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Letters to the Editor

LCDC controls imposed on owners

To the Editor:

I am the owner of a 34-acre orchard in Pleasant Hill. In the 22 years I have owned it, it has proven impossible to make it profitable; in fact, it has lost many thousands of dollars until all efforts to make it succeed were abandoned in 1986. It is now reverting into a jungle.

We have been told by the land-use planning board that we cannot convert it to other uses and that it must stay as farmland. Can this really happen in the United States: citizens being deprived of the value and free

use of their property by the state of Oregon without compensation or concern? Surely this must be unconstitutional.

If the voters of the state see fit to impose on property owners the controls of LCDC, the least the state should do is either to buy property that the state will not allow owners to use at their best advantage or otherwise adequately compensate said owners.

(s) Mr. Louis W. Johnson
345 Palomino Drive
Eugene, OR 97401

Demand peace dividend

To the Editor:

Our public schools are in desperate need of adequate funds.

Property taxes on our homes are growing steadily more oppressive.

We must demand a peace dividend: a return of federal tax dollars which shouldn't be spent preparing for war.

For example, one Trident submarine costs \$1.8 billion. The Pentagon wants to build 15 more Tridents.

According to the "Oregon Blue Book," our public schools (kindergarten through high school) cost Oregon taxpayers \$1.6 billion

in the 1986-87 school year. It is widely recognized that the Cold War is over. Do we need more Trident submarines, each with 36 nuclear missiles, to protect us from a weakened Soviet Union?

I urge letters to the President, Congress, Oregon legislators and local officials claiming the peace dividend.

Here is where the money should come from to reduce Oregon's property tax burden and ensure an educated citizenry.

(s) Paul W. Orr
856 Highland NE
Salem, OR 97303

All Saints Church plans retreat

The All Saints Episcopal Church will have a parish family retreat Saturday, July 14, at Cutsforth Park, from 10 am to 4 pm.

Those who want to go up Friday night may bring their R.V.s or tents

or sleep in sleeping bags in the 4-H building.

For the noon meal the church will furnish hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. Those attending are asked to bring desserts or salads, chips, plates and utensils.

Sheriff's Report

The Sheriff's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports dispatching the following business during the past week:

July 3: Morrow County deputy responded to an Irrigon residence and began investigation of a reported telephone harassment;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the lone fire department to a fire in a structure on Hwy. 74;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Arlington ambulance to a rural residence on Hwy 74, seven miles north of Cecil. One 19 year old male was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital with an unknown illness;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Boardman area for a report of motorcycles on private property. Deputy was unable to locate anything upon his arrival.

Morrow County deputy responded to Browns' Truck Stop in Irrigon for a driving complaint report;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Condon fire department to a grass fire one mile north of Condon.

July 4: Morrow County deputy assisted a disabled vehicle in the Port of Morrow area;

Morrow County deputy responded to the lone cemetery to investigate a report of vandalism. Investigation is continuing;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Condon fire department to a report of a vehicle fire north of Condon;

Morrow County deputy responded to lone to investigate a report of belligerent citizens. Problem was resolved;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area to investigate a report of harassment. The problem was resolved;

Morrow County Sheriff's office arrested Alan Roberts, 28, of lone, on two Heppner Justice Court warrants for Reckless Driving and Attempt to Elude. Roberts was released and given a date to appear;

Morrow County deputy responded to a residence in the Boardman area to assist a person with an unknown illness. Problem was resolved;

Morrow County deputy responded to a residence in the Boardman area for a family dispute. The problem was resolved;

Morrow County deputy responded to lone to investigate a report of a neighborhood disturbance. The problem was resolved.

July 5: Morrow County deputy responded to Lexington to assist with a motor vehicle non-injury accident;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched Boardman fire department to a grass fire on 2nd near Columbia;

Morrow County deputy responded to a report of theft near Irrigon. Taken from Wallace Fredericks were log chain binders, cable come along and gasoline;

Morrow County deputy took a report of a diaper bag and a wallet lost during the fireworks in Irrigon.

July 6: Morrow County deputy assisted Oregon State Police with a semi motor vehicle accident on I-84. There were no injuries;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman fire and ambulance dept. to a field fire on NW Columbia;

Morrow County deputy responded to assist Heppner Police department with a neighborhood disturbance. Problem was resolved;

Morrow County deputy arrested Donald Ray Mills, 41, Irrigon, on a Klamath Falls warrant for Probation Violation. Mills was lodged at Benton County Jail.

July 7: Morrow County deputy arrested Vernon Douglas Sinclair, 40, Irrigon, for Assault IV and disorderly conduct. Sinclair was lodged at Benton County Jail;

Morrow County deputy located a motorcycle on Bombing Range;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a possible trespassing at the Weary Traveler.

July 8: Morrow County deputy responded to the Boardman area to assist with a neighborhood dispute. Problem was solved;

Morrow County deputy responded to a residence in Irrigon to assist with a juvenile problem. Investigation is continuing;

Morrow County deputy responded to a motor vehicle accident in Irrigon. Deputy arrested Martin Alvarado, 27 of California on charges of Driving Under the In-

fluence of Intoxicants, No Operators License and Driving Uninsured. Alvarado was released on his own recognizance.

During the week of July 2-9 Morrow County deputies assisted three disabled motorists.

July 9: Morrow County deputy responded to Clark's Canyon to a report of criminal mischief/theft. The Morrow County Road department reports that the value of items stolen and the damage was approximately \$950;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Boardman area to investigate a report of harassment. Problem was solved;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area to investigate a possible animal abuse problem. Investigation is continuing;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman fire department to a report of a fire on East Columbia in Boardman. Turned out to be a false alarm;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Heppner fire department to a field fire on Sand Hollow Road north of Heppner;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Lexington area to assist with a neighborhood disturbance. Problem was solved;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman, lone and Lexington fire departments to assist Boeing with a fire on Boeing's property;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Boardman area to investigate a report of a suspicious person. Report was unfounded;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area to assist with a neighborhood disturbance. Problem was solved.

Obituary

Michael G. Currin

Michael George Currin, 25, of Hermiston, died Monday, July 2, 1990, in an airplane accident on Mt. Rainier, Wash.

Recitation of the rosary was Friday, July 6, in the chapel at Burns Mortuary in Hermiston. Funeral mass was held at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Heppner, July 7. Burial was at the Heppner Cemetery.

Currin was born Dec. 2, 1964 at Pendleton to Ron and Judy Lazinka Currin. He grew up on the family ranch on Butter Creek and attended schools in Heppner. He received the scholar/top athlete award at Heppner High School.

He attended Blue Mountain Community College and earned a degree in history from Boise State University in May 1989. After graduation, he went to Alaska and worked on the oil spill clean up.

On Nov. 4, 1989, he was married to Judy Walchli at Hermiston.

He put himself through college on rodeo scholarships and competed in amateur rodeos before joining the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

He was named National College Steer Wrestling Champion, in 1984; was all-around champion at the Pendleton Round-Up and was Columbia River Circuit Steer Wrestling Champion, both in 1988.

He enjoyed hunting, studying history, basketball and anything competitive.

Survivors include his wife Judy Jean Walchli Currin of Hermiston; his parents, Ron and Judy Currin; brothers, Ron, Tony and Steve; sister, Jennifer Currin all of Heppner; grand mothers, Jennie Lazinka of Pendleton and Helen Currin of Heppner.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mike Currin Memorial Fund c/o First Interstate Bank in Pendleton to be used for the Pendleton Round-Up in memory of Mike Currin.

Burns Mortuary, Hermiston, was in charge of arrangements.

I Have A Plan



AS I SEE IT
By Ed Glenn

Not long ago I suggested it was time to make a plan for survival in the event the spotted owl shut down the forests. Well, that event has happened and still many folks are hopeful the forests won't really be shut down.

It's pretty plain that the political mood across the county has turned environmentalist. And that means preservation of the forests in their historic condition is a higher priority than living with the bounty that forest harvest can provide.

Yes, I know that sometimes people cut off their nose to spite their face. That may be exactly what's happening. Nevertheless it is, as I see it, a lost battle.

And there is another one that is nearly lost. Just as the spotted owl is endangered and the whole economy must be dismantled in order to save a lousy bird you can't even eat, we will soon be saving a fish that is distinguished only by whether his fin is clipped.

The latest game played by the eco-maniacs is the move to call the Snake River salmon endangered. Now understand that in order to make this latest shut-down work they can't get by with talking about Chinook salmon. There are about two million of them in the Columbia River and many, many millions more in just the rivers draining to the Pacific in North America.

To make any creditable claim that the Chinook salmon is endangered you have to get more specific than that. So the claim is that the "species" is the Spring Run Chinook that spawns naturally in the upper reaches of the Snake River. No matter that millions of them spawn in hatcheries, we're talking about the naturally spawning ones. "Wild" fish, distinguishable from hatchery fish only by the clipped fin.

Well, those folks will succeed too. They'll shut down the dams on the Columbia and Snake Rivers, they'll cut off irrigation water, they'll stop bare traffic and they may even turn off the drinking water.

But I have a plan. It may not help you folks much, but it will take care of me.

You see, I've been doing a little research into my own family tree and I've discovered that my great-grandfather's second cousin lived with an Indian woman most of his life. That makes me part Indian by common law marriage.

I have renounced my status as Anglo-Saxon, Protestant male and applied for membership in the Nez Perce tribe. I've been taking lessons in fishing with a drift net and how to churn the river with a 400-hp outboard. I eat my meat smoked and I'm learning how to dance.

As a back up plan, I'm learning how to make trail mix out of fruits and nuts and I've started to sleep on the bare ground. I just bought a new pair of hiking boots.

And it just occurred to me that my mother was a full blood female so that must make me a half breed. Maybe I can learn to bat left handed as well as right and hold my hand with a limp wrist.

I'm tired of being in the majority that has to step aside, and take a back seat to every crackpot deal that comes along and then pay the bill. I don't know what will happen when the majority becomes endangered itself, but in the meantime I'd rather switch than fight.

Heppner Police Report

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

July 2: 6:08 p.m.-Dog Complaint; 7:16 p.m.-report of Criminal Mischief; 7:39 p.m.-report of Child Abuse; 7:52 p.m.-Welfare Check; 9:02 p.m.-Welfare Check; 10:46 p.m.-Welfare Check.

July 3: 12:30 a.m.-Peace Officer Hold; 7:07 p.m.-Domestic Problem.

July 4: 12:01 p.m.-False Alarm; 9:28 p.m.-Accident; 4:04 p.m.-report of Theft.

July 5: 8:52-citation issued for No Operator's License, Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants, Driving While Uninsured; 1:40 p.m.-citation issued for Minor In Possession by Consumption.

July 6: 1:43-False Alarm; 2:30 p.m.-Children Services Division Hearing; 6:52 p.m.-assist Hospital; 9:20 p.m.-report of Disturbance.

July 7: 7:00-Funeral Escort; 2:42 p.m.-Motorist Assist; 3:48 p.m.-Warrant Arrest; 8:40 p.m.-Report of Careless Driving.

July 8: 10:11 p.m.-request officer for Security Check.

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