# McFetridge named Father of the Year

# OUT OF THE PAST

#### **100 YEARS AGO** May 12, 1921

The Third Street garage, run by O. B. Mackan and E. D. Paxson, will move shortly to the concrete building which has been occupied by Gotter & Kemper as a planing mill. The building originally consisted of two concrete side walls and a roof, and was left open on two sides for convenience in handling lumber. Concrete walls will be built on the two open sides and a floor of the same material will be laid.

Wallowa high school made 45 points in the county track meet Saturday, against 32 for Joseph, 26 for Lostine, 23 for Enterprise. Wallowa led all the way thru from the first 100 yard dash which Harold Lyman won to the final relay in which the Wallowa team was a few feet behind the winning Joseph group. Frank Harsin of Joseph was the star of the meet, scoring 18 points and took the gold medal. Lyman was second with 15 points, and Kenneth Tulley of Wallowa third with 14.

# **75 YEARS AGO** May 9, 1946

The following registered honorable discharge papers in the office of the county clerk during the past week: T-5 Elton R. Herr, Fort

Lewis, Feb. 13 ETM 3-c Harve Keneth

Hafer, Bremerton, April 22 S 1-c Jay Clifton Ward, Bremerton, April 21

SKV 2-c William Henry Fletcher, Shoemaker, Calif., April 21

S 1-c Marion Richard Miller, Seattle, March 28 F 1-c Charles Wyanne



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Five generations in one family got together in the home of Mildred Johnson in Enterprise in this photo from the May 13, 1971, edition of the Chieftain. In the picture are: Seated at right, Mertie (Kinney) McFetridge; Seated at left, Mildred (McFetridge) Johnson; Standing at right, Darlene (Johnson) Fine; Standing at left, Cindy (Fine) Fletcher; and baby **Heather Helene Fletcher.** 

White, Seattle, April 25

Cpl, Kirkland K. Moore, Ft. Lewis, April 28

Pfc. Charles E. Talbott, Ft. Lewis, April 26

RM 3-c Joe Hutton Conner, Lido Beach, L. I., April 29

Mr. and Mrs. James Brenner (Helen Stevens) came in on the stage Wednesday from Camp Pendleton at Oceanside, Calif. He has just been discharged from the army. They are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stevens, and then will go on to Minneapolis, Minn., to make their home.

Lee Beddow, blind discharged war veteran, and his brother, Tommy Beddow, of Detroit, Mich., came April 17 and have been visiting their cousin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Loftus, in Joseph and their aunt and family, Mr. and Mrs.

Bruce Lydell, on Imnaha. Lee was in the North Africa and Italy campaigns, and it was in Italy in October, 1944, that he received serious wounds that caused the loss of both eyes. He won the Distinguisher Service

# **50 YEARS AGO** May 13, 1971

Wayne McFetridge, an Enterprise rancher, was announced Saturday evening as the Wallowa County CowBelles Father of the Year. He was one of eight nominees for the honor. In making the announcement some of his activities of the past many years were cited as being instrumental in his selection. He has, for many years, been a member of school boards, has worked with the youth of the Catholic church for over a quarter century, and has worked

with youth in a number of ways.

Gerald J. Perren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Perren, 202 Litch St., Enterprise, Ore., has been promoted to lieutenant colonel of the U.S. Air Force.

Colonel Perren is a faculty instructor with the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB, Ala.

A 1947 graduate of Enterprise High School, the colonel received his B.S. and M.S. degree in meteorology from Florida State University.

### **25 YEARS AGO** May 9, 1996

For the fifth year in a row, the Enterprise High School golf team has won the Oregon 2A championship.

Competing in a 14-team field at Colwood Golf Course in Portland, the Savages combined for a 310-stroke finish. Other teams in the Top Five were East Linn Christian and Santiam Christian with 330 each, Temple Christian with 344, and Warrenton with 348. Medalist for the meet was Adam Williams of East Linn Christian, who hit a four-over-par 74.

In individual scoring, Derek Eddy led Enterprise with a 76. Clint Morgan, Ryan Wulff and Rob Anderson carded identical 78s.

The 1996 Chief Joseph Days Court has started off their official rodeo season with a bang by placing first out of 16 royal rodeo courts taking part in the Asotin County Fair parade on Saturday, April 27.

The court — Queen Amber Follett and Princesses Dena Rynearson and Amber Locke — also participated in the run-ins prior to the Saturday rodeo.

# County commissioners handle routine matters

# Mental health discussion put off; monies transferred

# By BILL BRADSHAW Wallowa County Chieftain

ENTERPRISE — It was largely routine business that the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners addressed Wednesday, May 5, involving the moving of budget monies and the partial discussion of an agreement with the state on mental health services.

The mental health discussion was unable to go much of anywhere, since the commissioners were in need of information from Chantay Jett, executive director of the Wallowa Valley Center for Wellness, which contracts with the county for mental health services. Jett was not present at the meeting.

"I don't know how much discussion we can have on mental health, without Chantay here to discuss that," Commissioner John Hillock said. "I don't know if we want to go into any further discussions until she's here because she was doing an exploratory mission to get more information."

Commissioner Susan Roberts said that any agreement with the state on mental health is separate from the one with the Oregon Department of Health and Human Services that the commissioners declined to sign because in it the state put all the liability on the county.

She said this agreement that Jett is exploring "would have the county relinquish the title of being the mental health authority and let that return to the state to be contracting with the providers of these services. The county could be at the table to discuss who might be hired and

have some input." She was satisfied with the work the state has done on

mental health. "The state agency that handles mental health does a really good job," Roberts said.

Hillock said it's important to include the results of Jett's research before proceeding.

"I would reiterate that we're still in the fact-finding stage to rationalize where we're going with this," he said. "Mostly it's about worrying that the state contracts have the liability that the county has to have and to eliminate liability on the county. We're still working through that process."

In the transfers of funds, which Roberts said were largely routine matters accomplished to ensure the books were in order for the auditors, the commissioners moved:

• \$375 from the Road Vacation/Sick Sinking Fund. • \$165 from the Unemployment Sinking Fund.

• \$125 from the Vacation/ Sick Leave Sinking Fund.

• \$15 from the State County Security Fund.

• \$5,000 from the Video Lottery/Economic Development Fund.

• \$550 from the Surveyor Fund.

In other matters, the commissioners:

• Hired Hailey Collier as a new 911 dispatcher.

· Approved a revision to an application for a Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund Grant.

• Approved two easement permit applications for Cory Walters, for power and water on his Wade Gulch Lane property.

· Approved an application by Commissioner Todd Nash for an easement on his Alder Slope Road property where he's installing a culvert in the driveway. Nash recused himself from voting on the application.

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