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Weather

by the City of Heppner

March 18-24

	High	Low	Precip
Tues.	56	31	.00
Wed.	55	32	.00
Thurs.	61	36	.00
Fri.	57	31	.00
Sat.	56	35	.00
Sun.	50	38	.32
Mon.	55	30	.00

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Transfer of prisoners said legal

Richard Glenn McCauley and John Krebs were not held illegally at the Benton County Jail, says U.S. Magistrate William M. Dale in a decision in favor of the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and against plaintiff McCauley.

The plaintiff contended that he had been transferred against his will from his home at the Oregon State Penitentiary in Salem to a jail at Kennewick, Washington, prior to his appearance at criminal proceedings in Morrow County, and that because he was not formally extradited, his rights were violated.

The magistrate said that the interstate agreement applies only to facilitate the transfer of a pretrial detainee from the state where he is housed to a different state where charges await him.

In the case of McCauley and Krebs, the stay at Benton County was not a "term of imprisonment" but merely a transfer of a duly convicted prison inmate from a jail in one state to a jail in another state

which does not violate his right to due process. A prison inmate has no justifiable expectation he will be incarcerated in any particular state. McCauley was found guilty at a jury trial and Krebs pleaded guilty to the May 29, 1985 robbery of the lone Branch of the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

The plaintiff still has the option of appealing the magistrate's decision.

Business Seminar set

A special seminar will be offered in Hermiston during April for persons contemplating starting a business in the home by the Small Business Development Center of Blue Mountain Community College.

The seminar will feature four evening classes which will cover: Feasibility Analysis, April 9; Basic Books and Records, April 16; Selling and Distribution Networks, April 23; and Taxes and Reports, April 30.

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Ribbon cutting officially opens new building

From left: Norm Goetze Assoc. Director of Extension, Morrow County Judge Don McElligott, building owners Howard and Jo Pettyjohn, and Don Thompson state executive director of A.S.C.S. cut ribbon at the Grand Openings of the new office building. Judge McElligott

told the participants that it was appropriate that the "Extension Service is in the middle of all this because these organizations (S.C.S., S.W.C.D., A.S.C.S., and Extension) have made us. Without them the County could have been a desert."

Friendship runners needed

Thirty-five runners are needed April 26 from 7 a.m. to noon to each run one mile of the distance from Umatilla to Boardman to connect with other runners carrying friendship letters from west coast towns.

Mayors of Boardman, Irrigon and Heppner have said that they will send Friendship letters to the Expo. The letters will be placed in a balloon received from runners at Umatilla and continue along I-84 to a point west of Boardman where the runners will deliver the letters to runners coming north on I-5 carrying more letters from mayors and chambers of commerce to be delivered to the Expo.

Runners who would like to participate in the run may call either Boardman City Hall 481-9252 or Irrigon City Hall 922-3047 and leave their names and telephone numbers.

Friendship Run Organizers Rick and Susan McNerny will return the call and make necessary arrangements for the run.



Voters sign in

Board member Garnett Huddleston (seated at left) registers voters of combined Heppner-Hardman pre-

inct. Margaret Evans marks precinct books and Janice Cutsforth tears off ballot stubs.

Retirement party honors Center Co-ordinator

By Justine Weatherford

On Thursday, March 20, between 1 and 6 p.m., more than 80 friends were joined by two of her daughters and their families in honoring Pat Brindle at the Heppner Neighborhood Center where she will work her final day on Monday, March 31. Since word of her coming retirement was circulated, Pat has received many cards, letters and telephone calls which keep coming. The retirement party was arranged by Neola Mackey and other volunteers and friends of the center.

Pat Brindle began her work there when the center was formed in 1967 and will have been its coordinator for 18 years and 7 months. She is leaving because of health problems which began when she severely injured her back in a horse riding accident in 1957. She has suffered through many surgeries and constant medical treatments through the years until she was finally persuaded to give up her work this spring.

Under Pat's leadership, the group of volunteers she enlisted and trained, have helped many hundreds of individuals and families who have

needed emergency food, clothing and encouragement during the years. Each Christmas they have stimulated community assistance in seeing that needy county families were given special supplies and holiday cheer.

Pat Brindle began and supervised a large number of special programs such as the Thursday Afternoon Crafts Group, the WIC (Women, Infants, and Children), AFS (Adult and Family Services), GED (General Educational Development), OFS (Oregon Food Share) and the USDA Food Program (the cheese give-away). She carried on firewood gathering and distribution and the weatherization programs for a number of years and has supervised the Fuel Assistance plan. In 1985 she was responsible for organizing and bringing the Block Home system here. She has been responsible for job training and counseling numbers of young people each summer (Handy Helpers). She has also assisted in making arrangements for various community groups, such as TOPS, to use the center for meetings.

Pat (DeLange) Brindle is a native of Spokane where she was graduated from Mary Cliff High School and where her two sisters still live. She attended nursing school before her

marriage and later decided to gain training in the field of Gerontology. In 1973 she was given a significant adult training award by Soroptimist International which helped her finance classes at BMCC, Portland State and Eastern Oregon State. As a result of her studies she qualified for a special certificate in Gerontology.

Pat's three daughters are Jacquelyn Myers who with her husband, Co. Myers, USMC, and four children lives in San Francisco; Anne Neistadt, who with husband Barney and their three children lives in Pendleton; and Jennifer Wade and husband Ernie and their two children who live at Boardman. The Neistadt and Wade families attended Pat's retirement party.

Future plans for Pat include more time for rest and recreation, which will undoubtedly be shared with her daughters and their families. Pat says after 32 years of residence, Heppner is her home and she plans to stay right here.

Another Pat, Pat Scott, from Itines, has been named as the new Neighborhood Center Coordinator. She is moving to Heppner where she will share a home with her sister, Faye Seitz. Pat Scott will work with Pat Brindle the first three days of the last full week of March and will take charge of the center on Tuesday, April 1.

Soroptimists organize charter

A follow up meeting was held Thursday, March 20, concerning the proposed formation of a Soroptimist Club in North Morrow County. 27 persons were present at Irrigon City Hall, 17 of whom were prospective members.

The purpose of the meeting was to select a name for the new club, elect charter officers, and set a charter date.

Because of the geographical location of Boardman and Irrigon and the number of prospective members present from both areas, the possibility of two separate clubs was discussed.

Comet watchers report sightings

Comet watchers from both Heppner Hill and Jordan Butte report sighting the Halley's comet during the past week. The comet appears as a faint blob near the horizon of the southeast sky just to the left of the "teapot" handle in Sagittarius. You have to know where to look and be at a high elevation without interfering light to find it, members of both groups report.

The lone group first tried to locate the comet during a November snowstorm about midnight. At first, "we weren't even sure it was the comet, it faded in and out and we thought it was because that was where the comet was supposed to be," said veteran comet watcher Deena Hams.

The tail has become brighter now, but is more diffuse as seen in last week's early morning sky. If the head of the comet is at the center of the view of 7x50 binoculars, the tail will extend to the edge of the viewing area, said Peter Longway-Vince, one of the organizers of the lone group. It is possible to see the comet with the naked eye, but you have to know where to look, he said. It is much easier to find the comet with binoculars and then look for it without them.

"It's been an experience of a lifetime, and I'm glad to have had a

chance to see it," said Hams who is planning to accompany the group on its next attempt to view the famous comet in late April. It will be less bright by then, but we hope to have more people come see the comet not because of how bright it is (or isn't), but because of its historic value, and because it's a "neat thing to do," said Longway-Vince. There are many other things to see in the sky also. The group has observed nebula, constellations, meteors, and will observe the lunar eclipse on April 24.

A group from Heppner met with clouds Tuesday morning, but managed to just glimpse the comet. Duane Neiffer, a spokesperson for the group said that he was surprised to see so many cars coming up the hill the next morning although they hadn't advertised that they would be there. They found the comet which he described as "not as bright as they expected," but the group of close to 60 people ranging in age from three years on up was also treated to a look at Mars and Saturn's rings through a 12" telescope belonging to Pat Struthers whom Neiffer has dubbed the "Astronomer Royal of Heppner."

The comet will be closer on April 11, but not any brighter, said Neif-

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March 25 Special Election	Boardman		Irrigon		lone		Lexington		Heppner-Hardman		Totals	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
School District \$6,180,808 Operating Levy	216	118	123	213	148	79	45	94	200	382	732	886
Morrow County \$2,568,731 Operating Levy	218	131	127	222	168	86	59	96	265	365	837	900
Pioneer Memorial Hospital \$381,694 Operating Levy	94	255	70	278	187	67	92	63	481	151	924	814
City of Heppner \$25,309 Operating Levy									210	255		
School Board Director-at-large												
Mary Lou Carlson	235		156		38		17		127		570	
Regina K. Coles	3		9		6		8		7		33	
Joe McElligott	40		42		150		29		85		346	
Burke O'Brien	14		28		11		45		106		204	
Frank Pearson	27		43		33		40		260		403	
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