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Doe Hunting Season Protest Brings Additional Land Closures

175,000 Acres of Private Land Now Closed to Entry

Landowner's protests against the three day hunter's choice deer season continued to grow in Morrow county as more and more "No Trespassing," and "No Hunting" signs appeared on fence posts throughout the southern and eastern section of the county. The special doe season will open next Saturday.

A check of the private lands known to be posted show at least 175,000 acres will be closed to all hunting and it is probable that there is considerably more than the known figure. Most of the posted land is adjacent to the National Forest and timbered area of the Blue mountains and is considered the best hunting area. All acres within the outside boundary of national forests are closed to the doe hunters by order of the state game commission.

The extensive closure, part of which has been effective during the regular deer season, was brought on by a feeling with most farmers and ranchers that not only was the doe kill unnecessary in this section of the state, but that many would also lose numerous livestock now pastured in the areas surrounding the timber. Several petitions were circulated last month and forwarded to the state game commission protesting the special doe season and requesting the commission to cancel it in this area. The request was turned down, however.

While much land has been closed to hunters during the entire season by private landowners, another big block east of Heppner, containing about 73,000 acres has been posted the past two days. Owners in the area said the decision to post the land was brought on by the extremely heavy influx of hunters, due in part to the closure of the western part of the state because of fire danger. Many were also incensed over the number of does and other game animals which have already been killed and left in the woods. Reports reaching the Gazette Times told of 15 does and four elk being found in one small area. Police also tell of receiving reports of an airplane being used to herd the deer for hunters.

In other words, doe hunters in Morrow county can expect to find more "No Hunting" signs than they can deer.

All of Morrow county is opened to the doe hunters by order of the game commission, but the open wheat fields and range further from the mountains offers poor shooting. Private property owners, do however, have the right to prevent trespass on their lands as many are doing.

Social Security Information Given

Many people think of old-age and survivors insurance as insurance against old age only. They forget it is also survivors insurance and as such widows, children and aged parents may receive benefits. Not knowing this is like forgetting to read the fine print on any other insurance policy.

Did you know that in case of your death, your wife might be able to draw as much as \$168.90 per month as long as your children are under 18, or that your parents over 65 might be able to draw over \$60 each if they were dependent on you? A social security representative said. This makes old-age and survivors insurance a young person's insurance too—family protection at any age.

If you want to know more about the meaning of old-age and survivors insurance as it relates to you and your future, see your social security representative from the La Grande social security office who will be at the City Hall in Heppner on Thursday, October 23rd from 9:00 a. m. until noon.

Robert Smith, Democratic candidate for State Representative was a visitor in Heppner on Monday.

Mrs. Anna Q. Thomson has returned to Heppner and will remain for a time. Mrs. Thomson injured her hip in a fall early in the spring and has been in various hospitals during her convalescence. Just before coming to Heppner, she visited her daughter, Beatrice, in Portland.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES



GREETINGS that doe hunters will receive in most of the eastern and southern sections of the county will be like the above. Many private landowners, as a part of their strong objection to the opening of non-national forest lands to doe hunting during the special three-day season starting next Saturday, have posted 175,000 acres of the best hunting ground against entry. Many are fearful for the welfare of their cattle too, as most of them don't have horns either. (GT Photo)

Farmers Urged to Make Use of Crop Reporting Service

About one out of four Morrow county farmers have received a piece of mail recently, that deserves special attention, believes county agent N. C. Anderson. He said that a special crop form was mailed last week by Niels I. Nielsen of the crop reporting service in Portland.

In advising farmers to take advantage of this service, the county agent said it will give them a chance to show what Morrow county and the state of Oregon have done to help the nation's needs for farm products. He added that it is important that the forms be filled in and returned to Nielsen's office immediately.

The county agent said that findings of the crop survey can be helpful to farmers in deciding what to plant and when to buy and sell. He pointed out that state totals can be used in many ways by Morrow county farmers to iron out problems and to measure agricultural progress. The totals will be available to all farmers, Anderson said.

At Oregon State College, Market specialist M. D. Thomas supported the survey as a "dollars and cents" proposition for Oregon farmers to know where they stand on production.

"Wrong guesses can be costly to our farmers both in this year's sales and in next year's crop planning," the OSC specialist stated.

Preliminary estimates of Oregon's 1952 acreage and production are already available, Thomas said. These are based upon information obtained from trade people, county agents, and from farmers who act as monthly crop reporters.

Now that harvest is completed, Thomas indicates there is need for a more thorough check on what actually happened in 1952 as affected by yields and shifts in earlier crop plans.

Thomas explained that the final survey is not a "double-check" against earlier returns, and that individual reports are confidential and are used only in arriving at county, state and national totals.

TURKEY DINNER PLANNED

The H. E. C. of the Lexington grange is planning a turkey dinner, open to the public, for Saturday, November 1 at the grange hall. Serving hours will be from 6 p. m. until 8 p. m.

Mrs. Eurl Coxen returned to her home in The Dalles Sunday after a weekend visit in Heppner at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ayers. Mr. Ayers took her to the train at Hinkle.

Dr. and Mrs. Edward Schaffitz and Dianne spent the weekend in Portland visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Carter. On Saturday they attended the homecoming at Pacific University.

Harley Anderson arrived home Monday from Portland. He reports that Mrs. Anderson is out of the hospital and staying with her sister.

Mrs. Esta Powell of Portland is a business visitor in Heppner this week.

Duck Hunt Season To Open October 24

Oregon's migratory waterfowl hunting starts at noon October 24 and will run for a straight 70 day period, closing New Year's Day, 1953.

Federal regulations covering Oregon's section of the Pacific flyway were concurred in by the Oregon game commission at a meeting of the Pacific flyway council in Klamath Falls last August where Oregon and California game commissioners agreed on a uniform opening date for both states. Idaho's season opened October 11 and Washington's opens October 17.

To the daily bag and possession limit of 6 ducks, hunters will be allowed to add 2 widgeons (baldpates) or 2 pintails, or 1 of each, making a total of 8 birds.

Daily bag and possession limit on geese remains 6 including in such limit not more than 2 birds of the dark species—common Canada goose and subspecies and the white-fronted goose. There is a separate limit of 3 for brant (black sea brant only), formerly included in the goose limit.

Another revision in this year's regulations permits the shooting of waterfowl from a boat having a motor attached if the boat is fastened within or tied immediately alongside a stationary hunting blind.

The 1952 Pacific flyway seasons and bag limits are the most liberal in the four national flyways, and waterfowl breeding ground reports offer every indication that Oregon hunters will enjoy a successful season.

City Officials Up For Election in Ione

Ione city officials were nominated at the city hall Tuesday evening October 7.

Those nominated, to be voted on November 4, were Omar Rietman, mayor; George Ely, recorder; Mrs. Echo Palmateer, treasurer; councilmen for two years, E. W. Bristow, J. H. Bryson, Roy Lindstrom, Merle Baker, Charles O'Connor, A. E. Stefani, Jim Barnett and Roland Bergstrom. George Ely and Paul O'Meara were nominated for justice of the peace.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Claughton, Condon, a 6 lb. 15 oz. boy born Oct. 11, named Vernon Dale. To Mr. and Mrs. John Hartman, Heppner, a 7 lb. 1 oz. boy born Oct. 10 named John Anthony. To Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Ball, Ione, a 7 lb. 7 oz. girl born Oct. 10, named Marcia Lorraine. To Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Sliton, Kinzua, a 9 lb. 3 oz. girl born Oct. 13, named Jackie Sue. To Mr. and Mrs. Garth B. Wake, Condon, a 5 lb. 4 1/2 oz. girl born Oct. 15, named Judith Elaine.

Medical—Marvin Jones, Kinzua; Gerald Allen Bunch, Heppner, dismissed; Mrs. Shirley McCarl, Ione, dismissed; Mrs. Mildred Jones, Kinzua; Aubert Hays, Spray; Mrs. Mabel Spencer, Lexington.

Minor Surgery—Mrs. Helen Nelson, Lexington, dismissed; Mrs. Jean Davis, Fossil, dismissed; Mrs. Elsie Mollahan, Heppner.

Major Surgery—Mrs. Addie McCarl, Heppner; Harvey Smith Ione.

Out-patients—Kenneth Nelson, Lexington; Alma Lou Evans, Heppner.

Ballot Measures To Be Discussed At C of C Meetings

The next two meetings of the Heppner-Morrow county chamber of commerce will be devoted entirely to the discussing of the various measures to appear on the November 4 ballot, it was decided at last Monday's meeting of the group.

The job of presenting an impartial discussion of the 20 state local measures was given to the legislative committee, J. O. Turner is chairman of this committee. Various members of the chamber and probably outside speakers who are particularly well acquainted with the individual bills will be assigned the task of presenting the measures.

In throwing the remaining meetings before the election open to the discussion of the measures, the group expressed the feeling that with the large number of complex bills facing the voters, as much information as could be obtained should be placed before the members. Turner said each speaker will try to present both sides of each bill.

The chamber Monday joined with the Morrow county Pomona Grange and the Morrow county Farm Bureau in sponsoring a series of advertisements opposing the legislative apportionment measure which will be on the coming ballot. The request for such joint sponsorship was made by Orville Cutsforth who explained that the other organizations have already gone on record opposing the plan which they feel is unfair to this section of the state. Cutsforth said that even though the state Grange recently approved the current measure, the county Pomona refuses to follow the lead of the state organization and is fighting the passage of the present bill. The Farm Bureau has been working actively for its defeat.

The first of the advertisements appear elsewhere in this issue of the Gazette Times.

Government Timber In County on Block In Tuesday Sale

Seventeen tracts of Bureau of Land Management timber on O & C and public domain lands are ready for scheduled sales, Roscoe E. Bell, regional administrator of the Bureau, reported at Portland today.

The first BLM sale of the month will be held in Bend at the office of the district forester on October 14. Six tracts of public domain stumpage, totaling 1,839,000 board feet will be offered by sealed bids. The timber is located in Adams and Idaho Counties, Idaho; Morrow and Deschutes Counties, Oregon.

O & C stumpage on eleven tracts in Coos, Douglas, Lane, and Linn Counties, Oregon, will be offered at the following sales to be held at the offices of the district foresters: October 20, Sale, 8,160,000 board feet in two tracts, one to be offered by sealed bids, the other by oral bids; October 22, Roseburg, 5,175,000 board feet in three tracts, one to be offered by oral bids and two by sealed bids. The last O & C sale of the month will be at Eugene on October 23, where 11,035,000 board feet will be offered in five tracts, all by oral bids.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson have gone to England where they will visit his two brothers and a sister whom he has not seen for 38 years. They flew from Pendleton to New York and from there took the transatlantic plane.

Francis Nickerson came up from Eugene Saturday after his family who have been guests of his mother Mrs. Grace Nickerson. They will reside in Eugene this year during which time he will take graduate work at the University of Oregon.

Mrs. Gertrude Vance left Tuesday after a week's visit with her niece, Mrs. David A. Wilson.

Heppner Downs Stanfield 19 to 0; Meets Maupin Here This Friday

Heppner's Mustangs traveled to Stanfield last Friday to tackle the Stanfield gridders and downed them 19-0 in a game marred by many penalties. It was the poorest showing the Mustangs have made this year, according to their coach Steve Trukositz, who blamed the raggedness on overconfidence.

Jack Sumner, Heppner fullback, accounted for two touchdowns in the opening period, only to have one, a 55 yard run, nullified by a penalty. By halftime, Lyle Jensen had crossed the line again for the Mustangs to bring the score

Council To Open Sewer Bids Tonight

The Heppner Council will open bids tonight at a special meeting for construction of the city's sewer system and sewage disposal plant.

Mayor J. O. Turner stated that it would probably take the council several days to completely examine the bid offers before a contract can be awarded, as it is known that there is a wide interest among contractors for the job and more than 20 bids are expected.

Several concerns presenting bids have stated they will have representatives present at the meeting to explain various phases of their bids to the council members.

County Livestock Show Low Percent Of Bang's and TB

The percentage of beef cattle in Morrow county infected with Bang's disease and tuberculosis is very low according to figures compiled this week by the county court. Of the 6433 cattle tested during the first nine months for Bangs, there were only 130 reactors for 2.02 percent and only 4 TB reactors in 902 cattle tested for a percentage of .004 per cent.

The testing has been carried on in the county by Dr. F. W. Frank, Dr. Gordon W. Blake and Dr. Ralph Perkins, federal veterinarians, as part of a program carried on with funds from the bureau of animal industry. The only cost to the county is its share, one-fourth, of the indemnity costs.

Morrow county has for several years been a compulsory area for cattle testing, a program which was initiated by the Morrow county Livestock association in an attempt to control stock diseases. All the testing done so far this year has been on a voluntary basis as far as cattle owners are concerned and the court expressed the feeling that the county was fortunate in having the three veterinarians available to assist with the testing. There are only 13 federal vets for the entire state.

Dr. Frank, who lives at Lexington, stated that they hope to be able to complete the testing program by the end of the year and urged cattlemen whose stock have not been tested to make arrangements for the test whenever possible. He also said that the veterinarians are vaccinating calves for Bangs at no cost to the owner.

Both Dr. Blake and county judge Garnet Barratt pointed out the effectiveness of the testing program was well demonstrated by the very low percentage of reactors found among the county's herds.

N. W. Bailey Reopens Richfield Station

N. W. Bailey, a former Heppner resident, who for several years has been living in Oregon City, has purchased the Richfield service station at Main and Center street in Heppner. The station has been closed for several months.

Bailey stated he is carrying a full line of automotive needs and is offering motorists 24 hour service.

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Community Chest Drive To Open October 27

Plans for the Morrow county Community Chest drive were laid at a meeting of the directors of the association held last Monday evening at Lexington. Campaign heads for the various sections of the county were also named with Leslie Grant again chosen chairman of the drive.

The date for the county-wide drive have been tentatively set up as October 27 to November 11 with each area chairman to open his local campaign as close to that date as possible.

The directors also set up an increased budget for the coming year with \$4,000 established as the goal. This is an increase of \$900 over last year. Last year's drive fell just a few dollars short of the \$3,100 goal.

In establishing the budget for the coming year the board also set up the percentages of the total to be raised by each of the various communities. Heppner

was assigned 50 percent, Ione and Lexington each 15 percent, Boardman and Irrigon each 10 percent of the total. Donations from outlying districts will be credited to the closest community.

Of the \$4,000 budget established it was decided to give the state chest one-half of the money raised up to its established quota of \$1,906.62 and the board set up the percentages each community will retain for its own or emergency use. Also set up in the overall plan was a fund of \$500 for the Boy Scouts and the Blue Mountain Scout council to be dispersed 50 percent for the state, 25 percent to the community, 12 1/2 percent to the Blue Mountain council and 12 1/2 percent for an emergency fund to be used by the local organizations if needed.

Drive chairman Leslie Grant said Wednesday he is preparing a list of district workers and will announce their names in the near future.

Present at the Lexington meeting were Garnet Barratt, chairman of the board; Robert Ferrell, treasurer; Mrs. Joseph Hughes, secretary; Leslie Grant, drive chairman; Dewey West Jr.; Ray Anderson; Garland Swanson; Edmund Bristow; Mrs. Robert Davidson; Mrs. Bernard Doherty; and Melvin W. Smith.

Wheat Growers To Meet Oct. 23

Morrow County wheat farmers have scheduled their annual get-together for discussion of wheat production problems for October 23. The meeting will be held in the county court room in Heppner. Starting at 10:00 a. m., the committee will meet during the day.

This year there are five committees set up to cover all of the wheat production problems. Committees and chairmen of each are: Taxation and Legislation, Henry Peterson, Ione; Youth activities, Earl McKinney, Ione; Wheat Disposal and Transportation, Henry Baker, Ione; Production and Land Use, Frank Anderson, Heppner; and Federal Agricultural Programs, Kenneth Smouse, Ione.

Suggested lists of topics have been sent by State Wheat League Committees for consideration, along with local problems. These are in the hands of committees now. Recommendations will be made to be presented at the annual meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers League. This year's meeting will be held in Portland on December 4, 5, 6.

Pate New President Of Men's Chorus

The growing Heppner men's chorus this week elected L. L. Pate, president, Harold Beckert, secretary and Oliver Creswick, director and manager. The group has previously had no elected officers.

The chorus, which started as the Harmony Club and composed of four to six members, has now grown to a membership of 18 Heppner and Lexington men. The men have filled many singing engagements during the past year, and the organization is open to anyone interested in singing for enjoyment.

Ione Cardinals Drop Umatilla 25 to 13

Ione's Cardinals chalked up another win last Friday when they outscored the Umatilla Vikings 25 to 13. The game was played on the Umatilla field.

In the first period neither team could get anyplace, but during the second quarter Ione's Baker reached paydirt twice, but in neither case could they convert for the extra points. In the third quarter both team succeeded in getting over a touchdown and Baker went around end for the extra point for Ione. Both teams again scored in the final period and the Vikings kicked the extra point to give them the final tally of 13 to Ione's 25.

Game Commission Releases Pheasants For County Hunters

Employees of the state game commission, state police and state game farm at Hermiston made news for bird hunters Wednesday when they released 300 Mongolian pheasants in eastern and southern Morrow county. The Mongolian pheasant is similar in appearance to the better known Chinese pheasant, but is a slightly larger bird. They were raised at the Hermiston farm.

The 300 birds, nearly all mature roosters were released at various undisclosed locations in preparation for the invasion of hunters next week. The bird season opens Friday noon, October 24.

First Frost Hits County Tuesday

The first frost of the year hit sections of Morrow county early Tuesday morning when Leonard Gilliam, Heppner weather observer recorded a low of 31 degrees.

Though the mercury registered below freezing, very little frost was seen in the area apparently due to the extremely dry weather during past weeks. No rain has fallen in the county since the middle of September and it was little more than a shower. Most days since that time have been completely cloudless.



REV. GENE ROBINSON, pastor of the La Grande Christian church who will speak here at special services next Sunday.

La Grande Man To Speak at Christian Church Homecoming

Gene Robinson, pastor of the La Grande Christian church will be the special speaker next Sunday afternoon at the Heppner Christian church. Next Sunday is the annual homecoming in the Heppner church and many persons will remember Robinson when he appeared here a few years ago to hold a series of meetings.

Robinson is considered as one of the most popular speakers in Eastern Oregon and he was voted outstanding citizen of La Grande several years ago. Besides his regular pastoral duties he is the pastor-councilor for students of the Christian church who are attending Eastern Oregon College of Education at La Grande.