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Appreciates Elks appreciation

To the Editor:
On May 9, I was privileged to be present at the Elks for an evening of recognition and appreciation to our young people of both Ione and Heppner for excelling in sports and academics. This must be very encouraging for both teachers and students. We must thank our Elks for the awards and scholarships they present to our students each year. The dinner for over 200 people was lovely as usual, also the Mothers

Day Special recognition was beautifully presented by the Members of the Elks. The poetry was read so eloquently by the officers and the Music played by Ken Turner were songs we all so well remembered and were very appropriate.

Thank you Elks for a lovely evening enjoyed by both Young and old.
Sincerely
(s) Irene Swanson

Nominate Ed Fadeley for governor

To the Editor:
Well, Oregon voters on May 20, 1986 we face the game of truth or consequence in the nomination of governor for the State of Oregon. The truth is do we nominate Ed Fadeley a people's nominee who truly will represent the people of Oregon or do we pay the consequence by nominating pro-sales tax and - big money candidates Neil Goldschmidt and Norma Paulus.

ing to worry about a sales tax being thrown at us every time we turn around.

For years we have had Governors elected here in Oregon who were backed by the big money and the big corporations that have raped the working class of people in wages, jobs, benefits and left them hopelessly frustrated and taken away their dignity and self respect.

So people, please open your eyes as it's very plain to see that the big money and corporations once again will try to force themselves on us. And it won't only effect the working class it will be the senior citizens, unemployed, farmer, etc. Let's do it right this time, let's nominate Ed Fadeley in May and elect him Governor in November.

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John S. Kilkenny family prepares for Pioneer Picnic



By Justine Weatherford

The Irish of Morrow County constituted a considerable segment of its population around the turn of the century. One of the outstanding leaders of this group was John Sheridan Kilkenny, then age 20, who arrived in Heppner in May, 1890, with James Carty, another leader of the Gaelic invasion. With the assistance of their established friend William Hughes, they obtained a band of sheep and set up headquarters in Lower Sand Hollow. In 1898, John married Rose Ann Curran Farley in the first marriage in the newly built St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner.

ranch with headquarters on Hinton Creek. John had already acquired a substantial herd of cattle and then enlarged his sheep holding to approximately 10,000 head of breeding ewes.

In 1917, John married Lottie Russell from Condon, and to this union were born Ilene, Colleen and Robert Joseph.

During the height of his operation in the 1920's, John had under his control over 40,000 acres of land which he owned, leased, or held under Forest Service permits. After spring lambing the sheep expanded from 14 to 17 bands with a like number of herders and untold numbers of dogs. Total employees during the lambing season would reach 40 to 50 men. Regular lambing camps were established at Hinton Creek, the Thompson Camp, Butter Creek, Mud Springs, Sand Hollow, Bowman Ranch and the Blacksmith Shop. John would visit and supervise all of these camps, sometimes on a daily basis.

John's industry was prodigious. Throughout his life he arose between 5 and 5:30 a.m. He drove his workmen and children and did not spare himself. "His impatience with the indolent was matched only by his patience with the willing performer." He was always interested in the controversial issues of the day and delighted in arguing about them.

In 1938, he developed a growth on his left jaw. This turned into a malignancy and he was placed in St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton in the fall of 1939. With the left side of his jaw completely gone, he went to his God in the presence of most of his family on November 29, 1939, almost fifty years after he first set his feet on the soil of Morrow County which he had grown to dearly love.

The descendants of John Sheridan Kilkenny and his wives Rose Ann and Lottie are in charge of the arrangements for the 1986 Memorial Weekend Picnic at the Morrow County Fairgrounds on Sunday, May 25. More information will be published in next week's newspaper.

Obituary

Esta D. (Miller) Smith

Esta D. Smith, a retired high school teacher of history, died recently in a Portland area care center at age 83.

Interment was at Odd Fellows Cemetery in The Dalles.

A native of The Dalles, she taught history and international relations, mainly at Oakridge and Heppner high schools. She taught for a year during World War II at the old Hill Military Academy on Rocky Butte in Northeast Portland. She also taught at Tigard and Beaverton high schools.

April 30, 1927 she married Austin Smith, who worked at the Heppner "Times".

The holders of a master's degree in education from Reed College, she was a member of Delta Gamma Society, Portland Women's Club and the Rebekah Lodge. At various times she held membership in the Oregon Historical Society, United Nations Association, National Retired Teachers Association, Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, Portland Sosis, the World Affairs Council and the Toastmistress Club.

Survivors include her husband, Austin of Portland; one daughter, Dorothy Vendshus of Tampa, Florida; a sister, Verla MacDonald of Portland; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Melbourne S. Boyer

A memorial service for "Mel" Boyer was held Tuesday, May 6 at the Lexington Airport.

Boyer, 59, died in Spokane on May 1, 1986, following a heart attack.

He was born Aug. 22, 1926 in Rushville, Nebraska, the son of Louis and Albie Boyer. The family moved to Parkdale, Ore., when he was a boy, and he graduated from high school there.

He enlisted in the Air Corps in 1944, in a pilot training program. In late 1945, he received his discharge.

On June 25, 1949, he married Anita Rice in Mosier.

Boyer worked as an agricultural pilot. He bought Gar Aviation at Lexington in 1961 and operated the company with his wife.

Survivors include his wife, Anita Boyer, at the home in Lexington; daughter Valerie Doherty, and son John Boyer, also of Lexington; his father Louis Boyer, in Hood River; sister Burdene Captain of Parkdale; and one granddaughter.

Boyer was a member of the Heppner Elks; the Ione Legion; the Lexington Grange; and the Heppner Lions.

He did amateur photography and painted in oils and acrylics as a hobby. He was also deeply interested in archaeology, and worked on a dig with a University of Oregon team at the Dirty Shame site in the Owyhee Basin.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Oregon Heart Fund.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's Office reports issuing marriage licenses to the following:

Jeffrey Keith Key, 21, Ione, and Jody Catherine Williams, 18, Portland;

Bruce Michael Pike, 27, and Debra Lee Talley, 28, both of Heppner; and

Frances Herbert Stubenrauch, 34, and Terri Germain, 35, both of Irrigon.

Hospital Notes

Pioneer Memorial Hospital reports admitting Harold Stevens, Heppner on May 8. He is still receiving care at the Hospital Monday.

Eastern Oregon Half-Marathon
Saturday, May 24, 8 a.m.

Near Service Creek Trading Post
Sponsored by Spray Recreation & Amusement Club, also sponsors of Spray Rodeo, May 24 & 25

\$8.50 with T-shirt by May 1
\$10.50 with T-shirt after May 1
\$5.00 without T-shirt by May 15
\$6.00 without T-shirt after May 15

For more information contact Brian & Donita Adams, Race Directors, Box 234, Spray, Oregon 97874 - 468-2356
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