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Justice Court Report

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

James Edward Roy, 34, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$35 fine;
Robert Wade Eastep, 32, Monument-Open Container, whiskey, \$65 fine; No Oregon

Operator's License, \$75 fine; Possession of Falsely Applied for Resident Hunting License, \$230 fine;

Donald LeRoy Murphey, 30, Heppner-Failure to Notify Department of Motor Vehicle of Address Change, \$24 fine;
Kenneth Carl Wright, 46, Heppner-Expired Vehicle License, \$55 fine;
Craig Wesley Holzengel, 24, Beaverton-Failure to Wear Seat Belt, passenger, \$60 fine;
Gayle Scott Near, 44, Milwaukee-Permitting Unlawful

Operation of Vehicle, \$55 fine; Daryl Allen Harrison, 37, Albany-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine;

Carol Renee Porter, 25, Madras-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine;
Ralph C. Langston, 58, Clackamas-Allowing Operation of Unlicensed Vehicle, \$24 fine;
Colleen Joyce Campbell, 55, Hermiston-No Trailer License, \$25 fine;

Randell Bryan Vanderhoof, 29, Beavercreek-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$24 fine;

Donald Lee Moss, 54, Monmouth-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$35 fine;
Patrick Arnold Niemi, 29, Lake Oswego-Failure to Validate Elk Tag, \$65 fine;

Arthur Francis Randall, 48, Medford-Failure to Validate Big Game Tag, \$55 fine;
Yancey Steven Fall, 25, Prineville-Disobeyed Stop Sign, \$31 fine;

Richard Wayne Coe, 51, Gilchrist-Failure to Use Seat Belt, \$24 fine;

Jason Leslie Taylor, 24, Wilsonville-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 67 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine; Driving While Suspended, \$357 fine, \$200 fine suspended;

Tami Kay Rietmann, 31, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$35 fine;

Lewis Leslie Emerson, 57, Gresham-Operating ATV on Road, \$24 fine;

Walter Richard Chatfield, 45, Boring-Failure to Validate Elk Tag, \$60 fine;

Marvin Robert Padberg, 48, Ione-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 71 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine;

Kelley O'Brien Swarat, 24, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 72 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine;

Ron Grant Pearson, 49, Forest Grove-Inadequate Rearview Mirror, \$24 fine;

Richard Edwin Lile, 51, Portland-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$35 fine;

Roy Richard Skinner, 43, Central Point-Failure to Validate Big Game Tag, first season elk, \$55 fine;

Jerry D Leedv, 66, Springfield-Careless Driving, \$190 fine;

Karla Ann Waterland, 37, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 68 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine;

Cletus Jesse France, 60, Clackamas-Driving Without Headlights, \$35 fine;

Robert Martin Pardue, 32, Cascade Locks-Operating ATV on a Public Highway, \$24 fine.

James E. Burgess, 46, Weaverville-Taking Game Mammal Closed Season (buck deer), \$180;

Stacy Lee Wilson, 18, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$35 fine;

Bradley Thomas Cimmiyotti, 37, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine;

Joseph Clark Hanson, 29,

Tualatin-Failure to Dim Auxiliary Driving Lights, \$25 fine; Philip Glenn Bach, 35, Portland-Parking on Highway, \$24 fine;

Gerald Ray Angell, 41, Prineville-Driving Without Headlights, \$25 fine;

David Calvin Dockery, 28, Macdoel, CA.-No Trailer License, \$25 fine;

Scott Allan Richardson, 32, Spray-Driving Without Headlights, \$25 fine;

Thomas Charles McConnell, 29, Heppner-Aiding in Exceeding Bag Limit on Antlerless Deer, \$45 fine;

Scott William Rigdon, 18, Gresham-Minor In Possession, \$108 fine;

Frank Dee Halvorsen, 41, Ione-Failure to Drive Right (cut curve), \$24 fine;

Russel Gene Weber, 35, Hermiston-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$35 fine.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

Congratulations to the Heppner Mustangs from the Chamber of Commerce. We're proud of our team, their parents, the coaches and Heppner High School. This is yet another positive way that we "put Heppner on the map." Good work guys and best of luck Saturday at 1:30 in Parker Stadium, Corvallis.

Those who aren't able to travel to Corvallis will have to "tune in" after they attend the annual Christmas Artifactory at the Morrow County Fairgrounds, sponsored by the Soroptimist Club. A great opportunity to Christmas shop. Heppner stores will also be open Sundays until Christmas to give everyone the opportunity to shop locally and still have time for Christmas preparations at home without the wear and tear of travel.

December 13, children will have the opportunity to have Lunch with Santa at the Elks, a picture on Santa's knee and enjoy a video while their parents shop. Check next week's Gazette-Times for the particulars.

Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. the Bank of Eastern Oregon is the location for the next Town and Country planning meeting. It's time to nominate folks in Morrow County for the annual Chamber awards. Recipients will be honored January 13 during the Town and Country banquet.

Next week's chamber program will be Mary Reamer, CAPECO; and the option to sign on for the "one senator per county" idea. Remember, Chamber meets Wednesdays now.

Thought for the week: The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one comes from a strong will and the other from a strong won't.

Births

Kelsi Taylor Putman-a daughter Kelsi Taylor was born to Sandi and Jim Putman of Longview, WA. on November 19, 1992. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz.

Grandparents are Pat Wright, Lexington and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Putman, St. Helens.

Road Plan Needs Reworked



One morning a week or so ago, a cold blustery morning, I happened across a crew working for the Port of Morrow patching a chuckhole in Columbia Boulevard. Their asphalt was cold and they had to warm it with a torch. They had the traffic blocked off of one lane and with no flag man it was a free-for-all scramble to pass by.

The chuckhole was beat out of one of the many road cuts made to pass water, power, or sewer across the boulevard as industry after industry has expanded over the years. This particular crossing is right in the bottom of the lake that forms with every tiny rain storm because of inadequate drainage.

And no wonder there's a chuckhole. The county road counter ticked off 2500 vehicles per day past this point, in January when the traffic is the lightest. During potato harvest thousands and thousands of tons of potatoes pass this point to storage. That is in addition to the thousands of tons of onions, wheat, wood chips, logs and solid waste that go by every day. And the several hundred passenger cars full of workers.

Morrow County has a road plan, mapping out the major road projects for the next four years. The plan is to spend about \$1.5 million every year on major projects. That's more than \$6 million for the four year period. Another \$2 million will be spent on maintenance work.

Of the total \$75,000 is planned for Columbia Boulevard while \$1.4 million will be spent on the south end of the Ione-Gooseberry Road. The road department has counted the vehicles there too: fewer than 100 vehicles per day, a lot fewer on the very south end. A study a few years ago said it would take \$2 million to rebuild Columbia Boulevard to the standard it should be to carry the traffic it bears. The road department says they don't have two million. But when I pointed out that the plan was to spend \$1.4 million on Ione-Gooseberry, the answer was "But that is eight and a half miles." Columbia Boulevard is only two and a half.

Let's see now, eight and a half miles times 100 vehicles per day is 850 vehicle/miles/day. Divide that into \$1.4 million and it will cost \$1,647 to build a road for each vehicle. On Columbia Boulevard the same figures would be 2500 vehicles per day times 2.5 miles equals 6,250 vehicle/miles/day. Divided into \$2 million Columbia Boulevard would cost \$320 for each vehicle. It should be clear how we would want the county to spend our tax money. Unless, of course, we live on the Ione-Gooseberry road.

The road plan is often attributed to the County Road Committee even though it specifically says it was prepared by the road department. Assuming the Road Committee did have some influence in setting the priorities, that is no surprise. The committee of 21 is composed of 14 south county residents and seven north county residents. When some question was raised about Columbia Boulevard, the committee scheduled an on site inspection recently. Only two of the south county members even bothered to show up.

One county commissioner has said that he thinks the potato plants along Columbia Boulevard should bare part of the cost of rebuilding that road. When asked if he felt the same way about the farmers along the Ione-Gooseberry Road, he answered, "Well, they pay property taxes." Does he believe that the potato plants do not? Does he believe that the taxes paid by those farms can be even a small fraction of that paid by Lamb-Weston, Oregon Potato, Inc., all the potato cellars, the onion plant, the Tidewater terminal, the Longview Fibre/Kinzua chip reload and the Finley Buttes land fill, all of whom use Columbia Boulevard?

As I see it, the county road plan needs a new look. The old formula of "a mile of road is a mile of road" needs to be complicated by a factor of 1: "and how much traffic does it carry?" The county owns two traffic counters. By simply putting them out and moving them every two days and measuring each spot twice a year, we could measure the traffic on every eight or nine miles of road throughout the whole county by the end of 1993.

By using information readily available to us we could do the most good for the most people with the least money. By not using that information, we confirm that we have some other goal in mind.

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10 lb. bag		Western Family 22 oz.	
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