

Al Lamb Chosen For First Central Africa Trade Mission

Al Lamb, mayor of Heppner and manager of Morrow County Grain Growers, has been chosen by the United States Department of Commerce as one of six men to be sent on the first trade mission of this country to Central Africa, the Bureau of International Business Operations of the department has announced.



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Five newly independent Central African Republics will be visited by the mission from May 6 to June 20 as they conduct business-to-business negotiations in the Central African Republic, the Republic of Cameroon, Chad, the Congo (Brazzaville) and Gabon. Their itinerary includes the following cities: Fort Lamy (Chad); Yaounde, Douala, Beau Victoria, and Garou (Cameroon); Bangui (Central African Republic); Brazzaville and Pointe Noire (Republic of Congo); and Libreville (Republic of Gabon).

In its consultations with local businessmen, the Mission will present more than 300 American proposals for development of specific business relations in Central Africa.

Separate commercial libraries, each consisting of more than 1000 business directories and trade papers, will serve as the Mission's business "research tool." On completion of its visit, the libraries will remain in each of the host countries for permanent use.

The five others who will join with Lamb on the Mission are E. Joseph Bannon, chairman and president, Purdue National Bank,

Bureau of International Programs, Roger LaRoche of the Commerce Department, Miami, field office, will be deputy Mission director. Frank Whittaker, who will accompany the Mission as trade development officer, is scheduled to assume as U. S. Commercial Attache in Dakar upon completion of the Trade Mission's work.

Previous U. S. Trade Missions to the African continent have concentrated their activities to East, West and South Africa.

The businessmen just completed a week's orientation seminar in Washington, D. C., preparatory to making the trip. This was Lamb's second trip to the national capital within the past month.

He expects to depart from Pendleton by airplane on May 2, flying via New York and London to Paris alone. In Paris on May 4 he will join the rest of the group and they will leave May 5 for Africa.

In Washington, D. C., last week Lamb met the other men who will be on the Mission and was given a thorough briefing in four full days on what clothing to take, what medicine to take, what things to avoid, what is expected to be accomplished and similar matters.

This is Mayor Lamb's first experience abroad and he is looking forward to it with anticipation. In becoming acquainted with the other members of the Mission last week he found them to be a congenial and personable group.

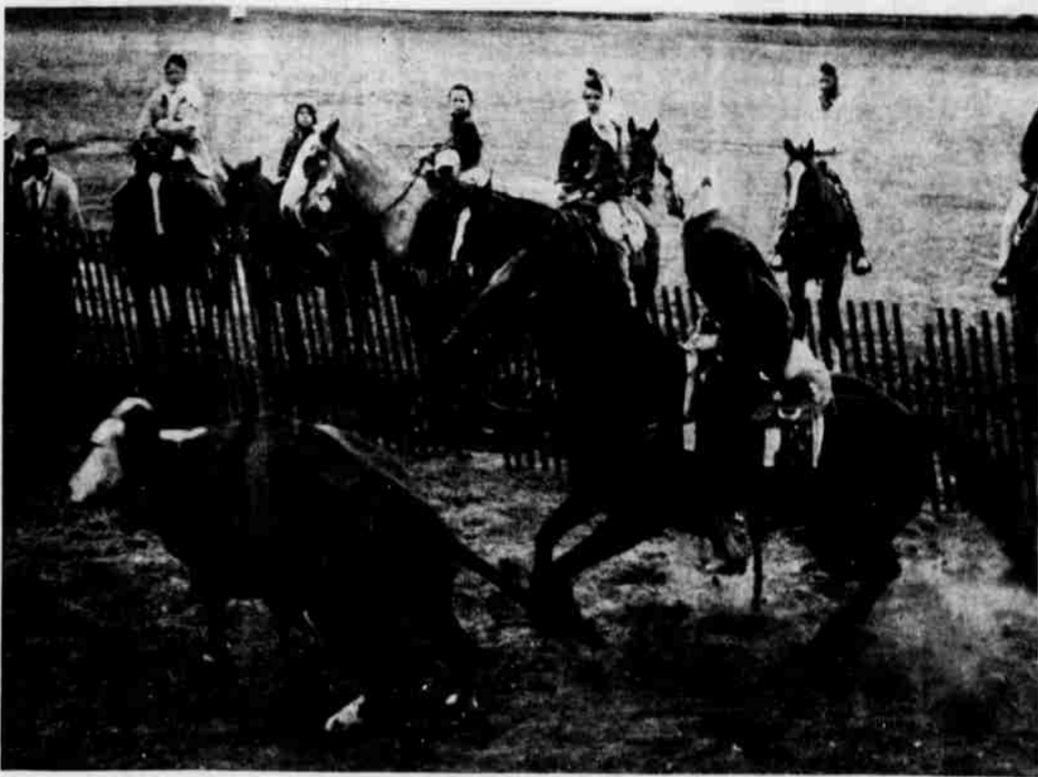
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Democrats Show Gain In Registration



ACTION such as this will be seen at the Heppner Wranglers spring meet Saturday and Sunday, featuring cow cutting, barrel racing and calf roping. Photo shows Mrs. Ralph (Mary) Beamer in the cutting event at the Wranglers' horse show last year. A colt will be given away at this year's event which is attracting top horses and riders from around the northwest. (G-T Photo)

GOP Holds Slight Lead; Ballots Set

Democratic registration in Morrow county has climbed to within 36 of the Republican total, a tabulation of registration compiled by Mrs. Sadie Parrish, county clerk, shows. Registration for the May 18 primary election ended April 17.

The count shows a total of 1110 Republicans in the county and 1074 Democrats. Thirty-three are registered as Independent or "other." For the general election of the presidential year 1960, the Republicans had a lead of 127, totalling 1214 as compared with 1087 Democrats.

Heppner remains well in the Republican camp with a total of 560 G.O.P. voters against 441 Democrats. Lone, too, has a sizeable Republican majority, 221 to 154. However, Lexington, Boardman, Hardman and Irrigon all show Democratic majorities with the registration at Irrigon more than 2 to 1 for the Democrats.

Registration in the nine precincts is as follows: Boardman, 106 (R), 127 (D), 3 others; Hardman, 23 (R), 26 (D); Lone, 221 (R), 154 (D), 6 other; Irrigon, 90 (R), 192 (D), 2 other; Lexington 110 (R), 134 (D), 10 other; N. E. Heppner, 130 (R), 87 (D); N. W. Heppner, 183 (R), 136 (D), 4 others; S. E. Heppner, 101 (R), 75 (D), 1 other; S. W. Heppner, 146 (R), 143 (D), 7 other.

Total registration in the county, including all parties and independents is 2217. This is a decrease of about 125 from that of the general election in 1960, partly reflecting the decreased interest in voting in a non-presidential year.

Printing of the ballots for the primary was completed early this week by the Gazette-Times. In all, four ballots were printed—one for Republicans, one for Democrats, one for measures and one nonpartisan (judicial). Thus, each voter of either party will receive three ballots, one for his party candidates and the others for measures and nonpartisan. Independents and those of other parties will receive just the nonpartisan and measures ballots at the election. An ample supply of sample ballots was printed, and they are now available at the county clerk's office for those who wish to have them.

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Anglers' Luck Proves Mixed On Trout Season Opening

Weather was beautiful but fishing was only mediocre in this area on opening week-end of trout season April 21 and 22, according to scattered reports from the army of anglers who tried their luck with rod and reel.

Creeks were high and murky so the fish were hard to catch in local streams, although some of the more experienced fishermen managed to get their limits. Cutsforth park pond proved good in the early hours but tapered off. Glen Ward, state game agent, said that "quite a few" limit catches were also checked from Rhea and Willow creeks and from Bull Prairie reservoir.

Not as many anglers went to Bull Prairie as were expected, but a sizeable contingent was on hand. Ward said that 20,000 more fingerlings were released in Bull Prairie Wednesday as well as 3,000 legal size trout. Another 1000 were to be placed each in Rock Creek and 30-Mile on Wednesday, he said.

Willow Creek, Rhea Creek and Cutsforth pond each had 1000 legal size trout dumped in them last Tuesday.

Some persons said that they experienced difficulty getting across a cattle guard on the road

into Bull Prairie because it had not been graded properly. Ward said that this had been noticed and repairs were being made.

Sam Miller, ranger of the Heppner forest district, said that a permanent guard, Reuben Patzer, Monument, is now stationed at Bull Prairie. Users of the lake were cautioned against dumping debris in the water. Among open week-end fishermen were some "litterbugs" who tossed beer bottles, cans and other trash in the water, he said. If the area is to fill its role as an attractive recreation spot, the public must cooperate by helping to keep it clean.

'Early Bird' Gets Choice Of Good Sale Rummage

Those who have been waiting for the annual spring rummage sale sponsored each year by the Heppner Civic League should get out the spare "sheekies" and trip down to the Old Central Market building Friday or Saturday for some fine bargains. Civic League mothers will be on hand from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. both days to assist customers in selecting needs from the variety of extra-nice clothing for all ages, home furnishings, glassware, knick knacks, toys, and other items. Among the variety of articles for sale will be a bicycle.

Pickup of articles has been slower than usual this time, but according to Mrs. Roy Erickson, league president, they are of much better quality, all clothing is clean and pressed, and an especially good variety of baby clothing is on hand.

The sales are the main means by which funds are raised to carry on the kindergarten, a project of the league.

The committee will work until late Thursday evening and will continue its pickup service until that time. Anyone still having good articles or clothing to contribute is asked to bring them directly or call Mrs. Erickson, 6-5517, Mrs. Mike Whitesmith, 6-9254, or Mrs. Lloyd Burkenbine, 6-5333.

Visiting Jaycees Slated to Install Seat Belts Here

Pendleton Junior Chamber of Commerce members will be in Heppner Saturday, April 28, to offer seat belt installations to the public at a nominal figure per set. They will be at Heppner Auto Sales throughout the day, and will furnish the seat belts and install them at \$12.50 per pair for any auto owners who desire them.

The Jaycees are doing this as a public service in line with a state project which has also been endorsed by their national organization.

Hal Parker, chairman of the project for Pendleton Jaycees, said that the purpose is not to make money for the Jaycees but to make the public safety conscious and to help save lives by putting more seat belts in use. Members of the Chamber of Commerce endorsed the seat belt project here at the regular Monday meeting. Dr. C. M. Wagner told of the many lives that had been saved and serious injuries averted by using seat belts in autos. Dr. L. D. Tibbles also spoke for the project.

On behalf of auto dealers, Jim Farley said that he was for the Jaycee project and urged public cooperation. He pointed out that local dealers cannot install seat belts at as nominal a figure as the Jaycees because they are using volunteer labor. However, in areas where the project has been undertaken, installation of seat belts by garages has been increased because of the public consciousness created on the benefits.

Anyone wishing to have seat belts installed in his car need only take the car to the Ford garage here Saturday. The Pendleton group completed their campaign in that city, where they installed 300 sets.

Wranglers Host Weekend Event

At least 30 top cutting horses of the Northwest and an equal number of skillful riders will be seen in action in the cow cutting event at the Heppner Wranglers' annual spring meet at the fairgrounds Saturday afternoon and Sunday.

With visitors coming from distant points and the weather outlook good, all evidence indicates an outstanding attraction. In addition to cutting events for both men and women, the program lists calf roping and barrel racing.

First event opens at 1 p. m., Friday with men participating in the cow cutting events, listed for \$500 novice, \$1000 novice and open class. These will continue Sunday morning and finals will be Sunday afternoon. Also on the afternoon program will be women's cow cutting event, Gene Pierce, secretary, said.

Admission tickets of \$1 per person will admit the holder to the grounds and may win for him a quarterhorse colt that will be given away. A dance is also scheduled for Saturday night, and a supper and cake auction will be held. Roy Quackenbush will furnish music for the dance. Three decorated horse blankets will be given away to winners in the cutting events. Other trophies will be provided. Rocky Goodhue of Emmett, Idaho, will be judge. Entries will be accepted until post time at 1 p. m., Pierce said.

The cutting events are approved by the national, Pacific coast and northwest associations. Points earned here can contribute towards totals in each of these associations. The public is urged to attend and is assured of a good and interesting show.

Mahony Stricken With Heart Ailment

Condition of P. W. (Phil) Mahoney was listed by his doctor as satisfactory Wednesday after the Heppner attorney had suffered a heart attack early Monday morning at his home. The attack occurred about 3 a. m. while he was in bed. However, he did not enter Pioneer Memorial hospital until Tuesday morning and was reported resting well there by midweek.

His doctor said that Mahoney is suffering from a coronary condition and can be expected to be hospitalized two weeks or more. This was the first time that he had experienced such trouble. A heart specialist is coming Friday to work in consultation with the local physician, the doctor said.

Justice J. O. Hager Senior Man on Ballot

An article in the Portland Reporter of a recent issue points out that Justice J. O. Hager of Heppner, justice of the peace here, is the oldest person running for office in the state.

Justice Hager, whose looks and actions belie his age, is proud of the fact that he is 84 years. He was born February 6, 1878, as he said, "in a sheep camp 2 1/2 miles from Adams," and he has been in Heppner since August, 1879. He was first appointed as justice of the peace by Governor Charles Martin in 1937 and is now in his 26th year in office.

Oddly, however, though he is the oldest one running for office, his name is not on the primary ballot. Since he is running for a nonpartisan office without opposition, his name will not be on the ballot until the general election in November. This is also true of Circuit Judge William Wells.

Heppner High School Smorgasbord Slated

Student body of Heppner High school, seeking to overcome a deficit in the treasury, will sponsor a smorgasbord at the high school cafeteria Saturday, starting at 5 p. m. All manner of good foods will be on hand.

Admission is \$1.00 for adults, 75c for students and 50c for children. The public is urged to attend.

All-Number Calling to Start Saturday Night

Two major changes will be found in the new telephone directory scheduled to be in the hands of all Heppner, Lone and Lexington customers by Saturday, April 28, according to Dale Slusher, Pacific Northwest Bell manager.

The first noticeable change is that phone numbers for the three communities are in front of the book. Other towns follow the yellow pages.

The second improvement for the 1962 edition is the inter-spersion or mixing of the names for Heppner, Lone and Lexington customers. Instead of three lists of names from A to Z, there is just one for these communities.

The listings for several other exchanges have been combined also. Pendleton and Athena-Weston listings are now in one section. Phone numbers for Hermiston, Echo, Stanfield and Umatilla make one section instead of four.

The net result is just four sections for the entire 1962 edition. The groupings are: (1) Heppner-Lone-Lexington, (2) Pendleton-Athena-Weston, (3) Hermiston-Echo-Stanfield-Umatilla, and (4) Milton-Freewater. Slusher asked that the new directory and the seven digit phone numbers not be used until midnight Saturday (April 28) since wrong numbers and incomplete calls will result.

Number stickers for the center of each phone dial are also arriving this week via the mailman. These are designed to fasten right over the celluloid now protecting the old phone number, Slusher said.

The new seven-digit phone numbers will make it possible for operators and customers all over the U. S. to dial directly to phones in Heppner, Lone and Lexington after midnight Saturday (April 28). Then a week later, on May 6, the phones in all three of these Morrow county exchanges will be equipped for DDD (direct distance dialing) to 75 million other phones all over the country and millions more in Canada.

Clerk, Foresters Take Lumps In Quest for Trout on Weekend

Trout that were prey for hundreds of opening day anglers came out better than at least three Heppner fishermen who sought them.

Recovering from three separate accidents from opening week-end are Mrs. Sadie Parrish, Morrow county clerk, who suffered a fractured lefty getting her car, assisted by a ringer, U. S. Forest Service, Heppner district, who sustained a knee injury; and Melvin Yakel, forest service employee, who received minor injuries in a car accident.

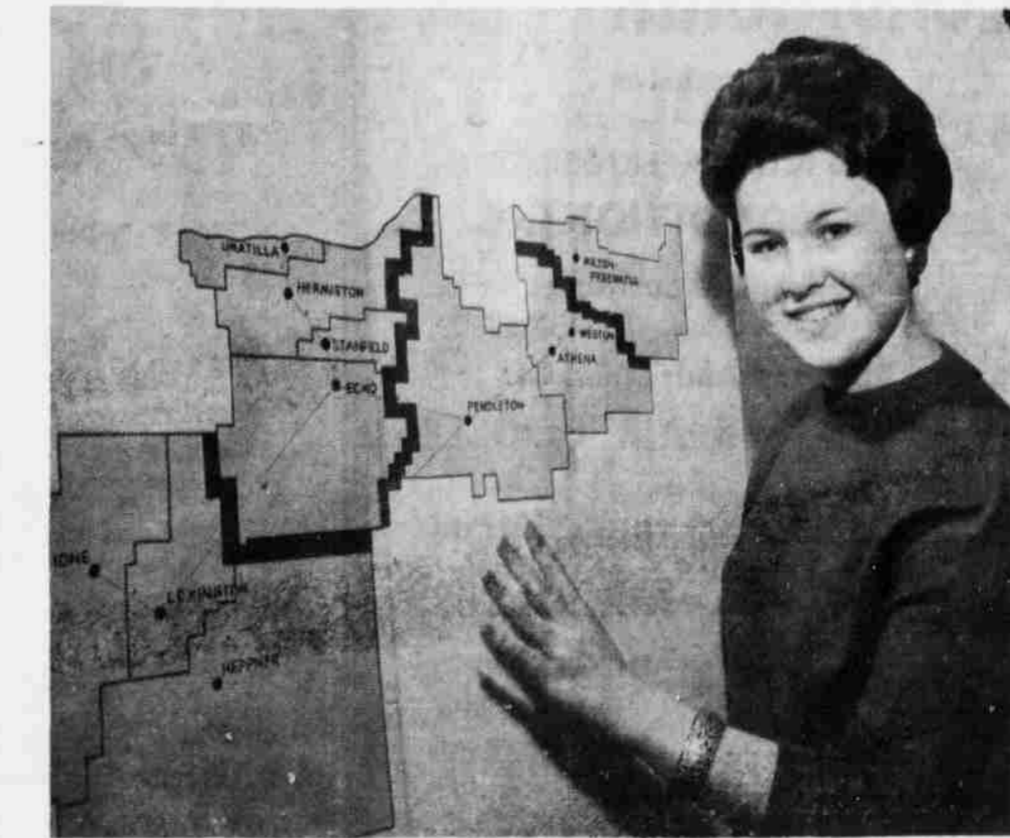
Mrs. Parrish had already caught four fish on Rhea Creek and was heading for another spot to complete her limit. Her heel caught as she was climbing a fence and she fell on the wrist, causing the fracture. This happened on the old Groshen place, she said. Mrs. Parrish realized the wrist was broken because of its grotesque angle. She was alone and had some difficulty getting her car turned around to return home. The fracture was set by her doctor at 6:30 Sat-

urday night and she remained in Pioneer Memorial hospital Sunday.

Facing the heavy work load of an impending election, circuit court convening Thursday and a grand jury session also that day, she was back on the job, arm in cast, by mid-week. She was glad however, that it was the left arm instead of the right.

Williamson, who is plagued with a "trick" knee, dislocated it while fishing at Bull Prairie. The limb has been placed in a cast, and he is expected to be on the recovery list for two or three weeks. He is able to be about on crutches.

Yakel was driving an auto owned by C. R. McLean, forest service fire control officer, when it overturned after striking loose gravel on a fishing jaunt up Willow Creek. He was taken to Pioneer Memorial hospital for treatment of bruises and other minor injuries but was released early in the week. McLean's car was badly damaged. Yakel was alone.



LEONORE LEONNIG of Pacific Northwest Bell holds up four fingers to show that the new phone directory has just four sections this year. Listings for Heppner, Lone and Lexington are now combined into one alphabetical sequence. The map shows the other groupings to be found in the 1962 edition. Miss Leonnig, a Heppner High graduate and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Leonnig, works in the PNB directory department in Portland where she helps compile more than 40 phone books needed by the company in Oregon and Washington.

Chamber Offers \$10 Cash Prize For Best Cleanup

If you're thinking about cleaning up your place or yard in Heppner, now is a dandy time to do it.

The one who does the best job of cleanup to May 12 will receive a \$10 cash prize, offered by the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce. Both business and residential areas are included.

Cooperating in the cleanup campaign is the Heppner Soroptimist club, headed by Mrs. Ed (Eleanor) Gonty. Two of the judges for the best cleanup job will come from the Chamber of Commerce and the third will come from the Soroptimists.

The campaign officially started April 15, but committee organization has been a little late in getting going. However, the contest will run until Saturday, May 12, according to Chamber President Fred Gimbel.

Remodeling or alterations to homes or buildings are not included in this contest, although the improvements, together with painting, are highly encouraged. They cannot be included in the contest because of the complications that it brings about in judging, Gimbel said.

Certificates of recognition may be presented to those who do outstanding work of improving buildings to brighten up the city, he said.

Anyone interested in entering the cleanup contest is asked to enter his name by calling Gimbel at 6-9932. The call isn't essential for formal entry but the judges must know who to contact in making their decision.

"We hope that everyone makes an effort to brighten up and clean up during this time," Gimbel said. "Such cooperation will make a more attractive town and give us a spring and span appearance for spring and the coming of summer."

Judges' names will be kept secret until after the contest, the chamber president said.