

# Oregon Hunters Poise For Buck Season Opening

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October 5 will be a double-barreled opening for Oregon hunters, and the choice of targets will depend on whether the individual preference is for buck deer or chukar and Hungarian partridge. These will be the legal targets on which hunters will train their sights beginning at the crack of dawn on that date.

Undoubtedly most hunters will choose buck deer, with this general season extending through October 27 in eastern Oregon and through November 3 in western Oregon. Legal bag limit is one buck with visible antlers on the east side and one buck with at least a forked antler on the west side.

We don't know how many hunters will be in the field after buck deer opening morning. However, last year, 288,000 deer tags were issued, and if the trend continues its upward climb, the number will increase by about five percent during the coming season. This means that your favorite hunting spot will be a bit more crowded than usual, since you will be competing against several thousand additional hunters.

We are not going to include information on chukars and Huns here, except to inform hunters that the season should be a good one. And since chukars, Hungarians, and deer live side by side on many eastern Oregon ranges, many hunters will plan combination hunting trips that include both rifle and shotgun for the event. No season for chukars and Huns is scheduled for the west side.

**Buck Prospects Good**  
Prospects for the coming buck season appear good to excellent,

depending on the area hunted. Weather will play an important role, and hunters are advised that the recent rains have scattered elevations. Rain, too, has altered the deer widely and at stimulated plant growth, and animals will not have to linger long in the feeding areas to appease their appetites. This means that they will be spending long periods legged on the north slopes or other dense cover areas.

Statewide, the deer supply is generally good this year. Production is good in all areas, and there is an excellent carryover of adult deer following one of the mildest winters on record. Success, though, will depend much on weather and just how well the individual hunter knows the country and the habits of the animal he is hunting.

Mid-central Oregon hunters can expect fair results. Good deer populations exist, but high hunting pressure through this popular mule deer stronghold will hold individual hunter success below what is experienced in other areas of the state. The buck population looks good in all units, with Wasco, Ochoco, and Paulina country top bets.

**Wallowa Above Average**  
In northeastern Oregon, mule deer hunting is expected good to excellent. Wallowa County should be better than average except for the Chesnimus Unit. Biologists report lots of bucks, both yearlings and adults.

Wheeler, Heppner, and Ukiah units are expected very good. Buck hunting through these areas is expected to be on a par with or better than last year. Productin is good, winter survival high, and good numbers of bucks are reported. The general outlook through the John Day drainage and adjacent slopes is for fine hunting this fall.

Hunters can expect continued slow going all through the southeast ranges. Good survival was experienced through the winter, and a good fawn crop is reported. However, low production a year ago will continue to hold the buck population down. Hunting is expected fair, but buck hunters will find numerous areas in this high sage and rimrock country where excellent results will be experienced.

**Unexpected visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Sherman** on Tuesday, September 24, were Mr. and Mrs. G. Brandl of Salem, whom they had not seen for more than 10 years. Former friends in Dallas, the Brandls once operated the Dallas creamery. After their retirement, they moved to southern California, traveled in Europe to visit Brandl's native Switzerland, but moved back to Oregon, locating in Salem. They have business properties in John Day and while en route there, made the trip by Heppner to visit the Shermans.

## Irrigon Lions Aid Dedication

By FRANCES ROSE WILSON

IRRIGON—A group from the Irrigon Lions club helped prepare the site of the John Day Dam dedication service. Various organizations in the area had been asked to help prepare the grounds for the expected crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Pummel announce the birth of their son, Ricky Ray, born September 28, weighing 7 lb., 8 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Browning of Umatilla; Benjamin Pummel of Weiser, Idaho, and Mrs. Beulah Pummel of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Partlow and Sheryl were among those who attended the dedication of the John Day Dam. Mrs. Partlow's sisters and their families joined them for a picnic after the ceremony at Cello Park. Mr. and Mrs. Pordy Mills came from Hermiston and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Berg and Ronald traveled from Portland.

Recent visitors at the Don Leighton home were Joe D. Mann, Brian and Laura, of Colorado Springs, Colo. He and Mrs. Leighton were classmates at A. C. Houghton school. He is employed as administrative supervisor and guidance counselor at the Army Stockade at Ft. Carson. Others visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mann, Sr., Maria and Lessa of Portland, Mrs. Sims Combs, Joyce, Doty and J. D. of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Ken C. Long, of Atlanta, Ga. He has been with the U. S. Navy aboard the U. S. S. Klondike. He was in the SI Division along with Howard Keith of Irrigon. Long will now have shore duty for two years in Georgia. Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Cook, Allyn, Rhonda, Theresa, of Portland also visited.

Mrs. John Cook a former Irrigon resident, passed away September 29. Her daughters, Mrs. Naomi Hurn and Mrs. Wanda Stanley, live here presently. Graveside services were held for her at the Desert Lawn Memorial cemetery on Tuesday at 2 p.m.

The Baptist and the Assembly of God congregations met together at the Assembly of God church on Sunday evening for a community service and inspiration. Whenever a 5th Sunday occurs the two churches combine their services, alternating meeting places. This Sunday had previously been designated as 4-H Sunday. Mrs. Floyd Hobbs gave a report



BISHOP EVERETT PALMER

## Methodist Event To Honor Bishop

The United Methodist Witness to be held at the Civic Auditorium in Portland on October 6, will be the first mass meeting of the new United Methodist Church in Oregon, since the merger of the Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church last April at General Conference in Dallas, Texas.

The more than 3000 seating capacity of the auditorium is expected to be filled by United Methodists coming from all over the state by car, train, bus, and plane. The occasion will mark the first opportunity for the United Methodists of Oregon to see, meet, and hear the new Portland Area Bishop, Everett W. Palmer.

The meeting will take on a festive pageantry with the procession of 200 robed singers who will make up the special choir for the day and the robed ministers of the Conference. Besides the message by Bishop Palmer, the worshipping congregation will be led in singing by the choir under the direction of Mr. Clifford Williams. The choir will also sing a number of choral arrangements.

A number of persons will participate in the worship service, some representing different groups in the Oregon Annual Conference, including members of the Womens Society of Christian Service and the United Methodist Youth of the Conference.

The theme of the day is: "To Be a New Church for the New World", and will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the Civic Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the district superintendents of the Oregon Annual Conference of the United Methodist and the general public is invited to attend.

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Heppner Elementary and High School

For the Week of October 7-11

Monday, Oct. 7 — Meat and gravy, potatoes, green salad, rolls, milk, fruit.

Tuesday, Oct. 8 — Spanish rice, lettuce wedge, French bread, milk, pudding.

Wednesday, Oct. 8 — Sloppy Joes, carrot and celery, fruit, milk.

Thursday, Oct. 10 — Hot dogs and French fries, cabbage salad, milk, ice cream.

Friday, Oct. 11 — Tuna and noodles, fruit Jell-O, rolls, green peas, milk.

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## Swim Pool Use Sets New Record In Past Season

Total attendance at the Heppner municipal swimming pool for the summer season was 12,685 persons, according to records compiled by Stuart Dick, lifeguard.

This exceeded the previous year's attendance by 2,171 and bettered the summer of 1966 by 2,449.

In July of this year, a total of 5,579 individual swims were registered, probably the all-time here. June recorded 4,552. Had it not been for cooling weather and unusually heavy rains in August, the summer's total would undoubtedly have been much higher. Attendance dropped to 2,554 during this month, which was less than the same month in the previous two years. August, 1966, showed attendance of 2,675, and August, 1967, 3,682.

Total figures for the three summers are as follows: 1968—June, 4,552; July, 5,579; August, 2,554. 1967—June, 3,002; July, 3,830; August, 3,682. 1966—June, 3,040; July, 4,521; August, 2,675. A few days in August, 1966, were not included in the total, which would bring it up some.

Swimming lessons brought much higher participation in the "new" pool, too. A total of 479 enrolled for lessons during the past summer and 117 received certificates. In 1967, a total of 185 signed for lessons and 68 received certificates.

Special use of the swimming pool adds more participation, with the figures not included in those above. Friday recreation nights for youth brought 276, ladies night added 135, and a total of 120 used the swimming pool at six private parties. Dick has no figures for the men's morning swims.

Largest day's use at the pool was on June 18 when 527 swam at the pool, including 357 regular swimmers, 158 taking lessons, and 12 in men's swimming. Linda Orwick qualified for a 50-mile swim certificate, which

## Jepsen Elected Elementary School Student President



HEADING STUDENT GOVERNMENT at Heppner Elementary school are newly elected officers, pictured with Clifford Williams, elections campaign supervisor. Students from left are Mary Healy, secretary; Wendy Phegley, treasurer; Mark Cutsforth, vice president; and Bill Jepsen, president.

Bill Jepsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jepsen, was elected student body president of Heppner Elementary school on Friday, September 20. The student body election climaxed a week-long campaign of 11 candidates for four offices.

Mark Cutsforth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Cutsforth, was elected vice-president. Wendy Phegley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Phegley, was elected treasurer in a tight race, and Mary Healy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Healy, was chosen secretary.

Other candidates were: For president, David Eckman, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Eckman, Sr., and Kelly Kilkenny, daughter of Mrs. Vesta Kilkenny and Bob Kilkenny; for vice president, Clyde Allstott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allstott, and Doug Gonty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gonty; for treasurer, Greg Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Green, and Jerry Gentry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gentry; and for secretary, Margie Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Layton Roberts.

This year's campaign was marked by a number of excellent posters, pins and buttons. The slogans flew thick and fast. Just prior to the actual balloting on Friday all candidates gave speeches to the assembled fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

The entire campaign and election was supervised by Clifford Williams, eighth grade teacher. Student body officers and representatives from each of the rooms of the four upper classes will meet Monday morning for the first student council meeting of the year. The student council is an active group of elected representatives of the students. This group is charged with the responsibility of helping to solve student problems.

**Dan McQuarrie left early last week** for Bend, where he will attend Central Oregon Community college. Registration was planned for Tuesday, September 24, and classes resumed September 30.

## Warren to Prepare For Church Mission

Steve Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warren, is making preparations to leave October 12 to attend a three-month language institute in Provo, Utah, prior to traveling to South America for a two-year mission with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Warren will leave in January for South America and will spend the two-year period working in Venezuela and Colombia. He is a Heppner High school graduate and attended Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho.

**Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rigby** traveled to Kennewick, Wn., over the past week-end to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shippis, and with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Shippis and eight week old Sammie Harvey, who live in Pasco, Wn.

## Grange Women Plan Dinners

By DELPHA JONES

LEXINGTON—Women's Activity Committee of the Lexington Grange met at the home of Mrs. Florence McMillan last Thursday afternoon for its regular meeting.

Plans were discussed for the Pomona dinner on October 26 and for the cattleman's dinner on October 30. A clean-up day was also discussed with the ladies taking different days for the cleaning.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses Mrs. McMillan and Mrs. A. F. Majeske to Mrs. Wavel Wilkinson, Mrs. Martha Van Schoack, Mrs. Ola Ruggles, Mrs. Nora Turner, Mrs. Kenneth Smouse, Mrs. Ella Burgoyne, Mrs. Wilbur Steagall, Mrs. Norman Nelson, Mrs. A. F. Majeske and Mrs. C. C. Jones.

Money was donated to help the Morrow County Red Cross Chapter buy articles to fill Ditty Bags made for the boys overseas for Christmas.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Wavel Wilkinson in Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Marshall were in Bend over the weekend where they visited with relatives.

The Amicitia Club met at the home of Mrs. Roy Martin last Wednesday night for its regular meeting. Those playing were Mrs. Bob Davidson, Mrs. Tom Martin, Mrs. Mel Boyer, Mrs. O. W. Cutsforth, Sr., Mrs. Gene Cole, Mrs. Bob Lovgren, Mrs. Roger Campbell, and the hostess, Mrs. Martin. Refreshments were served. Prizes were won by Mrs. Davidson, high; Mrs. Campbell, second high, and Mrs. Cole, traveling.

The Lexington Bridge club met last Tuesday at the C. C. Carmichael home in Heppner. Enjoying the evening together were Mrs. Elden Padberg, Mrs. Bob Davidson, Mrs. Lester Cox, Mrs. Mervin Leonard, Mrs. Gene Cutsforth, Mrs. Bob Jepsen, Mrs. John Ledbetter and the hostess, Mrs. Carmichael. Prizes were won by Mrs. Cox, high; Mrs. Padberg, second high, and Mrs. Leonard, low.

Mrs. George Hermann was hostess one day last week for a coffee hour honoring Mrs. Lee Padberg on her 21st birthday. Those present for the enjoyable event were Mrs. Vern Viall, Mrs. Elden Padberg, Mrs. Delbert Piper, Mrs. Bob Davidson, Mrs. Alma Viall of Grandview, Wn., the honoree and the hostess.

Mrs. Bertha Nelson of Portland is visiting at the home of her sons and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson. She and Mrs. Annie Smouse accompanied Mrs. Alfred Nelson, Sr., who has been in Portland on business.

Mrs. John Ledbetter was a business visitor in Portland one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Young and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scheer and Mrs. Florence McMillan were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Majeske on Sunday.

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