

Our Valley

By CHARLES IRELAND



One of the country slickers over Sheridan way had some fun with the city bumpkins on the opening day of pheasant season . . . A. W. Lux, the prankster, killed a pheasant, cut its head off, and stuck it on a rod . . . He stuck the rod in a stubble field so that the colorful head just peeked out of the stubble . . . Then he went into his nearby house and set back to watch . . . Soon a pick-up truck braked to a quickstop and two hunters hurried out . . . One of them threw a stone at the head while the other drew a bead . . . The hunter saved his shell when the rooster failed to flush, but he was an exception . . . Before the day was over, eight others had taken a shot at it.

Move over, McMinnville . . . Somebody has stolen those new ballpoint pens from Stayton's postoffice, too.

A squib contributed by Father Luke Eberle of the Benedictine Abbey at Mt. Angel appears in the November Reader's Digest . . . It starts out by noting that many people associate the word "Benedictine" with a famous after-dinner liquor, while comparatively few know that Benedictine monks call their religious garb a "habit" . . . In this instance, Father Luke and another priest, Father Hubert, were returning from Europe and were passing through customs . . . After politely inspecting their big luggage, a customs official pointed to a small bag Father Hubert carried and asked what it contained . . . "Only an old Benedictine habit," Father Hubert softly replied . . . Even more softly came the customs official's next question, "How many bottles, Father?"

It might be assumed that the incident took place recently, but it actually happened back in the 1930's . . . And writing it shouldn't have been too difficult for Father Luke, who is now novice master at the Abbey . . . He was once editor of St. Joseph Magazine, the Catholic national monthly published on the Mt. Angel hilltop.

Linn County Clerk R. M. Russell is hoping that he hasn't inadvertently offended a woman voter in Linn County's 64th precinct . . . After the woman registered, Russell sent her a registration card which noted her name, followed by her precinct number . . . The return mail brought a note from her . . . "Thanks for the card," the woman wrote, "but you got my age wrong. I'm not nearly 64."

In Polk Race



DALLAS, Nov. 3—Emmet T. Rogers (D), pictured at left, and W. Frank Crawford (D) are candidates for Polk County commissioners. Both live in rural area north of West Salem.



DALLAS, Nov. 3—L. V. Seeley (R), Independence, and Ray Rabenau (D), present deputy assessor, seek office of Polk County Assessor. Like commissioner race, new official is certain to emerge. (Additional pictures on page 12).

Hayesville Sergeant Home From Formosa

HAYESVILLE, Nov. 3—S/Sgt. Jack Versteeg, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Versteeg, 2700 Ward Drive, is home on leave. He has been stationed the past 17 months as chief personnel clerk at Taipei, Formosa, and has about 15 months of duty left in the Air Force. He will report Nov. 25 to Westover Air Force base in Massachusetts.

TOT LEAVES HOSPITAL

WILLAMINA, Nov. 3—Dennis Wren, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Wren, has returned to his home after spending five weeks in a Dallas hospital. He was injured in an automobile accident, receiving a broken leg. He still will wear a cast on his leg for several weeks.

Tri-County Election Interest Sparkles as Deadline Nears

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Political campaigns charged with more fizz and sparkle than usual are hubbubbing toward Tuesday's finish line in three mid-valley counties.

Overshadowed by McKay and Morse, Ike and Adlai, candidates for a dozen courthouse jobs in Polk, Linn and Yamhill Counties have been heating the Spirited municipal issues are adding zest to election day in several cities.

Sparked by three women who have often campaigned as a team, Linn County has competition in the field for six county-level offices—a high number in a county where election interest is sometimes as dull as last week's razor blade.

Polk County has four competitive races from which two new officials are certain to emerge.

Yamhill County trails with two competitive races, but both are commanding above-average interest.

All From Lebanon
The three Linn County women who have been campaigning together are all Democrats. All are from Lebanon.

One is Katherine Harris, former newspaper writer, who opposes veteran Republican County Clerk R. M. Russell.

Another is Evelyn Downing, who grew up at Stayton. She opposes a former Republican veteran, County Treasurer Raymond Tomlinson.

The third is Eva Sylvester, who once lived at Mill City. She opposes another woman, longtime County Recorder Stella E. Hoover.

Other Lebanon Democrats who seek to unseat Linn County Republicans are William Gould and Roy Fitzwater, candidates for state representative against incumbents Ed R. Cardwell, of Sweet Home, and Jess W. Savage, of Albany, also Albert Zentz, candidate for county commissioner against incumbent Roy D. Jenks of Tangent.

County Coroner W. Glenn Huston of Lebanon, lone incumbent Democrat, is opposed by Dr. Lawrence Dennis, Albany Republican.

Final Linn race is between incumbent John W. Sheppard (R) and Jason T. Anderson (D) for assessor.

Four Polk Contests
In Polk County, candidates for the four contested offices have been making it up in a bid for the county's 12,000 votes.

Monmouth Police Chief Edward C. Leum (D) opposes Sheriff Tony Neufeldt (R) who seeks a second term.

Incumbent County Clerk Betty Adams (R) seeks her first full term in office against James Copp (D), north county rural resident.

The race for county commissioner pits W. Frank Crawford (R) against his hard-campaigning Wallace Road neighbor, Emmet T. Rogers (D). A third candidate, L. C. Kinsey, who lives south of Dallas, is running as an Independent.

A new face on the county court is assured, since Crawford defeated incumbent C. L. Burbank in the primaries.

New Assessor Due
A new assessor also will emerge to succeed Ed Dunn (D) who is retiring. His deputy, Ray Rabenau (D) and L. V. Seeley (R) of Independence, nominated on primary write-ins, are candidates.

Ten of Polk County's 38 precincts will decide between Dallas attorneys Darrell J. Williams and C. L. Masters in a run-off race for justice of the peace, Dallas district. The race is pertinent to Rickreaff, Salt Creek, Buell, Oakdale and Jackson as well as the five Dallas precincts.

At the state level, Polk County will keep a "native son" eye on Mark Hatfield, GOP candidate for secretary of state, who once lived at Dallas.

Yamhill Race Eyed
In nominally Republican Yamhill County, observers see an interesting race between Sheriff W. L. (Bill) Jones of Dayton, and Wallace R. (Bud) Mekkers, former state policeman who now operates a wrecking yard at McMinnville.

Mekkers is credited with strength in southwest Yamhill County and Jones with strength in the eastern portion.

A new commissioner will be elected. Yamhill's Charles N. Teegarden (R), who defeated the late Charles R. Newman in the primary.

Women Challenge in Linn



ALBANY, Nov. 3—Novel feature of Linn County campaign has seen these three women running for office on Democratic ticket. Left to right: Mrs. Eva Sylvester, Mrs. Katherine Harris and Mrs. Evelyn Downing, candidates for recorder, clerk and treasurer respectively. All live at Lebanon.



ALBANY, Nov. 3—Veterans of many a campaign, these three Republicans are opposed by women in Linn County election. Left to right: County Clerk R. M. Russell, Treasurer Raymond Tomlinson and County Recorder Stella E. Hoover.

Vie on Yamhill Ballot



McMinnville, Nov. 3—Herbert Holst, Carlton Democrat, and Charles N. Teegarden, Republican from town of Yamhill, seek office of Yamhill County Commissioner.

Lebanon Picks Post Office Site

LEBANON, Nov. 3—Selection of a corner site at Second and East Kellenberger. The location is across Grant streets for a new Post Office building was announced here through Congressman Harris Ellsenberger.



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Wife Awaits Word From Cairo Zone

Statesman News Service
MT. ANGEL, Nov. 3—A wife who flew home from Cairo, Egypt with her two children in August was still waiting here today for word from the husband she left behind.

Mrs. C. David McGuire has had no message concerning her husband since trouble flared between Israel and Egypt early in the week.

Lt. McGuire, a Naval research doctor, was to return next month from a two-year tour of duty at the U.S. Medical Research Unit in Cairo.

Mrs. McGuire, who grew up in Salem as Ruth VanBuskirk, is visiting near Mt. Angel with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mac VanBuskirk.

The mother and children returned from Cairo because one of the children incurred an eye infection.

Mrs. McGuire, who said she was getting "pretty anxious" for word about her mate, said news of the Israeli attack stunned her but that it was not a big surprise.

The valley woman recalled that when an earthquake rumbled through Cairo last year many residents feared the noise was from an attacking Israeli air armada.

Praxie Joins Gallon Club



MONMOUTH, Nov. 3—Membership certificate in Red Cross Gallon Club was awarded to Oregon College of Education President Roy E. Lueallen Thursday after he donated his eighth pint of blood, the college reported today. Presenting award is Mrs. Ella Lange of Polk County Red Cross Chapter.

VFW Auxiliary Dinner Date Set

SHERIDAN, Nov. 3—Members of VFW Auxiliary 4211 will sponsor their annual turkey dinner on Saturday, Nov. 19, at their hall in Willamette. The dinner will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Mrs. Arne White is general chairman. Proceeds will be used for relief and hospital work. The group assists three veterans' hospitals and the veterans' domiciliary at Camp White.

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