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Willard Herbison Injured in First Hunting Accident

The first serious hunting accident in the immediate area occurred about 5 p. m. Tuesday when Willard Herbison, Condon, a former Heppner resident, was painfully but not seriously injured when struck in the thigh with fragments of metal when a bullet struck the windshield cornerpost of a jeep in which he was sitting. The shot had been fired by Charles Gomillion, with whom Herbison was hunting in the Crawford Springs area south of Lonerock.

The accident was described as a freak by local police officers who said that Gomillion was resting his gun across the front of the jeep, sighting on a deer. His scope sight did not show the cornerpost in the line of fire, but the bullet struck the metal and fragments of the iron were what struck Herbison who was sitting in the car.

He was brought to Pioneer Memorial hospital by Gomillion and Harold Lawson of Hermiston where local physicians treated him for a severed artery and large vein in the thigh. The wound was described as extremely painful but not serious.

Elgin Mill Fire Temporarily Disrupts Heppner Plant There

Fire which Saturday destroyed the Willis Spoo lumber mill at Elgin temporarily held up production at the Heppner Lumber company plant there, but arrangements were made immediately to double-shift on another nearby mill so that the Heppner lumber plant could continue its operations.

The fire completely leveled the Spoo mill, which turns out raw lumber for the Heppner Lumber planer and dry kilns in Elgin. Loss was estimated at about \$100,000 with insurance covering about half the damage.

Arrangements were made with Eekstein Lumber mill, another supplier of raw boards, to run a double shift starting last Monday night. It is expected the two shift operation can supply about 80,000 board feet daily, within 15 or 20 thousand feet of what the two mills were putting out on a regular basis.

The fire in no way effected the operation of the Heppner Lumber Company mill here.

Spoo formerly operated a mill in Morrow county, buying the Elgin operation about four years ago.

Whether the mill will be rebuilt is not yet known.

Camp Fire Girls Need Help on Projects

All those wishing to help the W. A. can't it Camp Fire group carry out their national project, afghans for Korea, and the local project, quilts for the needy, please call 6-9906 during the month of October, the girls have asked.

All yarn scraps and quilt pieces offered will be picked up by the girls and mailed to centers where willing hands are busy making many needed articles.

Mrs. Jos. Hughes spent part of last week in Pendleton where she attended the State Assessors meeting.

Emile Groshens and Paul Webb left last Thursday for Rawlins, Wyoming. They expected to be gone about a week.



AGRICULTURE CENSUS WORKERS started work Monday morning when the first farms were visited in Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler and Sherman counties. From left to right they are: Roland Potter, Norman Lofton, Colleen Wallace, Fred Anderson, Eileen Saling, Leora Stephens, Rolla Moore and Delores Dunn. Looking over plans is crew leader Mrs. Jean Jackson. Miss Wallace, Miss Saling and Mr. Moore will work largely in Morrow county. (Condon Globe Times Photo)

Field Lighting Fund Nears \$8,000 Today

The prospects of lights being erected on the rodeo field appeared even brighter Wednesday, when Frank Turner, chamber of commerce treasurer announced that the chamber's drive to raise funds for the project has brought in a total of \$7,975 to date, with promise of close to another \$1,000 expected to swell the total to nearly \$9,000, only about \$1,000 away from the goal.

The special field lighting committee has been working hard this week to sell the non-interest bearing bonds which will provide the money for the project. Its members report good response from residents of the area, but

Political Forum Set For Pendleton

Residents of Heppner and the entire second congressional district are being invited to meet candidates and hear basic issues in the November 2 election at a nonpartisan political forum at the Vert auditorium in Pendleton at 7:30 p. m. Monday, October 25.

The event is sponsored by the Pendleton Junior Chamber of Commerce as part of its get-out-the-vote campaign to increase the percentage of registered voters who actually go to the polls Nov. 2 to decide who will represent them.

Participants in the forum Oct. 25 include: for U. S. senator, Richard L. Neuberger and state senator Gene Brown representing Sen. Guy Cordon; for governor, a representative of Gov. Patterson, and Joseph Carson; for congressman, second district, Albert Ullman; for county judge, D. R. (Sam) Cook and Claude Meyers; for county commissioner, W. A. (Dusty) Rhodes and Roscoe Kelley, and, for mayor of Pendleton, Jabn Vaught and Norman Gorkle. Moderator is Pendleton school superintendent Wallace McCrae.

Written questions will be collected by Jaycees during the meeting to be directed to the candidates. A reception during which voters may meet the candidates personally will follow the forum.

Volume of Cattle Sales on Increase

HERMISTON—Oran Brace of Heppner topped the market at the Hermiston livestock auction Friday with a 270 lb. spotted boar that sold for \$14.25 cwt. Delbert Arson, manager of the sale, reports, Fred Hoskins, Jr., Heppner, consigned a 310 lb. sow that sold for a top of \$17.50.

Volume of cattle consigned rose sharply. Consigned were 756 cattle, compared with 540 the previous Friday. 139 hogs compared with 145, and 274 sheep compared with 183. There were many small consignments and several of 25 to 50 head of cattle.

Prices were generally steady to off slightly, with some increases noted. Fat hogs were up 70c cwt. to a \$20.70 top, showing less fill. Sows were steady to up 20c at a \$17.50 top. Better quality steer calves were up 5c to a \$19.80 top. Canner-cutter slaughter cows were up 20c at \$8.80, shells up 30c at \$6.80, bulls steady at \$14.40. Sheep were steady, younger ewes up \$2.00 per head to a \$15.50 top. Quality was above standard in virtually all classes.

Demand was broad and active, in all categories, with Oregon and Washington packers and Yakima valley and east Umatilla county feedlot operators well represented. Farmer buyers were particularly active, especially in buying cows and weaner calves, the latter for feedlots to upgrade by concentrated feed. Stocker steers were also in demand.

Needed at the sale next Friday are good steer calves and good fat grass on grain or feedlot heifers.

Calves: Baby calves 2.50-14.00 hd.; weaner calves, steer calves, 18.10-19.80; heifer calves 14.85-17.20; veal 17.80-19.20.

Steeers: Stocker steers 15.20-16.75 cwt.; feeder steers 16.75-18.40; fat slaughter steers 19.10-20.60; fat heifers 15.10-16.90.

Cows: Dairy cows 85.00-127.50 hd.; dairy heifers 23.00-31.00 hd.; stock cows, 6 Angus cows, \$101.00 hd.

Slaughter cows: Commercial 10.60-11.90 cwt., few young cows to 12.60; utility 9.90-10.50; canner cutter 7.10-8.80, few heavy Holsteins to 9.60; shells 4.50-6.80.

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Council, Mayor's Positions Attract 1 Woman, 5 Men

Fire Destroys Hunter's Car

One man's hunting trip was cut short Monday afternoon when his car caught fire while descending the grade into Rock Creek, just south of Hardman. No cause was determined for the blaze which completely destroyed the 1950 Buick.

The car was registered to C. Buck, operator of Buck's Grocery at Power City, north of Hermiston. The car was also pulling a trailer loaded with camping equipment, but Buck had time to disconnect it and pull away from it before the flames got too hot.

Junior Class To Present Annual Play November 19 and 20

The junior class at Heppner high school revealed this week that they are practicing now for the annual class play which will be presented at the school auditorium November 19 and 20.

The play will be "Don't Ever Grow Up", which is a comedy by James Reach and will be directed by Stanley Holm. The student director will be Lynda Borman; business manager, Darlene Connor; publicity, Barbara Warren; costume director, Virginia Elde and makeup director, Edith Morris.

The cast will include Carolyn Calvin, Nancy Anderson, James Monahan, Lance Tibbles, Sharon Bryant, Joan Keithley, Judy Wright, Virginia Andresen, Donna Lovgren; Marilyn Munkers; Mike Monahan; Wayne Soward; Delbert Piper; Karen Prock; Nelson Connor and Chuck Bailey.

Brother of Heppner Woman Dies Recently

Henry Leo Gay, 64, died October 11 at Pendleton where private family funeral services were held. He was a brother of Mrs. Mabel French of Heppner.

Mr. Gay is survived by one son, Leo Mace, California; a daughter, Pearl Elizabeth, Vancouver, Wash.; a brother, Walter H. Gay and his sister, Mrs. French. He also leaves three grandchildren, two nieces and a nephew.

TRI-COUNTY TEST AREA FOR NEW USE OF SALT IN WEATHER MODIFICATION

The Weather Modification Company at Condon, has announced that in its cloud seeding program in Sherman, and sections of Morrow and Gilliam counties of Oregon, artificially introduced salt particles will be used in addition to the standard seeding chemicals, silver iodide and dry ice.

Many leading meteorologists now believe that many moderate to heavy tropical showers owe their existence to the presence of giant salt particles carried aloft from ocean spray by wind currents.

While silver iodide crystals are only effective in modifying clouds whose temperatures are less than 26 degrees, the salt particles can effect warm clouds by being small centers which allows many more rain drops to form.

The present cloud seeding program now in progress runs from September 1, 1954 to September 1

Heavy Deer Kill Shown By Police Checkup Tuesday

State police reported Wednesday that a check of cars Tuesday evening, the first day of the three-day hunter's choice deer season, showed a very heavy percentage of hunters had killed their deer.

The officers reported that many of the animals checked were does, but that some exceptionally large bucks were also being hauled to town by the hunters.

All Heppner butchers and locker plants have reported a heavy influx of deer all through the regular season, with some indicating that the total kill appeared to be higher this year than last.

Local School Bonds OK'd; Excavation To Start Next Week

Word was received today by Heppner school officials that the firm of Winfree, McCullough, Schuler and Sayre, Portland bonding attorneys, have approved the recent bond issue of \$290,000 for the construction of a new grade school. The issue was purchased by the U. S. National bank at an average interest rate of 2.3 percent.

Superintendent H. C. Reed said also that architects would be here this week to stake out the building area and that excavation is expected to start early next week.

Tax Statements To Go in Mail Soon

The sheriff's office stated Wednesday that it will start early next week mailing out the 1955 county tax statements. It is expected to take at least a week or 10 days to complete the mailing. Mrs. Carl McDaniel, deputy announced.

First payment on the levy is due November 15.

SAMPLE BALLOTS READY

The county clerk this week received delivery of the ballots for the general election, and announced that sample ballots may be obtained at the office.

They are also available at the Gazette Times office.

Mary Van Stevens Files Monday For Mayor's Job

Interest in the five open positions on the Heppner city council took a big spurt this week with the filing of five petitions for the four council positions and one for the job as mayor. The one aspirant for the mayor's post is Mrs. Mary Van Stevens, local florist.

The five who have filed completed petitions for the council positions are Alan L. Case and Jack Bailey for the two year terms; Al Lamb, Jack Van Winkle and W. C. Collins for the three year terms. Van Winkle and Collins are now serving on the council but the terms of both men will be up at the end of the current year. Case, is an owner of the Case Furniture Company and Jack Bailey is secretary of the Heppner Elks lodge. Lamb, who lives in Heppner, is manager of the Morrow County Grain Growers with his head office at Lexington.

Mrs. Stevens' petition was the only one filed for the office of mayor, though another had been circled for Dr. L. D. Tibbles who has served as city head since his appointment to the post January 1 of this year. He had not signed the petition in his behalf, and he told the Gazette Times Wednesday that he would not do so, feeling that his 16 years of service to the city as councilman and mayor had earned him a deserved rest, at least for the present.

Mrs. Stevens operates Mary Van's Flower Shop in Heppner and is quite active in local civic affairs. She is an active member of the Heppner-Morrow county chamber of commerce, the Soroptimist club, and is advisor for the Rainbow for Girls.

Other Filings Made

Two other positions which must be filled at the November 2 election are those of city recorder and city treasurer. La Verne Van Marter Jr., present treasurer has filed for reelection to that post, and Hugh (Ted) Smith, has filed for the recorder's job. Smith was appointed to the post early this month following the resignation of Harry Tamblin who had held the job for more than a year.

The positions will be filled November 2, at the same time as the general election, but it will be by separate ballot.

Savings Bonds Sales High in State

The people of Oregon have just finished a Savings Bonds buying spree exceeding only once since the end of War Bond days, according to figures just released by E. C. Sammons, Chairman of the Oregon Savings Bonds Committee. Only in 1948 have Oregonians bought more Savings Bonds in the months of July, August, and September than they did in the three months just ended.

Sales of E and H Bonds in the state last month amounted to \$2,849,228, a whopping 32% jump over sales of September of 1953. According to Mr. Sammons, sales in Oregon the first nine months of this year were 24% more than they were a year ago, the increase amounting to \$5,350,000. The percentage of increase in Oregon is running far ahead of the 12% rise in national sales. "Sales in Morrow county for September were \$5,284", according to Jeff Carter, county chairman. "Sales in this county through September amounted to \$134,870", he said.

FARM BUREAU MEETING SET FOR LEXINGTON

The Morrow county Farm Bureau will meet at the Lexington I. O. O. F. hall Tuesday, Oct. 26 starting with a potluck dinner at 6:30. The Conservation Man, Grassman and the Cattleman of the year will be honored at the meeting.

The resolutions committee will discuss resolutions to be brought up at the state convention.

WRANGLERS TO HAVE FEED

The second annual buck burger feed will be held Saturday evening at 6:30 p. m. at the fair pavilion for all Wranglers and their guests.

Mrs. Charles Bloodsworth of Hermiston was a caller in Heppner Monday.

"HAND ME THE GUN MA, THE WAR'S ON . . ."

Democrats and Republicans Levy Charges, Claims at Local Meetings

Politics became more a part of everyone's thoughts this week as both Republicans and Democrats held special rallies and meetings on Monday and Tuesday in Heppner.

Republicans meeting Monday evening under the chairmanship of J. O. Turner heard William H. Steiwer, Fossil stockman and farmer and chairman of the Cordon for U. S. Senator committee predict the re-election of Senator Cordon at the November 2 election. Other speakers at the meeting included Harold Becket, candidate for county clerk; county judge Garnet Barratt and county commissioner Ralph L. Thompson, both of whom are up for reelection; and Bradley Fancher, who spoke for both senator

Cordon and representative Sam Conon.

Charles A. Tom, state representative, spoke in favor of the Republican candidates and explained some of the forthcoming State legislation.

The Democratic meeting was held at O'Donnell's Cafe Tuesday morning as a breakfast meeting, with Al Ullman, democratic candidate for U. S. representative as the main speaker. Also on the program was Bruce Lindsay, democratic candidate for county clerk. The meeting was under the direction of Al Lamb, county Democratic committee chairman.

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In speaking for Senator Cordon, Steiwer said Monday night

that, "The people of Oregon have come to a full realization of what a calamity it would mean to the state and the nation to lose the public services of a man of the high calibre of Senator Cordon. How can we fail to return to office one who has gained such a high position in our nation's capitol and who has the grasp and the knowledge of what Oregon needs in its power development, its industry and agriculture?"

He added, "We have had many offers of support from Democrats as well as Republicans, and it appears that Neuberger's smear campaign has backfired. Neuberger has attacked Senator Cordon with untruths and half truths but apparently these tactics have

only served to call the people's attention to his own shortcomings in the state legislature."

Steiwer pointed out "that Neuberger had suddenly become a great friend of the farmer whereas his record in the legislature shows that he opposed almost everything of benefit to agriculture. His campaign speeches have proven that his knowledge of Oregon is so slight that it is increasingly apparent that he would be incapable of representing us in Washington."

"I predict the re-election of United States Senator Guy Cordon," Steiwer said.

Political Revolution Due

Al Ullman in his Tuesday morning talk aimed several barbs at the Republicans opening

with a statement that the story released Monday about his alleged misdealings in a previous real estate transaction was a deliberate smear campaign to discredit him. He said the timing of the release made it obvious.

Ullman said that the national trend is coming along well for the Democrats and that the eastern Oregon trend was even better. He also claimed that the administration's tax bills have favored big business and cited the fact that while the stock market is up, the income in small communities is drying up. He said, "The ordinary person gets no benefit whatsoever from the administration tax reduction bill."

Ullman emphasized that this country's surplus problems

should be attacked aggressively, that we are losing friends abroad who are going hungry while we hold huge surpluses.

Power Issue Raised

Ullman berated the McKay "sellout" of the Snake river development plan and Hells Canyon, claiming that private development of the Snake river would bring higher power rates to the Snake Basin. He also claimed the Federal Power Commission is stacked against Federal development of the Snake.

Following the Heppner meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Ullman, left for Lexington where he spoke briefly at a meeting held at the New O'Hara home. He had spoken at Condon and Fossil the night before.