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Sifting through the Times

10 Years Ago

A faulty muffler triggered a string of events here Saturday that landed two young men in jail charged with driving with suspended driver's license, cow-killing, and growing marijuana.

"Why aren't more criminals going to jail?" The answer is money - or rather, the lack of money. "This lack of funds inhibits law enforcement and the courts," said District Attorney Dennis Doherty. "It doesn't make for the best in law enforcement and the dispensation of justice when both the lawmen and the courts know that in some instances the amount of justice to be meted out depends largely upon how much money is left in the budget." He said this results in plea bargaining (reducing a charge in exchange for a plea of guilty.)

25 Years Ago

In a telephone conversation yesterday afternoon, Frank M. Weatherford, representative from the 22nd District, told the Gazette-Times, "The state of Oregon today received an application from Boeing Airplane Company for a long-term lease on the 100,000 acre Boardman Space-Age Industrial Park in Morrow County." According to Weatherford, the lease application results from negotiations between Boeing and the State Department of Planning and Development. He termed it one of Oregon's most significant industrial developments in recent years. Spec-State Water Resources Board, will discuss a proposed underground would place Oregon solidly into the space age.

Quinton Bowman, Salem, of the State Water Resources Board, will discuss a proposed underground water study of the county at a meeting of the water resources committee Tuesday at the county agent's office.

Heppner Police Report

The Heppner Police Dept. reports handling the following business during the past week:

January 27: 6:35 p.m. - welfare check.

January 28: 12:30 - report of Down Line on Gilmore Street.

January 29: 12:30 - request officer for Security Check; 4:40 p.m. - report of Theft.

January 30: 8:11 a.m. - Driving Award given; 8:20 Driving Award given; 8:37 a.m. - Traffic Accident citation issued for Failure to Yield; 9:10 a.m. - assist Morrow County Sheriff's Office; 1:25 p.m. - motorist assist; 3:38 p.m. - Business alarm.

January 31: 4 p.m. - report of Burglary and Criminal Mischief; 8 p.m. - warrant arrest; 9:45 p.m. assist Morrow County Sheriff's Office.

February 2: 23:30 a.m. - assist citizen and ambulance; 12:55 a.m. assist Morrow County Sheriff's Office; 2:20 a.m. - assist citizens; 2:51 p.m. - warrant arrest; 8:35 p.m. - report of suspect fighting; 12:55 p.m. request officer for Security Check.

50 Years Ago

February 15, a week from Saturday, has been set as the date for the special city election to vote on the proposition of issuing \$7,000 in bonds for improvement of the water system. PWA has passed favorable on the project, and with passage of the bonds, will supply the remaining \$5,727 of the total \$12,727 cost of the project. All legally qualified city voters, whether or not they are taxpayers, are privileged to vote. City Attorney Nys has ruled.

The first annual meeting of the Lexington Erosion Control district was held on Thursday, January 20 at Lexington grange hall. Wheat farmers from all over the county were invited to attend and over 80 wheat growers were present at the meeting.

Painful injuries were received by Miss Jessie French and Miss Dol Morgan when the flying toboggan on which they were riding Sunday evening jumped twenty feet out of the track and collided with the parked automobile of Lowell Turner. Spectators, including a large number of young people, enjoying winter sports on the golf course hillside, estimated the speed of the toboggan at between 60 and 70 miles an hour.

The impact, resulting in many cuts and bruises to Miss French and a double fracture of Miss Morgan's arm, made large dents in the car radiator and fenders. Marvin Morgan, riding in front, and Al Massey, riding in the rear on the toboggan, escaped injury.

The young ladies were taken immediately to a doctor's office where they were given first aid, and both are reported on the mend with no serious complications. Miss French was unconscious until after her wounds were treated. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.A. French, and Miss Morgan the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Morgan.

Correction

A portion of the letter which was included in the front page article, "Nelson resigns from Board," in last week's Gazette-Times was not printed correctly. The letter explains that Keith Nelson is resigning from the Morrow County School Board because he is moving from the county.

A line was omitted from the second paragraph of the letter. The correct second paragraph is printed below. The Gazette-Times regrets the error.

It has been a great experience to serve on the board and I thank the tax payers for their confidence in my ability to represent them. The school district has numerous problems facing it in the coming years, but with continued support from the people I'm sure these problems can and will be solved. We have been a very united board and I have gained personally by being associated with all the board members as well as the many administrators and teachers. I'm convinced Morrow County has one of the best school systems in the state.

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office reports handling or dispatching the following business during the past week:

January 25: 5:20 p.m. - a Boardman ambulance transported a male with an injury from the Navy Bombing Range Headquarters to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

January 28: 8:26 a.m. - the Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report from A & K Railroad Materials of the theft of railroad ties taken from behind Circle K in Boardman. Value so far is estimated at \$6,000.

10:52 a.m. - The Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report from KLM Leasing, Boardman of the theft of 600 gallons of gasoline. Diesel was also taken from equipment parked in yard. Value unknown; 2:13 p.m. - the Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report from an Irrigon resident of the theft of a wood stove, a pipe, and swamp cooler of unknown value.

January 29: 10:04 a.m. - the Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report from Morrow County Grain Growers, Lexington, of the theft of a grain auger motor from a ranch in Lexington. Value is \$1,200.

January 31: 4:48 - the Heppner Police Dept. received a report of Burglary and Criminal Mischief. Extensive damage was done to furniture at a house broken into sometime between January 28 and 31.

February 1: 12:42 a.m. - a Morrow County Sheriff's Deputy arrested Oscar Morales for allegedly Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants. He was lodged at the Umatilla Police Dept.

February 2: 12:02 a.m. - Pioneer Memorial Hospital ambulance was dispatched to the Mike Lynch residence and transported Bryce Powell who had suffered an injury to Pioneer Memorial Hospital. He was later transported by an ambulance to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston; 1 a.m. - a Morrow County Sheriff's Deputy arrested Duane Anthony Epping, 22, Heppner, on a Heppner Justice Court warrant for Operating a Motor Vehicle in a Road Closure Area.

February 3: 8:28 a.m. - the Heppner Police Dept. responded to a two-vehicle, no injury accident on Church Street.

February 4: 11 a.m. - a Morrow County Sheriff's Deputy is investigating a report of a Burglary at the KLM Leasing Company in Boardman. The office was broken into and ransacked, unknown value of damage.

D.A.'s Report

The Morrow County District Attorney's Office reports handling the following business during the past week:

Clyde Eugene Pettey, 32, Boardman, entered a plea of Not Guilty before Judge Ralph Currin on January 31 of two counts of Burglary I, and two counts of Theft I.

Chuck Walsingham, 24, Heppner was found not guilty of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants at an appeal trial in Circuit Court before Judge Jack Olsen.

Lawrence John Cerullo, 33, Heppner changed his plea to Guilty of one count of Rape III before Judge Jack Olsen, Tuesday, Jan. 28. Four other counts of Rape III were dismissed. Sentencing is set for March 7.

Justice Court Report

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

Randall Dean Wright, Salem-No Fire Extinguisher, \$30 fine.

Thomas Lee Troxell, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed (65 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$17 fine.

Daniel Richard Ocaio, Heppner-Expired Operator License, \$9 fine.

Vernon Edward Cecil, Spray-No PUC Permit, \$30 fine.

Dale Owen Smith, Long Creek-Insufficient No. of Log Binders, \$26 fine.

Kieth Papineau, Lexington-two counts of Negotiating a Bad Check, \$287 fine and 30 days in jail with \$150 of the fine and the 30 days in jail suspended on the condition that he be fingerprinted, pay all fines and fees, and make restitution by February 20.

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Obituaries

Don D. Allstot

Private burial for Don D. Allstot was held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hermiston Cemetery. A memorial service for the family and friends began at noon Friday at Hope Presbyterian Church in Stanfield.

Don D. Allstot, 67, died Monday, Jan. 27 at the Walla Walla Veterans Hospital. He was born Sept. 13, 1918 at Eightmile near Heppner.

He married Alma E. Laird June 15, 1940. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy. He received a medical discharge from the U.S. Navy Hospital, Sun Valley Idaho in 1945.

Allstot was a member of Hope Presbyterian Church at Stanfield. The Disabled American Veterans, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He is survived by his wife Alma Allstot of Hermiston; two daughters Joann Paolozzi temporarily living in Cambridge, England, and Judith K. Allstot of Bend; one brother, Otis, of Stanfield; Three sisters Doris Spencer of Meridian, Idaho, June Meek of Portland, and Tressie Wilcox of Hermiston; and four grandchildren.

Contributions may be made to a memorial fund at Hope Presbyterian Church or to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Nellie Kruger

Funeral services were held at Sherwood Funeral Chapel, January 29, 1986 for Nellie (Wright) Kruger who died January 25, 1986 at her home in Sherwood.

She was born May 31, 1898 at Hardinan. Her husband Fred Kruger, preceded her in death in 1977.

Mr. and Mrs. Kruger lived on the Anson Wright ranch for several years before moving back to Sherwood. Nellie was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include one son, Jerry, of Fairbanks, Alaska; two daughters, Jill Cline, Bellevue, Washington, and Jackie Harbick, Sherwood; seven grandchildren and two great grand-children plus several nieces and nephews. Burial was at Pleasant View Cemetery, Sherwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wright, Mrs. Walter Wright of Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. Don Anderson, Arlington, and Mr. and Mrs. Marc Brown of Hermiston attended the funeral.

Hospital Notes

Dorothy Estberg, Heppner was admitted to Pioneer Memorial Hospital January 28 and discharged January 30.

Marriage licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner issued a marriage license during the past week to:

Jack Lawrence Anderson, 29, and Bobbie Jean Brower Marcus, 26, both of Boardman.

Correction (Editor's Note)

If you see someone walking around Heppner with egg on her face this week, it's probably the Gazette-Times editor. Last week's issue contained two errors on the front page because I violated the No. 1 rule of news reporting: check and double check the facts.

The first error appeared in the lead front page story, "Two from lone file for Judge." The story says that Louis Carlson graduated from Oregon State University. His wife, Betty, called to say that he had not graduated, but did attend OSU for two years. She was right; the form I got the information from listed the schools he attended but did not say that he graduated.

Error number two is a little farther down on the front page, "Gov. offices close Feb. 3." Now, I thought it was a little strange Thursday when the Forest Service called to ask me why they were going to be closed, but when the post office called Friday to assure us that they would be open because people had been worried about the arrival of their social security checks, I knew I'd done it again.

Last week, I called City Hall and City Administrator Marshall Lovgren said that City Hall would be closed Monday. A notice on the bulletin board at the courthouse informed everyone that county offices would also be closed. A news release on my desk, from Oregon State Dept. of Human Resources says that all state offices will be closed Feb. 3 because it had been declared a holiday.

But that's not good enough. I forgot to call the post office to check

before arbitrarily "giving" all federal employees a holiday.

My sincere apologies for any inconvenience my failure to get all the facts may have caused. I can only promise that we will try to avoid such errors in the future. The Gazette Times makes every effort to be as accurate as possible in presenting the news to you, our valued readers.

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