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Navy Plane Bombs Fall Near Homes

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Rural home owners in the Boardman area were alarmed and concerned Saturday when practice bombs intended for targets in the Navy's practice range, some five miles or more south, dropped near their homes Saturday.

Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman said that one hit about 300 yards south of the Amos Shoemaker place on East Wilson Road. The Basil Rogers home is also close.

The sheriff said that the bomb, which is filled with water for the practice runs and has a smoke charge for location purposes, made a crater about six feet wide, eight feet long and 20 inches deep. It hit bed rock at 20 inches or may have gone deeper, he said.

Sheriff Bauman said that he picked up a fragment about 110 feet from where it hit.

The Navy later reported that an A-6A twin-jet bomber from Whidby Island accidentally dropped five practice bombs in the Boardman area.

It was reported that the aircraft approached its target and radioed "Bombs Away" at a point that would have been directly on target. However, a bombing system malfunction caused the bombs to remain until the plane began to pull out of its dive.

The incident came soon after the Navy Bomb range had come into the news again. Orville Cutsforth stated that he had been informed that plans may be underway to widen corridors and felt this should not be done. He was joined in the plea by aviators in the area who reportedly have had some near misses with some of their planes from the low flying jets.

The Navy later reported that no expansion of the surface area of the site is planned, but said that it hopes to extend the restricted flight zone of the range north about six miles into the Paterson, Wash., area.

A public hearing on the Navy application for an expanded restricted flight zone for the bombing range was scheduled for Wednesday, October 30, in Pendleton.

Glen Coons, owner of Coons' Flying Service on Butter Creek, and Mel Boyer, owner of Gar's Aviation at Lexington, said that they have complained to the Federal Aviation Agency about the low-flying jets.



GEORGE CURRIN and sons have been chosen Morrow County Livestockmen of the Year and were honored at the annual Farm-City banquet here Wednesday night. In this photo taken in the yard of their ranch home on Little Butter Creek are George F. Currin (center) with his wife, Helen, standing; son Tom (left), and son Ron (right). (G-T Photo)

Currins are Chosen 1968 Livestockmen

(See pictures also on page 2)

Morrow County Livestockmen of the Year for 1968, just chosen by a committee from the Livestock Growers association and announced at the Farm-City banquet Wednesday evening, have a name prominent in county livestock circles and in county history for more than 60 years.

Tabbed for the honor are George Currin and Sons, an operation which includes George F. Currin, the father, and Ron, 32, and Tom, 28, the sons, all

of Little Butter Creek.

The family history in Morrow county dates back to the coming of George J. Currin in 1876. He bought the present family ranch from Hugh Fields in 1901 or 1905, and his son, Hugh C. Currin, took over about 1910. George F. Currin has spent most of his life on the ranch, except for a period of years at Pilot Rock, where the family bought a ranch on East Birch Creek. They still own 1850 acres there.

The livestock operation has changed drastically in fairly recent years. It was primarily a sheep operation until 1952 when the lack of qualified labor and summer pasture caused a switch to cattle. At one time the operation included four bands of sheep, wintering as many as 4000, then it was reduced to two, and finally the switch to cattle.

Present cattle operation consists of 385 cows with most of the calves carried on as yearlings. The operators retain 50 to 75 replacement heifers each year.

Cows calve in February and March on the home place. During the past year, cows and calves left for summer pasture near Maxville, 12 miles north of Wallowa, in late May.

Even just the thoughts of the deep lush grass there bring

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Homecoming Tilt Pits Grant Union Against Mustangs

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Greater Oregon League Standings

	Won	Lost	Tied
Wahtonka	4	0	1
Enterprise	4	1	0
Grant Union	4	1	0
Madras	2	2	1
Burns	2	3	0
Sherman County	1	3	1
Pilot Rock	1	4	0
Heppner	0	4	1

By PAT KILKENNY

Spirit Week for Heppner High school will be climaxed by a head-on football clash with the Prospectors of Grant Union at 8:00 p.m., Friday at the rodeo grounds here. This will be the last home game for the Mustangs.

The Mustangs will really be up for the Prospector game after falling at the losing end of the scoreboard at Pilot Rock last week-end.

In other league action last week-end, the high flying Eagles of Wahtonka were victorious, rolling over the Huskies of Sherman County, 24-6. The Madras High White Buffaloes dropped their second league clash in a row, by the slight margin of 20-19. The defeat was at the hands of the Enterprise Savages who now stand second in the league, with Grant Union.

Grant Union stayed on the winning trail as they bumped the Burns Hilaranders, 30-6.

The Mustangs have two games remaining, their Homecoming here Friday and their final game, with Madras, on Friday, November 8, at Madras at 1:30 p.m.

'Spook House' Open Tonight for Kids

Heppner's small fry will have an extra treat in store for them tonight (Halloween) in addition to the usual round of trick-or-treating and Halloween parties.

They are invited to drop in for a visit to the mysterious "Spook House," located in the former Case Furniture building on Main street.

The "Spook House" is a creation of the Morrow County Jayvees, who plan to offer tours through the creepy interior of their spooky domain to anyone with nerve enough to go through.

All in the way of good natured fun, the "Spook House" is an idea new to this community, and it is designed especially to give the kids a real thrill on Halloween night.

Admittance is free, and the "Spook House" will open its doors at 7 p.m.



MISS SARA MILLER

Heppner Senior Wins Contest

Sara Miller, Heppner High school senior, was local winner of the annual speech contest sponsored by the Heppner Soil and Water Conservation District at the high school last Thursday evening, and was presented the first place trophy by Albert Wright, contest chairman. She will now represent the district at the area contest to be held Monday evening in Hermiston. Sara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Miller, Heppner.

Three other trophies were awarded. Second went to Sandi Carlson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carlson, Ione; third place to Jill Chitty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Chitty, Heppner, and fourth place to Donna Pointer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Pointer, Lexington.

Speeches for this year's contestants are related to the assigned theme, "Forest Management in a Soil and Water Conservation District."

Just a Trace

Just a trace of rain on Tuesday. That's all the moisture for the week as the Indian summer continues. Complete weather report from Don Gilliam, official observer, is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	73	43	—
Thursday	66	41	—
Friday	65	43	—
Saturday	60	33	—
Sunday	53	31	—
Monday	62	33	—
Tuesday	69	38	T

Dedication Speakers Laud Morse

By MARY LEE MARLOW

More than 350 persons attended the dedication ceremony and open house of Riverside Junior-Senior High school at Boardman Sunday afternoon.

Sen. Wayne Morse, who was to be principal speaker, was unable to attend because of a commitment to be in Portland to welcome Sen. Edmund Muskie, Democratic vice presidential candidate.

Sen. Morse's daughter, Mrs. Judy Eaton of Connecticut, spoke in his place, she being in Oregon to campaign for her father.

Mrs. Eaton said that the dedication "represents everything Wayne Morse stands for." When her father succeeded in obtaining funds for construction after the Corps of Engineers had rejected the bids, it established the policy across the nation of small communities standing up to the Federal government in supporting their needs, she said.

Sen. Morse consistently works for education, not only in Oregon, but across the nation, she added.

It was through Sen. Morse that the school was finally built. He met with officials in Washington, D. C., several times when it sometimes appeared that money would not be forthcoming for the school.

Charles Lee, of Washington, D. C., a member of the Senate

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High School Vote Supports Nixon

Richard Nixon polled a substantial majority in a straw vote taken at Heppner High school last Friday, receiving 95 of the students' votes for president against 52 for Hubert Humphrey and 18 for George Wallace. Adrian Cook, history teacher who conducted the elections, announced.

Eugene McCarthy received 12, and in light vein, Pat Paulsen polled 21, both as write-ins.

In other contests, the students showed that they do not follow party lines.

Robert Packwood, Republican, edged Wayne Morse, Democrat, for U. S. Senator, 118 to 85.

Al Ullman, Democrat, topped Mary Root, Republican, for Congressman, Second District, 145 to 50.

George Van Hoomissen, Democrat, received 114 for Secretary of State to 84 for Clay Myers, Republican.

Robert W. Straub, Democrat, totaled 153 for state treasurer while Ansel Page, his Republican opponent, received 49.

For attorney general, Lee Johnson, Republican, polled 120 while Robert Y. Thornton, Democrat, tallied 68.

In the Morrow county sheriff's race, John Mollahan, Democrat, was the students' preference with 77 votes. C. J. D. Bauman, Republican, received 61 and Jim Barnett, Independent, polled 59.

In uncontested offices, Ken Jernstedt, Republican, polled 155 for state senator and Jerry Sweeney received 16 write-in votes; Irvin Mann, Republican, received 178 for state representative; Walter Hayes, Republican, 165 for county commissioner; Sadie Parrish, 177 for county clerk; and Sylvia McDaniel, 177 for county treasurer.

Dale Farnell received the edge for state superintendent of public instruction over Walter Blake, 105 to 81, on the nonpartisan ballot. All other offices on the nonpartisan ballot are uncontested and Cook said their totals were not tabulated.

Measure No. 7 (the 1½% property tax limitation measure) went down by close to a 2-to-1 majority in the student ballot, getting 130 no votes to 70 yes.

On the other hand the Beach Bill (Measure No. 6) which would impose a 1c per gallon additional tax on gasoline to acquire private beach properties, passed, 120 yes to 80 no.

Results of other measures were as follows:

Measure 1—Broadening veterans loan eligibility, 172 yes, 27 no.

Measure 2—Amendment for removal of judges, 151 yes, 13 no.

Measure 3—Empowering legislature to extend ocean boundaries, 144 yes, 50 no.

Measure 4—Amendment broadening county debt limitation, 91 yes, 98 no.

Measure 5—Government consolidation city-county over 500,000 population, 85 yes, 98 no.

Election to Attract Good Voter Turnout

Sheriff Candidates



JIM BARNETT



C. J. D. BAUMAN



JOHN MOLLAHAN

Although predictions are that voting throughout the nation may be fairly light at the general election Tuesday, November 5, expectations are here that Morrow county turnout will run high, exceeding the national average considerably.

Morrow county voters have traditionally responded with a high percentage casting ballots.

There are several contests of interest—only one local—to spur their participation.

Polls will be open in the nine precincts from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Polling places in Heppner are: Northwest, Assembly of God church; Northeast, old city library, next to city hall; Southwest, county courthouse; Southeast, county courthouse.

Polling places in the rest of the county are: Ione city hall, Lexington city hall, Hardman Community Hall, Greenfield Grange Hall at Boardman, and the old Irrigon school.

Local returns will be collected through the night at the Gazette-Times through the cooperation of Mrs. Sadie Parrish, county clerk, and the counting boards. Wes Sherman is local representative for the national News Election Service.

It is expected that some incomplete returns from Heppner precincts will be available shortly after 8 p.m. but it will be sometime thereafter until further returns will be available. Counting boards must complete their work before the totals are reported.

Topping interest on the ballot is the presidential race, Hubert Humphrey, Democrat, versus Richard Nixon, Republican, and the candidacy of George Wallace, representing a third party, casting some basis for speculation.

Going down the ballot, another lively contest is in prospect for U. S. Senator, with incumbent Wayne Morse and his Republican challenger, Robert Packwood, reported to be running neck-and-neck.

Mary Root, Republican, has worked diligently in his campaign against Al Ullman, Democrat incumbent, for the U. S. Representative position, second Oregon district.

George Van Hoomissen, Democrat, has made a vigorous campaign against incumbent Clay Myers, Republican, for secretary of state; and Lee Johnson, Republican, is given a good chance of unseating Robert Y. Thornton, Democrat incumbent, for attorney general.

Ansel Page, Republican, opposes Robert Straub, Democrat incumbent, for state treasurer, but if Page's campaign has been very active, it hasn't been noticed here.

The one county contest is the three-way race between C. J. D. Bauman, Republican, sheriff for

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Ballot Republished Because of Error

Sample facsimile ballot for Morrow county is reprinted on pages 6 and 7 of section 2, this paper, because of an error made in the publication last week.

Those who studied the ballot must have been confused when they noticed candidates for Wheeler county district attorney and other Wheeler county offices on the ballot.

This came about because the Gazette-Times also prints official and sample ballots for Wheeler county. When the facsimile was run in the paper here, as required by law, part of the form inadvertently was not restored to the Morrow county candidates.

The re-run is made without cost to the county. Voters are advised to disregard last week's printing, and to refer to this publication as the correct facsimile ballot.

Mrs. Ely Nominated For Teacher of Year

Mrs. Gladys Ely, who has taught school in Morrow county for 31 years and is currently in her 26th consecutive year at Ione, has been nominated by the county chapter of the Oregon Education association as Oregon Teacher of the Year.

She has received strong support from Ron Daniels, superintendent of Morrow county schools, and from Harold Beggs, principal, Ione schools.

"I know her to be a fine citizen, an exceptionally fine individual, and a person who is vitally interested in the teaching profession and the welfare of youth," Daniels wrote in his recommendation. "Gladys Ely is a fine candidate for Oregon's Teacher of the Year."

"She causes her students to create and to teach out for new knowledge," Beggs said. "She is an excellent teacher of the fundamentals... but she is equally as adept at creating interest and developing skills in the arts and sciences."

"Mrs. Ely contributes more to the lives of her students than just knowledge. She teaches citizenship, courtesy, and the system of values which has made America great. She teach-



MRS. GLADYS ELY

es morals without moralizing and values without judging. She demonstrates the value of hard work and a job well done by her personal example. Mrs. Ely feels that teaching is the most

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HIPPY, YIPPY. Look at the flower children! Randall Peterson, jeweler, and Mrs. Marlene Bergstrom, clerk, won first prize in the Crazy Days dress-up for merchants here Saturday. Terry Linecum, Heppner art teacher, did the decorations in the psychedelic mood. Bank of Eastern Oregon crew did the judging in the contest.



THESE "PAPER DOLLS" attired in paper dresses and wigs, took second place in the Crazy Days merchants' dress-up Saturday. The four are clerks at Murrays Rexall Drug, from left, Mrs. John (Ruth) Bergstrom, Mrs. Elwyn (Maude) Hughes, Mrs. Roy (Melba) Quackenbush, and Mrs. L. E. (Faye) Ruhl. Merchants reported a very busy week-end with lots of bargain hunters for the event. (G-T Photo)