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The Memory of Carl Troedson

As Carl Troedson lived for others so did he die. He has provided most generously and with great wisdom in his will for the young people of Morrow County who want to further their education.

He had never married but maintained an ardent interest in the young people of the community. The terms of the will extend his well planned scholarship program for a term of 50 years. Many of those who benefit will never have known this grand gentleman.

He was firm in his Christian belief and was a loyal Lutheran. He served ably on many community boards and committees. His host of friends will remember him always. His scholarship friends will bless him always. He was truly a fine person.

Need for Education on Agricultural Problems Pointed Out

Urban residents may be dependent on agriculture for their food supplies, but they have to be educated as to the problems and needs of agriculture.

And two Oregon legislators, Sen. Fred Heard, Klamath Falls, and Rep. Stafford Hansell, Hermiston, indicated to members of the State Board of Agriculture at its May 21-22 meeting that this is very true in the case of an urban-oriented legislature.

Both agreed that urban people are the benefactors of the research carried on in agriculture and Hansell said that protection has to be given the farmer-producer of food, but said this could only be accomplished by providing proper information for educating legislators before they consider bills relating to agricultural matters.

Heard, noting that agriculture in Oregon was in the position of a minority athlete, told the board that agriculture has to be sold to the legislators who have no agricultural background.

Agriculture, he said, must have done hard and fast research beforehand and farmers should come to the legislature with facts and figures to support their position.

"This is true every single program we present. Agriculture needs to be sure legislators understand what they are talking about, like what raw milk is," Heard said.

Freedom of the Press Day

"The first freedom of a free man is freedom of the mind, but that freedom is of little value without access to information and the opinions of others," writes The Los Angeles Times. And that is precisely what Freedom of the Press Day, June 7, is all about.

An independent press remains the vital watchdog of individual freedom. Government grows more powerful, and more decisions are taken out of the hands of the average citizen everyday. Yet, in the independent press, public opinion can still be heard and remains instrumental in shaping local, state and national policies.

As always, First Amendment protections of the press are under attack, the latest controversy centering around confidentiality of news sources. As Representative Paul Findley of Illinois has said, "By requiring reporters to reveal their sources and personal notes, the courts are turning reporters' press cards into policemen's badges. As this happens, news sources dry up and the public is less informed and less able to make decisions necessary for good government."

The course of action, then, is clear. To protect our democratic way of life, we must follow in the steps of our forefathers and always be willing to defend the guardian of good government - the press - and see that it retains its freedom from coercion and censorship.

Let's make a deal - a trade agreement, that is - with Russia. We'll trade her 3,000 automobiles from Detroit, for 20,000 parking spaces from Siberia.

REMEMBER THIS? REMINISCENCE!

55 Years Ago.....1918

Proclamation - This war will not be won until every man, woman and child in the United States gets into the fight. We have got to sacrifice until it hurts and then some more. We have got to make the winning of this war our personal business and quit trying to shove it off onto the other fellow. We who cannot fight in the trenches must fight at home; we have got to quit thinking about how much we can make out of the war and devote our time to figuring how much we can give up in order to win. Win we must.

Mrs. Allen McFerrin of this city has received a letter from her son Glenn saying that all the Heppner boys who recently went to Camp Lewis are in the best of health and enjoying life.

Morrow County has lost her first son in the service of this country. Arthur Chappel of Hardman, who enlisted with the cavalry last December, met death by drowning at San Benito, Texas on June 9.

Claud Devine, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Devine, left Lexington Tuesday morning for Portland to enlist in the Navy. Claud has been farming his homestead out north of Lexington and has in some 200 acres of wheat which he says is doing well.

The deal has been closed whereby the Christian Church at Lexington takes over the property of the M.E. Church, South. Plans to remodel the church and paint it up, as well as the parsonage, are being perfected and the property will be greatly improved and made more modern. A minister has been employed and regular services will be held, commencing early in the fall.

37 Years Ago.....1936

Morrow County will have the privilege of selecting one of four charming candidates as queen of the 1936 Rodeo, who were announced this week. They are Miss Harriet Heliker of Ione, Miss Genevieve Hanna of Heppner, Miss Frances Rugg of Heppner and Miss Betty Doherty of Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. S.J. Devine, north Lexington residents, this week started remodeling operations on their residence property in south Heppner with the intention of building three apartments for rent. In the remodeling operation the house was raised and a new concrete foundation placed under it.

The largest delegation of 4-H club members ever to leave from Morrow County, 19 clubbers in all, is attending the 4-H club summer school at Corvallis.

The Nakomis Camp Fire troop of Heppner is going to Hiway Springs next Sunday for a week's summer camp.

Albert Osmin, pioneer resident of Balm Fork where he had resided continuously since coming to the county 53 years ago, died at the farm home last Friday morning following a lingering illness.

1 Year Ago.....1972

BOB JEPSEN CHOSEN OREGON'S 1972 FATHER OF THE YEAR!

Rhonda and Mark Sargent brought their winnings home from the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show at Union last week. Rhonda had 4-H Grand Champion market lamb. She was 6th in 4-H livestock judging out of nearly 100 contestants. Mark Sargent had Reserve Grand Champion market lamb. He placed second in the intermediate showman class (sheep), and had the Champion ewe lamb and Reserve Champion ewe.

Appy C., owned by Jim Farley of Heppner won in five events last week at the third annual Oregon Trail Appaloosa Show in Pendleton. He took second all around average in the show last year. It wasn't too hot and it didn't rain too hard where the action was Saturday and Sunday at the 2nd annual Junior Rodeo in Heppner. There were 139 entries and prize money was paid to 4 places. Lisa Hunt of Walla Walla won All Round.

Speeches are like steer horns, a point here, a point there, and a lot of bull in between.

Jack Sumner in Salem

The substitute for Governor Tom McCall's tax plan emerged from the Special Committee on Property Tax Relief and School Finance in the form of eight House Bills last week. These bills will be known as Stage 1 of the Property Tax Refund and School Finance Package of 1973 and will not be referred to the people.

The committee continues to meet to determine if Stage 2 should be developed at this time for sub-mission to the voters at the 1974 Primary Election. This could include establishing taxing bases for schools, funding schools from the State at a higher level than anticipated this year, Intermediate Education District reorganization and establishment of a new school distribution formula.

About the time you read this the bills will be considered and if approved by the Legislature the eight bills afore mentioned would do the following:

HB 324 Eng.: Provides a limit to school districts' net operating expenditures per weighted resident pupil. Increases permitted would be based on statewide average expenditure per pupil. If the districts expenditure was within \$100.00 below the state average and on up it could expend the same as the preceding year plus a 6 percent increase. If the preceding year's expenditure was \$100.00 to 200.00 less than statewide average a 7 percent increase would be allowed. Over \$200.00 below statewide average an 8 percent increase will be permissible. For special purposes the Superintendent of Public Instruction may approve an expenditure in excess of the limitation.

All increases must be approved at the annual school election but can not be approved in excess of those limitations previously mentioned. Becomes effective July 1, 1974.

HB 3241 Eng.: Appropriates \$342 million from the General Fund to basic school support, 75 percent for equalization. This is an increase from 22 percent to 35 percent statewide average for funding of schools. Intermediate education districts will be retained and provides for funding of kindergartens on the basis of half-day programs. Becomes effective July 1, 1973 and requires districts receiving additional support that have passed their budgets to reduce levies by an equal amount.

HB 3247 Eng.: Adds farm machinery to definition of inventory tax phaseout and applies to assessment years beginning January 1, 1973.

HB 3248 Eng.: Expands and extends homeowner property tax relief to renters and provides for such relief in the form of an income tax refund and provides for a standard refund for people over 65 with income less than \$5000.00. Extends eligibility to residents of nonprofit homes for the elderly for property tax refunds. Appropriates money (estimated at \$139.4 million) and applies to rent paid after January 1, 1973 and property taxes for fiscal year 1973 and after. Simplifies form for the refund.

HB 3249 Eng.: Establishes a plan for tax refund on a circuit breaker system, like HB 3248, for farmers where the taxes paid are excessive compared to adjusted gross income. Provides maximum refund and is effective July 1, 1974.

HB 3242 Eng.: Requires corporations with an expected tax liability of \$500.00 or more for tax years beginning after 1974 to declare and pay their estimated tax liability in installments. Raises \$42 million of one shot money.

HB 3244 Eng.: Increases corporate excise and income tax rates from 8 percent on banks and 6 percent on other corporations to a graduated rate ranging from 4 percent to 9 percent on all corporations. Raises \$38 million. Becomes effective January 1, 1973.

HB 3245 Eng.: Limits the federal tax deductions to \$3000.00 on the state return. Raises \$38 million. Becomes effective January 1, 1973. If I can be of assistance on this matter or any other please write or call. Representative Jack Sumner 18-H Capitol Building, Salem, Oregon 97310. Phone 378-8817.

Report from Ken Jernstedt

As the Oregon Legislature entered its sixth month, both houses continue to face heavy workloads. In finishing its 20th week of deliberations, the legislature proposed a new tax relief plan, passed two traffic safety measures, acted on a unit pricing proposal, and concluded other business.

Eight bills constitute a new tax relief plan which has been prepared by a special House Tax Committee and is now making its way through the legislative process.

The plan is a substitute for the one defeated by the voters on May 1st. That plan would have raised state support of schools to 95 percent rather than the 21 percent in presently pays. Under the new plan, the state will pay 34.8 percent of school costs.

The money to the schools would be distributed on the basis of 75 percent for flat grants per child and 25 percent to equalize educational opportunities. The equalization money is intended to reduce the differences in educational quality between rich and poor districts.

The plan also includes a "circuit breaker approach" to provide property tax relief. This would be expanded to all Oregon residents by providing more than three times as much money as in the past. Each household would be eligible to receive at least \$100 and renters to receive \$50 regardless of income.

The new proposal seeks to place a lid on local school district spending. It would limit spending by most school districts to 6 percent more than what they spent last year in an attempt to control rising school costs. Lower spending districts will be able to spend about 7 or 8 percent more.

It also includes a 50 percent increase in the corporation income tax and limits the federal income tax deduction to \$3,000 (affecting personal income of greater than \$20,000.)

The minority report which is being presented would raise the state aid to schools to 30 percent during the 1973-74 school year and 47 percent the following year. Rather than spend \$136 million on direct property relief through the "circuit breaker approach", the minority report suggests spending \$54 million, plus about \$5 million more to cover inflation and limiting the relief to low-income renters and homeowners.

The Senate has passed and sent to the Governor a bill to prohibit opened bottles of liquor, wine or beer in motor vehicles.

A consumer bill was returned to committee by the House early this week. The measure requires grocers to price food by unit of weight.

The bill was returned because many legislators felt it wouldn't resolve the problems of deceiving the consumer by labelling products as regular, giant and super. They bought samples of products where the large size actually cost more per unit of weight than the smaller size.

Both the proponents and opponents of the measure said they would work together to return the bill, with some changes, to the floor for a vote as quickly as possible.

The House unanimously approved and sent to the Senate a bill requiring most government records to be open to the public.

The Senate approved a bill prohibiting certain live sex performances. The bill was returned to committee earlier in the week so it could be expanded into a general anti-pornography measure.

The original bill would have prohibited only live sex shows depicting sado-masochistic abuse. The committee amended this and added other types of sexual conduct in live public shows. It also

prohibits persons from disseminating obscene material. Local authorities are allowed to enact ordinances, rules or regulations different from the states but they cannot be inconsistent with the designated obscenity provisions of the law.

The pace and workload of the legislature is picking up considerably and because of this, any views or information which you may have on proposed legislation would be greatly appreciated. You may contact me by writing Sen. Ken Jernstedt, Oregon State Senate, State Capitol, Salem, Ore. 97310 or you may call 378-8757.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

BARGAIN & SALE DEEDS

Bibby, Luke, to Headquarters Ranch, Inc. - Undiv. 1/2 int. Descr. Tr Sec 32 T3S R27.

Bibby, Luke, to Headquarters Ranch, Inc. - 2 descr. trs T4S R28. Descr. lnds T3S R27 (several tracts). Tr T4S R28.

Irby, Glenn A.-Elvira E. to Kwaliek, Bernard F.-Patricia L. - Frt Lot 1 Blk 3 Quaid's Add., Heppner.

DEED

Tews, Paul W. Pers Rep. Est. Troedson, Carl W. to Crum, Ralph S.-Lou B. - Described Lnds In T1N R24; T 1 S R24.

WARRANTY DEEDS

Bergstrom, Joyce to Smith, Kenneth R.-Nedra - Frt Lot 5 Blk 2 Ayers 3rd Add., Heppner & part of Tr. No. 58, Heppner.

Boner, Dale-Corliss to Van Winkle, Jack L.-Ruth S. - Lot 3 Blk 3 Heppner Heights Add., Heppner.

Boner, Dale-Corliss to Van Winkle, Jack L.-Ruth S. - Lots 1, 2, Blk 3 Heppner Heights Add., Heppner.

Evans, Kenneth J.-Jannette M. to Hager, James M.-Jewel W. - Lots 3, 8, Blk 2 City Heppner.

LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR:

Much time and effort has been put into the beautification project on Main Street by high school students and merchants. Progress seems to have been slow, but time will show results soon enough.

When the first trees died, National Honor Society decided to re-plant the barrels, only this time put flowers in them instead of trees. It was hard to believe what a mess the planters were in. They were full of cigarettes, matches, paper cups, gum and other garbage that people had just dumped in as they walked by. It was hard to clean up, and the debris probably had something to do with the plants dying.

Now that Honor Society has cleaned up and re-planted the barrels, I hope they can be kept that way. Each merchant is going to have to put a little time in to taking care of the plants in front of their stores. During the summer months, especially, they need special care. Hopefully some of the garbage can be kept out of them, too. If we're going to have the barrels, let's have them clean.

Greg Davidson, National Honor Society Pres.

To the Editors:

On the occasion of our Open House we wish to express our appreciation to all the people who, during the last seven months, helped make the Mental Health Service a successful, working agency. Our special thanks to the Heppner Masonic Building Association for our office space and to John Wood for doing such a fine job in remodeling the office. We would also like to thank the following merchants, organizations and individuals for their time, help and contributions:

Morrow County Health Committee, Morrow County Court, Morrow County Juvenile Counselor, Morrow County Schools, Children's Services Division, Public Welfare Division, Morrow County Health Department, Morrow County Extension Service, Pioneer Memorial Hospital and Umatilla-Morrow County Mental Health Clinic.

Eastern Oregon Hospital, Oregon State Mental Health Division, Eastern Oregon Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center, M & R Company, Bob Reavis, Murray's Drugs, Sears Catalog Sales, Western Auto, Coast to Coast, Frazier's Book Store - Pendleton and Huntington's Office Supply - Walla Walla.

The Heppner Gazette-Times, The East Oregonian, Columbia Basin Electric Co-op, Pacific Telephone, AAUW - Heppner Branch, Soroptimist Club of Heppner, Heppner Chamber of Commerce, Ione Lions Club, Willow Creek Grange and Boardman Tillicum Club.

Boardman Extension Groups, Hope Lutheran Church, Ione United Church of Christ, Boardman Community Church, Bob

In Heppner Every Thursday at Lett's Electric T.V. SERVICE TRAINED TECHNICIANS RCA VIDEO-TECH, INC. 481 A E. Main St., Heppner 597-3988

Ashland-Bound Group Meets Monday. A final meeting of Shakespeare enthusiasts is set for June 11. Those who have met during the year as an AAUW Study Group will be joined by vacationing college students and any persons planning to attend the plays at Ashland this year. The play to be discussed is Ben Jonson's THE ALCHEMIST. It is a comedy which rates high in brilliant knavery, unflattering wit and comic invention. This play was first acted at the Globe Theatre by the King's Men in 1601. It was then published in quarto in 1612. This final meeting will be at 8:00 at the Bill Weatherford home, 280 S. Court Street. Plans will be completed for the groups' travel to Ashland.

JUSTICE COURT. Cases in County Court: Kenneth Barnett, defective equipment, fined \$11; Norman Hunter, violating the basic rule, \$27; Robert Ryan, VBR, \$26.50; Dwight Peabody, no cycle endorsement, \$27, suspended; Wanda Dunlap, VBR, \$11; Jeffery Brock, no operators license, \$17, suspended; Donny Papineau, VBR, \$45; Jan Barnett, driving while license suspended, \$105; Albert Osmin, no operators license, \$27, suspended; David McNary, reckless driving, dismissed; James Frazier, defective equipment, \$11; Gary Noble, no cycle mirror, \$11; Linda White, inadequate muffler, \$11; Steven Langier, failure to drive on the right side of the road, \$17; Jon Hedman, false application for anglers license, not guilty; Robert Hughes, MIP, \$32; Jerry Olson, criminal activity in drugs, \$75; Ricky Wilson, no anglers license, \$6; Ian Stewart, furnishing liquor to a minor, \$125 and 2 yrs. probation; Robert Ployhar, MIP, \$32; Jon Hedman, MIP, \$32; Michael Smith, furnishing liquor to a minor, \$125; Donald Gosney, criminal misconduct in the third degree, \$505; Chester Oip, driving while under the influence of liquor, \$505; Kirk Robinson, MIP, \$32; and Frank Spivey, MIP, \$42.

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COMMUNITY BILLBOARD. Three More Earn GED Diplomas. Three more adults earned their GED at the testing session held here May 23. Floy Privett, Doris Flynn and Chuck Thomson successfully completed their GED. Others passing tests that day were Mary Ann Peck, Alberta Thomson and Ron Cornwall. "This year has been most successful", reports Anne Doherty, head of the Adult General Ed (A.G.E.) program here. "In all 10 persons completed the GED, and 3 persons earned their Adult High School Diploma (AHS)." AGE classes will resume next September. Although most people enrolled in the program work for their GED or AHS, some simply work at improving their reading, English, or math skills. Work is geared to the individual's needs, and costs for the course are based on a persons ability to pay. Anyone interested is encouraged to contact Anne Doherty (676-5050) or just come to classes next fall.

At Bowling Tournament. The Morrow County Grain Growers and Columbia Basin bowling teams were in the Dalles over the weekend to bowl in the State Tournament. The Tournament will run until June 17. Members of the MCGG team are Shirley Cox, Lynda Dunlap, Phyllis Cole, Bebe Munkes and Betty Mills. Their husbands accompanied them. On the Columbia Basin team are Betty Petyjohn, Virginia Wilkinson, Bernice Nash, Shirley Connor and Maude Hughes.

DICK ROBISON, JR., formerly a barber here, came last weekend to visit his father, Richard Robison, Sr., and to make arrangements for his father who will have treatment at the Veterans Hospital in Walla Walla. Dick has been teaching biology and social science in the Albina District in Portland. He expects to teach English this next year at Hillcrest Girls School.

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