

...Police news

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Harshman was arrested on a Morrow County Justice Court warrant the previous Thursday in Oregon City. The warrant charged him with manufacturing a controlled substance—growing marijuana—in his Heppner home.

The warrant was issued on evidence collected by a Heppner City Police investigation. Harshman remains in the Umatilla County jail in Pendleton, in lieu of \$7,505 bond. Morrow County Sheriff's deputies Saturday located in

Irrigon a car that had been reported stolen Friday from Richland, Wash.

The vehicle was found abandoned at the Pivot Point Restaurant parking lot shortly after midnight. The car had apparently been hot-wired. An investigation continues.

The Morrow County Sheriff's office is investigating the killing of at least two sheep on the Joe Cunha ranch on Upper Willow Creek earlier this week. Free-running dogs are believed responsible for the dead sheep.

Several other sheep were reportedly injured.

Hospital Notes

Patients admitted to Pioneer Memorial Hospital the past two weeks and still receiving treatment are Eva Robinson and Judy Hampton, both of Heppner and Dorothy Loudon, Hermiston.

Patients admitted and later discharged the past two weeks were Steven Shaw, Spray; Gladys Heliker, Ricky Kandle and Don McElligott, all of Ione; Floyd Borman, Lexington; Evelyn Dolan, Boardman; and Kenneth Lemley, Theresa Hyatt, Jack Coulter and Linda Sinerius, all of Heppner.

Lou Anne Way, Lexington, was transferred to St. Anthony's Hospital, Pendleton.

Palmateer son born

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ted Palmateer, Ione, are the parents of a son, Tyson Robert, 7 lbs., 7 oz., born Jan. 20, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schiller, Echo, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Palmateer, Ione.

Great-grandmother is Mrs. Alma Parke, Hermiston.

OBITUARIES

Samuel Bourrie

Samuel Bourrie, 10-month old son of Wayne and Christie Bourrie of Heppner, died Tuesday, Jan. 23, at the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center in Portland. He was born in Heppner, March 16, 1978.

Graveside services are today, (Thursday), Jan. 25, at 2 p.m. at Heppner Masonic Cemetery, with the Rev. Duane Geyer of St. John's

Assembly, Portland, officiating. Sweeney Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bourrie, Heppner; maternal grandparents, Betty Piper, Heppner and George Bradley, Seattle, Wash.; and paternal grandparents, Henry Bourrie, Hermiston and Grace Estes, Estacada.

Juliann Harrison

Juliann Harrison, 55, Heppner, died in Heppner Thursday, Jan. 17.

She was born Dec. 6, 1923, at Windber, Pa., the daughter of Eugene and Juliann Gymorrie Boysza.

On Dec. 7, 1946, she was married to Fred Harrison at Vancouver, Wash.

She was past president of the Eagles Auxiliary in Pendleton and a resident of the area since 1965.

Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 22 at 2 p.m. at Sweeney Mortuary Chapel, with the Rev. Steve Tollefson of the United Methodist

Church officiating. Carl and Betty Marquardt sang "Goodnight and Good Morning" and "Beyond the Sunset", with Mrs. Marquardt at the piano. Concluding services were at Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Casket bearers were Ralph Marlatt, Dick Rice, Forrest Burkenbine, Roger Bailey, Robert Najerian and Matt Hughes.

Mrs. Harrison is survived by her husband, Fred, of Heppner; three brothers, Eugene Boysza and James Boysza, both of Johnstown, Pa., and Paul Boysza of Windber, Pa.

Elsie Mae Mollahan

Elsie Mae Mollahan, 74, a former Heppner resident, died in Ashland, Tuesday, Jan. 16.

She was born May 22, 1904, at Waubay, S. Dakota, the daughter of Fred and Ella Conner Owen.

A registered nurse, she was a graduate of St. Anthony's School of Nursing in 1927, and worked in area hospitals for many years. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner, a member of the Heppner Degree of Honor Lodge, and the Oregon State Nursing Association.

Recitation of the Rosary was Friday, Jan. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Funeral Mass was at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, at St. Patrick's Church with the Rev. John O'Brien officiating. Sacred selections were by organist Rikka Tews. The casket bearers, all grandsons, were Patrick Mollahan, John Mollahan, David McClure, Michael Mollahan, Douglas McClure and Brent Mollahan. Concluding services and interment were at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton, at 2 p.m. Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Mollahan is survived by three sons, John of Heppner, Larry of Troutdale and Robert of Milton-Freewater; a daughter, Mrs. Mary McClure, of Ashland; a brother, Floyd Owen, Tacoma, Wash.; five sisters, Eva Douglas and Pearl Nirschl, both of Pendleton; Laura Whitaker and

Ruby Harris, both of Tacoma, Wash.; and Rose Garrett of Portland; 13 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Patrick Mollahan in 1965.

Contributions may be made to the Pioneer Memorial Hospital Fund.

Costs to NW farmers double 1977 rate

Prices paid by Pacific Northwest farmers increased twice as much in 1978 as they did a year earlier, according to Gene Nelson, Oregon State University Extension farm management specialist.

Prices paid for production inputs, including fertilizer, chemicals, machinery, energy, labor, credit and real estate, went up 11 per cent in 1978. That compares to a 5 per cent increase the year before.

While the overall increase amounted to 11 per cent, the prices of all inputs did not increase at the same rate. In fact, the prices of some inputs, such as fertilizer and chemicals, actually decreased.

In response to the overall increase in prices, farmers will make adjustments in their buying practices and seek ways to reduce their purchases of the higher priced farm inputs, predicted Nelson. By finding ways to substitute for expensive inputs and otherwise improving the efficiency of farm operations, farmers would be able to reduce the impact of the price inflation, he said.

The inflationary trend in farm input prices is likely to continue for the next three to five years, Nelson wrote in the "1979 Pacific Northwest Agricultural Situation and Outlook," a joint publication of the Extension Services in Oregon, Washington and Idaho, which is available at county Extension offices.

U.S. fertilizer prices were down about 2 per cent in 1978 compared to the year before. Prices for nitrogen, phosphate and potash are expected to remain stable or experience only modest increases in 1979. Ample supplies should be available assuming no logistical problems or transportation delays occur, the Outlook noted.

Prices for agricultural chemicals dropped by 5 per cent in 1978, and no major price increases are expected for the year ahead. The critical issue here is the

uncertainty of government regulations regarding the use of specific materials, Nelson noted.

Prices for tractors and self-propelled machinery rose 11 per cent in 1978. Other machinery prices went up 9 per cent and auto and truck prices increased 5 per cent. The outlook is for adequate farm machinery availability in the next year, but prices are expected to increase another 6 to 12 per cent.

Energy remains a primary problem. In the Pacific Northwest, gasoline prices were up 7 per cent from 1977, and diesel up 2 per cent. Electricity cost per kilowatt hour for farm and ranch use was up 6 per cent in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Wage rates for all hired farm workers in the three Northwest states were 12 per cent higher in 1978 and are expected to increase at about the same rate during 1979. A slow down in the national economy could reduce the number of urban job opportunities that draw workers away from farm areas.

Interest rates for new farm real estate loans and for short term loans went up in 1978. Government economic policies aimed at reducing inflation and restoring confidence in the dollar have contributed to the rise in interest rates and are likely to continue to do so, it was noted.

Farm real estate values slowed last year. U.S. farm real estate values rose 9 per cent for the year ending Feb. 1, 1978, which compares to a 17 per cent increase the year before.

Even though the rate of increase in land prices has slowed, the publication suggests that any general downturn in prices is very unlikely.

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Ione's Stuart Keene wins PGT scholarship at BMCC

Six students at Blue Mountain Community College have been selected to share a \$1,000 scholarship given to the school's vocational education department by Pacific Gas Transmission Company of Spokane.

The six students are Charles Gaskill of Pendleton, Dan Turley of LaGrande who was also a recipient last year, Harlan Courtney of Milton-Freewater, Steve Moore of The Dalles, Stuart Keene of Ione and Jeff Marshall of Salem.

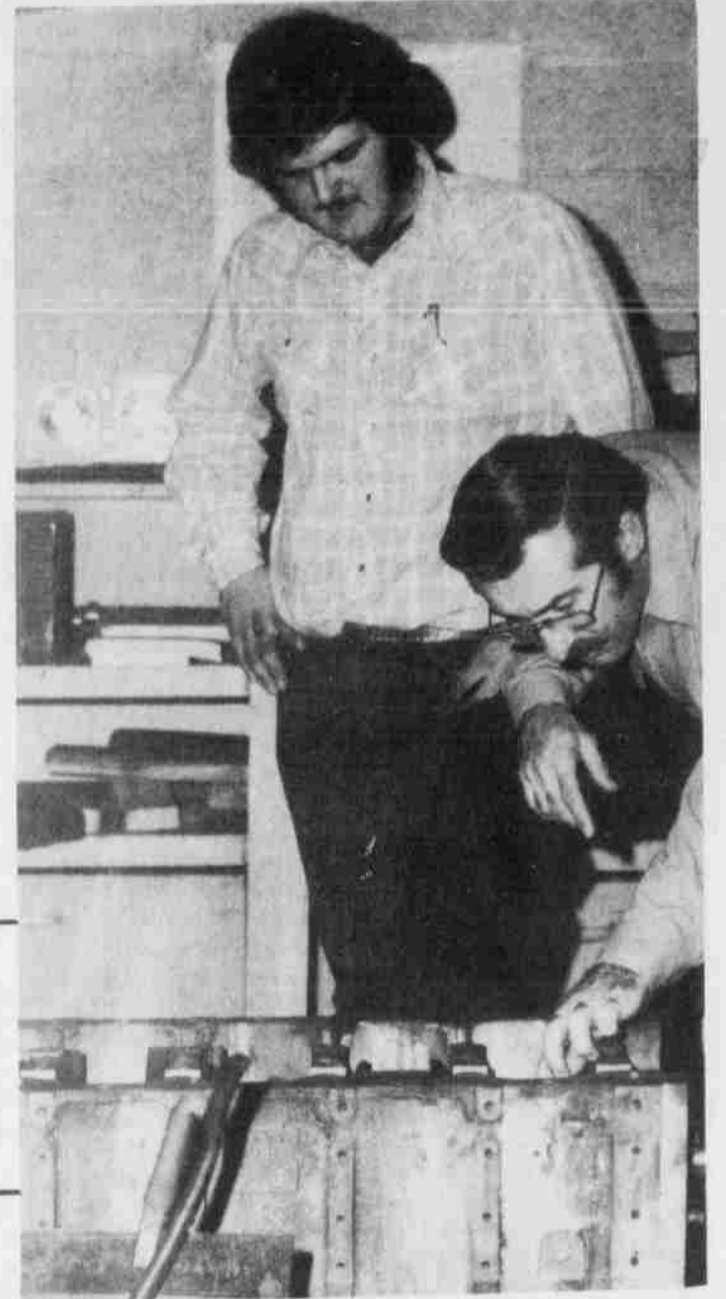
Gaskill and Turley are majoring in civil engineering technology. Courtney and Marshall are majoring in electronics. Keene and Moore are in diesel mechanics.

This is the eleventh year that Pacific Gas Transmission Company has offered the grants to the eight vocational colleges along the route of its natural gas pipeline. To date, PGT has awarded 58 scholarships to students at Blue Mountain College.

PGT, with operating headquarters in Spokane, owns and operates the Idaho-Washington-Oregon section of the Alberta to California pipeline which passes through Umatilla County.

The company plans to begin expansion of its 612-mile pipeline in 1980 to transport additional natural gas from Canada and future Alaskan North Slope gas to west coast markets.

Gary F. McKinney of Kennewick, area supervisor for Pacific Gas Transmission Company, examines a diesel engine with Stuart Keene of Ione. Keene is one of six BMCC students who received a scholarship from PGT.



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