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Two City Jobs Go Begging

Mayor's Job And Council Seat Attracts No One

Several city officials this week filed petitions for re-election to council, recorder's and treasurer's posts, but today there are still two positions open and apparently no takers for them.

The top seat in city government, the mayor's job, hasn't attracted anyone to date, and present mayor W. C. Rosewall has indicated that he will not be a candidate for re-election. He was appointed to the position by the council in January of this year when the post was vacated by the resignation of Mrs. Mary Van Stevens who moved to The Dalles. Rosewall was serving as a council member at the time of his appointment as mayor, but he said today he did not plan to run for a full two-year term.

No one has yet filed for one open council position now held by Robert Grabill, whom it is understood has said that he will not seek re-election. Grabill was out of town this week and was not expected to return until Saturday, the last day in which to file for any of the positions.

Councilmen who have filed for the positions they now hold, either by appointment or election include Allen Case, for a 4 year term; Phil Blakney, a 2 year term; and Robert Penland for a 4 year term. If Grabill does not file that seat will be open for a 4 year term.

Other officers who have filed, or indicated their intention, are Ted Smith for re-election as city recorder, a 2 year term; and La Verne Van Marter, for a 2 year term as treasurer. Other offices are appointive.

Should no one file for the mayor's position and the one open council spot, voters may fill both positions by write-in vote on a special ballot to be voted on at the time of the general election November 6. Should that not be done, or should the persons elected by write-in refuse the positions, the council will be forced to fill the vacancies by appointment.

There are two councilmen whose terms do not expire until 1958. They are William Collins and Al Lamb.

For any aspirant's name to appear on the November ballot, his or her petition must be filed by Saturday evening, October 6.

Governor Proclaims Newspaper Week

Citizens of Oregon are called upon by Governor Elmo Smith to observe National Newspaper Week, October 1 to 8, and Newspaper Day, October 6.

"Your Newspaper—Freedom's Key to Better Living" is the theme of the 1956 observance. In commenting on this theme, Governor Smith said it "is a challenge to all to prove that better living, democracy, and freedom go hand in hand and your newspaper is a potent force in bringing this about."

"Oregon newspapers are fulfilling an important role today in keeping us an informed people, in making better our way of life, and in bringing to all of us by the printed word and picture the news of our community, our state and nation, and the world," Governor Smith said.

Irrigation Incorporation Election Set Nov. 6

Residents of the town of Irrigon will vote on a proposal to incorporate the community at an election to be held Tuesday, Nov. 6, the same day as the general election.

The county court Wednesday ordered the election following a hearing on the petition. There was no remonstrance or objection to the plan.

Only residents of the area proposed to be included within the city limits of the town will be eligible to vote on the measure and a separate election board will handle the election.

Mrs. Lyle Van Dusen of Monument and children were guests of the Marvin Smiths for two days last week.

Crippled Children's Clinic Scheduled Oct. 31 at Pendleton

A crippled children's clinic will be held in the office of the Umatilla county health department in Pendleton on October 31, 1956.

The clinic is one of the services of the University of Oregon medical school and is for diagnostic purposes only. If treatment is needed, further arrangements are made with the crippled children's division.

Dr. Donald Smith, orthopedic specialist of Pendleton will be the examining physician and a medical social consultant, a physical therapist and a medical secretary will also be present.

Crippling conditions usually accepted by the clinic are any bone or joint deformity, cerebral palsy or other cases of extremely poor muscular coordination, post polio cases and cleft lip and/or palate. Other conditions such as congenital heart and speech disorders are usually seen at special clinics in Portland.

Appointments are necessary and any parent interested may contact the local health department for information regarding referral.

Equipment Bid is Accepted by Council

The city council Monday night accepted the bid of John Young, Jr., Seattle, and Harley Young, Heppner, for the installation of remote control equipment which will allow the operating controls for the upper city wells on Willow creek to be placed at the lower well near town. The bid was \$2,836.25.

The equipment will allow city crews to stop and start pumps at the upper well, 12 miles east of town, from the lower well which is only about three miles out. The equipment will also indicate pump operation and will automatically shut down the pumps should there be a power or water failure, or other cause. At the present time the city pays a man \$125 a month to operate the upper well and this job will be eliminated with the installation of the new equipment.

The council ordered fire chief C. A. Ruggles to continue the investigation of equipment and prices for the installation of a large air horn to be used for fire alarms in place of the present siren. The equipment as planned would operate independently of electric power and be available regardless of a power outage.

The department recently tested a set of large air horns, which may be purchased along with additional equipment to operate them.

Building permits were issued to Piri Howell, for a \$5,000 service station to be located on the highway near the Union Oil plant; to R. F. Campbell, \$7,000 residence; and Robert A. Jones, remodeling residence \$500.

Coon Urges Bomb Range Site for Naval Ordnance

BAKER (Special) — Congressman Sam Coon has recommended that a site near Boardman in Morrow county be chosen for a proposed Naval Ordnance depot. Coon wrote to the Arthur D. Little Incorporation of San Francisco, which has been employed to choose the site for the installation.

He urged the concern to select the area now known as the Boardman bombing and gunnery range.

The Congressman said that "its many advantages, such as the type of terrain, weather conditions, roads and ready accessibility to express Highway 30, railroad, navigable river, and aircraft landing strip facilities, leave nothing to be desired for the proposed type of installation."

He also pointed out that labor and housing conditions, the relocation of the city of Boardman in the adjacent territory, together with ample shopping and recreational facilities, add to the desirable features of the recommended site.

Coon said that the selection of that location would be of great benefit to the Navy as well as to the people of eastern Oregon.

It has been reported here that the Boardman bombing range site is one of two on the Columbia river being considered for the naval ammunition depot. The other location is not definitely known.

The engineering firm authorized the navy to make recommendations for the relocation of the depot now located at Port Chicago, Calif., verified through Governor Elmo Smith's office that it is considering locations on the Columbia. It was also reported that the bombing range is "ideally suited" for such an installation.

Topographical, climatic, soil and transportation on the site has been furnished the engineers by Boardman and Morrow county officials who are strongly urging its selection.

Governor Elmo Smith Visits Here Monday

Governor and Mrs. Elmo Smith stopped briefly in Heppner Monday morning on a campaign tour through Eastern and Central Oregon and were guests at an informal coffee hour held in their honor at O'Donnell's Cafe.

About 60 persons met and talked with Governor and Mrs. Smith who expressed pleasure with the reception his campaign is receiving throughout the state. Governor Smith is being opposed for the state's top position by state senator Robert D. Holmes.

Merlin the Hypnotist Scheduled by P-TA For Two Performances

Merlin, the Hypnotist, will appear in person at special performances Friday and Saturday nights, Oct. 5 and 6 at the Heppner high school gym. The famous magician's appearances are being sponsored by the Heppner Parent Teachers Association. Curtain time is 8 p. m.

Merlin is known world-wide for his hypnotism and a feature of the show is to make a volunteer stiff as a board, then stretch him between two chairs. Merlin stands on the person's stomach but after it is over the volunteer remembers the demonstration as though it had taken place in a dream. Merlin is one of the few magicians who has mastered the escape from a straight jacket, which is generally considered to be the most difficult of all the magician's accomplishments.

He has many other unique acts planned for the show.

Cattle Prices Bounce Back

HEERMISTON — Buyers were down but prices were up at the Heermiston Livestock Commission Co. sale Friday.

Eighty-nine consignors placed 301 cattle, 137 sheep and 102 hogs on the auction block in a fast moving market that was below normal in volume due to the opening of the deer season, sale manager Delbert Anson said.

Prices, after a slight dip last week, bounced back to high levels with grass fat steers setting the pace with a peak of \$20.10 cwt. Heifer calves hit a top of \$16.30 cwt compared with last week's best mark of \$15.60 cwt. Stocker steers sold well from \$16.50 to \$18.20 cwt., a big jump over the \$14.10 cwt to \$15.40 cwt range of the previous sale. Grass heifers also bounced back with prices ranging from \$15.80 to \$17.20 cwt compared with last week's \$14.10 to \$15.40 cwt.

Hogs were steady with weaner pigs, feeder pigs and fat hogs a bit below last week's top prices but sows and boars showing good gains.

Needed for next week will be plenty of steer and heifer calves, Anson announced.

CATTLE: Baby calves, 3.50 to 14.00 per head; steer calves, 16.80 to 18.00 cwt.; heifer calves, 14.40 to 16.30 cwt.; stocker steers, 16.50 to 18.20 cwt.; fat slaughter steers, 18.20 to 20.10 cwt.; veal, 15.70 to 17.40 cwt.; grass fat heifers, 15.80 to 17.20 cwt.; dairy cows, 87.50 to 122.50 per head; commercial cows, 11.30 to 12.90 cwt.; utility cows, 9.90 to 11.10 cwt.; canners and cutters, 7.60 to 9.80 cwt.; shells, 5.25 to 7.40 cwt.; and bulls, 11.90 to 14.60 cwt.

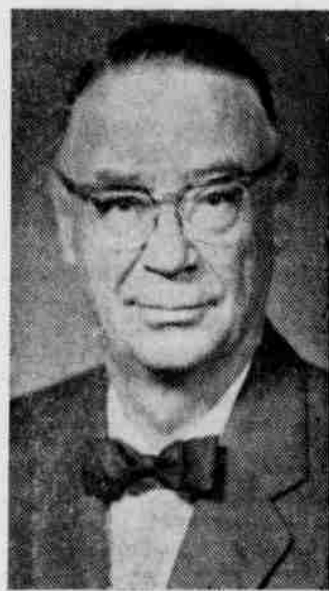
HOGS: Weaner pigs, 4.75 to 10.50 per head; feeder pigs, 14.75 to 15.60 cwt.; fat hogs, 16.10 to 17.10 cwt.; sows, 11.40 to 15.20 cwt.; and boars, 3.00 to 7.10 cwt.

SHEEP: Feeder lambs, 14.60 to 16.90 cwt.; fat lambs, 17.00 cwt. for six fat lambs; ewes, 5 to 13 per head; bucks, 8 to 12 per head. Those earning top prices at the market included Milt Hughes, Heermiston 17.00 cwt. for six fat lambs of 760 pounds; Dale Williams, Pasco, 16.10 cwt. for 47 feeder lambs of 4720 pounds; Frank Benschel, Heermiston, 17.00 cwt. for six fat hogs of 1170 pounds; Ray Brown, Heermiston, 17.30 cwt. for four Angus heifers cows of 1800 pounds; E. P. Snyder, Heermiston, 12.90 cwt. for a 1075 pound Angus cow; G. A. Mitchell, Helix, 17.20 cwt. for a 875-pound white face grass heifer, and 18.20 cwt. for a 920-pound feeder steer; and Pete Abraham, of Walla Walla, 18.00 cwt. for nine white face steer calves of 3470 pounds.

ROYAL ARCH PRIEST TO VISIT FRIDAY

Lyman C. Palmer of Eugene, Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons will visit the Heppner Masonic lodge Friday evening, Oct. 5. A special meeting has been called for 8 p. m., it was announced.

Mrs. Max Barclay and two children spent the weekend in Walla Walla.



RALPH T. MOORE SR., Most Worshipful Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Oregon, visited Wednesday night at the Heppner Masonic lodge.

Grand Master Visits Heppner Masonic Lodge Wednesday

Ralph T. Moore Sr., Most Worshipful Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Oregon visited the Heppner Masonic lodge Wednesday night at a district meeting of all Masonic lodges in district No. 28. Lodges in the district include Heppner, Ione, Arlington, Condon and Fossil.

The meeting followed a 6:30 dinner which was served to a large crowd of local Masons and visitors from the other district lodges.

The Grand Master has a long Masonic history, for since he became a member of the Bandon, Oregon lodge in 1921 he has served as Worshipful Master of his own lodge, as High Priest of both Oceanic and Arago chapters of Royal Arch Masons, a member of Royal and Select Masters, Knights Templar and 32nd degree Scottish Rite Masonry. He is a past patron, past grand organizer and past grand orator of the Order of Eastern Star.

SCS Reports More Strip Cropping

A total of 486 acres of strip cropping was laid out on the Burton Peck and Walter Ruggles ranches, Lexington, in September according to the monthly progress report submitted at a meeting of the Heppner Soil Conservation District Tuesday night in the bank building.

Other activities included 16 acres surveyed for land leveling on the John Hanna ranch, Heppner; farm plans signed on the ranches of Robert Jepsen-Dobyns Bros.; Walter Jacobs-Wilma Shaffer, Ione; 15 acres of land leveling on the Gene Hall ranch, Rhea Creek; 1000 feet of channel alignment and conservation surveys completed on 7879 acres for a district total of 831,559 acres.

Attending were Newt O'Harra, Lexington, chairman; Donald Peterson and Raymond Lundell, Ione; John Wightman, N. C. Anderson and Tom Wilson of Heppner.

Rainfall Missing During September

The 1956-57 crop year didn't get off to a very exciting start in Morrow county as far as the weather was concerned. It has been bright and sunny, and on occasion hot during September, but rainfall was completely lacking. The Heppner weather station reports only a trace of rain fell during the entire month and there has been none in the first four days of October. In September 1955 there was 1.23 inches recorded here.

Religious Census To Be Taken Here

The churches of Heppner will conduct a city-wide religious census Monday, Oct. 8 from 7 to 9 p. m. All workers are asked to meet at the Christian church at 6:45 for last minute instructions and a brief devotional service.

The census card is a very simplified form and will not take very long to fill out. The general public's cooperation with the workers will be appreciated.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo, Dr. Wallace Wolf and Dr. Clifford Wagner attended the first medical meeting of the season in Pendleton Tuesday night of last week.

Bad Luck Plagues Family of Hunters

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Frances and two children had their planned hunting trip into the mountains south of Heppner cut short late last week and their return to their home in Portland was far from pleasant.

Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman received a phone call early Sunday asking him to try to locate the family who were supposedly hunting out of their camp near an old mill south of Heppner.

The sheriff found the group at Parker's mill and it was his unpleasant job to tell them that their home had burned down on Saturday night during their absence.

Ballot Measures Talked at Pomona

A long discussion of the legislative committee report given by Oscar Peterson highlighted the Pomona Grange meeting last Saturday at the Lexington Grange hall.

All the seven measures which will appear on the November 6 ballot were discussed and proposition number 1 which would authorize the legislature to place the emergency clause on any tax law and prohibit the filing of an initiative petition to stop working of the law until the people have voted on it, brought the most comment. It was the consensus of opinion that caution should be practiced in tampering with Oregon's initiative and referendum laws.

N. C. Anderson gave the agriculture report and said that there have been quarterly meetings of this committee and asked granges to determine if they wished these continued.

He reported that there was \$300 more money spent at the fair this year for open class premiums and that there were 148 fruit and vegetable exhibits. He also said the Morrow county fair had 33 times more grain exhibits than did the Umatilla county fair. Anderson revealed there has been 2550 bushels of the new Burt of Rio wheat distributed in the county.

Kenneth Smouse reported that Dean Hunt of Lexington won the fair award for the best uncleaned wheat off a combine, and the best overall variety award was won by D. O. Nelson with Requa wheat. Smouse also suggested a resolution be adopted that a barley plot be established in the county.

Henry Baker reported on a recent REA meeting in Salem and Smouse talked on the proposed dam above Heppner.

The program theme was hunting and harvest and included readings by Margaret Thorpe and Dale Van Bokland, a film by N. C. Anderson, songs by the group and a thought for the day by Alice Tatone of Boardman.

In the cake walk contest Lexington leads with 74, Rhea Creek, 69; Greenfield 49; Willows 41 and Irrigon 3. A canning contest was held with Helen Nelson, 1st; Vida Heliker 2nd; and Pat Townsend 3rd in tree fruits. In the jelly contest Helen Nelson 1st; Pat Townsend 2nd and Vida Heliker 3rd.

The next meeting will be at Irrigon grange Saturday, Jan. 5 and there will be a potluck dinner.

Rules Governing Use Of Cemetery Given

Recently adopted new rules and regulations governing use and upkeep of the Heppner Masonic cemetery appear in an advertisement elsewhere in today's paper.

The directors of the cemetery maintenance district are publicizing the regulations to acquaint the general public with them to prevent confusion in the future. The rules govern the planting of shrubs, building of curbs, walks, etc., and general use of the cemetery.

Saying of the Week—

Mortician, when asked by newspaper reporter if he had anything for a story during the past week, replied: "No business here—It's just like a morgue."

Francis Nickerson of Eugene spent the weekend visiting with his mother, Mrs. Grace Nickerson.

Registration Picks Up, But Deadline Saturday Night

New registrations continue to come in slowly this week to the county clerk's office, and clerk Bruce Lindsay today reminded all county residents that they must register by Saturday evening, October 6 if they expect to vote in the November 6 general election.

The new voting laws require for a person to be eligible to vote he must be registered in the precinct in which he lives. If the person has moved into a different precinct, or has not voted at one of the last two regular elections, he must reregister before being allowed to vote. Any change in political party also requires reregistering.

Lindsay said the clerk's office in the court house would be open all day Saturday until 8 p. m. to accommodate anyone wishing to register before the deadline. Two other locations in Heppner will also accept registration until 8 p. m. Saturday. They are Phil's Pharmacy and Humphreys Drug Co.

In other areas of the county, residents may register with the following registrars:

Ione—Paul Pettyjohn.
Lexington—Mrs. Emma Bre-shears.
Boardman—Walter Hayes.
Irrigon—Marguerite Howton.

Fire Prevention Week Boomerangs On Heppner Dept.

Fire Prevention week didn't mean a thing around Heppner except more work than usual for the firemen.

National Fire Prevention week opened Monday, Oct. 1 and by shortly afternoon of that day firemen had answered a call to put out a grass fire, started by youngsters, on the hill near the small city reservoir.

Tuesday the department answered a silent call to the Schwarz cabins on May street where fire had destroyed a garbage can rack. Damage was minor in both cases and firemen are keeping their fingers crossed during the rest of the week. During some of the summer months no alarms were recorded during a 30 day period.

Exchange Students to Be on P-TA Program

The regular monthly Heppner P-TA meeting will be held Wednesday, Oct. 10 at the grade school multipurpose room, it was announced this week.

Two exchange students are scheduled to talk on the program. They are Bill Clark, Pendleton and Werner von Kuhnberg of Switzerland who is now attending school in Pendleton.

The P-TA this week extended greetings and compliments to all newspaper workers who are observing National Newspaper Week Oct. 1 to 6.

Bank Deposits Down Slightly From 1955

Loans and discounts soared to a new all-time record high at First National bank of Portland as the active demand for money to finance business continued. It was revealed in figures released in response to the bank call by the comptroller of the currency. Figures released by the Heppner branch of First National show deposits at the branch were \$6,074,252 and loans were \$2,841,376 according to manager J. H. Bedford.

Released at the same time were comparable totals for the branch for September 30, 1955. On that date, deposits were 6,533,470 and loans totaled 3,986,036.

The statewide bank reported loans and discounts of \$444,118,880, a gain of \$15,999,744 over one year ago and up \$17,518,361 since the June 30 bank call.

Deposits on September 26, the day of the call, were \$784,804,569. This is a drop of \$25,803,986 from one year ago, but a gain of \$10,427,781 since June 30.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Downen, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Buckley and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Linden, all of Everett, Washington.



MRS. MARSHALL E. CORNETT, Klamath Falls, spent last Thursday in Heppner organizing Morrow county women for a McKay for Senator campaign. Mrs. Cornett, who is state chairman of women's activities for the McKay for Senator campaign committee, is shown being "pinned" by the Republican candidate. An active local women's group was set up here.