now with further developments at the Port of Morrow and with the building of the Willow Creek Dam at Heppner.

Never in all my three-score plus years have I been as hot as I was last Saturday afternoon when I was driving east on I-84 through The Dalles. I had taken my grandsons to Portland on Friday when the temperature reached 105 there. I am certain it was several degrees hotter up on Sam Jackson Hill where I had an appointment at the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center at 2:15 p.m. We were grateful to have air-conditioned motel rooms that night right beside my sons and family members who came there to collect their sons. On Saturday I managed to leave Portland at hot, high noon.

I had to stop more often than I usually do along the highway as traveling alone without air-conditioning was quite dehydrating and exhausting. After I got back to my own TV I learned that Medford reached 114 on Saturday, and I realized how lucky I was to have come back to "cool" Heppner. My grandson and his family went home to Medford to feel that all-time record-breaking heat.

The Heppner High annual field trip to Ashland's Shakespearean Festival took off on Monday morning. The group will return by Friday evening -- if they don't all melt away in Ashland's 112 degrees.

A friend just told me that the latest edition of the "Oregon Farmer" announces on its page 29 that the late August Morrow County Fair will take place in Pilot Rock. A few people need to set that publication straight.

Road work

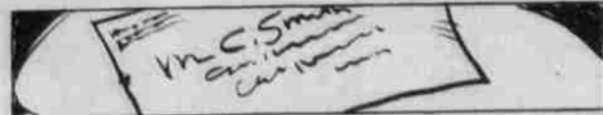
The Morrow County Public Works Dept. released the following work report for the week ending August 8:

Roads graveled and bladed this past week were: Lena Hisler, Clark-Rice-Beech, Paul Brown and No. 573. Bladed only was Barclay Road.

Hot mix patching was done

on Keck Canyon, Lena Hisler, Willow Creek, Upper Rhea Creek, Pointer, Kenny Ranch, Blackhorse, and Jerry Dougherty. The Sandhollow Road rehabilitation project was also continued.

The shop worked on trucks No. 17, No. 18 and No. 15. Numerous other repairs were done including maintenance on the portable crusher.



The most common last name in both the U.S. and Great Britain is Smith.

Food preserving subject of OEPBS TV series

Preserving food at home is the subject of a new television series from the Oregon State University Extension Service now airing on the state's public TV channels.

The Oregon Educational and Public Broadcasting stations are showing the seven-part series, called "Food for Later," each Tuesday at 7 p.m. The series is seen on KOAC-TV, Corvallis; KOAP-TV, Portland; KVDO, Salem, and KTVR-TV, LaGrande.

Plans call for the series to be shown each Wednesday on

KSYS, Channel 8, Medford, starting Aug. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

"Food for Later" programs cover making jams and jellies, freezing fruits and vegetables, canning fruits and tomatoes, drying fruits and vegetables, canning vegetables, making pickles and sauerkraut and canning meat and fish.

Hostess for the series is Nellie Oehler, Albany home economist and former OSU Extension agent with extensive experience in food preservation. She helped develop

Soroptimist club officers installed



Newly installed officers of the Heppner Soroptimist Club pose for a photograph.

Left to right are: Mary Goheen, regional delegate and corresponding secretary; Lenna Smith, board member;

Bettie Doherty, recording secretary; Gail Burkenbine, president; Clista Venard, treasurer; Jackie Allstott, president-elect; and Jeanne Sumner, past president.

Informal reception planned for actors

An informal "reception for the artists" involved in the chatauqua presentation of "An Evening with Thomas Condon" will be held this Sunday, Aug. 16, on the Morrow County Courthouse lawn in Heppner around 7 p.m.

The public is invited to visit with the members of the touring theater group and enjoy refreshments in the cool of the evening.

The free theatrical presentation of "An Evening with Thomas Condon" is scheduled for the following evening, Monday, Aug. 17, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church Parish Hall in Heppner.

The reception and presentation are sponsored by the Heppner-Ione Branch of the AAUW.

Three members sought for BMCC budget committee

Three vacancies have developed on the Blue Mountain Community College budget board and replacements are currently being sought, according to President Ron Daniels.

Candidates to fill the vacancies will be reviewed at the Aug. 26 BMCC board meeting. Persons interested in serving on the college budget committee should call the president's

office at 276-1260, ext. 230. Candidates must be residents of Morrow or Umatilla counties.

Each year, the college budget committee is active in reviewing budget requests from the various college departments. The committee builds a budget based on this review and recommends the budget to the college board for adoption. The budget requests are then turned over to voters

in Umatilla and Morrow counties for final approval.

Positions to be filled include those currently held by: Hugh Erwin, Milton-Freewater; Anna Lee Kennedy, Pendleton; and Jim Pratt, Hermiston.

Erwin was appointed last year to complete one year remaining on Wally Wedin's position. This position would be for a full three-year term.

Mrs. Kennedy is completing her second three-year term and does not wish to be re-appointed to the committee. Her position would also be for a full three-year term.

One two-year position is available to replace Pratt. Pratt was appointed to the committee in 1980, but ran for election to the college board and was successful in that bid.

Hope Lutheran Church welcomes new members

Hope Lutheran Church of Heppner, in a special worship service, welcomed 26 new members into the congregation this last Sunday.

The service was followed by a gala reception for the new members sponsored by the church council and coordinated by Mrs. Alan Nistad. Centerpiece of the reception was a special cake baked by Mrs. Lucky Felt and that was decorated to say, "Welcome New Members."

Reverend John Maas, pastor of the congregation, led the worship service that saw one infant and three adults baptized, five adults received into membership through adult instruction and four families welcomed into membership via transfer from other Lutheran congregations.

This is the largest number of people to be received into membership in the congregation in recent history. Pastor

Maas was quoted to say, "We're really excited here at Hope. These people are a real gift to us at Hope and we hope we can be just as big a gift to them. This last Sunday was a high point in our congregational life."

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