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G-T endorses Abrams

On Nov. 6 voters have an opportunity to elect a qualified, experienced and honorable person to the position of Circuit Court Judge of the sixth district for Morrow and Umatilla Counties.

Bob Abrams is a familiar face to many in Morrow County, and his experience and honesty is well known to us. We have no reservations in endorsing Bob for this position, knowing that he is the best candidate, and will do an exceptional job.

Over the years Bob has given much of his time toward betterment of the community, including serving on the Blue Mountain Community College Board of Directors, helping to form the original Port of Morrow, involvement with the Morrow County Mental Health Advisory Committee and much more. With these thoughts in mind, voters in the county have the opportunity to help elect the most qualified candidate.

Vote for Abrams Nov. 6.

Stringer's the one

In the race for the Senatorial seat, Democrat Mark Stringer is like a breath of fresh air blowing through the campaign.

A hard worker with good ideas, Stringer has managed to grasp the problems of our district and articulate them to the voters. With his deep background in agriculture, we feel Stringer will be the best representative for our area, keeping his eyes on those issues which affect agriculture, and looking for

ways to expand agriculture's markets.

He realizes that water resources, electrical rates and economic development are important to us, and has vowed to work for our interests in these areas. We feel Stringer is best for the job.

Vote French

Get out your pencils and vote for common sense in the legislature next Tues. Ray French has used common sense in his campaign for Dist. 59 state representative throughout, and we feel he will deliver. Knowing the needs of Eastern Oregon, and, we feel, willing to stand up for these needs in Salem, French will be an effective legislator, who will, in time, be able to get things done. His agriculture background is a plus, and his ability to work with others for legislation will be a real asset in Salem. Let's send Ray to Salem Nov. 6.

Don't lose control - vote 'no' on 2

If you're a property owner, Ballot measure 2 will save you money-for now. A measure that would limit property tax to 1.5 percent of 1981 assessed value, or the amount levied for 1983-84, whichever is lesser, will probably hit the hardest in our school system, where the district will lose between \$1.3 and \$1.5 million dollars in income.

This is quite a blow to funding, and a blow we do not feel the state legislature will let happen over the long run. The possibility of a new tax, sales tax most likely, will be instituted to take up the slack in school funding lost through measure 2. This means more money coming to our district from the state level, (the schools already receive basic school support) and a shift to the state level of more influence over our schools. In the past, voters have their say each year over the school budget. Vote yes if your satisfied, vote no if you're not. With more funding coming from the state, local voters will lose at least some of their direct voice in school funding, with those in Salem deciding these issues for us.

Don't lose one of our remaining voices in government financing, vote no on No. 2.

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Insulate your water meter for the winter months. You may use gunny sacks, insulation, old rags in a plastic bag, etc. Please do not use sawdust or bark. If you have had frozen pipes in the past, it is advisable to let a faucet run at a fast drip during extremely cold weather. Any damages resulting from frozen water meters that have not been insulated will be repaired at the owners' expense. You will be billed a minimum until the meters are read again in mid March. Thank you.
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