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Letters to the Editor

Oregon-California boundary disputed

To the editor:
To attribute the current "Oregon-California Border War" to an early "surveyor's error" is an affront to the very talented and respected surveyors who established the boundary in 1867. In truth, those surveyors met the specifications and tolerances of their highly complicated task (which even then was to settle a conflict as to the state boundary) under very adverse conditions. Discrepancies in their placements of monuments along what they observed to be on the 42nd Parallel of latitude were due only to limitations of even the best equipment manufactured at the time. They had no quartz crystal watches nor radios to receive precise time signals from Denver, and their measuring instruments were merely prototypes of the excellent instruments we have today. So it was technical limitations, not error or lack of skill, that caused insignificant displacements of their monuments.

I say 'insignificant' because any possible displacement of their monuments, which remain undisturbed and can be properly identified today, is a matter of law, the physical monument controls the legal location of the boundary and the written description of the boundary is secondary. Such was the law then, centuries before, and yet today. It is irking that by use of the term

"surveyor's error" the reporters and-or their informers have repeated the careless mistake used in similar and occasional news releases concerning various boundary disputes. Such use exposes ignorance on the part of the reporters or their informers and derogates the public image of surveyors and the surveying profession.

The current rabble regarding the Oregon-California border location is no more than political chaff, which I hope will soon blow away without undesired public expense. But there is a truly adventurous story in the history of its survey.

Let me refer those persons who have even cursory interest in the matter, and especially reporters in need to be informed, to the Oregon Historical Quarterly dated March, 1971, Vol LXXII, No 1. The feature article, written by Francis S. Landrum, describes the sciences and techniques of the early border survey. The article also gives source references and bibliography to aid with serious research. Writers of continuing future news articles regarding the border would do well to absorb that history.

Yours truly,
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Schools re-open Jan. 2

Morrow Co. schools are closed this week for Christmas vacation. The

county schools will resume a regular schedule Wednesday, January 2, 1985.

Researcher says link between diet and cancer

Several organizations have now concluded that scientific data on the relationship between diet and cancer are strong enough to warrant the development of dietary guidelines to lower cancer risk according to Dr. T. Colin, Campbell, Senior Science Advisor in a recent news release from the American Institute for Cancer Research.

To date, the available data "strongly suggest that a diet enriched in plant products reduces cancer risk," said Dr. Campbell, a cancer researcher and professor of nutritional biochemistry at Cornell University. Cancer risk, he said, "increases with high intake of dietary fat and protein, and low intakes of food rich in vitamin C, vitamin A (as beta carotene), vitamin E and dietary fiber."

Dr. Campbell's status report on diet, nutrition and cancer summarized the studies that have been undertaken since the first major conference on the subject was held in 1975. One of the most exhaustive of the studies, completed by the U.S. National Academy of Sciences in 1982, found enough of a link to "formulate interim dietary guidelines that are both consistent with good nutritional practices and likely to reduce the risk of cancer," said Dr. Campbell, who served on the NAS committee responsible for the report.

He said that of those guidelines, "the two that will have the most likely impact on consumers in the marketplace were the recommendations 1) to reduce dietary fat intake from the current level of 40 percent, 45 percent to 30 percent of total caloric intake and 2) to emphasize the importance of including fruits, vegetables and whole grain cereal products in the daily diet."

Among the research activities currently being funded by the American Institute for Cancer Research—for which Dr. Campbell serves as Senior Science Advisor—and other organizations are studies on vitamins A, C, and E and the trace mineral selenium on various population groups; a survey of hypotheses on the relationships between life-style factors and cancer incidence; and a study of the effect of multiple dietary risk factors on selected cancers in the People's Republic of China.

At this point, Dr. Campbell said, there appears to be consistent evidence within various studies indicating a positive relationship between nutrition and cancer. It is hoped that within the coming decade, conclusive data "will enable the American public to make the appropriate modifications in their dietary practices with confidence to reduce cancer risk," he added.

Public Meetings

Monday, Jan. 7-Heppner Fire Dept., 7:30 p.m., Fire Hall; Heppner City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.

Tuesday, Jan. 8-Morrow County Rodeo Committee, 7:30 p.m., Fairgrounds, Heppner; Soil Conservation Service 8 p.m., N. Morrow Annex; Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce, noon, Elks Club, Heppner; Ione City Council 7:30 standard, Ione City Hall.

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

Monday, Jan. 14-Morrow County Fair Board, 8 p.m., Fairgrounds, Heppner; Heppner Fire Dept., 7:30 p.m., Fire Hall; Heppner City Planning Commission, 8 p.m., City Hall.

Tuesday, Jan. 15-Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce, noon, Elks Club, Heppner; Lexington City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall; Lexington Fire Dept., 7:30 p.m., Fire Hall.

Wednesday, Jan. 16-Morrow County Court, 9 a.m., Courthouse, Heppner; Port of Morrow, 1 p.m., No. 1 Marine Drive, Boardman.

Monday, Jan. 21-Heppner Fire Dept., 7:30 p.m., Fire Hall; Morrow County School Board, 8 p.m., Sam Boardman.

Tuesday, Jan. 22-Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce, noon, Elks Club, Heppner; Ione Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.

Wednesday, Jan. 23-Morrow County Court, 9 a.m., Courthouse, Heppner.

Monday, Jan. 28-Morrow Co. Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Dept., 7:30 p.m., Fire Hall, Heppner.

Tuesday, Jan. 29-Pioneer Memorial Hospital Board, 9:30 a.m., hospital; Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce, noon, Elks Club, Heppner.

Wednesday, Jan. 30-Morrow County Court, 9 a.m., Morrow County Annex Bldg., Irrigon; Heppner Library Board 8 p.m., Heppner Library.

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports handling or dispatching the following business during the past week.

On December 17, the Boardman Police Department responded to a minor motor vehicle accident.

Also on December 17, the Heppner Police Department responded to a no-injury two-vehicle accident.

On December 18, Robert McEwen, 19, Heppner was arrested on a charge of Menacing. He was released on his own recognizance.

On December 19, a Boardman ambulance responded to U & I and transported a 24 year-old male to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Also on December 19, the Irrigon Police Department and the Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Stanley Wayne Letson, 31, Irrigon, on a charge of Driving While Suspended. He posted bail and was released.

On December 20, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and the Boardman Police Department arrested Earl W. Connell, 42, Boardman on a charge of Assault. He was lodged at the Umatilla Police Department.

On December 21, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and the Boardman Police Dept. arrested Manuel S. Acosta, 28, Irrigon on charges of Assault IV and Menacing. He was lodged at the Umatilla Police Dept.

Also on December 21, a Heppner Ambulance responded to Heppner City Hall Shop and transported one male to Pioneer Memorial Hospital where he was transferred to Life-guard III and taken to St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton.

Births



Nickie Ann Thompson—a daughter Nickie Ann was born to Daniel and Vanessa Thompson, Cecil, December 18, 1984 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. She weighed 7 pounds 6 1/2 ounces.

Grandparents are Ann and Bill Thew, Crane; and Louis and Donna Thompson, Ione.

Great-grandparents are Imogene and Henry Thew, Cove; Louise and Whitney Hinds, LaMesa, California; and Myrtle Thompson, Dufur. Nickie joins a brother, Nathan, 3 1/2, at home.

D.A.'s Report

The Morrow County District Attorney's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports handling the following cases during the past week:

Bryce Powell, 24, Heppner received 10 days in the Umatilla Co. Jail for a charge of Probation Violation.

Terry Erwin Eyer, 36, Hermiston, charged with Menacing, was sentenced to a \$500 fine, 30 days in jail, with the provision that \$150 of the fine and time in jail would be suspended if he successfully completed Bench Probation.

Manuel S. Acosta, 28, Irrigon was arraigned on two counts of Assault IV, and a charge of Menacing.

Donald Richardson, 38, Hermiston on a charge of Driving While Suspended was sentenced to a \$1,000 fine and six months suspended sentence with one year bench probation.

Obituary

Clifford L. Carlson

Clifford L. Carlson, 64, formerly of the Ione area, died in Portland Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1984.

He was born Sept. 17, 1920, at Heppner, the son of Victor and Julia (Hegstrom) Carlson. The family ranches at Valby, near Ione, and he was graduated from Ione High School.

On May 26, 1946, he married Marion Balch in Springfield.

Carlson worked in the grain business in the Pacific Northwest for 30 years. He worked for United Grain Corporation, an export business, starting in Seattle, and later in Portland.

He was a Portland resident at the time of his death.

Carlson served on committees of the Pacific Northwest Grain Dealers Association, and also as director of the Portland Merchants Exchange.

He was a member of the University Club, Portland; and the First Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Marion Carlson, Portland; daughters Leslie Carlson of Tucson, Ariz., and Janis Williams of Portland; son Eric of Menlo Park, Calif.; brother Louis Carlson of Ione; sisters Mildred Hoped and Joyce Darst of Eugene; and one grandchild.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23 at Valby Lutheran Church; the Rev. Rick Evenson officiated. Rikka Tews was organist; Sarah Carlson, vocalist. Casket bearers were Hal Dorst, Philip Carlson, Clinton Carlson, Robert Hope, Charles Carlson, and Tom Frey.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Valby Lutheran Memorial Fund.

Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner, was in charge of arrangements.

Correction

A photo in last week's issue of the Gazette-Times with the headline, "Soroptimists Welcome New Members" gave the incorrect impression that Clista Venard was one of the new members. She was, the officer who installed the new members. The Gazette-Times regrets the error.

Justice Court Report

Morrow County Justice Court at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Wayne Richard Wilson, Jr., Heppner-Careless Driving, \$57 fine.

Frances Ann Hale, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule (42 mph in a 25 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Charles Daniel Parker, Silver Lake, Oregon-Illegal "U" Turn, \$15 fine.

Jay C. Brownfield, Eugene-with criminal negligence: Hunting with a Centerfire Rifle During a Controlled Elk Hunt in an elk area, \$42 fine.

Gustave James Kurtz, Hermiston-Tandem Axle Overload, \$15 fine.

Alvin Luther Ward, Ridgefield, Washington-Failure to Stop for Pedestrian in Crosswalk, \$31 bail forfeited.

Bobby L. Roberts, Ione-Improper Passing, \$15 fine.

David Frederick Marick, Dufur-Violation of the Basic Rule (42 mph in a 25 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Donald Reed Jamieson, Clatsop-Defective Equipment, \$25 bail forfeited.

Friends invited to open house

Al and Jean Brazell will hold an open house at their new home in Lexington on Sunday, Dec. 30 from 2 to 5 p.m.

All friends are cordially invited to attend.

Courthouse to close early Mon.

Morrow County Courthouse will close at noon Monday, Dec. 31.

All offices will be open at the regular time on Wednesday, Jan. 2.

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