

VIEWPOINT EDITORIAL LETTERS COMMENT

Sifting through the TIMES

A tip of the sun visor and a chlorine-soaked entry card to the leisure event of your choice is awarded this week to all the Heppner swim team parents and just plain interested persons who had a hand in pulling off Sunday's Heppner Invitational.

COMMENT

A great deal of effort is involved in making sure 150 kids get off the starting block at the correct time and eventually get connected with the appropriate trophy. It's easy to see truth in the adage that old meet directors never die, they just get disqualified for life.

Fortunately, there were no casualties this year and another successful Heppner Invitational has come and gone.

Our plea for help this week is somewhat dampened by the continuing tale of the overexposed coyote of late, but without the correspondence from the Kelpie compatriot, our letters-to-the-editor mailbag would have once again been empty. It seems it has been collecting little more than dust in past weeks and that concerns us.

We are interested in hearing from our readers and know there are issues on your mind that would benefit from an open exchange of opinions and views.

Now that Kelpie is back home and has probably taken the phone off the hook for a little peace and quiet, we can get back to business as usual. This land is your land, the song says, and this newspaper is your newspaper. Feel free to use it.

Letters to the Editor

Editor:

Being a defender of Kelpie the coyote, I didn't want to interfere in any way for his freedom from an unjust prison sentence where he had absolutely no rights or say in his defense. This maneuver will go down in history as one of our sickest days. It has proven the low-grade of personnel that control and operate the Oregon State Police and the Dept. of Fish and Wildlife as well as the Oregon Legislature. When I see how they handled the Kelpie case, it makes me sick with fright, not only for myself but for every living thing on this earth.

My personal opinion is, I have far more respect and love for the lonely coyote, than I'll ever have for the sheepman, for his only one thought is money, greed and sorry management. I know, for I have worked for sheep outfits all my life from time to time. I started working for one of the biggest sheep outfits in South Dakota, but we had no coyote problem there, but we certainly had the coyote. This operation was a success, because it was managed. During the dust bowl, I was forced to come to Oregon and of course, I got a job with one of the biggest sheep outfits in Eastern Oregon. It was there that I learned real quick how mismanagement works. On one sheep drive alone, we lost in the neighborhood of 300 sheep and there wasn't a coyote within ten miles. The reason for this disaster, was stupid management. They were pushed over a 200 foot bank at the Ochoco Dam. If they survived this tumble, their next obstacle was to keep from drowning. Last but not least, they had to survive on green cockleberries. How this operation survived, I'll never know, but before it went bankrupt it was sold.

When anybody has friends like Rep. Denny Jones, a

Republican from Ontario, Dick Magruder from Columbia County, the State Police, the Fish and Wildlife Commission, as well as the Legislature, you certainly don't need any enemies.

I feel in all fairness to Kelpie who was so unjustly penalized, that Mr. Magruder and Jones and the rest of the crew that was in on the kill, be locked up in the same pen where Kelpie had to spend the last year and then from there move them to the Portland City Zoo for safe keeping for the rest of their lives. For their way of thinking, they're too dangerous for civilization as well as themselves. Their hate acid is eating them up.

In closing, I certainly want to "Thank" men like Rep. Drew Davis and Wally Priestly and the others that were concerned in righting a pitiful wrong that made Kelpie's freedom possible and above all the Moore family for their determination in standing up of what was right. They can now live with a clean and clear conscience.

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Obituaries

Bernard Doherty

Bernard Doherty, 68, died July 18, at his home in Heppner.

He was born Feb. 2, 1909 in Heppner and was a lifetime resident of Black Horse Canyon. He was married to Mary Jane Casteel in Heppner on Nov. 18, 1939.

Mr. Doherty was a member of St. Patrick's Church and served on the Morrow County Fair Board for many years. He was the son of James and Catherine Doherty, Morrow County pioneers.

Survivors include the widow, Mary Jane (Jerry), Heppner; sons Dennis D., Heppner;

Roger P., Denver, Anthony J., Heppner; daughters, Martha J., Heppner, Maureen Ann, Eugene, Nancy Pettyjohn, Luma Springs, Ga., Rebecca Lu, Heppner; brothers, Francis, Heppner; sisters, Nora Turner, Helen Dyer, both Heppner and Betty Thorsen, Mountain View, Cal.; two grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Recitation of the rosary will be Thursday, July 21, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Church.

Funeral Mass will be Friday, July 22, at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick's with the Rev. Timothy Collins officiating. Concluding services and interment will be at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery with Sweeney Mortuary in care of arrangements.

Sacred selections will be sung by William Kenny accompanied by Rikka Tews. Pall bearers will include Paul (Shan) Applegate, Larry McLaughlin, Tad Miller, Tom Pointer, Jo McLaughlin and Ken Turner.

Contributions may be made in Mr. Doherty's memory to the Pioneer Memorial Hospital for its C.P.R. instructional equipment.

John H. Cox

John Henry Cox, 60, late of Pilot Rock and formerly of Monument, died in the Walla Walla Veterans Hospital July 13.

He was born Aug. 15, 1916 in Monument.

Mr. Cox worked on ranches in the area for many years and was an overseas veteran of World War II.

Graveside services were held Saturday, July 16, at 1 p.m. at the Monument Cemetery with the Rev. Thomas Gonzalez of the Remrock Church officiating. Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of the services.

Survivors include five brothers: Clyde, Hamilton; Richard and Carl, Monument; Fred, White City and Archie, Kinzua; four sisters; Mable Corley, Hamilton; Sophie Ayer, Lydia Wilson and Wilma Mabe, Heppner; numerous nieces and nephews in the area.

A birthday was celebrated in this week's 1967 edition of the Times.

The Cecil Post Office, housed in the Cecil Store, marked its 100th year of continuous service to the community.

Complete with then and now pictures, the story traces the history of the post office which, "Apparently had its beginnings in a home in about the present location of the Henry J. Krebs residence".

"Cecil was a stopping place on the old Oregon Trail and it was quite an oasis for weary travelers."

Bob Lowe, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Lowe, owned the store from 1913 to 1925, recalled west bound settlers stopping to remove the wheels of their covered wagons and placing them in Willow Creek to soak so they wouldn't fall apart on the remainder of the journey. They washed their clothes in the creek and camped out while the wheels soaked.

At the store they obtained salt, rolled oats, bacon, tea, coffee, chewing tobacco, coal oil and other needs.

"It was surprising how many of these items sold for a nickel," Lowe said.

This week in 1957, the previous week's account of a UFO sighting drew further attention. It was the first sighting of the year in the state and prompted then editor Robert Penland to chronicle several other "Firsts" under the headline of "Keep Your Eye on Morrow County".

"This year our county has come up with several "firsts" that were mighty newsworthy and the year isn't over yet. We fall heir to the first genuine tornado seen (and photographed) in Oregon in many a year. We also had some hail that was bigger than even our neighboring Umatilla county could brag about...and there have been others—where else but in our county has Bonneville Power Administration ever lost 15 steel towers to a thunderstorm? Now, some of our citizens sight an unidentified flying object which is the first such machine seen this year in Oregon."

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of Connie Clough, Riverside (Boardman) instructor, and Ethel Duff, Riverside classified employee.

• Approved the hiring of 16 new teachers. They are:

Heppner Elementary School—Phyllis Payne, second grade; Andy Clark, fourth grade; Courtney Kiser, fifth grade; Louis Schmidt, fifth grade; Syreece Hornbuckle, seventh and eighth grade science; and Jack Adkins, special reading.

Heppner High School—Les Payne, social studies and coaching; Ron Forrar, art; Tom Day, language arts and basketball coach.

Ione Elementary School—

Clint Agee, sixth grade and coaching and Tom Forsyth, language arts.

Riverside junior high and high school, Boardman—Carol Wallace, vocal music; Greg

Town hall meeting...

'Less government wanted'

A group of 83 persons attended last week's "Wages, Welfare or What?" town hall meeting in Heppner and their feelings on the subject came through loud and clear. Less government intervention! More local control!

While the subject was controversial and opinions varied, the general consensus was that the private individual

Interest was also stirred for those outside the county. The Times received a request for more information of the sighting from the Aerial Phenomena Research group of Seattle. Accompanying the request was a policy statement of the group which read, "There is now sufficient information based on data compiled by eyewitness accounts that a high percentage of aerial phenomena such as those popularly described as Unidentified Flying Objects are intelligently controlled craft whose ports of origin are outside earth's atmosphere".

Aerial news continued its way back in time as the week's 1947 edition reported "A drive for locating the proposed government supersonic laboratory at Boardman has been launched".

A Boardman Supersonic Research Center Site Committee was organized to promote the Boardman Bombing Range for location of a proposed "\$500,000 laboratory to test flight at speeds faster than sound".

This week in 1937, the weather was keeping everyone in the area occupied.

"Hail which accompanied an electrical storm destroyed 100 acres of the best grain on the Newt O'Hara farm on Heppner flats. Tuesday's storm was the last of four consecutive storms which started 30 new fires in the local fire district while bringing heavy showers to keep the fires under control and also delay harvest."

Arthur Brisbane came through again this week in 1927. "Human beings are like children," Arthur reveals. "A father plays "bear" with his little child, and the child is relieved when the bear stands up and becomes, once more, "father".

"In England, the eclipse put out the sun, changing day to night, and everybody knew that it was only makebelieve night. Nobody feared "the devil was eating the sun". Nevertheless, when the eclipse passed and the sun came shining our once more, the crowds cheered. They were glad to have mother nature stop playing bear". Thanks Arthur.

Glasgow, art; Mike Carpenter, social studies and coaching and Diane Glasgow, junior high language arts and coaching.

A.C.Houghton Elementary School, Irigton—Diane Weisgerber, fifth grade.

should take the greatest share of responsibility for his or her own economic security in the United States.

Nearly everyone in attendance at the four hour session took the floor at least once during the discussion period to express their thoughts.

Many persons—both at the meeting and the next day—expressed the thought that

materials used in the meeting, especially the video tape movie and questionnaire, were slanted to indicate concurrence with increased welfare.

A state-wide effort to obtain citizen input on welfare, the meeting here was hosted and information tabulated by the Association of American University Women, Cathy Peck, chairman.

1977 Morrow County FAIR & RODEO Princess Dance



Honoring Princess Krynn Robinson

July 23 at the Fairgrounds Pavilion from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

MUSIC BY The Mobley's

Rodeo Court Queen Mary Anne Proctor and Princesses Teresa Proctor Krynn Robinson Deborah Palmer Donna Palmer

Next Dance July 30 Honoring Princess Deborah Palmer

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