

## Mustangs Take One Win at State to Close Track Season

By Jim Monahan

Sports drew to a close for Heppner high school as the Mustang cindermen brought back 4th place honors in the shotput and barely missed out copping laurels in the 440 at the state track meet last weekend at Salem.

Capitalizing on the 4th place shotput honors was Larry Mollahan who gave the 12 pound sphere a 124' 7" ride. Skip Ruhl was edged out in the 440 yard preliminaries by a scant foot.

Other Heppner tracksters at the state meet were Jerry Hagewood, Lyle Jensen and Dick Kononen who composed the 880 yard relay team which had some hard luck and was disqualified for stepping into the wrong lane.

Seniors who have exercised their track skill the last time for Heppner are Jerry Hagewood, Lyle Jensen, Larry Mollahan, Dick Kononen, Pete Slocum and Jim Hayes.

The track future for the Mustangs is seemingly bright, however, as such standouts as Skip Ruhl, Mike Monahan, Dean Connor and others will return next year.

### County Agent News

Continued from Page 2 — four hundred seventy six thousand at the end of 1954. This increase is the greatest ever recorded in such a short time. As a matter of fact, in the 17 years from the 1928 low to the 1945 peak of 322,000 we added only 168,000 head. The recent build up hasn't been limited to a few counties, all counties have shared to some extent. Some of the fastest increases has been in Western Oregon.

Joseph Moore of the First National Bank of Portland was in Heppner Monday and Tuesday of this week.



### A LOOK AT CHILD LABOR

Thousands of inexperienced children will join Oregon's work forces during the coming school-less months. Their parents and employers can aid effectively in instructing them about how to avoid accidents.

The employment of minors in Oregon increased 4 per cent last year and is expected to have a higher tempo this year according to investigations recently made by the State Bureau of Labor.

Bureau studies revealed that 25 per cent of teen-agers suffering injuries in the course of their employment were hired illegally without approval of the minors' jobs permits from the labor bureau.

Study of the factors affecting minors' accidents in legal employment reveals that many of the accidents could have been prevented through training of young employes in safe use of edged tools. "The inexperienced are especially prone to accidents on the job and this is partly due to the fact that they are often made aware only of production objective without instructions on efficient and safe working practices," State Labor Commissioner N. O. Nilsen emphasizes.

Training young workers in the proper methods of lifting weights not regarded as excessive under child labor standards also helps prevent occupational injuries and the loss of valuable time.

Hand injuries accounted for approximately 50 per cent of industrial accidents to minors in 1954. Back strain was next followed by bruised feet and legs. Boys on the job were eight times more liable to accidents than girls.

### ATTENDED LAW INSTITUTE

Justice George Rossman of the Oregon Supreme Court attended

the 32nd annual meeting of the American Law Institute in Washington, D. C. last week.

In the course of the meeting, which closed Saturday, he joined with some 600 other prominent attorneys from throughout the country in the work of making recommendations aimed at clarifying the law and restating its principles.

The American Law Institute which has been called "the Marine Corps of the legal profession" was organized in 1923 as an elite body of lawyers dedicated to improving the law and its administration.

More than 80 per cent of Oregon's county assessors and their aids are attending the State Tax Commission's three-day tax school sponsored by the commission in Salem.

It is going to be a big year for Oregon veterans. Six state conventions will be held during the summer. They are:

Military Order of the Purple Heart, June 12, Portland.

Disabled American Veterans, June 15-18, Tillamook.

Veterans of Foreign Wars, July 6-9, Oceanlake.

World War I Veterans, July 2-14, Taft.

United Spanish War Veterans, July 11-20, Bend.

American Legion, July 27-30, Redmond.

### YOUNG DEMOS ASTIR

The annual meeting of Oregon Young Democrats was held in Pendleton last week when R. Vernon Cook was re-elected president, Merlyn Smith, Portland, drew the treasurers post. Named vice presidents were Mrs. Henry L. Hess, Jr., and Jerry Reed, both of Pendleton; James Archer, Eugene; Floyd Rea, Baker and Jerry Thorn, Belton Hamilton, Dorie Moore and Mike Monk all of Portland.

### REPUBLICANS ELECT CHIEF

Quick like the newly elected chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, Wendell Wyatt, says, "We Republicans are going to defeat U. S. Senator Wayne Morse at the 1956 election."

At a meeting of the Republican State Central Committee held in Portland Saturday the Astoria attorney was unanimously elected to succeed Ed Boehnke, Eugene, who resigned recently.

The only candidate for state treasurer of the G. O. P. organization was Henry Buehner, a Portland attorney, who was elected to succeed Lawrence Nealey, Baker, who resigned.

### HONOR OREGON DIRECTOR

Robert C. Gile state motor vehicle department supervisor under Secretary of State Earl Newbry, is the new president of region 4 of the American Assn. of Motor Vehicle Administrators. Gile was elected last week at the annual AAMVA regional conference in Denver, Colo. Region four embraces the 11 western states, territories of Hawaii and Alaska, and three western Canadian provinces. This also means that next year's conference will be held in Oregon.

Ernest McNabb, vice president of the First National Bank of Portland, was in town Tuesday on an inspection tour of Eastern Oregon.

Mrs. Lew Becker, Elgin, former Heppner resident, has been a house guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Smith this week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. K. Schaffitz had as their overnight guests Thursday, her sister and husband, Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Patrick of Caldwell, Idaho.

Harold Searcy of Pendleton Branch, U. S. National Bank was in Heppner on business last Tuesday.

### Geiger Counter Count Contemplated

Own a Geiger counter? The state civil defense agency is trying to compile a list of everyone in Oregon who has a radiological detection instrument, so it will know what resources are available for measuring "fall-out" of radioactive particles in the event of an enemy attack.

Anyone owning one of the devices is asked to send his name, address and type of detection instrument to the medical department, Oregon state civil defense agency, P. O. Box 231, Portland.

### HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hagen, Condon, a 7 lb. 1 oz. girl born May 20, named Janet Eleni. To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lindstrom, Ione, a 8 lb. 5 oz. girl born May 21, named Christine Janet. To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marquardt, Lexington, a 8 lb. 4 oz. girl born May 22, named Carlita Lou. To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sawyer, Lexington, a 8 lb. 5 oz. girl born May 21, named Pearl Lee. To Mr. and Mrs. Alan Mathews, Fossil, a 4 lb. 2 oz. boy born May 25. To Mr. and Mrs. Derral Bird, Kinzua, a 6 lb. 12 oz. boy born May 25, named Stanley Ray.

Medical—Dan Way, Lexington (deceased); Newton Matteson, Heppner; Ed Wham, Kinzua, dismissed; Al Lamb, Heppner; Thomas McCormick, Kinzua, dismissed; Eunice Pettijohn, Heppner; Perry Warren, Condon; Janina Johnson, Heppner; Hattie Gilliam, Fossil.

Minor Surgery—Marilyn Haynes, Lonerock, dismissed; Sally Angel, Heppner, dismissed; Myrtle Broadus, Heppner, dismissed; Annie Bolin, Service Creek, dismissed.

Major Surgery—Janice Downen, Heppner; Irene Swanson, Ione.

Out-Patient — Mary McLeod, Ione.

Mrs. Alex Green accompanied Mrs. Lucy Rodgers to La Grande the first of last week to attend the grand lodge of the Rebekahs. While there Mrs. Green visited her daughter Mrs. Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pfeiffer were in Portland over the weekend.

### Grain, Seed Crops May Find Hay Uses

Hay shortages in Oregon and neighboring states, coupled with below average yield prospects this year, may prompt harvesting of more grain and seed crops as hay, believe Oregon State college extension specialists.

A scant 150,000 tons of hay on Oregon farms May 1, roughly half as much as a year earlier and only enough for two or three weeks normal feeding, was recorded by the USDA crop reporting service.

Water shortages in some areas of the state have dropped yield prospects for "tame" hay 8 percent below last year, and the outlook for "wild" hay is even darker although somewhat improved by April rains and snow. Wild hay meadows normally produce about one-fifth of Oregon's tonnage.

Pastures may prove good bets for many Oregon farmers unable to make seedings of other crops planned earlier, OSC economists advise. Recent build-ups in feed grain and livestock, they say, may leave Oregon short on hay and pasture for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hodecker, (Willette Barratt) of Redmond were weekend guests of Judge and Mrs. Garnet Barratt. Mrs. Hodecker is a sister of Judge Barratt.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Miller of Portland were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bedford over the weekend. Mrs. Beatrice Bedford returned to her home in Portland with them.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney returned to Heppner Monday after spending the weekend in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerald King, of Portland, were house guests over the weekend of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Duval. Mrs. King is the former Meredith Ann Sorlien.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sherman of Willamette visited the first of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Gribble were his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scott of Milton-Freewater.

Rev. J. Palmer Sorlien, Portland was a weekend guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wells.

Mrs. William Shields, Mrs. Martha Troedson and Merlin Shields of Benson, Minnesota were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Keeling several days last week. Mr. Shields and Mr. Keeling were classmates at the University of Washington.

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