

EDITORIAL

Unhumane, To Say The Least

One of the aftermaths of the hunting season commonly witnessed around Heppner is that of abandoned hunting dogs left to shift for themselves. It happens almost every year and this fall has been no exception. Early in the pheasant season someone left a nice bird dog, a little old, perhaps, but seemingly a well trained animal. Sheriff Bauman hauled the old fellow around in his car trying to locate the owner or somebody who knew something about the dog, but without success. Since that time, kindly dog lovers have seen to it that the stranger within the gates has not gone hungry.

It is difficult to understand the makeup of a person that would drive off and leave a faithful friend, even if that friend can no longer serve his master as he once did. It is no accident, for if so the owner would make an effort to find his dog. It has all the earmarks of a planned job or is the work of someone who has "borrowed" the dog and is afraid to return it to its rightful owner. In either event, it is a low-down trick and marks the so-called sportsman as a cheap sport.

Sees Continued Prosperity

One of the most encouraging signs of the times is seen in the expansion program of the Union Pacific System, a two hundred million dollar investment in new equipment and fixed facilities. With one hundred and twenty million dollars spent on the long-range postwar program since V-J day, the board of directors at a meeting in Boise, Idaho on October 23, authorized another eighty million dollars to continue new installations and further rebuilding of the line.

George F. Ashby, president; E. Roland Harriman, board chairman, and F. W. Charske, chairman of the executive committee, returned to Omaha after a two weeks transcontinental inspection tour confident that their expansion program will be a success. They were enthusiastic over the future of the Pacific Northwest, industrially and agriculturally. "The west," said Mr. Ashby, "is in for a long period of prosperity. I am an optimist. And that is why Union Pacific Railroad is investing over two hundred million dollars in the future of western industry and agriculture. The object of this entire trip was to show the board of directors just what they are getting for their money. They saw, and they are supremely confident that the future of western industry and agriculture demands that all forms of transportation provide the best possible facilities for serving the public in that territory. In this, Union Pacific is taking the lead."

It is reassuring to have a statement of this nature from one in position to see and know what is going on in a large portion of the great west. With one of the larger developments now underway in this immediate vicinity, the building of the McNary dam, it is not difficult to understand why the railroad company is putting its house in order to care for expanding business. It would not be out of the way for local interests to take a tip from the railroad officials and at

least be prepared to take advantage of any expansion that may come as a result of the bid for new industries with the completion of the dam. The railroad is backing its faith with the expenditure of an enormous capital outlay, not only to hold the business it now has but to be in position to take care of its share of the new business.

We may not be in line for a long period of continued prosperity, yet the migration to the Pacific coast appears to have only gotten well underway since the close of the war and it will require years to settle the lands and build the new industries that are contemplated in connection with the great irrigation and power projects, and where there is building, lots of it, there is prosperity.

History Still Repeats Itself

The following editorial is reprinted from the Wichita Beacon:

"Lack of understanding on the part of men who are running our government appears to be as much to blame for the chaotic condition of prices and supply as any other one factor.

"Remember back in the days of depression when the government was recommending plowing under crops because they were in too abundant supply? Those same experts today are trying to 'plow under' markets because the demand is too great.

"It doesn't take a student of economics to tell our government that prices are governed almost entirely by supply and demand—regardless of the controls placed on either as an artificial stimulus for increased or decreased prices.

"The plain truth is that our supply is high, but our demand is greater because of the export policies which this country has followed and is following. Suddenly there has been a drastic cut in export allocations of grain and flour in an attempt to retard the upward trend of prices.

"Looking back over the years, it isn't difficult to see that history repeats itself. Wheat after the Civil war sold for \$2.85; after the Russo-Turkish war it soared to \$2.45; it went to \$1.85 after the Spanish-American war, and to \$3.50 after the first World War....

"Regardless of who is running America, the first truth which must be realized is the old fundamental economic law of supply and demand. It has never failed. It never will, regardless of subsidies, grants, doles, price-pegging or other artificial stimuli. When the supply is good, prices tend to be lower. When the supply is short, prices are high (provided there is no price control, in which case the short supply usually finds better customers in the black market—at higher prices)....

"We are experiencing high wheat prices because 40 per cent of the crop is going out of the country. We are experiencing high meat prices for the same reason. However, we are witnessing high corn prices because the crop this year was 800,000,000 bushels short because of weather factors. In any instance, the available home supply is not sufficient to meet the demand."



STATE INSTRUCTION IN ASSESSMENTS

The great variance in property assessment methods caused the 1947 legislature to enact a law to provide training for assessors and tax collectors. The first classes will be held at Dallas, November 17 and 18; Roseburg, December 1 and 2; Salem, December 9 and 10, and Baker, December 15 and 16. Other classes will be announced by Wallace S. Wharton, state tax commissioner in charge of assessment and taxation, who is directing the training courses.

Instructions will be given by a group of experts in the various categories of taxation. The principal subjects to be taken up include equalization of assessments, assessments and tax collections, law changes, legal manner of drawing up personal property assessment rolls, timberland assessments, aerial photographs as an aid to assessors, and the basic procedure necessary in utility assessments.

"If any taxpayer should appeal to the courts for relief from the law in the method used in assessing his property tax collections in a county could be tied up for months," Wharton warns. The only way such a county could operate would be through the use of warrants and such a method is costly and highly unsatisfactory.

The Salem classes to be held at the capital will be attended by assessors and tax collectors from Marion, Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Linn, Lincoln, Lane, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Yamhill and Washington counties.

GOVERNOR SNELL'S ESTATE

Governor Earl Snell who lost his life in a plane crash in Lake County, left his entire estate, valued in excess of \$10,000, to his widow, Edith M. Snell, under the terms of a will filed in probate this week. Included in the property held is wheat land in Gilliam county operated in joint ownership with David L. Lemon of Arlington as well as personal property including insurance, stocks, bonds and cash. Personal items such as guns, fishing rods, gear and other equipment, the late governor asked to be distributed among his friends, especially those who enjoy outdoor recreation and sports.

POLITICAL ACCOLADE

Never in the history of Oregon has there been so much long-range speculation on potential candidates for state offices. Last week 34 of the state's 129 newspapers carried stories commenting on the present unusual political situation. At the primary election May 21, 1948, voters will choose party nominees for 87 state offices and their delegates to the national conventions, presidential electors, committeemen and committeewomen. The positions of three supreme court justices (Kelly, Brand and Belt) and Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam will be filled by nonpartisan ballot.

Names most frequently discussed for the governor's robes by party counselors are: Leslie Scott, who will on January 3, 1949, finish his second (and constitutionally last) successive term as state treasurer; Admiral "Tam" Gatch, naval hero who licked a big hunk of the Japanese; State Senator Dean Walker, wizard of state finances and past president of the senate, and Attorney General George Neuner, recently fortified with laws to stop pinball machine gambling. Douglas McKay, slated for senate president, is in the east. This gave his friends a hunch to throw his hat in the gubernatorial ring this week, which they did, not unceremoniously. Governor John Hall, the kingmaker's augur, will file before the deadline March 12.

SHORT TERM FOR GOVERNOR

Misinformation has been widely broadcast that the term for which the governor will be elected at the next general election will be for four years. The term will be for the unexpired two years of the late Governor Earl Snell. There are different laws covering the office of governor and secretary of state.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Even between legislative sessions, as happened this week to a group of senators at the capitol, a good hot hunch will occasionally pop up during a hot lunch. Nearly all wise councilors on government advise having a vice official to closely follow state business and be ready for an emergency—a lieutenant governor. The people have voted against the plan several times—always during hard times when they were economy minded. The time may be ripe to try again the august senators opine.

That hot lunch hunch may be on your ballot come next November.

Mark Christian is the name given their new son by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown. The boy was born Saturday, November 1, and tipped the beam at six and one-half pounds. Mrs. Mary Goodman, mother of Mrs. Brown, is here from Burns taking care of mother and babe.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

THE NEW HIRED MAN

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Lexington Scouts To Be Sponsored By P-T Association

The November P-TA meeting was held in the school auditorium Monday evening. The program was begun by group singing of appropriate Armistice day songs led by Jo McMillan and accompanied by Beth Edwards. Mr. and Mrs. Smith of the high school faculty, talked about the band concert to be held here November 21. Joe Feathers, principal, talked on "Boy Scouts." A fall flower show was given, the flowers being grown and arranged by local folks. At the business meeting it was decided that the P-TA should sponsor the Boy Scouts in Lexington. Mr. Feathers volunteered as a committee member.

Mrs. Charles Bloodsworth and daughter Iris spent the latter part of last week in Portland. Tom Barnett is quite seriously ill at his home here. Mrs. Frank Parker is here taking care of him.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Cutsforth spent the fore part of the week in Seattle on business. Church services were held in the Christian church Sunday morning with Rev. Benjamin of Spokane as guest minister. Following the church services, a potluck dinner was held.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carmichael drove to Portland Friday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Carmichael's mother, Mrs. Belle Leathers, who returned to her home in Portland after spending the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Dishaw and son Jim of Astoria are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Edwards. Mrs. Dishaw is Mrs. Edwards' mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Warner drove to Portland over the weekend. While there they attended the U.C.L.A.-O.S.C. football game. Harry Dinges also took in the football game in Portland Saturday. He and Mrs. Dinges drove down Saturday morning.

The Harizon club held an unusual dinner party Saturday evening at the Ted McMillan home. There were twelve present, the Harizon club members, Jo McMillan, Ileen Shannon, Edna Ivsey, Lavonne McMillan, Iris Bloodworth, Ida Buchanan and their guests, Wayne Papineau, Charles Buchanan, Jim Bloodworth, Bill Bloodworth, Roger Campbell and Charles Padberg. Partners for dinner were decided by drawing matching pieces of material. They were divided into three groups of two couples each. Every group was allowed \$1.50 on which to prepare and serve dinner for four. The dinners were then judged on appearance, nutrition and flavor. The judges were Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ed McFadden. The winning couples were Ileen Shannon, Wayne Papineau, Jo McMillan and Charles Buchanan. After dinner the evening was spent playing cards.

Mrs. W. C. Van Winkle was in The Dalles Monday for a check-up by her physician.

MISS TETZ ON ACTIVE LIST AT UNIVERSITY

Jaqueline Tetz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tetz of Heppner, has been chosen representative in Sigma Kappa sorority for the Campus World Student Service fund drive that is now being conducted at the University of Oregon.

EASTERN STAR MEETING

Members of Ruth chapter No. 32, Order of the Eastern Star, have been asked by the worthy matron, Mrs. Tom Wells, to bear in mind the meeting on the evening of November 14. Besides initiation there will be visitors from neighboring lodges and the worthy matron is desirous of seeing a good turnout of chapter members.

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BIRTHDAY DINNER
Members of his family assembled Sunday to observe J. H. Padberg's birthday. Dinner was served to Mr. and Mrs. Orris Padberg and son Charles, Lexington; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Padberg and children, Vernon, Juanita and Lola, Hermiston; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Vinson and children, Lorrann, Harvey and Mary Alice, Kimberley, and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Padberg and son Lee of Lexington.

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Ralph Moore of Kinzua visited briefly in Heppner Friday en route to Portland. Mrs. Moore and daughters, who have been spending several weeks visiting relatives in Newberg, returned to Heppner and Kinzua with him Sunday.

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30 YEARS AGO

From Heppner Gazette Times
November 15, 1917

Richard R. Turpin and Miss Carrie Hurlbert, young people of Ione, were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Waters Monday evening.

While working on his drill at his home in Eight Mile yesterday, Olaf Bergstrom had the misfortune to get the middle finger of his left hand badly crushed. It was necessary to amputate the member above the second joint.

A football game will be played here Saturday afternoon between Moro high school and Heppner high school teams.

E. A. Hartwell, John Bayne, Mike Donnelly and John Mollan, subjects of Great Britain, and E. N. Gonty of Belgium completed their citizenship before Circuit Judge Phelps Monday.

The Hibernians of Heppner have all plans completed for one of the biggest celebrations Sunday, November 18 ever held in eastern Oregon. Following initiation of a large class a banquet will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the Palace hotel.

A few neighbors of Mrs. Jeff Jones gave her a surprise on Wednesday afternoon by calling at her home in a body. The occasion was Mrs. Jones' 47th birthday. She was presented with many nice gifts and the ladies were served a delicious luncheon by Miss Ina Jones.

The drive for raising Morrow county's portion of the great Y. M. C. A. war fund is on.

A deal of much importance was consummated this week by the purchase of the mill and warehouse properties of the Heppner Milling company by the Farmers Elevator company.

The first draft quota of 41 men from Morrow county has been completed. Sept. 5, 1917—Henry Clay Wood, John B. Calmus, Sept. 19, 1917—Frank Peery, Alexander Brander, Frank Cronan, Philip Brady, Floyd Barlow, Robert Holmes, Royal Wakefield, Cleo Drake, Joe Mason, James Daly, McDowell Missillidine, Harvey Bauman, Henry Van Dyke, Fred McMurray, Henry Krebs, Ora McGuire, Oct. 3, 1917—Otto Rietmann, Raymond Turner, Lee McRoberts, Joe Mekus, William Stoops, Theodore Benedict, Frank Doble, William Garner, Riley Juday, Alva Jones, Lester Baker, Ernest Christopherson, Henry Nagl, Rufus Burroughs, Newton Harris, John O'Rourke.

Nov. 2, 1917—Henry Peterson, Roby Simcox, Ed Lovelace, Arthur Edwards, Thomas Sheridan.
Nov. 14—James Casserly.

RETURNING TO HEPPNER

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Doolittle were up from Portland last week and closed a deal for the purchase of the Hazel Benge residence. The property was recently purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lindstrom of Morgan who had planned to retire from their ranch and who later decided to abandon the idea. The Doolittles have residence property in Portland which they will dispose of before returning to Heppner to live.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Huddleston of Loneroek were Heppner business visitors on Wednesday.

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LOSS OF CREDIT

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