

Arlington Rancher To Run For Seat In U S Congress

Marion T Weatherford, Arlington wheat and cattle rancher, widely known throughout the Pacific Northwest, filed his candidacy for the Republican nomination for United States representative from the second congressional district of Oregon.

Weatherford has long been active in Eastern Oregon farm and community affairs. He has been president of the Pacific Northwest Grain and Grain products association since 1948; and is also secretary of the Port of Arlington commission; secretary of the Gilliam county planning commission; president of the Bank of Eastern Oregon; president of the Oregon State college foundation; and vice president of the Oregon 4-H clubs foundation.

He was president of the Oregon Wheat League in 1946 and was a member of the Oregon Wheat Commission from 1947 to 1956 and chairman of this group from 1953 to 1956. Weatherford also served on the Upper Columbia River Basin Commission from 1951 to 1955 and was chairman from 1953 to 1955. In 1956 he was awarded the Gilliam County Conservation Man of the year award.

Weatherford said that he was "encouraged and urged by a great many friends in Eastern Oregon, members of both political parties, to enter the Oregon primary election as a candidate for United States Representative from the second congressional district, on the Republican ballot.

"I have told my friends many times that I have no personal political ambitions or aspirations. On the other hand, I have never refused a request from wheat growers, cattle men, or others, when they have felt there was a task I could do for the good of our area. If I should be elected to this office I will give it the same serious study and effort my other assignments have received, because I consider it a great honor to be able to serve my state and my people in any capacity.

"I propose to wage an active and vigorous campaign. Our work will be confined to issues and problems, not personalities. My platform will be the needs, the problems, and the welfare of the people and businesses in this district.

Al Ullman, Democrat of Baker who now holds the Congressional seat, has already filed for reelection.

Big Crowd Enjoys Benefit Shoot Sunday

The largest crowd in a long time participated in the special March of Dimes benefit shoot held last Sunday at the Morrow County Gun club. The shoot was sponsored jointly by the club and the Heppner Elks lodge.

Well over 100 shooters tried for prizes which were donated by the following local businesses: Hatfield's Grocery, Case Furniture, Phil's Pharmacy, Heppner Red and White, Western Auto, J C Penney, Thomson Grocery, Heppner Flower Shop, Heppner Hardware and Electric, Gilliam & Bisbee, Wilson's Men's Wear, Gonty's, Heppner Variety, Humphreys Drug Co, Cal's Tavern, Bucknum's and Aiken's.

ANDERSON ATTENDS WHEAT MEETINGS

Frank Anderson returned Wednesday from Portland and Corvallis where he attended meetings in connection with his office as state chairman of the production and land use committee of the Oregon Wheat Growers League.

INTEREST IN "HAM" RADIO GROWING IN AREA; 11 RIGS READY TO OPERATE

"Hams", who are officially known as radio amateurs, are getting to be a common thing in this section of Morrow county as the result of a series of radio classes started about four years ago by one of the present group, Ray Smith whose call is WTUZI and whose regular occupation is printer-publisher at the Gazette Times.

The classes were started as a sideline when several persons indicated their interest in radio and have continued each winter since. Prior to the start of the free classes and the resulting crop of seven fully licensed hams and one novice ticket holder, there was only one amateur in the county. He was Glenn Way of Heppner.

At the present time seven hold regular licenses. They are Smith, Will O'Hara, Way, Stanley Holm, Roger Palmer, Mickey Van Schoelack and Clarence Baker. One other member of the present class, Earl Blake, recently received his novice license and was assigned the call letters KNTJC. Three others of the present class



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Mountain Snow Pack Triple Last Year's Amount

Water content of the Arbuckle mountain snow pack averages 68 percent above the year average and more than 3 times greater than last year at this time, according to measurements taken Wednesday, Jan 29 on the Arbuckle Mountain snow course. Tom Wilson and Roy Tabor, Soil Conservation Service, reported 43 inches of snow with a water content of 12.8 inches.

Measurements taken last year at this time showed a snow depth of only 16 inches with 3.4 inches of water. Comparable measurements in 1956 were 46 inches of snow with 11 inches of water and in 1955, 24 inches of snow with 6 inches of water.

A water content of 7.6 inches is the 15 year average for this time of year according to records of federal and state cooperative snow surveys. Soils are wet and unfrozen beneath the snow pack Wilson said. In addition to the water stored in the snow pack, considerable water has already left the watershed during the past two months.

Mother's Polio March Tonight

The windup of the 1958 March of Dimes will be the Mother's March on polio which will be conducted in Heppner tonight (Thursday) from 7 to 8 o'clock by the members of the Heppner Civic League.

The group will cover the entire town during the hour and residents who desire to donate to the drive are asked to leave their porch lights on during that time.

It is understood that Lexington and Ione organizations will conduct similar marches in those towns tonight also.

New Electrical Appliance Store To Open Tuesday

Mr and Mrs Randy Lott of Lexington have announced the opening February 4 of a new electrical appliance business in Heppner to be known as Lott's Electric. The store will be located on North Main street in the building formerly occupied by Terrell's Saddlery which has been extensively redecorated.

The Lotts will handle Philco-Bendix and RCA-Whirlpool major appliances and a full line of small home appliances. Service work will also be a specialty.

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Counties Disagree on Southern Terminus Of Proposed Ellensburg-Oregon Hiway

Final Rites Held Wednesday Afternoon For Vivian Kane

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at All Saints' Episcopal church for Vivian Kane, 59, who passed away January 27 at Pioneer Memorial hospital after a short illness. At the time of her death Mrs Kane was assisted in the county assessor's office.

Vivian Hallie Kane was born Aug 28, 1898 at Sheridan, Ore and she had lived in Heppner for 38 years. She was married to Bert Kane here on Sept 16, 1923. She was a member of the Episcopal church and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Surviving are her husband, Bert; three sisters, Vera Hapwood, Heppner; Reta Oviatt and Bessie M Church, both of Portland; three brothers, Lawrence Funk, Glasgow, Ore; Richard Yocom, Rufus; and Ercel Yocom of Pendleton. She also leaves many nieces and nephews.

Officiating at the final rites were the Rev George R S Little, rector of All Saints' church, and the Rev John Evans of Pendleton.

Burial was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery with Creswick Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Heppner Junior Class Slates Play

The junior class of Heppner high school announced plans this week to present their play, "Come Rain or Shine" on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, Feb 11 and 12 at the multipurpose room of grade school.

The play is being given under the direction of Gordon Pratt.

County Contest Open On Porkys

Officers of the Morrow county Hunters and Anglers club elected at a meeting Monday night at the courthouse are Ralph Taylor, president; Claude Cox, vice president and Vic Kreimeyer, secretary-treasurer.

The group voted to open a porcine contest immediately and later may also conduct contests for ravens, magpies and possibly raccoons. Contest chairman and committees will be named, rules outlined and prizes set at a meeting the first part of March, it was reported.

Glen Ward of the state game commission reported that deer herd composition studies completed shortly after Jan 1 show 20 bucks per 100 does and 95 fawns per 100 does in herds in this area.

Waterfowl on the John Day river increased from about 7000 last year to 18,000 this year, according to a recent waterfowl census, Ward said. The increase is probably due to the impoundment of The Dalles dam covering feeding grounds on the Columbia river causing birds to move up to the tributaries, he said.

Harold Dobyns, Ione, showed films of river running on the Salmon and Owyhee rivers and the North Fork of the John Day. Hunter damage was discussed during the general meeting. Memberships of \$1.25 a year are being accepted.

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CONNOR NAMED FRAT OFFICER

Keith Connor, son of Mr and Mrs Albert R Connor, Heppner, has been elected treasurer of Alpha Zeta fraternity at Pacific University.

Connor, a sophomore, is majoring in business administration. He is a graduate of Heppner high school.

WEATHER

The Heppner weather station reports:

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Thursday	50	39	T
Friday	55	36	—
Saturday	56	36	.05
Sunday	52	27	—
Monday	47	35	—
Tuesday	51	42	.10
Wednesday	58	41	.11

Rainfall for the week .26; for January and for the year 1.44 inches.

Recreation Needs And Plans Talked By Committee

The need for additional outdoor recreational areas in Morrow county, and what plans are now under consideration, were main points of interest discussed at a Tuesday meeting of the home and community living committee of the Town and County Planning conference.

It was emphasized that the county has such a few recreational areas and no state parks that letters have been written to the parks division of the State Highway department asking for a park at the junction of Rock and Chapin creeks.

The group was also interested in small picnic areas of one or two tables in the mountains or on private lands a person who might be interested in giving the use of an area for one or two tables or donating tables is asked to contact Mrs Cecil Thorne, Ione or the county agent.

It was also emphasized that shorter work weeks are bringing an increasing demand for more recreation areas. The committee is also taking into consideration the changes to come in the following years.

Forest Help Possible

Vic Kreimeyer, Heppner district Forest Service ranger, told the group of the stepped up recreation program called Operation Outdoors wherein the Forest Service has received increased appropriations from Congress for rebuilding to acceptable standards existing campground and recreational facilities. When this phase of the work is completed new recreational facilities will be developed, he said.

Kreimeyer said at the present time there is only one developed campground in the Heppner ranger district. That is Fairview forest camp on highway 207 15 miles from Spray. Though the camp is not located in Morrow county, funds have been allocated to expand it. New picnic tables, fireplaces and other improvements will be installed, it was said.

Several other projects are in the planning state, but their actual construction depends on approval of plans and funds.

Kreimeyer said that mapping was done last summer on a picnic and trailer camp just east of Tupper guard station and if approved this area will have seven family picnic units and facilities to park six house trailers with surfaced roads for access.

Artificial Lakes Planned

Probably of the greatest interest, especially to fishermen, are plans for two artificial lakes in this area—Swale creek and Bull Prairie. These projects would be a cooperative venture by the state game commission, U S fish and wildlife service and the Forest Service. The Swale creek development has the top priority.

Tentative plans for these have been submitted to the game commission by W H Brown, regional supervisor for the commission, and must be approved by them prior to any additional work. If early approval is given field surveys could be made this spring.

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Death Claims Peter Christensen

Hans Peter Christensen, 84 years of age, died January 24 at Pioneer Memorial hospital where he had been a patient for one and one-half years. Services were held Tuesday at Creswick Mortuary chapel with the Rev Charles Knox officiating.

Mr Christensen was born Dec 9, 1873 in Denmark and came to the Heppner area about 14 years ago. He was never married and he leaves no survivors.

HEPPNER HIGH CLASSES GO ALL OUT FOR DRIVE

What may well be an all-time record was set during the past several days by the students of Heppner high school. The four classes have collected a total of \$542.63 for the March of Dimes.

How hard the kids worked at the job is better told in their own words and the complete story can be found in the Heppner high school Scoop column found elsewhere in today's paper.

It will be a record that no other school of 130-odd students will equal.

Post Office Receipts Show Gain Over 1956

Postal receipts of the Heppner post office show an increase of 1.6 percent in 1957 over the previous year for a volume surpassing any previous year, James H Driscoll, postmaster, reports.

Receipts for 1957 were \$24,083.67 compared to \$23,710.93 for 1956. For the first six months of 1956 receipts were \$10,612.81 and for 1957 they were \$10,559.93. This slight dip was more than made up by an upswing in receipts the last three months of the year when receipts for the Christmas period were \$4,922.33. This was an increase of 4.4 percent over the 1956 Christmas period of \$4,715.45.

According to the automatic counting device on the electric cancelling machine 74,000 letters were cancelled between Dec 3 and 23 in 1957 as compared to 71,700 for the same period in 1956.

Of particular interest to the office personnel is the fact that much of the "rush" was taken out of the Christmas period by the fine cooperation of the patrons, especially in mailing earlier, thus spreading the work over a longer period of time. In addition, presenting bundles of mail segregated to "out of town" and "city" made for quicker handling in the post office, Driscoll said.

Phone Installations Point Up Growth Of Heppner Area

Pacific Telephone was providing service to a total of 750 telephone in Heppner at the start of 1958, manager Dallas Short said today.

Recently compiled figures show there was an increase of 23 telephones in service here during the past year.

In August of last year, the company passed the 500,000 mark in the number of telephones it was serving in Oregon. On January 1, 1958, that total had increased to 508,089, for a gain of 14,548 over the 12-month period.

"To meet the statewide demand for more and better types of service," Short added, "the company spent \$27,000,000 in Oregon during 1957 and is planning construction amounting to \$21,000,000 throughout the state in 1958.

TV Program To Show Heppner Golf Course

Movies of the Heppner golf course showing how a small town can get together and "make something from nothing" were taken by Bob Hope of the Oakway Golf Course in Eugene Tuesday. They will be shown on TV channel 13 in about three weeks, Hope said.

Starring in the TV release will be Lowell Griddle and Clint McQuarrie who acted as golfing subjects. Hope congratulated the Heppner club members for their enthusiasm, interest and efforts in overcoming problems and complimented Jackie Labhart for her golfing column which runs in this paper during the season.

Mr and Mrs Hope, son-in-law and daughter of Mr and Mrs Leonard Carlson, extended an invitation to all Heppner golfers to visit the Oakway course, which they own in Eugene.

Regular Shifts To Start Monday At Heppner Pine

Between 65 and 70 men will go back to their jobs at Heppner Pine Mills Monday when the plant resumes full operation following a regular winter shutdown of about five weeks. The sawmill will operate two shifts and the planer one shift, on a five-day week as in the past.

During the shutdown period, logging operations have continued and at the present time close to 5,000,000 feet of logs are cold decked at the mill. Manager Paul Koenig said Wednesday that logging will continue as long as weather permits, though it is normally expected that during at least a short period in the spring when the frost is coming out of the ground, trucking must be halted. The unusually warm, open winter has hardly hampered logging operations during December and January though at the present time there is between two and three feet of snow in the mountains.

Hospital Group Organized Here

Mrs Gar Swanson of Ione was elected president of the newly formed auxiliary of Pioneer Memorial hospital at an organizational meeting Monday evening at the courthouse.

Other officers named were Mrs Paul Koenig, vice president and Mrs James Hager, secretary-treasurer.

Mrs Velma Glass was temporary chairman of the meeting, which was attended by about 30 women of the area. It was stressed that all interested women in the area served by the hospital are eligible for membership in the group.

The purpose of the auxiliary is to help make patients more comfortable in anyway possible, outside of actual nursing. Suggestions were reading to them, writing letters for them, serving coffee to those having long waits in the waiting room, many other services.

Mrs Jean Mallory and Mrs C E McQuarrie assisted Mrs Glass in serving coffee.

County Tops 1956 In Savings Bonds Sales During Year

"People of Morrow county are continuing to build their savings bonds holdings for the future," county chairman Jack Bedford said here today when reporting December sales in the county totaled \$23,578.

State sales for the Christmas month amounted to \$2,647,187, up 14.4% over 1956, he continued, and said that many bonds purchased during December were given as gifts.

County sales for 1957 came to \$276,759 and state sales for the 12-month period were \$36,903,540 the county chairman said.

Seven counties - Clatsop, Columbia, Gilliam, Lake, Morrow, Walla, and Wasco exceeded their 1957 sales quota. These counties had higher sales than in 1956. Morrow sales in 1956 were \$263,534.

Heppner Students On OSC Fall Honor Roll

Adelia Ann Anderson and Gerald Calvi nSumner of Heppner are listed on the fall term scholastic honor roll released by Oregon State college.

To be eligible for honor roll listing, students must make at least a B plus average for the term.

Miss Anderson is a senior in elementary education. A 1954 graduate of Heppner high school she is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Erwin Anderson of Heppner. Sumner is a 1957 graduate of Heppner high school. A freshman majoring in engineering, he is the son of Mr and Mrs James C Sumner of 107 Gilmore street.

Morrow Asks For Boardman

Morrow county's new judge Oscar E Peterson late last week joined with other county officials and Boardman city officers in recommending approval of the proposed Ellensburg-Pendleton interstate highway route which would bring the southern terminus of the road link into Oregon at a point just east of Boardman. The proposal is being fought strongly by Umatilla county.

As now planned by federal officials, and approved by the Washington highway commission, the proposed road would connect US 10 at Ellensburg and US 30 at Boardman by proceeding US 10 at Ellensburg and Yakima Indian reservation to a point near Satus which is close to Toppensish. From there it would go southeasterly to the Columbia river near a point known as Sage then cross the river on a new bridge at Blalock Island to connect with US highways 30 and 730 just east of Boardman junction.

Umatilla county groups want the road to swing farther to the east from Toppensish, come down through Prosser and then cross the Columbia over the present Umatilla bridge.

Morrow county interests claim that the route suggested by the federal and Washington state planners is more direct, would be less expensive to build, even including a new bridge across the Columbia, and would eliminate many bottlenecks to be found in the Umatilla county proposal. They also claim the Umatilla county is fighting the original proposal to protect its multi-million dollar investment in the Umatilla bridge which still has nearly \$5,000,000 in outstanding bonds against it.

Hearing Slated

Morrow and Boardman officials have requested a hearing before the state highway commission and the US bureau of public roads when the two groups meet to lay out the Oregon section of the proposed addition to the interstate highway commission, and an announcement was made early this week that the state highway commission would consider the matter at a meeting late in February.

It has also been proposed locally that the planned road be named the Ellensburg-Boardman Military freeway.

Judge Peterson said Friday, "I am convinced that the route through Boardman is the most economical and direct route for the proposed military freeway."

Morrow county was deprived of its only Columbia river crossing nearly two years ago when the Umatilla Bridge company purchased the Paterson Ferry, between Boardman and Irrigon, and discontinued its operation. It was claimed at that time that the Umatilla bridge was forced to make the purchase and stop the ferry operation in order to get sufficient traffic over the bridge to meet its obligations. The ferry was located about 20 miles downstream from the bridge at the southern terminus of a direct highway from the Yakima valley from Prosser.

Just prior to the time the ferry was purchased by the Umatilla bridge, Morrow county had held an option to buy the ferry operation, but was unable to find sufficient budgeted money to complete the deal.

Regardless of where the route is finally located, best estimates place its final construction and opening date at least 10 years in the future.

Sunday guests at the Bothwell home were Mr and Mrs O D Bothwell, Mr and Mrs Wayne Bothwell and children Judy and Kathy of Maupin.

Mrs Rachel McNabb and three children of San Antonio, Texas, left last Sunday for her home, after a weeks visit with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr and Mrs Dick Borman, and her father Ben Cox.