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## Unfair To The Majority

According to word last week from the University of Oregon, BBS Productions of Hollywood will film a picture called "Drive, He Said" on the Eugene campus and pay the U of O \$15,000 for the filmmaking rights.

With seeming pride, the U of O announced that the funds will be used entirely for "minority student programs."

American filmmaking is pretty raw these days and one can't help voice the hope that "Drive, He Said" will reflect favorably on the U of O and all Oregonians. Beyond that, however, less the matter of earmarking the \$15,000 for the benefit of just a few U of O students.

The Eugene campus has experienced more than its fair share of turmoil and disruption in recent months. Isn't it time to demand that the university devote more of its attention to majority student programs — and kick the students out? We think it's time the majority get its share of attention.

—(Blue Mountain Eagle—John Day)

## REMEMBER THIS? . . . . . . . . REMINISCE!

### THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO March 14, 1901

Conditions out on little Butler Creek are the driest in years, reports Mike Kenny, pioneer rancher of that section who was in town yesterday, accompanied by his son, Pat, B.

Best Johnson was in the city on Tuesday from the farm home north of town. As chairman of the transportation committee of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League, Mr. Johnson has been busy of late fostering a grower-supported barge transportation system on the Columbia.

Headed "Thrift Golden Step of Heppner Pioneer," Oregon Farmers of March 7, gave recognition to Morrow County Creamery Co. and the record of achievement of W. C. Cox, manager.

Plans are well under way for the new hall which is to be built by Lexington Grange. The building of this hall is made possible largely by the contributions of grange members. It will be situated about two miles north of Lexington on the Lexington-Echo highway, near the Harry Schriever ranch.

The Pacific Telephone and

### COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

MARCH 16-20  
Spring Vacation for all Morrow County Schools

MARCH 17  
Last date to file for county positions

MARCH 24  
Red Cross Blood Drawing  
2:00 to 6:00 — Heppner Elks Club

MARCH 21  
Rhea Creek Grange multi-benefit Pancake Supper and Card Party  
Contributions to Charities  
Supper served 6:00 to 8:00

MARCH 25  
Peace Corps Benefit basket, ball game and drawing  
Heppner High School, postponed from March 12

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Yes there is a Santa Claus for our 2.4 billion people. It's been reported to Congress to prevent inflation by not being a piggly spender. We now have enough on hand of "G.R." to kill 100 billion people according to Dr. Samuel Irwin of the U of O Medical School. Along with equal amounts of Plague, Anthrax, Typhoid, Paratyphoid, Q Fever, Botulism, Rocky Mt. Spotted Fever, Brucellosis, Venereal Equine Encephalitis.

This great big bundle of joy equals enough kill capacity of hell on earth destruction to exterminate a thousand billion people, plus all of God's creatures. Secretary of Defense, Melvin Laird said in the EO Jan. 17 "to protect ourselves we must keep a limited supply on hand" in God's name and civilized Christianity, pray, tell what would be their consider an unlimited supply? It is evident the program military establishment has abused its privilege and wasted enormous amounts of our tax dollars and tortured millions of our helpless animals to death experimenting with all these deplorable gruesome forms of painful, violent death.

Jan. 15, 1970 the Oregon Journal said the "U. S. is spending over \$300 million a year on biological and chemical warfare gases."

Our defense system seems to be founded on these selfish principles that might is right. That the end is justified by the means and material benefit to those employed to make and care for this abominable detestable stuff and should take precedence over all moral obligations. Fear and cowardice appear to excuse the diabolical acts of the war mongers' plea of necessity.

Before the bar of justice, the storing and caring for and making more of these scandalous, hideous hell on earth contrivances of death and destruction, stand condemned because of the Geneva Protocol in 1925. Cheers for our President Nixon for helping to cut research 25 per cent. Many of the medical researchers are saying to themselves "The gravy train is over and they will be forced to accept less desirable positions."

Construction money should have priority over mass destruction. The shameful condition of some of our American Indians and Negroes is scandalous. With two out of every three people on earth going to bed hungry, how can our government conscientiously hire farmers to put their land in soil banks?

As our Rep. Edith Green keeps reminding us, our government pays thousands of tax dollars to subsidize tobacco companies and help them raise more and better tobacco crops that turns around and spends thousands of dollars to smoke dogs to death at the Veterans Administration Hospital in East Orange, N. J., to prove that smoking causes cancer.

In turn for this, thousands more tax dollars are spent to make movies to show our friends overseas how fresh and cool it is to smoke cigarettes. Animals of all kinds have been smoked to death for years and if this type of repetition of research were stopped, it's just possible that 10,000 shortage of doctors could be relieved.

Environmental pollution, our crime and violence are a town-up which needs tax dollars the most. Hard to tell which will be the most deadly to our future population.

We should not overlook the

dire need for low income housing to provide decent homes for the elderly and extra dollars for care of homeless children.

Last but not least these wasted dollars for defense, duplicated effort aid our schools to have better system of education. The best course in the world to help our moral decay and crime and violence would make a Human Course compulsory. If you treat every living creature as you would want to be treated were you in that creature's place you would be following the humane code of conduct.

Most Sincerely,  
Mrs. Lois Winchester  
(Our apologies to Mrs. Winchester. Her copy had 3 signs for the S's, but this typewriter couldn't get out of the S rut to do that.)

My Dear Editors:

Sunday morning at Trinity Episcopal church I saw Virginia Crawford Turner, formerly of Heppner and now living at Willemette Towers in Eugene. She says she is very happy in Eugene and to be so near her family and was telling me about newest grandson, Michael.

It surely is nice to see old friends from my home town from time to time and when not seeing them to at least hear from them by telephone.

Virginia was visiting her daughter-in-law's mother, Lu Adams, in Portland for a few days.

She is a sister to Coramae Ferguson and Mary Schwarz in Heppner. Virginia says she loves reading all the letters in the Gazette.

Sincerely,  
Josephine Mahoney Baker  
Portland 97201  
Tel. 226-49911

P. S. Following church, my friend Hazel Westcott and I had dinner at The Oyster Bar, down on 2nd and Ankeny. They have the best seafood anyplace it seems to me. They grow their own oysters at Yaquina Bay. Course they have other kinds of fish.

March 9, 1936  
I wish to congratulate the Heppner School Board for their wise choice in choosing such a remarkable man as Judge John F. Kilkenny as speaker at the graduation exercises on May 24. Judge Kilkenny is an old friend of mine and he is a man of great depth and a wealth of legal knowledge. We are certainly in for a treat!  
He is a product of Morrow County. He grew up on Hinton Creek where the Don Greenups now live.  
Archie D. McMurdo, M.D.

## Pioneer



## Ponderings

By W. S. CAVERHILL

An Opportunity for Sec. Romney

If Sec. Romney is looking for places to scatter congested populations, Bates may be one to them. In two years, it will be an abandoned town. A complete development with few if any people in it, unless plans are in the making for continued use. Five of the new books recently catalogued are: The Honey Comb by St. John; Minus 148 Degrees by Davidson; North to Danger by Mary and Burford; the young adult book, The Wind on the Dragon by Stranger and The Living Wilderness by Montgomery.

## At the Library

There were 488 books checked out of the Heppner Library during the month of February. Fines amounted to \$23.33.

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Mrs. Gene Ferguson accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blake to Portland for several days last week. They enjoyed eating out several times.

Mr. and Mrs. John Valtz of Wolf Creek were here several days last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cogburn.

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## INTRODUCING ROBERT DOCK

Robert Dock is the new lineman-agent assigned to the Gilliam-Wheeler County area by Columbia Basin Electric Co-op, Inc.

Mr. Dock began work for the Co-op March 2 after working 21 years for Douglas Electric Co-op in Roseburg. He comes well prepared to serve the Condon area. He has been a journeyman lineman, electrician, journeyman meter man and service man in the Roseburg office and now lineman agent.

He received training as an electrician while he served in the Air Force. He attended the University of Maryland for two years majoring in electrical engineering. He has attended four meter schools.

Born in Oklahoma, he lived in Kansas, Texas and Washington before moving to Oregon in 1947. He now calls Oregon his home. He holds a Commercial Pilot's license and is a member of the Aircraft Owner and Pilot Association. In addition to flying he enjoys greenhouse gardening.

He is married and is the father of three children 8, 6 and 2. The Docks are living in the Jerald Rea home in Condon.



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