

Local News

Mr. Abplanalp of Hermiston was a Heppner visitor yesterday, showing a line of nursery products to prospective purchasers. A traveling salesman for many years, Mr. Abplanalp has made many friends in Morrow county who may be interested to know that his sight was severely affected in an automobile accident near Bend three years ago. Containers of embalming fluid in the wrecked car were broken and the fluid got into his eyes. For a time the resulting injury totally blinded him, but his vision is improving. A third generation removed from the original Swiss home, Mr. Abplanalp explains that his name means from Plahalp, a mountain in Switzerland, and one of the few words spelled the same backward as forward.

Kenneth P. Bleakman, forest assistant who has helped with checking the elk hunters in and out and who was stationed at Ditch creek during the fire season, was in the city Tuesday. He was just recovering from a flu attack, but expected to take a few days hunting himself before the season closes Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bleakman are rearing two baby deer found deserted early in the season, which Mr. Bleakman says are doing fine and are mighty interesting. He has been on the lookout for a three-legged bull elk which he saw many times this summer, thinking that it might be easy prey for hunters. But so far it has not shown up. One leg was put out of commission by a hunter's bullet last year, he believes.

Three Monument men, Homer Williams, Mr. Foss and Kenneth Rounds, were injured in a recent automobile accident and the car in which they were riding was completely demolished. George Williams, also of Monument and fourth occupant of the car, miraculously escaped injury. Mr. Foss is in a hospital at The Dalles with a broken leg. Homer Williams received a severe leg cut and lost much blood.

Dr. J. H. McCrady is in the city today from his home at Cle Elum, Wash. He has not resumed dental practice since the automobile accident in which he was seriously injured last year, and which caused his retirement from the local field, but he has made excellent progress toward complete recovery. He expected to go on to Portland tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Campbell entertained at their home Wednesday of last week for Grandma Booher of Lexington, 91-year-old Morrow county pioneer who has been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Beymer, on Hinton creek. Present besides the host, hostess and honoree were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keene of Lexington.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo and F. B. Nickerson returned the first of the week from their elk hunt in the high mountains. They found that the early storms had driven the elk to lower country and they came home empty-handed.

Arthur Johnson, wheat raiser of the Ione section, was transacting business in the city Tuesday. He reported that moisture was still short in his section to promote best growing conditions for the new crop.

Miss Gladys Bengé of Medford was in the city the end of the week, and was accompanied on the return by her mother, Mrs. Rosa Eskelson, who expected to spend the winter at Medford.

John Volle of Irrigon and Jim Omohundro of Hermiston passed through town Tuesday morning on the way home from an unsuccessful elk hunting trip in the south mountain country.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Parker have received word that they are grandparents to a baby boy who arrived November 13 to Mr. and Mrs. Onez Parker, at Everett, Wash.

Joe Simas of Monument is reported to be suffering severely from a rheumatic knee.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McNamer entertained at dinner this week for Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, Mrs. William Straight and Mrs. Lillian Cochran.

Dr. J. P. Stewart, Eye-Sight Specialist of Pendleton, will be at the HEPNER HOTEL (in two weeks) on WEDNESDAY, November 30th.

Carl Bergstrom was transacting business in the city Tuesday from the Gooseberry farm. A good rain visited his section Monday night.

Recently announced is the wedding of Miss Jean Simas to Marvin DeVore on October 22. The newlyweds are at home at Monument.

Mrs. Pauline Quaid, early day Morrow county pioneer, was here Tuesday from Portland, looking after business interests.

G. D. Dennis of Portland visited in the city for a few hours yesterday. He is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Harold Cohn.

Mrs. George Howard and infant son, Richard Allen, returned home the first of the week from Heppner hospital.

STATE CAPITAL NEWS

- GOP Victory
 - "Her Own Wings"
 - Holman Decision
- By A. L. LINDBECK

Salem—That the results of the recent general election in this state contained many surprises goes without saying. The landslide which swept Charles A. Sprague into the governorship, for instance, was hardly expected by even his most optimistic supporters. Conservative estimates of Sprague's majority prior to the election, among those who predicted success for the Republican candidate, ranged from 15,000 to 25,000. Those who dealt in larger margins were the rare exception. The same was true in the case of Rufus C. Holman's victory in the senatorial race. Most prognosticators predicted that the race between Holman and Willis Mahoney would be close and that Holman's margin would be a slim one, should he succeed in winning at all.

Among all of the alibis and explanations that have been advanced to account for the sweeping Republican victory in this state two stand out as most logical. In the first place it was a return to normalcy, Oregon being normally a Republican state that was only swept into the Democratic column by the Roosevelt landslide of 1932 and retained therein by the popularity of New Deal policies in the elections of 1934 and 1936. This return to normalcy was speeded by dissent in the ranks of the Democratic party which was hopelessly split into a left-wing or radical group led by Elton Watkins, Henry L. Hess and others and a conservative group commonly referred to as Martin Democrats. Many of these latter unquestionably supported the Republican nominees in retaliation for the defeat administered

their candidate by Hess in the May primaries.

That Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, a Democrat, survived the rout of his partisans in this state speaks volumes for the calibre of this official who had the active support not only of the educators throughout the state but of a large majority of the newspapers as well.

When Governor Martin retired to his political tent following his defeat in the May primaries it was with a promise to his advisers that he would take no part in the general election campaign. That promise was rigidly adhered to. But on Wednesday morning, following the general election, he came out of his political retirement beaming with satisfaction over the results of the election, with the laconic comment that "Oregon still flies with her own wings." That remark can be interpreted in only one way. It was a public notice to Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes and other members of the national administration that the voters of Oregon refuse to be dictated to by the powers in Washington. It will be recalled that in the primary campaign Ickes gave his blessing to Henry Hess and that throughout the general election campaign Hess as well as Willis Mahoney, democratic candidate for the United States senate, repeatedly resorted to the warning that unless they were elected the national administration could not be expected to look with favor on Oregon's future requests for PWA and WPA grants and other similar favors.

All of the state institutions will pull through the biennium without a deficit according to Wallace S. Wharton, budget director. Several of the institutions will be able to return sizeable unexpended balances to the general fund, Wharton said.

The results were hardly all in on Tuesday's election before the king makers began speculating on the presidency of the state senate and the House speakership. As far as the senate is concerned it appears to be a foregone conclusion that Robert Duncan of Burns will be elected to the presidency without opposition although the name of Dean Walker of Polk and Benton has also been frequently mentioned in that connection.

In the House a lively contest appears to be in the offing in the race for speaker. Among those mentioned for the post are E. R. Fatland of Condon, a veteran of the past three sessions; Walter Fuhrer of Salem, another veteran; Earl Hill of Lane county who will be coming back after missing the last two sessions; and Frank Lonergan of Portland, who has also staged a comeback after a prolonged absence from the legislative halls. Geographically Fat-

land would appear to occupy the most strategic position. Eastern Oregon has not had this honor for several years while the coast counties, southern Oregon and Portland have all been recognized by elevation of their representatives to the speakership during the past four years.

The 1939 session will see the Republicans in control of the House again for the first time since 1932, with 48 members of that political affiliation elected to membership in that body while the Democrats will have only 12. In the senate also the Republicans will have an overwhelming majority with 23 members owing allegiance to the G. O. P. while the Democrats will be able to muster only seven votes, five of these being holdovers. Senator W. A. Johnson of Josephine, elected county judge in Tuesday's balloting, has already submitted his resignation as a senator, and Homer Angell of Multnomah county, Congressman-elect from the third district, is expected to resign shortly. Senator W. D. Bennett, democrat, of Multnomah county, has also announced his intention of resigning. These resignations, however, will not change the political complexion of the senate, since their successors must be members of the same political party.

With Rufus C. Holman now a senator-elect interest naturally centers in his resignation and his possible successor as state treasurer. Congress convenes on January 3. If Holman plans to qualify as a senator on the opening day he must necessarily resign as state treasurer prior to that time. This would pave the way for the appointment of his successor by Governor Martin who has let it be known that, such being the case, he would name "some outstanding citizen" who could be depended upon to carry out the good work of Treasurer Holman. However, it is not necessary that Holman qualify as a senator at the opening of the session. He might postpone that step indefinitely and retain his post as state treasurer in the meantime, at least until the newly elected governor, Charles A. Sprague, a republican, has been inaugurated when he would be in a position to name the new treasurer. Holman, himself, re-

fuses to discuss the possibilities wrapped up in this situation, but it is believed that he will resign in time for Martin to appoint his successor with the understanding that Martin's appointee shall be a man agreeable to both Holman and Sprague.

Labor leaders have announced their intention to fight the anti-picketing bill, which was adopted by the voters in Tuesday's election, through the courts, challenging the constitutionality of the measure. The measure is also expected to become the focal point for bitter controversy in the forthcoming legislature where it is expected attempts will be made to amend it, a program which can be expected to meet with vigorous opposition on the part of the agricultural organizations which sponsored it.

● Ten Years Ago

(Gazette Times, Nov. 22, 1928.)

Legion and K. of P.'s lead Boy Scout drive with \$25 each.

Eldred L. McMillan, young Lexington man, passes.

Miss Kathleen Monahan and Paul Hisler wed November 14.

Everett Keithley sustains injuries when car turns over.

Mrs. Bess Setters, grand matron, visits Ruth chapter, O. E. S.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Patterson returned Sunday from Pasadena, Cal., and Mr. Patterson is taking charge at Patterson & Son store.

Heppner high loses deciding football game to Condon for Upper Columbia league championship.

Governor I. L. Patterson issues Thanksgiving proclamation.

Roy Scott, Cecil, purchases J. L. Cochran ranch at Top.

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