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Letters to the Editor

Where's your interest lie?

To the Editor:

There was a meeting the evening of the 11th of February on the fate of our forest and water shedd's.

My wife and I were one of the first there. We wanted to show our support and to see what others thought. It was fairley well represented but we were a little disappointed. We will be at the 18th meeting.

1. Very few elected officials and public employees.
2. No financial representatives.
3. No press coverage, not even local.
4. Very few of the business

community.

If we don't conserve-Quit wasting and shipping out our timber and ruining our wildlife habitat and destroying our water shedd's we are all going to lose. Water shedd's should be looked at as we will only get this one chance.

Our community will survive but it is going to be just for a select few and they won't be able to pay for it all.

Let's not let the boom and buster's and get rich quick dictate.

(s) George and Virginia Stillman

Heppner Police Reporter

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

Feb. 8: 10: 56 a.m.-citation issued for No Operator License; Driving Uninsured, Failure to Change Registration.

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Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's office at the Courthouse reports dispatching the following business during the past week:

Feb. 10: Morrow County took a theft report at Lamb Weston. Taken were 3 two-way radios, brand Motorola. Value was \$1,540 each. Investigation is still underway.

Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to Lexington area to investigate a juvenile problem.

Feb. 11: Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to the Irrigon area to investigate a family disturbance. No further actions were taken.

Morrow County dispatched the Boardman Fire department to Desert Springs Estate #95 to a fire at a trailer. Fire was out before they arrived.

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Lexington Fire Department to a grass fire on Water Street in Lexington. Unknown amount of damage.

Feb. 12: Morrow County Sheriff's office investigated a report of a lost wallet in the Lexington area.

Feb. 14: Morrow County Sheriff's office investigated report of burglary in the lone area;

Morrow County Sheriff's office investigated report of Custodial Interference and Violation of a restraining order;

Morrow County Sheriff's office arrested David Boone Bennett, 43, Boardman, for Criminal Mischief, Assault IV, and Resisting Arrest.

Feb. 15: Morrow County Sheriff's office assisted one disabled motorist during the week of Feb. 14.

Neighborhood Center News

Frozen potatoes, donated by Simplot of Boardman, will be given away Friday, February 19 at the Neighborhood Center. This will begin at 12 noon and everyone is eligible. This is on a first-come first-serve basis.

Story time

Storytime this Thursday at the Heppner Public Library will be about "Illness and Owies". Kay Proctor will be storyteller. Stories begin at 10:30 a.m. and all children are welcome.

Meeting Change

Wheatland Pomona Grange Wheatland Grange Women's activities conference which was to have been held at lone Monday, February 22, has been postponed indefinitely due to the illness of Verla Larson, District Six chairman.

Obituaries

John Dee Watkins

John Dee Watkins was born July 5, 1918 at the family home on upper Willow Creek. He passed away Feb. 2 at John Day Hospital.

He was the son of Elisha and Amy (Cox) Watkins. His maternal grandfather F. Dee Cox was an early settler in this area. His grandfather John Watkins died in Heppner in 1904. He was named for both of these men.

John Dee attended school in Heppner and for many years worked on ranches in the area as did his father. In his earlier years he tended and rode race horses for Gerald Swaggart.

On October 23, 1956, he married Elma Hood Yoder and worked for the Cunningham Sheep Company in Pendleton. In 1978 they moved to Seneca where he resided until his death.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Leora Frances Watkins, 1927, and Charlotte Mathews, 1985.

He is survived by his wife Elma, one stepdaughter, Darlene Morris and one granddaughter Lori Jo; two sisters Elsie Stephens and Ada Hammons of Stanfield.

Graveside services were held at the Canyon City cemetery in Canyon City.

Ethel F.E. Wilcox

Ethel Fay Eskelson Wilcox, the daughter of Morrow County pioneers, died Sunday, Feb. 7, 1988, in Gresham at the age of 100.

The funeral was last Friday at Lincoln-Willamette Funeral Home at Portland, with private burial at Willamette National Cemetery.

Mrs. Wilcox was born Aug. 19, 1887, near Lexington. Her mother and father were county pioneers who homesteaded in the Lexington area. She grew up on a wheat ranch and married her high school teacher, Robert B. Wilcox, on Aug. 17, 1904. They were married 72 years until Robert's death in 1976.

She was active many years in 4-H and Home Extension, and in World War II served as a Red cross volunteer in the Hermiston hospital. After retirement, they moved to Ashland, where she was a licensed practical nurse and worked at the Ashland hospital.

They moved to Portland in 1956 and she worked as a Gray Lady at the Veterans Hospital in Portland.

Her children include Eva Brosten of Potlatch, Idaho; Charles Wilcox of Hermiston; Dorris Graves of Heppner; Claude Wilcox of Deer Harbor, Wash.; Lester Wilcox of Umatilla and Glen Wilcox of Portland. Mrs. Wilcox had 20 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and 22 great-great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Dougy Center for Children, 6941 S.E. Division St., Portland, 97206.

Izora Stingle

Izora Stingle, 91, of Heppner, died Friday, Feb. 12, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

A private graveside service was held Monday at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

She was born Jan. 9, 1897, at Mohawk, Tenn., daughter of Patrick and Martha Haun Wilkerson. She came to Oregon in 1916 and was married on April 16, 1916, to A.B. Vance. He died in 1929.

On April 11, 1944, she married

Vince Stingle. The couple lived in the Heppner area except for a short time spent in Arlington. Stingle worked for the railroad, retiring in 1959. That year they returned to Heppner. Stingle died in 1969.

Survivors include daughters, Beth Bryant, Lois Johnston, both of Heppner; and Birdine Tullis of lone; sisters, Mrs. Guy F. Noe and Arda Wilkerson and brother, Fuller Wilkerson, all in Tennessee; six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. A son, Arthur, died in 1975.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court at the Courthouse annex in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Johnny Thieme, Hermiston-Violation of the Basic Rule, 39 mph in a 25 mph zone, \$30 fine.

Randy Dean Randall, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$17 fine.

Pamela Kristine Dowdy, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$30 fine.

Fred William Pearson, Hermiston-Exceeding the Maximum Speed 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$30 fine.

Terry Wayne Lightle, Hermiston-Exceeding the Maximum Speed 74 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$30 fine.

George John Luciani, Echo-Exceeding the Maximum Speed 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$13 fine.

Fredrick Joseph Licurse, Pendleton-Exceeding the Maximum Speed 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$26 bail forfeited.

Russell Lee Rollis, Heppner-Failure to Drive Right Side of Centerline, \$31 bail forfeited.

Shelly Anelle Mann, Richland, WA-Exceeding the Maximum Speed 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$26 bail forfeited.

Earl F. Struckmeier, Heppner-Group Axle Overload, 1800 pounds, \$41 bail forfeited.

Donna Acock, Irrigon-Negotiating Bad Check, \$387 fine.

Hospital Report

Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner reports admitting and dispatching the following patients during the past few weeks:

Alice Anderson, Heppner-admitted Feb. 2; discharged Feb. 5; Kathleen Healy, Heppner-admitted Feb. 3; discharged Feb. 4;

Beth Clark-admitted Feb. 4; discharged Feb. 8;

Frank Bailey, Heppner-admitted Feb. 9; discharged Feb. 12;

Neoma Bailey, Heppner-admitted Feb. 9; discharged Feb. 15;

Audrey Aikman, Heppner-admitted Feb. 9; discharged Feb. 10;

Ken Marshall, Lexington-admitted Feb. 13; discharged Feb. 14.

Patients still receiving care as of press time Tuesday are:

Dee Crist, Heppner-admitted Feb. 1; and

Doris Ball, Heppner-admitted Feb. 10.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

Since Heppner Chamber goals hopefully speak for the entire community, I would like to share them with you. Chamber wishes to foster increased community support for the business and agricultural community through increased visibility and through affairs. They hope to do this by holding weekend cultural events, researching ways to get people more involved in community activities, and by conducting a major money making event for Chamber. Chamber also continues to support quality health services for the community, most recently by assisting with the doctor search. Support of quality, cost-effective county schools is of prime importance.

Heppner Chamber supports economic development through a) continued support of the hotel project, b) tourism, c) working toward completion of the Western Route Road and Patterson Ferry Road, d) promoting the Park District, e) continuation of Rail Service, f) exploring avenues for new jobs, and g) supporting development of industrial site in south Morrow.

To accomplish anything there must be good communication; therefore, it is the goal of Chamber to cooperate and communicate with city government, county government, HEDC, merchants committee, school district, ICABO, Boardman Chamber, Irrigon and the Port of Morrow.

Believing that community events are essential to the growth and pride of Heppner, Chamber supports St. Patrick's Day and Fair and Rodeo with time, talent and available finances.

Last, but by no means least, Chamber hopes to increase membership by at least 10% to enable the organization (your organization) to accomplish more for the future of the Heppner community and Morrow County. You're invited to be a part of this vital organization.

"Progress always involves risk; you can't steal second base and keep your foot on first."...Frederick

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Oregon Chief Bacon 1 lb. pkg. - Reg. 2.69 **\$1.95 ea.**

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