

BMCC evening class registration still open

Pre-registration for local participants in Blue Mountain Community College's fall term evening classes is proceeding smoothly, but four of the courses to be offered in Morrow County have yet to receive a registered student.

Three of the courses—horse husbandry, history of World War II, and economics—are to be taught by instructors from BMCC. In order to "continue to have courses offered by the college instructors, we need to fill the classes," commented Nancy Brownfield, BMCC field coordinator.

Horse husbandry, to be taught in Heppner, will include study of horse evolution, behavior, reproduction, nutrition and diseases. The lab portion of the class will involve instruction in basic horsemanship techniques for breaking, training, judging and caring for horses.

History of World War II will involve a reassessment of the origins, conduct and consequences of World War II. Moving from a study of the inter-war years, and the dynamics of Nazism, the course will progress through the major campaigns with an

emphasis on the European theater, using recent studies of strategy, diplomacy and leadership as they bear on the outcome of the war.

Economics will deal with the principals involved in the operation of the American economic system. Topics will include historic trends, business organizations, prices and competition, business cycles and monopoly.

The other as-yet vacant course, titled principals of geology, chemistry and physics is to be taught by Rod Aho. The course will deal with the scientific effects of everyday life. Instruction will consist of a combination of lecture, lab and field work, with much of the study focused on the geology of the Pacific Northwest.

All the local BMCC courses are open to anyone aged 16 and older, with senior citizens receiving free tuition.

Next week will be the final week for pre-registration. If an opening exists, registration may be completed during the first night of a class. A listing

of classes that are full is expected to be prepared next week.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Nancy Brownfield at 676-5039.

American Legion hosts potluck next Monday eve

Heppner American Legion Post No. 87 and Auxiliary will meet at the Legion Hall Monday, Sept. 18, at 7 p.m. for a potluck dinner and their regular meeting.

Grand Squares' first dance is this Friday night

The first square dance of the Grand Square's season will be Friday, Sept. 15 at the Legion Hall in Heppner.

The Grand Squares hold dances on the first Saturday and third Friday of each month.

Deschutes closed for steelheading

The Deschutes River was closed to steelhead angling Aug. 21 for the first time in history under emergency action taken by the Fish and Wildlife Commission. A much below normal run and a near failure in the "one-salt" segment of the run prompted the recommendation by Department staff.

Trapping at Sherars Falls on the Deschutes as part of the Department's ongoing research program showed the run down 35 per cent compared with 1977 in mid-August. But equally important was the near absence of fish that had spent just one year in the ocean. This age group normally makes up 50 to 60 per cent of the Deschutes run but only 10 per cent of the fish trapped at Sherars Falls had been of this age group. In addition to the shortage this year, the weak one-salt age class means an almost certain shortage in the two-salt portion of next year's run.

The low water spring of 1977 is apparently the major cause of the poor run. That year most of the water in the Columbia River went through power generating turbines at

The Dalles and Bonneville dams and so, therefore, did many of the fish. The low run is reflected equally in both the wild and hatchery portions of the run.

The Deschutes remains open to angling for trout and salmon. But steelhead, which are frequently caught while fishing for these other species, must be immediately released unharmed.

The Columbia River was closed to steelhead fishing earlier in the month because counts at Bonneville Dam indicated a poor run. At the time there was no evidence of low runs to tributary rivers and it was thought the problem was due primarily to shortages of fish destined for the Snake River and its tributaries. The Snake River and tributaries, which had been scheduled to open for steelhead September 1, were also closed for the remainder

of the year.

At Commission request, letters have been sent asking for a suspension of Indian dipnet fishing for steelhead at Sherars Falls on the Deschutes and

for a voluntary reduction of fishing effort during a sche-

ville Dam. Any mandatory curtailment of Indian fishing

in the Columbia River would require an action by the Columbia River Compact.

Herbicide recommendations draw industry praise for forests

The decision by the Asst. Secretary of Agriculture to reduce his restriction on the aerial application of the herbicides 2,4,5-T and Silvex from with one-quarter mile of streams to 200 feet was only a step in the right direction, a spokesman for the Oregon Forest Industries Council, said today.

"A 200 foot buffer strip goes beyond what scientific evidence tells us is necessary to protect water quality," said Al Wilson, director of forest information for OFIC, a segment of Associated Oregon Industries.

"The June 1977 Environmental Protection Agency report, 'Silvicultural Chemicals and Protection of Water

Quality', recommends a one-half spray swath width along streams. That would be about 30 to 50 feet," said Wilson.

"The Oregon Forest Practices Act requires a one-swath (60-100 foot) buffer strip along Class I streams, roughly twice the EPA recommendation. Because of environmental petitions the State Board of Forestry was forced to consider extending this buffer strip to 200 feet. We believe the scientific testimony given before the board clearly shows this is an unnecessary precaution," Wilson stated.

The board is scheduled to its decision on this issue at a Sept. 27 meeting in Salem.

"Numerous compromises have forced industry and

government to give up more and more of their forest production capability," claimed Wilson.

"Asst. Secretary of Agriculture Rupert Cutler's recent move is a good example. He originally called for a 1,320 foot buffer strip, then under pressure, he dropped back to 200 feet. Yet the EPA states in their study that 50 feet is enough protection. We can't continue to compromise unnecessarily and still meet the needs of the nation for wood products," he said.

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Public Notice

INVITATION TO BID

An Invitation to Bid is extended by the Board of Directors of Morrow County School District R-1, Morrow County, Oregon, for the construction of a Multi-Purpose Gymnasium at A. C. Houghton Elementary School, Irrigon, Oregon. Work to be performed under one (1) General Contract which will include Mechanical and Electrical work.

Sealed bids will be received until Tuesday, September 26, 1978, at 8:00 p.m. PDT at Boardman High School, Boardman, Oregon.

Bids will be opened publicly at the above stated time and place and read aloud. Bids received after the time fixed for opening cannot be considered. Bidders and others properly interested are invited to be present at the Bid Opening.

DOCUMENTS

Specifications, including bid and contract documents and drawings may be examined or secured at the office of Architects Robert J. Smith and Martin T. Hasegawa, Route 3, Box 100, Ontario, Oregon 97914, and Administration Office, Morrow County School District R-1, Lexington, Oregon.

DEPOSIT

Refunds: The full amount of deposit for documents will be refunded to actual bidders upon return of the documents, unutilized and without marks or annotations at or before the time set for opening bids. Other deposits will be refunded with deductions for the actual cost of reproduction of the documents under the same conditions. Bidders not bidding after making deposit and not returning documents before addenda time, will forfeit half of their deposit. The bidder is required to furnish ten (10) per cent of the Base Bid in the form of a certified check, a bank cashier's check, or a Bid Bond, representing a guarantee that he shall execute all items as outlined in the documents, specifications and plans.

RIGHT TO REJECT BIDS

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities. No bidders may withdraw his bid after the time set for the opening thereof, unless the award of the contract is delayed for a period exceeding thirty (30) days.

BY ORDER OF Board of Directors of Morrow County School District R-1.

-s-Pauline Winters
Chairman

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An Invitation to Bid is extended by the Board of Directors of Morrow County School District R-1, Morrow County, Oregon, for construction of a Shop Facility for Riverside High School, Boardman, Oregon.

Work to be performed under one General Contract which will include Mechanical and Electrical work. Sealed bids will be received until Tuesday, September 26, 1978, at 8:00 p.m., PDT, at Boardman High School, Boardman, Oregon.

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DEPOSIT

General Contractors	\$50.00
Mechanical	\$50.00
Electrical	\$50.00

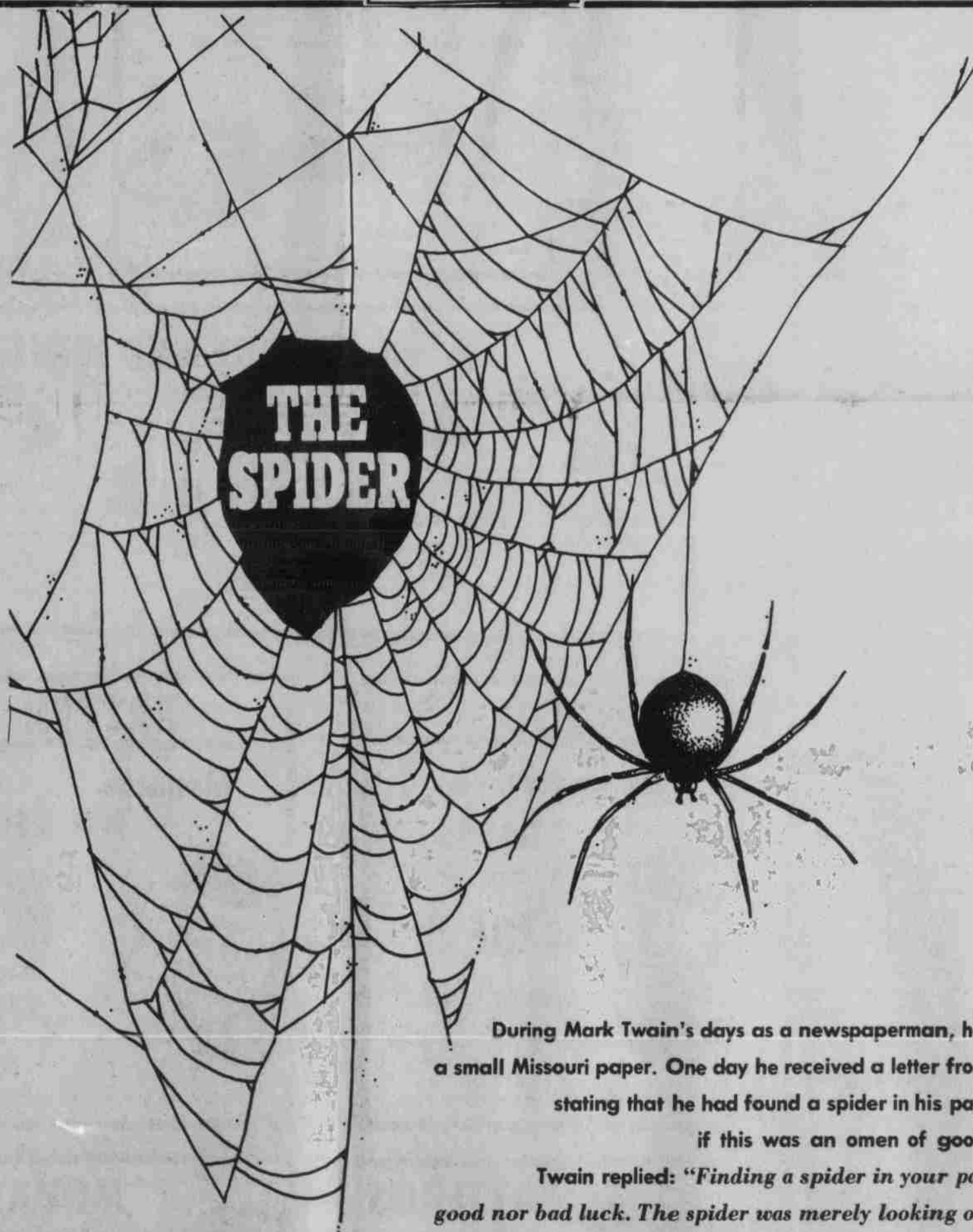
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During Mark Twain's days as a newspaperman, he was editor of a small Missouri paper. One day he received a letter from a subscriber, stating that he had found a spider in his paper, and asked if this was an omen of good or bad luck. Twain replied: "Finding a spider in your paper is neither good nor bad luck. The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant was not advertising so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door, and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever afterward."

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