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Weather

October 15 - October 21			
	High	Low	Precip
Tues.	76	43	0
Wed.	63	36	0
Thurs	69	36	0
Fri.	68	39	0
Sat.	66	39	0
Sun.	69	41	.09
Mon.	56	36	.01

## Deputies thwart escape attempt

Morrow County Sheriff's Deputies Jim Hankins and Bill Caldara thwarted an escape attempt by John Krebs Wednesday, Oct. 9 while he and Richard McCawley were being transported back to the Oregon State Penitentiary following the jury trial in which McCawley was found guilty of Robbery I, a charge stemming from the robbery at the Lone Branch of the Bank of Eastern Oregon last spring. Krebs who pleaded guilty to charges earlier had been in Morrow County to testify at the trial.

Morrow County Sheriff Roy Drago said that near Salem, Krebs who had

somehow managed to free one hand from handcuffs which connected both of his hands to a chain reached through the window which isolates the back seat. He said that deputies had opened the window because Krebs and McCawley had complained that there was not enough air in the back seat. As Krebs got his hand on Deputy Kankins' gun, Hankins, who was driving blocked Krebs' arm with his shoulder and Deputy Caldara was then able to push Krebs back into the back seat. Krebs only managed to get his hand on the gun,

not to unsnap it or remove it from the holster.

Sheriff Drago says that the matter has been referred to the Marion County District Attorney for prosecution. McCawley reportedly made no attempt to escape but neither did he give the deputies any warning of Krebs activity.

## MCEA Halloween safety flyer not to be distributed in schools

A flyer, advising parents on Halloween safety, won't be sent home with Morrow County school children this year, because the name of the Morrow County teachers union also appears on the flyer, school superintendent Doyle McCaslin said Monday night.

Morrow County Education Association (MCEA) or teachers union, was all set to give out the flyers, which advise parents on such things as how to dress their children safely for Halloween, when teachers were told not to do so through the school system.

McCaslin told the MCEA that a previous offer for the district to jointly sponsor the flyer with the MCEA was "being withdrawn" and that the district did not wish to have its name on the flyer.

He said teachers would be welcome to distribute, and the district would print, flyers if neither name appeared on the information sheet.

The district and the MCEA are currently in the midst of negotiations on a new teacher contract, the previous three-year agreement having expired.

## Added attractions at Moonlight Sale

Friday, Oct. 25, Heppner merchants will have specially priced items during a Moonlight Sale from 7-9 p.m. Check the ads in this week's paper to know which items merchants will be offering at bargain prices. Shoppers will also be able to sign up with participating businesses for doorprizes. Winning names will be drawn and winners notified of the prizes they won the next morning.

In addition to sale items at the downtown Heppner businesses, extra concessions will be provided by the TOPS Club, the Christian Church Youth, the Nazarene Church, St. Patrick's Altar Society, the Lone Extension Club, and Fuller Brush.

The Heppner High School Honor Society will be downtown at 5 p.m. to clean sidewalks in preparation for the sale.

Ray French for the Hammer Ranch, Helen O'Donnell for the Healy Ranch, and Helen Currin for the Brosnan Ranch. Dorris Graves gave a slide presentation of early homes in Morrow County and explained history of the areas.

Don Eppenbaught who has just accepted an appointment to the Oregon Lewis and Clark Trail committee, gave a few highlights on the work of the committee and the plans for the future.

## MCGG sets stockholders meet

Morrow County Grain Growers Annual Stockholders meeting will be held Monday, Nov. 4, at the Fairgrounds Pavilion in Heppner. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

The featured speaker will be Jan Mauritz from the French grain trading firm, Louis Dreyfus. Mr. Mauritz is president of the Pacific

## Investment seminar offered Oct. 23

Learning how to build wealth in today's economy is the focus of a free seminar to be held Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at Heppner Neighborhood Center. Sponsored by IDS financial services, the nationwide financial planning and service firm, "Investing in the 1980s" will offer ideas about reducing the risk of investing, choosing investment that meet personal needs and how to lower the average cost of investing. The seminar takes a look at today's economic climate and

Northwest Grain Exporters group. Alex Lindsay from the Heppner FFA chapter will report on his recent trip to the National Institute for Cooperative Education.

Free babysitting will be available in the dormitory next door to the pavilion for the convenience of those with young children.

explains the relationship between the economy, investment and financial planning.

"You don't need a sum of money to begin building wealth in today's economy," says Clint Connor. "This seminar can show you how it's done without the benefit of an inheritance."

The seminar is free. For more information call collect 509-525-8927 and ask for Clint Connor. IDS is an American Express Company.

## Teachers protest board's decision

Over 60 teachers crowded the school district office in Lexington Monday night, protesting the school board's recent decision to move contract negotiations into factfinding.

The district and teachers have been trying to negotiate a new contract for the past 10 months; however, the two sides have been unable to agree on salaries, teacher discipline, early retirement, benefits and other issues.

Factfinding means that an outside person is brought in to hear both sides in contract negotiations. A factfinder will present a report after hearing the arguments, and either side may accept or reject the factfinder's solutions.

Either side may request that negotiations go to factfinding, but the Morrow County Education Association (teachers union) says now is not the time.

"As a member of the Morrow County Education Association I am here to speak not only for the Executive Committee and the Negotiating Team, but the teaching staff of Morrow County," high school teacher Dale Conklin told the board.

"We understand that the Board has asked our negotiations be put into factfinding. You are within your legal rights in doing so. However, we wonder why you did this?"

"It is in the best interests of the district, the kids, the teachers, and the patrons to reach an agreement as soon as possible. As close as we are on the economic issues, and with very few new language items, we don't understand why we aren't meeting instead of entering the time-consuming and expensive process of factfinding."

"Even though factfinding has been declared, we can still meet, and we urge the Board to do so."

"We ask the Board to get together and negotiate a contract for the good

of everyone as quickly as possible," he concluded.

The school board heard the request from the education association; it took no action, however, and made no comment.

In the salary department, the district and the teachers are not far apart on the total dollar amount, only how it is distributed.

The teachers would like to see more salary increases in the middle and upper levels of the salary scale, and the district is asking for bigger increases in the lower levels, apparently to aid in attracting new teachers to the district.

Conklin said he did not agree with big increases for incoming and new teachers, saying instead that teachers who have been here would be more apt to stay if the pay were better. "We think if people are willing to stay here they deserve a higher pay."

None of the district's teachers have received substantial pay increases in the past three years since pay raises were tied to the Portland Consumer Price Index (a measure of inflation) which did not raise.

Conklin also took exception to an information sheet handed out by district administrator during the board meeting, saying that it was misleading. "Some of those things they say we are asking for, are in fact already in the contract, and we're just trying to keep them," said Conklin.

Many of the teachers at the meeting were wearing yellow and black buttons, saying "to Morrow is too late." "We came into the district without a contract and tomorrow is too late for one," explained teacher Lori Longway-Vince.

## Estes joins G-T staff



Rusty Estes

Rusty Estes, 27, Heppner, has joined the staff of the Heppner Gazette-Times following the shut down of Hutch's Printing Company last week. Estes did the printing at Hutch's for the past five years and will be doing the same type work at the Gazette-Times which is currently expanding its print shop facilities to accommodate more printing orders. With the additional equipment in the Gazette-Times print shop, "We will be able to do all the types of printing Hutch's did," said Estes.

## Spring forward — Fall back

Sunday, October 27 marks the end of Daylight Savings Time and the return to Pacific Standard Time. Remember to set clocks back one hour Saturday night.

## Electrical fire doused

Three trucks and nine firemen of the Heppner Fire Department responded to a small electrical fire at the home of Rick and Shanna Paulius, 335 1/2 N. Chase Street doused flames and cleared the smoke, said a fire department spokesperson.

At the time the fire involving an electric heater started, Shanna and baby were asleep at the residence. She woke up when the phone rang and smoke alarms sounded at about the same time, grabbed the baby and went next door where Tracy Wilson reported the fire. She then left for the Pioneer Memorial hospital where the baby was treated for minor smoke inhalation and is being held overnight for observation.

Very minor damage was done to the home, concluded the spokesperson.

## Dates set for fair and rodeo

The Morrow County fair committee met October 14 at the fair grounds and elected the following officers: Bill Broderick-president, Richard Ladd-vice president, and Lorraine Ladd-secretary. Members voted that exhibits which were entered as either 4-H or FFA could not be entered also as open class.

Fair superintendents will meet

October 28, 1 p.m. at the fair grounds to discuss changes for the 1986 Fair and Rodeo Premium Book.

In a joint meeting with the Fair Board and Rodeo committee, August 14-17 were agreed on as dates for the 1986 fair and rodeo.

The next fair committee meeting will be November 11, 7:30 p.m.

## Six area farms receive 100 yr. awards at MCHS meeting

The Morrow County Historical Society met at the Lexington Grange Hall on October 6 for an annual meeting. Preceding the business meeting a bountiful potluck dinner was served; the main course was roast turkey, dressing and potatoes with the salads and desserts brought by guests. Tables were decorated in a fall motif with scarecrows and pumpkins. Several door prizes were given.

The meeting opened with a pledge to the flag, opening prayer and reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting. A report was given on the Chronicles for this year, with those on the committee being introduced. They are put together each year by the following committee: Lucile Peck, Chairman; Justine Weatherford, Helen Currin, Inez Erwin, Lorene Griffith and Jean Neison. The Morrow County Historical Society president congratulated the ladies for a job well done.

The Society printed a centennial calendar with pictures of points of interest in Morrow County. This committee of Ruth Nutting, Cork Norene were congratulated and thanked also. If this proves a point of interest the group will perhaps print another one next year.

Frances Smouse and daughter Cheryl-n played several duets with the Omnicord and violin. Since this was Cheryl-n's birthday the group sang Happy Birthday and she was presented a birthday cake. Steven Hunter, minister of the Baptist Church of Irrigon sang a couple of numbers.

## CBC volleyball tournament Oct. 26

The Columbia Basin Conference volleyball tournament will be held Saturday, Oct. 26, at Riverside High School. The matches begin at 5 p.m. with the Heppner volleyballers meeting the Sherman County Huskies.

The top two place finishers at this tournament enter the state quarter-final playoffs at sites yet to be determined. The winner of the Heppner-Sherman County contest

will be seeded number one from the CBC and will host that quarter-final playoff contest. The loser of that contest will play the winner of the Weston-McEwen-Riverside game slated for 6:15 p.m. for the number two spot in the state playoffs. That game will be played Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Admission prices to the CBC tournament are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students with student body cards.

## Veterans memorial hosted at John Day

Grant County will host the touring replica of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Wall, Marshall Goldsmith, Director of the Strawberry Mountain Center for Human Development in John Day announced recently. The Salute will be a five-day tribute to honor Vietnam Veterans, their families and friends, scheduled from October 23 until October 27. The display begins at 6 a.m. at the Grant County Fairgrounds on October 23, with an opening ceremony at noon. Then, on

October 25 a 24-hour vigil begins to honor those lives lost in Vietnam, with viewing and reading of the Veterans' names. A parade is scheduled at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26 including drum and bugle corps. A 5 p.m. banquet will be followed by a reunion for all Vietnam Veterans.

The Salute is jointly sponsored by the Strawberry Mountain Center for Human Development, the Vietnam Veterans of Oregon Memorial Fund (who will receive donations to the

Salute to benefit the living memorial park fund) and the Ellis Tracy VFW Post No. 77.

Military units from the Northwest, including the National Guard, will camp in the area. John Day residents will help in this effort by planning to provide daily homemade soup meals, opening their homes to visitors, and donating campers and trailers for use during the week of the Salute. Recreational vehicles will be accommodated at the Fairgrounds for overnight camping.



## Teddy Bears Picnic

Teddy bears were the theme of the hour 10-11 a.m., Friday, Oct. 18, when twenty children brought teddy

bears, ate a teddy bear cake, saw a teddy bear puppet show, heard a teddy bear story and participated in a teddy bear picnic at the Teddy

Bear Day Care Center in Heppner operated by Nancy Welborn and Marcia Kemp. Cake was brought by Marie Lane.