

Crime rate . . .

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cattle (they had strayed and were later found by the owner); Nov. 22, lost dog; Dec. 11, car accident; Dec. 20, Gomez arraignment for murder; Dec. 26, theft; and Dec. 30, two thefts, one in Ione, the other in Lexington.

The sheriff's records show that he handled an average of 6.58 complaints per month during 1974, and only 3.83 per month during the last half of the year. Stated another way, the sheriff's office got about one case every five days during the year.

Unless there were cases that were not entered on the sheriff's record, there is probably no county or town in the United States that boasts such a low level of crime for last year.

By contrast, Chief of Police Dean Gilman reports that his office handled between 60 and 80 cases for the calendar year 1974 that dealt mostly with petty crime; and that an average of 1.5 complaints a day were received at his office for the same period that ranged from a cat to be rescued to complaints about noisy neighbors.

Chief Gilman admitted the figures were "educated guesses" because he kept no official record book during the year, but will do so for the year 1975.

The interesting part of this comparison of crime and complaint figures is that Heppner police took approximately 547 complaints of various kinds, whereas the sheriff's records reflect only 79 for last year.

Thus it would appear from the statistics that Morrow County natives are relatively quiet and tranquil but the citizens of Heppner are quite the opposite.



How come you didn't hear my siren?

Gunderson a contest winner

Eddie Gunderson Jr., Heppner, won \$35 last week for correctly identifying Harry O'Donnell as the week's Mystery Person and for listing the correct number of clues.

Nobody guessed the Mystery Person the previous week, so the jackpot went from \$7.50 to \$15, making Gunderson's total winnings \$35.

Last week's clues: Sir HOD (Sir is a title, Harry operates a title company; HOD is his initials); Acetm (anagram for Morrow County Abstract & Title Co.); Oakland and Sonoma (Harry was born in Oakland, lived in Sonoma, Ca.); Dad handy with a knife (His father was a butcher by trade).

This week's Mystery Person, if identified with the correct number of clues, will be worth \$27.50.

Graveside rites for Mr. Porter

Graveside rites for John Porter will be held Thursday, Jan. 16, 11 a.m., at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton.

Mr. Porter, 77, was a resident of Heppner for about eight years before moving to Pendleton last October. He was also employed for several years in Ione before coming to Heppner. He was a sawmill worker until his retirement, and worked several years for Kinzua Corporation.

He was born July 27, 1897, at Rose Lake, Idaho, and died Jan. 13 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton.

He is survived by a nephew, Harry Karnes of LaGrande, Ore.

Rev. Paul V. LaRue of the First Methodist Church, Pendleton, will conduct the services under auspices of Folsom Funeral Chapel.

Lela Viola White dies at Albany

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 10 a.m. at the Sweeney Mortuary Chapel for Lela Viola White, 66, of Albany.

Mrs. White, formerly of Ione, died in an Albany hospital on Jan. 10.

She was born Aug. 31, 1908, in Michigan. She was educated in Ione and Heppner schools and had resided in Albany since 1964. She was married to Merlin White in Yakima on Aug. 23, 1958.

Rev. G. E. Nikander officiated at the services. Carl and Betty Marquardt sang "In the Garden" and "The Old Rugged Cross." Interment followed at Highview Cemetery in Ione.

Pallbearers were Louis Buschke, Rollo Crawford, John Jepsen, Cliff Aldrich, Ed Bergstrom and Lee White.

Survivors include the

widower, Merlin, Albany; her mother, La Una Crowell, Heppner; a son, William Crowell, Ione; step-son, Leland White, Portland; step-daughter, Darlene Gjosund, Hawaii; two brothers, Howard Crowell, Ione and Robert Crowell, Riverside, Wa.; two sisters, Delores Stephens, Omak, Wa.; and Kay Markel, Tacoma, Wa.; 12 grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

State Senator Ken Jernstedt, R, Dist. 28, has been named vice-chairman of the Senate Consumer and Business Affairs Committee for the 1975 Legislative Assembly. The committee was named during the opening day ceremonies of the legislature on Monday.

Clara Kincaid dead at 100

Mrs. Clara Kincaid, a lifetime resident of Morrow County and its oldest pioneer, passed away Monday, Jan. 13, exactly a week after her 100th birthday.

She was born at Rhea Creek, Jan. 6, 1875, daughter of Joseph and Augusta Mason. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Ione; Bunchgrass Rebekah Lodge, Ione; United Church of Christ, Ione; and a lifetime member of Willows Grange, Ione.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Jan. 17, 1975 at 2 p.m. at the United Church of Christ, Ione, Oregon, with Rev. Arthur officiating.

Concluding services and vault interment will be at High View Cemetery, Ione, with Sweeney Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Kincaid's husband,

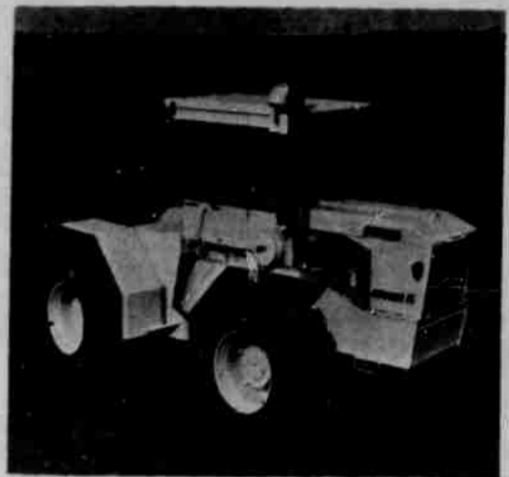
John Oliver Kincaid, preceded her in death in 1939. Their only son, Harold Oliver, died in 1941. She is survived by a brother, Joe Mason, Portland; sister, Mabel Colter, Hermiston; four grandsons; Roger Kincaid, Portland; Ralph Kincaid, Silverton; Lindsay Kincaid, Ione; Lyle Kincaid, Phoenix, Arizona; and ten great grandchildren.

TAVERNS CAN REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 2:30 A.M.

Effective Jan. 15, taverns in Oregon will be allowed to remain open until 2:30 a.m., just like regular bars that sell hard liquor.

Although taverns will be open they will not be permitted to sell any package goods to their customers after 1 a.m.

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