

# Former Heppner woman donates scrapbook to county museum



Picture shows front of Humphreys' Drug Store, now Murrays' Drug. Photo came from Leta Humphrey's scrapbook.



Inside Humphreys' Drug Store (circa 1913).

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

A wonderful part of Heppner's history has been preserved by Leta Humphreys Thomas, now of Portland, in a large scrapbook-album which she carefully assembled to hold many pictures, newsclippings and assorted memorabilia concerning her family's life and work in Heppner.

The opening page contains a wedding picture of her parents, Elizabeth (Lizzie) Rood and Thomas James Humphreys, who married on July 20, 1892 at Hillsboro, and a clipping from the East Oregonian News Bureau of July 22, 1939, telling of T.J. Humphreys' arrival at Heppner in 1898 at 3 a.m. and going to work at 7 o'clock that morning for druggist Ed Slocum.

"From there he went to work for Conser & Warren and in 1901 bought out Warren's partnership. At this time there were four doctors in town—Dr. P.B. McSwords, Dr. E.R. Swinburne, Dr. McFall and Dr. E.R. Hunlock.

"Mr. Humphreys then bought out Conser's and in 1918 he purchased the two-story stone structure which the Humphreys Drug Store now occupies on the corner of Main and Willow Streets. He is still actively engaged in business—and recalls there are just three other men in business in Heppner now who were in business 40 years ago—James G. Thomson, Sr., M.D. Clark and D.A. McAtee."

On the following pages there are great pictures of the Humphreys Store, its interior and exterior and of various Heppner scenes and persons. Leta notes that the prints were made in 1982 from glass plates

used in an Eastman Camera between 1902 and 1905. There are many professional certificates made out to T.J. and Leta Marguerite Humphreys, there are prescriptions for various medical recipes, there are war ration books, selected cartoons and many remarkable family and employee pictures.

The album includes early childhood pictures of Leta and her playmates, especially Virginia Crawford, of Margaret and Janet Crawford, of Mrs. T.J. Humphreys and her Sunday school class at the Christian Church which included young ladies from the Young, Huston, Turner, Sprouls, Merritt, Hall, French, Clark, Crawford, Mikesell and Sigsbee families. There is also a large picture of the entire congregation of the Christian Church which includes a great many present-day residents of the community.

There is a fine collection of pictures of most of Heppner's churches and of its schools, along with sample report cards and four copies of Heppner High School's first newspaper "The Chinook," which was printed in January, February, November and December 1910. Leta was graduated in 1911 and has included the invitation to that commencement and a program of the event.

A group of pages are covered with Sunday school merit cards, with pictures and cartoons taken from a 1900 Mother Goose Book and various little advertising cards from the manufacturers of Arm and Hammer Soda, Lyon's Coffee, Clark's O.N.T. Cotton Thread and of other companies, which have been so carefully preserved and mounted along with some fascinating, colored Oregon postcards showing the 1905 Lewis and Clark exposition.

There is a three-page insert

which lists all the employees of the Humphreys Drug Co. until 1958, and across from the listings there are pictures of some of them, including Ruth Bergstrom, Coleen Connor, Mary Ruth Green, Nita Bleakman and Betty Lovgren.

Leta's book is really somewhat of a memorial to her parents as it contains various clippings about them, including both their obituaries. Mrs. Humphreys died in 1932 and Mr. Humphreys lived until Sept. 1947. He was a very important part of life in Morrow County for the 49 years he was the proprietor of Humphreys Drug Co. After his death Leta took over the drug store.

Leta's lovely album should be a treasure which must be carefully guarded in the Morrow County Museum and should be enjoyed by those who view it for many years to come. Everyone who has known her and her family surely expresses sincere thanks for her work in preserving and mounting this unusual collection of pictures, clippings and mementos.

# Pendleton IRS office reduces hours

Taxpayer assistance services are being phased out in Pendleton's Internal Revenue Service office at 611 S.E. Emigrant, according to T. Blair Evans, IRS district director for Oregon.

Evans said today that the office will not be open to the public on December 12, the next scheduled day for taxpayer assistance. The office previously provided service on the second Monday of each month.

Evans said this change will not affect other IRS functions conducted through the Pendleton office.

The reasons for reducing service hours included low public usage and high cost. Evans explained that reduction in service hours reflects an emphasis on freeing IRS resources to collect delinquent tax payments and unreported income. The tax assistance duties in the Pendleton office are handled by IRS field personnel whose primary function is to collect delinquent taxes.

The IRS director recommended that the convenient statewide toll-free tax information telephone system be used by Pendleton-area taxpayers who need assistance

with their tax returns. The numbers are: Portland 221-3960; and elsewhere in Oregon, 1-800-452-1980. Information calls are subject to supervisor and quality review monitoring to ensure courteous and accurate assistance.

Most Oregonians who filed federal tax returns last year will receive a package containing tax forms and instructions in the mail between Christmas and New Year's Day, Evans said. These tax packages include a section for ordering by mail any additional forms needed for completion of tax returns.

# HHS names honor roll students

The following Heppner High School students have been named to the honor roll for fall quarter. To be listed, they must have a minimum grade point average of 3.33. An + indicates all A's or a perfect 4.00.

Freshmen: Andrea Ball, Shelly Biddle, Jack Estberg, Loran Hayes, Keith Kenison +, Alex Lindsay, Chris McLaughlin +, Trina Palmer +, Dana Reid, Lana Reid, Noella Rill, Stan Sporseen and Kim Wright.

Sophomores: Steve Currin, Ron Doherty, Lori Fetsch, Joe Jemmett, Trish Mahoney, Nancy Martin, Jodi Mattison, Janelle McElhaney, Jodi Padberg, Stephi Payne + and Renee Struthers +.

Juniors: Kris Fishburn +, Carolyn Hughes, Sid Kennedy, Cathy Lindsay, John Martin,

Anne McLaughlin, Carla Miles, Melissa Privett, Pat Struthers and Eric Thompson. Seniors: Joanna Bown, Sherry Clement, Greg Connor, Arlene Gray, Charlene Law, Wes Marlatt +, Anne Murray +, Glenn Smith, Tawny Wilson and Mardel James.

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# Ione Jr.-Sr. High announces honor roll

The following students were named to the Ione Junior-Senior High School honor roll during the first nine-week period. A+ indicates all A's or a 4.00 grade point average.

**A Honor Roll (3.5-4.00)**  
Seniors: Craig Gutierrez, Tim Patton and Dennv Starr

Sophomore: Paul Zinter.  
Freshman: Eric Pointer.  
Eighth Graders: Ashley Conklin and Mike Rietmann.  
Seventh Grader: Cathy Martin.

**B Honor Roll (3.0-3.4)**  
Seniors: Roger Childers.

Roger Morter and Don Taylor.  
Juniors: Mike Douglas and Howard Leavitt.

Sophomore: Mark Meyers.  
Eighth graders: Kim McCabe, Patty McElligott and Chris Rea.

Seventh graders: J.J. Osmin and Ken Snider.

# EOSC weekend program open to public

The second session of Eastern Oregon State College's Weekend College will feature a special program that is open to the public, said a college spokesperson.

Speaker for the session is Alice Sheppard, associate professor of psychology, whose topic is "Psychosocial Aspects of a Computerized

Society: A discussion and presentation on the uses and impact that computers have on our society."

The program is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 20, from 7-9 p.m., at room 142 of Zabel Hall. The program is free.

Refreshments will be served in the Zabel Hall lobby before the program, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Other segments of the weekend college program are open only to those enrolled in the program.

Weekend College, a pilot program at EOSC, is being conducted six weekends during the school year. Persons interested in additional information are asked to call 963-1378, or toll free in Oregon 1-800-452-8639.

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# College students need background studies

A new Oregon State University study of students who graduate and those who do not reaffirms the old advice that high school students should take plenty of math, science and English if they wish to succeed in college.

The study involved 100 students (50 men and 50 women) who entered OSU the fall of 1976 from Oregon high schools. Their academic progress and problems were

charted through June 1982 by Morris LeMay, director of the university's Counseling and Testing Center. He conducts a continuing research program on factors that contribute to student success (graduation) and drop out. The findings are especially designed to help OSU professors become more effective academic advisers.

"In general, those students who completed less than three years of college preparatory

math in high school tended not to graduate from OSU, LeMay found. "A total of 31 students were in this category and only five graduated," he reported.

In general too, most of those in the graduate group had completed three or more years of high school science and English. Several students had excellent science backgrounds from high school but earned non-science degrees at OSU. LeMay noted, an indication of differences in career goals among the 100 students in the test.

Individual ability and motivation showed through as always, LeMay observed. One of the students from OSU in the College of Science had not taken any college preparatory science courses in high school.

# HHS Drama Club to take the stage for 'Gift of Murder!'

By MARYANN CERULLO

Sets are currently going up in the Heppner High School cafeteria for the comedy thriller "Gift of Murder!" by George Batson.

According to a Drama Club spokesperson, rehearsals have been underway since

October 25.

The three-act play is set in present day northern England where an aging starlet finally discovers the man she truly loves. When he is suddenly murdered: "who done it?"

"To find out," says director Larry Cerullo, "come November 30 or December 2 at 7:30 p.m."

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