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Letters to the Editor

Rehabilitation of Heppner Hotel

To the Editor:  
Regarding: Rehabilitation of the Heppner Hotel-A Registered National Historic Landmark.

In the Tri-County area of Morrow, Gilliam, and Wheeler Counties no retirement facilities exist. A survey has been done by Betty Higginbottom of the HUD office in Hermiston indicating that a need is here for development of these facilities. Such a structure should draw from the areas of Condon, Fossil, Spray, Arlington and Kimberly, as well as Heppner, Lexington, Boardman and Ione. Local businesses draw from an area of 55 miles on three sides. A retirement facility would draw from an even larger area because no such structure exists in an even wider circle. Many of the people living in this area really prefer a rural community.

Heppner has everything needed to be a desirable setting: a well-constructed, suitable building, needing to be rehabilitated, and enthusiastically supported hospital, a good business district providing all the necessities, and now we have the added flood control and recreational possibilities of the Willow Creek Dam. In addition we offer varied hunting, and other fishing sites available nearby.

Heppner also maintains friendly support systems for people in need. No one needs to get lost in the crowd here. People from outside this area who are in our community for any length of time always remark on the open friendship and extended courtesies from any one they meet on the streets as well as the business people. This spirit would be an asset to any retirement setting.

However, I see no prospects of the Heppner Hotel being rehabilitated unless a private party does it. And I would like to do it. I do not propose a facility to warehouse dispirited people. I wish a nicely rehabilitated, cheery structure where interested and interesting people can escape the care and expense of maintaining their own homes. I would plan a lobby recreation area, a commercial area across the front of Main Street, and hopefully a woodworking shop available to the tenants. This structure would be in walking distance easily of the business district and other facilities the tenants would wish to visit.

Feasibility studies have begun. I would want to use the services of a local architect who has already completed historical rehabilitation work, local everything wherever possible in an effort to keep costs down and to aid our local economies.

The presence of these tenants (24 units are a preliminary sketch) would be a definite plus in keeping our hospital going. Besides these tenants, their relatives and visitors would generate additional business activity downtown. And a rehabilitated hotel would upgrade the whole area.

All of the above would be addition to allowing retirees to this area to comfortably stay in their own rural community. I very much desire everyone's moral support in this endeavor. If letters of recommendation are required to various government office, may I ask for your support?

Yours truly,  
Margaret G. Murray

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 August 26, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report of a theft of a rifle belonging to a Boardman resident. Investigation is continuing.

Also on August 26, the Boardman Police Department received a report of the theft of gas cans from a camper belonging to a Boardman resident.

In a third August 26 incident, the Boardman Police Department and the Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Bernadine B. Hernandez, 18, and Jose Homberto Fernandez, 18, both of Boardman, on Circuit Court warrants for Assault I. They were lodged at Benton County Jail.

On August 27, the Boardman Police Department arrested Andrew P. Castro, 21, Boardman on a charge of Assault IV. He was lodged at the Umatilla City Jail where he later posted bail and was released.

On August 28, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded to a one vehicle non-injury accident three

miles north of Boardman Farms in Lindsay Canyon.

Also on August 28, the Heppner Fire Dept. responded to a grass fire behind the Columbia Basin Electric Co-op building.

On August 30, the Heppner Police Department responded to a two vehicle accident at Heppner High School. Greg Allen Jones, 18, Heppner, was cited for Careless Driving.

Justice Court Report

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

Joann King, Ione - Violation of the Basic Rule (63 mph in a 35 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Frank Lynn Lovgren, Heppner - No Valid Operator License, \$9 fine.

Joyce V. Hughes, Lexington - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (73 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Mark Whitmer Wright, Pendleton - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (69 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Marlene J. Barnett, Kennewick, Washington - Careless Driving, \$57 fine.

Robert Scott Stubblefield, Monument - Violation of the Basic Rule (47 mph in a 35 mph zone), \$24 bail forfeited.

Susan E. Benjamin, Boardman - with criminal negligence: No Resident Angling License, \$38 fine.

Steven Dean Koleber, Kennewick - No PUC Permit, \$30 fine.

Patrick Kay Schwarz, Heppner - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (70 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Eugene Francis Bannick, Hermiston - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (69 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$55 bail forfeited.

David Clifton Parker, Walla Walla, Washington - Truck Speeding (62 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$26 bail forfeited.

Traci Renee Lindsay, Lexington - Disobeyed Stop Sign, \$17 fine.

Saezn John Christensen, Yakima, Washington - Illegal "U" Turn, \$31 bail forfeited.

Gail Irwin McDougall, Pendleton - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (70 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Robert Allen Brehaut, Condon - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (65 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$26 bail forfeited.

Vicki Loree Ober, Pendleton - Open Container of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle, \$30 fine.

Amy Jo Von Borstel, Pendleton - Possession of an Open Container of Alcoholic Liquor in a Motor Vehicle, \$30 fine.

Jackie Sandra Eakin, Pendleton - Possession of an Open Container of Alcoholic Liquor in a Motor Vehicle, \$30 fine.

Jeffrey Wayne Hams, Ione - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (71 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$36 fine.

Albert Lee Corey, Heppner - Suspended Operator's License, \$135 fine.

Danny Lee Wilson, Lexington - Careless Driving, \$110 bail forfeited.

Kevin Chad Wilson, Hermiston - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (87 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$36 fine.

Michael James Gifford, Benton City, Washington - No PUC Permit, \$26 fine.

Claudia Jo Huston, Pendleton - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (70 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Diana Kaye Starr, Ione - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (73 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$26 fine.

What's Your Opinion



Question: "Do you feel it is important to include a refuge for victims of domestic violence as part of the Block Home Program in Heppner?"

"It is definitely important to have a place of safe refuge for victims of domestic violence," said the Rev. Rick Evenson of Heppner. "But, whether or not this should be lumped together with the Block Home Program for children is a separate question. Before they could be combined, the issue would need to be thoroughly discussed and agreed upon by all involved in the Block Home Program."

Sifting

through the Times

10 Years Ago

The 1975 fair set attendance records with over 7,000 passing through the gates during the Tuesday through Friday show.

First day enrollment for Morrow County Schools was 1,355, an increase of 91 students over the previous year.

25 Years Ago

Girls barrel racing was among the new events at the 1960 three performance rodeo.

The city of Heppner received delivery on its new 750 gallon per minute pumper fire truck which was designed primarily for fighting fire in the recently organized Heppner rural fire district.

50 Years Ago

Paving 25 blocks of the principal streets of the city, and replacement of worn out water mains and the remainder of the wood pip in the lead-in, is contemplated if application for PWA funds authorized by the council in special meeting Thursday evening reaches fruition. Acting on the council's authorization, Mayor W.W. Smead headed a delegation last evening to confer with C.C. Hockey, acting state PWA Director, in regard to the application.

Money for the improvement would come 55 percent from the city and 45 percent from the federal government.

as an outright grant, should the application be approved and other necessary steps completed. The total applied for is \$66,000, of which \$51,000 would be expended for black top paving and curbing of streets and \$15,000 for improvement of the water system.

Obituaries

Joseph J. Mallea

Joseph John Mallea, 46, died Sunday, Aug. 25, 1985, at his home in Heppner.

A recitation of the rosary was held August 29 in Ontario, at the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church.

The funeral Mass was at 11 a.m. August 30 at St. Bernard Catholic Church in Jordan Valley, with burial at the Jordan Valley Cemetery.

Mallea was born Aug. 11, 1939, at South Mountain, Owyhee County, Idaho, the son of John and Annabel (Gluch) Mallea.

Raised in Jordan Valley, he was graduated from high school there in 1957.

On July 28, 1962, he married M. Joan Maulding at Nyssa, Ore. He was graduated from the Treasure Valley Community College in 1966.

He worked for the Ontario Police Department before coming in 1984 to Heppner, where he was with the Heppner Police Department. He later worked for the Cooper Trucking Co.

Mallea was a member of the Catholic Church; the Ontario Police Association; the Elks Lodge in Ontario; and a charter member of the Jordan Valley Lions Club.

Survivors include sons Steven Joseph and James Eric of Ontario; his parents, at their home in Jordan Valley; brothers Ronald K. of Ontario, and Richard L., with the Navy at Bremerton, Wash.; and sister Audrey Erstrom of Vale.

Those who wish may make memorial contributions to the Jordan Valley Lions Club Sight Foundation, in care of Sharon Terry, Jordan Valley, Ore. 97910.

Arrangements were in care of the Flahiff Funeral Chapel at Caldwell, Idaho.

Kenneth Edward Case

Kenneth Edward Case, 41, Chandler, Arizona, died from a massive heart attack while behind the wheel of a truck on a run to New Mexico on August 19.

Born in Salem in 1944, his family moved to Heppner in 1946. He

attended Heppner schools and enlisted in the Army at age 17 during the Korean policing action. After his release from the Army, he held several jobs before becoming a truck driver and settling at Chandler.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn, two step daughters, five grandchildren, his parents Norman and Edith Case and two brothers, Mike and Gene all of Heppner, and a sister, Sherley Birkenbine.

Bateman Mortuary, Gresham, was in charge of graveside services held August 27 at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.

School Lunch Menus

Heppner Elementary

Monday, Sept. 9 - burrito with sauce, nacho, hot mixed vegetables, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 10 - hamburger, pickle-tomato, cheese-onions, tots, fruit, and milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 11 - fried chicken, VanWinkle rice, carrot coins, fruit, and milk.

Thursday, Sept. 12 - lasagna, vegetable sticks, fruit, French bread, and milk.

Friday, Sept. 13 - hot turkey sandwiches, peanutbutter-celery cup, seasoned hot vegetable, dessert, and milk.

Ione Schools

Monday, Sept. 9 - hamburgers, French fries, tomatoes, pickles, fresh fruit, and milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 10 - cowboy macaroni, buttered corn, French bread, fruit, and milk or salad bar and milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 11 - beans & wieners, fruit salad, celery sticks, cake, and milk or salad bar and milk.

Thursday, Sept. 12 - hamburger gravy over rice, mixed vegetables, pickled beets, fruit, and milk or salad bar and milk.

Friday, Sept. 13 - tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwiches, crackers, dessert, and milk.

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Central Market