

Atiyeh urges yes on 5

Even your best friends might not believe you if you told them:

-Convicted murderers in Oregon serve less than 16 percent of their sentences.

-One in five repeat offenders could not have committed new crimes if they had served full sentences.

-Crimes against persons were up nearly 11 percent last year in Oregon.

But like it or not, it is true. That is why I encourage you to join me May 20 in voting "Yes" for state Ballot Measure 5.

This measure will permit the state to sell bonds for up to \$96 million in new prison space for Oregon.

In encouraging you to vote "Yes" on 5, I want to address only two issues: Why new prison space is needed, and how we will pay for the bonds.

We Need Prison Space
Overall, Oregon crime rose nearly 6 percent last year. Assault larceny and rape climbed 9.6, 10.3 and 13.6 percent, respectively.

Police are enforcing the tougher laws Oregonians demanded.

Judges are handing down the longer sentences Oregonians demanded.

As a result, prisons are overcrowded, giving those who make sentencing and parole decisions

State of the State By Governor Vick Atiyeh

pressures unrelated to the severity of the crime. In fact, jails in 19 of Oregon's 36 counties are under federal court order or review to reduce inmate populations.

Measure 5 will reduce crowding in both county and state prisons by putting state-county prisons in four regional areas.

These four prisons will include the state correctional institutions already in Salem and Pendleton, and will employ agreements to house both state and county prisoners. New prisons will be put only in counties that want them.

Criminals Will Help Pay
Whenever the state sells bonds, it is borrowing money. As a result, it must pay back the principal (the amount of money received for the bonds) plus interest.

We will pay back this money in two ways.

First, Oregon legislators—who voted to put this common-sense measure on the ballot—will earmark dollars in the state budget.

Second, persons convicted of fines paid for felonies and misdemeanors

committed in Oregon will be assessed \$40 and \$20, respectively, to help retire the prison debt.

I understand some Oregonians are asking if this measure will increase their property taxes.

It will not.

As with all general-obligation bonds the state sells, this measure includes the ability to pay off the bonds by levying a statewide property tax. We give this guarantee to bond buyers to reduce the interest rate you and I pay on the bonds.

The ability to levy a property tax, even though it will not be used, is a kind of collateral.

It is like putting up your car as collateral when taking a \$2,000 home-improvement loan from the bank. You will pay off the loan without losing the car, just as we will retire these bonds without levying a property tax.

Are new state prisons a good idea?

Let me ask that another way: Do you believe, as I do, that criminals will think twice if they know we have the space to imprison them for their crimes? Do you desire the peace of mind of knowing criminals who ought to be locked up will be?

My answer to both questions is "Yes," and that is why I will vote "Yes" on Ballot Measure 5.

Join me.

Health Dept.

Friday, May 9 - immunizations and blood pressures, Health Dept. office, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 13 - blood pressures and immunizations, Irion County Offices, 1-4 p.m.

Thursday and Friday, May 15-16 - Health Dept. office closed.

Tuesday, May 20 - blood pressures and immunizations, Boardman City Hall, 1:30 - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 21 - blood pressures, Ione Bank of Eastern Oregon kitchen, 3-4 p.m.

Friday, May 23 - immunizations and blood pressures, Health Dept. office, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Monday, May 26 - closed for Memorial Day holiday.

Tuesday, May 27 - pre-school clinic at A.C. Houghton Elementary school 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Public immunizations and blood pressures will be available at the school also.

Wednesday, May 28 - pre-school clinic at Sam Boardman Elementary School, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 29 - pre-school clinic at Heppner Elementary School, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday, May 30 - immunizations and blood pressures, Health Dept. Office, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.



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Only 844 of the more than 26,000

members of the American Angus Association are represented in this year's Report, according to Richard Spader, executive vice president of the American Angus Association with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Businesses to celebrate

Several local businesses are celebrating anniversaries in Heppner.

Cliff and Cindy Green at Coast to Coast are marking their two years as owners of that store with a sale and free coffee, lemonade and doughnuts this Friday and Saturday May 9 and 10.

Next Friday, May 16 Pettyjohn's Farm and Builders Supply in Heppner will celebrate their anniversary with a sale, door prizes free hot dogs, Pepsi and coffee and doughnuts all day.

Ron McDonald Chevrolet is noting his six years in business in Heppner with an inventory reduction sale.

County Agent's Corner

By Fred Lundin
County Agricultural Agent

Think positive. Summer will arrive. In spite of the cold, lawnmower sounds are being heard each Saturday morning. The power rotary mower has made lawn mowing easy. A few simple rules should be kept in mind when using one, however.

*Probably the most common accident occurs when you run over a rock with your mower and it slings it out to the side like a shot. Usually the one who gets injured is a child. Clear the lawn before mowing and "point" the mower away from kids.

*The second most common accident occurs when mowers are pulled instead of pushed. Should the operator slip while pulling, their foot could easily slip beneath the mower with tragic results.

*If you have to work under the mower - sharpening the blade, for instance - disconnect the spark plug first. Those mowers can start up with a crank or two on the blade.

*After filling the tank, wait for the spilled gas to evaporate before re-starting the engine.

*Look at the grass you just mowed. Is it being cut cleanly, or is it being shredded? Could be the blade needs sharpening.

*Take another close look at your home lawn. If that is building up in the turf, the lawn may be choking slowly.

*Thatch is a build-up of old

leaves, stems and grass clippings at the base of the grass plant. Lawn renovation, or thatch removal, is the solution to a thatch build-up problem.

*When lawn thatch gets thick, it has a springy, carpet-like feel when you walk on it.

Thatch can cause many lawn problems. It forms a layer that soaks up water and nutrients, preventing them from reaching the roots of the grass. It harbors weeds and diseases and, because it raises the cutting level of the lawnmower, the lawn can't be cut to the correct height.

The tools needed to remove thatch depend on the size of the lawn. A hand rake should handle areas smaller than 1,000 square feet. For larger lawns, a dethatcher can be rented at garden stores to make the job easier and faster.

First, mow the lawn as low as possible and remove all clippings. Set the dethatcher to slice in to the thatch near the soil surface and go over the lawn at that setting.

Remove the debris by raking or sweeping, then use the dethatcher again in a crosswise direction to the first cutting. Remove the debris. Set the lawn mower as low as possible and mow the lawn again. Remove the clippings.

The lawn may look pretty bad by this time, but it will recover.



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