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Tues., March 12	54	28		
Wed., March 13	57	29		
Thurs., March 14	61	31		
Fri., March 15	60	31		
Sat., March 16	65	34		
Sun., March 17	64	34		
Mon., March 18	64	31		

Ione elementary students learn about county pioneers



Lucile Rietmann helps Becky Wagenblast and John Doherty tie quilt.

Students at Ione elementary school have been busy learning about Morrow County history says Gazette-Times correspondent and Morrow County Centennial chairman, Delpha Jones.

Among the student's projects, Jones reported seeing on a recent visit to the school was a large map of the United States posted in the hallway with a host of covered wagons journeying to the west coast. Each student has a wagon and must read a specified number of books to progress from station to station across the country. Jones noted that two wagons had already reached Oregon.

Yarn dolls which children made

from scraps of yarn were posted on the bulleting board to show what early pioneer children had to play with.

In learning about pioneers, third graders have made covered wagons and will learn to embroider.

Fifth graders will re-enact the trip by Lewis and Clark and study about Sacajawea.

The first grade class has just completed making a class quilt by hand as the pioneer women did. Each child pieced two blocks together with the assistance of Lucile Rietmann, Ruth McCabe, Dot Halvorsen, Barbara Collin, Marlene Davison and class mothers. Lucile Rietmann and Dot Halvorsen set up a quilting frame at school and helped

students tie their quilt.

Pam Minster assisted the class in churning cream for butter. Wayne and Vera Rietmann showed students how wheat is ground into flour. The class then went to Lucile Rietmann's house to bake bread.

Guests who spoke to all grades included Edith Matthews who told about her experiences in teaching in a one room school and Ruth McCabe who told students about early home life and showed the kind of home appliances used in the past. Fred and Helen Nelson talked about early farming as it was done with horses and mules and demonstrated sewing wheat sacks.

Students in kindergarten through sixth grade will continue learning

about pioneer life during the month of April and will have a program and open house April 23 to show the public what they have learned about early life in Morrow County.

A field trip for all students in grades one through six is planned for April 3 to Fort Walla Walla where students will go on guided tours and hear stories concerning our area's early history.

"What a great job these teachers are doing to teach these students about our early state history, county and city, and they should be congratulated on this effort as much of this I'm sure is far beyond the call of duty as a teacher," concluded Jones.

Amendment to allow electric motors on Lake Penland

The Oregon State Marine Board has proposed an amendment to allow boats propelled by electric motors of less than 30 pounds thrust on Lake Penland.

The current ruling states that no person shall operate a motorboat on Lake Penland. Recent requests by individuals and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, says Marine Board Director Paul Donheffner indicate that allowing small

electric motors on the lake will increase use by senior citizens without harming the lake.

People who wish to express their views concerning the proposed amendment may write to Paul Donheffner, Director, State Marine Board, 3000 Market St. N.E. No. 505, Salem, OR 97310. In order for comments to be considered at the next meeting of the Marine Board they must be received by April 15, 1985.

Food donations needed

The food drive in observance of Hunger Awareness Month continues throughout the month of March reminds a Neighborhood Center spokesperson.

Businesses in Heppner, Lexington, and Ione are donating proceeds from coffee and designated other sales on given days until the end of the month. The local markets have baskets - conspicuously placed to

receive donations of canned goods.

All donations received from south Morrow County will remain in south Morrow County to be used to stock the Emergency Food Cupboard at the Neighborhood Center and to help local families who are in need of assistance said the spokesperson. Anyone who would like to make a donation directly to the center may do so by bringing it to the Neighborhood Center or by calling 676-5873.

County voters go to polls next Tuesday

Morrow County voters will go to the polls next Tuesday, March 26 and determine the fate of the school district budget, the county's operating budget, four candidates vying for one position on the school district board of directors, and six candidates competing for three positions on the county port commission. A number of advisory committee positions and maintenance and fire protection district positions are also up for election.

Polls will be open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Grange Hall in Boardman, the Neighborhood Center in Heppner, City Hall in Ione, the county office building in Irrigon, and the school office building in Lexington.

See the Gazette-Times' candidates forum and budget summaries on page four.

AAUW offers scholarship

Applications for a \$300 scholarship offered by the Heppner-Ione branch of American Association of University Women will be accepted March 25 through April 30. Applicants must be women who have had one year of post high school education, have been a resident of Morrow County, and plan on continuing their education.

For applications or more information contact AAUW members Shirley Campbell 676-5201, Justine Weatherford 676-5504, or April Sykes 676-9939.

Courtesy Car faces financial difficulties

Heppner's Courtesy Car is suffering from a lack of sponsorship-not from people who use the car-but from local businesses which cannot afford to help pay for the cost of providing gasoline and some remuneration for the drivers, says Buzz Lynch, the car's owner.

Sixteen businesses now support the car each month, but there are several which do not, and most benefit from people who are transported to their businesses by the Courtesy Car.

Buzz Lynch of Cal's cafe and Lounge owns the car, and provides insurance and maintenance on it.

Other businesses which support

the car include: Bonnie's Barber Shop, Bud's Pub, Bucknum's, Wagon Wheel, Country Rose, Vinh's Chevron, the Elks Lodge, Case Furniture, Heppner Auto Parts, Murray's Drug Store, D & L Auto Repair, Ray Boyce Insurance, Turner Van Marter and Bryant Insurance, Green Feed, and Dr. Koznek.

Money which the sponsors donate is used to buy gasoline and to pay the drivers not for any profit emphasizes Lynch, the only ones who make money are the drivers.

The car has become a community project. 36 carloads of people were given rides Saturday of St. Patrick's weekend.

Drivers of the car, Alton Yarnell

and Dorothy Scott keep the car available 6 a.m. to 3 a.m. seven days a week. Yarnell, says Lynch, is now managing the car and finding extra drivers when they are needed.

Mostly, say Lynch and Yarnell, the car has been supported so far by donations from those who ride in it, but several people use the car without donations. This is fine says Lynch, but if we want to maintain a courtesy car, "the free rides should be for the older people and for those who cannot afford to make a donation." Yarnell says several individuals recently sent donations which are appreciated.

During the colder weather, Scott said the car was used a lot, mostly during the day by older people with out transportation. She has taken people for early doctor appointments, driven children to school, delivered prescriptions, and taken people to the grocery store. She has driven many older women to the hairdresser and some people with injuries to the hospital.

Some of the people drive but need a ride while their car is in for repairs; some have lost driver's licenses which they can't renew. The car is needed by older people says Lynch so they do "not have to depend on their family, but can call the car and do what they want when they want." It's important that they feel some independence.

Although the courtesy car is not just a "bar car," it is used by people not wanting to drive home after a party. Local tavern owners support the car because it provides protection for the club and for the customers, says Dallas Harsin, manager of the Elks Club. The Elks have sponsored their own courtesy car following all of their major functions

for the last 10-11 years, he says, but they also support Lynch's Courtesy Car. People seem more willing to use the car now than before citations for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants became so expensive. Now, he says, the car is a necessary expense. Also, if the option of a free ride is there, tavern owners can't be accused of indirectly causing an accident by serving liquor.

Proof of the car's success was illustrated last New Year's Eve when no local arrests were made for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants.

Premium book changes due

All information and-or changes for the 1985 Fair Premium Book should be brought to the Gazette-Times office as soon as possible. Superintendents and committee people should note the changes in their departments and be sure that the Gazette-Times has these changes in time to include them in this year's premium book.

Theme selected for '85 fair

The Morrow County Fair committee has selected "Alive in '85" as the theme for this year's fair and rodeo August 14-18.

The committee made plans for the year and discussed the possibility of a carnival at the fair with five adult and four kids rides.

The next meeting will be April 8 at the fairgrounds.

Kinzua given marketing award



Kent Goodyear

Kinzua Corp. has been named the Pacific Northwest Forest Products Marketing Firm of the Year. Kinzua Sales Manager Kent Goodyear received a commemorative plaque, handcarved by Oregon artist Art McKellips, at a loggers breakfast which opened the Pacific Sawmill Machinery Show at the Western Forestry Center. The award, sponsored by the Portland Chamber of Commerce and the Western Forestry Center, is presented each year to the Oregon firm which has given the greatest effort in expanding the lumber markets.

Goodyear explains that the success of a sawmill used to be determined by the amount of lumber it produced, "The more you produced, the better you were." Now it's not so much the amount of production, but the ability to change to product to supply the markets which give returns.

Kinzua's "state of the art computerized sawmill has enabled a sales program to adapt to new markets that sustain premium over the open commodity market now dominated by Canadian lumber manufacturers," Goodyear says. He and assistant sales manager, Bob Lankford, have emphasized two key ideas, quality and adaptability, in promoting Kinzua products in the markets of re-manufacturing, remodeling and do-it-yourself. "I credit teamwork at Kinzua for this award," concluded Goodyear. The plaque will be displayed on the lobby wall at Kinzua.



Courtesy car drivers Alton Yarnell and Dorothy Scott.