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NEW OWNER AND MANAGER of the Heppner Lumber Company were here early this week looking over the plant and planning the future operation of the mill. Right is Maurice Hitchcock, who with Dant and Russell, Inc., are negotiating purchase of the plant from Orville Smith, F. W. Mahoney and the Kraft family. Left is Paul Koenig, who will move here about December 1 and will serve as manager under the new ownership. (GT Photo)

Grain Growers Annual Meeting Set For Monday

The annual meeting of the Morrow County Grain Growers has been called for Monday, Nov. 10 at the Lexington Grange hall. It was announced this week by Al Lamb, manager. It is scheduled to open at 10 a. m. and a free lunch will be served all members and visitors at noon.

The election of three regular directors and seven associate directors for the coop is one of the major points of business to be covered at the meeting. The nominating committee has named L. L. Howton, A. C. Lindsay and Don Campbell for the three regular director's positions, and Paul Jones, Alton Henderson, Kenneth Batty, Jack Barak, Archie Munkers, Irvin Rauch and Don Peterson, for the seven positions as associate directors.

The main speaker at the meeting will be William G. Stacey, of Salem who is an authority of cooperative law and accounting. He is a certified public accountant.

Other business will include the annual auditor's report and the consideration of a by-law amendment to make part of the members accumulated earnings into paid-up life insurance. Several other matters of business are also on the agenda.

A special door prize of a Thanksgiving turkey will be awarded at the opening of the meeting, Lamb announced, and an attendance prize is being offered at a drawing at the close of the day session.

Final Rites Held for Sadie E. McDonald

Graveside rites were held Wednesday, Nov. 3 at the Hardman I. O. O. F. cemetery for Mrs. Sadie E. McDonald, 72, who passed away October 31 at Pendleton following a long illness.

Mrs. McDonald was born January 8, 1882 in Wisconsin and had lived in Morrow county for many years. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Eva Robinson, Mt. Vernon; Mrs. Ethel Bleakman, Richland, Wash.; Mrs. Hazel Salling, Pendleton; two sons, Louis McDonald, Hardman and Herbert McDonald, Kendrick, Idaho. She also leaves 15 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, two sisters and one brother.

Rev. Lester Boulden officiated at the services and Creswick and Seuell Mortuary were in charge of arrangements.

Saving Bond Heads Meet Here

Jeff Carter, Morrow county chairman for the U. S. savings bond drive and Jack Bedford, committee member met last Thursday evening with George Minnaugh, state bond drive chairman and Charles Reynolds, manager of the U. S. National Bank. The Dalles who is district chairman, for a host dinner and business meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to plan bond sales for the balance of 1954 and to arrange for a concrete program for 1955. It is reported that Morrow county has fallen far below its quota and an intensive effort will be made to bring sales back to their former level.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyol Parker had as their guests, their nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Devin and two children of North Bend, Oregon.

Ione Voters Choose New Councilmen

Ione voters Tuesday reelected Omar Rietmann mayor, Doris Gollyhorn, city recorder, Echo Palmateer as treasurer; and also reelected two council members and chose one new member.

The newly elected councilman is Noel Dobyns who beat out his opponent John Bryson who was running for reelection and Walter Dobyns failed to get enough votes to get among the top three. Those reelected were Paul Pettyjohn and Charles O'Connor.

121 persons voted in the city election. The results showed: Mayor—Rietmann, 107 Recorder—Gollyhorn, 103 Treasurer—Palmateer, 113 Councilmen, three to elect—Pettyjohn, 93 Noel Dobyns, 81 Chas. O'Connor, 71 John Bryson, 44 Walter Dobyns 40

Forest Service Men Receive Transfers

Transfer of three Umatilla National Forest men effective November 21 was announced today by Forest Supervisor C. M. Rector.

Ellis Gross, timber management assistant, on the Heppner district with headquarters in Heppner is being promoted to the District Ranger position on the Bly ranger district of the Fremont National Forest with headquarters at Bly, Oregon. Gross has been timber management assistant on the Heppner district since June 1952, coming there from the Pemont National Forest. His successor has not been named.

Joe Gjertson, District Ranger, on the Pendleton district of the Umatilla National Forest with headquarters at Pendleton, will be transferred to a like position of heavier responsibility on the Long Creek district of the Malheur National Forest with headquarters at John Day. Gjertson has been District Ranger at Pendleton since February 1949. His successor has not been named.

Al Warren, timber management assistant, on the Ukiah district with headquarters at Ukiah, is being promoted to the timber management assistant position on the Soleduck ranger district of the Olympic National Forest with headquarters near Port Angeles, Washington. Warren has been timber management assistant at Ukiah since July 1952. His successor has not been named.

Hayride and Parties Attract Youngsters Halloween Night

Approximately 125 young people went on the hayride sponsored by the Soroptimist club assisted by the Lions club, on Sunday evening.

Skits were given by all the classes and the first prize of \$7.50 was won by the seventh graders; second prize, \$5.00 was won by the sophomore class and the seniors got third which was \$2.50. The younger group celebrated Halloween with parties at the various churches on Saturday.

The Christian church and the Methodist church were hosts to two separate groups of youngsters, the Methodist church entertained the junior group and the Christian church the primary grades. During the evening games were played, colored slides shown and prizes given for costumes.

The Episcopal church had their party in the afternoon, featuring movies, games and refreshments for all the Sunday school.

Local Vote Heaviest in Many Years

LINDSAY WINS CLERK'S POSITION

Becket Defeated By Slim Margin Of 31 Votes

Bruce Lindsay, Democratic aspirant for the office of county clerk, edged out his Republican opponent Harold Becket, in the closest race of Tuesday's election. Lindsay polled a total of 788 votes to Becket's 757. It was the only county position in which there was any contest, all others being decided at the primaries.

As early returns came in Tuesday night it was nip and tuck with the two Heppner precincts giving Becket a slim edge of only 15 votes. Lexington cast a seven vote majority for Lindsay to cut Becket's lead to a mere eight votes, but when the Ione totals were reported Becket jumped out in front by nearly 120 votes.

Lindsay, however picked up considerable strength in Boardman where he received a majority of 76 votes, and when the last precinct to report, Irrigon, sent in its figures, Lindsay came out with a slim margin of 31 votes. Hardman also favored the Democratic candidate, but only by a three vote edge.

The contest was one of the closest seen here in many years, with the final answer not being known until nearly 10:30 Wednesday morning when the Irrigon figures were received at the county clerk's office.

Lindsay is a graduate of Heppner high school, having received part of his earlier education at the Pine City school which has since been consolidated with the Heppner district. Recently he has been working on a ranch near here.

Becket is also a native of Morrow county, who during recent years has operated a machine shop in Heppner.



CHARLES A. TOM, Republican, who was reelected state representative from the 22nd district.

Tom Returned as Representative

Charles Allen Tom, Sherman and Morrow county rancher, and present state representative from the 22nd district, easily defeated his Democratic opponent for the position, Mrs. Gladys M. Zell of Wasco. The vote, complete except for three very small precincts in Wheeler county, was Tom 2619; Zell 1861.

Tom, who has served one full term in the legislature, carried three of the four counties in his district and lagged behind by less than 20 votes in the fourth. Wheeler county gave Mrs. Zell a slight edge with 466 votes to Tom's 449. The vote by counties was:

	Tom	Zell
Morrow	947	611
Sherman	547	408
Wheeler	449	466

Allen Hughes Wins Top FFA Award

Allen Hughes, Heppner was recently awarded the American Farmer award at the Future Farmers of America national convention held at Kansas City, it was revealed here last week. He is one of four Oregon FFA members to receive the award which is only given to one out of every thousand members.

Hughes started his FFA program when he was a freshman at Heppner high school in 1948 with a fat beef project and in 1952, during his senior year, he was given the state farmer award at the state convention at Corvallis. It was won with purebred Hereford and wheat projects.

While in school here he served as president, vice-president and treasurer of the local FFA chapter.

The American Farmer award, Hughes' latest, is based on activities of the club member during his entire period of membership. During the past year he has run 20 head of purebred Hereford cows and calves and farmed 75 acres of wheat and nine of rye on rented land. His high school projects were similar.

Hughes indicates that he intends to continue building up his purebred cattle herd. He works for his father, W. E. Hughes of Lena and is married to the former Gail Coe of Milton-Freewater.

Others from here to attend the national meet were Ron Currin, who was named state farmer this year, John Brosnan and Mrs. Hughes.

CALLED TO IDAHO BY DEATH OF MOTHER

H. C. Reed, Heppner school superintendent, left Tuesday for Idaho where he was called by the death of his mother, Mrs. Laura Reed who passed away Sunday at her home in Orofino. Burial will be at Pullman, Wash.

RHEA CREEK GRANGE TO MEET

The Rhea Creek grange election of officers for the coming year will be the main topic of interest at the meeting Saturday November 6 at the grange hall. There will be a potluck supper at 6:30 p. m.

NEUBERGER HOLDS 2,000 VOTE LEAD OVER GUY CORDON

Late election returns in Oregon have apparently changed the complexion of the U. S. Senate race in the state with the result that the repercussions are being felt clear to Washington.

Associated Press figures reported at 11 a. m. Thursday gave the lead in the hotly contested race to Democrat candidate Richard Neuberger after Guy Cordon had held the edge through most of the counting. With six precincts still to report at 11 o'clock this morning Neuberger held a 2,006 vote lead. The count was Neuberger, 284,695; Cordon, 282,689.

Whether the Cordon group will demand a recount of the more than half-million votes in the state is not yet known, but AP reported that Jess Gard, Republican national committee chairman has just told the Portland office of the news service that "the matter will be discussed."

Nearly all the late-reporting precincts were in the Portland area, Neuberger's stronghold, and the still-unreported precincts will probably swell Neuberger's lead still more, it was said.

City To Warn Sewer Hookup Delinquents

The Heppner city council took steps Monday night to get all remaining residences and business houses connected into the sewer system when it ordered the city recorder to advise the approximately 15 delinquents that they are now in violation of the sewer ordinance and will be subject to penalty unless connections are made immediately.

The council was advised that in most of the cases no apparent attempt has been made to conform with the city code which requires connection to the sewer, and the ordinance levies a fine of up to \$25 per day after a reasonable period of grace for failure to connect. Letters will be sent all delinquent parties.

The group passed to the third reading an ordinance calling for a special election to establish, improve and maintain a city park. It was suggested that a one mill levy be asked for, but the exact amount will be decided later. The date for the special election has been tentatively set for Dec. 22.

The council approved several renewal beer and liquor licenses and voted to change the license fee from 10 percent of the state fee or \$5.00 minimum whichever is greater.

New Program Planned, Officers Elected at Library Board Meet

Members of the Heppner Public Library board met last Monday evening to elect officers and outline a program for this year. The following officers were elected, Mrs. James Thomson, president; Mrs. Marie Clay, vice president; Mrs. Lucy Rodgers, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Ted Smith, librarian; Miss Leta Humphreys, Mrs. Harold Becket and J. O. Turner, trustees.

A book committee was appointed to assist the librarian in the selection and purchasing of new books. This committee consists of five members: Mrs. Orville Smith, Mrs. P. W. Mahoney, Mrs. Bradley Fancher, Mrs. Marie Clay and Mrs. E. H. Schmidt.

The State Library is sending a representative within the next few weeks to weed out old undesirable books. The speech class of Heppner high school will sponsor a story hour for children each Saturday afternoon. Details are yet to be worked out, and an announcement will be made later, as to age groups and time. A rental shelf of the latest fiction will be an attraction for the adults. A fee of 10 cents a week will be charged for these books.



RICHARD NEUBERGER, Democrat candidate for U. S. Senate, who has apparently defeated his Republican opponent, Senator Guy Cordon.

Alan Case Wins Only Contested Council Seat

Heppner voters elected a new mayor and four new council members Tuesday, but in only one instance, the two-year councilman term, was there any contest. For this position, Alan L. Case, outdistanced his opponent, Jack Bailey with a vote of 261 to 222.

Mrs. Mary Van Stevens, Heppner florist, became the city's first woman mayor when she coasted to an unopposed win with 406 votes. She will replace Dr. L. D. Tibbles who did not seek reelection.

In filling the other three council positions (4 year terms) the voters returned two former members, W. C. Collins and Jack Van Winkle, and also approved Al Lamb, manager of the Morrow County Grain Growers, for the fourth position. There are only two holdover members, W. C. Rosewall and Jeff Carter.

The two council members who did not seek reelection were J. O. Turner, former mayor, and Robert Grabill.

Two other city positions were also filled at the Tuesday election but neither was contested. Ted Smith won the recorder's position, and La Verne Van Marter Jr. was returned as city treasurer.

The final tally showed the following vote: Mary Van Stevens, 406 Case, 261 Bailey, 222 Collins, 415 Lamb, 400 Van Winkle, 472 Smith, 464 Van Marter, 486

Value Days Event Set This Weekend

Heppner merchants are again cooperating to put on another of their popular Heppner Value Days events this weekend. The third this year which is given under the sponsorship of the merchants committee of the chamber of commerce. The many special values being offered during the two days are announced in this issue of the Gazette Times.

Community Chest Plans Campaign

The first meeting of the county Community Chest was held last week at the Lexington school and plans were made for the annual drive which is expected to start November 10. Quotas for each town were established. Present were Dewey West, and Ray Anderson, Boardman; Robert Ferrell, Heppner; Faye Ruhl, Blackhorse; and Mr. Shelton of Pendleton.

Republicans Carry Most Races In County Voting

Voters of Morrow county trooped to the polls Tuesday in larger numbers than in any recent election, and when weary counting boards finally added up the last of the figures in the wee hours of Wednesday morning, found that in some cases the feeling here was opposite to that in the rest of the state.

In the senatorial race, Cordon held the edge over Neuberger, contrary to the state figures; Cordon was favored over Ullman in nearly the same proportion that he carried the second district for representative; Patterson was a strong favorite for governor; and here S. Eugene Allen held a slight lead over Norman Nilson for labor commissioner, also opposite to statewide feeling.

On the list of measures, Morrow county voters went along with the rest of the state on six, but didn't agree with the majority on two, the subdividing of counties for the election of state legislators, and the state property tax. In both instances, Morrow voters favored the measures, but state totals showed the opposite trend.

On the very controversial milk control repeal measure, local voters cast their closest vote. They favored the repeal, as did the rest of the state, but only by a majority of 8 votes, 680 yes to 672 no. According to reports, the majority favoring repeal of the law was much stronger elsewhere.

In the contested office positions, Morrow voters gave their widest majority to incumbent governor Paul Patterson who polled 941 votes to Joseph Carson's 641. This percentage was indicative of the state pattern that put Patterson back into office for a full term.

The large number of voters who got to the polls here, about 53 percent of the total registration, was about the same as in other sections of the state and nation. Percentage figures for Oregon are not yet complete, but early indications were that the state vote would be about the same or a little higher.

- Figures Given**
U. S. Senator—Cordon, 841; Neuberger, 716
Representative in Congress—Coon, 874; Ullman, 732
Governor—Patterson, 941; Carson, 641
Labor Commissioner—Allen, 713; Nilson, 687
State Representative, 22nd. Dist.—Tom, 947; Zell, 611
District Attorney—Fancher, 1335
County Judge—Barratt, 1212
County Commissioner—Thompson, 1244
County Assessor—Dinges, 1202
County Clerk—Lindsay, 788; Becket, 757
County Treasurer—Rodgers, 1343

- MEASURES**
Salaries of state legislators—yes 840, no 814.
Subdividing counties—yes 517, no 676.
Mental hospital in or near Portland—yes 1111, no 265.
Constitutional amendments, how proposed—yes 711, no 508.
State property tax—yes, 613, no 593.
Establishing daylight saving time—yes 244, no 1204.
Prohibiting fishing on certain coast streams—yes 510, no 755.
Repealing milk control law—yes 680, no 672.

UNION SERVICES SET
The Methodist and Christian churches will hold union services during November, it was announced today. The first of these meetings will be held at the Christian church next Sunday at 7:30 p. m. The pastors will alternate as speakers and the host church will furnish special music.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Litchgan of Portland were in Heppner visiting over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. George. While here they did some Elk and bird hunting.