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Democrats Gain Vote Registration; Deadline Near

The county clerk's office today released the latest voter registration figures for the county which show a sizeable increase since the May primaries, but still well below the registration at the time of the 1952 general election. As of September 24 there were 2227 registered voters and the Republicans still hold a comfortable margin, but recent Democratic gains have cut the Republican lead from 3 to 2 to less than 4 to 3.

At the present time there are 1267 Republicans and 935 Democrats registered, in addition to 25 who name either a third party or none. For the May primary election there were 1220 Republicans and 845 Democrats. At the time of the 1952 general election there were 1428 Republicans and 932 Democrat voters registered here.

County clerk Bruce Lindsay emphasized that the present figures are still incomplete inasmuch as there is still a little over a week left before the October 6 registration deadline. Residents may register either at the clerk's office, at the registrar's offices in Lexington, Ione, Boardman and Irrigon, or at Humphreys Drug Co. or Phil's Pharmacy in Heppner. The latter two stores have been established as special registration points and for the convenience of persons who are unable to get to the clerk's office during regular hours, these stores remain open until 8 o'clock each evening.

A considerable increase in registration is still expected, according to Lindsay, who said that he expected to receive quite a number of last minute registrations from the out-of-Heppner registrars. Lindsay also reminded the voters that under the new election laws, a voter must vote in the precinct in which he lives, and as a result must be registered properly in that precinct. If a person has moved recently to a different precinct, he must register if he expects to vote in November.

Republicans lead Democrats in registration in all precincts in the county except in the Irrigon precinct where the Democrats have a 165 to 106 lead. Largest precinct is North Heppner with 319 Republicans and 222 Democrats. Largest majority for the Republicans in any precinct is at Hardman where they hold a 2 to 1 lead with 25 to the Democrats' 13 voters.

The clerk announces that inasmuch as the last day to register, October 6, falls on Saturday, the office will be open the entire day to accommodate late comers. The office is normally closed on Saturdays.

Adult Education Class on Alcohol Control to be Offered

An adult education course in Alcohol studies in the school curriculum will be held in Heppner on Tuesday evening beginning October 2 and running through December 11, it was announced this week.

The class which is open to all persons will give three hours of graduate and undergraduate credit, will be under the direction of Dr. W. Kenneth Ferrier of the University of Oregon. The purpose of the course is to acquaint teachers, social workers, counselors, school administrators etc., with the latest scientific information available which is related to the problems of beverage alcohol.

Fee for the class is \$24 and it will be held from 7 to 9:45 p. m. at the Heppner high school.

Cub Scout Den Officers Chosen

Officers of Cub Scout den No. 1 elected at a meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of den mother, Mrs. N. C. Anderson, include David Anderson, denner; Chris Brown, assistant denner; George Van Schoiack, keeper of the buckskin and David Van Schoiack, refreshment chairman. Naturalist projects for the coming month were outlined.

Other members present were Mark Brown, John Pfeiffer, Douglas Anderson, Ronnie Jones, Bruce Thomson and Kit Anderson, mascot. Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson were in Portland over the weekend to attend the pro-football game.

A. A. McCabe, 80, Taken by Death; Services Held Monday

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon at the Community church for Alonzo Alvin McCabe, 80, of Ione, who passed away September 20 at Adams, Oregon. Rev. Alfred Shirley of Portland officiated and interment was in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Ione with Folsoms Funeral Chapel of Pendleton in charge.

Concluding services under the auspices of AF & AM No. 120 of Ione. Mr. McCabe was born at Deer Park, Maryland and he came to Oregon in 1898 at the age of 22. On May 31, 1905 he was married to Lola Eleanor Olden, who preceded him in death on May 14, 1945.

He is survived by three daughters, Jessie Ingalls of Adams; Annabelle Eubanks, Arlington and Charlotte Lundell, Ione; six sons, Lonnie, Earl and Ernest of Ione; James, Heppner; Robert, Forest Grove and Clifford, Brookings; three sisters, Miss Mabel McCabe, Enterprise; Mrs. Stella Phelps, Pasadena, California and Mrs. Brooks Carmichael, Washougal, Washington and one brother, Lorenzo McCabe of Pasadena. Besides these there are 20 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Ione Masonic lodge AF & AM No. 120.

Active pallbearers were Kenneth Smouse, Oscar Peterson, Roy Lindstrom, Paul Pettyjohn, Omar Rietmann and Henry Peterson. Honorary pallbearers were Fred Lungner, Forest Grove; Peter Timm, Pendleton; George Krebs and Bert Johnson, Portland; John Krebs and Alex Huber, Cecil; and Roy Lieualen and George Ely, Ione.

Student Guidance Meetings Planned

The high school-college relations committee of the Oregon state system of higher education will visit Heppner, and Ione schools October 1, it was announced today by superintendents of the two schools.

The visitation team will consist of a representative from the state institutions of higher education and a representative from Oregon Technical Institute. Executive secretary of the committee is Francis Nickerson, a former resident of Heppner, who is headquartered with the state board of higher education in Eugene.

The team will visit Heppner high school at 9 a. m. and at Ione at 12:30 p. m. The principal of Lexington high school has arranged for students there to attend the Ione session.

An assembly has been called to explain general college preparation and requirements. Later sessions are held to discuss specific requirements of the different institutions. Parents are invited to attend the meeting, and at Ione a special meeting with the committee has been arranged for parents at 7:30 in the Ione school cafeteria.

The visitation is offered annually as a regular part of the guidance program carried on in the high schools to help students in the area of college and other post high school training.

Newspaper Week to Be Observed by Elks

Heppner Lodge No. 358 will observe National Newspaper Week October 1-8 to demonstrate the Elks' continuing support for the nation's free press. Exalted ruler La Verne Van Marter, Jr., announced today. He said that Heppner Lady Elks will join with the order's 1,766 lodges in a country-wide tribute to the men and women who staff America's hometown newspapers.

National Newspaper Week is sponsored annually by Newspaper Association Managers, Inc. The Order of Elks has participated in the observance as a patriotic program each year since 1949. Fred L. Bohn, of Zanesville, O., Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks and a former newspaper editor, asked every Elks lodge to observe National Newspaper Week in order to show its "unwavering support of the press in its constant endeavor to maintain our freedom, which has brought us the abundance that blesses our country—an abundance that is spiritual as well as material."

Mrs. Mabel Chaffee and Mrs. Ethel Zeimantz returned home last Thursday after two weeks spent in Seattle and Tacoma.



FIRST STRING half back on Pacific University's grid squad is Duane Baker, a former Ione high school football star. Duane made the starting squad last year at Pacific and director of athletics, Paul Stagg, says he is going to be one of the best football players to come out of the University. In addition to his football work, Duane earned a straight "A" average last year and was awarded a Standard Oil scholarship for this year. Two other Ione boys who are going out for football this year at Pacific are Ernie Drake, a freshman and Don Eubanks, a sophomore who is out for this first time this fall. (Grove Studio Photo)

"KNOW YOUR LIBRARY WEEK" PLANS ANNOUNCED BY IONE TOPIC CLUB

The Ione Topic club will again sponsor their annual Know Your Library Week from October 1 to 4 inclusive, ending with a Silver Tea on Thursday, October 4 from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. in the library at the City Hall in Ione.

Members of the club will visit each grade in school on Monday morning and tell the children something about the library. Mrs. Milton Morgan will visit the first grade; Mrs. Charles O'Connor, second and third; Mrs. John Proudfoot, fourth and fifth; Mrs. Roy Lindstrom, sixth and seventh; Mrs. Omar Rietmann, eighth and Mrs. Noel Dobyns the high school.

Also during the week all school children will have the opportunity to visit the library in groups and refreshments will be served them. Those acting as librarians at this time will be Mrs. Echo Palmateer, Mrs. John Proudfoot, Mrs. Verner Troedson, Mrs. Charles O'Connor, Mrs. Vic Rietmann and Mrs. Fannie Griffith, those serving the punch and cookies will be Mrs. Charles Carlson, Mrs. Tudy Swanson, Mrs. Roy Lindstrom, Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom, Mrs. William Rawlins, Mrs. Norman Nelson, Mrs. Mabel Cotter, Mrs. Dixon Smith, Mrs. Mary Swanson and Mrs. Roland Bergstrom.

The committee in charge of the Thursday afternoon tea is Mrs. Vic Rietmann and Mrs. Verner Troedson. Mrs. Wate Crawford, Mrs. Ray Heimblinger Mrs. Monetta Aldrich, Mrs. Harvey Ring, Mrs. Roger Kincaid, Mrs. Robert Rietmann, Mrs. Denward Bergevin, Mrs. Charles Wilkes and Mrs. Robert Woodroof will pour during the afternoon.

There are 3000 registered books in the Ione library, with 98 adult borrowers and 71 juvenile borrowers. During the past year 3505 books have been loaned out, 2149 juveniles and 1356 adult books. 283 new books have been added by purchase and gifts the last year.

Scout Troop Names Patrol Leaders

Tom Glass, Ken Keeling and Larry Angell were named patrol leaders of Boy Scout troop 86 at an organization meeting Monday night at the Methodist church with Kenneth Keeling as scoutmaster. Sixteen members were present for a lesson in knot tying.

Mrs. D. F. Karriher of West Palm Beach, Florida and Mrs. C. C. Patterson of Snohomish, Washington arrived Monday for a week's visit with their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hager.

Mrs. Earl Blake has been in Portland, being called there by the illness of her mother.

1956-57 Taxes To be Lower Than Current Year

Total taxes to be collected in Morrow county for the 1956-57 fiscal year will reflect a reduction of approximately \$54,000 under this year's figure, it was revealed this week by the assessor's office. The annual statement of taxes is being printed and will shortly be sent out with your next year's tax statement.

The greatest reduction in taxes will be found in the overall rural school district levy which is \$71,000 below the current year's figure. This is partly offset by an increase in special school levies in various districts which show a jump of \$37,000 over last year.

The total tax to be collected for the coming year is \$890,870.16. Last year it amounted to \$964,774.06. The new rural school levy is \$429,011.47, down from last year's \$500,452.35. The special school levies for 1956-57 will be \$114,879.65 which is up from last year when the figure was \$77,169.46. The reason for the increase in this category is because the rural school board this year rejected all capital outlay figures in the individual district budgets and most districts asked the voters of their districts for a special levy to cover this need.

Total assessed valuation in the county was also recorded a drop to \$14,033,925 which is \$345,000 less than the current valuation. Two thirds of this loss, \$240,000 came from a reduction of valuation of public utilities in the county. Last year's valuation within the county was \$14,378,681.

The valuation of real property in the county shows a slight increase from this year, the new figure being \$10,275,725, up \$81,000. Personal property however, is down \$132,000 from last year's \$2,190,155.

Taxes to be collected for cities and towns will remain approximately the same as last year, the only major change being at Lexington where the new total is only \$2,618.46 compared with \$4,624.74 for the past year. Heppner's figure also shows a very slight reduction. The taxes to be collected for towns is Heppner, \$27,253.95; Ione, \$4,667.51; Lexington, \$2,618.46; Boardman, \$1,864.15. The city millage varies from a high of 31.6 at Boardman to a low of 12.7 for Lexington. Heppner's millage is 21.4 and Ione's 15.9.

Tax statements and the separate "statement of taxes" sheets will be mailed to all taxpayers by the assessor and the sheriff within a few weeks. This statement gives a complete breakdown of the valuations, taxes and millage.

Little Change Seen In Grain Prices

OREGON STATE COLLEGE — Grain prices in 1957 will be about the same as those of the last two years, forecasts Ray Teal, seed and grain marketing specialist at Oregon State college.

Writing in the latest issue of the OSC Farm and market outlook circular, Teal says grain price changes in 1957 are likely to be minor, even though considerable grain land is placed in the soil bank program. While wheat acreage may be reduced as much as a fourth under the new program, Teal thinks it doubtful that the national decrease in grain supplies will be sufficient to boost prices at harvest time next fall much above those of the last two years.

Copies of the circular are available through local county agent offices.

Youth Group Calls First Fall Meeting

The senior high C. E. group of the Christian church will hold their first meeting this Sunday evening from 7:30 to 9:30. A full program of games, refreshments and devotions has been planned. During a short business meeting plans for the next two months will be presented.

New officers for the group are Mary Jo Stewart, president; Mickey Van Schoiack, secretary; treasurer; Gary Hult, recreation chairman; Ida Sue Stratton, hospitality chairman; Gary Jones, lookout chairman; Alice Faye Stewart, devotional chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. La Verne Van Marter spent the weekend in John Day.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barrett left Saturday for a visit from their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ferguson, Oswego.



GOVERNOR ELMO SMITH

Governor Elmo Smith To Make Brief Stop In Heppner Monday

Governor Elmo Smith who is campaigning for election to the post he now holds by succession, will make a brief stop in Heppner next Monday morning, it was revealed today.

Governor Smith will be honored at a brief coffee hour at O'Donnell's Cafe at 9:30 a. m. and will spend a short time visiting friends and constituents in Heppner. He will be in Heppner about one hour and will go on to Pendleton where he has a luncheon engagement.

The coffee hour is open to the public, local Republican officials stated, and all residents are invited to meet Governor Smith.

Sneaky Loggers Build Own Pond at Heppner Pine Mill

Heppner Pine Mills doesn't normally object when it gets a little help with its logging operations, but the management still likes to have a little say as to where it takes place.

This week some logging got under way right on the mill grounds but manager Paul Koenig didn't think too much of the way the loggers, one or more beavers, were doing the job and took steps to shut the operation down.

So far the beavers have been cutting and falling trees into Willow creek, apparently with the idea of creating their own mill pond. They have worked on filling the stream with limbs and rubbish which does not conform to the mill's plans and probably with the aid of some traps the furry loggers will soon be transplanted to more wide open spaces.

Deer Hunters Urged To Keep Lookout For Porcupines

Valuable prizes being awarded by the Morrow County Hunters and Anglers club by their porcupine contest are still far from being in the bag, it was revealed this week. A check of the various business houses collecting noses indicate that Monument contenders are now in the lead.

Noses turned in this year are falling short of expected numbers, and behind last year's average. This may indicate that porcupine population has reached its peak and are now tapering off, which would be good, or that the shooting eye of hunters is growing dim, which would be bad, particularly with hunting season near.

With the great influx of deer hunters getting ready to invade the woods, all are urged to participate in the efforts toward porcupine control. The contest does not end until December 31. Noses can be turned in at Gilliam and Bisbee Hardware, Western Auto, and Anderson's Builders Supply in Heppner; Settle and Son in Monument and Williams General store in Spray.

All noses besides counting for the valuable prizes are redeemable in sporting goods at the rate of seventy cents per nose.

Prizes are now on display in the Heppner Auto Parts window.

Wayne Morse and Al Ullman Honored At Reception Here

Senator and Mrs. Wayne Morse and Mr. and Mrs. Al Ullman met with about 40 persons at a tea given by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rosewall at their home Monday afternoon. Assisting with refreshments were Mrs. Lloyd Howton, Ione and Mrs. Paul Brown.

During the afternoon two photographers from the New York Times took pictures of the event.

Hunters Head for Woods; Extra Fire Caution Urged

Saturday, September 29 marks the day when more than 250,000 hunters will take to the woods for the opening of Oregon's general deer season. From all indications hunters should have another banner year as census figures compiled by the state game commission show the deer population equal to or greater than last year throughout most of the big game ranges. Last year a record 134,000 animals were killed.

Rainfall will be the key to a successful hunt, and the lack of any precipitation in this area has brought warnings from forest rangers that hunters must take every precaution because of the extremely dry conditions in the woods. Many hunters have been wondering if opening of the season might not be delayed because of the dry weather, but at press-time today there has been no change in plans announced by the game commission.

The Eastern Oregon area is the driest, but the west side of the Cascades and the coast range has received sufficient rain recently to forestall any general closure, it was thought.

Heppner forest ranger Vic Kreimyer said today that all available forest personnel will be patrolling the woods during the influx of hunters, and urged everyone using the forests to exercise extreme caution with fire. L. C. Binford, chairman of the governor's Red Hat Days committee also urged care with fire and reminded all hunters of the Red Hat pledge to prevent hunter deaths, use care with fire and respect property rights.

The first 14 days of the season, Sept. 29 through Oct. 12, will be for buck deer with visible antlers, east of the Cascade mountains and with at least two points or better on the west side.

The buck season will be followed by a nine-day either sex season in most parts of the state beginning Oct. 13 and extending through Oct. 21. The Deschutes national forest will have a four-day closure following the general buck season and then will be open for either sex deer beginning Oct. 17 through the 21st. All of Eastern Oregon will be open for deer either sex except Sherman county.

Fire Caution Urged
In stressing the need for care with fire, the Red Hat chairman said that careless smokers are the worst offenders, with warm-up fires a close second, followed by campfires.

Hunters began to come through Heppner on their way to the mountains early this week and by today (Thursday) there was a steady stream of jeeps, pickups etc., heading for campgrounds.

Evangelistic Series Slated by Church

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence C. Carty of Enid, Oklahoma will hold evangelistic meetings October 28 through November 11 at the Heppner Christian church, it was announced this week.

During the services they will show colored slides which they have taken in Egypt, Central and East Africa, the Holy Lands, Turkey, India, Thailand, Hong Kong, Japan and the Hawaiian Islands. Mrs. Carty recently returned from a world tour during which she visited several mission projects including three belonging to the Disciples of Christ in Belgian Congo, Thailand and Japan.

The Cartys have conducted tours to Europe, Egypt and the Holy Lands at Christmas for Reddy Travel of Kansas City, Mo. They have over 2,000 colored slides as well as costumes and souvenirs which they use to help adults and young people to understand not only the Bible, but also the other peoples of the world.

RHEA CREEK H. E. C.

The Rhea Creek H. E. C. will hold their first fall meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 3 at 10:30 a. m. at the home of Mrs. Walter Wright. The project will be Fish in Meals with Mrs. Walter Wright and Mrs. John Bergstrom as the leaders.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fuller and daughter Shirley Ann of Orchards, Wash. and Mr. and Mrs. Merle Fuller of Vancouver, Wash. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Thomson over the weekend. Mrs. Dale Fuller and Mrs. Thomson are sisters.