

'8 Billion Angels' streams Jan. 26

Do we want a world of more people with less opportunity, peace, good health and prosperity or fewer people with more of each?

The film "8 Billion Angels" and a discussion with Filmmaker Terry Spahr will begin at 5 p.m. on Jan. 26. Registration is free; find a link on the Mt. View Grange No. 98 website, www.grange.org/mountainviewwa98. The event is sponsored by Mt. View Grange no. 98, Columbia Gorge Climate Action Network, and Stevenson Grange No. 121.

"We are thrilled to present Producer Terry Spahr and his '8 Billion Angels' team as they weave together stories of people around the world, from farmers in Kansas to scientists in Japan, confronting the increasing impact of unsustainable population growth on their lives and the planet, giving faces and voices to an issue that is often

relegated to the shadows of our personal, political and international discussions," said a press release. "In spite of the daunting challenges facing our future, this uplifting documentary offers proven, positive and practical solutions that will not only heal the environment but improve the health and well-being of people around the world. "We are very excited to have Terry introduce the film and join us for Q&A afterwards."

About Terry Spahr

Terry Spahr is a naturalist, environmental activist and producer of the 2020 documentary, "8 Billion Angels," which establishes the connection between unsustainable population growth and our global environmental emergencies.



The U.S. Coast Guard cutter Bluebell moors in the Hood River marina overnight Wednesday. The vessel is a regular sight up and down the Columbia between Portland and Lewiston, but is not often seen at the Hood River dock. Aaron Wills, Petty Officer First Class, said the main purpose of the Bluebell's time on the Mid-Columbia last week was to check the navigation aids known as light ranges, of which there are about 400 on the river. Light ranges are double lights that vessel operators use to ensure safe passage by aligning the two lights and following that course, so the Coast Guard routinely makes sure the light ranges are functioning fully. The Bluebell made its way to Hood River overnight Jan. 12, through the severe "atmospheric river" storm that deluged the area. Kirby Neumann-Rea photo

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1921 — 100 years ago

In view of the fact that an anti-Japanese bill, similar to that recently passed in California, is to be presented to the state legislature early next week, Secretary R.E. Scott of the local Anti-Asiatic association has sent out an appeal for funds among members and sympathizers in this valley. The bill will bar Japanese from the ownership of real property and provides for confiscation by the state and the escheatment to the state any property secured in violation of the law. — *Hood River News*

TAKEN UP — Large black muley cow, ear mark seems to be hold in left ear, torn out. No visible brand. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses. W. J. Means, Boyd, Ore., Phone 26F11 — *The Dalles Daily Chronicle*

FOR TRADE — House and lot in Portland for house and lot in The Dalles. Telephone red 1881. — *The Dalles Daily Chronicle*

1941 — 80 years ago

Dr. H.L. Dumble may well be forgiven for wearing a blank look when he was notified by police offices that his

office safe, empty, had been found near Woodburn, Ore. For the truth is, Dr. Dumble, doyen of the medical profession in the Mid-Columbia area, has been confined to his home for several months and did not know that his office safe had been stolen. Now officers are trying to piece together what appears to be an intricate jigsaw puzzle. — *Hood River News*

Four Dalles youths who recently enlisted in the United States naval reserve — Bob Hampton, Lynn Greene, Alfred Shirley Jr., and Damon Capps — have been ordered to report to the navy radio school at Los Angeles, Calif., on Jan. 23. — *The Dalles Daily Chronicle*

1961 — 60 years ago

Hood River's City Council took final action Monday on the town's newest law, the much-discussed sign ordinance that is now in full effect. Under the new ordinance, no signs may be erected in town that will stick out over the sidewalks more than two feet. Present signs have until 1966 to conform to the ordinance. The council took action after a delegation from Portland commercial sign

firms appeared to express their general opposition to the measure. A formal hearing was held by city council Dec. 5. — *Hood River News*

Forty-five tons of blasting powder was ignited, an instant tremor shook the earth for a half-mile around and 100,000 yards of dirt and rock flumed off a sheer bluff wall. It all happened within seconds Thursday afternoon just 12 miles east of Rufus. — *The Dalles Daily Chronicle*

1981 — 40 years ago

Unseasonably balmy temperatures that led local residents to trade winter coats for raincoats during Christmas week have meant profits down the drain for area ski areas. Compounding the problems are highway washouts caused by the flood. "The snow at Cooper Spur is all melted," reported Alex Newman, owner of Cooper Spur Ski Area. "Normally we would be at the peak of our season right now. There are people signed up for ski lessons ... who can't take advantage of their time off." — *Hood River News*

Bad leaks have developed in the steeple of the old community church building

in Bingen, said members of the Bingen Women's Circle, which owns the structure, who approached the city council last week in an effort to solve the problem. Resident Betty Olsen said the group does not have the funding to pay for the repairs on the building, which is scheduled to eventual be turned over to the city. — *White Salmon Enterprise*

A \$2 million plant to process maraschino cherries to their final stages was announced this morning by George Stadelman Jr, of Stadelman Fruit Company. — *The Dalles Daily Chronicle*

2001 — 20 years ago

ODELL — From the Matthews family of Odell leading call and response songs to children weaving on back-strap looms, to the discussion led by Nicole Toussaint and Samuel Bryant, Culture Fest 2001 was an interactive event. The fairgrounds and Wy'east Middle School buzzed with activity Monday during the Martin Luther King Day celebration. The food court offered a variety of ethnic foods and a mural painting corner. Two gyms were filled with

activities and performance areas. — *Hood River News*

A labor union local has gone to court to stop the Goldendale Energy Project on environmental grounds. Papers filed Dec. 27 in Klickitat County's Superior Court appeal the city of Goldendale's decision to allow the plant, contending the approval was made "without adequate environmental

review and/or mitigation." — *White Salmon Enterprise*

Annual report cards for Oregon public schools were released yesterday with almost all schools in the area showing some improvement over last year. Even with improved ratings, local administrators caution the public about reading too much into the report cards. — *The Dalles Chronicle*

GLOBAL HEADLINES

1921

Grandmas Take Votes Of Electors By Plane
Britain Is Out To Kill American Shipping
U.S. Navy Will Rule 7 Seas In Year 1925

1941

Roosevelt Takes Third Term Oath Of Office
Dictators Meet, Lay Plans For Drive On Britain
President Sees Great Peril In War-Torn World

1961

John Kennedy Becomes 35th President
Eisenhower Era Passes Into History
Castro Stops Mass Trials

1980

Reagan Takes Oath As 40th President
Hostages Fly To Freedom At Last
State Senate Power Shuffle Showdown

2001

Bill Clinton: off the hook
Florida religious theme park raises concerns
Anti-blasphemy protesters arrested

SCRAMBLE Teachers given higher priority

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"This is a deception on a national scale," Brown said.

Brown had announced the vaccine would be opened up to those 65 and older beginning Jan. 23, as well as teachers and childcare providers.

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar said Jan. 12 that it would expand the distribution of vaccine it was holding, creating a possible windfall for states that were worried about scarcity in coming weeks. Federal officials also recommended opening up vaccine availability to those over 65 once the first group of health workers and people in long-term care facilities were vaccinated.

The earlier time frame was met with much happiness across the state as a sign that more of those most

susceptible to serious illness and death from COVID-19 would get inoculations.

But the optimism soon evaporated as federal officials told Brown and Oregon Health Director Pat Allen that there had been a miscommunication and actually no additional vaccine would be on its way.

"I thought I was losing my mind," Allen said. "I went back and actually reviewed the actual C-SPAN video of Secretary Azar, and the words he used were 'releasing the entire supply.' He talked about physical inventory. It was incredibly clear."

In response, Brown on Friday announced another schedule for rollout of the vaccine. It underlines an already controversial decision by the governor to place school teachers and staff above the elderly on the priority list.

After the current 1a phase of the vaccinations for medical and health care workers, the next group would be K-12 educators and school workers, who will now begin

getting vaccinations starting Jan. 25. That will get schools closer to the governor's targeted Feb. 15 for reopening in-class teaching.

But older Oregonians who are not in long term care facilities would be placed into four priority tiers. Those over 80 would begin vaccinations on Feb. 8. Those over 75 come next a week later, on Feb. 15. Over 70 would begin Feb. 22 and over 65 on March 1.

Despite criticism that she was putting schooling over lives, Brown has stuck with her decision to prioritize getting schools reopened. She said virtual learning had left many students, particularly in less-affluent districts, falling behind. She also pointed to an uptick in teenage suicides due to the long isolation.

Brown said that the Trump Administration had "pulled the rug" out from under hopeful Oregonians.

"I am demanding answers from the Trump Administration," Brown said. "I am shocked and appalled

that they have set an expectation on which they could not deliver, with such grave consequences."

COVID-19 policy is in the middle of a transition as Trump is replaced by President-elect Joe Biden at noon on Jan. 20. Biden has promised a \$20 billion vaccine push once he becomes president, including using the Federal Emergency

Management Agency and other agencies to speed up and widen distribution.

"The vaccine roll-out in the United States has been a dismal failure so far," Biden said Friday. "The honest truth is this, things will get worse before they get better. And the policy changes we are going to be making, they're going to take time to show up in the COVID statistics."

Biden has set a goal of "100 million vaccine shots into the arms of the American people" by his 100th day in office, April 30.

Brown said she was ready for a more dependable effort from Washington, D.C. By the time of the inauguration on Jan. 20, the number of Americans killed by COVID-19 is expected to surpass 400,000.

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