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No Beef Boycott

While other areas of the state are in the midst of a boycott on beef, Heppner and Morrow county seems to be unaffected by the action taken by housewives.

We hope this is an indication that local people realize that beef is still a bargain—in fact, that most beef prices were lower in June of this year than they were in 1951.

It is important that our people respect the reasons for increased beef prices over the last five months. After all, some of their neighbors are cattlemen.

The fact is that food prices have risen less than most other items during the past 18 years.

And while beef prices are almost the same as they were 18 years ago, the average worker in these United States has more than doubled his weekly paycheck.

That means that where an average hour's pay used to buy 4.2 pounds of hamburger, it will now buy 6.0 pounds of hamburger.

The level of money spent on food today is at its lowest point, 17 per cent of after-cash income.

According to Oregon State University extension marketing specialist, Velma Seat, the disturbance to housewives may be that consumers see food prices change more readily than they do other items.

When buyers get their grocery bills, they're not all food items. About 20 per cent of today's supermarket bills can be attributed to non-food items, according to the university specialist.

So when housewives elsewhere decide to boycott the meat counters of supermarkets, we're glad to see local housewives refraining from doing it.

A reduction in beef prices could only hurt one person in the end—the producer. We don't think that's who the boycotters intended to hurt in the first place, so we wonder what their purpose is.

Be Safe -- Not Sorry!

Tragedies and near tragedies in Oregon's coastal waters this year bring concern that many persons who flock to the beaches at vacation time are not adequately aware of unforeseen hazards.

Dangers of the unruly surf were dramatically pointed out with the tragic loss of one of our local boys, Raymond Nichols, in March. He was one of 13 drownings to mid-year, four were teenagers, five in their 20s, the others from 35 to 54. Most were considered to be good or even strong swimmers. The North Central Oregon coast was the scene for most of the tragedies, between Tillamook and Florence.

Those who have been studying preventative measures for this needless loss of life, often turning holidays into heart-breaking disasters, recommend that persons be allowed in the surf only at beaches with lifeguards. So far, these include only Gearhart, Seaside and Cannon Beach, over a span of 361 miles of Oregon coast, visited by more than 20 million persons each year.

Many violate safety rules or ignore warning signs. Not only do swimmers venture out in too rough surf, but also boats get capsized in the quick-changing rough waters. Members of another local family, the Taylors, had a near tragedy only a few days ago when their fishing boat overturned and the men were saved from drowning by the Coast Guard.

Many express concern about beach and water safety, and feel that posted warnings are not adequate. Until proper legislation defines who is responsible for adequate supervision, and have more to offer, public awareness of the problem, and greater caution, must be the answer. Even more cautious should be those who live considerable distance from the coastal waters and enjoy its pleasures less often. H. S.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dick will leave August 10 for Nevada for a brief vacation. They will meet Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hutchens of The Dalles and formerly of Heppner. Dick will fly home Tuesday night, while his wife stays in Nevada to visit Virginia City and Carson City. Mrs. Dick will return Friday and bring Bob Peck and Judy Gentry home.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren (Sam) Miller and daughter, Sara, spent three weeks on vacation recently, returning home Friday, August 1. They traveled in Canada sightseeing on their way to Millers' family home in Independence, Iowa. In Iowa they attended a class reunion and visited relatives in the area. On the way there, the family stopped at Lake Louise and at Fort Williams on Lake Superior.

The Rhyming Philosopher

CONSANGUINITY

August the Tenth is Sons and Daughters Day, to honor those who honored Mom and Dad, so year after year we're able to say you're the best sons and daughters we ever had.

At times you've been thoughtful of mother and me; dropt in to visit whenever you could, except when events you couldn't foresee prevented you coming; but we understood.

We get along fine, though lonesome just now, wondering what happened to hold up the mail. The years slither by, but we know that somehow all's well with the children, God will prevail.

So what if you haven't come quite up to snuff or joined with the hippies and dropt out of school? Whatever you're doing know when it's enough, and think of the old folks who still keep their cool.

So, hail to the youngsters, their tribe will increase to run this old planet their own special way: So, come, Moms and Dads, let's abandon caprice, for August the Tenth is Sons and Daughters Day!

HARRY W. FLETCHER

TO THE EDITOR...

Many Familiar Faces

To the Editor:

Well, after all these years I attended the Morrow County picnic in Laurelhurst Park, Sunday, August 3. A goodly crowd in a lovely spot, with Deschutes county delegation on one side, and Baker county on the other. Large signs guided the lost lambs like myself and a friend, Hazel Westcott.

A smattering of Heppner and Lexington, but a goodly gathering of the lone section, including Dot Geinger, at one time married to J. B. Sparks, who owned the "palatial" moving picture house in Heppner, the ditche family in different ages, Carl Troedson, that comfortable bachelor from the lone wheat section who has changed not at all, and his sister, Linea, Mrs. Algott Lundell, also Norma Swanson Rea, Guy Cason (the still looks splendid), Murle Cason Vaughn of both lone and Heppner, and that good looking blonde girl, Vera, whose last name I do not know. In fact I didn't know many last names. Al Bergstrom and his lovely young daughter, Lynn, were there and the Glenn Balls of Arkima now. He is a brother of Arch of Heppner; and many more I did not know, nor they me.

I used the name, Josephine Mahoney and they did too. Once I had to go back to Josephine Richardson. Quite a step.

Oh yes, Joey Woolery and her husband, Mr. Conway, now of Tigard and her sister, Velmaleta, were there. I remember when the Woolery family was considered the wealthiest in lone and had the finest house in the town. It still stands.

Among the Heppner people that I saw were Merle Beckett and his wife, Louise Thomson, (he is now in a bank in Milwaukie), also, Ella Fell, Claude Hill, Clarence Hayes, who formerly worked at the Humphreys Drug store, now of Corvallis, and his wife, Peg Warner, formerly Lexington, John Parker and his sister, Frances Mitchell.

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Recalls Memories

Dear Editor:

I was so happy to see the "Sperry Spring" picture in your paper. My father (Emery Sperry) homesteaded that place and it was there that I was born, along with seven others in my family. I think it is one of the most beautiful places in the world.

There are only three of us left now, but I know that my sisters, Mrs. Bert Ward of Montana and Margaret Thomas of Walla Walla, will be as happy as I am to see that our old home place will live forever in time's great memory book.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Delsie Chapel
lone, Oregon

That Name Again

To the Editor.

A few weeks ago, I read a letter in your paper from Josephine Mahoney Baker in regard to the name Shobe Creek.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

WILLOWS GRANGE ANNUAL PICNIC
Sunday, Aug. 17, 5:00 p.m.
lone City Park
Picnic dinner. All grangers and families invited.

METHODIST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Week of August 11-15, 9 to 11:30 a.m.
For ages 3 to 14
Registration Monday morning

RHEA CREEK GRANGE SUMMER PICNIC
Sunday, August 17, noon
Anson Wright Memorial Park
All Grange members and families

4-H HORSE SHOW
Sunday, August 10, from 9:00 a.m.
County Fairgrounds
All day competition for 4-H club members

CORONATION AND QUEEN'S DANCE
Coronation Ceremonies, Sat., Aug. 9, 7:30 p.m.
Variety Show, Tug-of-War, sponsored by Jaycees
Heppner Rodeo Grandstand
Queen's Dance, 9:30-1:00, for Queen Sheila and Court
Everyone welcome.

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MEETING CALENDAR

Monday, August 11—
Chamber of Commerce, Wagon Wheel Dining Room, 12 noon
Fire Department, 7:30 p.m.
Ruth Chapter 32, Eastern Star, Masonic Hall, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, August 12—
Degree of Honor, Lodge Barbecue

Wednesday, August 13—
Willow Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
Jaycees, 8 p.m.

Thursday, August 14—
Sopranoists, Wagon Wheel Dining Room, 12 noon
Triple Links, 2 p.m.
Morrow County Port Commission, Boardman City Hall

Friday, August 15—
Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge No. 33, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.

Drake Relatives United Here Sunday

Several members of the family of Mrs. Emma Drake were together on Sunday for a short reunion and outdoor picnic at the Drake home.

Visiting here from Stockton, Calif., were her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Drake and two sons, after he had attended a convention in Portland. On Sunday they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Drake, Jr., of Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Drake and three children of Kennewick; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warren and family, Heppner, and grandchildren, Susan, Alfred, Ricky and Gwen Drake, Heppner.

Safety Cards Needed

Personnel of the local Game Commission is reminding young hunters of the need for hunter safety classes before the rush of hunting season is here. Youth under the age of 18 must possess a hunter safety card showing they have taken the necessary four hours of safety instruction and examination before qualifying for hunters' license. Anyone at the local game commission will assist in getting classes organized for the safety instruction, it is reported.

See or call The Gazette-Times for all your needs in Moore-Redforms.



REV. AND MRS. ELLIS PARKER

New Pastor Serves Local Congregation

Rev. Ellis Parker assumed his first pastorate at the Assembly of God church last week. He replaces Rev. Robert Wolfe who will move with his family in the near future.

Lessons in guitar, accordion, organ and piano could be arranged for interested persons, according to Parker.

BUCKNUM'S TAVERN PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUG. 10, 10 A.M.

CUTSFORTH PARK

Refreshments — Games — Prizes for Children

Potluck Dinner

Everyone Welcome

Bring Plates, Cups and Silverware

DANCE



Honoring

QUEEN SHEILA LUCIANI

MORROW COUNTY

FAIR PAVILION

HEPPNER

MORROW COUNTY FAIR and RODEO

SATURDAY, AUG. 9

9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

MUSIC BY

The Western Gentlemen
CONDON

ADMISSION

\$1.50 Per Person