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Election Update

with **Steve Peck**

THE SACRIFICIAL DAY FOR AMERICANS

April 15, the day most Americans mail in their tax returns with bitter grumblings about "80's Washington." They should realize, of course, that their tax burden is not caused by some nameless, faceless ogre. It is the product of the reckless spending and deficit budgeting of a Congress ruled by Democrats for 25 years.

In 1980, the leaders in Congress are talking about balancing the budget. But they are not planning to balance it by cutting spending to match receipts. Their plan is to raise the budget by fully \$100 billion then increase taxes by an even larger sum.

In fact, the tax writers in Congress are demanding the largest single-year tax increase in the history of our republic. With the economy in shambles and the American Dream no longer a realistic goal they are demanding \$3 billion more in personal income taxes than they did last year.

DENNY SMITH TO BE IN TOWN

We need men and women in Congress who know as much about earning a living and meeting a payroll as they do about spending taxes. In the 1st Congressional District the incumbent has had a quarter century to do something about balancing the federal budget and reducing inflation.

We have an alternative... Denny Smith. He's a newcomer to politics and it's time for someone with fresh ideas and a new approach.

Kenneth and JeanAnn Turner, Denny Smith's county chairmen have announced that Denny will be in Heppner on Saturday, April 26th. The public is invited to meet him at the Elks Lodge dining room between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.



Members of the Heppner Lions Club were busy Saturday erecting a fence at the new little park they are developing on Main Street. Next they will place a community bulletin board and a couple of benches where people may sit and watch the passing traffic.

Lions clean up vacant lot

Members of the Heppner Lions Club are cleaning up the vacant lot on Main Street between Cole's House of Fashion and the office building of attorneys Abrams and Kuhn.

A sign board that is being built by students at Heppner High School will be put up as

soon as it is finished, according to Lions member Dave Thom.

A bench will also be placed on the lot for people to sit down and relax, he said.

The lot is owned by Cole's, who have given the Lions permission to use the lot on a

temporary basis.

Lions members put up a fence on the lot with Columbia Basin Electric donating the fence posts. The City of Heppner donated gravel to put on the lot and Roger Britt donated his backhoe services. Kinzua is donating the wood for the fence.

Error reported in electric rates

Small commercial customers of Columbia Basin Electric received notice of a rate

Testimony wanted at drug hearing

The Committee on Controlled Substances will have a public informational hearing on the proposed rescheduling of controlled substances.

Written testimony supported by factual data will be accepted in addition to oral testimony. Written testimony may be mailed to Committee on Controlled Substances, Room 378, State Office Building, P.O. Box 231, Portland, Oregon. Written testimony must be postmarked no later than May 9.

For further information or questions, contact Barbara Orazio, Administrative Assistant, 229-6902.

increase last week.

Manager Fred Toombs said there was a typographical error in the first rate notice that was sent to small commercial users.

"It is not an added increase," Toombs said. "It is the same increase that was supposed to be in the first notice. There was a typo in the kilowatt-hour figure. As published the first time, the kilowatt-hour charge would have stayed the same with no increase."

The rate will consist of customer demand and energy charges.

Customer charge is \$3 for one phase and \$9.50 for three phase service. Demand charge is nothing for the first 30 KW and \$2.50 per KW for

more than 30. Energy charge is \$0.023 per kilowatt-hour for the first 10,000 KWH and \$0.015 per KWH for more than 10,000.

Justice Court

Violations from the office of Charlotte Gray, 6th district court justice, for the week ending April 18 included:

John Joseph Glavey, P.O. Box 1671 in Heppner—speeding—\$22 fine.

Wayne Richard Wilson, 375 Linden Way P.O. Box 1127 in Heppner—driving while under the influence of intoxicants—\$207 fine.

Henry John Baker, P.O. Box 83 in Echo—depositing rubbish within 100 yards of a stream—\$49 bail forfeited.

Carl David Christman, P.O. Box 364 in Lexington—careless driving—\$29 fine.

Juan Garcia Perez, 310 Westwood Apt. No. 3 in Stanfield—open container of alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle (dismissed) and driving with a suspended operator's license—45 day jail sentence.

Ray Joe Miller, 370 E. Aiken in Heppner—speeding—\$29 fine.

Matthew Dean Greenup, Rt. 2 Box 2213 in Heppner—speeding—\$29 fine.

Jack Edger Mase, Spring, Texas—improper U turn—\$14 fine.

Eufemio Valencia, Rt. 2 Box 229 in Hermiston—illegal possession of a game bird—dismissed, unable to locate defendant.

Ronald Linn Wilhelm, 150 Arcade St. in Lexington—driving with a suspended license—dismissed, license validated.

Donald Wayne Lippert, Main Street in Monument—inadequate rear view mirror—\$29 fine.

Curtis Arthur Briggs, Highway 207 in Heppner—disobey stop sign—\$22 fine and one year probation.

Paul Eugene Weed, 180 Rock St. in Heppner—over length vehicle (\$19 fine and defective equipment (\$14 fine).

Gregory Mark Bliss, 3625 W. 8th in The Dalles—speeding—\$24 bail forfeited.

Studded tires illegal May 1

Studded tires on Oregon's highways are illegal after April 30. Fred B. Klabeo, director, Oregon Department of Transportation, announced recently.

Studded tires are permitted on the state's highway system by statute from Nov. 1 to April 30. Motorists are asked to remove their studded tires as soon as possible if not needed because of the damage to road surfaces where there is no ice or snow.

Irrigation rate changed

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energy charge of \$4.009 per KWH, a horse power charge of \$9.80 per horsepower and a fixed charge depending on the size of the irrigation pump used was also recommended.

For 1 1/2 to seven horsepower, cost was \$250 fixed charge. For 7 1/2 to 100, cost was \$325. For 101 to 250, \$525, for 251 to 500, \$650 and for pumps larger than 500 the fixed charge was \$950.

Before the rate increase, the minimum charge was \$12 per horsepower with a \$75 minimum. The only other charge was a decreasing energy use charge of \$.021 for the first 500 KWH, \$.012 for the next 1,000, \$.0075 for the next 1,000 and \$.006 for more than 2,500 kilowatt-hours used.

Small irrigators objected to the original increase because irrigators with 10 horsepower pumps and smaller were receiving increases of up to 300 percent while larger

irrigators had increases as small as 10 percent with the average for the entire class 41.5 percent.

The revised rate that was put into effect last week eliminates the 300 percent increases.

The largest increase in billing is for a 10 horsepower pump that uses 5,000 kilowatt-hours a year. The increase is 120.8 percent from \$120 to \$265. That same irrigator did face a bill of \$468 or a 290 percent increase with the original revised rate.

The smallest increase will be for an irrigator with a 650 horsepower pump that uses 1,153,600 KWH a year. That irrigator will have a 16.5 percent increase from \$15,964.50 to \$18,596.70. That irrigator would have a 10.8 percent increase from \$15,964.50 to \$17,702.40 if the first revised rate had been adopted.

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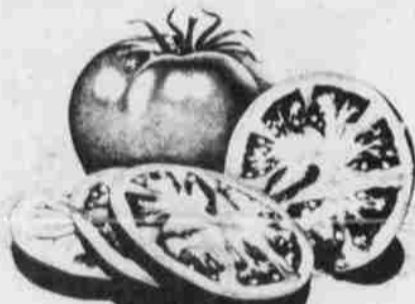

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From 5-6 p.m.


Tavern



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Western Family	
Peanut Butter Creamy or Chunky 18 oz.	99¢
Lady Elberta Peaches Sliced or Halves 29 oz.	73¢
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Chun King Soy Sauce 10 oz.	69¢
Chun King Chow Mein Noodles 5 oz.	45¢
	
Tomatoes	45¢ lb.
Asparagus	69¢ lb.
Potatoes 20 lbs. U.S. No. 2	99¢ ea.
	
Grocery Dept. 676-7614	Meat Dept. 676-9288



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