

# OBITUARIES

## Amy C. Sperry

Amy C. Sperry, who taught school in lone for 23 years, from 1919 to 1942, died Monday, Feb. 4, in the Tri-State Convalescent Home in Clarkston, Wash. She was 83.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at the lone Cemetery with the Rev. John Maas officiating.

Mrs. Sperry taught in Asotin, from 1943 to 1944 and in

Newberg, Ore., from 1944 to 1958, when she retired.

Her husband, Elisha Sperry died in July of 1950. Surviving are two daughters, Eileen Padberg of Lexington and Charlotte Ausman of Lewiston, Idaho; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are being made by Merchant Funeral Home of Clarkston.

## Zephyl A. Harrison

Zephyl A. Harrison, 79, died Sunday at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Harrison was born Aug. 11, 1900, at Berlin, Ore. He was a cattle rancher for many years at Monument, and had been a resident of the Hermiston-Echo area since 1959.

He was a member of Eagle Creek Grange, Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star.

Survivors include his step-daughter Gertrude Roberts, of

Portland, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral will be 2 p.m. The funeral was Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church in Monument, with vault interment at Monument Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Heart Fund or the Cancer Fund.

Burns Mortuary, Hermiston, is in charge of arrangements.

## Woman announces she's candidate for U.S. Senate

Brenda Jose, vice chairman of the Oregon State Republican Party, has announced her candidacy for the U.S. Senate.

In addition to her post as vice chairman of the Oregon GOP, Jose also is on the executive committee of the state party and the Clackamas County GOP committee.

Jose is married to Stephen R. Jose, an architect. They reside in Clackamas with their

10-year-old son Tim.

Jose, who was born in Ogden, Utah, Feb. 2, 1947, attended Taft and Bethany Colleges, she works as a substitute teacher specializing in early childhood education.

Previously, she held positions with United Airlines, First National Bank of Oregon and now heads her own public relations and advertising firm.

## Blue Mt. College budget OK'd

After reviewing expected income sources and proposed expenditures, the Blue Mountain Community College Budget committee formally adopted the college budget for 1980-81 at the Jan. 30 meeting.

The budget will require an 8.5 percent increase in the tax levy to generate \$2.3 million of the \$4.5 million total budget. The tax levy increase is pegged at \$184,594.

To arrive at a tax increase less than 10 percent as requested by the budget committee, BMCC administrators pared budget requests by \$176,315 in the areas of travel, new equipment and personnel.

The college tax levy will go before the voters March 25. BMCC has no tax base and must go to the voters each year for levy approval.

## 9 convicted in fraud over jobless pay

During the fourth quarter of 1979 (October to December) the State of Oregon, Employment Division, obtained convictions against nine defendants who committed fraud by drawing Unemployment Insurance benefits while working. There are now 45 fraud cases pending in various counties throughout the State, the Employment Division reports.

Full restitution of monies was ordered in all nine cases with the largest overpayment being \$2,346. One claimant was fined \$505 while another claimant was sentenced to ten days in jail. All defendants were given probationary periods of from two to five years. Seven claimants were convicted of a Class C felony while two were convicted of a

Class A misdemeanor.

In addition to the nine court cases, during the fourth quarter of 1979, 343 Unemployment Insurance claimants were issued Administrative penalties for committing willful misrepresentation in connection with their claims. A total of 3,633 calendar weeks of future benefits were denied these 343 claimants. They were also ordered to repay \$122,126 in Unemployment Insurance benefits they had fraudulently obtained.

During the fourth quarter, 1979, the Employment Division collected \$205,364.56 in overpayments previously detected. This figure represents both fraudulent and non-fraudulent overpayment collections, the Employment Division reports.

## Livestock grazing fee goes up, effective March 1

The 1980 fee for grazing livestock on most Bureau of Land Management property will be \$2.36 per animal unit month (AUM).

The new rate is effective March 1. Last year's fee was \$1.89 per AUM. An AUM is the equivalent of one cow, one horse, or five sheep grazing for one month.

Grazing fees are based on a formula contained in the Public Rangelands Improvement Act (PRIA) of 1978. Under the formula, this year's fee would have been \$2.54, but PRIA limits the increase or decrease in the fee to 25 percent of the previous year's

rate. The formula accounts for beef cattle prices, production costs, and forage costs.

An exception to the \$2.36 rate is on BLM's O&C lands in western Oregon. Fees for these lands are set in conjunction with the Forest Service and this year will be \$2.54 per

Fifty percent of the fees collected within grazing districts is used to finance range improvement practices. Another 37.5 percent is returned to the U.S. Treasury, with the remaining 12.5 percent being allotted to the counties.

## Farmers to benefit from loan price hike

Judy Buschke, county executive director of the Morrow County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office (ASCS), reported that 1979 national average loan rates were increased from \$2.35 to \$2.50 a bushel for wheat, from \$2 to \$2.10 a bushel for corn, and from \$1.63 to \$1.71 a bushel for barley.

She pointed out that price support levels for other feed grains were increased comparable to corn—for oats from \$1.03 to \$1.08 per bushel; for sorghum, from \$3.39 to \$3.57 per hundred-weight.

New county loan prices for wheat and barley are \$2.64 and \$1.89 per bushel, respectively. The new rates are effective immediately.

"The increased loan prices will not only give farmers additional interim financing, but will also automatically raise the release and call price for wheat and feed grains in the reserve," she said.

For grain placed in the reserve before January 7, 1980, the new release levels are: wheat \$3.50 per bushel; corn \$2.63 per bushel; oats, \$1.35 per bushel; barley, \$2.14 per bushel; sorghum, \$4.46 per hundredweight. The new call levels for grain entered into the reserve before Jan. 7 are: wheat, \$4.38; corn, \$2.94; oats, \$1.51; barley, \$2.39; \$2.48; sorghum, \$5.18.

Morrow County farmers have placed over 303,252.44 bushels of their 1979 grain under price support loan.

According to Mrs. Buschke, Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland also waived the first year interest costs for the next 512 million bushels of corn entering the national reserve

for the first time and increased reserve storage payments from 25 to 26½ cents a bushel for all reserve commodities except oats, which went from 19 to 20 cents a bushel.

Grain under loan may be stored on farms or in commercial warehouses.

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## AWOL soldiers turn selves in

Lloyd A. Tarpener, formerly of Heppner, and Michael L. Glydewill turned themselves into officer Douglas Rathbun in Heppner as they were AWOL from the U.S. Army. They were transported to the Umatilla County Jail, according to the Morrow County Sheriff's Office.

In other sheriff's news, Dennis William Fitzwater, 830 W. Quince in Hermiston, reported an Evinrude Starfire 50 horsepower outboard motor worth \$500 missing from his former residence in Irrigon.

A warrant was released for Roberto Castro of Milton Freewater for the possession of less than one ounce of marijuana.

Rainer H. Burg of Kennewick, Wash. was in a one-car accident on Tower Road in Boardman. His 1973 Volkswagen ran off the icy road near the coal-fired plant. It was traveling about 40 miles an hour. Burg received minor injuries but the car rolled and received major damage.

John Edward McLaughlin of Michigan was cited with possession of more than one ounce of marijuana. He was stopped by Deputy Oakes of the Morrow County Sheriff's Office with Officer Paul Brooks of the Boardman Police Dept. as the witness. He was originally stopped because his license tabs on the car he was driving are expired. The officers noticed marijuana paraphernalia on the car seat and the smell of marijuana inside the car so with McLaughlin's permission they searched the vehicle and they found marijuana in the glove compartment. He will appear Feb. 19 in the justice court in Heppner.

Ashly McCabe of The Dalles reported a 40 channel CB radio worth \$80 stolen from his car while he was at the Heppner basketball game last Friday.

A runaway juvenile was returned from his girlfriend's home in Irrigon to his foster family of Burton and Katherine Foote, Box 41 Rt. 2 Box 2888-6 in Hermiston.

Suzanne Tacza was taken in an ambulance to the hospital in Hermiston after she overdosed on approximately 30 capsules of ampicillin, sheriff

reports say. She lives at the Shirley Ruggs sheep ranch.

Kenneth Allen Sinor, Box 118 Rt. 1 in Boardman, reported that his dog, a cocker spaniel named "Sandy", was killed by his neighbor. The dog was valued at \$500. The dog was struck and then went into a coma and died of respiratory failure. No one was cited as Monday because a complaint had not been signed yet by Sinor.

A two-car injury accident took place on the Kunze Road near Boardman last weekend. The 1967 Dodge Ramcharger driven by William Earl War-

nock, Box 412 Kunze Road, and occupied by his wife Marilyn Warnock collided with a car driven by Marvin Lewis Vincent, 714 N.E. Park St. in Boardman. No one was cited. The cause of the wreck was icy road conditions and poor visibility. The cars were traveling at about approximately 20 mph.

Susan Kay Poulson, P.O. Box 301 in Boardman, reported that Anne Mae Wilson of the same address had 90 \$2 bills taken from a ceramic box she had in the bedroom of the trailer house.

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