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## Trial set for cardlock foe

Trial has been set for Victor "Vic" Klinger, 38, owner of the Lexington Chevron service station, for Monday, May 7, at 9 a.m. at the Irrigon Justice Court.

Klinger was arrested Tuesday at 5 p.m. and cited for criminal trespass, a class C misdemeanor, when he photographed customers of Devin Oil, a Chevron wholesaler in Heppner.

Klinger says that he did not trespass on Devin Oil property, but was instead on Union Railroad property, when he took the photographs. "I was definitely on railroad property," said Klinger. "I think charges will be dropped."

Klinger, a longtime opponent of card-lock gasoline outlets, maintains that many customers of card-lock outlets in Morrow County are not commercial customers. A 39-year-old law bans self-service gasoline stations in Oregon, but a 1966 attorney general's opinion made an exception to the law, for commercial customers. "People in this state have vote on it (the self-serve ban) and I'm not going to back down an instant," he said.

"I've never agreed with self-service gas," he said, citing insurance increases and customer liability for fires caused by improper pumping.

Klinger says that because of the card-lock operations, "all of our (gas stations) volumes have been cut

in half. It's not right." He said that his activities concerning card-locks may have caused him to lose some customers, but not many. "Our gallonage dropped some, but not a lot."

A hearing has been set for May 4 in Pendleton concerning operation of card-locks. Klinger claims that Morrow County District Attorney Jeff Wallace will not act on evidence he has presented against Morrow County Grain Growers and Devin Oil, both of which have card-lock operations. "We've given him (Wallace) all the evidence he needs and he still will not take it before the

judge."

When contacted by the Gazette-Times Wallace said that he could not comment on a case pending. Dick Devin of Devin Oil also refused comment.

Oregon Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer ruled in March that only gas stations that do not sell to the general public are exempt from the state law banning self-service. An opinion had been requested from Frohnmayer's office by the state fire marshal's office, which is in the process of adopting rules about who may legally pump gas at card-lock stations.

## Fire Marshall sets cardlock hearing Fri.

The State Fire Marshall's Office has scheduled a May 4 public hearing in Pendleton on proposed regulations governing gasoline cardlocks, according to Morrow County District Attorney Jeff Wallace.

The hearing will be held 9 a.m. on May 4 at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton.

"The Fire Marshall's Office has drafted proposed administrative rules governing card locks following the issuance of an attorney general's

opinion this past March," says Wallace. "I have not had an opportunity to review the proposed rules, but should be receiving a copy in the next several days."

"I will also be scheduling a meeting with the local card lock operators, retail gasoline dealers and other interested parties in the near future to go over the attorney general's opinion and the proposed administrative rules," says Wallace. "I anticipate that will be within the next week to ten days."

## Dragos visit Washington, D.C.



Morrow County Sheriff Roy Drago (left) and his wife Gail, pose with vice president Dan Quail and his wife Marilyn (right), at a reception at the Quails' home in Washington, D.C.

Sheriff Drago attended a National Sheriff's Association convention in Washington, D.C. Feb. 21 through 24. The trip was funded through the Sheriff's Association.

At the reception at the Quails' home, Drago said the vice president discussed law enforcement with those in attendance. He said around 25 sheriffs were invited to the reception.

Sheriff Drago said the security was high at the Quails' home and

those entering the home were required to pass through a metal detector. The Dragos were treated to a tour of the Quails' home.

While back East, the Dragos were able to visit Arlington National Cemetery, the Lincoln Memorial, the Washington Monument, Ford's

## Switch causes power outage

A malfunctioning switch left an area from Bombing Range south to Hardman and from Chem Securities (about eight miles south of Arlington) to Lena without power Sunday night, April 29.

The outage, which lasted from 10:02 p.m. to 11:49 p.m., began

Theater and the house where Lincoln was taken after he was shot at the theater. They were also able to take a side trip to New York, where Roy grew up, and visited the Hard Rock Cafe and Times Square. "It was a fantastic trip," he said.

with a switch which had become dislodged. According to Columbia Basin Manager Fred Toombs, the switch began "arcing and self destructed." He said the power company had to shut down power while the switch was bypassed.

## Reas selected 1990 Conservation Farm

The Keith Rea family has been selected to receive this year's Conservation Farm of the Year award. Farming eight miles south of Ione, the Rea family has been practicing conservation since 1960. They have raised four boys on the farm in addition to their crops. Two of their children are in college and two are married. The Reas' have four grandchildren.

The Rea farm receives 10 to 12 inches of rainfall a year, and is in an area which traditionally has a crop/fallow rotation. It consists mostly of Ritzville silt loams, with some Mikalo silt loam soils as well. The chief erosion concern has been runoff during the winter, especially on frozen soils. Keith has converted the entire farm to a double summer fallow system. Of the 4500 acres of cropland on the farm, 1500 are in the Conservation Reserve Program, 2000 are lying fallow, and 1000 are producing wheat each year.

In order to reduce soil erosion, Keith has implemented a variety of practices. He leaves as much residue as possible (trashy fallow), and seeds very early, not later than September 15. He also has 4.3 miles in grass waterways and 6.2 miles of terraces in place. His conservation plan is unique in that it specifies a combination of residue and green cover. The farmhouse is protected by a windbreak planted in 1958, demonstrating a long-standing association with the Soil and Water Conservation District.

The heart of the farm is the Howton ranch—2000 acres of cropland and 300 acres of pasture. Keith gives a lot of credit for conservation to his father-in-law, Lloyd Howton. "Lloyd planted many of these old grass waterways. I learned a lot about conservation from him." Keith began working for his father-in-law in 1960. The Nolan place (1400 acres of cropland and 400 acres pasture) was included in 1965, and the Roberts ranch (1200 acres of cropland) was included in 1968. Keith has been farming the entire farm since 1970.

The Reas are an active family in



Keith and Judy Rea

the community as well. Longtime members of the Ione United Church of Christ, they also belong to the Willows Grange in Ione. Keith is a member of the Morrow County School District Transportation Committee, the Morrow County Grain Growers Board and the Oregon Wheat Growers League. Judy was chairman this year of the Ione Church auction, belongs to the Ione Community Agricultural Business Organization and is a member of the Willow Creek Parks Board.

"The Rea family is conservation minded and is practicing farming for the future. They are community minded as well, helping Ione and Morrow County to be the excellent town and county they are. It is families like the Reas that make rural Oregon an excellent place to live. They are an example of conservation farming at its best and fully deserve Morrow County's "Conservation Farm of the Year" award," said a spokesperson.

## County plans measles, revaccination

Morrow County will sponsor a revaccination program for eligible residents against measles (Rubeola) over the next several weeks according to Dr. Ed Berretta, Morrow County health officer.

Rubeola usually begins with cold-like symptoms, red and irritated eyes, and a dry hacky cough. These symptoms occur first, followed within a few days by a rash and high fever. The rash is red and blotchy, appearing first on the forehead and behind the ears and spreading rapidly to the face and trunk. Rubeola is very contagious in the early stages before the rash appears. Rubeola also called hard measles or red measles can have serious consequences. Most worrisome are pneumonia and encephalitis.

There have been no reported cases of measles in Morrow County, however there have been confirmed cases as nearby as Umatilla County. The Oregon State Health Division does not have the resources to administer second dose measles vac-

cine except to control outbreaks. The vaccine will be provided to Morrow County residents virtually at cost—approximately \$21 per dose.

Current recommendations by the American Academy of Family Physicians and the American Academy of Pediatrics are in concurrence with the Immunization Practice Advisory Committee of the Center for Disease Control, says Berretta. The new guidelines recommend routine second measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) immunizations for children ages 4-6. Formerly only an initial vaccination was recommended. In Oregon full implementation of second dose MMR in the public sector will depend on the future availability of additional federal funds.

A limited amount of state supplied second dose MMR is available and will be targeted at the following individuals:

- \* All previously unimmunized individuals;
- \* Close contacts of a documented (by the Health Department) measles

case.

The state also recommends the following individuals receive the measles vaccine, although state funds are not currently available:

- \* 12 year olds;
- \* Individuals born in 1957-1980 who have received one immunization or those who received the immunization before they were 15 months old;
- \* Foreign exchange students from this country before they begin their studies abroad;
- \* College students.

Eligible individuals seeking revaccination should call the Morrow County Health Department, 676-5421; or the Boardman Health Care Center, 481-7212, before May 18 to register so that the appropriate quantities of vaccine can be ordered. Those who will be receiving the vaccine are asked to bring their immunization record with them.

If you have questions concerning the measles vaccine you should contact Pat Wright, Morrow County health nurse, or your private physician.

## Auditions set for Jack and the Beanstalk

Auditions will be held for the Missoula Children's Theatre production of "Jack and the Beanstalk" on Monday, May 14, at Heppner High School cafeteria. Auditions are from 3:30 to 5:30. All those attending should plan to arrive at 3:30 and stay for the full two hours. Most of the youngsters cast in the production will be asked to stay for a rehearsal immediately following the audition.

Students K-12 are invited to audition. Interested adults may also audition. Roles to cast include Jack, the Magic Harp, Farmers and Merchants, the Giant, Magic Beans and some Circus Performers. Jack's Mother and the Magic Man will be played by the MCT tour actors. Technical aspects of the production will be handled by interested older

students (jr. high and high school), who will be student-directors.

The Missoula Children's Theatre touring productions are complete with costumes, scenery props and make-up. The actor-directors from the company will conduct rehearsals throughout the week following auditions. "Jack and the Beanstalk" will be presented on May 19 at the high school.

The Missoula Children's Theatre residency in Heppner is sponsored by the Morrow County Museum with support from the Lions Club, Heppner Parents Club, the artist-in-residence program, Toastmasters, the Soroptimists and local individuals.

For further information call Marsha Sweek, Morrow County Museum, 676-5524.

## Weather Report

by City of Heppner

April 23 - 30, 1990			
	High	Low	Prec
Tues.	60	40	T
Weds.	62	35	.05
Thurs.	56	43	.44
Fri.	52	35	.60
Sat.	54	36	.0
Sun.	55	32	.01
Mon.	62	39	.0
Total for month 1.28"			
Average for April 1.27"			

## Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, May 1		
Soft White		
May-Aug		\$3.60
Sept.		\$3.62/\$3.63
Barley		
May		\$107.50 T
June		\$108.50 T
July		\$107 T
Aug.		\$107 T
Pik		\$97 1/2

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