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## A Family Decision

(From Washington County News-Times, Forrest Grove)

Frequently we make the mistake of trying to simplify economics and problems of government by using the comparison with a family and its budget. The comparisons are not always valid.

However, far as it goes there is certain validity in discussing the \$30,000,000 bond issues for educational building on the basis of the similarity of Oregon to a family which faces a problem.

The economist points to the problem by referring to the sharply increased proportion of young and old people in our population. He points out that Oregon has seen the number of people from 0-19 increase 35 per cent from 1950 to 1960; people aged over 64 years increase 39 per cent, and people age 24 to 64 (the taxpaying bracket) increase only 2 1/2 per cent.

Now for the family comparison which any family member can grasp. If in your family the children and the grandchildren increased more than ten times as rapidly as the breadwinners the problem facing the state of Oregon comes into focus on the basis where it can be understood.

The matter of providing education for this younger group is what particularly concerns Oregon on May 15. It has a family decision to be made and a family council needs to be called to take part in this decision.

As the Eugene Register-Guard puts the question at the extremes are two alternatives.

"We may say, 'Hang the needs. We have given X number of dollars to the state in the past and we shall give that much and no more today.' Or we may say, 'Hang the cost. The services must be furnished whatever the final bill.'"

Like most problems in families and government, a compromise appears to be more logical.

Through the \$30,000,000 bond issue for educational building program it is possible to authorize up to \$25 million for higher education classrooms and laboratories and \$5 million for community colleges and education.

Through this method it is possible to get going on meeting some of the more pressing building needs and insure education for the younger members of our Oregon family. The education is needed in order to equip our young people for usefulness and productive service in a modern technological society.

At the same time the bond issue will be retired over a period of 30 years. Instead of the comparatively small percentage of our state's population in the wage earning group carrying all of the load today, a portion of it is being spread out so that the younger generation which will benefit from the educational services can help carry a share when they come into employment and earning ability.

The Oregon family has a decision to make on Measure No. 1 on its ballot on May 15. Both dollars and human values are involved.

## No "X" Needed for Writeins

In view of the number of writein campaigns being conducted here for the primary election, the mechanics of voting for a candidate by writing in his name has been evoking considerable discussion.

Despite the opinion of some persons, it is not necessary to place a check mark or cross in front of the name written on the ballot. When the voter writes the name on the blank line provided, it constitutes a valid vote.

A member of one party may write in the name of a member of a different party for a position on the primary ballot if he so chooses. It is possible for a candidate for an office to secure nomination of both parties, an infrequent occurrence, this generally being tantamount to election.

State law requires that for each position listed on a ballot, a number of blank spaces must be provided, equivalent to the number being voted for. In the case of Morrow county port commission, for instance, three are to be elected for a 4-year term, and so on each ballot three blank lines are provided under the names of the announced candidates.

A voter who prefers to vote for any eligible candidate of either party other than one who has filed for a particular position on either Democrat or Republican ballot has the right to write in the name.

In doing so, however, a voter should decide on his choice because he feels the candidate whose name he is placing on the ballot is the best one for the position.

Writing in the names of cartoon characters, movie stars and the like used to be a popular sport for voters who misused their franchise. Fortunately, these no longer have to be counted. But the ones who are troublesome to counting boards now are those voters who, while in the booth, decide upon the name of a friend or a favorite who have no interest in the office and write in his name. Every election brings a considerable smattering of these. Nothing is accomplished except that this seriously impedes the counting process and could add to the taxpayers' bill for the cost of holding the election.

In the forthcoming election, those who are seriously interested in writein candidates have the right to cast ballots for them. Those who are fickle about assorted non-avowed candidates, however, should be urged to be prudent about it, particularly in this primary election. To do so will show mercy on the counting boards who have the herculean task of tabulating votes for the long lists of convention candidates. At the same time they are facing strong pressure from all TV networks, radio networks and press wire services to speed the job in a year when the eyes of the nation are on Oregon because of the interest in the outcome of the Republican presidential race.

## Mrs. Edna Smith Pleads Innocent

Mrs. Edna Smith, 47, Kennewick, Wn., Wednesday in circuit court entered a plea of innocent to a charge of intent to do bodily harm. She is accused of running into her husband with an automobile. He was seriously injured and is in a Hermiston hospital. The incident allegedly occurred near Boardman on March 29. Mrs. Smith is free after posting bail of \$2000. Trial date was set by Judge William W. Wells for July 23.

## Lexington Men To Serve Supper

A special program centered on the family will entertain those attending the Pancake Supper at the Lexington Christian church Friday evening, according to the Rev. Earl L. Soward, pastor. Men of the church will prepare and serve the supper, starting at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker for the evening will be Mrs. William Piper of Hermiston, and a good family-type film, "The Confusion of the Growing Family," will be shown during the program.

Need extra cash? Sell unused items around your place with a Gazette-Times classified ad

# Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

LAVERN VAN MARGER, SR., calls attention to the fact that China pheasants are evident in abundance along highways of the county during this, their nesting season. He deprecates the fact that so many of these beautiful birds are killed by cars on the highway.

The other morning, coming from Lexington to Heppner, he noticed that four had been killed that day and voices the opinion that more Chineys are killed by traffic than are killed in hunting season by shotguns.

"If people would just take it a little easier and slow up when they see the birds along the highway, this wouldn't be necessary," he said.

He's right. A motorist can generally spot the pheasants from some distance away, and at this season of the year they aren't too flighty so it isn't hard to avoid hitting them. The pheasants are one of the truly beautiful sights in our area, and every thinking person should do what he can to conserve them.

It's a thrill to see a big brilliant rooster preening by the roadside, and it doesn't do any good to speed up and try to hit one, and that applies to hens and young ones, too.

By the way, if you hit one at high speed, it is capable of going through the windshield and can cause serious injury.

MRS. RAY DRAKE dropped in the other day and said triumphantly, "There was no ice on the bird bath for the first time this morning," and that is hoped to be a harbinger of warmer and better weather. The old timers are still shaking their heads and reaching back for mental statistics on, "This is the coldest it has been since..."

But Wednesday warmed up. Now if a good warm rain would come and soak some of these fields around it would bring good cheer around here.

THE NEWT O'HARRAS of Lexington, now back from a winter in Arizona, confirm that this part of the country isn't the only place that has been suffering with the cold. It was cold all through the winter at Tucson, Mrs. O'Harra said, and they even had snow down there not too long ago, although it is beginning to get hot now.

Newt seems to be feeling considerably better than he was, but Mrs. O'Harra has an eye ailment that keeps her from feeling at all good.

HEPPNER is losing another fine coach as Jim Sutherland has resigned to accept a spot at Cottage Grove. Jim is a rather rare combination for he has the reputation of being a very fine teacher as well as a topnotch coach, and that makes his leaving doubly hard to take.

We've admired the way he put the ginger and dash into his football teams. You've seen Heppner lose a few ball games in the past two seasons, but you never saw a lack of spirit, and you saw some excellent football while he was at the helm.

Don't think we will ever forget Jim's solution to Burns' freakish quick shift from a lopsided formation when they pulled it on Heppner in the 1962 season. The maneuver was designed to throw the defense completely off guard and demoralize and confuse opponents.

Knowing what they would do when they came here, Jim and his assistants came up with the idea of lining up the Mustangs single file, facing the opposing line, back from the center spot. When the Burns shift came, the Mustangs broke out of the single file lineup, some right, some left to meet it. It was a neat trick. Burns managed to win the game, but they had their hands full, and Heppner was never caught off guard. It looked to us like an example of good versatile coaching.

We hate to say goodbye to this man.

THROUGH THE courtesy of Paul Hansen, we now feel vindicated. Nels Anderson, county agent, and some of his rancher friends had a good guffaw at us for coming out with such an outlandish yarn as telling of planes circling around and spraying at Lexington like a big band of fireflies at 10 p.m. at night. We had it in this column a couple of weeks back.

But it just so happened that when Nels was having his chuckle, Flyboy Hansen was handy. So the question was put to him, "Are there any planes spraying around here at night?" And bless him, Paul answered solemnly that such was true. He said that there have been some Californians in here working at night. In California they can do it because the land is flat, but here where it is rolling, Paul figures they would have very poor luck. One immediate result was that of hooking a power line and putting some Columbia Basin customers out of service. That's how the story started in the first place—from Harley Young.

ITS FUN to go to the PTA's Talent Show and see and hear all the local performers in their numbers, both humorous and serious. But someone ought to corral all that talent that is going to waste in the balcony. It isn't right for performers to have to work against that noise and confusion. Someone should

be commissioned to watch up there, and anyone who feels like putting on a show should be hauled down to the stage.

Many in the audience felt embarrassed for some of the performers the other night.

## TO THE EDITOR...

To the Editor:

The May 15th Primary ballot will carry just one special measure:

"AUTHORIZING BONDS FOR EDUCATION BUILDING PROGRAM" Purpose—Constitutional amendment authorizing general obligation bonds for building projects. Up to \$25 million for higher education and \$5 million for community colleges and education centers. YES NO.

Since this does not tell the entire story, we take this means of explaining the measure and what it means to you. The legislature made a direct appropriation of \$11.5 million for colleges and \$1.4 million for community colleges. In addition, they approved expenditure of \$12.5 million for college classrooms and \$1.4 million for community colleges—subject to approval of this bond measure. The direct appropriations were cancelled by the special session. At present, college classroom construction is suspended and federal matching funds of \$2.7 million dollars are in jeopardy. Classrooms are desperately needed for the 23,812 additional students we know will be in Oregon colleges between now and 1972.

A "Yes" vote on May 15 will mean our colleges can go ahead with expenditures of \$12.5 million dollars and our community colleges would receive \$1.4 million dollars in aid. The balance of the bonds would not be issued until legislative approval was obtained for specific projects.

A "Yes" vote means immediate property tax relief to Morrow county taxpayers. The State now anticipates sixteen million dollars in its treasury. If the bond measure does not pass, the Emergency Board will use some of these funds for authorized college classroom construction. If the bond measure does pass, the Emergency Board intends to restore funds to Basic School Support and cancel the announced college tuition increase.

A "Yes" vote puts your stamp of approval on a new method of financing our colleges. It puts them on a "Pay as you grow" basis, rather than the present "Pay as you go" method. The bonds are retired from regular state revenues with help from those who will use and gain most from the building.

Please remember! It is not a property tax and it is not an income tax. It is a thirty year bond measure.

Sincerely,  
Allen R. Nistad  
Wheeler County Committee  
Colleges for Oregon's  
Future

To the Editor:

I was happy to read the letter "To the Editor" in the April 30 issue of our hometown paper, written by my old and valued friend, A. W. Gammell. I am grateful to him and any other Heppner friends for pointing out errors in anything I have written. A thought just occurred to me. I think it would be a very good idea to make at least one little mistake in every letter to the editor of the Gazette-Times. That seems to be a perfect way to hear from old friends. Many times I have wondered where they are, if still living, and that includes A. W. Gammell. Now I won't be satisfied until I get a nice long letter from him.

I still have the notes I made when I was visiting at Mike B. Galloway's home at Sweet home, Oregon. Mike told me that his father was the postmaster at Galloway when there was a post office there. So I looked the subject up in Lewis A. MacArthur's "Oregon Geographic Names" and came to the conclusion that J. J. Galloway must have been his father. Can it be possible that the two brothers, at different times, was the postmaster there?

Carol Morrison, a former Heppner boy, now retired from one of the big banks in Portland is a nephew of Mike B. Galloway, and I talked a number of times with him about our Heppner days and his uncle Mike. Now I will be disappointed if I do not get a good letter from A. W. Gammell very soon.

Sincerely,  
O. M. YEAGER  
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(Editor's Note: We, too, would like to hear more from "old-timers." Many subscribers, former residents of Morrow county, doings of friends they knew here).

## Elks to Entertain

The Elks' annual grade school party for sixth, seventh and eighth grade students from the Heppner-Ione area will be Friday evening at the Elks' temple. Games, dancing and refreshments will be the order of the evening that will begin at 8:30 p.m. and draw to a close at 11:30 p.m.

Mrs. Harold (Betty) Curmunt underwent major surgery at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton, Monday, and at last report was getting along satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Connor and daughter, Laurie Ann, returned to their home in Hillsboro Sunday after spending four days visiting in Heppner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Connor.

Mrs. Hannah Anderson, Mrs. Mable Chaffee, Mrs. Eugenia Huston and Mrs. Ethel Zeimantze spent last Thursday at Pendleton and drove on to Walla Walla for shopping and pleasure.

# Holly Rebekah Lodge Officers Honored

By DELPHA JONES

LEXINGTON — Yellow and white were the colors chosen by Holly Rebekah Lodge No. 139 for the reception Sunday afternoon for Mrs. Archie (Dimple) Munkers. Mrs. Munkers has been appointed to an office at State Assembly to be held in Salem this year. State President Mrs. Bartra Bagley of the Assembly has also chosen as her colors yellow and white. The table was centered with a sheet cake decorated in the center with a large white basket with yellow flowers and written at the bottom was "Dimple, 1964" in yellow. Serving the cake was her twin sister, Mrs. Louis (Dot) Halvorsen of Ione, pouring from silver service was her mother-in-law, Mrs. Edna Munkers, and pouring punch from a white milk glass set was a long time friend, Mrs. Al Fetsch. The cake was flanked with yellow lighted tapers and napkins printed in gold, "Dimple, 1964." Centering the gift table was a lovely fan shaped artificial arrangement which was the gift to Sister Dimple from the lodge. Other decorations included card tables covered with yellow cloths and yellow lighted tapers, with a beautiful arrangement of yellow daffodils and lighted tapers. There were about 40 guests who called during the afternoon.

Mrs. Lola Breeding, who is employed in Heppner, was a business visitor in Lexington on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Rinehart, Jr. of Ukiah were week-end guests of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yocom and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marquardt and family have been recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Saeger of Heppner.

Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt and Mrs. Mae Campbell attended the district Women's Fellowship Group meeting in Pendleton on Monday.

Mrs. E. E. Peck is again at her home after a stay in Pioneer Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers and family of Ukiah were visitors one day this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Armin Whilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt O'Harra are at their home after a winter spent in Tucson, Ariz. On Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. O'Harra were Walla Walla visitors where Mrs. O'Harra consulted a physician. Mrs. Bertha Hunt left for California on Saturday where she will visit her son, Donald and family.

Mrs. Carl Marquardt and Mrs. Vernon Munkers were members of the combined church choir singing at the Christian church in Pendleton on Sunday. There were members from eight Christian churches taking part in the singing.

Junior members of the church choir met one night last week after school and helped clean up around the church and parsonage. Following this they were treated to a wiener roast by their director, Rev. Earl Soward.

Luncheon guests one day last week at the Johnnie Ledbetter home, honoring Mrs. Ledbetter's sister, Mrs. DuVall from St. Louis, were Mrs. Gene Cutsforth, Mrs. Bob Kilkenny, Mrs. Ron Olsen of Pasco, Mrs. Ledbetter and her house guest, Mrs. DuVall and Mrs. Olsen were girlhood friends and took this opportunity to get acquainted once again.

Lexington Grange members are reminded of the meeting Saturday night, May 9, at 8 p.m.

Also, don't forget the Women's Fellowship Bazaar-Food sale and luncheon on Friday, starting at 11:30 a.m.

Visiting at the Eddie Thorpe home this week were Mrs. Thorpe's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Nichter, and their two teenage girls, Everett and Evelyn, who were vacationing here from Craig, Colo. They planned to visit relatives in Burns a couple of days before starting their return trip home on Saturday.

### COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

## Coming Events

**ELKS' YOUTH PARTY**  
For all 7th and 8th graders  
Friday, May 8, 8:30 p.m.  
Elk's Temple.

**MOTHER'S GOLF TOURNEY**  
Sunday, May 10, 2 p.m.  
Mothers play with son or daughter.  
Lots of prizes. Open to everyone.

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**  
Mother's Day Luncheon and bazaar. Friday, May 8.  
Lexington IOOF hall, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**PTA MEETING**  
Wednesday, May 13, 8:00 p.m.  
High School Multipurpose room.  
Installation of officers.  
Important business meeting.

**PRIMARY ELECTION**  
Friday, May 15, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Everyone Vote!

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## Mrs. Joe Wright Heads Extension Advisory Group

Mrs. Joe Wright, Heppner, was named chairman of the Morrow County Home Economics Advisory committee for the new year, at the April meeting of the county committee at the home of Mrs. James Pettyjohn, Ione, on April 22.

Other officers and members include Mrs. Albert Wright, Heppner, vice chairman; Mrs. Carl Rhea, Lexington, secretary; Mrs. James Pettyjohn, Ione, treasurer; and Mrs. Paul Slaughter, Irrigon, and Mrs. Walter Hayes, Boardman, as members-at-large, informs Esther Kirmis, Morrow county extension agent.

One woman is elected from each Extension Unit in the county to serve a period of three years (staggered terms). They advise the agent on home economics matters, chairman state extension projects like ACWW, Azalea House, health and safety, etc.; and help plan the annual homemaker's festival, and alumni entertaining, says the agent. They meet twice in the fall and four times in the spring.

The home economics branch of the extension service has educational clubs, called extension units, informs Miss Kirmis. They are like a class at OSU conducted in the community. The county agent is the teacher and unit project leaders are her assistants. This gives women an opportunity to continue their education and to apply it in their own home, she adds. Experience in leadership is also one of its goals.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hutchins left early Wednesday on an extended vacation that will take them first to Salt Lake City where they will visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Angell. They plan to get out from Salt Lake City to go to Santa Rosa, Calif. to visit relatives before returning home via the California-Oregon coast. Mrs. Bill Gutridge and her three children, Mike, Pat and Belinda, of Baker were week-end guests of the Wayne Harsin family.

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