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### Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Department at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner handled the following business during the past week:

On July 2, the Boardman Fire Department responded to a grass fire at Wilson Trailer court.

On July 3, the Boardman Fire Department responded to the Marina area in Boardman to a grass fire. The extent of the damage was unknown.

Also on July 3, the Heppner Police Department received a report of a theft at Cal's Lounge and Cafe during the early morning hours. Approximately \$2,500 in cash and checks were reported missing. Heppner Police Department handled the investigation.

Raymond Mills, 34, Lexington, was arrested later by Clatskanie Police Department on a warrant for Theft 1 stemming from the incident. Mills was lodged at Columbia County Jail, then later arraigned and transferred to the Umatilla County Jail.

In a third July 3 incident, the Boardman Fire Department responded to a grass fire on Boardman Avenue near Haddock apartments.

In a fourth July 3 incident, a Boardman Ambulance responded to a Boardman residence and transported a subject to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

On July 6, the Boardman Fire Department responded to a mobil home fire on the south end of Paul Smith Road. A Boardman Ambulance also responded and transported a fire fighter with an injury to North Morrow Medical Clinic.

Also on July 6, both Boardman ambulances responded to a motor vehicle accident eight miles west of Boardman. Lifeguard III was also called out. Oregon State Police handled the accident.

On July 7, Boardman Fire Units responded to a grass fire at the corner of Kinkade and Blalock in Boardman.

Also on July 7, the Heppner Fire Department responded to a grass fire one mile south of Kinzua Mill.

On July 8, a Boardman Ambulance responded to a call at the Dodge City Inn. A female with unknown injuries was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital.

### Health Dept.

Friday, July 13 - free blood pressure clinic and immunizations, Morrow County Health Department, school district office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Monday, July 16 through Thursday, July 19 - Office closed for vacation.

Friday, July 20 - free blood pressure clinic and immunizations, Morrow County Health Department, school district office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, July 24 - immunizations, Irrigon County offices, 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, July 27 - free blood pressure clinic and immunizations, Morrow County Health Department, school district office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

### Public Meetings

Monday, July 16 - Morrow County School Board, 8 p.m., A.C. Houghton, Irrigon; Heppner Fire Department, 7:30 p.m., Heppner.

Tuesday, July 17 - Heppner-Morrow Co. Chamber of Commerce, noon; Heppner Elks Lodge, lone Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., city hall; Morrow Co. Museum Commission, 7:30 p.m., museum.

Wednesday, July 18 - Morrow Co. Court, 9 a.m., Court-house, Heppner.

Monday, July 23 - Heppner Fire Dept., 7:30 p.m., fire hall. Tuesday, July 24 - Pioneer Memorial Hospital Board, 9:30 a.m., hospital, Heppner; Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce, noon, Heppner Elks Club.

Wednesday, July 25 - Morrow County Court, 9 a.m., north Morrow annex, Irrigon; Heppner Public Library Board, 8 p.m., Heppner Library.

Monday, July 30 - Morrow County Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., north Morrow Annex, Irrigon.

### Ione News

Visitors at the home of Laura Holtz in Ione over the past weekend were her niece, Heidi and her husband Ernie Eaton, their daughter Wilma and her husband, Ted Grandall, all from Lignite, North Dakota.

### Reviews county's quick birth

To the editor:

Because from now until February 16, 1985, readers will be reading and hearing about the Centennial of Morrow County, it seems that a preliminary, short review of the county's quick birth and a little about its infancy is appropriate.

By the beginning of 1885, when the population of young Umatilla County began to see tremendous growth with many people settling in its south-western area, these settlers began to ask for a change.

They felt that going to Pendleton was too time and energy consuming for every legal need they had. Umatilla County had been separated from Wasco County in 1862, and the county seat was strongly established in Pendleton. Jackson Morrow, a merchant from the Heppner area and L.B. Cox, a Pendleton lawyer were the county's representatives in the Oregon State House of Representatives.

It was Cox, of Pendleton, who introduced the matter in the state legislature known as Morrow County House Bill No. 4. Representative Morrow was popular with the legislators, and as no other name for

the proposed new county was offered, they put his name on the bill and then on the new county. Morrow County was officially born on February 16, 1885.

O.W. Cutsforth

### Justice Court Report

Morrow County Justice Court at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner handled the following cases during the past week:

Bruce Allen Way, Heppner - Improper Passing, \$15 fine.

Peter Lennon, Heppner - Disobeyed Stop Sign, Fine waived.

Ted R. Rappe, Irrigon - Insufficient Number of Coast Guard Approved Lifesaving Devices, \$26 fine.

Kyle H. Steineke, Harbor, Oregon - Disobeyed Stop Sign, \$29 bail forfeited.

Roger Dale Britt, Heppner - Disobeyed Stop Sign, \$24 fine.

Jeffrey Keith Key, Ione - Expired Vehicle License, \$9 fine.

Christopher E. Rietmann, Ione - Minor in Possession by Consumption, \$57 fine.

Merle Duane Barrow, Ione - Furnishing Alcoholic Beverages to Minors, \$382 fine.

### Hole-in-one

Wayne Kuhn of Hermiston aced the 142 yard, ninth hole with an eight iron at Wilson's Willow Run golf course in Boardman July 3, 1984. This is Kuhn's third hole-in-one in 24 years of golfing.

### Sifting through the Times

10 Years Ago

Thursday, July 11, 1974  
Voters were preparing to go to the polls to vote a second time on the hospital budget. The new levy reflected an increase of \$24,000 over previous years.

Lenna Smith announced her retirement as secretary-treasurer of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo after 14 years of service.

25 Years Ago

Thursday, July 9, 1953  
"The largest building permit to be issued this year in Heppner for the construction of a \$55,000 parish hall for St. Patrick's Catholic Church was approved Monday night by the city council."

The county's 1953 harvest was underway and promising to be one of the best in years. Barley was running one to one and one-half tons per acre and wheat at 30 bu. per acre in the north Lexington area.

A new four-wheel drive jeep pickup was under construction and was expected to be in use by the Heppner fire department soon for fighting grass and field fires.

### Hospital Notes

The following patients were admitted and released from Pioneer Memorial Hospital during the past week:

James Swanson, Ione, admitted July 2, discharged July 4.

Florence Green, Heppner, admitted July 4, discharged July 8.

Louise Farley, Heppner, admitted July 5, discharged July 8.

Jerry McKinnon, Heppner, admitted July 5, discharged July 6; and Fred Hoskins, Heppner, admitted July 6, discharged July 8.

Colleen Greenup, Heppner, was admitted to the hospital July 5 and was still receiving care at press time Monday.

### 2 area residents receive degrees from WOSC

Two area students received degrees from Western Oregon State College at commencement exercises on the campus, Saturday, June 9.

Carol Ann Donovan of Boardman, BA in Education; and

Karen Ann Beck, of Ione, an MS in Education.

### Obituaries

#### Katherine "Kay" Walton

Katherine "Kay" Walton, 68, of Long Creek, died Saturday, July 7, 1984 at St. Mary's Community Hospital, Walla Walla, Washington.

She was born in Portland, July 22, 1915. She attended Range Grade School and graduated from St. Joseph Academy, Pendleton. She also attended Marylhurst College in Portland.

October 10, 1936, she was married to J.F. "Bud" Walton in Pendleton.

She was a member of St. Katherine Mission, Long Creek, and the Catholic Daughters of America.

Survivors include her husband J.F. "Bud" Walton of Long Creek; two sons, Paul D. and J. Tim, both of Long Creek; a daughter Nancy F. Carey of Pendleton; and 12 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, James C. Walton. Recitation of the rosary was Monday, 7 p.m., at the Burns Mortuary Chapel in Pendleton. Funeral Mass was at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 10 at the Walton Ranch in Long Creek with interment following at Walton Cemetery.

Contributions for those who wish may be made to St. Katherine Mission Building Fund, in care of Tim and Pattie Walton, North Star Route, Long Creek, Oregon.

Burns Mortuary, Pendleton was in charge of arrangements.



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### Letters to the Editor

#### Cave inhabited by area Indians?

To the editor:

No historical significance. I received yesterday a letter from the Highway Department containing a copy of a letter to them from our historical society signed by them saying that our Indian cave was of no historical significance. This cave has the most smoke blackened ceilings I have ever seen showing a history of many campfires.

We are systematically destroying and losing every sign and petroglyph of Indian occupation in this county. The Historical Society is only concerned with the last 100 years and only the whites. When the whites have been here only 100 years and the Indians 1200 years and of those 1200 years the county got progressively better and every one of the whites 100 years we have progressively destroyed it through erosion and denuding our forests and killing off our game.

The Indian kept every treaty they made and we broke every treaty we made. Col. Gilliam has the only monument at Wells Springs of Indian wars and he was killed by accident and carelessness.

Many old families here have mixed Indian blood in their ancestry and have proof of it. Yet there is no historical significance in any historical artifact here.

Has any one heard of Winnemucca or read her diary? Mel Boyer at the Lexington airport has it. It will open your eyes. She was the daughter of Chief Winnemucca of the Piute tribe in northern Nevada. She and her mother and father were made prisoners of Idaho Chief Buffalo Horn who with his 500 warriors came to Oregon to

wipe out the towns of Heppner, Pendleton and Umatilla and would quite easily have done so if it hadn't been for the 14 year old girl Winnemucca. She escaped from Buffalo Horn at about the town of John Day and rode for three days bare back to the Dalles to notify Gen. Howard of Buffalo Horn, of his intentions. Gen. Howard's wife kept Winnemucca in bed for two weeks until the great sores on her legs had healed. Gen. Howard and his troops caught Buffalo Horn's forces and defeated them at Battle Mountain, thereby saving all of the people in Heppner, Pendleton, and Umatilla.

And there is no Indian historical significance in Morrow County! Of course it's history that Gen. Howard against his will was forced to deliver Chief Winnemucca and his Piute tribe to Yakima in the dead of winter in the March of Tears when all of the babies (?), and old folks perished and the Indian agent up there forced the Piutes to give their clothes and blankets for food. There the most of them died. The girl then 15, rode from Yakima to Fort Klamath to tell Gen. Howard of her tribe's fate. This was still in winter and they could have stayed in the cave in question as it's the only shelter from the river to the mountains.

We are trying to preserve some of the petroglyphs on rocks in the county and due to the family of the Stillmans a good display of artifacts is displayed in the museum here in Heppner. Yes the Indian people were a great people and should be remembered as such.