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**LETTERS TO EDITOR**

**Be proud**

To the Editor:  
As Football Coach at Heppner High School, I would like to thank everyone who helped make this past season such a resounding success. The assistant coaches, players, high school staff members, parents and fans can be proud of what was accomplished this past season.

As evidence of the fact that good sportsmanship still does exist in athletics, I enclose copies of letters sent to us from an Oakridge student and the Oakridge principal.

Sincerely,  
John Sporseen  
Football Coach  
Heppner High School

(Editor's note: Following are the two letters sent to Heppner High School that were enclosed for publication with Coach Sporseen's letter.)

Heppner High School:  
We, the student body of Oakridge High School would like to show our appreciation for the hospitality we were shown while we played your school in the quarter-finals of the State A football playoffs.

Never before have we felt so at home. The hospitality room you had for us to warm our weary bodies and fill our stomachs made it seem like we were a part of your family and were right at home, even after a seven hour drive.

Everyone was so friendly. Even after we had won the game everyone wished us the best of luck and hoped we would go all the way. The

community of Heppner seems to be so close. We were impressed with the spirit you had for your football team. With such spirit you have much to be proud of, in fact, your community and school seem like they are one. Never before have I personally seen as great a bunch of people as you were. We hope to change our hospitality so that we are as thoughtful of others as you were to us.

It is too bad that we had to meet so early in the bracket of the tournament. With the kind of motivation shown by the fans and players, a team like yours should go all the way. If there was some special trophy for spirit your school and community would receive it with no doubt. We, again thank you for the special time we had together and hope we will again meet.

We, the students of Oakridge High School wish you the very best of luck in everything you do whether it be athletics or community functions. Keep up the spirit, you're one very special school and community.

Yours truly,  
Eric Rockwell  
for the Oakridge  
High Student Body

Principal Jim Bier  
Heppner High School  
Heppner, Oregon

Dear Jim:  
On behalf of our school, fans and players, I wish to thank all concerned with putting on the game between our schools. Also, a special congratulations on the nice hospitality people and all of the goodies that they provided.

The game itself was really a shoot-out, wasn't it? It was probably the best game I have seen in many, many years of watching high school football. Both teams played hard-hitting ball and showed good sportsmanship throughout the entire contest. Win, lose, or draw, that is what the game is all about; both schools can be very proud of their young people.

Once again, thanks for a fine job of hosting the game; we hope we can represent our bracket right on through to the finals.

Respectfully,  
William C. Tipton  
Principal

**Obituaries**

**Lena H. Kelly**

HEPPNER—Lena H. Kelly, 86, a lifetime resident of the area, died Thursday, Nov. 26, 1981 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

She was born near Heppner Oct. 10, 1895, the daughter of Matthew G. and Angeline Hiatt Hughes.

On Aug. 27, 1921, she was married to Edward A. Kelly in Pendleton.

A graduate of Oregon Normal School at Monmouth, she taught for many years at Heppner, Lexington, rural schools in the county, a year at Helix, and in Grant County, where she was grade school principal at Monument for several years. Her first teaching job was at the Willow Creek School above Heppner, in 1918. She retired from teaching in 1961, but continued to work as a substitute teacher and tutor for ten more years.

She was a member of the Oregon Teacher's Association, the National Retired Teachers' Association, the United Methodist Church, the Rebekah Lodge, and was a charter member of the Lexington Grange.

Graveside services were held Saturday, Nov. 28, at Heppner Masonic Cemetery with the Rev. Michael Sheridan officiating.

Mrs. Kelly is survived by a son, Robert E. Kelly, Weiser, Idaho; two daughters, Kathryn Robinson and Eileen Saling, both of Heppner; six sisters, Edith Pfeil, Salem; Ethel Gaarde, Clements, Calif.; Edna Kohlman, Tigard; Melba Quackenbush, Betty Pettyjohn and June Bellenbrock, all of Heppner; two brothers, Elwyn and Matt Hughes, both of Heppner; 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Her husband, Edward, preceded her in death in 1952. Three brothers also preceded her in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Oregon Cancer Society or to the Heppner United Methodist Church Memorial Fund either directly or through Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner.

**Homer Mankin**

HEPPNER—Homer Mankin, a long-time resident of the Ione area, died Friday, Nov. 27, 1981, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital at the age of 88.

He was born Feb. 6, 1893, in Bolt, West Virginia, the son of John J. and Catherine Farmer Mankin. He came to Ione in 1918, to join his brother Fred. He worked there on ranches until his retirement.

Mr. Mankin was a veteran of World War I, and a long-standing member of the Ione American Legion which recently presented him with a 60-year pin.

He was preceded in death by one sister and three brothers. He is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, Dec. 1, at Ione High View Cemetery, Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

**Alexander Ulrich**

HEPPNER—Alexander (Alex) Ulrich, 70, died at his home in Heppner on Friday, Nov. 27, 1981.

He was born Nov. 6, 1911 in Russel, Kansas, the son of Carl and Mary Blahm Ulrich.

Mr. Ulrich lived in Morrow County most of his life where he was employed as a farmhand until his retirement. He was a veteran of World War II, and was well known for his beautiful wood carvings.

Survivors include a brother, William Ulrich of Heppner; three sisters, Dee Sather, Heppner; Pauline Wills, Redmond; and Lydia Cory, Seattle.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, Dec. 1, at Heppner Masonic Cemetery, Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

**Wedding Announcements  
Kilkenny - Henderson**

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Henderson, Kennewick, Wash., would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter Diane to John Kilkenny, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kilkenny, Heppner and Vesta Kilkenny of Portland.

A December 31, 4 p.m., wedding is planned at the Parish of the Holy Spirit, 7419 W. Clearwater Ave., Kennewick, Wash. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

**HOSPITAL  
NOTES**

Patients admitted and released from Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner include:

Judith Pennington, Heppner - admitted Nov. 23, released Nov. 25;

Richard Cox, Lexington - admitted Nov. 23 and released Nov. 25;

Virginia Rosewall, Heppner - admitted Nov. 23, released Nov. 25; and

Harriet Evans, Heppner - admitted Nov. 25, released Nov. 27

Vernon Gilman, Heppner, admitted Nov. 27 was still receiving care at the hospital as of Monday, Nov. 30.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS**

Wednesday, Nov. 25 - Heppner Public Library Board, Heppner Library, 8 p.m.; Morrow County Court, County Building, Irrigon, 10 a.m.

Monday, Nov. 30 - Planning Commission, Annex Building, Irrigon, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Dept., Fire Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 2 - Morrow County Court, Morrow Co. Courthouse, Heppner 9 a.m.

Monday, Dec. 7 - Heppner City Council, City Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Dept., Fire Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 8 - Ione City Council, City Hall, Ione, 7:30 p.m.; Lexington City Council, City Hall, Lexington, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 9 - Morrow County Court, Morrow Co. Courthouse, Heppner, 9 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 10 - Port of Morrow Commission, Port Office, Nelson Square, Boardman, 1 p.m.; Lexington Fire Dept., City Hall, Lexington, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 14 - Heppner Planning Commission, Heppner City Hall, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Dept., Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 16 - Morrow County Court, Courthouse, Heppner, 9 a.m.; Pioneer Memorial Hospital Board, Hospital, Heppner, 9:30 a.m.

Monday, Dec. 21 - Morrow County School Board, District Office, Lexington, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Dept., Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Dept., Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Ione Planning Comm., City Hall, Ione, 7:30 p.m.

**BIRTHS**

Kimberly Fayr Sweek - A daughter, Kimberly Fayr was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dana Sweek, The Dalles. She was born November 22 at The Dalles General Hospital and weighed six pounds eight ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Sweek, Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Foster, The Dalles.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Ramsey of The Dalles.

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