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**Obituaries**

**William "Bill" Huddleston**

William N. "Bill" Huddleston was born March 2, 1906 in Othello, WA. He died Monday, August 8, at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston at the age of 82.

Bill moved with his family to Lone Rock when he was 2 years old. He was a stock rancher at Lone Rock for several years. He moved to Hermiston in 1953 and farmed in the Westland district at Hermiston with his son Tom for 23 years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Condon, the United Methodist Church at Hermiston, and a former member of the Westland Irrigation district board of directors. He was a former school board member at Lone Rock and he served as Grand Marshall of the Umatilla County Fair Parade several years ago.

Bill is survived by his wife, Callie of Hermiston; one son Tom Huddleston, Heppner; one daughter Billie Jean Waud of Ephrata, Wa.; two sisters, Sadie Parrish Lake Oswego; Eleanor DeBok Pilot Rock; twelve grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, August 12, 11 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Hermiston. Graveside services will follow at 3 p.m. in the Lone Rock cemetery at Lone Rock with the Condon Masonic Lodge officiating. For those who wish memorial contributions may be made to the United Methodist Church of Hermiston or the charity of their choice. Burns Mortuary Hermiston is in care of the arrangements.

**Katherine Bisbee**

Katherine Bisbee, 76, of Coos Bay, Or. died July 27, 1988.

The graveside service is scheduled for Saturday August 13, 1988 at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery at 10 a.m.

She was born in Heppner February 16, 1912, daughter of Louis E. Bisbee and Emeline Bisbee. She lived in Heppner for seven months.

Kay was a registered nurse and a school teacher. She taught school at Toledo, Newport, Waldport, Parkdale and Oregon City.

She had one brother Orren Bisbee (deceased). Her mother and father preceded her in death.

She was a very strong conservationist and was a life long member in "Nature Conservancy", Mazama Audubon and Northwest Steelheaders. She was also a member of Oregon Education Association and president of this organization at Lincoln City.

She was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Coos Bay. Survivors include several cousins of the Bisbee, Gilliam and Wright families.

Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner, is in charge of arrangements.

**Marilyn A. Rietmann**

The funeral for Marilyn A. Rietmann was Wednesday at the United Church of Christ in Lone. Concluding service and burial was at High View Cemetery in Lone.

Mrs. Rietmann, 54, a resident of Lone since 1955, died Sunday, Aug. 7, 1988 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

She was born Sept. 26, 1934 at Portland, daughter of Roy and Margaret Krebs Hurst. She was raised at Cecil and attended school at Arlington.

On Sept. 18, 1955, she married Bill J. Rietmann at Arlington.

She was an active member of the Lone United Church of Christ, serving as choir director, pianist and church treasurer. She also served as lone city treasurer for a number of years and was involved in numerous community and school projects.

Survivors include her husband at the home; sons, Mark E. of Heppner; Brian P. and Gregg A. both of Lone; mother Margaret Hurst of Arlington; sister Shirley Gill of Arlington; four grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the United Church of Christ Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 346, Lone, OR 97843 or the Oregon Cancer Society, 0330 S.W. Curry, Portland, OR 97201.

Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

**Births**

Sloan Dwight Keithley, a son, Sloan, was born July 25, 1988 to Jay and Kelly Jo Keithley of Heppner at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz.

Grandparents are Ginger and Vern Keithley, Heppner; Dick Rice, Heppner; and Carol Rice, Seattle, Wa.

Great-grandparents are Everett Keithley, Heppner and Evelyn Rice, Kelowna, B.C.

The baby joins one sister, Blair, 1 1/2, at home.

**Sheriff's Report**

August 1: Deputy investigated a theft that occurred at Custom Harvesting Farms located on Poleline road. Taken was a welder valued at \$2,200 and a welding regulator valued at \$200. Investigation is continuing.

August 2: Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to a family disturbance in the Irrigon area. No criminal action was taken.

Morrow County dispatched the Boardman ambulance to a residence to a report of person choking. No transport was made.

August 3: Morrow County Sheriff's office assisted Boardman Police department with the investigation of a two car accident in Boardman at the corner of Main and Wilson. Boardman ambulance was dispatched to the accident. One subject was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital.

Morrow County Sheriff's deputy received a report of a theft in the Irrigon area. Taken was an am/fm cassette and a Seiko watch. Value was unknown. Investigation is to continue.

August 4: Morrow County Sheriff's deputy arrested James Earl Gowan on Irrigon Justice warrant for Failure to Appear, Assault IV. Subject posted bail and was released.

Morrow County Sheriff's office assisted Boardman Police department with a report of an unwanted subject.

Morrow County Sheriff's office assisted Boardman Police department with citation and removal of unwanted subject from the Dodge City Inn.

August 5: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to assist Umatilla ambulance with a one-vehicle rollover accident on I-84. Boardman ambulance assisted at the scene. No transports were made.

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to Lamb-Weston for a subject with unknown injuries. Subject was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital.

Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to the Irrigon area to deliver an emergency message to a local resident.

August 6: Morrow County Sheriff's office began investigation of a reported attempted break-in at a Lexington business.

August 7: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman fire department to a report of a grass fire at the Wilson Trailer Park. The department was then called back due to the fire being out.

Morrow County Sheriff's office began investigation of a report of a stolen pig.

Morrow County Sheriff's office processed report of a possible break in in the Lone area.

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Heppner ambulance to report of a 46 year old male with an unknown illness. Subject was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

August 8: Morrow County Sheriff's office assisted two disabled motorists during the week of August 1-8.

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to Taggarres Farms to report of a 60 year old male with an unknown injury. Male was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital.

**Letters to the Editor**

**Cramer receives thanks for service on Water Resource Commission**

To the Editor:  
I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bill Cramer for his service on the Water Resource Commission.

Water is a very important issue for Eastern Oregon, and Mr. Cramer conducted himself in a manner that we can all be proud of.

I am on the Water Policy Committee, and therefore, I receive all of the minutes from the Water Resource Commission's meetings. Bill Cramer's water philosophy and knowledge cast him in a minority position on the Commission. Despite this, he handled that position with courage and did make a difference for water users in Eastern Oregon.

It is important that we in Eastern Oregon continue to have this kind of representation on the Water Resource Commission. For this

reason, I called a meeting with Governor Goldschmidt to discuss and ensure such an appointment to fill the vacancy. I am pleased that Cliff Bentz of Ontario has been appointed to this seat on the Commission. I strongly believe that he will represent us well, and will be a very capable and enthusiastic voice for Eastern Oregon.

We need more people like Bill Cramer and Cliff Bentz who are willing to serve on important state commissions, boards, and committees.

I thank Bill Cramer for his service to Oregon, and congratulate Cliff Bentz on his appointment.

Sincerely,  
(s) Eugene "Gene" D. Timms  
State Senator  
District #30

**People needed to man State Fair booth**

To the Editor:

Dear friends of Morrow County, Once again we plan to put a booth representing Morrow County in the Oregon State Fair, August 26 to September 5. We are looking for people who can help to man the booth any of those days between 9 a.m. and 10 p.m.

We feel that having people there to answer questions and chat with thousands of fair visitors will be a "plus" for Morrow County. If you can help, please call 676-9435 to give your name and hours you can come.

Thank you sincerely,  
(s) Jane Rawlins

**Forest service tour is timely**

To the Editor:

The Forest Service is conducting a tour of Forest Management practices, emphasizing recreation, tourism and watershed, this Saturday, August 13, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Heppner Forest Service Office.

This meeting is a timely and vital opportunity for the owners of the forest, the public, to exercise their legal rights to help develop stewardship and policy for the management of our National Forests. Congressional law requires public input and evidence that the public responses have been considered and implemented when possible.

The Umatilla National Forest provides timber for our local wood products industry, our tourist, recrea-

tion/hunting industry, our vital watershed, our wildlife and aquatic life and range for our cattle industry. A fair, just and equitable management policy would insure vital timber resources for all of our local industries in perpetuity. Our forest laws and statutes require that all forest resources are maintained and conserved for all generations.

I urge our community to support our Forest Service as they endeavor to develop and implement our equitable forest management policy. This is a golden opportunity for our timber industry, elected officials, the Forest Service and the public to work together.

(s) Stuart Dick  
Lexington

**Aquifers and subterranean rivers not understood**

To the Editor:


When a high level Forest Service employee says that "the best thing you can do for a watershed is to cut it all down and pave it," he obviously does not know about aquifers and subterranean rivers. He does not understand the complex filtration system a forest plays in slowing down run-off and preventing erosion of our precious topsoil. He simply does not see that Heppner, Lexington and Lone and thousands of other towns across America draw their water from underground. If all the water runs down Willow and Rhea Creeks into the Columbia River in the middle of Spring, how can we draw it out of the ground in August and September? How can we even draw it out of the creek if all

the mountain springs dry up (which is the result of clearcutting and/or even-aged management)? Our high-level Forest Service representative does not sound very educated. Or maybe he just doesn't care.

Or maybe he wants to justify an allowable cut that is way too high for a semi-arid (almost desert) region. We are very lucky to have a forest in Morrow County. I cannot afford to travel to the Cascades or to the Willows to recreate. Can you? I think we had better fight to protect what we have. For ourselves. For our grandchildren's time.

(s) Susana Stillman  
Lexington

**Don't Pick on the Handicapped**



**AS I SEE IT**  
By Ed Glenn

I want you folks to know, right up front, that I have seen a psychiatrist. And he has certified my sanity. So what's the flap over the prospect that we may have a presidential candidate who is not certified sane by a competent psychiatrist? How could he be, he's never even seen one? What would we think about a presidential candidate who had never been to a dentist? Would the President then refuse to pick on a "snaggle tooth?" How about a candidate who had never consulted an auto mechanic? Would we refer to him as "old broken down?" Suppose the mass media reported our guy had never been to a barber. We'd dismiss him immediately as a "shaggy mane." And if he'd never sought help on his income tax return, we'd debate whether he was a cheater or a chump.

The fact is, all of us consult a whole variety of professionals and semi-professionals for a variety of reasons. Mostly to gain advice, sometimes to obtain a service. To do so, is not only acceptable, but considered prudent. Recent events, however, have cast doubt on the prudence of obtaining advice. Nancy Reagan has recently taken it on the chin for consulting an astrologer and Michael Dukakis has been smeared with the possibility that he consulted a psychiatrist.

We think the mass media spends so much time reporting the inconsequential things because they neither know nor understand the important things. We won't read a great deal about what either Dukakis or Bush will do if elected president. That would take some effort.

We will read a great deal about whether they've seen a psychiatrist or not, how they perspire on the campaign trail and what kind of cute little boys they were according to some 100 year old former next door neighbor.

My original hypothesis stands. We'll not be able to learn anything meaningful about either camp. Except their party. And that's all that really counts.

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