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Farm Safety Week Set

By Wayne Roberts

National Farm Safety Week, July 25-31 once again focuses attention on the continuing need for farmers and ranchers to follow safe practices in conducting their day-to-day business. Nationally, agriculture continues to rank as the country's third most dangerous occupation.

DAYS LOST

On the farms surveyed, there were 128 accidents involving farm families and hired labor, that resulted in 1,759 lost man days and nearly \$18,500 in medical costs.

Based on this sample population, Oregon farmers were involved in 3,764 farm accidents resulting in over 51,000 lost man days.

In proclaiming National Farm Safety Week, President Nixon has urged "all persons engaged in agriculture and all those allied with agriculture to take appropriate measures to reduce the number and severity of accidents."

The President has also expressed the hope that the nation can "bring the technology of safety to agriculture as successfully as we have brought to it the technology of production."

This year's campaign emphasizes the fact that accidents can be reduced through the use of protective clothing and equipment on hazardous farm operations.

IMPORTANCE UNDERSCORED

The importance of protective equipment was underscored by Sec. of Agriculture Earl Butz, who has observed that "there are many practical, commonsense precautions that farm people can take to prevent deaths and injuries and to cut down the enormous annual loss caused by farm accidents."

Protective equipment being stressed includes hard hats, to guard against head injuries; goggles to protect eyes; ear muffs to reduce hearing loss caused by prolonged exposure to intensive noise levels; respirators, to filter out dust and chemicals; and safety shoes, fitted with metal toed caps and puncture-resistant soles.

Really Great

Taking the so-called "Bull by the horns" is paying off for the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce. For the last several years the Chamber of Commerce who sponsors the Fair-Rodeo parade has not entered a float in the parade. No money. There's no question but that a float does cost money.

This year being the 100th year, the chamber voted to go for a float. The committee has worked hard and now the results are showing. The latest prize was at Fort Dalles Days at The Dalles Saturday.

The float with three pretty girls took First Place in out of town floats. The picture of the float is top and center of the Saturday issue of The Dalles Chronicle. The caption reads: FIRST TIME for a float from Heppner to be entered in the Fort Dalles Days parade was established today with the attractive entry by the Heppner Chamber of Commerce. From left the pretty girls are Tricia Prook, Marie Van Marter and Kellie Kilkenny.

It took Mr. and Mrs. Vel Robinson and Randall Peterson 3 hours to bring the float back from The Dalles so they are regrettably giving up Chief Joseph Days to show off the float. They anticipate going to Hermiston for the Umatilla County Fair and to Fossil for their fair.

Many thanks to these three for giving up weekend time to go to these shows.

The advertising the float is doing for Morrow County can't be measured as people see it and then it is pictured in area newspapers. That's REALLY GREAT!

The sale of the post cards and sheep skin money is helping finance the float. So give those cards for gifts and mail them often. Do you have a souvenir buck? Get one you'll be glad you did.

Pride in Our Highways

Received in the mail the last few days is the Oregon State Highway Commission Biennial Report. It's a beautiful book printed on slick paper with marvelous color reproductions. The book includes some history, historical pictures, methods of oiling in 1929, scenic views, to the latest in bridge and highway construction and interchanges also Safety Best Areas.

The book is the biennial report to the Governor and is filled with terrific amounts of information. State Parks have increased with the demand. From 210 in 1968 to 232 in 1972. Three of the new parks will be part of the Willamette River Parks System. These parks will provide a wide range of park facilities while preserving the scenic and natural qualities.

Region V chart State Highway Construction projects mentions project just completed on No. 74 from Pieper Canyon Rd-Bunker Hill Rd, for \$537,000.

County Road-Federal-Aid Secondary Project names Irrigon Jct. - Middle Fork Juniper Canyon grading and paving at \$449,000.

Special City Allotment projects lists Heppner (Gale St) grading and oiling \$30,000.

Fred Hill Helix now serving on the Highway Commission, is a familiar fellow to many East Oregonians. Other familiar names of former members are W. B. Barratt, Heppner, E.B. Aldrich, Pendleton, Charles H. Reynolds, LaGrande.

If you have a chance just look through this publication. It is fascinating. Something new has been added. -The Environmental Unit.

Changing attitudes in public opinion and public awareness has prompted the Highway Division to increase its efforts to provide environmentally sound transportation facilities.

As a result special design considerations have been implemented to minimize impacts, route modifications have been recommended and adopted to avoid problem areas and recreational projects have been advanced including parks, viewpoints and scenic waysides. These are but a few of the accomplishments made by the unit in its short-time operation.

Sell with a G-T want ad

MR. AND MRS. ORVAL WRIGHT have purchased the Red Leonard 4-Plex in Lexington. They are remodeling and redecorating them. They will have them ready to rent soon.

MR. AND MRS. BILL COOLEY from Burbank, Wa. have purchased a modular home for a lot in Irrigon. Universal Realty handled the sale of the home.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hi, People:

I spent the most of seventy-two tryin' to make a poem for you. What come out, 'til sat to say could well be left for another day,

some came bad, some even worse 'cause I ain't that good at makin' verse, but anyway I tho't and tho't and the more I tho't the worse it got.

but when I got my brain in gear a little song I began to hear. It kept sayin' "better hurry up 'cause your subscription time is 'bout used up.

now yo'all know and understand that news from home gets upperhand so if I fail to pay the dues I'm the one who's gonna lose, so without any more ado guess I'll get the cash to you rather than try to make a rhyme that matches HEPPNER GAZETTE TIMES.

Keep up the good work!

Best Regards,
Bud Lundell
303 Rock Ave.
Fremont, Ca. 94536

Editor:

Good story and picture on the Grist Wheel. You probably know there should be two more close by.

The mill at Lexington was built over 80 years ago by old man Burgoyne and Bill Davis. It was just across the RR tracks from the Warehouse, and to the left. It was still operating during WWI.

Farmers traded wheat for flour, it was dark and made "the best damned biscuits you ever eat.".....That is a direct quote from Mont Bundy, who remembers that Ben Swagert was in complete agreement with him.

Have you ever considered doing a column on each of your senior citizens? My dad and I would appreciate hearing about what our old friends are doing.

Your paper is well received and by far the best small town newspaper published today in the state, in our opinion.

Sincerely,
Lola Gulker,
Warren, Ore.

If any of your readers are interested, Mont Bundy now lives alone in St. Helens, is bushy, bright-eyed and bushy tailed, and keeps up his own house and yard. His roses are blooming brightly, (no aphids or black spot) and there are no weeds in his garden. If your saws need sharpening, just stop by.

June 20, 1972

Gazette Times
Heppner, Oregon

Dear Sirs:

Please renew our subscription to the Gazette. Our sincere thanks for your coverage of our sons death. Our hearts are still heavy, but the response of our many friends was overwhelming. An enclosing a check for five dollars.

Sincerely,
June Blakney,
Prosser, Wa.

Hello!

My name is Lynda Veristain and I will be teaching next year at Heppner High School. You have been sending me the Heppner "Gazette Times" and both my fiance' and myself enjoy it so much. I would like to thank you for your consideration - we've learned a lot about your town from the newspaper!

Sincerely,
Lynda Veristain

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Barratt, J.G. - Gretchen to Hughes, Matthew, Descr. tr. Sec. 27, T2S R28, To Ray C. Ayers.

Zinter, Winnie L. to Zinter, William A., Govt. Lots 3,4, Sec. 7, Fr. Sec. 7,8 T1S R23.

Warranty Deed
Foster, Rex-Josephine, to Ayers, Ray C. widower, All Lot 2 Bk. 13 Stansbury's Add., Heppner.

GLENN AND DONNA MILES have returned to Clarkston, Wa. after spending some time visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M.V. Nolan and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dunbar, and other friends and relatives in the area. While he was here, Glenn worked in harvest spotting trucks.

All-Stars play two at Madras

The Willow Creek Little League All Star players were in Madras for the District tournament last week. They lost to Mt. Home AFB team on Wednesday night 6-0. Pitcher for 3 innings was Randy Worden and Jerry Cutsforth for 3 with Curtis Sweek catching for 6. Jim Kenney got a double.

On Thursday morning, they played Jefferson 10-11 year old All Stars and lost 10 to 0. Dennis Peck pitched all 6 innings. Curtis Sweek and Danny McElligott shared the catching. Danny McElligott and Jim Kenney both got good hits at this game.

Every member of the team played at least six innings of baseball and had lots of fun. Boys making the trip were Clint Carlson, David Allstott, Jerry Cutsforth, Dennis Peck, Kelly Sager, Delbert Turner, Jerry Baker, Danny McElligott, Jim Kenney, Randy Worden, Mark Piper, Curtis Sweek, Eric Clow and Ronnie Ward. Boys named to the Little League All Stars but who didn't get to make the trip were Brian Rietmann, Ricky Gilbert, Mike Brandhagen and Marty Smith.

Family supporters who went for the games were: Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allstott, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Sweek, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Clow, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carlson, Mrs. Dale Baker, Harley Sager, Mrs. Lyle Peck, Mrs. Del Piper, Mr. and Mrs. William Kenney, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Cutsforth and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Worden.

Hair length came into some discussion. Players were to have their hair at least 1" above their eye brows. Hair at the neck was not to be below the ear lobes and not to touch the neck of the uniform. The Willow Creek Little League All Stars all qualified on this score.

Lindsay Kincaid was All Star coach with Tom Wilson assistant.

Tennis Lights Costs

In last week's School Board story, the costs given by Columbia Basin for the installation of lights at the Lions School were not clear.

According to Vel Robinson of Columbia Basin, the prices should have been: \$4.00 per month per light on existing poles for 250 watt bulbs, \$4.50 per month per light if a pole has to be set.

The total program would cost approximately \$150 a year figured on that basis.

MRS. MARGARET WRIGHT of North Bend visited the past two weeks at the Lindsay Kincaid ranch. She is Mrs. Kincaid's mother.

REMEMBER THIS? REMINISCENCE!

57 YEARS AGO.....1915

Reports received recently from the state health officer that the water and ice used in Heppner are all pure.

The post office at one is moved from the old location to its new stand one door north of Joe Mason's store. The first wheat of the season came into the warehouse Tuesday. It was from the ranch of R.L. Benge, south of Lexington.

A disastrous fire occurred at Hardman Monday morning in which three business houses and two residences were destroyed. That the fire did not burn the entire town was attributed to the fact that there was no wind at the time and the citizens were quick to respond to the flames.

Several new concrete crossings are being put in the city. A new concrete bridge is to be built across Willow Creek at the north-end of Gale Street. The city fathers are getting down to the proposition of doing some real permanent business.

The People's Cash Market is undergoing extensive repairs this week. L. Schwarz, owner, wants his store to be in first class sanitary conditions.

37 YEARS AGO.....1935

Morrow County is stepping out in front among counties of the state in the installation of the double-entry accounting system which contemplates a detailed check on all items of county business.

Farmers in the community are rushing through with their harvest as fast as possible because the mice are cutting down and destroying wheat rapidly.

Tad Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Miller, sustained some painful injuries Saturday evening when he was struck in the face by a wagon jack.

Lexington Grange announced Aug. 10 as the date for public dedication of their new hall, and plans are being laid for a large time on the occasion.

With crop prospects favorable, food exports small, and the population of the county estimated to be near stationary, both the immediate and the long-range food supplies are said to be above average, compared with this same time period one year ago. 1 YEAR AGO. 1971

Morrow County Livestock Growers have recently reported losses to be the result of theft. They have posted a \$1000 reward for in-

formation leading to the arrest of the wretches.

A railroad strike in the area has threatened Morrow County, but farmers do not yet know how much it will affect their crops.

Mark Neal entertained many on his bicycle during the Eighth Annual Side-Walk Bazaar last week. Mark gave free rides during the day. An oriental theme was used for this year's bazaar.

Fran Warren, president of the Portland General Electric Company, reports there may be a need for a second atomic power plant in the area before the end of the decade.

The Morrow County Fair Board announced this week that an alfalfa hay exhibit will be added to the Fair this year, and it is hoped with the abundant crop in the county many farmers will compete for the premium being offered.

Dan Wilson in Training

FORT ORD, CALIF. - Army Private Danny L. Wilson, 18, son of Mrs. Delores F. Wilson, Lexington, Ore., is assigned to Ft. Ord, Calif., where he is training under the modern volunteer army program.

The program combines basic and advanced individual training (AIT) into an average 16-week program, depending on the AIT the soldier receives after completing basic. Decentralized instruction at the unit level and a reduction of formations and inspections give the soldier more time to train and increased off-duty time. Fewer restrictions of off-duty travel and improved living facilities are other benefits of the program.

Pvt. Wilson began his training with company C, 21 Battalion of the 2D Brigade on June 13 and is scheduled to complete the first phase on Aug. 11.

Pvt. Wilson is a 1972 graduate of Heppner High School, Heppner.

DAVID WRIGHT, who was recently promoted to Sergeant, arrived July 22 at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wright, Heppner, to spend part of his 15 day leave visiting here. He has been in the Air Force for two years, and is currently stationed at McConnell Air Force Base near Wichita, Kan.

David's wife, the former Linda Pettyjohn, arrived earlier in the week.



Sp 4 John Dubuque Heppner, a member of Portland's How Battery, 3d Squadron, 163d Armored Cavalry, Oregon Army National Guard, unloads a 155mm projectile from a tracked ammunition carrier in the Idaho desert outside Gowen Field, Boise, where the unit is currently undergoing its two weeks of annual field training. Sp 4 Dubuque, who commutes monthly from Heppner to Portland for weekend drills, expects to return to Heppner July 27.



A printing ink salesman at the newspaper convention last week in Portland somehow discovered this old story was from Heppner. He came over and told me he had bowled here at the local bowling alley a year or so ago and believed it was the friendliest and best bowling alley he'd seen.

The National Nuclear Council has given its blessing to a proposal by Portland General Electric to build a nuclear power plant at the Carty Reservoir site in northern Morrow County. We understand there are other hurdles to leap over, main one being the removal of the Navy bombing range, a mighty slow process.

Donnie Munkers, working out at the Ruggs elevator Saturday night, smelled smoke. He found fire smoldering in dust at the head house, underneath the leg motor and drive machinery. A truck driver helped extinguish it before any damage was done.

At the Morrow County Rodeo this year - Aug. 26 & 27 - the Morrow County events sign-up for entries will be one day only, on Thursday, Aug. 24. Entries will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

All RCA events will be open the following day, Friday, Aug. 25 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Rodeo office phone will be 676-5836.

Local people will be happy to hear that music for the Rodeo dances this year will be provided by recording star, Melinda Ann and the Leonig family, all well-known here.

The Merchants Committee reports a successful Sidewalk Bazaar. Orville Cutsforth added history to the Bazaar by bringing in a truck which had the old burr grinding wheel from the Heppner Farm Mill. He had worked hard and had put the old wheel, which had been in parts, back together again.

Newly elected president of the Morrow County Jaycees is Cliff Wood. Cliff had been a hard worker for the Jaycees who have accomplished a great deal for the town and area.

DID YOU KNOW?

The greatest bucking bronc of all time, as far as we can learn, was "Midnight". He was ridden once each by four riders in a period of seven years.

The Olympic champion shooter Morris Fisher won five gold medals in this event, three medals in 1920 and then two in 1924.

After all is said and done, more is said than done.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES BELL have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M.V. Nolan, and other friends and relatives in the area. Sunday, they attended a family picnic at Myra Peck's home in Lexington. The group celebrated Mr. and Mrs. Bell's birthdays, their sixth wedding anniversary, as well as Mr. and Mrs. Nolan's 38th anniversary. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Vern Nolan, Randy Morris, Lydia Wilson, Paul Morey and Glen Miles.

Pioneer Ponderings

BY W.S. CAVERHILL

Down "395"

If you are planning a trip South from Pilot Rock (The Gateway to the Blue Mts.) and places beyond it is well to plan a route and set up a time table. Start early before the summer sun biffers the lowlands. Coffee at Pilot Rock, breakfast at Battle Mountain, where they serve "Sky High Pie" in all varieties. Take a sack lunch to eat at a roadside spring on the Middle Fork. If the weather is excessively hot, a ten mile drive on a good road to Ritter where you can "cool off" in medicinal waters at 109 degrees. Anevening meal at Long Creek is a pleasant experience. If the day's end finds you looking for a "bedground", you can find one at Long Creek, Ritter or Ukiah at reasonable prices.

Employment Listings

EMPLOYERS - for qualified applicants, use your Cooperative Extension-Employment Office to fill your help needs. APPLICANTS - be sure and register at our office in Heppner, located on 2nd floor, Gilliam - Bisbee Building - 676-9642.

CURRENT JOBOOPENINGS - for a utility man, farm workers and housekeepers.

There are special services in this office for Youth Employment. In the Heppner, Lexington, lone area, please call 676-9642; Boardman area; Boardman City Hall (Mrs. Shirley Zielinski) and Irrigon area, Mrs. Marge Christiansen at Christiansen's Store for names and telephone numbers of these youth, for your help needs.

Future Citizens



Cynthia, three years old; Anthony, 18 months; and Alicia, 6 mos., children of Rev. and Mrs. Donald Burwell, Heppner.



Marilyn, 11 years old; Glenda, 9; and Marie, 7, daughters of Mrs. Barbara Jessmer, Heppner.

New at Lone Library

LEAFY RIVERS
By Jessamyn West

Leafy Rivers is set in the Ohio Territory in the early 1880's and is a handsomely paced adventure, charged with increasing suspense.

Leading a varied cast of characters is Leafy Rivers, the young bride, caught up in emotions she does not altogether understand and cannot quite control, racing against time to save a life and a marriage that may be already lost.

Among the others who live on these pages are Simon Yanders, a man whose loss has taught him generosity, whose grief made him alert to joy, Cashie Wade, irresistibly wild and free; and Reno, Leafy's husband, whose love is matched only by his ineptitude.

In addition, this moving novel offers a magnificent journey through woods of Americana that have been rarely been explored.

Jessamyn West was born in Indiana of Quaker parents. She was educated in California, was graduated from Whittier College and went to England to continue her studies, and on her return, attended the University of California. She launched her career as a writer of stories that were published in many magazines. Among her books are: The Friendly Persuasion; To See the Dream; A Mirror for the Sky; Cress Delahanty, which was a Book-of-the-Month selection. Miss West is married and lives in California where she is working on a sequel to The Friendly Persuasion.

Visitors at the Bob Davidson home in Lexington over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Flint, Beaver-ton, Mrs. Flint is the Davidson's daughter came up over the weekend to attend the class of '62 reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Vern Viall and children of Milton-Freewater, were also visitors.

LAVERNE VAN MARTER, SR. and his brother from Yakima recently had a fine fishing trip to Banks Reservoir in Northern Washington. They caught some dandy silvers there. They also went on up to Canada.

In the good old days the man who saved money was a miser, now he's a genius.



July 28
Meeting for all 4-H girls and leaders for Demonstration Tips and a Home Ec. Judging Contest, Begins at 9:00 a.m. in the Amex at the Fairgrounds. Take a sack lunch; coffee and punch will be furnished.

July 30
Men's Golf morning at Willow Creek Country Club. Tee-off at 9:00 a.m. Harold Kerr is host this week. Willows Grange Potluck Picnic. 4:30. Lone Park. All grangers and their families are invited.

Aug. 2
Softball for all women. Lower field of the Elem. School. 7:00 p.m.

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