

### Auto Parts installs new hose maker



Mike Bunch, owner of Heppner Auto Parts, demonstrates operation of new high pressure hydraulic hose making machine he recently installed.

The new machine makes four-braid hoses which have a capacity of 4,000 psi, twice that of conventional two-braid hoses.

Heppner Auto Parts will still make the two-braid hoses, Bunch says, when lower pressure applications are needed.

### FFA goes to leadership camp

The Heppner Future Farmers of America Chapter and advisor went to the Eastern Oregon, Blue Mountain District Leadership Camp on Oct. 15 and 16 in Cove. Scott Coe, Howard Bridenback, Mike Gorman,

Jenny Martin and Paul Ritter who attended the camp not only got to meet the state officers and learn leadership skills, but also played games, had a trivia contest and went to a dance.

## Fillies make short work of Tigers

By Scott Johnston  
The Heppner Fillies made short work of the visiting Stanfield Tigers, Tuesday, Oct. 17, as they beat the Tigers in two games, 15-2, 15-10.

The Fillies dominated in the first game. Jennifer Martin served for 10 straight points to lead Heppner to victory. The Fillies won the first game easily, 15-2.

The second game was closer as the two teams battled rally after rally, but the outcome was the same, a Fil-

ly victory.  
Coach Terri Gentry was pleased with the Fillies performance. "We played our game," she stated. "We were offense a lot and attacked every chance we had."

The Fillies serving was a big key to the victory as they served 43 percent on the evening, which coach Gentry said she thought was great.

The victory moved the Fillies one step closer to the district tournament, which they are fighting very hard for.

### Appeal filed on timber sale

October 13 Oregon Natural Resources Council (ONRC), based in Eugene, filed a notice of appeal on the decision made by the Umatilla National Forest Supervisor on September 1, 1989 to offer four timber sales, including the Indian Sale on the Heppner Ranger District. Appellants request a stay of all further action on the sales.

Major issues cited by ONRC include: offering sales in roadless areas, violation of National Environmental Policy Act requirements concerning cumulative impacts, not

fully complying with provisions of the Historic Preservation Act, not complying with regulations regarding threatened and endangered, and sensitive species, and others.

Total sale volume of the four sales is 22.1 million board feet. Of the total 6.1 million board feet are scheduled for sale in fiscal year 1990 and the remainder is scheduled for sale in 1993-94.

As Deciding Officer, the Forest Supervisor has 30 days to respond to this appeal.

### Let's talk turkey; don't wash poultry

Directions for preparing poultry often advise consumers to wash the raw bird first. Is this good advice? Are there any risks?

This practice is not based on research. It probably began when families killed and dressed their own poultry. "Recent experiments have found that washing does not significantly reduce the number of microorganisms on the skin," says Margy Woodburn, Department Head for Foods and Nutrition at Oregon State University.

However, washing raw poultry does increase the chance of contaminating sinks, faucets, and

counter surfaces as well as the preparer's own hands. Since there is no benefit for washing ready-to-cook poultry and there is the risk of cross-contamination, it is the OSU recommendation to discontinue the practice of washing raw poultry.

To reduce the potential for cross-contamination, Woodburn suggests putting poultry packaging materials directly into the garbage container, cleaning any drips on work surfaces immediately, use only paper towels and plastic cutting boards, and thoroughly washing and then sanitizing, utensils and work surfaces after preparation.

## Heppner Ponies lose big one to Umatilla



Casey O'Brien tries to escape Umatilla tacklers.

By Rick Koffler

The Heppner Ponies played their biggest game of the year on October 19 in Umatilla. The Ponies had not won an away game all year. Unfortunately that streak stayed alive.

The Ponies scored first on a one-yard run to go up 6-0. Umatilla did the rest of the scoring. The score at

half time was 13-6 in favor of Umatilla. Heppner couldn't get their offense going in the second half and Umatilla's offense really clicked. The final score of the game was Umatilla 27, Heppner 6.

Heppner's final football game will be held October 26 in Condon. Starting time for that game is 3 p.m.

### \$1.5 billion to be paid to CRP producers

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced Oct. 20 it will issue nearly \$1.5 billion in cash payments to approximately 300,000 producers participating in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).

Keith Bjerke, executive vice president of the USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation, said the annual rental payments are for contracts producers signed to place cropland in the CRP in 1986, 1987, 1988 and 1989.

Under the CRP, producers agree

to retire highly erodible and other eligible cropland from production for 10 years. In return, USDA contracts for annual rental payments to the producers and shares with them the cost of establishing an approved vegetative cover.

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