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Address by Ullman, Reports of Progress Heard at REA Meet

An address by Congressman Al Ullman of Oregon's second district and a presentation to Henry E. Baker of Ione for 25 years continuous service as a director were program highlights of the annual meeting of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative in the county fair pavilion, Heppner, Wednesday afternoon.

Four directors were reelected, Ernest Lear, Condon city director; Virgil Miles, rural director Zone 1; Walter Jaeger, rural director Zone 2; and Walter Wright, rural director Zone 5. Each won over one other candidate on the ballot for each position.

In his annual report, Manager Harley Young reviewed damage done by winter floods, called attention to the rate reduction to farm consumers by the elimination of the \$3.50 amortization charge, noted a heavy construction schedule accomplished during the year, outlined a long range planning program, stated the directors' support of water resources promotion and the Willow Creek project, told of their opposition to a proposed rate increase by Bonneville Power Administration, and called attention to the year's operating revenue of \$675,000, with a net margin of \$116,300.

Willow Creek Line Built
President Walter Jaeger said that the construction of the Willow Creek line was probably the most significant improvement of the year, reaching seven miles to Cutsforth park and serving many seasonal cabins and summer homes.

He told of the complete change of street lights in the business district at Fossil, completed in August, 1965, and said that the City of Condon has also added several new street lights to its existing system.

Former County Judge Oscar E. Peterson made the presentation of a gift to Baker on behalf of the cooperative, using the quotation, "The world steps aside for a man who knows where he is going," in describing the work of Baker.

Peterson pointed out that Baker was on the board of directors when the cooperative was formed September 20, 1940, and worked with it when it seemed scarcely possible that electric service could ever be provided to farms in this "sparsely settled area." The war interrupted progress, and it wasn't until October 14, 1949, that a line was completed in the Condon area and the first family was served.

"All the conveniences that they had in the cities, we all have in the country now," Peterson said. Service of such men as Baker has made this possible, he added.

In a brief response, Baker said that it has been a pleasure for him to see the organization advance. He remains active as a director in the cooperative.

Ullman Tells of Progress
Importance of the development of irrigation, power and other public works projects was stressed by Congressman Ullman in his talk. He told of the Hell's Canyon development and discussed in some detail recent projects undertaken in the Second Congressional district.

A dam project at Prineville "more than paid for itself in the flood of last year," he said. He told also of projects in Baker county, of a Hood River valley watershed project, and others.

"I'm proud of the efforts you folks have made on the Willow Creek project," he said and also stated his satisfaction of its being authorized by Congress.

"I hope farmers will proceed with as much haste as possible to make some suitable arrangement of distribution of water," he said, referring to the irrigation feature of the project. He said that an effort would be made to secure a pre-construction appropriation for the project prior to the formation of an irrigation district but that it would be difficult to obtain until the plan for distribution of the water is determined.

Congressman Ullman said that Tuesday night he met with constituents in a "new part of my district" in Linn county where they were planning for a water project, pointing out that the "green Willamette Valley" does not have adequate distribution of water either.

Pleased With Farm Program
The congressman expressed his satisfaction at being able to secure a longer (4-year) farm program.

"It was the best possible program we could put together in view of the complexity of the problem," he said.

He reviewed what Congress is trying to achieve, told of the boost to the economy given by an \$11 billion income tax cut and a \$5½ billion excise tax cut, and said "Profits today are higher than they have ever been in our history."

Part of the administration's philosophy is the availability of money—a steady flow of money to broaden the economic base, he said.

"Don't let anyone kid you that we couldn't go into a recession today, because we could," he declared and emphasized that broadening the economy was a safeguard against this.

He told of the administration's work in meeting the challenges of the race problem, problems of youth, pollution and others. Making available financial help to communities who seek to solve their problems and face their needs was another point in his address.

Package of Growth
Congressman Ullman summarized by saying that Congress is providing a "package of growth for America and providing for a better America."

Manager Young said in his report, "A great deal of credit must be given to our service crews in that the day before Christmas as well as Christmas Eve, they worked practically around the clock in order to restore service disrupted by floods."

"At the height of the flood, our crews and equipment were completely isolated," he said. "We could not move a man or a piece of equipment between Gilliam and Morrow or Wheel-

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Commission to Make Impoundment Survey

Barratt Foresees Good Beef Future; Honors Presented at Banquet

Prospects for the future are "fairly bright" for the beef industry, Bill Barratt, assistant to the president of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Spokane, told the 128 persons attending the annual Farm-City banquet in Heppner High school Saturday evening.

The talk, which interspersed humor with the serious, was the principal address of the evening and followed presentation of Livestockman of the Year and Conservation Man of the Year honors.

Raymond French, chairman of the supervisors of the Heppner Soil and Water Conservation district, presented Dave Baker as Conservation Man of the Year and Mrs. Baker. He stated that Baker's main conservation problem was wind erosion and described what the lone rancher had done about it.

Larry Lindsay, vice president of the Morrow County Livestock Growers, presented Dick Wilkinson as Cattleman of the Year and Mrs. Wilkinson, saying, "The Wilkinson ranch is a shining example of livestock production."

In turn, Wilkinson introduced his mother, Mrs. Wavel Wilkinson, pointing out that much of the work on the ranch had been done by his parents before him.

French also presented those of the board of supervisors of the conservation district and their wives who were present.

In the group he announced were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rosewall, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Munkers, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Turner. Gene Winters is secretary, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richards were also introduced. Richards is work unit conservationist.

Plaque Presented

Gerald Rhea also presented a plaque to the Bakers on behalf of Highland Machinery Co. of Condon as recognition for their work in conservation.

Lindsay introduced Larry Williams of the John Day River valley as new president of the Oregon Cattleman's association and Ben Jones of Juntura, vice president of the association. In introducing Wilkinson he also called attention to the fact that he is president of the Morrow County Livestock Growers, and introduced the other officers, Gall McCarty, secretary, and Mrs. McCarty, and Gerald Swagart as treasurer and Mrs. Swagart.

Randall Peterson, president of the Heppner-Morrow County Chambers of Commerce, third sponsor of the banquet, extended congratulations to the Bakers and Wilkinsons and greetings to the group. He introduced Chamber officers who were present and their wives. Harley Young is first vice president, Herman Winter is second vice president, Jerry Sweeney, secretary, Jack Locke, treasurer, and L. E. Dick, Ralph Richards, Mrs. Nona Sowell, Al Lamb, Ed Gony, Bob Henry, Wes Sherman, directors.

Harlan McCurdy Emcee

Harlan McCurdy, Jr., was the general master of ceremonies. The banquet was prepared by the American Legion auxiliary and served by the Rainbow Girls. Music was furnished by Leonard Toll, Clayton Sweek and Don Hughes.

McCurdy introduced Barratt, former rancher here, as a man with a very busy schedule, pointing out that he was in Billings, Mont., the previous night—in 15 inches of snow—and was to be in Pocatello, Idaho, Sunday.

After some preliminary wishing and greetings to many friends here, Barratt, speaking on the "Economy of the Cow Business and Financing Livestock," said, "Back in the early 30's a person could buy 200 cows, a farm and all the equipment for \$10,000."

"This was the day of the pig, cow and chicken, with very little mechanization. Today, the same operation would cost \$150,000. We find we don't have enough farm-type people who can manage \$150,000."

In those days, said the personable speaker, the main source of credit was the "old country store."

"If anyone wants to go back to the 'good old days,' he either is a darn fool or has a short memory."

Declaring that the farmer al-

ways has had credit problems, Barratt said, "His borrowing is traditionally a fearful thing."

Until 1934, the farmer's credit experience was all bad. Out of this came the farm credit system, he said.

"For the welfare of us all, we must have reasonable money for our farmers."

Barratt described how farm credit money is transferred through its system from the money center of the country and moves to the farmers at the least possible cost. This still only serves about one-fourth of the farmers in the United States, he said.

Economy Bolstered
Through this system, \$40,000,000 has been put into Morrow county since 1934, he said, and since the turnover on the use of the money is seven times greater, its impact has been \$280,000,000 in the economy, he asserted.

Contrasting the livestock industry here with that in Montana, Barratt said that his firm had just "looked at 900 loans in Montana" and found 40% to be on the "low grade side—a little shaky to say the least."

"I did feel we were fortunate in this area," he added, pointing out that the average calf crop is about 80% and the condition of the growers much better than in Montana.

Looking to the future, Barratt suggested that the outlook appears good.

"By 1970 you people who produce breeder stock will be in the driver's seat," and added, "Population alone, we think, can get us out of this beef thing. We will need one-third more beef in the next 10 years."

Brown Wins 4th In State Contest

Mark Brown continued the enviable record set by Heppner High school students in the annual State Soil and Water Conservation speech contest when he won fourth in the state finals at Baker Friday.

Heppner entries have gone to the state contest in many recent years, although they must first win three straight contests—local, area and state semifinals—to get there. Mark won these three this year to qualify.

Mark did an excellent job in his final speech, according to Ralph Richards, work unit conservationist of the Heppner district, but Bill Williams of John Day received the nod of the judges for first place.

Attending from here were Mr. and Mrs. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Munkers and Mark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown.

The contest was held in conjunction with the state convention of conservation districts.

Lions Club Sells All of Brooms; Meet Place Changed

Through the good reception accorded by residents of the Ione and Heppner area, the Ione Lions club sold all its brooms and whisk brooms, Jim Barnett of the club announced.

Proceeds of the sale go to help the Oregon School for the Blind, which supplies the brooms, and the club's share will go to local community projects.

"We received real good support from both Heppner and Ione," he said. The supply was exhausted on the three-night sale before the Lions could solicit Lexington. Barnett asked that the club's thanks be extended to all who supported the project.

Because of the closure of Yarnell's restaurant at Ione, the Lions club will meet at the American Legion hall there with meals being catered at the semi-monthly meetings, he said. Next meeting is at 7 p.m., Monday night, November 22, at the Legion Hall, and they will continue there until the restaurant is reopened. Facilities in the hall are adequate for the club's activities and programs, Barnett said.



MRS. DOUGLAS DRAKE, wheat utilization chairman for the Morrow County Wheat League, prepares a batch of her favorite sour cream drop cookies, using wheat germ in the recipe. She will be one of nine hostesses for a cooking school sponsored by the Oregon Wheat Commission and the Oregon Dairy Products Commission in Pendleton December 3. (G-T Photo).

Wheat Utilization Chairman Tells of Cooking School

Wheat growers probably couldn't have a more sincere disciple of the nutritive value of wheat and its versatility in preparation of tasty dishes than Mrs. Douglas (Grace) Drake, Heppner wheat utilization chairman for the Morrow County Wheat Growers League.

For instance, she declares that any recipe that calls for rolled oats can achieve at least equal success when rolled wheat is substituted.

"You cannot match the nutritive value of wheat with many other foods which provide the same number of calories," she declares. "Wheat is the best vitamin B source of all."

Mrs. Drake will be one of nine hostesses at a cooking school, sponsored by the Oregon Wheat Commission and the Oregon Dairy Products Commission, in Pendleton at Vert Auditorium December 3, and she is issuing an invitation early to all house-

wives of this area with the hope that a large number from Morrow county will take part.

The cooking school will be held in connection with the annual meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers League in Pendleton. It starts at 2 p.m. on the Friday and will consist of two hours of fun, prizes and food ideas.

"Four Seasons of Fine Food" is the title of the Pendleton program to be offered by Food Arts, a Northwestern food promotion institute. Conducted by Betty G. Nelson and Helen E. Brady, Food Arts has presented many such shows throughout Washington, Oregon and Idaho. Each show has a different theme, decorations and recipes.

"Four Seasons of Fine Food" will contain many new and practical ideas to illustrate the joy of cooking, according to Mrs. Drake.

It will demonstrate cooking electrically for both parties and family fare. Twenty recipes will be prepared during the two-hour program. Those attending will draw for the dishes as well as many other prizes to be given.

Mrs. Drake emphasized that the fast-moving show will contain something of interest to all guests, from novice cooks to experienced homemakers. She said that each person attending will receive a booklet containing all recipes prepared during the program.

The Wheat League hostess committee for the program will be headed by Mrs. Royce Raymond of Helix. She will be assisted by Mrs. Drake of Heppner; Mrs. Jessie Pattee, Condon; Mrs. Beverly Forman, Antelope; Mrs. Annabelle Jaeger, Condon; Mrs. Helen Martin, Moro; Mrs. Jim McKinnis, Summerville; Mrs. Carol Wulff, Flora; and

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Ditch Creek Site Draws Attention

Oregon State Game Commission has agreed to make a preliminary survey of a possible fish impoundment site on Ditch Creek in the Herrin Meadows area, Glen Ward, state game agent, said Wednesday night.

Ward said that he asked for the survey at the request of Orville Cutsforth, chairman of the county Parks Commission.

In making the survey, the commission will determine what size structure would be needed to impound various amounts of water, take soil samples, and do other work to determine feasibility of a reservoir there.

Ward said that it is possible that the survey will be made yet this year, weather permitting.

Should such a project prove feasible and eventually be undertaken, it probably would be done on a matching basis with the county, state and federal government participating, Ward said.

County Judge Paul Jones said that he has scheduled a meeting with A. V. (Vic) Meyers of the State Game Commission on the matter on Wednesday, December 1, here. The county court will discuss the proposal with him at that time.

Cutsforth has already made some overtures to private owners of property in the area to see if the land might be purchased. Thinking behind this site for development is that it would not only afford a fish impoundment and recreational area, perhaps larger than Bull Prairie, but the dam might also be used to divert Ditch Creek waters into Willow Creek to supplement the flow for irrigation.

Ward expressed the opinion that it would take a "pretty good-sized structure" to accomplish this but thought it could be done.

While it might take considerable time to bring such a project to reality, if it proves feasible, it is a similar start to that which resulted in the development of Bull Prairie. This project, which has proved itself beyond expectations, was initiated by the same sort of survey planned for Herrin Meadows, Ward said.

Those who wish to make appointments for the afternoon of November 29 may call the Cutsforth residence (676-9436) or the Elks lodge (676-8993), she said.

The blood program chairman said that she hoped to enlist the help of volunteers to call local residents to urge their cooperation in blood giving, thereby assuring that the quota will be reached.

50 In Math Class; New Location Set

Mrs. Inez Meador's class in modern math for adults brought out a bumper crop of "students" at its first meeting Tuesday night in the grade school. More than 50 attended, making it necessary for the teacher to run off more mimeographed materials at the last moment. Popularity of the class considerably exceeded expectations.

Change in meeting place for the class is announced for the next session. It will be held next Tuesday night, November 23, at 8 p.m. in room 10A of the high school (lower level).

The class is of two hours duration with a coffee break provided. Mrs. Meador is contributing her time in order to acquaint parents with this method of teaching mathematics, and the course will continue weekly as long as parents' interest is maintained, she said.

Ski Stockholders Meeting Called

Special meeting of stockholders of the Arbutle Mountain Corporation will be held Tuesday, November 23, at 7:30 p.m. at the Heppner City Hall, it is announced by C. K. (Ken) Peck, president of the board of directors of the corporation.

"This meeting may well determine the future course of skiing in our community," he said. He asked that all stockholders be present at the meeting.

WEATHER

By LEONARD GILLIAM
Official weather report for the week of November 11-17 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Pre.
Thursday	50	38	.12
Friday	43	36	.08
Saturday	44	37	.21
Sunday	52	38	.01
Monday	64	37	—
Tuesday	54	40	.15
Wednesday	49	40	.09

Ullman Discusses Willow Project at Meet Here

Construction funds for projects authorized this year by Congress, including the Willow Creek dam, will be appropriated beginning in January, 1966, Congressman Al Ullman told an audience of some 80 persons at a meeting in the fair pavilion annex here Sunday night.

Before pre-construction funds are authorized for the Willow Creek project, however, an irrigation district must be formed, he said. The Bureau of Reclamation does not organize such districts, but, rather, this is the responsibility of local persons involved. If the farmers along Willow

Creek are organized into a district prior to April, 1966, the funds to get the dam under construction could probably be obtained by May. Any later date will delay such funds until a new budget is made up. Construction will begin fairly soon after the funds become available, he said.

Congressman Ullman talked on some of the highlights of the past session of Congress and mentioned his gratification for the authorization of construction of the Willow Creek dam.

He denied charges that the Congress was subject to undue pressures on legislation from the executive branch of the government. Congressman Ullman said there were no threats or reprisals to his knowledge. He said that he had never experienced such pressure but said that the President and his aides do present every argument to get legislation enacted which they favor. This, he said, is their right and duty.

The second district congressman repeated his support of the nation's actions in Viet Nam, saying that it is only fulfilling commitments made by three presidents.

His address followed a potluck dinner. Accompanied by