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## Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

IN THE issue of Old Oregon, U of O Alumni association magazine, just out, is an article of particular interest to Morrow county folks on "The Man Behind the State's Biggest Business."

It is a profile on Roy Elwayne Lieualien, chancellor of the State System of Higher Education and one of Morrow county's best known native sons.

Author of the article is Thomas E. Gaddis, who wrote "Birdman of Alcatraz," and he has delved into the Eastern Oregon background of the chancellor in analyzing Lew's exceptional qualities and philosophies.

Gaddis points out "In order to understand Roy E. Lieualien one would really need to know something about Eastern Oregon—Heppner and Weston—and live around there a while. It might provide headier insights into the man born and bred there even as the writer tries to pour the proverbial ocean of effort into the teacup of an article."

Gaddis describes former chancellors of higher education in the state as "lonely towers pushing against the sky," but sees Lieualien "as a low and ransy building molded of the hills around it, a part of them really, and rising on their shoulders as a symmetrical whole."

He writes of Lew's background in relation to its contribution towards the advancement as chancellor, through his work herding sheep as a youth, his graduation from lone high, his undergraduate work at Pacific University, and teaching at Pilot Rock.

Gaddis brings out that the Lieualien was poor in his youth but quotes the chancellor as saying, "But the point is that we did not know that we were poor." The author continues, "They're independent out Heppner way. Nobody seems to have taught them how to give up."

"NEARLY EVERYONE speaks well of the chancellor," the author declares, "and this was somewhat baffling until I discovered that although many claim him for a friend, when you ask about the man himself, you find that many of your informants are starting into a mirror. To the sincere, Lew is sincere; to the schemer, he's a deep one and to the buddy-minded, here is a buddy. To the strategist, no one can maneuver as he can. With poker players, he's right in there close to the vest. To the manager, he is manager of managers—an administrative technician."

Gaddis describes Mrs. Lieualien (Miss Barbara Wales of Klamath Falls when Lew met her there in college days) as a "striking, gracious woman whose totally blue-white hair has a vibrant quality."

Of the thousands who think of Lew as a friend, probably those who knew him in Morrow county in his youth understand him best and consequently can appreciate how he has attained his present position.

Since Mrs. Lieualien was from southern Oregon, not so many in this county are well acquainted with her, but those who went to college at Pacific at the same time as Lew and also knew Barbara, will vouch for Gaddis' description of a charming lady.

Gaddis has written a very excellent description in this piece, and chances are there are quite a few old friends of Lew's who would like to read it.

We have promised first dibs to Elma Harshman on the copy we have, but we would be glad to loan it to others when she and Everett are through with it.

THE HARSHMANS have interesting memories of the present chancellor, as many here do. He worked for Mr. and Mrs. Harlan McCurdy on their ranch in Eightmile prior to his college days, and the Harshmans were in charge of the sheep on the ranch.

Lew would often ride over to Everett and Elma's camp on horseback when his day's work was over and spend the evening visiting and playing cards. Gaddis says that he started riding a pony when he was four years old.

When you look at it, Roy Elwayne has come a long way from the sheep camp days to his present occupancy of the 9,000 square foot chancellor's residence.

STAFF AT the Heppner post office had a problem the other day. A package came in, addressed to Mrs. Charles Ruggles. By the advertising on the outside, it was obvious that a bowling ball was in the box. The staff is wise enough on bowling to know that the ball was too big for Helen, and deduced that she might have sent for it for a Christmas present for husband, Charles.

They didn't want to put a notice "Too large for box" in their post office box because they were sure Charles would call for it. They finally decided to phone the Ruggles and ask for Helen, which they did. But the problem was solved when she pointed out that the ball was to be a gift all right, but to a relative somewhere else.

Where else but in a small town can you get such personal consideration from a post office staff as that?

THE WHOLE area is getting a fine boost in morale with the reports of the rapid recovery of Mrs. Shirley Cox following her heart surgery. This may relieve a severe problem that has handicapped her all of her life. The story of the impending operation, which was known for months in advance, was a matter of rather intense drama to her family and friends.

Now that it finally has been performed and apparently so successfully it is bringing many expressions of gratitude. She should have quite a homecoming when she is able to return in a couple of weeks.

"HOW UNINSPIRING is a clean desk," wrote Giles French, MST (Master of Succinct Tidbits), in his column in the Sherman County Journal recently. "A dirty desk man can dig up ideas, things that should have been done, things to get done that will never get done, to start the day's work. The clean desk man must start from scratch."

These are heartening words from a well-known newspaper colleague. No longer will we feel quite so self-conscious when folks come into our office, peer over the counter and see what they behold in the sanctum in-side.

Five members of the Morrow County Farm Bureau attended the group's four-day convention in Salem, November 7-10.

Attending from Hermiston were Harold Beach, president, OFBF, and Mrs. Beach.

Others in attendance were: Herman Blettell, voting delegate, Heppner, Gene Cutsforth, OFBF Director, and Gene Majeske, county president, both of Lexington.

Theme of the convention was "Farmers in a Changing World." Conferences were held on changing business practices and technological changes.

Arnold Hoefft of Pilot Rock and Mrs. Wayne McGowan of Pendleton were elected to positions of leadership with the federation both representing Morrow, Umatilla and Gilliam counties.

Hoefft is a regional director on the board of directors of the Oregon Farm Bureau federation. He is a former president of the Umatilla County Farm Bureau.

Mrs. McGowan, who will be on the Oregon Farm Bureau women's advisory council, is beginning her second year as women's chairman in Umatilla county.

The convention attracted some 500 delegates, officers and members, a record-breaking crowd, according to George W. Dewey, executive secretary.

Resolutions involving Farm Bureau's policy for the next year were given final approval or veto by voting delegates of the 35 member county Farm Bureaus.

## Death in California Takes W. Robison, Native County Man

Notice was received this week from Mrs. Ollie Adkins of Mayville of the death of her brother, Walter Robison, 77, native Morrow county resident. He died November 7 at St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco, Calif., following a heart attack, and interment followed in Klamath Memorial Park.

Robison was born at Eight Mile on October 5, 1888, the son of Richard and Martha Robison, a prominent Morrow county ranching family. Several relatives still reside in this area. He moved to Klamath Falls in 1914, and in 1945 moved to the Mount Hebron area, where they farmed until the ranch was sold in 1964. His first wife, Hazel, died in 1961. In 1964, he married Gladys Sprouts of Portland, who survives him at their home at Dorris, Calif.

Daughters surviving are Mrs. Martha Scott, San Francisco, and Mrs. Lois Mills, Macdoel, Calif.; one son, Carrol Robison, Mount Hebron; one sister, Ollie Adkins, Portland; stepdaughters, Mrs. Marcelle Brooks and Mrs. Norma Sasser, both Portland; also 14 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Relatives in Heppner include two nephews, Richard and Dickie Robison, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Maud Robison.

TO THE EDITOR... Dear Mr. Sherman: Gail McCarty, 4-H agent in Heppner, sent a copy of your paper during 4-H Club Week. I wish to thank you for the outstanding articles which were published. No one could even look at the edition without being impressed.

We appreciate the wonderful way you cooperated with all of our agents. Your paper contributes much to the community and I am sure the people appreciate your efforts.

Sincerely, Murle Stales, State Extension Agent, Corvallis, Oregon.

## Lone Library Adds Books to Shelves

Several new books have been added recently to the shelves of the Lone Public Library, according to Mrs. Elmer Griffith, librarian.

Of interest and help to high school age students who are planning their future are the books "Jobs that Take You Places," by Leeming; "From High School to a Job," by Paradis, and "Your Future in Agriculture," by Hutchison.

There are two new books on the United Nations, "The Pool of Knowledge," by Shippen, and "The U. N., the First Twenty Years," by Elcheberger. Also, "Letters from the Peace Corps," by Luce.

Other new school books are "Money in Your Pocket," by Patton; "The Common Market," by Ellis; "Governors of Oregon," by Turnbull, and "I Will Try," by Kayira.

Metsker maps of Morrow, Gilliam, Umatilla, Wheeler counties, on sale at the Gazette-Times, \$1.25 each. Others available on order.

## 36 Heppner High Students Earn Honors for Period

Thirty-six Heppner High school students earned scholastic recognition by making the honor roll for the first nine weeks period, Clayton Norton, principal, announces.

Only one student, Martha Peck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Peck, a junior, made perfect 4.0 grades.

Juniors topped the list of classes on the roll with 12 achieving averages of 3.33 or more. Seniors were next with 11, sophomores followed with eight, and freshmen placed five.

They are as follows: Seniors—Mark Brown, 3.83; Karen French, 3.83; Brenda Young, 3.83; Maureen Doherty, 3.66; Margaret Green, 3.66; Cheryl Smouse, 3.66; Joan Stockard, 3.66; Sheridan Wyman, 3.66; Mike Bunch, 3.50; Shirley Erwin, 3.33; and Erna Winchster, 3.33.

Juniors—Martha Peck, 4.00; Maralee Murray, 3.83; Erin Dick, 3.66; Jan Hager, 3.66; Carol Rawlins, 3.66; Verina French, 3.66; Linda Clark, 3.50; Nonda Clark, 3.50; Mac Hoskins, 3.50; Marsha Sowell, 3.50; Barbara Bloodsworth, 3.33; Pam McCabe, 3.33.

Sophomores—Merri Lee Jacobs, 3.83; John Rawlins, 3.83; Norita Marquardt, 3.50; Steve Pettyjohn, 3.50; Nancy Doherty, 3.33; David Hall, 3.33; Sheila Luciani, 3.33; Vicki Robinson, 3.33.

Freshmen—Sara Miller, 3.83; Terry Peck, 3.83; Teresa Harshman, 3.50; Patti Holt, 3.50; Sue Greenup, 3.33.

## Long Distance Rates Reduced

Rate reductions on long distance calls within Oregon which will save telephone users an estimated \$400,000 annually were filed today, November 15, by Pacific Northwest Bell with Oregon Public Utility Commissioner Jonel C. Hill.

"These reductions will bring closer together the charges for intrastate and interstate calls over comparable distances," Hill said in accepting the filing. "It is another step toward minimizing 'rate disparities.'"

The reduced rates become effective on December 16, and will affect day station to station rates on calls 80 miles or more within Oregon. Charges for both the first three minutes and additional minutes are cut.

On long distance calls 80 miles through 150 miles within Oregon, the day station rates are reduced 5 cents for the first three minutes with corresponding reductions on additional minutes.

On long distance calls 151 miles or more within Oregon, the day station rates are reduced 10 cents for the first three minutes with corresponding reductions for additional minutes.

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### COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

#### Coming Events

ELK'S CRAB FEED  
Saturday, Nov. 20, 6:30 p.m.  
Benefit for Elks Eye Clinic  
Dance at 9:30 p.m.  
Elk's Temple.

THANKSGIVING DINNER  
Degree of Honor Lodge members and families  
Saturday, Nov. 20, 6:30 p.m.  
Christian Church basement.

PUBLIC CARD PARTY  
By OES Officer's Club  
Monday, Nov. 29, 8 p.m.  
Masonic Hall  
Bridge and pinocle.

GARDEN CLUB SHOW  
Special Christmas decoration ideas  
Sat., Sun., Dec. 4, 5  
Lexington Rebekah hall, 2 to 5 p.m.

HOLIDAY DANCE  
Saturday, Nov. 27  
Fair Pavilion  
Music by "Dartell Five" of Pendleton  
Sponsored by Soroptimist Club.

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## Critical Time for Willow Creek Project

From remarks made by Congressman Al Ullman on his visit here Sunday, it is apparent that this is a critical time in the progress towards eventual construction of the Willow Creek dam.

The next step is up to the local people who must organize an irrigation district, and this should be done with all possible speed. Irrigation is one of the multiple uses of the dam and without it, the benefit-cost ratio would be too low to make the project feasible.

By authorizing the project, Congress has gone as far as it can until the local action is taken. As it is understood locally, there can be no pre-construction appropriation until the irrigation district is underway. The Army Engineers, too, have gone as far as they can until this important job is done.

In January, 1966, Congress starts appropriations for projects it has authorized. Apparently there is little chance of getting an appropriation unless the matter is introduced prior to April, 1966. Thus, the irrigation district here should be formed by that time.

Progress to date on the project has been remarkable. Spokesmen for the Army Engineers have marvelled at the way it has moved through the rather complicated legislative process towards authorization. But now it has reached another critical phase that requires local action.

As County Judge Paul Jones pointed out at the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday, there are many misunderstandings about the details of the proposed irrigation, and there are still many questions to be answered. He said that an informational meeting will be arranged as soon as possible in early December, in order to answer these questions and give authentic information.

It is important that the county court, the Chamber of Commerce, and others interested take leadership towards formation of the district now.

The Willow Creek project is vital for the growth and progress of southern Morrow county, and it is necessary that every action be taken that will expedite its construction.

If the irrigation district is underway early next year, the pre-construction appropriation may be forthcoming the same year. But if this is not done by April, as we understand it, the appropriation would be delayed until at least the following year.

But probably more important is the fact that continued demonstration of interest on the local level is necessary to assure culmination of the project. If this is not apparent, interest at the Congressional level will surely decline.

This is the time to go to work.

## County School Calendar

**November 19**  
Oregon School Boards Association, Oregon School Clerk's Association meets in Portland

**November 22**  
OEA Meets at Lone  
Girls' Volleyball—Umatilla at Riverside—4:00 P.M.  
Conference for Guidance Counselors at Pendleton

**November 23**  
Special School Board Meeting at Lexington on Curriculum—7:30.  
Mrs. Carol Clamfield of State Dept. of Education will be there.  
Oregon Council for Curriculum Improvement meets in Pendleton at 1:30.  
Boy Scouts at A. C. Houghton from 7:00 to 9:00

**November 24 and 25**  
School Holiday

## Marley Brindle Dies in Colfax

Mrs. Pat Brindle and daughters returned Tuesday from Colfax, Wn., where they attended the funeral services Monday, November 15, at Brunings Chapel of Marley C. Brindle of Colfax.

Mr. Brindle, 76, died in Colfax on Friday. He was born near Elkin, North Carolina, came to Washington in 1910, settling first at Washuena, where he farmed until moving to Colfax in 1919. He was married to Eda Mays on December 21, 1912, at Ritzville. They have since lived on a farm north of Colfax. He was a charter member of the Steptoe Grange and the Colfax Gun club.

Surviving are his widow, Eda Brindle of Colfax; four daughters, Mrs. Chet (Lucille) Wayman, Pullman; Mrs. L. Earl (Marjorie) Colyar, and Mrs. Larry (Joan) McGrady, both of Colfax, and Mrs. Dan (May) Logsdon, Spokane.

Two sons survive, Robert Brindle, Colfax, and formerly of Heppner; and Roger Brindle, Baker; one brother, Clyde Brindle, Omak; one sister, Mrs. Leonard Cockerham, Colfax; one grandson and seven granddaughters. A brother, Boyd, died about three weeks ago.

## Bishop Here Sunday

Bishop Lane W. Barton of Bend, will be guest speaker at the Sunday morning service, November 21, at All Saints Episcopal church. It has been announced. The speaker is the bishop for the missionary district of Eastern Oregon, and will be here for the 10:00 a.m. service, with a good attendance of membership expected.

## New Cooking Club Organized for Year

The Crispy Cookers 4-H cooking club met Tuesday, November 9, at the home of its leader, Mrs. Paul Arbogast. They elected the following officers: Janet Gentry, president; Noriene Cecil, vice president; Kristy Lyn Haguewood, secretary. They learned how to make a cold fruit milk drink, which they enjoyed as a refreshment.

They plan to meet every Wednesday after school. All mothers are invited to come to the meetings.

## Club Makes Dinner Rolls After Meeting

A meeting of Kettles and Spoons 4-H cooking club was called to order by our president, Linda Cooper. The flag salute was led by Sandra Flaiz, and the 4-H pledge by Frances Abrams. Susan Melby, secretary, read minutes and took roll call. All but one member, Kathleen Sweeney, were present, and we had no visitors.

After the meeting, we made yeast dinner rolls for supper.  
Sue Griffith, reporter

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

**November 22-24**  
Heppner Elementary  
Monday—Macaroni casserole, carrot and raisin salad, fruit, bread and butter, milk.

Tuesday—Chili beans, cabbage salad, rolled wheat rolls, fruit, milk.

Wednesday—Potato soup, ground ham sandwiches, vegetable salad, ice cream slices, milk.

**Heppner High School**  
Monday—Tamaie pie, spinach, rolls, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday—Beef stew, green beans, apricots, bread and butter, milk.

Wednesday—Potato soup, peanut butter sandwiches, tossed salad, apple crisp, milk.

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