

Policy not in kids' best interest

To the Editor:
I attended a meeting of the Morrow County School District Eligibility Study Committee on Oct. 21. At this meeting by a vote of twelve for and two against, a new academic standard for extra-curricular eligibility was sent to the school board for approval at their next meeting. This new district wide policy on eligibility requirements is lower than the present requirements at Heppner High School.

The new requirements, if approved by the school board, would allow a student to get only a D or better in any four subjects and get F's in two or three other subjects and still be eligible to participate in any extra-curricular activity. This policy does not even require passing (D) grades in the subjects required for graduation.

The argument for this low standard is that it will allow students who cannot do well in school to gain a better self-image by playing sports or other extra-curricular activity. I agree that there may be a few students not capable of doing passing school work but can excel at sports and

other extra-curricular activities. However, this does not mean that all students' academic standards should be lowered just to accommodate these students. An exception can be written into the eligibility requirements which would allow the principal to let a student who was putting maximum effort into his studies but still not meeting the eligibility requirements to participate in extra-curricular activities.

This policy will be considered by the school board at their next regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 17. I urge everyone who agrees or disagrees with the eligibility requirements to please contact your school representative, especially school board members.

As an elected member of the Heppner school advisory committee I feel a responsibility to let you know about a policy I think is not in the best interest of the education of the children in our community.

Sincerely,
Brok P. Tucker
Chairman, Heppner School
Advisory Committee

The coyote takes a heavy toll on cattle and sheep and if traps are banned the numbers will become more severe.

Trapping is a part of life as is hunting and fishing. If traps are banned the country will be overcome with predators. Man tries to help "reset" the balance of nature by keeping some control on predators who offset it.

The leghold trap isn't as bad as some people say. Most people check their traps at least every 48 hours and most even more than that. A lot of traps are used as instant kill traps, like the "conibear," in which the animal doesn't feel a thing.

I heard of a plan someone wants to use to save trees instead of by trapping. The plan is to go along the creeks and put rubber around trees to keep beaver from chewing on them. Not a bad plan, but what happens if the tree decides to grow a little, or what happens when the beaver struggle and strive in search for food and material to eat and build their dams, and slowly starve to death?

I don't know about you but I sure wouldn't want anybody to see me walking around putting pieces of rubber around trees.

Humanely yours,
Jim Angell
Heppner

peace," honestly, with integrity and common sense. Please vote.

Sincerely,
F. K. Starrett
Hermiston, Oregon

A vote for Rathbun—a vote for you

To the Editor:
I have been in Morrow County for one year. I work for the city of Heppner as a police officer.

My position for the city has given me opportunity to observe the workings of the Morrow County Sheriff's office.

The present department has a lot to be desired. I have worked with Douglas Rathbun for a year; I have found Doug to be a very dedicated police officer. Doug Rathbun is honest, fair and he is impartial when dealing with the public.

For a more efficient Sheriff's Department vote for Douglas Rathbun.

A vote for Douglas Rathbun is a vote for you, the people of Morrow county.

Merle G. Cowett
Heppner

Support local control-vote no on 6

To the Editor:
On Nov. 4, voters will go to the polls to elect many candidates and decide many issues that will affect our lives as Americans and Oregonians.

One measure that will have drastic and far reaching significance to statewide voters is Ballot Measure no. 6.

The property tax, although much maligned, is one of the few taxes where taxpayers can actually see services rendered for the taxes collected. All local property taxes go to support services that have been voted on by the affected taxpayers. This tax has always been under severe scrutiny by tax conscious citizens.

Ballot Measure no. 6 will serve to eliminate many of the basic property tax supported programs that voters have elected to support. It would appear that again a very vocal minority is trying to disguise a tax limitation measure on a system which already has adequate taxpayer control over governmental expenditures.

Bud, voters -an excellent team

To the Editor:

It has been my pleasure to have known Bud Englert since the early '50s. I have known "Bud" as a truckdriver, judge, city policeman, and as a businessman. He has always been dedicated, hardworking and knowledgeable about his work.

I have been his co-worker, fraternal brother, and friend. He works well with others, provides leadership, and sees that the job is completed to the last detail.

My job as an elected official of Umatilla County has put me in close contact with the pressures of county government. The job demands an elected official to provide knowledge and professionalism to do an acceptable job. Bud is well qualified to meet these requirements.

In summary, I urge the voter's support of Bud Englert for sheriff of Morrow County. The "voters" and my friend "Bud" will make an excellent team. He will "keep the

Let's keep Ullman

To the Editor:

As election time nears we all know much is said to prove or disprove what each candidate will do for the people, if elected.

In Al Ullman, we have a man whom we know has established an enviable record of achievement for not only people of the United States but more specifically for Eastern Oregon and even closer to home, the people of Morrow county.

May I relate one instance for which he deserves the gratitude of the people and voters of this county.

In 1965 at the request of the port commission and with approval of the court, Clarence Rosewall, Wayne Corde, port attorney, and I were sent to Washington D.C. to confer with government agencies, including the Corps of Engineers, Fish and Wildlife and others, in an attempt to save and hold the lands presently under control of the Port Commission of Morrow County.

We were there for almost two weeks and it looked as if an impasse had been reached. We were asking for the land from Patterson Ferry to the boundary of the present port. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife wanted practically all the land presently held by them as well as most of that now under port ownership.

After the first few meetings, the Corps of Engineers stated they saw no use to continue the meetings - that neither side would concede.

We conveyed this information to Al Ullman, who was of course being kept informed of our progress. He called all interested agency representatives to his office for a conference and, in the course of the meeting, suggested a compromise which, although not what we had originally requested, did comprise the present port boundaries.

All finally agreed except the National Fish and Wildlife Service, who were very adamant in their opposition.

At that point Al grew quite angry and bluntly asked, "What is it you gentlemen want? Is it a fight? If it is I will take you on and I will win."

Their spokesman answered and said, "Oh no, Mr. Ullman, we don't want that."

Al then asked all of us to be

back in his office that evening with a definite answer. When we returned he presented a map with the present boundaries defined, and it was accepted. As a result of that action and subsequent planning Morrow County can proudly lay claim to one of the finest port areas in Eastern Oregon.

I have related only one specific incident. Al's record on Social Security legislation - on an improved inheritance tax structure - on agriculture legislation, his opposition to the gas tax are just a few of the many accomplishments of this able man. Let's keep him.

Paul W. Jones
County Judge, retired
Heppner, Oregon

Vote no on No. 5

To the Editor:
This issue to ban leghold traps is a mistake.

Man has a great deal to do with nature; he is a part of it, and partially in control of it. As long as man is the dominant animal, he will have some control over nature.

Man has set an offset in the balance of nature because we must have food to survive.

36th ANNUAL MEETING COLUMBIA BASIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

NOVEMBER 5, 1980

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HEPPNER, OREGON

11:00 A.M. REGISTRATION

12:00 NOON LUNCH

1:30 P.M. MEETING COMMENCES

Special Note

This year we have a very interesting featured speaker. Mr. Stanley Nash of Great Falls, Montana who is a specialist in the area of solar energy who will speak on the technology of solar panels for home heating and should provide an outstanding program. Please be there as this will not only be an informative meeting but will enlighten you on future plans for your cooperative.

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In Boardman, where property taxes are relatively low, passage of this measure would severely cripple city services. The parks and library program will most certainly be eliminated, street lights may have to be turned off, police and fire departments would be drastically reduced, plus other unpredictable reductions in services would be inevitable.

It is difficult for any government official to detail projected severe cuts. It is also difficult to understand why continued efforts to cut back basic services are put before the voters and why we have to choose between services provided by local government which return the most measurable benefits back to taxpayers.

It would appear to us that these efforts would be better channeled to reducing burdensome income taxes at the state and federal level and correspondingly reducing federal and state expenditures.

In accordance with obvious voter sentiment, the Oregon State Legislature put together a responsible property tax limitation program that has given substantial relief to homeowner taxpayers. Passage of Measure No. 6 would produce such drastic service cutbacks it would be necessary for the state to increase their support to schools, cities, counties and special districts which would serve to eliminate voter control over local expenditures. The measure also makes provisions for mandated reductions, thus denying local governments, through their budget committees, the option of determining which services are most necessary and demanded in their jurisdiction.

We urge you to support local

control. Vote no on measure no. 6.

G.W. "Jerry" Peck
Jim Thompson
Boardman, Oregon

Gov. Atiyeh for Packwood

To the Editor:

As Oregonians cast their ballot for United States Senator on Nov. 4, I urge all of you to vote for Bob Packwood. He is an experienced, respected and effective voice for Oregon.

As your Governor, I can tell you how important it is to have someone like Bob to work with in Washington, D.C. On those

issues vital to Oregonians, Bob not only proposes, Bob delivers. For instance, his reforestation bill will help to ensure the steady supply of timber that will keep this state's economy healthy. He knows the importance of a strong national defense and fights to see that we have one. He watches out for Oregon's fishermen and farmers, seniors and students.

And, because of Bob's reputation in the Senate (he was named 11th most effective Senator by the Washington press corps last year), when Bob Packwood talks, his colleagues listen.

We must make sure that Bob Packwood keeps fighting for Oregon in the United

States Senate. I need him, you need him, Oregon needs him. Sincerely,

Vic Atiyeh

A renewed interest in JV football

To the Editor:

Perhaps the prospect of traveling to Athena (about one and a half hours away) doesn't appeal to some, but if you had made that trip last Monday evening, you would have found it well worth the drive and the expense.

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Did you know that Al Ullman has worked long and hard for Federal appropriation of funds for the establishment of the Willow Creek Mud Puddle That's Why I Support DENNY SMITH

Randy Lott



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