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## Letters to the Editor

### Rates out of line

To the Editor:  
My 10 year old son had a severe sore throat on July 3. I called the clinic, but it was closed. We doctored at home, but on Sunday I thought he needed to be seen. We went to the hospital and saw Dr. Wenberg in the emergency room. He administered a shot, took a culture, and gave us a couple days worth of Penicillin pills until the drug store opened. The bill was \$353.14.  
My second son, age 18, caught the same virus. He was seen at the clinic, and was given the same pills on Monday, July 6. We left on vacation to Washington, D.C. on July 8. He was not getting better. In fact was running a 103 fever in our hotel room in DC.

I called the house physician who came to our room about 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9. He administered a shot, pills, and a cough syrup. He charged \$175.00 for the visit and \$95 for the medicine. Total bill was \$270.

I believe the Heppner Memorial Hospital is out-of-line with their emergency room charges. We received excellent service to our hotel room in Washington, D.C. and it is still cheaper than going to our own rural hospital, which is subsidized by our taxes. I believe the charges need to be reviewed and made affordable for our community residents.

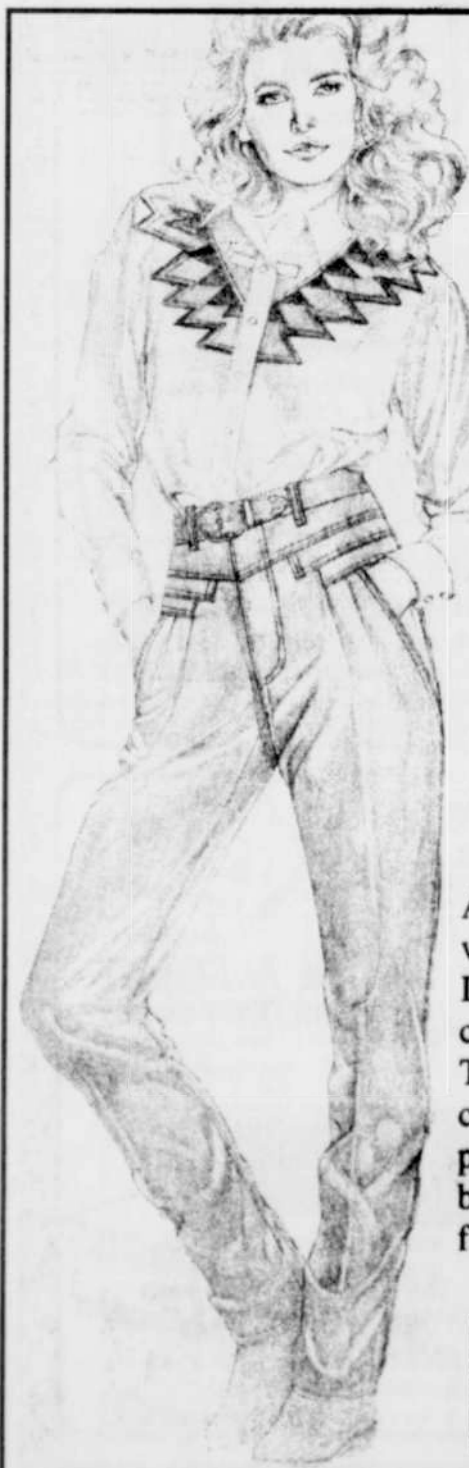
Sincerely,  
(s) Marlene Currin

### Wes Cooley supports local industry

To the Editor:  
There has been a concern expressed about originality in political statements and letters to editors recently. With the risk of misspelling and poor grammar, here goes an original effort.  
Wes Cooley is running against Wayne Fawbush for state senator in his district (SD28). With the constant change in congressional districts, Wes has been sleeping in the right district, our district. At issue for voters, I believe, is the value of raw material production in this district. Wes understands the value of supporting local industry that uses the natural resources in this heavy resource district.  
The concept that government can do everything best has resulted in more and more paper

work to comply with regulations. The legislators who feel state government must set the parameters, has resulted in more legislative bills that regulate and set up agencies to regulate. Now, with the shortage of state funds, these agencies are resorting to fines, penalties and fees to support their jobs. I feel there is a vast difference in the way Wes Cooley would deal with these issues as compared to Wayne Fawbush. Your vote for Wes Cooley will slow government intrusion into your life and help support and increase resource-based industry.

Sincerely,  
(s) Don Peterson  
Morrow County Campaign manager for Wes Cooley



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### Vote for Fawbush

To the Editor:  
Senator Wayne Fawbush claims to be a friend of Oregon's natural resource industries. His voting record indicates otherwise.  
During the last legislative session, Senator Fawbush voted for Senate Memorial Number One. This memorial, which was passed by the Senate, favored by Governor Roberts, but died in the House, was a formal Oregon message requesting that the U.S. Congress nullify the intent and effectiveness of the 1872 Mining Law by putting additional stringent controls and fees on all mining operations.

Had the U.S. Congress received and honored the request, the small mining industry, substantial part of Eastern Oregon's economy and heritage, would have been entirely destroyed. In other words, Senator Fawbush voted to destroy the mining industry, not just in Oregon, but in the entire United States. Senator,

### Slain guard honored

To the Editor:  
It was with much sadness that I read of the death of William Hall, the private security guard who was shot by an assailant in downtown Portland on August 22.

Bill was a former police officer for the City of Boardman, Oregon. He was also a student in criminal justice class I taught through Blue Mountain Community College. He was a personable, outgoing guy who enjoyed police work. He was the father of four.

It goes without saying that police officers put their lives on the line every day to protect the public. However, when a person you know and like is killed in the

we don't need that kind of help. Doing special favors for individuals or organizations within an industry does not qualify one as a friend of the industry. It is the overall voting record that provides a true indication of where a legislator's allegiance lies. Senator Fawbush has proven he is no friend of our mining industry.

The man who has challenged Senator Fawbush for his seat in the Senate is Wes Cooley. Mr. Cooley is a man of integrity who has had substantial experience in the natural resource industry. He believes in minimum government controls and less, much less, bureaucracy. In an effort to protect the mining industry and my way of life I will campaign and vote for Wes Cooley. I hope you will join me.

Sincerely,  
(s) Donald Coombes  
Mine Manager  
Baker City

line of duty, it is still a shock. Bill Hall died a hero's death. He died protecting a child from a gun-wielding assailant. From reported accounts, it appeared that he may have withheld firing at the assailant even though he had a clear shot.

On behalf of the law enforcement community of Morrow County, I would like to publicly express our condolences to his family and our gratitude for his exemplary conduct in saving the life of a child. We will honor his memory.

Yours very truly,  
(s) Jeff Wallace  
Morrow County District Attorney  
Heppner

### Correction

Daryl Vinson, Heppner, took the best of show in the antique car division with his 1925 Model T-Ford in the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Parade August 22. It was incorrectly stated in last week's Gazette-Times.

A photograph of the new Morrow County School District teachers was not identified in the Aug. 26 Gazette-Times.

Columbia Junior High School teachers are 1-r Marv House, math and science, Tonya Martin, music and Pat Furgerson, social studies and English.

The Lexington Baptist church will not hold services on Sunday Sept. 6. The date was listed as Sunday Sept. 5 in last week's G-T. The Gazette apologizes for the error.

### In the Service

Airman Richard A. Basford has graduated from the refrigeration and air conditioning course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Students were taught fundamentals of refrigeration and air conditioning to repair and service systems components, including compressors, condensers and evaporators.

He is the son of Allen Basford, Ione, and Shirley Basford, Lake Havasu City, Ariz.

His wife, Shannon is the daughter of Adam Perez of Heppner. The airman is a 1986 graduate of Ione High School.

### School's Open Again

School's open for another year. You can feel it in the air. These cool crisp mornings, the sun laying toward the southern sky, a hint of fall touching the vegetation across the land.

Those lazy days of summer are over when school boys idled by the old swimming hole. Now it's daily doubles, early school busses and girls. I remember those days. Summer was for fishing any day of the week, and working the hay fields.

Building baled hay stacks was my job. On my dad's farm and then at the neighbors' around. I had a stack pattern that made a good solid stack, one that wouldn't fall over. That was something a young man could take pride in back in those days. Now, baled hay is picked up with a machine, one with its own stack pattern that isn't near as good.

Football signals fall is here. Prospects of a state championship run high during early season practice. Parents and townfolk show up for daily doubles. There's excitement in the air. Fall was made for football. I played six-man football, a game nearly unheard of these days. Sometimes that was all the football players my little school could muster--six.

These days there are lots of sports at school. I like that. It gives everyone more and more chances to be proud of their children or grandchildren or their school in general.

School also means teachers and classes. In case you've missed it in the past, I have a soft spot for teachers. My mother was a teacher and I started attending school when I was three. We didn't even know about day care and pre-school in those days. I had my own little desk in the back of her third-grade classroom. My aunts and my sisters were teachers too.

And so is my wife. Classrooms and teachers make it possible to gain the knowledge that mere survival in this world requires. When I was a boy it was seldom that you ever heard about someone you knew who went on to college to be a doctor or lawyer or something like that. Now, nearly everyone has a far better education than most of us ever dreamed possible.

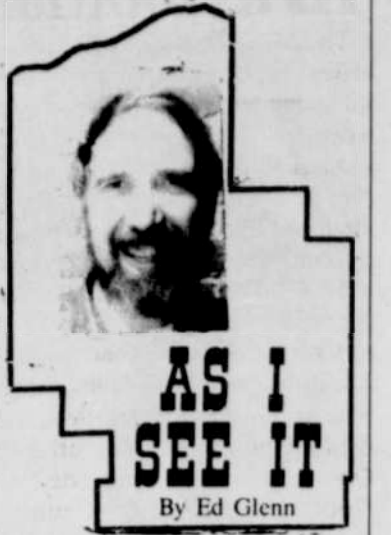
School buildings are really memorable places. At a school reunion this summer, I revisited my old school building. One two-story stone building that housed grades one through 12. It's the same building where both of my parents graduated. But my younger brothers and sister didn't because of school consolidation. That's a sad memory.

Few of us realize how much a school means to a community. More in a little town like the one where I grew up, less in a big city, but more than we realize anywhere.

School is open for another year and while I won't be there in person, I can't help but think of all the years I was. Some of those years are dim in my memory, but some are as vivid as yesterday. Thinking back about all the important times of my life, school had to be the very most significant.

School. That's the place we send our future. The place we entrust with our most important possession, our children. The place we meet our neighbors. The place we relive a bit of our own past.

We should all go back to school.



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- '2 fer' - Filet Mignon Dinner  
Complete 'Filet' Dinners '2 fer' \$15<sup>00</sup>
- Surf-N-Turf-Tiger Prawns & Filet Mignon  
8 oz. Filet and 'Tiger' Prawns \$14<sup>95</sup>
- 'Tiger' Prawn Dinner  
8 - 'Sautéed Prawns' \$10<sup>00</sup>  
\$7<sup>00</sup>
- Teriyaki Chicken  
Boneless Breast of Chicken  
Marinated in Teriyaki & Char Broiled  
Ladies Night September 3  
Dinner 6:30 p.m.

All dinners include: Soup, Salad, Choice of Potato & Special Dessert  
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5 lb. bag		Alpo Beef Chunk 14 oz.	
<b>Potatoes</b>	<b>99<sup>00</sup> ea.</b>	<b>Dog Food</b>	<b>55<sup>00</sup> ea.</b>
Large Size		Western Family 1.25 oz. Packets	
<b>Tomatoes</b>	<b>49<sup>00</sup> lb.</b>	<b>Taco Mix</b>	4 for <b>\$1<sup>00</sup></b>
<b>Fresh Broccoli</b>	<b>59<sup>00</sup> lb.</b>	Western Family 10-1 oz. packets	
Lean 3 lb. Chub		<b>Hot Cocoa Mix</b>	<b>99<sup>00</sup> ea.</b>
<b>Ground Beef</b>	<b>\$1<sup>29</sup> lb.</b>	12 pack cans reg. or diet	
<b>London Broil</b>	<b>\$2<sup>59</sup> lb.</b>	<b>Pepsi</b>	<b>\$3<sup>00</sup> +dep.</b>
<b>Top Round Steak</b>	<b>\$2<sup>59</sup> lb.</b>	Quaker packets - all varieties 12.5 oz.	
<b>Beef Rib Steak</b>	<b>\$3<sup>19</sup> lb.</b>	<b>Instant Oatmeal</b>	<b>\$2<sup>39</sup> ea.</b>
		Lays 6 1/4 oz.	
		<b>Potato Chips</b>	<b>\$1<sup>29</sup> ea.</b>
		Louis Rich bun size 16 oz.	
		<b>Hot Dogs</b>	<b>89<sup>00</sup> ea.</b>

Prices Good September 2nd through 8th  
Closed Monday, September 7th

