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Letters to the Editor

Wyden against small business

To the Editor:
Oregon is one of the states with the largest number of small businesses and small farms. Yet senate-candidate Wyden, who hails from Oregon, has voted 70 percent of the time against small business on 150 key issues.

And the record is getting worse. In the most recent session ('93-'94) he voted against us 80 percent of the time.

The upcoming senator-elect will be the senior senator from Oregon, ahead of all those elected in Nov. 1996. As such,

he will get the better committee assignments. Although Rep. Wyden is currently a member of the House Small Business Committee, he seems to forget he comes from Oregon when voting on issues vital to the survival of Oregon's small farms and businesses.

I do not want to elect a 15-year professional politician who has no knowledge of how difficult it is to meet a payroll or adhere to a working budget. Please vote for Gordon Smith.

Sincerely,
(s) John Murray
(s) Ann Murray

AWANA club to resume Jan. 3

AWANA, a non-denominational kids' club with participants from several churches in Heppner, Lexington and Lone, starts back up Wednesday, Jan. 3, after the holiday break.

Activities will include a game time where clubbers play team games; a handbook time with activities including Bible memorization, patriotism, nature,

missions and others; and a counsel time where a Bible message is presented.

AWANA clubs are held Wednesdays from 6:30-8 p.m. at Lexington Baptist Church for kids in kindergarten through sixth grade.

For more information, contact the Lexington Baptist Church, 989-8555, or Loren Unruh, 676-9873.

Justice Court Report

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

Steve Laurel Wilson, Lexington-Unlawful Use of White Light to the Rear, \$77 fine.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports issuing the following marriage license during the past week:

Dec. 26: Jose Antonio Renteria, 35, Boardman; and Hilda Liliana Montes, 31, Boardman.

Obituaries

Cloy W. Dykestra

Cloy Wellington Dykestra, 90, of Newport, died in Newport on January 1, 1996. Services will be held at Bateman Funeral Home in Newport on Friday, January 5, 1996, at 10:30 a.m. Interment will be in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Lebanon.

Mr. Dykestra was born on August 11, 1905 to Arthur and Ida White Dykestra on a homestead about 25 miles east of Heppner. He attended school in a small county schoolhouse for eight years then attended high school in Heppner until the family moved to Halsey. He graduated from high school in Halsey in 1924.

Mr. Dystra worked on the family farm until 1927 when he returned to Heppner to help his grandfather with his farm and worked on other farms. He returned to Halsey for a visit with his parents and sister, Doris, who was a school teacher at Crawfordville. Doris introduced him to Mary Irene Nutten who was to become his wife on January 30, 1932.

The Dykstras lived on the farm in Halsey until 1934 when they moved to Crawfordville. He drove school bus from Crawfordville to Sweet Home. In 1936, they returned to Heppner where he farmed, herded sheep and ran a second-hand store until the war began.

In 1942, they started defense work which led them to the Portland shipyards. In 1945, they returned again to Heppner and purchased a small farm. After several years, they sold the farm and bought a small grocery store in Salem. They sold it in 1949 when Mr. Dykestra started a "traveling grocery" in an old school bus and traveled the back roads of the valley selling needed items to housewives.

In the 1950s, he started a new career with the Great Lakes Carbon Corp. dicalite mine near Redmond. He started as a lab technician and progressed to plant accountant. He was there a little over 10 years. When the mine closed, he went to work as an accountant at the Round Butte Dam for two years, then moved to Mina, Nevada, to be plant accountant for Great Lakes Carbon Corp. and General Refractories dicalite mine until his retirement in 1968. After retirement, the couple returned to Redmond until 1989 when they moved to Newport with their daughter and her family.

Mr. Dykestra is survived by his wife, Irene of Newport; daughters, Mary J. McCauley of Terrebonne and Virginia McCammon, Newport; sister, Doris Kilburn, Salem; seven grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

Bateman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Clifford Reon Adams

Clifford Reon Adams, 60, of Spray, died Friday, December 22, 1995, at his home. Graveside services were Tuesday, December 26, 1995, at the Spray Cemetery.

Mr. Adams was born January 3, 1935, at Tumalo to Oscar and Ruth Adams.

On August 15, 1954, he and his wife, Pat, were married at Goldendale, Washington.

Mr. Adams was employed by the Oregon Department of Transportation in highway maintenance.

Survivors include his wife, Pat, at the home; sons, Jim of Spray and Clifford of Heppner; daughters, Barbara Collin of Lone, and Sherrill Cossitt of Spray; brothers, O.L., of Heppner, Frank of Kennewick, Washington, Bobby of Redding, California, James and Odell, both of Spray and Lloyd of Lapine; and nine grandchildren. Two sisters, a brother and a granddaughter preceded him in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Spray Ambulance Fund, AirLife, or the Spray Assembly of God Church Bell Fund, directly or through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 South Canyon Boulevard, John Day, OR 97845.

Archie Bechdolt

Graveside services for Archie Bechdolt were Thursday, December 28, 1995 at the Hardman Cemetery.

Mr. Bechdolt, 94, of Pendleton, died Sunday, December 24, 1995, at Amber Valley Care Center.

He was born January 29, 1901, at Hardman, to William and Jennie Bechdolt who had come from Indiana to Hardman in 1898. His father was working at the Mallory Lumber Mill on Middle Fork of Rock Creek and his mother was employed there as a cook until he was born.

They moved to Heppner in 1906 and back to Hardman in 1908. Mr. Bechdolt attended grade school at Hardman and Heppner High School. He attended the University of Oregon and Walla Walla College and during his college days worked on the state highway crew out of Boardman.

In 1968, he and his brother, Adrian, were partners in a 6,000 acre ranch with 1,200 acres of wheat, the balance in pasture and they had a cow-calf operation. They retired in 1975 and bought a home in Pendleton. His brother, Adrian, died in 1990.

Mr. Bechdolt was a member of Willow I.O.O.F. Lodge in Heppner and Lexington Grange.

Surviving is a niece, Rebecca Jackson of Vancouver, Washington and a sister-in-law, Velva Bechdolt of Pendleton.

Burns Mortuary of Pendleton was in charge of arrangements.

Lone Cardinals play tough, but lose to Umatilla Vikings

Poor period leads Viks over lone

If the Cardinals could throw out one quarter in their game with Umatilla last Friday night, it surely would have been the second.

The Cards played the Vikings tough during the rest of the game but still came up on the short end of a 66-59 loss.

Lone traveled to Umatilla to take on the 2-A Vikings as the Cards' final tune-up game before heading into league action against Dufur.

In Friday's action the Cards

stayed with Umatilla in the first quarter 14-16, but in the second lone went cold and Umatilla got hot, outscoring the boys from lone 22 to 9 to end the half by 15.

The third and fourth quarters were all lone's as the boys outscored the Vikings 15-14 and 21-14, but it wasn't enough to overcome the deficit.

Scoring for lone were: Luke Swanson, 9; Jake McElligott, 2; Jon Garrett, 10; Joe Bacon, 15; Marc Orem, 12; Kelly Morgan, 8; and Jacob Taylor, 3.

Over 100 attend BEO's open house

The Bank of Eastern Oregon's 50th anniversary open houses, held in Heppner and Lone the week before Christmas, were well attended, with over 100 guests attending at each branch. 1995 marked 50 years of service for the bank in Morrow and Gilliam counties.

Drawings for \$5 gold coins were held with the following winners: Rose Bergstrom, Bill Kuhn, Darrel Vinson, Wayne Rollis, Mike Bunch and Barb Orwick at the Heppner branch; and Brandi Ball, Katherine Lindstrom and Lola Pettyjohn at Lone.

BMCC offers Quicken for farmers

Alan Nelson, coordinator of the Farm Business Management program (FBMP), is offering a FBMP tie-in course.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

I'd like to begin 1996 saying, "I will not be late," but I know better. You see, some of the reasons for my tardiness are unavoidable, such as: there were two deer by my front door and I didn't want to spook them; there was a raccoon in the tree outside my bathroom window; the cat carried off my contact case; the feed truck quit and I had to walk back to the house; the car keys were missing; there were cattle in the road; my vehicle wouldn't start; the phone kept ringing; the Christmas tree fell over; a mouse was running around in my car...well, at least some of the reasons were unavoidable. I'll try to do better!

In the meantime, while I work on my resolutions, I'd like to suggest some for you for January. Join your local Chamber of Commerce. Volunteer to help create and be a part of a Heppner Visitor/Ambassador Group. Deliver your organization directory sheet to Twice Upon A Time... Mark your calendars to attend the tenth annual Town and Country Day on Thursday, Jan. 11, at St. Patrick's Parish Hall (there will be something for everyone, including music during the social hour). Resolve to give more time to the true meaning of Christmas year round.

May friends, family and faith sustain you as you grow older and wiser in 1996. And remember to laugh at yourself!
Happy New Year!

Quicken for Farmers starts with three classes which introduce the user to the computer keyboard. Participants will then get into Quicken to learn how to apply the program to farm accounting.

Nelson describes Quicken as inexpensive and easy to use. Users can also upgrade to Quickbooks after they've become proficient in Quicken. Another selling point is Quicken has both Apple and Windows compatible versions.

This 12 week course will begin Thursday, Jan. 11, and will be held on Thursdays from 1-4 p.m. at the Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC) West Campus in Hermiston. Cost of the course is \$200 which includes the cost of the 1996 Farm Business Management Program (\$100 per year). There is an additional \$40 lab fee.

In the Farm Business Management Program, participants will have the opportunity to implement what they learned in the Quicken class. The program will increase management skills through good farm record keeping and the use of other business tools. Each farm serves as a laboratory project for the farmer/participant.

Features of the program include: on-the-farm conferences and consultations, the ability to tailor the sessions to specific situations, periodic classroom instruction and exposure to the newest financial management techniques.

For more information, contact Nelson at 276-1260, ext. 323 or call BMCC West Campus at 567-1800.

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

One hundred people attended the senior meal Dec. 27. Two meals were home delivered and one was taken out. Members of the Catholic Church served. Genevieve Palmer won the bingo ticket, Sue Vinson, the meal ticket, and Elsie Huston, the birthday gift certificate.


The menu for Jan. 10 will be chicken pie with biscuit topping, tossed salad, fresh fruit and cake. Members of the Baptist Church will serve. A Senior Center board meeting will be held after the meal.

One table of cards was in play Friday, Dec. 29. A group of tenants undecorated the Christmas tree in the sitting room the same afternoon.

Dates to remember: Tuesday and Thursday exercise, 10 a.m.; Wednesday blood pressure clinic, 11 a.m.; senior meal, noon, quilting, 1 p.m.; Friday cards, 2 p.m.; Sunday movie, 6 p.m.

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