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### How's your Christmas?

To the Editor:  
Hope you can print this seasonal thought that I wrote:  
How's Your Christmas?  
A joy? A bore? A longed-for toy?  
Fun galore? A bustle of giving?  
Rounds of feasting?  
Christmas is everything and more.  
Store keeper's delight, Consumer's plight.  
An optical illusion, hours of confusion.

Trees, wreaths, poinsettias; and  
alas, wars and vendettas.  
Choirs, pageants, bells a-ringing  
Parades, floats, bands a-playing  
Homeless huddled near a grate,  
hungry, lonely, desolate.  
Above all, we remember a Family  
in Flight, no room at the Inn  
A star, a manger, angels in white.  
The birth of the Christ child, our  
Soul's healing light.

By Frances M. Smouse  
Ione, OR

### Update given on forest service plan

To the Editor:  
As 1988 draws to a close it seems appropriate to update the local public on where we're at with the forest plan. After the draft was published and comments received, I asked for help from the local public in developing a "preferred alternative" for the future management of the Heppner Ranger District.

In July and August we hosted a couple of field trips to view on the ground management activities. These field trips were well attended and provided the participants a chance to express their likes and dislikes as to how management activities were being conducted on the forest. A working committee was then formed to "roll up their sleeves" and address the issues and concerns expressed by the various interests. This committee consisted of a core group of volunteers representing the wood products industry; recreation; grazing; fish and wildlife; small woodlands owners; conservationists; the local business community; and county/local government. While this core committee was the working group, others attended the meetings and provided input to their representatives.

This committee met regularly from September 20 through November 7 to present their views

and preferences and to resolve differences. Early on it became obvious that everyone would not be able to have everything they wanted with respect to the future management of the Heppner Ranger District. Compromise was the name of the game and after several work sessions tentative agreement was reached contingent upon outputs projected from the Forest Service computer model. There are numerous changes from the draft plan resulting in reprogramming of much of the information input into the computer.

Since these outputs will not be available until early January, we have placed everything on hold until then. We now plan to meet the evening of January 17, 1989 to review these outputs and finalize the public recommendation for the future management of the Heppner Ranger District.

I will keep the local residents informed of our progress as we move towards adoption of the final plan and then into the implementation of that plan.

I want to thank everyone that has contributed their time and energy so far and would encourage them to stay involved and help us monitor activities as they develop under the new plan.

(s) Roger W. Williams  
District Ranger

### Justice Court Report

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

Wade Shelton West, Ione-Defective Equipment, \$13 fine;  
Charles Byler Huggins, Salem-Violation Road Closure, \$57 fine;  
Robert Dwight Baumgart, Jr. Klamath Falls-Defective Equipment, \$31 bail forfeited;

Shannon Gail Carder, North Bend-Truck Speeding, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$26 bail forfeited;

Lester Eugene Wallace, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone \$26 bail forfeited;

D. Craig Malvaney, Spray-No Vehicle License, \$13 fine;

Cindy Meacham, Boardman-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 74 mph in a 55 mph zone;

Jeffery Michael Rauch, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$42 fine;

Jack Allen Crook, Heppner-Failure to Comply with Requirements for Destruction of Vehicle, \$82 fine.

### Heppner Police Report

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

December 12: 2:34 p.m.-citation issued for Wrong Way on One Way; 8:50 p.m.-report of Criminal Mischief.

December 13: 6:17 p.m.-false alarm; 6:56 p.m.-request officer for Security Check; 10:08 p.m.-Found Property.

December 14: 6:45 a.m.-false alarm; 6:35 p.m.-Warrant Arrest.

December 15: 12:44 p.m.-assist Morrow County Sheriff Department; 1:14 p.m.-report of Theft.

December 16: 11:22 a.m.-assist Morrow County Sheriff Department; 11:49 p.m. two citations issued on Minor in Possession.

December 17: 1:07 a.m.-report of Liquor Violation.

December 18: 4 p.m.-report of Missing Dog.

We Will Be Closed Dec. 26 & 27 For Inventory

Greetings to All

'Tis the season to say "thanks, friends."

The Country Rose  
676-9426 233 N. Main Heppner

### Peace on Earth



As the magical time of Christmas approaches, we have a strong wish for Peace. A state of tranquility; brother treating brother as a brother; families and neighbors and friends together, happy, content. Peace. The antithesis of war; freedom from strife, controversy and conflict.

Our wish extends to the Middle East where war really does dominate, people die, families are torn, strife and conflict rules the entire lives of so many.

And to Northern Ireland, South Africa and Central America. Even though US and Soviet relations are better now than for years, much of the world is at war. The worst kind of war. Neighbors fight neighbors and friends fight friends.

It is our wish that Peace could permeate these areas of the world.

But our wish also extends to our own friends and neighbors. Our schools are at war, teachers and the district are in conflict for want of a contract. Our wish is that peace should come, and soon, so that all concerned can get on with educating our children.

Our Port District is in turmoil. A major tenant, Lamb-Weston, has cut back hourly employment to a third, in part because of high sewer and water rates. The voters have rejected tax revenues to help lower them and in the midst of it all, the Port Manager has resigned. May peace come to the Port.

Our friends in Irrigon have rejected a tax levy that would have put them in the top twenty of 260 cities in Oregon. Consequently, the street lights have been turned off, the police laid off and city government literally closed down. May peace come to our own neighbors in Irrigon.

The county, its Medical Board and St. Anthony Hospital have had some difficulties. The Planning Commission has recently wrestled with its role, or lack of it, in developing an Economic Development Strategy.

It is our wish, in the coming year, that all these folks are able to hear and consider other points of view and that all of us approach our problems with a plan for solution that takes into account the needs and wants of our neighbors. If we work hard at it, Peace will come.

### Letters to the Editor

#### Do you know these people?

To the Editor:  
Do you know these people?  
They always have time to:  
Give a hug, wipe a nose, find an extra pair of gloves, say no to inappropriate behavior, comb the hair and tidy the clothing for pictures, listen when a child just needs to talk, make English, math, science and economics exciting, identify talents in music, photography, speech, shop, drama, etc., encourage a child to be the best he/she can be each day.  
Are you aware that this is happening to your child, or grandchild each day that you send him/her to our schools under the supervision of Morrow County Teachers?  
Your child leaves the classroom each day a little wiser in reading,

writing and arithmetic and with the knowledge of their own self worth.  
That hug in the third grade when your child could not do one thing right, did make a difference.

What a Christmas gift to let a teacher know that he/she did make or is making a difference in your child's life.

If you haven't jotted a note to your child's classroom teacher yet this year, Christmas is a great time to communicate that you appreciate their part in helping your child become a responsible leader of tomorrow.

Merry Christmas  
(s) Louis and Betty Carlson  
Heppner

#### Lack of communication breeds crisis

To the Editor:  
Communication leads to solutions. Lack of communication compounded by miscommunication currently breeds a crisis in the Morrow County School District.

I am a public school teacher in Morrow County. Every day I must communicate with other teachers, parents and administrators. Every day I must communicate with over a hundred and fifty young students. If I communicate poorly, unfairly, or inaccurately, my world becomes chaos. Poor communication leads to failure. An assignment fails. Expectations meet disappointment. Resentment brews.

Currently, the Board of Directors of the Morrow County School District courts chaos, failure and resentment by deciding to not communicate with teachers. They refuse to negotiate, apparently believing that the community supports such a stance.

I am one of many who reject the

notion that our citizens have this manner of poor judgement. Our citizens support Morrow County Schools. I am writing to encourage these people to let their feelings be known, to encourage communication.

Let the Board of Directors know your thoughts and feelings. They need to know they are making a mistake about your judgement regarding public education. I have included a list of board members and their telephone numbers. Give them a quick call, especially if the last time you communicated with them was through the polls. Don't make the same mistake they are making. Communicate.

Dwayne Carroll, 567-5767; Bill Doherty 989-8409; Joe Stevens 481-7113; Jerry McElligott 422-7567; Marcia Kemp 989-8178; Bob Mahoney 676-5876; Julie Ashbeck, 376-8302.

Sincerely  
(s) John Colvett  
Irrigon, OR

**The Adventures of Grazelda & Clem...**  
(After Hours)

Grazelda Cackled: "Hey, Clem, Here it is Christmas Day and my cupboard is bare. What are you going to fix us for Christmas Dinner?"

Clem Squealed: "Hey Grazelda, Let's have turkey and all the trimmings, pumpkin pie and chocolate cake, OK?"

Grazelda Thundered: "Clem, I don't think so, cause I want my favorite stuff for Christmas Day. So you jet on down to **Millers' Mini-Mart and Chevron** and pick us up some Capt'n Crunch, sardines, popcorn, honey and applesauce cause Millers' will be open from seven in the morning till seven at night on Christmas Day!"

When it comes to customers, we couldn't ask for a nicer bunch than you. Thanks and have a Merry Christmas.

From Cliff, Cindy Raelene & Peggy

**Coast to Coast**

### Hospital Notes

Pioneer Memorial Hospital reports admitting and discharging the following patients during the past week:

Claudia Dooney, admitted Dec. 9, discharged Dec. 13;  
Francis Orwick, admitted Dec. 10, discharged Dec. 12;

Katherine Spears, admitted Dec. 11, discharged Dec. 16;

Sara Grief, Lexington-admitted Dec. 12, discharged Dec. 12;

Neva Matteson, Heppner-admitted Dec. 13, discharged Dec. 15;

Archie Cox, admitted Dec. 13, discharged Dec. 15.

Patients discharged were:  
Miffin Devin, discharged Dec. 10; and Cora Mildred Padberg, discharged Dec. 14.

Patients still receiving care as of press time were:  
Virginia Keithley, Heppner-admitted Dec. 15; and Dale Mitchell, admitted Dec. 16.

### Births

Quinn Emerson Peck, a son Quinn, was born December 12, 1988 to Dennis and Debbie Peck of Heppner at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 12 ozs.

Grandparents are Ray and Millie Shade, Irrigon and Lyle and Virginia Peck, Heppner.

**O Holy Child**  
Sincere Christmas thoughts to all, along with our thanks for your continued good faith.

**Dobyns Pest Control**  
John, Jean, Jim, Judy, Chuck, Cathy

**Court Street Market**  
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WHERE YOUR DOLLAR MAKES MORE CENTS

Fresh, crisp Celery	29¢ lb.
Green Onions & Radishes	4 bunches 99¢
Bulk Carrots	29¢ lb.
Dry Yellow Onions	4 lbs. \$1.00
Baker Potatoes	4 lbs. for \$1.00
Red Emperor Grapes	45¢ lb.
Sirloin Tip Roast	\$1.99 lb.
Boneless Shoulder Pork Roast	\$1.19 lb.
Bar-S Extra Lean Whole Ham	\$1.89 lb.
Western Family Frozen Tater Tots 2 lb. bag	\$1.29 ea.
Western Family Green Beans 16 oz.	2 for 89¢
Star Kist oil or water pack Tuna 6 1/2 oz.	79¢ ea.

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