



The Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts Association will continue its show at the West of Willow Restaurant in Heppner over the Mother's Day weekend. The show opened last Saturday and Sunday with entries representing 20 exhibitors. Here, Molly Day and Betty Mills examine oil paintings by artist Shirley McNary of Ione.

FBI report

Crime soars 8%

The upswing in crime continued through the end of the decade as Crime Index offenses soared eight percent in 1979. Attorney General Benjamin R. Civiletti announced recently.

William H. Webster, director of the FBI, noted that there has not been such a dramatic increase since 1974's unparalleled 18 percent crime surge, which was followed by a 10 percent upswing in 1975.

"The 1979 increase clearly indicates that crime remains one of our nation's most serious problems," Webster said. "I am, of course, troubled by this trend. Every American should be troubled. All of us—not just law enforcement—should do what we can to reduce crime."

The greatest increase for the year was experienced in cities outside metropolitan areas where crime climbed 11 percent. Cities more than 50,000 in population registered

an eight percent upturn, while in both the suburban and rural areas, crime increased nine percent.

Violent crimes increased 11 percent nationwide. Forcible rape and robbery each jumped 12 percent, while murder and aggravated assault each rose nine percent. The only decrease in crime indicated in the preliminary statistics was for murder in rural areas—down two percent.

Collectively, the property crimes rose eight percent with gains of 10 percent for motor vehicle theft, nine percent for larceny-theft, and six percent for burglary.

Geographically, all regions showed increases. The South, the most populous region, experienced the greatest increase, 10 percent. The Northeast, West, and North Central regions followed with rises of nine, eight and seven percent, respectively.

Advice given for persons with dentures

By Michael D. Moore, D.D.S.

For those who were unable to win the fight against dental disease and have lost their natural teeth, if they are to have a denture, there are some game rules that should be followed. A denture is a well fitted device which fits over the remains of our dental arches. The fact that there are hills and valleys of bone in the mouth is what helps the denture to remain stable. Now with time the bone under the denture begins to melt away which then allows the denture to become mobile or loose. The teeth don't seem to come together the same, and a simple smile allows the teeth to fall. There are, of course, remedies to these problems. However, I want to address myself to hygienic ways of slowing the process of bone loss down.

It must be realized that when a new denture is given to you a dentist will tell you to wear it all the time. What is meant by this is that a denture should be worn all the time during an adjustment period to find and eliminate sore spots or to allow for proper bone healing after surgical placement of dentures.

A denture should not be worn all the time. Specifically, during the hours of sleep a

denture should be removed and placed in a solution of water. The reason being that after a full day of chewing, talking and swallowing, the tissue under the denture has been traumatized and squeezed. This tissue and the periosteum, the tissue which covers the bone, have had their circulation impaired. The bone, which doesn't have its own blood supply, depends on its nutrient supply from the periosteum, the same tissue which has been squeezed and traumatized. Therefore, if we can give this tissue a chance to rejuvenate and heal itself, we will find proper bone health. If there is inflamed or traumatized tissue it will resorb or melt away allowing the denture to become loose over a period of time. There are people who may never have this problem, due to certain bone factors but only time will tell.

A program of denture hygiene, then, would be to remove the denture during sleeping hours and allow them to stand in water or a plaque removing solution. Then, upon awakening, cleaning the denture to remove debris and bacteria. It would also be a good idea to remove dentures after each meal, when convenient, to clean food off and under them.

Forest plan initiated

A forest plan is being initiated for the Umatilla National Forest, with a notice being submitted for publication in the Federal Register, according to Rich Reeves, forest planner for the Umatilla.

A single, comprehensive "Forest Plan" would be prepared under the National

Forest Management Act, commonly known as the NFMA.

Persons interested in participation in the planning process who have not already written or expressed their desire to do so, should write the: Forest Planner, Umatilla National Forest, 2517 S.W. Hailey Avenue, Pendleton, Oregon 97801.



Princess Tara Mahoney

High school diploma substitute to be reviewed by committee

The General Educational Development (G.E.D.) Testing program in Oregon will get a one-year review by a five-member committee appointed by State School Supt. Verne A. Duncan.

The GED, an alternative to the high school diploma, is issued to about 9,000 Oregonians annually after they successfully complete a series of national tests. The average age of a GED recipient is 24.

Because of changes in the national program and criticism from some who said the GED is too easy of an alternative to the diploma, Duncan asked a committee to study the program.

One of the issues the new committee will look into is

whether to raise the scores needed to pass the test. Another is whether the age waiver requirement for 16- and 17-year-olds should be revised.

Candidates forum planned in Irrigon

A candidates' forum is planned for Monday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m., at the Lions Club in Irrigon.

All candidates are invited, as well as voters of the Irrigon-Boardman area. Refreshments will be served, according to Margaret Jorgensen, who is arranging the affair.

Tara Mahoney chosen princess of Spray Rodeo

Tara Mahoney has been chosen as a princess on the Spray N.R.A. Rodeo Court.

She is 15-years-old and in ninth grade at Heppner High School. She is active in 4-H and junior rodeo. Mahoney was runner-up to the all-around title in the Western States Jr. Rodeo Association in 1979. She is a team member of the Heppner High School Rodeo

Club and enjoys other sports like volleyball and track.

Mahoney is selling tickets for a chance to win a saddle or \$300. Anyone who wishes to support her in her efforts to become queen can call 676-5876.

The Spray Court had its first appearance at the Arlington Rodeo last weekend.

Judge speaks at grange

By Muriel Palmer
Lecturer Mildred Wright has announced that Judge Don McElligott will be guest speaker on the lecturer's program at the regular meeting of Rhea Creek Grange May 9.

He will be speaking on the county budget to be voted on at the May 20 primary election.

Bob Stevens, a member of the Morrow County School

Budget Committee, will discuss the school budget, also to be voted on.

Master Barton Clark has been busy this past week hauling gravel for the Grange parking lot. The gravel was badly needed after the lot and hall had been flooded during the wet season.

Everyone is urged to attend the program and the potluck supper beginning at 6:30 p.m. on May 9.



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The Future Of The Roads Depends On You

On Tuesday, May 20, Morrow County citizens will vote on the county budget request. The largest increase in the budget is for the Road Department whose requirements have been raised from \$889,000 to \$1,511,000.

The Morrow County Road Advisory Committee has made several recommendations to the County Court which are reflected in the proposed budget. Primarily, the county should embark on a five-year plan to resurface, rebuild, and update the county road system. (The road system consists of 357 miles of paved road, 400 miles of gravel road and 300 miles of secondary gravel and dirt road.)

Included in the budget request is money to reseal 60 miles of existing paved roads in the summer of 1980.

Also included in the budget are the following road construction projects:

- ✓ Complete the rebuilding of the Bombing Range Road.
- ✓ Rebuild E. Wilson Road from Olsen Road to Miller Lane.
- ✓ Rebuild the Olsen Road Extension north of the Freeway.

The Road Advisory Committee feels that the County Court and the County Director of Public Works are working diligently to improve the county road system and the operation and efficiency of the County Road Department.

We urge you to vote *yes* on the county budget.

Jim Brooks	Bob Jepson	Steve Peck	Bob Rietmann
Louis Carlson	Larry Mills	Jenny Peck	Dick Wilkinson
Matt Doherty	Irvin Rauch	Ken Turner	Bob Van Schoiack
	Bob Harrison	Keith Rea	