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Letters to the Editor

Lauds Rep. French's work in legislature

To the Editor:

Freshman Rep. Ray French, R-Heppner, was a strong advocate in the drive to redirect the efforts of the Department of Land Conservation and Development (LCDC). The agency's central administrative budget was reduced, while assistance to local government was increased this session. This will force the agency to streamline its operation and allow government to play a greater role in land use decisions.

As a member of the House Human Resource Committee, Rep. French put many hours of hard work into a health care cost containment bill that passed the Legislature. The proposal makes access to quality health care at a reasonable cost a priority of the state. It also sets up a medically needy program for the working poor and others who need medical care. This proposal represents the first step in the effort to control escalating health care costs.

A proposal Rep. French sponsored and guided through the Legislature is House bill 2616, which will help reduce the expense and paperwork for small contracting operations. The bill will exempt small farm labor contractors from posting an expensive bond and filing certified payroll records under the State Farm Labor Contractors law. Often the cost of the bond alone exceeds any profits these small contracts could receive.

As House Republican Leader, I enjoyed working with Rep. French this Session. He is a man of his word and he shows genuine concern and compassion for individuals. Rep. French is an up-and-coming legislator facing a bright and productive future.

Sincerely,
(s) Larry L. Campbell
Republican Leader
Oregon House of Representative

Lauds Archie Munkers' leadership

To the Editor:

I, this week, attended the funeral of Archie Munkers, and while there I thought of some things he helped do. The major one is this:

I had a sister who was up at the Pioneer Hospital for five years and one time when I was up there visiting her, Bob Lowe, who was custodian at that time, suggested to me that we needed a couple of rooms for the old folks to rest and entertain themselves in.

Upon giving it a little thought, I agreed. With some funds contributed by Bob I said that we could do it. Bob had a set of plans drawn up

at a cost of \$21,000. I said with the help of a most benevolent lady here in town we could get the job done. But since this was a public institution, we had to solicit bids and the lowest was \$42,000 so we had to give up the whole thing. We had only half enough.

Upon telling Archie Munkers that, he protested, said he would help as would his mother and brother and with his leadership we raised the other \$21,000 and those rooms are there due to the Munkers funds and encouragement.

(s) O.W. Cutsforth

Appreciates support given Cub Scouts

To the Editor:

We would like to thank the Fair Board for the use of the county fairgrounds for Cub Scout Day Camp and the community of Heppner for the support they are have given to the Cub Scout Day Camp.

With continued community and family support, we can hope for the continued growth of Scouting for all our youth.

Loa Cox
Camp Director
and Pack 661

Helpers made success

To the editor:

I would like to thank all of the organizations and individuals who helped make our centennial celebration a success.

Their efforts have not gone unnoticed as I have received numerous positive comments.

A special thanks to my husband Wayne for all the hours of work he put in getting things ready, and to Tanna for her help and moral support.

(s) Dianna Hams
Centennial Chairman

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 July 2, a Heppner ambulance responded to a request within the city limits for male who had fallen.

Also on July 2, the Heppner Fire Dept. responded to a grass fire near the golf course in Heppner.

On July 3, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Frank Dee Halvorsen, 34, Ione on a charge of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants. He was released on his own recognizance.

On July 4, a Boardman ambulance responded to a residence in Boardman and transported a male reported to be having chest pains to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Also on July 4, the Heppner Police Dept., assisted by the Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Jacob Frederick Shilts, 19, Heppner, on a charge of Assault IV. He was released on his own recognizance.

In a third July 4 incident, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report of the theft of a motorcycle cover. estimate value was \$60.

In a fourth July 4 incident, a Heppner ambulance was requested at a Heppner residence for a female with an illness. She was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

In a fifth July 4 incident, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded to a one-vehicle accident at Irrigon allegedly involving Gary Wayne Coen, 27, Irrigon.

On July 5, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office cited Bobby Lee Roberts, Jr., 22, Ione for Reckless Driving which allegedly resulted in a one-vehicle accident at the junction of Main and Cherry Street in Ione.

On July 6, the Boardman Police Dept., assisted by the Morrow County Sheriff's Office, arrested Mario Romero Alvarez, 19, Milton Freewater on a charge of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants. He was released on his own recognizance.

Also on July 6, the Heppner Police Department cited Kenneth D. Graves, 18, Heppner for allegedly Driving While Suspended.

In a third July 6 incident, the Boardman Fire Department received a report of a grass fire which they were unable to locate.

In a fourth July 6 incident, the Boardman Police Department received a report of a hit and run accident.

On July 7, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Theodore D. Rodriguez, 44, Boardman for allegedly Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants. He was released on his own recognizance.

Also on July 7, the Boardman Police Department, assisted by the Morrow County Sheriff's Office, arrested Jeanette L. Thurmond, 47, Boardman on charges of Assault on a Police Officer, Criminal Mischief II and Resisting Arrest. She posted bail in lieu of lodging.

In a third July 7 incident, a Boardman ambulance and Life-guard III responded to a motor vehicle accident on I-84 five miles west of Boardman and transported two subjects to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Obituaries

Josephine Woolery Conway

Josephine Woolery Conway, 82, of King City, died following an extended illness July 1 at Oregon Hospital in Tualatin.

She was born July 19, 1902 at Ione, the youngest daughter of Joseph A. and Helen Violet Woolery of Ione. Her father was the first mayor of Ione, and operated a general store in Hardman, later moving to Ione where he owned the Ione Bank for a time, as well as the Hardman store. He donated land for the Ione City Hall as well as for a city park.

Mrs. Conway graduated from Lincoln High School in Portland with the class of 1921. She worked as a buyer in the art needle work department for Olds, Workman and King for many years.

She was married to D.J. Conway who preceded her death in September, 1984. Funeral service

was Friday, July 5 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Portland. Inurnment will be in the Highview Cemetery at Ione with her husband.

She was a member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers, Genealogical Forum of Oregon, Oregon State Button Society, National Button Society, Morrow County Historical Society, and the King City Civic Association. She was also a member of the American Women's Voluntary Services founded by Mamie Eisenhower during the World War II, and was active as a volunteer at the Veterans Hospital in Portland.

Survivors are her numerous friends in the Portland area.

Contributions may be sent to the William Temple House or to the charity of one's own choice.

Archie Munkers

Archie Munkers, 72, Heppner, died at Pioneer Memorial Hospital Tuesday, July 2.

He was born May 20, 1913 in Lexington, the son of William Frank and Mary Edna Palmer Munkers. He attended school in Lexington and graduated from Lexington High School. He attended Oregon Technology School in Portland and returned to Lexington for several years before moving to Salem in 1935.

He married M. E. (Dimple) Crabtree on May 29, 1936 in Vancouver, Washington. In 1937, he returned to Lexington where he operated a skating rink for one year. He moved to California in 1938 where he worked for Douglas aircraft. In 1940, he returned to Lexington and began farming. He purchased a farm in Sour Dough Canyon and operated it until retiring in 1979.

His wife Dimple Munkers died in 1975. Following his retirement he moved to Heppner, and on March 14, 1980, he was married to Gladys Graves Heliker in Pendleton.

He was an avid sportsman and enjoyed golf, bowling and piloting. He was a member of Heppner

B.P.O.E. No. 358 and IOOF in Lexington.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys Munkers of Heppner; foster daughter Maureen Howard of Heppner; foster son Larry Groves of Albany; brothers Vernon Munkers of Salem and Leonard Munkers of Lexington.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 5 at the Lexington Baptist Church with the Rev. Stuart Dick officiating. Carley Drake was organist and the Rev. Leroy Wornell soloist. Ritualistic service at the graveside was by the officers of Heppner B.P.O.E. No. 358.

Casket bearers were Barry Munkers, Mark Halvorsen, Frank Halvorsen, Joe Halvorsen, Andy Gorman and Craig Munkers. Honorary bearers were Bill Collins, Al Fetsch, Riley Munkers, Fritz Cutsforth, Kenneth Cutsforth and Pat Cutsforth.

Contributions for those who wish may be made to the Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home, P.O. Box 9, Heppner or the Oregon Cancer Society 0330 S.W. Curry, Portland, OR 97201.

Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner, was in care of arrangements.

Plan now to exhibit wheat

With harvest getting under way, the time to collect wheat for a sheaf, or to save a bushel of harvested grain for a county fair exhibit is here, says Birdine Tullis, Oregon State University Program Assistant with the Morrow County Extension Office.

Preparation of a wheat sheaf starts with collecting wheat at the dough stage, just before the kernel hardens. If wheat is past this stage, it may still be collected, but kernels will be more apt to shatter out. Stalks should be cut at ground level and stored loosely until preparing the sheaf. Instructions for a wheat sheaf are available at the Morrow County Extension Office.

After entry at the Morrow County Fair, many of the wheat exhibits are taken on to the State Fair. Specifications for the state fair require the sheaf to be at least three inches in diameter at the butt end. Number of heads or stalks of wheat needed vary, so pick a nice amount while you are in the field, continues Tullis.

Harvested grain may be brought to the fairgrounds as it comes from the combine. Bill Rawlins, Ag Superintendent will clean the grains if they are delivered prior to fair dates.

Awards are offered for the agricultural exhibits, as well as premiums. In addition, a good representation of agricultural exhibits, enhances the fair since agriculture is the major industry of the county, concludes Tullis.

Correction

The daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Breshears, Marie Steagall, Vera Steagall, Helen Crump, and Edwina Richelderfer, along with their husbands and families met at La Page Park for their fourth annual get-together. Mr. and Mrs. Breishears ran the Lexington post office and he operated the dray for many years.

Som of the names were omitted from the item in last week's Lexington News. The Gazette-Times staff regrets the error.

Hospital Notes

Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner has reported admitting and discharging the following patients during the past week:

James Dunbar, Heppner - admitted July 1, discharged July 3;

Jackie Mikesell, Heppner - admitted July 4, discharged July 5;

Mary Osmin, Heppner - admitted July 8, discharged July 9; and

Steve Hoffert, Tillamook - admitted July 8, discharged July 8.

Maxine Schmidt, Heppner, who was admitted to the hospital July 8 was still receiving care at press time Tuesday.

Justice Court

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

William Samuel Eustace, Englewood Colorado - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (69 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$57 bail forfeited.

Robert Cameron George, Heppner - Following to Close, \$30 fine.

Richard Dean Romig, Gresham - Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants, \$232 fine, two days in jail, one year driver's license suspension, and undergo diagnosis and treatment of possible alcohol related problem.

Randall Edward Cole, La Grande - Disobey Stop Sign, \$17 fine.

Denzil Oril White, Fossil - No Mud Flaps, \$13 fine.

Earl Dawson Bonner, Heppner - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (74 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

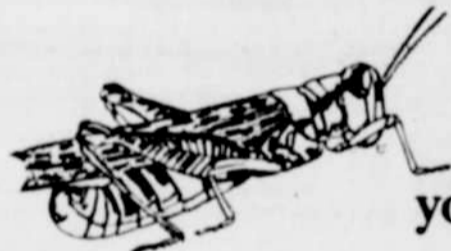
D.A.'s Report

The Morrow County District Attorney's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner has reported handling the following business during the past week:

Richard Dean Romig, 21, Gresham, was found guilty by jury trial of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants. He was fined \$532, sentenced to two days in jail and to undergo Mental Health Treatment.

Robert Medina 19, Boardman, charged with Driving While Under the Influence of Intoxicants, was assessed \$322 and referred to the Diversion Program.

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