

Lexington news

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Word was received this week of the death of Elmo McMillan, Portland, a former Lexington-lone resident, at Portland University Hospital. He is survived by a daughter, Beverly, of San Rafael, Calif. His wife, the former Eleanor Swanson, preceded him in death.

Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Ropp of Depoe Bay are the parents of a daughter, Ashley Debb, born Dec. 28. She weighed 8 lbs. 6½ oz. She joins a sister at home.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ropp, Depoe Bay. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Majeske, Lexington. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Marshall, Lexington and Mrs. Frieda Majeske, Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Majeske have returned from Depoe

Bay, where they visited with their daughter, Debbie Ropp and her family, and got acquainted with their new granddaughter.

Grant Henderson, Summerville, a former Lexington resident, is a patient at Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland, where he recently underwent heart surgery.

Floyd Borman, who recently underwent heart surgery in Portland, is staying with relatives in Baker.

Ruby Colley has returned home from Farmington, Wash., where she attended the wedding of her son, Lee Colley, to Carol Asching. The newlyweds will make their home in Farmington.

Kenneth Peck, who recently had major surgery in Portland, is recuperating at his home near Lexington.

OWGL announces Ore. wheat news

Dryland wheat farmers of Eastern Oregon are breathing a sigh of relief, despite the low price of wheat this year, reports the Oregon Wheat Growers League.

Farmers would have lost money had this been a year of average yields of wheat per acre, because the cost of production would have exceeded by far the price per bushel.

But where yields in Eastern Oregon were up 80 bushels or more per acre, the cost of production dropped by nearly half. (Willamette Valley wheat growers had lower yields this year and did not fare so well), OWGL says.

Recent Portland prices for No. 1 white wheat have been about \$3.78 per bushel. Had yields been 34 bushels per acre (considered average), the cost per bushel would have been from \$5.22 to \$5.52 per acre, depending on the farming method. But with high yields starting at 60 bushels per acre, the cost of production for Eastern Oregon farmers dropped to \$3.16 per bushel and below.

How can we estimate the cost of production, when every farm and every farmer is different?

Each year, the Oregon State University Extension Service

publishes a study estimating the cost of growing wheat in Oregon's Columbia Plateau. The study is used by farmers to plan ahead, and by would-be farmers who want to know what it will cost to get into the business, states OWGL.

The 1981 study was presented to the Oregon Wheat Growers League during their recent annual convention in Pendleton.

To prepare the report, Union County Agent Gordon Cook, Sherman County Agent Sandy Macnab and OSU Extension Economics Assistant David L. Holst talk to growers, suppliers, machinery dealers and lenders.

The information is summarized and then reviewed again by the growers, county agents and others familiar with dryland wheat production.

Every year, the three agents make adjustments to try to come as close as possible to the "real" average. In fact, this year's adjustments actually resulted in "dropping" the cost of production by more than 50 cents an acre, said OWGL.

But that doesn't mean the average cost really dropped this year, warns Holst.

Three changes were made. First, the size of the "aver-

age" farm was changed from 2,000 acres to 2,500 acres.

"Realistically, we've seen just that," says Holst. "We found that if a farmer stayed in business, he usually expanded his acreage."

Second, more credit was given for the efficiency of the newer farm machinery, since the new machines generally can cover more acres per hour.

Third, and perhaps most significant in the estimation of farming costs, the method for land valuation was changed in the study. Instead of the cost of owning land being based on the market value, the land cost is based on its farm use value and market rental costs.

"The market value is no longer representative of agricultural value," Holst explains. "We wanted something that was more representative of the actual value of the land in agricultural production."

The study, of course, does not always fit the "wide range of real-life situations," says Holst. But every year, it comes a little closer.

The Oregon Wheat Growers League is the non-profit organization representing the interests of Oregon's 9,000 wheat farmers.

NEWS IN PICTURES



This arrow, twisted into a great G stands for a great idea: recycling glass.

Although the primary components of glass are in abundant domestic supply, recycling glass has long been an integral part of the glass manufacturing process because of its economic advantage over raw materials. There are also environmental benefits. For every pound of recycled glass used, one less pound of glass enters the waste stream as litter or solid waste. Furthermore, since recycled glass melts faster than virgin material, its use allows manufacturers to decrease energy usage and emissions.

For years, consumer research has consistently demonstrated that glass is the preferred packaging material for protection of taste and product quality.

For free copies of a booklet about recycling glass, write: Glass Packaging Institute, Communications Dept., 2000 L St., N.W., Suite 815, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Velma Seat retires

Velma Seat, OSU Extension Food Marketing Specialist, whose "Market Basket" features appeared in the Gazette-Times, retired December 30.

Ms. Seat is well known by homemakers for her excellent programs on foods and a yearly seminar on topics relating to foods and marketing as well as her widely read reports, said Birdine Tullis, Morrow County Extension Service.

At this time it is uncertain if her vacant position will be filled, reports Tullis.

Although the standard English dictionary contains between 300,000 and 500,000 words, the average person uses only about 3,000.

Fair & Rodeo News

By DOROTHY ESTBERG

The Morrow County Fair Board has re-elected Ron Currin as chairman for 1982. New Board member Marilyn Robinson has been appointed to replace Virginia Grieb, who has served several terms. Other board members are Peie Richards, Charley Daly and Harold Peck.

While at the Oregon Fairs Convention held in December, many seminars were attended by all Fair Board members. The seminars were very informative with mini training in Budgeting, State Financing of Fairs, Marketing Your Fairgrounds, Working with Your Superintendents at Your Fairs, and many other areas. Those who attended the convention were Mr. and Mrs. Ron Currin, Mr. and Mrs.

Charley Daly, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Estberg.

The Morrow County Fair Committee has elected a new chairman for the 1982 Fair; he is Roger Records, Heppner High School chapter instructor.

The dorm building at the Fairgrounds has been closed for the winter months. Please call ahead of time to make reservations to use the pavilion building for meetings, classes, etc. as the building is used every week for the Heppner senior citizen meal-site, roller skating, meetings and 4-H activities.

The Fair Office is open weekdays and the phone number is 676-9474.

OSU specialist offers free parenting letters

By BIRDINE TULLIS
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"Oregon's Children," a series of six letters for parents of children up to age three, will be available soon in Morrow County, as well as all other counties in Oregon. For the first time ever, Extension will offer a program simultaneously to all residents of Oregon.

The series, fresh from the pen of Marcelle Straatman, OSU Extension Human Development specialist, will start in mid-February, free of charge to all wishing to receive it.

The idea behind the Extension educational program is to provide basic information to parents in the home about parenting topics. "Young parents want to do what's best for their children, but are often confused by popular articles that contradict each other regarding what to do with children," according to Ms. Straatman; "In addition, few have first hand experience or knowledge about babies."

Knowing that about one-third of mothers with children under age three work away from home, Extension will use the mail to deliver information directly to parents, thus avoiding extra time away



Marcelle Straatman from home. The letters are based on current child development research.

The first letter, titled "Becoming a Parent," will deal with such topics as building a family, roles of parents and differences in temperament among children. Other letters will deal with ages and stages of development parents can expect normal children to experience, safety in the home, babies and play, and information about care centers and how to select care for children away from the home.

Those wishing to receive the letters are asked to register by February 1, by either calling the Extension office, 676-9642, or by stopping at the office located on the second level of the Gilliam and Bisbee Building in Heppner. Registrations are also welcomed by mail. Be sure to include your complete mailing address.

Former Heppner man to receive FFA honors

Dave Hall, Vocational Agriculture instructor at Wallowa High School, has recently been named to receive the FFA Honorary State Farmer Degree. This degree will be awarded at the annual Future Farmers of America State Convention to be held in mid March at Oregon State University in Corvallis, stated a news release from Wallowa High School.

Hall was nominated by the Oregon Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, and was elected by the State Executive Committee. The selection was based on the successful rebuilding of the Wallowa Vocational Agriculture Department and the devotion of Hall to Vocational Agriculture students. In the six years that Hall has taught at Wallowa the students of his

chapter have received 20 State Farmer Degrees, 45 District Proficiency Awards, five State BOAC Awards, three National Chapter awards, six Superior Chapter Awards, five National Safety Awards, had four District Presidents, one State Officer, State Star Farmer and one American Farmer, as well as numerous other awards, continued the release.

Hall was also noted as having won the Outstanding Young Vo-Ag Teacher Award for Oregon and the Nation for 1980 and the Oregon Career Exploration Award for 1981.

Hall received his State Farmer Degree in 1968 as a member of the Heppner FFA Chapter.

He is the son of Gene and Harriet Hall of Heppner.



The word "boycott" is from the name of an Irish land agent who was the first known boycott victim.

Central Market awards 1st baby

Heppner's Central Market will give a \$10 gift certificate to First Baby of the Year Jacob Nels Neiffer.

Central Market was inadvertently left out of an ad

appearing in last week's Gazette-Times which listed local merchants who were donating gifts to Heppner's first baby of 1982.

Year-End Clearance

SUPER SALE ON ALL COATS

SOME AS MUCH AS **65% OFF**

JR. AND MISSY SWEATERS AND SKIRTS **65% OFF** UP TO REG. PRICE

DRESSES REDUCED **25-50% OFF**

SOME COLORS SHEER INDULGENCE HOSEY **1/2 PRICE**

PLUS OTHER MISC. SALE ITEMS!!!!

Lebush Shoppe

Pre-Inventory Sale

Jan. 7 Thru Jan. 14th

Velour Shirts Short & Long Sleeves 40% OFF	Boy's Pacific Trail Winter Coats 40% OFF	Ladies Down Coats 30% OFF
Winter Coats 40% OFF	Shirts & Sweaters Kennington Long & Short Sleeve 40% OFF	Sweaters Sport Shirts Dress Shirts
Boy's Shirts size 8-20 50% OFF	Hyer Boots 30% OFF	

LOTS OF GREAT SALE ITEMS

Gardner's MEN'S WEAR

Coast to Coast STOREWIDE SALE

Dust Taps Frost Ring polyethylene self-seal upper seals heating and cooling ducts. 7" x 30" - \$12-99	Valvoline Oil Valvoline motor oil... and just for winter season. Q1 10W-60, 10W-80, 10W-100, 15W-40, 15W-50, 15W-80, 15W-100	Hardwood Stool 30" high hardwood bar stool with a hardwood finish. 7" dia. turn padded seat is upholstered in vinyl. 275-0000
Soft Touch Flat Warranted one coat coverage. Stain resistant, scrubable. Fast drying. Use on walls and woodwork. White and color. Call 300-6016, 8001-8227. Soft Touch semi-gloss. Call 348-0021, 8013	Valvoline Oil Valvoline motor oil... and just for winter season. Q1 10W-60, 10W-80, 10W-100, 15W-40, 15W-50, 15W-80, 15W-100	Pyrotec Smoke Alarm Battery operated smoke detector with dual ionization chambers. U.S. listed and approved by all state fire marshals. 9-volt alkaline battery. 455-0402
Sharp Desk Top Printer Calculator Uses standard roll paper and features 16-digit display. Full 4 key memory, one touch percent, constant, double zero key, sign change and print/non-print. 230-5048	Yellow Cheese Gloves 14-oz. men's chamois gloves with wet grip. Rubberized with cheer cut. 348-0274	SKIL Circular Saw Has a powerful 1 1/2 HP motor for all your carpentry work. Most popular model in the SKIL line of saws. U.S. listed. 374-3909
Titan Utility Heater 110-120 volt U.S. heater with dual fan heat exchanger and automatic thermostat control. 447-9197	Wagner Silverstone Fry Pan 10" steel style fry pan features non-stick Silverstone interior and highly polished exterior. Extra heavy aluminum assures even cooking. 102-2661	100 Day Bowl Cleaner Cleans, deodorizes and sanitizes. Keep your toilet bowl sparkling clean for up to 4 months. 413-8682

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