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He Switched Long Ago

It has been said many times that "hindsight" is a wonderful thing—and it's certainly true. A little look into the past in the files of this newspaper showed us this week that if the people of Oregon had been observing and understanding enough over 12 years ago they might have foreseen what Wayne Morse was going to do before he deserted the Republican party to become an Independent, a Democrat or whatever classification you care to give the man.

On May 4, 1944 the Heppner Gazette Times (long before our editorship) carried this editorial comment about Mr. Morse. It is extremely interesting now . . . that the senator is forced to defend himself for the first time since he made his "on the surface" party switch. The following excerpt from an editorial indicates that maybe the senator's switch was something that should have been made officially many years ago, for in actions, he made it before 1944. Here is the editorial of 1944:

"Senator Rufus Holman has returned to Oregon for a brief campaign prior to the primary election and has made it clear that he no longer is a defensive candidate. He is answering some of the statements made about him by his opponent for the nomination and has placed him on the defensive. Those in the know around the national capital are wondering 'HOW MR. MORSE RATES HIMSELF AS A REPUBLICAN WHEN PRIOR TO HIS SUDDEN NOTICE TO RETURN TO PRIVATE LIFE HE HAD BEEN RATED AS A NEW DEALER.'"

"The talk around Washington is that the new deal inspired the professor to rush back to Oregon to lay a fight on Holman. His campaign has been typical of the new deal method—announce yourself and indulge in generalities aimed to divert attention from the real motive and leave the impression that he is a real Republican. The professor has a good flow of English and uses it to good advantage in talking around the subject."

Wayne Morse has used his years since that time to improve on his ability to "talk around the subject," an art which he has completely mastered. His ideas back in 1944, as indicated in the above quotation, show that even then Wayne Morse was dishonest with the people of Oregon

when he accepted a senatorial position as a Republican.

In 1956 Oregon voters should show the senator that "political dishonesty does NOT pay."

A Formula For Better Hunting

A spontaneous combustion took place in Oregon last year that has since kindled fires of interest all over the Nation.

The catalyst was RED HAT DAY and the unexpected chemical reaction brought together as divergent an assortment of elements as ever graced an experiment.

The chemistry was undertaken in the field of human relations—herebefore neglected in the efforts to improve Oregon's outdoor opportunities.

A year ago at this time, not even the staunchest advocates of the original program for better hunter conduct were willing to bet their red hat that measurable success could be achieved. The apprehension of the supporters—men wise in the ways of human nature—was understandable. They felt that it would take years before an educational program would show its effects.

But the outstanding success of last year's landowner-hunter cooperation activities stimulated other states and the Izaak Walton League of America to announce intentions of establishing similar programs. Governor Elmo Smith called for a repeat of the RED HAT DAY effort initiated by the late Governor Paul Patterson.

So once again, cattlemen and sheepmen, Game Commission and sportsmen, timberland owners and labor, State Police and outdoor writers, Forest Service and farmers, governmental agencies and businessmen have joined in the unique experiment in cooperation.

But as was proved in 1955, the mere blending of organizations and governmental agencies in the RED HAT crucible will not reduce fires, cut down hunting accidents nor open more land to hunters.

Everyone concerned, especially every hunter who takes to the field this year, must contribute to the proven formula by living up to the RED HAT Pledge:

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over the check plot, yields did not go up materially over the 30 pound rate. At the Kenneth Peck farm in Clark's Canyon, results were surprising since the wheat did not seem to get much higher but evidently the stooiling resulted in marked increase yields. Here 20 pounds of nitrogen was the most economical application with this application giving a ten bushel increase over the check plot. Two and one-half times the yield of the check plot was the result of 100 pounds of nitrogen on this plot this year. At the Harold Evans ranch there was a lot of variability in yields obtained, however, the highest yield was obtained with 40 pounds of nitrogen, which gave an eight and one-half bushel in-

From Files of the Gazette Times September 9, 1926

The Henry Schwarz home in this city was the scene of a lively party on Sunday last, the occasion being a surprise on Mrs. Schwarz, sponsored by her husband, who succeeded well in putting the party over.

Registration for the first day of school totaled 208 in the grades and 92 in high school, while the high school jumped to 110 on Tuesday.

Opening of the deer season tomorrow is causing quite a stir among local sportsmen.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Finch departed today for Eugene where they will make preparations for entering the University of Oregon this fall.

Earl Warner, Lexington wheat-raiser, was doing business here on Tuesday.

The Misses Mary and Marjorie Clark were weekend visitors in Portland.

William Hynd arrived home this week from Ontario, Canada, where he had been for some time on a visit with relatives and friends.

New officers of the missionary society of the Christian church are Mrs. Carrie Vaughn, president; Mrs. E. R. Huston, vice president; Mrs. F. S. Parker, secretary and Mrs. R. L. Bengt, treasurer.

increase over the check plot. The only plot in the county this year which did not show response from nitrogen was the one located on the Harold Beach ranch.

The largest increase of yield was obtained with 60 pounds of nitrogen per acre, however, this gave only slightly over a four bushel increase over the check plot.

Fertilizer experiments will be carried on again in the Columbia Basin, applied this fall at seeding time, with results obtained next harvest. We would like to continue these in Morrow county and need cooperators in all communities in the county. The plot consists of less than half an acre. Farmers who are interested in having such plots on their farms are urged to contact this office at once so these plots can be lined up soon.

A lot of interest has been shown the last week in the newly released Rex Rio cross wheat, officially named Burt. Twenty-six farmers applied for over 2000 bushels. The seed is being picked

up this week at the Harold Barnett farm near Pendleton. The entire lot for seed increase was seeded on this farm last fall. The seeding rate was 21 lbs. per acre and the yield 63 bushels per acre. Approximately 8000 bushels of this wheat was available for distribution this fall. There are still a limited amount of this wheat available for late comers.

Many questions have been asked about the yield of Burt compared to other varieties. Results from the Condon, Shutter Flat, Lone, Eightmile, The Dalles, Kent, and Moro wheat nurseries for the year of 1954, 1955, and 1956 show that it was second high in yield performance. Omar yielded 26½ bushels in the average of all nurseries compared to 25.7 bushels for Burt. Brevor was next in line with 24.3 bushels, Columbia with 23.8 bushels, and Rio with 22.4. At the Eightmile nursery Burt outyielded Omar during these years by 1.3 bushels per acre.

The advisory board for the Morrow County Grazing Association will meet at 10 o'clock September 28 at this office. The meeting is called to act upon 1957 grazing applications and other matters which will require the attention of the advisory board. Applications for grazing permits of Taylor grazing were mailed to all lease holders earlier this month. They must be returned for action on the 28th.

The acreage reserve of the Soil Bank program is turning out to be most popular. Tuesday, the first day that applications were taken, proved to be a busy day at the county ASC office. Approximately 50 farmers signed up for over 1/3 of the county's allocation of 31,000 acres. A number of farmers indicated that they would like to sign their entire wheat acreage allotment up under the acreage reserve. Barley will be seeded on the available acres with acreage reserve designated from the 1957 summer fallow. Reports are that the sign-up date has been extended past September 21, however no official notice has been received at the office. Applications for the acreage reserve will be received until the dead-line date or until the county allotment is used up, whichever comes first. Sign-ups are on a first come first serve basis.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bedford this week are their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bedford and daughters Julie and Jill, Bakersfield, Calif., and Jack Bedford's mother, Mrs. Beatrice Bedford, Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jackson and son of Portland were recent guests of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wright.

781 Drivers Have Licenses Suspended

A total of 781 Oregon drivers had licenses suspended last month because of run-ins with traffic laws or accident involvement, the Department of Motor Vehicles reported today.

Six drivers were "grounded" because they were involved in fatal crashes. Oregon law permits the department to suspend a driver's license when he has by incompetent, reckless or unlawful operation" caused or contributed to an accident resulting in death or injury to any other person or serious property damage."

Other reasons for license suspensions last month included driving while intoxicated, 317; reckless driving, 66; violation of basic rule, 51; hit and run, 4; failure to report an accident, 83; driving record, 44; and failure to pass tests, 11.

Abstracts for warrants to the department from courts indicated 11,062 persons were convicted of traffic violations in August. The judges recommended 209 of the 781 suspensions handed out, while mandatory provisions of law or discretionary authority of licensing officials accounted for the remaining 364 suspensions.

Oregon Traffic Deaths Up in August

Forty-five people were killed in Oregon traffic accidents last month, boosting the eight-month traffic toll to 269, the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission reported today.

The 45 August deaths, a figure which officials called "strictly tentative", is the highest recorded for any month so far this year. The eight-month count of 269 represents seven more deaths than were reported for the same period last year.

The commission's chairman, Warne H. Nunn, said two Southern Oregon accidents, each of which killed five people, were responsible for boosting the August count upward.

"If those two accidents had been avoided", he commented, "the August count would have been a relatively low 35."

Nunn also noted that Oregon experienced a good Labor Day weekend with only four deaths in traffic as compared with seven for the same holiday in 1955.

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From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

Results from the 1956 wheat fertilizer plot experiments are now available. Responses from nitrogen were obtained on all but one of the five farms. On the Lawrence Becket ranch in the Eightmile area, wheat yields were increased from 29.4 bushels per acre on the unfertilized plot to 66.8 bushels per acre on the plot receiving 100 pounds of nitrogen per acre applied in the spring. This is the first time in seven years of fertilizer plot results that 100 pounds of nitrogen

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