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## From The County Agent's Office

By NELS ANDERSON

Morrow county polled Hereford breeders will be well represented with consignments at the Round-Up Polled Hereford Sale which will be held in Pendleton on Tuesday, November 11. Those consigning from our county are, Jack and Rita Sumner, Heppner; B J Doherty, Leo Barnett, Gerald Bergstrom and Kirk and Robinson ranch. Breeders interested in the show and sale will be able to see the animals shown at 10 A M and sold at 1 P M the same day. There are 35 bulls and 5 heifers offered. The show and sale will be held at the livestock barn at the round-up grounds.

Good land use, water problems and key agricultural issues are on the docket of the 10th annual meeting of the Oregon Association of Soil Conservation Districts at Baker, November 19-21. Ralph Wilson, president, Salem, says the program for the gathering shapes up as one of the liveliest and one of the best in years.

Some 300 farmer and rancher supervisors of soil conservation districts throughout the state are expected to attend the meeting. Saturday night's annual 4-H achievement party was acclaimed one of the best yet held. Approximately 350 4-H boys and girls, their younger brothers and sisters, parents and others interested in 4-H club work participated in the pot-luck supper. Special recognition and project completion awards were presented to 188 boys and girls who completed 275 projects during the past club year.

One hundred ninety one quality purebred ewes will be offered at the first annual Oregon purebred sheep breeders ewe sale on Saturday, November 15 at the Polk county fair grounds near Rickerall. The sale will get under way promptly at 10 A M. The Polk county fairgrounds is located one fourth mile south of Rickerall on Highway 99 W.

4-H and FFA members will find this an excellent spot to add quality ewes to their sheep projects. Following is the order of sale and the number of head in each breed: Dorset—7, Romney—17, Lincoln—10, Corriedale—2, Columbia—21, Cheviot—10, Hampshire—21, Southdown—7, Suffolk—32, and Shropshire—64.

Letters have gone in the mail this week to all Morrow county wheatgrowers inviting them to participate in the annual fall meeting which will be held at the Lexington Grange hall on Monday, November 10. An interesting program has been arranged with door prizes to be offered continuously during the day. Main object of the meeting is to draft recommendations for attention at the annual meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers League and National Association of Wheat Growers; both to be held during the month of December. The meeting begins at 9:30 a m and the Association will be host for luncheon at noon.

The first step of carrying through a request of the farm crops committee of the agricultural planning conference held last year will get under way on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. Manning Becker, farm

management specialist, Oregon State college will assist in setting up a record keeping system and assist farmers who might like to participate in the cost of wheat production study which was requested by the committee. In order to have true cost figures which can be used in many ways, all communities including different rainfall, soil types and tillage operations will be represented. Cost of each operation will be figured so that this information will be available to those interested. Mr Becker will meet with the interested group on Wednesday evening, November 12 at this office. We would like to have a few more volunteer participants for the study. If you are interested contact this office.

The new conservation reserve program of the Soil Bank drew quite an interest during the sign up period which recently ended. Twenty five Morrow county ranchers signed up approximately 8000 acres in the program. Several of these were entire farms. These farmers are now making plans to seed this land to grass and alfalfa. Part of the acreage is in summer fallow and will be seeded this spring. Land in stubble in most cases will be summer fallowed for a good seed bed and seeded in the spring of 1960. In a few special cases where volunteer is not a problem, seedlings might be made directly into the stubble. Generally crested wheat grass and Ladak alfalfa will be used with 4 or 5 pounds per acre of grass and 1 to 2 pounds of alfalfa. Farmers signed up for the conservation reserve are attempting to improve this ground taken out of production so that it will be better when plowed up after their contract expires.

This year's annual meeting of the Columbia Basin Electric Co-op will be held at the Memorial hall at Condon on Saturday, November 8. The program looks good including the dinner at noon and the many door prizes which will be given away during the day.

At a recent meeting of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association disease control committee with representatives of the state department of agriculture and the bureau of animal industry, plans were made for stepping up the testing of all herds for Bangs. This accelerated test program is a part of the recertification of our modified certified Brucellosis free area which expires on January 13, 1959. Funds are available so that every herd in Morrow county can be tested. Dr J W Norene, practicing veterinarian at Heppner will be doing much of the testing as will veterinarians from the Pendleton veterinary clinic. If and when requests for testing are greater than these veterinarians can handle a representative of the state veterinarians office of the bureau of animal industry will be sent in to assist with the tests. All livestock men are urged to test their herds and vaccinate heifers at the very earliest possible date so that recertification can be brought about soon. Those who might have questions concerning the test can get further information from this office or by contacting disease control committee members, Jerry Brosnan, Randall Martin, Ronald Cur-



## TALK LEGISLATION

That you now know who will represent you at the Legislature it is a good time to contact the newly elected law makers and let them have your views on what affects you and your neighbors. The Legislature is scheduled to convene at Salem, Monday, January 12, 1959. While you have nearly three months before the work starts at the Fiftieth Session of the Oregon Legislature it is advisable to be early. It is wearing work for the solons, particularly the first termers. They are likely to get skittish. Taxation will be the pivot subject, as it was last session. It is almost certain that there will be another excise tax battle and another sales tax row.

Since the ascendancy of the Democrats the sales tax possibilities have been banished. Sales tax boosters, however, will be among the lobbyists with their hooks readied to throw over the kite tail of any popular fundraising measure.

A number of recommendations have been made by the Legislative Interim Committee on Government Reorganization. They include authority to the governor to submit plans for reorganization of the executive branch of the state government.

These plans would automatically go into effect 60 days after he submitted them to the Legislature, unless either house voted a resolution opposing them.

The committee has submitted, several other bills. One calls for creation of a department of revenue. It would take over functions of the state Tax Commission, as well as the state treasurer's inheritance and gift tax collections.

The committee also recommended creation of a department of resources. Other recommendations would give the authority to prepare legislation which would eliminate conflicts, ambiguities and obsolete matter from laws.

Another proposal is for creating the position of legislative

rin or Kenneth Turner.

This week we received the 1959 order blanks for forest trees from the Oregon State Board of Forestry. This means that our farmers and ranchers can be thinking now of lining up windbreaks and forest tree plantings so that they might get their order in to take advantage of the seedlings while they are still available. During the past two or three years many orders have been left unfilled because of the great demand for tree seedlings over the actual number available. An increased number of seedlings are available this year, still it is a good idea to plan early and not be disappointed. Tree seedlings available for Eastern Oregon plantings are Douglas Fir, Ponderosa Pine, Austrian Pine, Fir, White Fir, Shasta Fir, Incense Cedar and Chinese Arborvitae in the conifers and Black Locust, Caragana, Russian Mulberry, Russian Olive and Chinese Elm in the broad leaves. We would be glad to help you lay out your windbreaks planting or to answer questions and to provide an order blank for you.

## From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Called "Passing the Buck"?

Sitting on my porch the other night, Buck Hanson told about a nifty new warning light for his tractor. It gives him protection on the highway at night—cost, just 75 cents. Buck made the light from an old windshield wiper motor with a taillight attached in place of the wiper blade. He clamped the motor on to the rear of the tractor. When the motor is hooked to a hot wire and grounded, the light moves back and forth and sure attracts attention. (The wires work off a battery, a headlight—anything "hot.") From where I sit, it's a tradition in America for neighbors to get together and exchange ideas. We're a better country for it. Tell you what—drop in on the next session on my porch, have a glass of beer and join in. If you'd rather have a glass of milk—fine! Respecting people's preferences—that's an American tradition too.

Joe Marsh  
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## THIRTY YEARS AGO

From the files of the  
Gazette-Times  
November 8, 1928

Herbert Hoover is Morrow county's choice for president by a two-to-one vote, 1093 to 543, the result of complete returns on Tuesday's election.

The following students were initiated into the Torch Honor society Friday evening, November 2, after the rally: Mary White, Frances White, Jeanette Turner, Harry Wells, John Parker, John Kirk, Dorothy Herren, Louise Langdon, Doris Hiatt, Vivian Cason, Martha Driscoll, Teresa Breslin, Joe Swendig and Harriet Morgan.

Mr and Mrs Ray Taylor were in Portland for a few days during the week, while Mr Taylor took some instructions at the Ford school for mechanics.

At the Star Theater Sunday, Grandma's Boy starring Harold Loyd.

Mr and Mrs Ralph McCormick of Lexington and George Ely and son were visiting at the H O Ely home at Morgan Sunday.

fiscal officer to assist the Legislature in reviewing the governor's budget.

The Department of Finance and Administration would give the power to assign space for the state departments. The secretary of state now has this responsibility.

The last proposal would abolish such inactive state agencies as the Tunnel Commission, Flax and Linnen Board, Commission of Americanization and the Rogue River Co-ordination Board.

There have been meetings in Salem to back a bill that would prohibit setting a maximum employment age that would apply to public agencies. Another proposal under consideration is expansion of the State Board of Health to permit a full time job for instructing volunteers and providing counsel in recreation for homes for the aged and nursing homes.

MORE STATE PARK CAMPS  
An addition of 540 overnight camping spaces in state parks has been provided for by the Oregon Highway Commission. They will be ready before next summer's camping season when a total of 2,100 spaces will be available.

The Commission gave the Parks Division \$1,828,000 to spend for the added spaces, picnic facilities and boat ramps. Park improvement expenditures for next year exceeds this year's by \$177,000.

SECOND LOOK AT TEXTBOOKS  
Preliminary screening of school textbooks in science, mathemat-



MORE COUNTY YOUNGSTERS who before long will take their place as leading citizens. They are, front row left to right, Joyce 10 months; Stephen 3; Sally 2; back row, Mark 6; Philip 8 and Susan 5. They are the children of Mr and Mrs Phil Blakney of Heppner.



MR AND MRS BUD PECK of Heppner are the parents of these two boys Terry, 7 and Bobby 6 years old.

tics, foreign languages, health, business education and driver education was started Thursday by the State Textbook Commission at a meeting in Salem.

Science, math and languages appear to be a timely grouping in view of recent nationwide criticism and emphasis on teaching these subjects, but the subjects were grouped for study in the same years way back in 1927 when present state textbook laws were adopted.

Books are examined by statewide teachers committees over a period of six months and adopted by the commission for a six year period. Different subjects are considered each year. Decisions this year are to be made Nov 17.

MILEAGE DEATH RATE CLIMBS  
When an average of 7.2 persons were killed in each 100,000,000 miles traveled in August the year's highest monthly mileage death was established, the State Motor Vehicle Department reported Thursday. Fifty-five persons were killed during the month.

This brought the cumulative mileage for the first eight months of 1958 to 5.4. The 1957 mileage death rate for the full 12 months was 6.5.

## Civic League Makes \$412 on Rummage

\$412 was grossed by the Civic League at their rummage sale last week. Profit from the sale will be used to finance the operation of the League's kindergarten, which this year is in two sessions due to the large enrollment.

Many Civic League members and mothers of kindergarten youngsters clerked during the two day sale. In addition to the committees listed in last week's paper co-chairman Sue Glennie and Lavelle Dick list the names of Melba Miller, Lafyrne Pratt, Jane Flatt, Lois Johnston, and Rita Worden who worked in various ways on the long preparation for the sale.

Miss Stewart who is a sophomore majoring in journalism is affiliated with Sigma Kappa sorority. She is also a member of Kwama (sophomore women's honorary), is copy editor of the Oregana, (the university yearbook) and is Student Union publicity chairman.

SOME THINGS need mending, some don't; lots of things you'll want, some you won't-but come look at the bargains. Elaine S George residence, Saturday from 10 a m to 4 p m-or by appointment.

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