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Letters to the Editor

Encourages letters to Senators

To the Editor:  
Why is Ted Kennedy leading the ultra liberal charge to stop the confirmation of the Supreme Court nominee Judge Bork? Kennedy and his ultra leftist Senate cohorts, including Senator Biden (who is chairman of the committee) are determined to stop Judge Bork.

The Liberals are afraid that Bork's vote in the Supreme Court might eliminate the sham of legal protection for smut and porno; might eliminate the absurd anti-discrimination laws that give special rights to homosexuals; might restore the right to pray in the public schools and put God back into school text books; might eliminate the Judicial nonsense that protects the criminals and weirdos.

For left groups and interest groups like N.O.W., E.R.A., A.C.L.U.N.E.A., National Abortion Rights League, and Norman Lear's "People For the American Way" (which is the opposite of

American tradition) who are backing Kennedy and his "club" with a million dollar campaign to keep Judge Bork from getting to the Supreme Court.

Surely the American people are not going to stand idly by and allow a Chappaquiddick personality to chip away the principals upon which our nation was founded.

Judge Bork realizes that the role of the court is not to legislate. It is to interpret the law-not make it.

Write letters to Senator De Concini, Senator Howell Heflin, Senator Specter, Pa. They are the swing votes: (Judiciary Comm, Dirksen Building, Rm. 224, Washington, D.C.).

Even if the committee made up of Democrats and six Republicans and rejects the nomination, the issue will be decided by the full Senate. Write your Senator (Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C.)

(s) Mary Hickey  
812 Beacon Drive  
Eugene, OR 97404

Princess appreciates county's support

To the Editor:  
I would like to thank the citizens of Morrow County for their support while I was a member of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court. That support meant a lot to me, and is what helped make our court a good one.

Being a member of the court has helped me become better able to ex-

press myself and has given me many fond memories. Memories such as arriving in Prineville only to discover that I had grabbed the wrong garment bag and didn't have my official outfit, or biting off more than I could chew (literally) in Spray and getting powdered sugar all over my face and clothes right before the parade. Seriously though, there were the times along a parade route when I got the chance to bring a little sunshine to someone's day by sharing a smile or a few words. Those are the memories I shall hold closest to my heart.

I'm glad I got the chance to represent you, the citizens of Morrow County and thank you for making it all possible.

Sincerely  
(s) Kathleen Brazell  
Princess, 1987 Morrow County Fair & Rodeo Court

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Packwood's blocking Bork nomination

To the Editor:  
I am compelled to write this letter...Senator Packwood, you have recently announced that you will vote against the placement of Judge Bork on the Supreme Court...that you will participate in a filibuster to block his placement on the Supreme Court. All because of protection of privacy rights which center on the murder of unborn babies...yes...murder.

In a recent letter read to the Columbia County Republican Central Committee you write...there is no question as to the qualifications of Judge Bork...then, what decides? You and many other people have become so complacent in this world today and have lost your sense of moral foundation. Where does it all stop? For someone's convenience, no matter what the situation is, an unborn baby is murdered. No one likes to think about it that way, but that is exactly what abortion is.

I am not a person that has always thought this way. I know all the arguments in favor. There seems to prevail, in society today, a schizophrenic mood. We fly deformed newborn babies many miles to perform remarkable operations to save their lives knowing that the results will probably be far less than perfect. How unpredictable we are...we debate the pros and cons of abortion and euthanasia.

In 1776, Thomas Jefferson said, "We hold these truths to be self-evident. That all men are created

equal, they are endowed with certain unalienable rights; among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Now, Senator Packwood, think about the baby's right to life. Think about the baby's rights to all these things.

Our souls are immortal and like it or not, you and I will be conscious beings throughout all eternity.

I ask you and all others...would you murder a newborn baby? If not, would you do it a minute before it was born, or a minute before that, or a minute before that, or a minute before that? At what minute can you or anyone else consider life to be worthless and the next minute so precious?

The life principle in the hippocratic oath has been abandoned by many. No all, but many in the medical-profession have seen fit to the interruption of unborn life in the womb and to the painless extermination of a waning life much as the veterinarian would put an ailing dog or cat to sleep.

Unless we get our ethics and moral values straightened out immediately, we will have a death selection committee that decides whether you will live or die. Who knows? Among their criteria for elimination may be Senators from Oregon.

Sympathetically,  
(s) Anita A. Clawson  
150 St. Helens St.  
St. Helens, Oregon 97051  
503-397-3192

Obituaries

**Berl Elmer Akers Jr.**  
Berl Akers Jr., 46, Chadron, Nebraska, died September 17 after a long battle with cancer.

He was born December 27, 1939 at Dr. McMurdo's hospital in Heppner to Margaret (Ely) and Berl Akers, Sr.

He received his education in the lone schools and graduated in 1958. He attended Pacific University for one year after which he was employed by the Conservation District at Heppner. He then signed with the Vista program and was sent to Arizona State for training and was then transferred to Pine Ridge, South Dakota where he was employed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs until 1978 after which he worked for the Department of Labor of South Dakota.

He married Nancy Bond February 19, 1966. She is employed by the U.S. Postal Service.

December 16, 1986 Berl had surgery and found that he was seriously ill with terminal cancer.

June 23, 1987 the Governor of South Dakota, George Mickelson, issued an Executive Proclamation proclaiming the day as Berl Akers Jr. day in South Dakota and honoring him with a retirement party.

Akers is survived by his wife, Nancy; daughters, Ramona, Ronda and Robin; son, Mike; stepson, Robert; one granddaughter and three step grandchildren; parents Margaret and Berl Sr. of Ione; brothers, Bob of Gresham; Bill of Portland; and sister, Bonnie Linnell of The Dalles, several nieces and nephews and aunts and uncles.

Interment was at Calvary Cemetery, Chadron, Nebraska.

Contributions for those who wish may be made to Berl Akers Memorial Fund, Stockman National Bank, Rushville, Nebraska, 69360 or in care of Berl Akers, Sr. Ione for Youth programs at Pine Ridge, South Dakota.

**Clarence Emery Coxen**  
Clarence Emery Coxen, 67, Honolulu, Hawaii, died September 27.

He graduated from Heppner High School where he was active in sports. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II. He worked for General Mills, then Crown Zellerbach, Corp.

He is survived by his wife, Marion at the home; one son Pete, of Hawaii; and a sister, Lola Candland of Hermiston.

Sheriff's Report

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

September 22-the Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to a Boardman residence. One juvenile male with an unknown illness was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

September 22-a deputy arrested Juan Zuniga Tachiquin, 34, Boardman, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/No Operator's License. He posted bail and was released.

September 22-a deputy arrested Alberto Varela Ruiz, 24, Boardman, on a Circuit Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving While Suspended. He posted bail and was released.

September 24-a deputy arrested David D. Hug, 28, Boardman, on a Morrow County warrant for Failure to Pay Fine on an original charge of Reckless Driving. He was taken directly to court and arraigned.

September 24-the sheriff's office investigated report of stolen bicycle valued at \$86 belonging to an Irrigon resident. Bicycle disappeared late Wednesday night or early Thursday morning.

September 24-a deputy responded to Hwy 207 at Willow Creek Junction to investigate complaint of a

traffic problem and a hazardous vehicle.

September 25-a deputy responded just west of Heppner Jct. to assist Oregon State Police locate and check seriousness of a grass fire reported to be in the median on I-84. The Arlington Fire Dept. responded.

September 26-a deputy responded to a local business in the Boardman area and investigated an unfamiliar vehicle with out-of-state license plates parked on private property.

September 26-a deputy responded to the Boardman area to attempt to locate a missing juvenile. The juvenile was returned, unharmed, to a residence in Heppner.

September 26-a deputy responded to Cutsforth Park to deliver an emergency message.

During the week of September 21-27, the sheriff's office assisted one disabled motorist.

Justice Court Report

Morrow County Justice Court at the Courthouse Annex reports conducting the following business during the past week:

Dennis Raymond Warren, Heppner-Offensive Littering, \$17 fine.

Donna Mae O'Neal, Heppner-Minor in Possession, \$77 fine.

Heppner Police Report

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

September 21: 7:32 p.m.-arrested one male (Felony warrant from Umatilla County).

September 24: 3:05 a.m.-officer requested for Welfare Check; 10 a.m.-took report of two NSF Checks; 11:33 p.m.-assist Sheriff's office.

September 25: 3:25 p.m.-citation issued for Disobeyed Stop Sign.

September 26: 12:12 a.m.-citation issued for Violation of the Basic Rule (50 mph in a 35 mph zone); 1:33 a.m.-arrested one female on a Hermiston Police Dept. warrant; 7:59 p.m.-parking citation issued, Parking on Wrong Side of Roadway.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

Dates to keep in mind during October:

Oct. 5-North Central Oregon Tourism Board Meeting Hermiston Chamber of Commerce-6:00 p.m.

Oct. 6-Heppner Chamber Business Meeting, Committee Reports, Tidewater Spokesperson.

Oct. 13-Heppner Chamber-Criminalist.

Oct. 14-North Central Oregon Tourism Meeting in Milton-Freewater.

Oct. 15-Downtown Focus Meeting-Extension Conference Rm 7:00. Open to anyone interested in Heppner's appearance.

Oct. 18-Oregon Chamber Executive Conference, Madras.

Oct. 27-Town and Country Planning Session, Ext. Conference Rm. 7:30 p.m.

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