

Technicality Voids Monday Vote on School Bond Issue

The voters of Heppner school district voted two to one approval Monday of a special bond issue of \$20,000 for the purchase of adjacent school property, but because of a technicality, they're going to have to do the whole thing over in about two weeks.

Circling Plane Finally Lands At Condon Field

An apparently lost airplane which circled over Heppner for nearly 45 minutes late Tuesday evening caused considerable excitement and many efforts to guide it to a landing. It was Wednesday afternoon before the plane was fully identified and found to be safe on the ground at the Condon airport.

In the meantime half the population of Morrow county was trying to figure out what happened to it.

The plane, a twin motor beechcraft Bonanza started circling over Heppner at about 10:15 and finally made one approach over the private airstrip near the home of Dr C M Wagner on Hinton creek just east of town but was waved off because it is a short, tricky field. Thinking the plane was in trouble, at least 100 cars converged on the Heppner Pine Mills airstrip below the mill to light the field with headlights. A Heppner fire truck with spot lights aimed high in the air also attempted to lead the plane toward either that strip or the Lexington airport which also had been alerted and was lit with car headlights.

The plane came in over the Lexington field for one pass then climbed rapidly and headed off northwest.

The Lexington airport operator Gar Leyva contacted the Pendleton office of the Civil Aeronautics Administration who finally contacted the plane by radio and got the report that it was reading for Condon and was in no trouble. Finally Wednesday it was discovered that the plane actually was at the Condon field and had reported in to The Dalles airport by phone. This report apparently was never relayed to any other location.

Through the efforts of the Portland office of the CAA and the Portland Bureau of the Associated Press, it was eventually determined that the plane was flown by W E Roberts, an official of Lipman & Wolff Company of Portland and that he and a party of friends had left Portland Saturday for Ontario on a hunting trip and was not expected back in Portland until Wednesday night.

What the plane was doing in Condon and why it spent nearly 45 minutes circling Heppner is still unknown, though it is surmised that in the flight from Ontario the pilot confused Heppner with Condon and finally determined where he was before leaving this area.

AT CONFERENCE
Mrs Richard Wells of Heppner was in Pendleton Monday to attend the district conference of the American Legion Auxiliary.

one minor point in the special election and bond law was overlooked, thereby nullifying the entire election. Abrams said Tuesday that the law requires the posting of notices, in addition to the publication of a notice of the special election, and that this requirement was not complied with. The result being that the bonds could not be sold.

The vote on the question of issuing \$20,000 in bonds for the purchase of the Elaine George property which adjoins the grade school grounds was 121 yes to 63 no.

Following the disclosure that the election was void, the school board met in special session Tuesday night and set Saturday, November 1 as the date for the new vote. This election will be for exactly the same thing as was Monday's and will be held in the multipurpose room at the grade school from 2 until 8 o'clock.

The legal notice of the new election date is published elsewhere in today's paper.

Either-Sex Deer Hunt Not General

There will be no general either-sex deer hunt after the regular buck season in Oregon this year. The State game commission yesterday said that those with general deer tags may hunt only through Oct 26, the end of the regular season.

Those possessing unused deer tags and valid doe permits will be allowed to hunt for a deer of either sex during the open season Oct 18 through Oct 26. Both deer tag and permit must be attached to any antlerless deer taken.

Special Services Set by Nazarenes

Special services are planned at the Ione Church of the Nazarene during next week, it was announced today by the Rev Charles Wilkes, pastor.

Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, Rev Clyde Gollieher, returned Nazarene missionary to Peru will speak at a special service. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights Oct 24, 25 and 26 at 8 o'clock there will be special revival services at the church which now meets at the Ione Grange hall. The speakers will be young people from Northwest Nazarene college at Nampa, Idaho.

Lex Student Gets U of Portland Post

Larry Lindsay, Lexington has been appointed to serve as chief justice of the student court for the Associated Students of the University of Portland. Lindsay is a senior in the college of business administration of the University.

Last year, Lindsay held the position of president of the International Relations club. He also belongs to Arnold Air Society and St Vincent de Paul society on campus. During his last two years, he has been on the Dean's honor roll with a perfect average of 4.00.

At St Joseph's high school in Pendleton, Oregon, Lindsay was chosen valedictorian of the class of 1955, while serving as student body president.



THE REV C BRUCE SPENCER, new rector of All Saints' Episcopal church. Rev Spencer and his family came here from Myrtle Point. (GT Photo)

Civic League Still In Need of Rummage

Customers at the Civic League rummage sale October 24 and 25 will find a wide variety of articles arrayed in the Empire showroom.

Mrs Jack Healy, chairman of collection of donated articles, lists lamps, lampshades, books, funny books, records, drapes, bedspreads, rugs, tablecloths (all clean), toys, nursery furniture, suitcases, a bedstead, small tables, baby clothes, a tuxedo, a steam iron, a baby buggy, dishes, and considerable fall and winter clothing in good condition as among the many things already received for the sale.

Although the deadline for having articles cleaned free by the Heppner Cleaners is now past, the Civic League is still interested in receiving all donations. The committees appreciate receiving it as early as possible as much preliminary preparation is necessary to allow the women to be able to set up the store in one evening.

Clothing which is not sold during the two day sale is given to church groups for further distribution.

The twice-a-year rummage sales held by the Civic League finance the operation of the Kindergarten together with the tuition fees paid for the kiddies.

State Farm Prices Show Slight Gain During September

Prices received by Oregon farmers went up during the month ending September 15, according to Mrs Elvera Horrell, extension agricultural economist at Oregon State college.

U S department of agriculture reports showed farm prices in Oregon advanced one percent during this time, farm prices in the rest of the nation averaged a 3 percent rise.

Livestock prices had the biggest hand in raising Oregon farm prices. Higher prices on most classes of meat animals, milk cows, eggs, and wholesale milk more than offset lower prices on hogs, chickens, and turkeys, Mrs Horrell said. Oregon's crop index remained the same.

As a result of the price rise, Oregon farm prices at mid-September averaged 4 percent higher than year earlier, with national farm prices up 5 percent.

Prices of things farmers buy also went up in September, Mrs Horrell reported, but at a much slower rate. Most of the advance, which came to only one-third of one percent, came in production items. Feeder livestock led the upward trend in costs, followed by higher prices on seed, farm machinery, building materials, and motor vehicles. Feed and farm supplies showed a slight downturn.

Prices paid for farm-family living items averaged about the same as in August, Mrs Horrell noted. USDA reports showed declining food prices offset by a more-or-less general advance in prices of other items used for living.

With prices received outpacing prices paid, the squeeze was loosened on the buying power of farm products. The parity ratio—the government's yardstick for measuring the relationship between prices received and prices paid by farmers—stood at 85 on September 15. This was 2 points above a month and a year earlier, but still 15 points below the level set by Congress as a "fair" exchange rate, Mrs Horrell pointed out.

HOME FOR WEEKEND

Among the students home for the weekend were Bob Bryant, Len Ray Schwarz, Tom Currin and Gary Jones from Klamath Falls where they attend OTI and Jim Morris from Eastern Oregon College at LaGrande.

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Accidents Claim Two Lives This Week at Ione, Heppner

Matthew R Ball and J E Craber are Victims

Registration in County Seen Up Since Primary

Final compilation of voter registration was completed this week by the county clerk's office and the figures show an increase in registration since the May primaries, but a considerable drop since the last general election in 1956.

Republicans still hold a sizeable lead in the county with 1210 registered in that party. The Democrats now have 987, and there are 13 in the county who are classified as "other" parties. The total voter count is 2210, up slightly from the 2167 who were registered for the primary election.

Every precinct in the county but one, Irrigon, has a plurality of Republican voters and in the Irrigon precinct the Democrats outnumber the Republicans 201 to 115.

In the 1956 general election the total registration was 2385 persons, 175 more than this year.

According to the clerk's records the registration by precincts shows:

- Boardman—107 D, 112 R, 2 other. Total 221.
- Hardman—14 D, 23 R, total 37.
- Ione—150 D, 238 R, 2 other. Total 390.
- Irrigon—201 D, 115 R. Total 316.
- Lexington—126 D, 143 R, 3 other. Total 272.
- Northeast Heppner—74 D, 125 R, total 199.
- Northwest Heppner—125 D, 184 R, 4 other. Total 313.
- Southeast Heppner—64 D, 111 R, total 175.
- Southwest Heppner—126 D, 159 R, 2 other. Total 287.

Funeral Services Held Wednesday For Paul O'Meara

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at St William's Catholic church in Ione for Jeremiah Paul O'Meara, 83, who passed away October 12 at his home in Ione. He had been failing in health for some time.

Mr O'Meara was born April 28, 1875 at Oakdale, California and had lived in the Ione area for the past 33 years. He was a member of St Williams church, Willows grange and the Heppner Elks lodge.

Surviving are his wife, Stella E O'Meara, Ione; two brothers, Patrick G. Wasco; and Michael B of Madera, Calif; two sisters, Katherine Jacobson, Fresno, California and Margaret O'Meara of Santa Rosa, Calif.

Rosary was recited Tuesday evening and Requiem Mass Wednesday by The Rev Gerald Condon. Interment was in the Ione cemetery.

Creswick Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Area Students At Press Meet

Attending the two day Oregon School Press Conference on the University of Oregon campus at Eugene from Heppner were Wilma Bothwell, assistant editor of the 1959 Mustang, Connie Anderson, Carole Anne Anderson and Bernice Thomson from the Hehisch staff.

Wilma Bothwell was a member of a student panel on Saturday morning. The panel discussed "Our Advertising Policies". Connie Anderson was a member of a newspaper panel discussing the topic "Making the most of the Mimeograph". Hehisch adviser, Margaret Kirk, was in charge of a two hour session for advisers of mimeographed and duplicated papers. Other advisers were especially interested in the process used by the Heppner high paper in reproducing photographs.

The students were accompanied by their adviser, Mrs Kirk, and by Mrs Jim Thomson. The delegates from Lexington, Doris Sue Davidson and Keith Peck and also the Ione delegates, Dalene MacDonald, JoAnn Turner, Tommy Martin and Gregg Leyva also went with the Heppner group.

The Hehisch received the Roseburg News-Review plaque for excellence in feature writing. This award was won last spring by members of the 1957-58 staff but was not presented until this conference.

All Heppner students attended classes throughout Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. At the luncheon meetings and other special large group gatherings the students had the opportunity to hear outstanding journalists and educators. At the Friday evening banquet they heard an address by Stewart Holbrook, well-known Oregon author and speaker. Dr Crastell of the U O gave an especially interesting lecture on "You can't argue that way" pointing out the fallacies in many types of arguments presented both in papers and in speeches today.

The Wayne county chapter of the National Foundation is now spending almost \$50,000 per week on care of the victims of the epidemic, and the chapter estimates that it will need more than \$1,000,000 for aid to patients by the end of the year.

CHAMBER HEARS TALK ON BALLOT MEASURES

An explanation of several measures appearing on the general election ballot was given by P W Mahoney, Heppner attorney, at the Monday chamber of commerce meeting. He discussed the measure to allow temporary appointment of judges, the state power bill and others.

Renn Harris, Heppner high school student body president, told of school activities and invited the chamber to be luncheon guests at the cafeteria on October 27.

Ione City Officers Are Nominated

Nominations were held at the Ione city council meeting October 6. Chosen for city officers were, mayor, Ed Bristow and Charles O'Connor; recorder, June Crowell; treasurer, Echo Palmar.

Six persons were nominated for the three open positions on the city council. They were Bill Rietmann, James Barnett, Elmer Holtz, Hugh Salter, Aloha DeSpain and Omar Rietmann. The outgoing councilmen will be Paul Pettyjohn, Charles O'Connor and Noel Dobyns.

They will be elected at the general election, November 4.

Two separate accidents within 24 hours this week claimed the lives of two men, Matthew R Ball, 74 of Ione, and J E "Ed" Craber of Heppner. Mr Matthews' death was the direct result of a heart attack, and Mr Craber died when his tractor overturned pinning him beneath it. A subsequent fire was said to be primary cause of his death.

About 6 pm Tues a car driven by Mr Ball crashed head-on into another vehicle driven by Berl Akers, also of Ione, about one and one-half miles south of Ione on the Gooseberry road. According to Eldon Tucker, Ione city marshal, and state patrolman William Labhart who investigated, Mr Ball apparently had suffered a heart attack while driving toward Ione down the grade. He was alone in the car. It struck the Akers car almost head-on causing considerable damage to both. Coroner Oliver Creswick reported that Mr Ball had suffered a heart attack though it is not known definitely whether he was dead when the two cars hit or died shortly afterwards.

Mr Craber met death shortly after 10 a m Wednesday when his tractor rolled over while he was trying to plow a fire strip around a small grass fire near his barn at his ranch three miles east of Heppner on Hinton creek.

Savings Bond Sales Slump in County

County Savings Bond sales for September were \$5,616 and state sales were \$2,740,000, county chairman, Jack Bedford said here today.

Sales in this county for the first nine months of the year totaled \$133,230 as compared with \$188,784 for the first nine months of last year.

The U S Treasury's bond division is putting greater emphasis on its school savings stamp program, the county chairman said. "I know of no better way to establish sound habits of thrift among children than through such plans as the school savings stamp program. The sound practice of thrift is an all-American responsibility for both the young and the old.

"The school savings program gives youngsters an opportunity to learn the principles of patriotism and to invest in our country."

County Hunters Bag 167 Predators

Carl McDaniel and Joseph Baltrenas, federal-state hunters in Morrow county, killed 167 predatory animals here during a twelve-weeks period, June 1 to August 23.

This figure includes 86 coyotes, 29 bobcats, 19 badgers, 26 porcupines and seven raccoons.

The men also reported 43 sheep killed by foxes and bobcats during April, May and June.

These livestock losses are only those discovered by McDaniel and Baltrenas in their routine operations; they do not fully picture total losses suffered by stockmen through predators in Morrow county.

These figures come from a joint report issued by the U S Fish and Wildlife Service and the state department of agriculture.

EXAMINER COMING

Drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner Tuesday, Oct 21 at the court house between 9:30 a m and 3:30 p m.

WEATHER

	Hi	Low
Thursday	62	35
Friday	60	50
Saturday	72	38
Sunday	67	38
Monday	74	43
Tuesday	76	39
Wednesday	82	42

Rainfall for the week, none; for October, .07, for the year 11.01 inches.

He was pinned under the tractor which caught fire from the other blaze and it was this fire which caused his death. He was badly crushed and burned before he could be removed.

Mrs Craber tried to keep the fire from him but was forced to go to the house to call for help. She called the Bill Barratt ranch about a mile and half west and Barratt brought a lift and spray rig which was able to lift the tractor off the body. He was pronounced dead by a physician who accompanied the ambulance to the scene of the accident.

Mr Craber was 68 years of age and only last weekend he and Mrs Craber had returned here from Ashland where they had spent several months because of his health.

Mr Ball's car struck a car driven by Berl Akers of Ione and occupied by Mr and Mrs Akers and their three children William Robert and Bonnie who suffered only minor hurts.

Matthew R Ball

Funeral services for Matthew R Ball will be held Friday, October 17 at 2 p m at the Baptist church in Ione with the Rev William Collier officiating.

Mr Ball was born February 2, 1884 at Gooseberry and had lived in that area all his life. He was 74 years of age.

He is survived by his wife, Anna M Ball of Ione; two daughters, Mrs Cecile Geniece, Escondido, California; and Helen Ball of Ione; six brothers, Archie, Hepper, Roy, Boardman; Glenn, Yakima; Edgar, Forest Grove and Elmer and Louis of Ione. He also leaves four sisters, Evelyn Farness, Heppner; Ellen Chapin, Portland; Pearl Urlacker, Tacoma, Wash; and Gladys Long of Eugene; two granddaughters and five great-grandchildren.

Interment will be in the Ione cemetery.

John Edwin Craber

J Edwin Craber was born May 9, 1890 at Homer, Nebraska and died near Heppner Wednesday, October 15. He had lived in the Heppner area for about 60 years and was married to Maude Rice at Hardman in 1910. He was a member of the Christian church.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2:30 p m at the Heppner Christian church with the Rev Charles Knox officiating. Interment will be in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

He is survived by his wife Maude, Heppner; three sons, Harold of The Dalles; Gordon of Portland; Dallas of Heppner; one daughter, Mrs Creth Harris of Heppner; two sisters, Mrs Bessie Cook, Independence; and Mrs Ada Cannon of Heppner; two brothers, David of Salem and Jesse of Independence. He also leaves seven grandchildren.

Creswick Mortuary is in charge of both services.

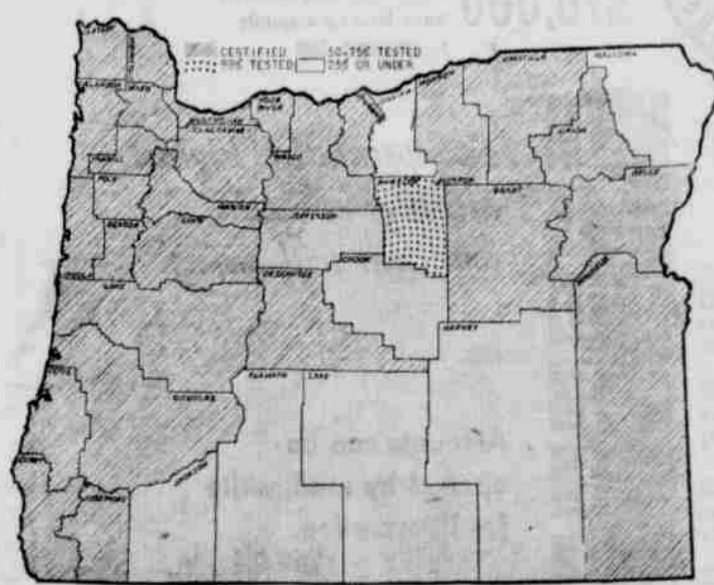
Lutherans Open Confirmation Series

A group of seven have started meeting this week for a new Valley-Hope Lutheran church confirmation class, the Rev Rydgren announced this week. The seven are Roland Ekstrom, Steve Lindstrom, Tom Heimbigner, Don Majeke, Sue Townsend, Mansel Townsend and Cheryl Lundell. The group meets every Saturday until April 26, 1959.

During the first year they will study the Bible, 10 Commandments and the Apostle's creed. The second year begins Sept 12, 1959 and they will be confirmed, or made members of the church, on Palm Sunday, 1960. During each year the study will be augmented with time devoted to the worship service, Luther and the symbols of the church. The special training for young people developed just after the Reformation in an effort to give each member a better understanding of Bible teachings, it was stated.

Mrs L D Tibbles will leave, from Pendleton, Friday for a month's visit with her family in Kansas City, Missouri.

Status of Oregon's Brucellosis Program



ON OCTOBER 1, 27 COUNTIES in Oregon and the Warm Springs Indian reservation had completed brucellosis (Bang's) testing and received the coveted modified certified disease-free rating. Only one herd remained untested in Wheeler county. Map gives progress of testing. State Department of Agriculture officials say the state should reach certification by June 30, 1959—the goal set when the stepped-up program got under way last year.