

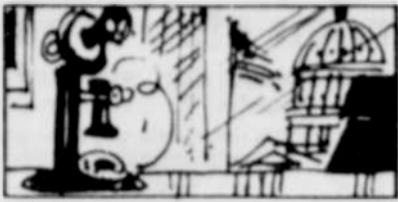
## BMCC Computerized shorthand class begins Aug. 1

"Computerized Shorthand" will be taught during a special two week course set to start August 1 at Blue Mountain Community College. The course builds on the traditional Gregg shorthand skills by the addition of computer technology. Students who successfully complete

the course, will be given an introduction to information processing as well as familiarity with shorthand, according to Mary Wolfgram, instructor.

Class meets from 6 to 10 p.m. at the college, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. It is a one-credit course and costs \$18. Interested participants may register by calling the college at 276-1260, ext. 290.

The course will be organized to provide instruction both to current users of shorthand as well as those who have had no shorthand experience.



Herbert Hoover was the first U.S. President to have a phone on his desk.

Property owners have been receiving letters from the City of Heppner requesting the cleanup of their yards and lots.

This is an effort to beautify the city, but most importantly to eliminate possible fire hazards.

Some owners received letters in mid-June and have already cleared their property. More letters will be going out during the next 10 days.

Those who wish may have their lots burned by the Heppner Volunteer Fire Department. Payment for this service will be received at City Hall. Costs will be determined by the Fire Department. Contact Forrest or Allen Burkenbine or Rusty Estes to make arrangements.

## OHSU honors Oregon Elks with highest award

The Oregon State Elks Association has been honored with the highest award given by the Oregon Health Sciences University with Heppner Elks Lodge No. 358 receiving special mention for their outstanding contributions during recent commencement ceremonies.

The university's highest honor, the Distinguished Service Award, recognizes exceptional service to the OHSU and praises the recipients' efforts to reaffirm the basic principles and standards that support the university.

This year, the award acknowledged outstanding efforts in the development of a new regional eye research and treatment center at OHSU. The new center will be the first in the nation to combine private, state and Veterans Administration eye programs in one building.

## Chances being sold on silver bracelet

Morrow County CattleWomen are selling chances on a beautiful silver bracelet fashioned especially for them by Kenny Hanson Silversmithing of The Dalles. The tickets sell for \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

The proceeds from this raffle will be used for the National Beef Cook-Off to be held in Portland in September of 1989 at the Red Lion, Lloyd Center.

One of the main speakers for this event will be Baxter Black, humorist, who many from Heppner have heard previously.

The CattleWomen will have a booth at the county fair and will sell tickets for the bracelet. Also, you may contact any of the CattleWomen to purchase your ticket, starting immediately.

The drawing will be held July 21 at the fair.

The bracelet is on display at Gardner's Men's Wear.

## Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

Gene Heiker from the Los Angeles area was a recent caller in lone and Heppner. He was enroute home from a visit with his aunt and uncle—Harriet and Bill Busby of Seattle, WA. He also visited his mother and husband Barbara and Eldon Gilbert.

Hilda Yocom and Dorothy Edwards recently motored to Spokane taking a daughter Debbie Jones and her daughters to their home there after a visit with the Yocom.

Hilda Yocom and daughter Marie Jones motored to Portland one day last week taking Mrs. Jack (Renee) Yocom and infant daughter to the plane, enroute to visit her family in Wyoming.

Bob and Luella Taylor were recent Baker callers where they visited their son and family, and visited the flea market in Sumpter.

Cecil and Delpha Jones motored to Union on Saturday taking Mr. Jones' sister Bonita Stitts where they all visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Miller. Mrs. Stitts is visiting her

daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crow in Hermiston.

The Garden Bugs met at the home of Phyllis Anderson for their July meeting. Plans were discussed for a fair booth, and the bulbs were ordered for the fall bulb sale. They talked over plans to decorate for the Morrow County Society Annual meeting in October. The next meeting is scheduled at the home of Ruth Robinson. Door prize was won by Kathy Tellechea. Those present were: Dorothy Burcham, Eula Bloodworth, Luella Taylor, Marie Steagall, Lois Allen, Kathy Tellechea, and the hostess.

Dick and Rich Ruhl are visiting with Dick's mother Faye Ruhl and helping with the harvest.

Steve Spiller of Portland has been visiting at the Faye Ruhl home.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Ross from Seattle are the proud parents of a baby boy, Joshua Eugene, weighing 9 lbs. 5 oz. born June 24. Grandparents are Skip and Jean Ruhl of Hermiston and great-grandmother is Faye Ruhl of Lexington.



Kids at the Heppner pool enjoy the hot summer days. Swimming lessons are now in progress at the pool.

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This has been a great year for barley. It stands head high in some field (and falls down in others). The wheat is looking very good as well.

So let's be proud of our harvest and bring some to fair this year. Save a sheaf for the "commercial crops" entry at fair.

The preparation of a wheat sheaf starts with collecting wheat stalks just before the kernels harden. They should be cut with scissors or a small hand scythe at ground level. Store and transport them while they are quite loose. Don't pack them tightly until they have dried well.

Peel the leaves off before assembling. To make mounting symmetrical, place each individual head alternately from right to left of the center head. Keep the back side flat so that the sheaf can be mounted on a flat wall. As the sheaf gets bigger always place the subsequent heads slightly below the previous ones. Don't crush the stems tightly near the heads. Let that area remain quite loose.

Continue to build until the sheaf has reached the proper size. Usually 30 or more heads are needed. (The Oregon State Fair requires sheaves to be at least 3 inches in diameter at the butt end). Tightly bind the stems about six or eight inches below the lowest heads. Use shipping tape or string. (The Oregon State Fair requires that sheaves be tied with string). Make one of two more similar bindings then cut the

straws off evenly two or three inches below the lower binding. If the heads have been properly dried you can make this cut with a sharp butcher knife or razor blade, otherwise you can use scissors, cutting only two or three at a time.

## Kronstad receives award

Warren Kronstad, Oregon State University professor of plant breeding and genetics, has received the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Distinguished Service Award, the highest honor given by the department.

Kronstad, best known for his work in developing new wheat varieties, was one of five agricultural research scientists to receive the award from Secretary of Agriculture Richard Lusk in ceremonies held in Washington, D.C., by the Cooperative State Research Service and the State Agricultural Experiment Station System.

He was cited particularly "for releasing the major Oregon wheat cultivars including 'Stephens', which occupies 77 percent of Oregon's acreage and for developing a 50-nation international wheat breeding network."

The OSU researcher has spent his career improving and providing a better understanding of the genetics of cereals crops, especially wheat. He has released six major wheat, two barley and two oat cultivars for domestic production. It is estimated that his work has increased the average yield of Oregon wheat production by about 50 percent.

Stephens represented a major breakthrough in breeding for durable

type disease resistance. It is the first major cultivar with resistance to root rot.

In November, Kronstad was named as holder of the nation's first endowed chair in wheat research. The chair was created through a fund-

raising effort led by representatives of Oregon's wheat industry. His genetic research work has brought more than \$9.5 million in competitive grants to OSU.

He also pioneered an effort to integrate breeding programs at 100 institutions in 50 nations, resulting in rapid wheat improvement in the United States and the world. Since joining the OSU faculty, Kronstad has taught more than 1,000 undergraduate students in crop science classes in addition to training about 70 graduate students.

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