



J. J. Osmin, John Weygandt, Amy Brownfield and Jenny Weygandt slide down a snowy road on a toboggan.



Cars on Main Street were covered with snow last week.



Snow covered Willow Creek.

Varied weather conditions cause problems for Columbia Basin

All types of weather hit Morrow County this past week causing a variety of problems. Heavy snows hit early last week totaling 18 inches or more in some areas of the county. Motorists had trouble with the snow as school was closed last Thursday and the

sheriff's office had many calls concerning cars getting stuck and being stranded. The Highway from Heppner to Condon was closed for a few days. The snow stopped Thursday but high winds of close to 50 miles per hour hit the

county causing snow drifts in many places. Columbia Basin Electrical Cooperative in Heppner reported the main power line from the Bonneville Power Administration was lost for five minutes Saturday. It cut off electricity to Ione,

Heppner, Ruggs, and Lexington. Manager Fred Toombs of CBEC said the company lost many poles in the system. "We caught the devil," Toombs said. "We are still trying to clean it all up." Toombs said CBEC has been patrolling the lines but not all of the poles that were blown over have been found yet. "It has been a circus," Toombs said. "Most of the poles are outside the areas of towns. They are out in the boondocks somewhere in the

mud and slush." Toombs said some customers had power out for up to four hours. The snow began melting quickly Sunday and county officials said they were surprised Willow Creek did not flood. Mud slides were reported to the sheriff's office between Lexington and Ione. The National Weather Bureau in Pendleton does not expect another snow storm this week. Temperatures will be normal for this time of the year with temperatures in the

30s for highs and 15 to 25 for the lows. Some rain showers are expected.

Income Tax Service

Individual,
Business Ranch

MARIE KEY

422-7532 lone



This youngster did not make it down the hill.



Jenny Weygandt tries a sled.

Cutsforth reports antique pistols stolen

Cases that were handled by the Morrow County Sheriff's office for the week ending Jan. 14 are: Orville Cutsforth, Rt. 2, Box 2082 in Heppner, reported two .30 caliber luger pistols with pearl handles as stolen. They are valued at \$500 each. He had them hidden in his basement and they were taken sometime between Oct. 15 and Jan. 11. He is offering a reward and anyone who knows anything about it can call him at 676-9436. Cutsforth said.

Pastor Ray Plank of the Hillview Christian Center, reported the death of Robert Gerald Raines in Boardman. Raines lived in a trailer on the Morrow County Produce property.

A warrant was sent out for the arrest of Nicholas Robert Dett, Rt. 1, Box 166 in Umatilla. He has been charged with criminal trespass in the second degree, criminal mischief in the third degree, attempted theft in the second degree and contempt of court.

A stolen car was recovered Jan. 7 north of the Bombing Range in Boardman. The engine was missing and the vehicle was burned. It was a 1966 Chevy owned by Everett Moore, No. 24 Desert Springs in Boardman.

Ricky Lee Johnson, Wilson Rd. Trl. Ct. E-3 in Boardman; Calvin Lynn Thomason and Alvin Leroy Thomason, both of Boardman, were all cited for criminal trespass on the Sun River Farms in Boardman. The Thomasons were arrested on previous warrants. Alvin Thomason had a warrant out for his arrest for open container and criminal

trespass. Calvin Thomason had warrants out for his arrest for contempt of court and criminal trespass. Both serv-

ed 10 days in the county jail. All three will go to trial on the criminal trespass charge Jan. 21.

Farm sales...

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Wheat yields in most eastern Oregon counties were about normal. However, planting costs were higher in the Columbia Basin. Oregon's major wheat growing area, because winter weather destroyed much acreage that had to be reseeded to spring wheat.

Sales of specialty products (nurseries, greenhouses, holly, bulbs, Christmas trees, farm forestry) jumped 24 percent to \$173 million.

Field crop sales declined for the second year in a row. Sales of \$114 million represent a 15 percent drop from 1978. Fewer acres and depressed prices for potatoes and overproduction in mint account for the drop, said Miles.

Thirty-two counties showed increased sales in 1979. Three (Crook, Jefferson, and Morrow) reported no change from 1978 sales figures, and one (Wheeler) reported a drop in sales.

(Guide to Good Dining)

Local Area Dining

The Wagon Wheel Mexican Food
215 N. Main Heppner 676-5025 Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday

Mexican Food Chinese Food
Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday

The Hungries? R & W Drive-In
Choose from our anytime menu. Fast snacks. Full meals.
S. Main Heppner 676-5023

Beecher's Every 20th T-Bone Free o Salad Bar
Every Wednesday Any steak in the house \$7.99
Hwy. 74 Ione 422-9595

The Heppner Elks Club
Lunches served Tues.-Fri 11:30-2:00
Dinners Friday And Saturday
Jean's "Prime Rib" 6:00 to 9:00
142 N. Main 676-9181

Central MARKETS

January Thaw

ON RISING PRICES!
Jan. 13, 14, 15

Grocery 676-9614
Meats 676-9288

USDA Choice Round Steak Bone-in 2⁴⁹ lb.

No. 2 Potatoes 1⁰⁹ 20 lb.

Rump Roast 2²⁹ lb.

Carrots 45¢ each

Cauliflower 49¢/lb.

Sliced Bacon 1⁹⁹ 1 1/2 lb. pkg.

Western Family Pure Vegetable Oil 99¢ 24 oz.

Western Family Strawberry Preserves 99¢ 18 oz.

Western Family Chili Concarne 2/99¢ 15 oz.

Western Family Peanut Butter 99¢ 18 oz. Creamy or Crunch

Pacific Water Chestnuts or Bamboo Shoots 2/99¢

Western Shores Facial Tissue 2/99¢ 200 count

Western Family Whole peeled Tomatoes 3/99¢ 16 oz.