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Tues., June 5	62	46	.58
Wed., June 6	61	48	.35
Thurs., June 7	60	40	.01
Fri., June 8	61	40	.0
Sat., June 9	62	39	.0
Sun., June 10	67	48	.02
Mon., June 11	71	53	.01

## Heppner attorney Herman Winter dies



### Herman W. Winter

Herman W. Winter, 50, prominent Heppner attorney, died suddenly at his home Saturday, June 9.

Winter was born July 19, 1933, in Minot, N.D. He was graduated from Lewis and Clark College in Portland before attending law school in Salem.

Winter came to Heppner as district attorney for Morrow County following graduation from Willamette University College of Law and admittance to the Oregon State Bar in 1962. He served as district attorney for 12 years. At the time of his death he was a past president of Oregon District Attorney's Association and an honorary life member of that organization.

On retiring as district attorney in 1974, he devoted full time to the private practice he had started when he first came to Heppner. He was senior partner in the firm of Winter and Doherty.

He was a member and past president of the Sixth Judicial Bar Association. He had been admitted to practice before the federal district court for Oregon, the Oregon supreme court, and the U.S. Supreme Court. He was a member of the Oregon Bar Association; the American Bar Association; the American Trial Lawyers Association; and the Oregon Criminal Defenders Association.

Winter was active in several lodges, with the youth in the area, and in his church. He was installed last February as

exalted ruler of Heppner Lodge B.P.O.E. No. 358, and was a past master of Heppner Lodge 69 AF & AM.

He was a past president of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce; a member of Willows Lodge 66 I.O.O.F.; Boardman Aerie 3714 F.O.E.; Ruth Locust Chapter 32 Order of Eastern Star; and Tri-County Shrine Club, Al Kader Temple.

He was active in Troop 661, Boy Scouts of America, and the Blue Mountain Council of Boy Scouts of America.

He was a member of All-Saints Episcopal Church and the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon. He was a member of Heppner chapter of the American Red Cross.

Winter was interested in flying, and for several years piloted a plane he kept at the Lexington Airport. He served as chairman of the county's Airport Committee and worked to obtain funds to improve the runway at the county-owned airport. He was a member of Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

A former Marine, he was a Colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, and a member of the Marine Corps Officers Association.

On March 1, 1975, he married Joyce Fitzgibbon in Portland.

Survivors include his wife Joyce Winter, Heppner;

daughters Karen J. Olson of Boise, and Rosemary Winter of Mill City, Nev.; son Herman W. Winter, Heppner; Step-daughters Heather Carpenter, Pendleton, and Ann Peeters of Vernon, British Columbia, Canada; stepson John Bate of Calgary, Alberta, Canada; brother Eugene S. Winter, College Place, Wash.

Funeral services were Wednesday, June 13, 2 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church in Heppner. The Rev. Ed Watts officiated. Gail Hughes was organist and Bill Kenny, soloist. Casket bearers were Bob Hawkins, Luke Bibby, Darrell Padberg, Glenn Cooper, Barrie Peeters, and Wayne Lewis.

Honorary bearers were Claude Graham, John Smallmon, Fred Toombs, Jerry Sweeney, Mike Sweeney, and Joe Balfe.

The Heppner Elks, Masons, and VFW participated at the graveside services which were followed by burial at Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, in Portland, the Elks National Foundation, The Blue Mountain Council, the Boy Scouts of America, the Oregon Association for Cancer, Heart or Lungs, or a church or charity of the donor's choice.

Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner, was in charge of arrangements.

## For fence at Hager Park City Council awards contract

The Heppner city council last Monday awarded a contract for construction of a fence at Hager Park, along Willow Creek.

Pettyjohn Builder's Supply of Heppner was low bidder with a price of \$3,332.75. The fence will be paid for by the Corps of Engineers.

Construction of the fence prompted by a public campaign by parents who live near the park, who were concerned over the safety of children playing in the park. Parents felt a child could easily fall into the creek, which runs adjacent to the park, and drown. The parents earlier brought their concerns to the city council, which in turn contacted the Corps.

City officials said the fence was to be finished in 60 days. In other business the city approved an agreement with the county over construction of a sewer line to the county fairgrounds. The fairgrounds had problems with overflowing sewer during fair last year, and had earlier asked the city for help in connecting up with the city sewer.

Under the agreement materials for the 1,327 feet of eight-inch pipe will be split between city and county fifty-fifty. The county will dig the ditch for the mainline and get permission from the state to

cut across the highway in front of the fairgrounds.

Engineering fees will also be split fifty-fifty, and the city agreed to lay the pipe and fill the ditch.

The project, which is expected to be finished before the 1984 fair is expected to cost the city about \$8,000.

In other action the city awarded a one year contract for gasoline to Howard's Chevron in Heppner. The Chevron station was low bidder at 6 cents under posted price for regular and unleaded gasoline.

## Heppner woman named EOSC Outstanding Athlete

To find Eastern Oregon's Outstanding Female Athlete look beyond the gym and track to the rodeo arena says a news release from Eastern Oregon State College.

Here Maureen Healy, the only Eastern Rodeo Club member ever to win the award, shows the dedication of a true athlete.

Healy's accomplishments are unbelievable at first glance: winner of the regional all-around for the past five years and an invitation to compete at the National College Rodeo Finals the same year.

But Healy's success didn't just start to happen five years ago. She got hooked on rodeo when she was eleven, competing in junior rodeos before moving on to high school rodeo and to college rodeo at Blue Mountain Community College. A program of high quality, Healy excelled at BMCC winning the first three of her regional titles.

As this rodeo season ends, Healy looks to her last chance at the all-around national crown. This year, after placing second last year, she's worked extra hard hoping to gain that top notch in July. But as the season draws to a

close, so does the dominance of her rodeo career.

"Rodeo will take the back-seat now. I'll keep running barrels but this is my last competition for all the other events," Healy remarked.

"Eastern is an excellent four-year rodeo school. They get good funding and lots of community support, which is essential to a good rodeo team," Healy added.

Commenting that she was "very, very surprised about receiving the award," Healy said, "There are lots of talented senior athletes; I didn't think I was even in the running, especially because I was just involved in rodeo."

Beyond the competition, what does Healy see in rodeo? "A sport that requires lots of hard work and takes true dedication. You have to want every inch you get, if you want to get anywhere," Healy said. The National College Rodeo Finals, where Healy is a member of the directors board, will be held in Bozeman, Mont., June 18-23.

A secondary education major specializing in business and physical education, Healy has one final term of student teaching before she graduates from EOSC next fall.

## Co. Court approves park fees

By MARY ANN CERULLO

Upon a recent recommendation from Otto Burden, Director of Public Works, Morrow County Court agreed to drop group fees for county park use last Wednesday.

According to Burden, the total amount collected from group fees in 1983 was \$75. Since this is minimal and the

vast majority of park revenues comes from park camp fees a policy is recommended, he stated.

Discontinuation of fees for picnics would have little effect on the budget and would be in the best interest to the public, Burden continued in a statement to the court.

Burden recommended the following fee schedule for the 1984 season:

## Sen. Hatfield's rep. meets with Heppner group about proposed park above Willow Creek Dam



Tom Imison chats with Judge Don McElligott and Commissioner Warren McCoy following the meeting with the H.E.D.C. Tuesday, June 5.

Last Tuesday, June 5, Tom Imison, a representative from Senator Mark Hatfield's Portland office met with representatives from the Heppner Economic Development Corp., the Willow Creek Irrigation District, the Morrow County

Court, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife at the Columbia Basin Electric Co-op's meeting room.

Jim Hayes, president of the H.E.D.C. explained to Imison that they have been working with the Army Corps of Engin-

ers since March 16, 1983 on the construction of a park and overnight campsite on the lakeside of Willow Creek Dam. He continued that the H.E.D.C. had raised matching funds, mainly in "in kind" services and materials and had assumed that the project was definite until May of this year when Dick Weller of the Army Corps of Engineers office in Walla Walla informed the Economic Development Corp that their current intention is to turn the area over to the Oregon State Department of Fish and Wildlife for development of a park area. Weller further stated that a master study of the area around the lake will need to be conducted by the Corps of Engineers, and that this would take approximately six months. (See related story, May 3, 1984, Gazette-Times.)

Imison asked and was reassured by both Hayes and Morrow County Judge Don McElligott, that there was no physical reason that "things could not go forward," but that it was only the Corps' process that was stopping the construction of the proposed park.

Imison said that the park would probably be considered part of the Willow Creek dam project, that "it's not complete the way it is now. We will lean hard on the Portland district office" he continued, "I can't imagine what has created this problem."

Imison said that he had meetings scheduled with the Corps later in the week and would try to get them to agree to some schedule which is agreeable with the Heppner group and would bring back this information to his next meeting with the Heppner group, Wednesday, June 20. "We (Sen. Hatfield's office,) are happy to work with the community on anything you develop and to go between you and the Corps," he concluded.

## Buffalo shot near Little Butter Creek



On Saturday, June 9, David McCarty from Little Butter Creek had "the thrill of killing a buffalo" reports an eyewitness from the Little Butter Creek area.

The buffalo belonged to the Harold and Ken Wright ranch at Ruggs Junction, and had evidently been run off by the younger bull buffalo. A week ago, the Wrights and many friends and neighbors hunted the bull and even with the use

of a plane and pilot, the bull evaded capture said Ken Wright. The Wrights own about 180 buffalo and calves.

Dave McCarty was reportedly on his way home from the Umatilla Rodeo with Diane Brosnan when they spotted the buffalo in a wheat field owned by Gordon O'Brien. McCarty drove to the Tom Curran's to borrow a gun. The Currans said, "of course, we went along to watch and take pictures. The bull was resting when we first arrived. In a while, he stood and stretched and started to move away." That was when McCarty shot him. The buffalo had several scrapes and cuts which were assumed to be from jumping fences or tearing them down after he left his home at Ruggs.

The buffalo was skinned and taken to LenRay's Processing.

## New caretakers introduced to Fair Board

On June 5, the Fair Board held a monthly meeting at the Fair Grounds. Dick and Carolyn Paris were introduced as the caretakers presently residing on the fair grounds in a travel trailer. Anyone wishing to schedule events may contact them personally or by phoning the fairgrounds num-

ber said a spokesperson for the board.

The installation process of sewer lines is to begin shortly, and the repair of water lines in the dormitory building will be managed by Harold Peck.

The fair board tractor has been completely overhauled by Blue Mountain Community

College, and is now ready for usage. A gate on the west end of the rodeo arena will allow access to an area, heretofore unused, for the parking of equipment.

The premium book for the 1984 Fair and Rodeo has been

proofed and publication of same is targeted for June 15. Gates to the fair grounds will be kept locked at nights following functions to reduce wanton littering and vandalism. The county-owned fair grounds has a heavy volume of usage and the board asks the cooperation of everyone in keeping the grounds well-groomed for everyone's enjoyment.

With the upcoming fair and rodeo only two and one-half months away, the board urges all individuals and organizations to formulate plans for entries for the fair, as well as the rodeo parade.

## County School Board to meet June 18

The regular June meeting of the Morrow County School board is scheduled for Monday, June 18 at the district office in Lexington. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m.

The board will discuss contracts to be awarded for extra

duty activities including coaching assignments and will review classified staff assignments which have not been considered previously. The board is also expected to examine the proposed district budget and approve a resolu-

## 'Flood' remembered



Today, June 14, 1984 marks the 81st anniversary of the flood which devastated Heppner in 1903. The above photo shows some of the debris which was left behind by the flood waters.