

Voters Elect Mollahan, Favor Nixon, Packwood

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Morrow county voters swarmed to the polls Tuesday at the rate of nearly 90% of those registered, and they elected John Mollahan of Heppner sheriff, giving him 869 votes to 758 for incumbent C. J. D. Bauman. Jim Barnett of Ione received 351 votes.

The county gave President-Elect Richard Nixon a margin of about 300 votes over Hubert Humphrey, followed the state trend in voting for Robert Packwood over incumbent Wayne Morse for senator, piled up greater than a 2-to-1 margin for Congressman Al Ullman over challenger Marv Root, and favored Dale Parnell over Walter Blake for superintendent of public instruction by a margin of more than 300 votes.

Clay Myers, secretary of state, topped George Van Hoomissen, his Democratic opponent for the state position, by more than 200 votes here, again following the state trend.

Race for state attorney general was nip and tuck with incumbent Robert Thornton edging Republican Lee Johnson by three votes in Morrow county, 937 to 934. On the state level, however, Johnson appeared to be the winner.

Robert Straub, easy victor statewide to retain his position as state treasurer, captured Morrow county over Ansel Page by a greater than 2-to-1 margin.

1 1/2% Limit Defeated

On the measures, Morrow county voters polled resounding "no" majorities against the 1 1/2% property tax limitation measure (No. 7) and the Beach Bill (No. 6), disapproving each by about 2 1/2 to 1 margins. The first five measures on the ballot all received affirmative majorities here, the veterans loan bill (No. 1) getting 4-to-1 approval, the removal of judges bill (No. 2) getting 10-to-1, and the measure on ocean boundaries (No. 3) going 3-to-1.

Measure No. 4 on county debt limit squeezed by a slim yes vote here, but appeared to be losing throughout the state. On measure No. 5 regarding city-county consolidation, which applies to Multnomah county and Portland, county voters approved by a 200-vote edge.

Using the total vote for sheriff as a yardstick, the percentage of turnout was in the neighborhood of 88% around the county. This high figure was exceeded in some precincts, Northwest Heppner recorded a rather phenomenal 93.1% turnout. Of the total registration of 334 in the precinct, 311 voted.

Voting Goes Smoothly

Voting went smoothly throughout the day and counting was done rapidly. Boards in all precincts worked efficiently and count was complete by 10 p.m. All Morrow county returns were in to the National Election Service in Los Angeles shortly after 11 p.m. and to the Oregon Election Service by the same time. These are pooled at all the major news gathering agencies, including the wire services and television networks.

Sadie Parrish, county clerk, veteran at handling elections, had all ballot boxes and poll books gathered and results completed by 11 p.m. Incidentally, she led all candidates as a vote getter, polling 1728 votes for reelection as clerk, running unopposed. Sylvia McDaniel, with out opposition for reelection as county treasurer was close behind with 1700.

Mollahan Wins Six

In the sheriff's race, which attracted top interest locally, Mollahan, presently a Heppner police officer, won six of the nine county precincts, claiming the four in Heppner, as well as Lexington and Hardman. Sheriff Bauman won Irrigon and Boardman by substantial margins, and Jim Barnett carried his home precinct of Ione by a large margin.

Totals here in the contested races, starting at the top of the ballot, were as follows:

President—Nixon, 1068; Humphrey, 797; Wallace, 102.
U. S. Senator—Packwood, 1009; Morse, 965.
Representative (2nd district)—Ullman, 1365; Root, 603.
Secretary of State—Myers, 1082; Van Hoomissen, 627.
State Treasurer—Straub, 1287; Page, 627.
Attorney General—Thornton, 937; Johnson, 934.
Sheriff—Mollahan, 869; Bauman, 758; Barnett, 351.
Supt. Public Instruction—Parnell, 1063; Blake, 721.

WEATHER

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	59	44	—
Thursday	50	31	—
Friday	53	25	—
Saturday	57	25	.27
Sunday	48	35	.01
Monday	46	28	—
Tuesday	44	25	—

Precipitation for October was 1.19, with a normal of 1.22.

Teachers' Bazaar On PTA Program Next Wednesday

A "Teachers' Bazaar" will be the program for next week's Heppner Elementary PTA meeting at the grade school. The Bazaar will be held in the multipurpose room immediately following the PTA business meeting in the junior high gymnasium, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday night, October 13.

The Bazaar is presented by the teachers as the November program for the Elementary PTA. A variety of booths will be featured with displays of class projects and demonstrations of equipment and facilities used in the classes. Parents will be invited to participate in the activities, such as learning to use the kick wheel, used in pottery making by the art classes.

Items of business on the agenda for the business meeting include voting on the by-laws and voting on the PTA operating budget for the 1968-69 year. Mrs. Wallace Wolf is chairman of the budget committee. Parents are reminded that they will need their membership cards to be able to vote on these issues.

Elementary PTA president Arnold Raymond asks that parents bring any type books or old magazines to donate to the new grade school reading room, used by grades five through eight. The reading room is a project of Mrs. John Gchnauer, eighth grade teacher. Among the many interesting displays planned for the Bazaar are demonstrations of various type projectors, tape recorders, educational games, a geography display, microscopes, musical equipment, band instruments, kick wheel and reading equipment.

Those who have paid their membership fee through the students during the membership drive are reminded also that they may pick up their cards at the meeting.

Pierce Elected Banker President

Gene O. Pierce, president of the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner, was elected president of the Northeast Oregon group of the Oregon Bankers association at its meeting October 26 at the Pendleton Country club in Pendleton. L. E. Thayer, executive manager of the association, announced.

S. R. Ralston, manager of the Hermiston branch of the U. S. National Bank of Oregon, was chosen vice president. Secretary-treasurer is T. G. Stenkamp, manager of the Nyssa branch, First National Bank of Oregon. About 120 attended the meeting with R. L. Tomlinson, cashier of the Bank of Commerce, Milton-Freewater, presiding as outgoing president.

Robert W. Henderson, assistant director, Agricultural Experiment Station, Oregon State University, Corvallis, was the principal speaker, discussing the topic, "The Magic of Research." Donald M. Russel, president of the Oregon Bankers association and senior vice president and manager of The Bank of California, Portland, and Thayer also spoke.

Pierce also has been chosen to the executive council of the Oregon Bankers association.

Collins Elected Mayor of Heppner

Bill Collins was elected mayor of Heppner in Tuesday's election, running unopposed and polling 589 votes. Two councilmen were reelected without opposition, David McLeod getting 524 votes and Jerry Sweeney 529. Dick Robison, seeking a first term as councilman and also unopposed received 547.

Elaine George was reelected recorder with 606 votes and Mary Jean McCabe as treasurer with 582 votes. They were both unopposed. A total of 629 votes was cast.

Ione Voters Select State of City Leaders

City of Ione elected Bill Rietmann its new mayor, succeeding Jim Barnett, who was seeking the office of Morrow county sheriff. Unopposed, Rietmann polled a total of 124 votes.

Mrs. Marilyn Rietmann edged Mrs. Patricia Tucker for city treasurer by two votes. Totals showed Mrs. Rietmann, 40; Mrs. Tucker, 38; Mrs. Adele Dockter, 35; and Mrs. Edith Matthews, 22.

Mrs. June Crowell, unopposed, was reelected city recorder, with 131 votes. Eight candidates were in the running for city councilmen, with three elected for four-year terms. Elected were Don Briscoe, 89; Roy W. Lindstrom, 71; and Larry Rietmann, 59. Others, in order, were Howard Crowell, 48; Wallace Matthews, 45; Laurel Cannon, 43; Herb Ekstrom, Jr., 27; and Harold Snider, 16.

Boardman Approves District Tax Base

Boardman area voters Tuesday approved a tax base for the Boardman park and recreation district by a count of 114 yes to 79 no.

Mayor Dewey West was reelected mayor of Boardman without opposition, receiving 85 votes. Three councilmen were elected, also without opposition, Vernon Russell and Cecil Hicks each getting 80 votes and Zearl Gillespie 78 votes.

Some to Close On Veterans Day

Some stores and businesses will remain open on Monday, November 11, Veterans Day, in Heppner, but indications are that the town will be fairly quiet.

The courthouse, city hall, post offices and other government offices will be closed. The banks will also be closed.

School will be dismissed for the day throughout the county.

Cards Power Way to Grid Title

Throwing a four-touchdown barrage at the Riverside High football team in the first quarter, Ione High's rampant grid-der swept to a 53-20 victory over the Pirates at Boardman Friday afternoon, leaving no doubt as to who was league champions.

To this point both Ione and Riverside were undefeated in the Umatilla-Morrow B league. But when the Cards boomed to a 27-0 lead in the first quarter they showed the good-sized crowd attending that the championship was determined.

The victory gives the Cardinals the right to enter state playoffs, and their first post-season game will be against Crane of district 3-B 8 at the Ione Memorial field on Saturday, November 16.

Should the talent-laden Ione team go all the way to the state B championship, they will continue to play each game on the Ione field because that's the way the draw is this year. As long as they win, they will play at home. If they lose, they're out.

The margin of victory may not have been a true indication of the merits of the two teams, and Riverside never quit. In the fourth period they scored three times. Lightning struck them at the start of the game, put them in the hole, and it took them some time to gain their poise. When it came, it was too late to put them in contention.

Score in Four Plays
Riverside kicked off at the start of the contest, and in four plays Ione had a touchdown with Bob Ball romping 29 yards on an end sweep. Eddie Sherman ran the point. Score: 7-0.

Ione fumbled two plays after receiving the play. Four plays later Frank Halvorsen ran 13 yards through the middle to paydirt. The point try failed. Score: 13-0.

Midway through the period Riverside fumbled on the Ione 48 and a Cardinal recovered. On the first play Sherman went off tackle, picked up two good blocks, cut outside and ran 52 yards to the end zone. Halvorsen ran the point. Score: 20-0.

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10 Cents

Gas Firm to Expand Plant at Ione Soon



VISITING WITH Walter Leth, director, State Department of Agriculture, following the Farm-City banquet here last Wednesday night are Gail McCarty, county extension agent (second from left), and members of the Currin family. George Currin and Sons were honored as Livestockmen of the Year. From left are Tom Currin, McCarty, George F. Currin, Mrs. Currin (Helen), Mrs. Ron (Judy) Currin, Ron Currin and Director Leth.

\$1,778,000 Project Gets FPC Approval

Pacific Gas Transmission Company will start work shortly on its second turbine-compressor unit at the Ione compressor station, PGT Operations Manager Herbert A. Danielson said in Spokane.

The new unit, estimated to cost \$1,778,000, is part of a \$20,756,000 expansion program to be carried out by PGT during the next year in Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

An additional \$38 million is to be spent in Alberta, British Columbia and California on other expansion of the 1,400-mile Alberta-California "Big Yard" pipeline, Danielson said.

Work Moved Up
Start of construction was made possible by Federal Power Commission approval of a PGT application to import additional Canadian gas. The gas will be delivered to Pacific Gas and Electric Company at the Oregon-California border.

Plans for the new unit at Ione were revealed by PGT officials on September 23 during a tour of the station by the Ione Lions Club and the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce members.

Ione Station was completed in November, 1967, and PGT originally planned to add a second booster unit there in 1970 or later, Danielson said.

However, computerized engineering studies showed the Ione location to be desirable for another northeast Oregon compressor unit as early as 1963.

PGT also will build new stations near Kent, Sherman County; Bend, Deschutes County; in northern Walla Walla County, Washington, and in Boundary and Kootenai Counties in the Idaho Panhandle.

Additional units are to be added to existing PGT stations in Klamath County, and in Spokane County, Washington.

Early Start
First priority for construction will go to the Paulina Station (Station 12) near Bend, Danielson said. That is where PGT has the most urgent need for additional horsepower on its pipeline.

Next priority goes to the Starbuck Station (Station 7) in Walla Walla County and the Farragut Station (Station 5) near Athol, Idaho.

Stations 3 (Boundary, in Idaho); 6 (Rosalia, in Spokane County); 7 (Starbuck, in Walla Walla County); 10 (Kent) and 14 (Bonanza, in Klamath County) will follow, not necessarily in that order, but as work scheduling and spring ground conditions permit, Danielson said.

Target date for completion of all stations is November 1, 1969.

Package Contract
A contract already has been awarded to the Ingersoll-Rand Company to manufacture the centrifugal compressor, Danielson said. This compresses gas by whirling it at high speed.

As part of its package contract, Ingersoll-Rand also will provide the turbine, a 12,500-horsepower General Electric jet aircraft type adapted for land use, plus major buildings and instrumentation.

The present prime mover at Ione is a 9,000-horsepower GE industrial turbine.

Contracts for site work and station piping at Ione will be announced later, Danielson said.

Walla Walla Crew
The PGT crew based at Walla Walla maintains the Ione Station. C. W. (Chet) Bond is Central Area Superintendent (from the Snake River to the John Day River), and H. M. (Bud) Wilson is District Foreman.

The pipeline company's Operating Headquarters in Spokane starts, stops and regulates the station by remote control over the PGT microwave system.

McCurdy Resigns Council Position

Harlan McCurdy submitted a letter of resignation as a city councilman to the council Monday evening.

He explained that business interests as manager of Morrow County Grain Growers made it impractical for him to continue serving in the councilman capacity.

McCurdy has two years remaining on his current term. No action was taken to fill the vacancy.

Big Crowd Hears Leth; Honors Given at Dinner

"It takes 64% more actual cash money today to run a farm than it did in 1960."

So said Walter Leth, director, State Department of Agriculture in an address before the 180 persons who attended the Farm-City banquet in the Heppner High school cafeteria last Wednesday night under the co-sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce, Morrow County Livestock Growers, and the Heppner Soil and Water Conservation District.

In his talk—one of many highlights of the evening—Leth told of the plight of the farmer in the United States but had some words of encouragement for possibilities of progress and development in the future.

"We've seen the worst agricultural year that I have ever experienced," Leth said. He estimated loss in the state in 1968 to agriculture at \$50 million and said that this upset the state's economy to the tune of \$250 million.

He suggested that one of the quickest ways to increase agricultural income in Oregon would be to "feed all the cattle we have in this state." This would increase agricultural income by \$50 million, he said, adding, "We don't have the feed but we do have the ground to grow it."

George F. Currin and Tom—the sons being Ron and Tom—were presented as Livestockmen of the Year. Larry Lindsay, the fluent and witty master of ceremonies for the evening, made the introduction and presented them with awards. Mrs. George (Helen) Currin and Mrs. Ron (Judy) Currin were also recognized.

Chamber Gives Awards
Three Certificates of Recognition were awarded by the Heppner-Morrow county Chamber of Commerce for achievements towards progress, development and community betterment.

Mayor Dewey West of Boardman was recognized for his outstanding work in relocation of the City of Boardman and for his part in progress and development in the north end of the county; Orville Cutsforth received a certificate for his outstanding work in promoting and developing parks and recreational facilities; and Heppner Branch, First National Bank of Oregon, represented by John Venard, manager, for the improvement of the firm's bank building, contributing to community development and showing faith in the future of the city.

President Wes Sherman of the Chamber made the presentations. Mayor West was not present, but he was cited for his part in accomplishing the move at Boardman in an orderly manner.

Also honored were Bob and Herb Peterson, who as Peterson Bros. are Conservation Men of the Year. Raymond French of (Continued from page 6)

Paper to be Late; Office to Close

Because of the Veterans Day holiday Monday, the Gazette-Times will be published later than usual for the coming edition. The paper will be out in Heppner late Thursday afternoon rather than Thursday morning.

Ordinarily, the paper has not taken a holiday on Veterans Day, but with it falling on Monday, this year it makes it very difficult to operate and publish on schedule. There will be no mail delivery and many stores will be closed, thus delaying news and advertising copy.

Therefore, the office will join in saluting Veterans of all wars on the day set aside for them.

No C of C Monday

Because of Veterans Day there will be no meeting of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce on Monday, November 11, president Wes Sherman announces. The next meeting will be Monday, November 18, when President Gene Pierce of the Bank of Eastern Oregon will present a film, "Paper Hang-ers," as the program feature. It deals with the increasing number of bad checks being passed in the U. S.

Council Discusses Zoning Policy on Mobile Homes

Problem of the place of mobile homes under the terms of the city's zoning ordinance was discussed at some length again at the Monday meeting of the council.

The matter had been discussed at a special meeting on October 18 after some councilmen decided that they should review actions taken at the regular October meeting.

At the meeting a month ago the council was inclined to grant permits for trailer houses under various provisions of the ordinance, provided there was no complaint from neighbors.

Later, some of the city dads felt that it might be better to issue permits to trailer houses under conditional use provisions, the difference being that the latter must be renewed periodically while the variance gives more permanent approval.

At the Monday night meeting it was brought out that distinction should be made between "mobile homes," as larger units which are not meant to be moved frequently, and "vacation trailers," which are designed for camping use.

Among the suggestions offered for consideration by a committee composed of Councilman Bill Collins, Joe Balfe, Harlan McCurdy and City Attorney Bob Abrams were the following:

1. Providing that only one mobile home could be acted upon in a single application.
2. Possibility of value of a mobile home being fixed at a minimum of \$5000 in order that those used as permanent homes be "nice looking" and substantial.
3. In cases where the mobile home is to take the place of another home being torn down,

a limit be established on the time for removing the former home.

4. The possibility of requiring that the mobile home be placed on the local tax rolls.

5. Possibility of requiring building permits for additions.

6. Requiring lot lines the same as for regular homes.

7. Possibility of making permits good for one year, subject to review at the end of that time.

Some objections to smaller mobile homes or trailers are that often "accumulations go with them" as there is little place for storage in some, and they often are not on the tax rolls, Collins said. Trailers are licensed by the state, which returns part of the money to the county.

It was brought out that there is not adequate space in trailer courts here for larger mobile homes, which complicates the local problem.

Councilmen agreed that the matter will take considerable study before definite conclusions are reached. Elaine George, city recorder, expects to attend sessions on mobile homes and zoning at the League of Oregon Cities convention November 17-19.

Abrams pointed out that there is some question whether mobile homes can be placed on the county tax rolls locally.

Liquor Permits Approved
Liquor permit applications were approved for Central Market, Elks Lodge, Thomson Bros. Grocery, Hamlin's Sport Shop, Court Street Market, Cal's Tavern, and the Wagon Wheel.

Building permit application of Jim Wilhelm, 580 Elder Street, to remodel his living room and (Continued on page 8)

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