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## Food Stamps to Make Debut Here Next Tuesday

### \$150,000 Surplus Products is Yearly Goal for District

This Tuesday 6,000 public assistance persons in thirteen eastern Oregon counties, including Morrow, will come under the provisions of the Food Stamp Plan.

Inauguration of the plan follows a month of preparatory work in which county commissioners, state and county welfare departments, various business groups, farmers, wholesale and retailer food trades, WPA, and the U. S. department of agriculture all cooperated to have the plan in effect at an early date.

Essentially a program to move surplus crops off over-laden farms, the Food Stamp Plan is expected to result in an additional \$150,000 being spent annually in the 13 counties for surplus foods.

The current surplus foods list as designated by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard for the period October 1 to 31, includes: butter, eggs, pork and pork lard, fresh apples, pears and oranges, fresh Irish potatoes, beets, cabbage, celery and carrots, dried prunes, raisins and dry beans, corn meal, rice, hominy grits, wheat flour and whole wheat flour.

Inauguration of the Food Stamp Plan eliminates the direct distribution of surplus foods through commodity depots and trucks. However, distribution of surplus foods will be continued in schools sponsoring free school lunch programs. This latter program finds nearly 15,000 undernourished Oregon school children being served wholesome luncheons every school day.

Complete instructions on how to secure food stamps have been mailed to all public assistance families by the State Public Welfare commission. The sale of food stamp books will be handled by mail with participants remitting money orders or cashier's checks in the correct amounts to the Portland Stamp Issuing office of the welfare commission.

A series of mass meetings were held throughout the thirteen county area to acquaint grocers and other food retailers with the details of accepting and redeeming food stamps.

## Pioneer Reunion Set at Lex October 19

Lexington's annual pioneer reunion has been scheduled to be held this year on October 19, and a general invitation is extended by the committee in charge for everyone in the county to attend.

Dinner will be served to all over 70 years of age as usual. Others are asked to bring well filled baskets for the cafeteria style dinner that has always proved an attractive feature of the event. Further program details will be announced later.

## HAVE SUCCESSFUL HUNT

Seven deer bagged by eight hunters is the report brought home by Blaine E. Isom who hunted the first two days of the season with a party in the Mt. Emily district near La Grande. The party included T. Howard Groves, prominent Portland insurance man and Mr. Isom's supervisor, Fred Hoskins and Gerald Rood of Heppner. Clarence Tubbs of Pendleton, and Toots Miller and Bill Edwards of La Grande were other members of the party.

Al Troedson, A. C. Crowell and R. L. Ekleberry were residents of the Morgan district transacting business in the city Tuesday. They reported conditions in their section favorable for the new wheat crop.

## Big Defense Program Slated by Elks Order

A nation-wide program to assist in upholding the nation's defense program is being launched today by the grand lodge, B. P. O. Elks, announces Kenneth Akers, exalted ruler of the local lodge.

C. J. D. Bauman has been named to head the local lodge committee that will put the program into effect here, with Lt. M. P. Hanford, Alva Jones, Gene Ferguson and Ralph Beamer as assistants.

In informing lodges of the new program James R. Nicholson, chairman of the Elks National Defense commission, gave as the most important activities to which members of the order should devote themselves in their country's defense, the upholding and teaching of Americanism and the democratic form of government discovery and reporting treasonable, subversive and fifth column activities in America and to assist in the physical development of the youth of the country.

## Mustangs Take 6-0 Victory Over Fossil

The first game of the 1940 season was of great success for the Heppner Mustangs, who journeyed to Fossil last Friday to win a 6 to 0 victory from the Falcons.

The lone touchdown came in the latter part of the third quarter when left half, Hugh Crawford, broke into the open for a forty-yard gallop. The try for extra point was thrown for a loss. The only other threat for either team came in the first part of the second quarter when Crawford fell in dodging the Fossil safety on the seven yard line. The next play did not work, and the team was thrown for a big loss.

Heppner, again on the road, plays Arlington, Friday the 27th, Arlington has not as yet played any team in the Heppner league; but have played Milton-Freewaters' B's, losing 7 to 12 and Klickitat, Wash., winning a 10 to 6 decision.

Although the Mustangs do not have the experience of the Arlington Honkers, as yet, they are expecting to give them a run for their money.

## Lt. Hanford Answers Call to Service

Lt. Marius P. Hanford, commandant of Camp Heppner, CCC, and president of the Lions club, told the service club attendants Monday that he had been called to service in the aviation corps, non-combatant division, to report at Camp McCord by October 3. Successor to his position with the camp here had not been named.

Elevation of Clifford Conrad, first vice-president to the club leadership automatically follows Lt. Hanford's departure, with Alden Blankenship and Russell McNeill assuming the second and third vice-presidencies.

Miss Marjorie Parker, who represented Heppner Rodeo as queen at the Grant county fair last week end, reported a wonderful reception there.

Kenneth Ackley, reporter on the Gazette Times a few years ago, visited a short while in the city Saturday on his way to Walla Walla from Portland. He is now employed as a postal clerk in the city. With him were his twin son and daughter, and mother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mrs. Daniels and daughter. Mrs. Ackley was reported to have passed away last fall.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney motored to Portland Sunday and remained until Tuesday to hear Willie and transact business. Mr. Mahoney is chairman of the republican county central committee.

Mrs. L. F. Plank of Toledo, Ore., left Heppner this morning after a week's visit with her daughter, Miss Virginia Plank.

## Masonic Grand Master Attends Conference Here

### 75 Visitors Come From Neighboring Lodges for Event

Seventy-five Masons from neighboring lodges assembled with Heppner Lodge 69, A. F. & A. M., last evening to greet grand lodge officers at a district conference here.

Most Worshipful Grand Master Earl Snell of the grand jurisdiction of Oregon was the principal speaker of the evening, delivering an inspiring message on fundamentals of masonry in which he emphasized the important part played by the order in establishing democracy and the things it should do in assisting to maintain democracy. Mr. Snell also showed a 15-minute colored talking moving picture depicting the Washington monument on the Potomac, Gettysburg field and other historic points of special masonic significance.

Other grand lodge officers present included Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Masters Frank Sloan, Stanfield, of district 16, and Harold A. Eakin, Grass Valley, of district 14, and Grand Senior Deacon Harry A. Proudfoot, Wasco.

Seven of nine lodges of district 16 were represented, and among former Morrow county people in attendance were Walter Hayes, H. J. Devin, F. B. Mercer, W. N. Huddleston, Condon; J. M. Spencer, Stanfield, and C. N. Fridley, Wasco.

A baked ham dinner in the grand master's honor was served at Lucas Place before the session at the hall, and following a luscious deerburger feed was served by the local membership. Third degree ritualistic work was given by officers selected from among members of visiting lodges, with Bill Marshall of Arlington presiding as worshipful master. Tom Wells, senior deacon, presided for the local lodge.

## Foxy Gets Strike For Master, But Count Refused

A foxy dog is "Foxy," Lee Howell's little fox terrier. This week as Lee was bowling at the local alleys, Foxy followed a ball down the alley lickety split. The ball took off half the pins, and Foxy, the remainder.

H. J. Strecker, Lee's opponent in the game, wouldn't stand for it when Lee attempted to count a strike.

## Registration Books Will Close Saturday

Last opportunity to register for the November presidential election will be afforded next Saturday, announces County Clerk C. W. Barlow.

For the convenience of the public the clerk's office will be open that day continuously from 8 o'clock in the morning until 8 o'clock in the evening.

## MR. SNELL GETS BUCK

Earl W. Snell, Arlington's favorite son, secretary of state and grand master of Oregon Masons, remained in Heppner overnight after attending the masonic conference here last evening, leaving for Salem this morning. He had just returned from a deer hunt with a company of friends and was successful in bagging a nice specimen.

## SOCIAL MEETING SET

Lexington grange announces a social meeting for Saturday night at 8 o'clock at the hall. All members and friends are cordially invited. Please bring pot luck lunch.

## George Shields Takes Own Life With Razor

George (Mike) Shields was pronounced a suicide after he apparently had slashed his throat and wrists with a razor at the Taylor lodging house Monday night. Shields breathed his last shortly after arrival of a doctor who had been summoned by Mrs. Henry Taylor when she discovered the body.

Shields, 43, was a native of Pilot Rock, and lived in Umatilla and Morrow counties all his life with exception of the time spent in the service in the World War when he served with the 14th Infantry at Vancouver, Wash., and Fort Dodge, Ia. He had been in ill health for several years and had returned to Heppner but a few days before from the veterans' hospital at Walla Walla.

A brother, Frank Shields of Pendleton and three sisters, one of whom is in Florida, survive.

Funeral arrangements had not been announced today, holding of the body having been ordered by wire yesterday from the Florida sister, pending word from relatives in Portland.

## SOCIETY CHIT-CHAT

By JUNE SMITH

College has called a number of Heppner young folk away during the past week. Bill Barratt, accompanied by his parents, left last Sunday for Corvallis. Harriet Hager, with her mother, Mrs. J. O. Hager, spent last week in Portland, and Harriet is now at the University of Oregon. Mrs. H. C. Happold and Betty spent last week in Portland, and Betty is leaving this week for the University of Oregon. Miss Clarabel Adams, after a week spent visiting in Portland has gone to Oregon State. Miss Frances McCarty, Miss Shirley Wilson, Don Turner, John Crawford, Bob Scrivner, Norton King, Don Jones are at the University of Oregon, Paul Doolittle, Don Frederickson, Frank Anderson at Oregon State, Miss Margaret Doolittle has enrolled at the Northwestern Business college at Portland, and Miss Kathryn Parke departed for Eastern Oregon College of Education.

Mrs. S. M. Sigsbee and Elaine Sigsbee left last Monday by car for Susanville, Cal., where they will meet Mrs. Richard Lawrence, who has been visiting her sister there. The party will return to Heppner this week end.

The Bookworms met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ture Peterson, with Mrs. Lera Crawford assisting the hostess. Mrs. J. O. Turner reviewed "Cabbage Holiday," and refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Parker will move into their new home on Chase street today. Mrs. Neva LeTrace will occupy their former home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McNamer left Sunday for Portland, where they are spending the week.

Earle Bryant is ill at his home, suffering from a sickness with which he became afflicted while on a hunting trip to Indian Rock. He bagged a deer on the trip, nevertheless. Other hunters in the party fortunate enough to get their venison include Charles Cox, Gene Ferguson, who also shot and brought out a black bear, Ambrose Chapin, Luke Bibby, Ed Bennett, Dave Wilson, Lou Bisbee and Harlan McCurdy.

Mrs. Frank Alfred is spending the week in Heppner, making preparations for a year's absence while Mr. Alfred is in the army. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Barcla are taking the Alfred home. Mr. Barcla is engineer in charge of the new planing mill being constructed at the Heppner Lumber company.

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## Ideal Conditions Aid Hunters in Bagging Many Deer

### Two Men Slay Bear; Assessor is Hapless Slayer of Doe

Ideal hunting conditions following good showers in the timbered hinterland aided the horde of redshirts returning from the early season hunt in bringing an exceptionally large load of venison with them. Sixty carcasses had been checked through local markets this morning, which represented only a portion of the bag of local sportsmen and many from the outside who made Heppner their point of exit.

Only one casualty has so far been reported in the local district that might be considered to have hunting connections. Jerry Saling, 10, was shot through the arm while placing his "unloaded" gun on the rack at home here Sunday evening.

While deer is the main quest of the hunt, two sportsmen bagged bear which inadvertently strayed across their paths. Pete McMurtry, driving back across Thompson flats from a luckless deer hunt opening day, espied a last year's cub in a clearing some distance away; shot it. It weighed 160 pounds. Gene Ferguson got a 300-pound, coal black bear while hunting in the Indian Rock district in the Greenhorns.

The season's most hapless hunter to date is Tom Wells, county assessor. He shot a late model buck with disappearing horns the morning of opening day while hunting on Ditch creek. The doe jumped between Tom and a buck on which he had taken bead, just as he pulled the trigger. He reported the accident and the doe was turned over to the state.

Among the many bucks so far reported are those taken by the following: Clifford Conrad, Mrs. Herman Green, Beth Hynd, Kathleen Bleakman, Thomas Wells, W. H. Batty, Thomas C. Hagerman, J. J. Moore of Portland, Richard Wells, Rose Leibbrand, E. L. Bucknum, H. L. Penwell of Tillamook, M. L. Shepard, Wilbur D. Moore of Portland, E. L. Matteson of Gaston, Bob Holoelek of Cascade Locks, W. E. Irwin of Portland, Ruth D. King of Tillamook, Millard Matheson of Gaston, E. W. Matteson of Gaston, Harold Hill, Ray Bosworth of Lafayette, R. K. Drake, Harold Cason, Fred A. Miller of Oregon City, L. H. Rill, A. L. Casebeer, Earle Bryant, Ed Kelly, Myron Huston, Marie Major of Willamina, Vivian Kane, Bob Risley of Oregon City, J. L. Blackburn of Lebanon, Gladys Leek of Milwaukie, E. Enid Gates of Portland, D. A. Wilson, Harlan McCurdy, Gene Ferguson, Chas. B. Cox, Delsie Chapel, Blaine Chapel, Robert Blackman of Molalla, Gene Willbrod of Molalla, Louis Willbrod of Molalla, Mrs. J. I. Starritt of Estacada, Edna M. Jones, Bill McCaleb, Chas. Petersen of Portland, Terrel Bengel, Martin B. Clark, Claude Graham, Dick Wilkinson, Alva Stone, Barton Clark, Mrs. O. W. Osborne, Frank Holmes, R. A. Wright, George Evans, Harold Evans, J. Fetch of Salem.

## BANK SUPERINTENDENT VISITS

J. S. Rogers, state superintendent of banks, was calling in the city today working in the interest of the constitutional amendment to appear on the ballot in November which would remove the double liability against stockholders of state banks. There is no longer need for this provision in the law since the federal government has guaranteed deposits, said Mr. Rogers, and the law remains upon the books reacting unfairly upon state bank stockholders since stockholders of federal banks are not held similarly liable.