

Modoc To Elect Board Members

ALTURAS — Membership has been set at five for the new county board of education and five directors will be elected on May 18. The county board is being formed following action of members of the Modoc County Committee on School District Organization.

Each of the five areas served by the new board will bear the same number and have the same boundaries as those established for the Modoc County board of supervisors. The five members will be elected at large but each member must reside in the area he represents.

March 26 is the last day for voters to register for the school board and school trustee elections to be held in Alturas on May 18.

County Extension Agent Estimates Basin Income

The total farm income for the Klamath Basin for the calendar year 1955 was estimated today by C. A. Henderson, county extension agent, at \$27,336,881.

This represents a decrease of \$2,981,949 over the 1954 income of \$30,318,830. Livestock income in 1955 was \$8,355,900, \$349,780 below the 1954 figure of \$8,699,080. Farm crop in-

come was \$19,181,581, \$2,642,182 below 1954's \$21,823,759. In commenting on these figures, Henderson said that 1955 was "not one of the better agricultural years."

Late spring frosts reduced yields of some crops and a lower price schedule greatly reduced farm income, he said. This, he added, was coupled to a general increase in farm costs.

There were a number of bright spots, however.

Henderson said that the dairy advertising campaign aided in maintaining reasonable prices on milk and barley screenings and

yields were both so high that they produced a generally good income despite drops in prices. While potato yields were quite low, he said, growers and dealers made every effort to put out a good pack, and accomplished this objective throughout the season.

This he said, brought top prices on all markets. Potato acreage was considerably lower than had been anticipated, thus further reducing the quantity of marketable potatoes, he added. Cattle marketings were heavier than in past years, he continued, but the total income from beef

was lower. In general, he said, this was true for all livestock products except for milk.

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OWNERS of the Klamath Cattle Sales, Inc., are left Dean Smith, Spokane, William E. Hutzell, right, Davenport, Washington, and two others not pictured, Daniel Armstrong, Davenport and C. Bruce Campbell, Klamath Falls. The four purchased the Klamath Livestock, Inc., recently from Frank Lowell.

Convicted Negro Bus Ban Leader To Continue Fight

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — A convicted leader in the Negro boycott of city buses here has pledged to continue the fight against segregation "no matter how many times" he is convicted of violating Alabama's anti-boycott law.

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was convicted yesterday of violating the boycott law and was fined \$500 by Circuit Judge Eugene Carter.

Last night the 27-year-old Baptist pastor vowed at a mass meeting to continue fighting for "justice and equality" and to keep on in a leading role in the protest movement "no matter how many times they convict me."

King has been prominent in the 17-week-old campaign against segregated seating on city buses. Negroes here generally were expected to prolong their mass protest despite King's conviction.

The fine assessed against King was suspended after defense attorneys served notice of an appeal. The attorneys said they would

take the appeal all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary in another test of the South's segregation laws.

King, pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist church, told his Negro audience last night that "freedom doesn't come on a silver platter." He added: "Some of the things we have to go through are a necessary part of our campaign. There can never be growth without growing pains."

He was given an ovation.

In addition to the \$500 fine which was suspended, King was also charged with court costs of approximately \$500. This was converted into a jail sentence totaling about 286 days since he chose to appeal rather than pay the money.

King, together with 89 other Negro leaders still awaiting trial on similar boycott charges, had exercised his right to a nonjury trial.

The conviction was announced by Carter at the end of a four-day trial. Circuit Solicitor William F. Theford said the state had agreed to postpone the trials of other defendants pending King's appeal.

COAL CASCADE

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill. (AP) — Everything went black as William Eisenhart, 62, slowed for a stop sign yesterday—and for a good reason. A truck tipped over, dumping 21 tons of coal on Eisenhart's car. He, his wife and his sister-in-law escaped injury.

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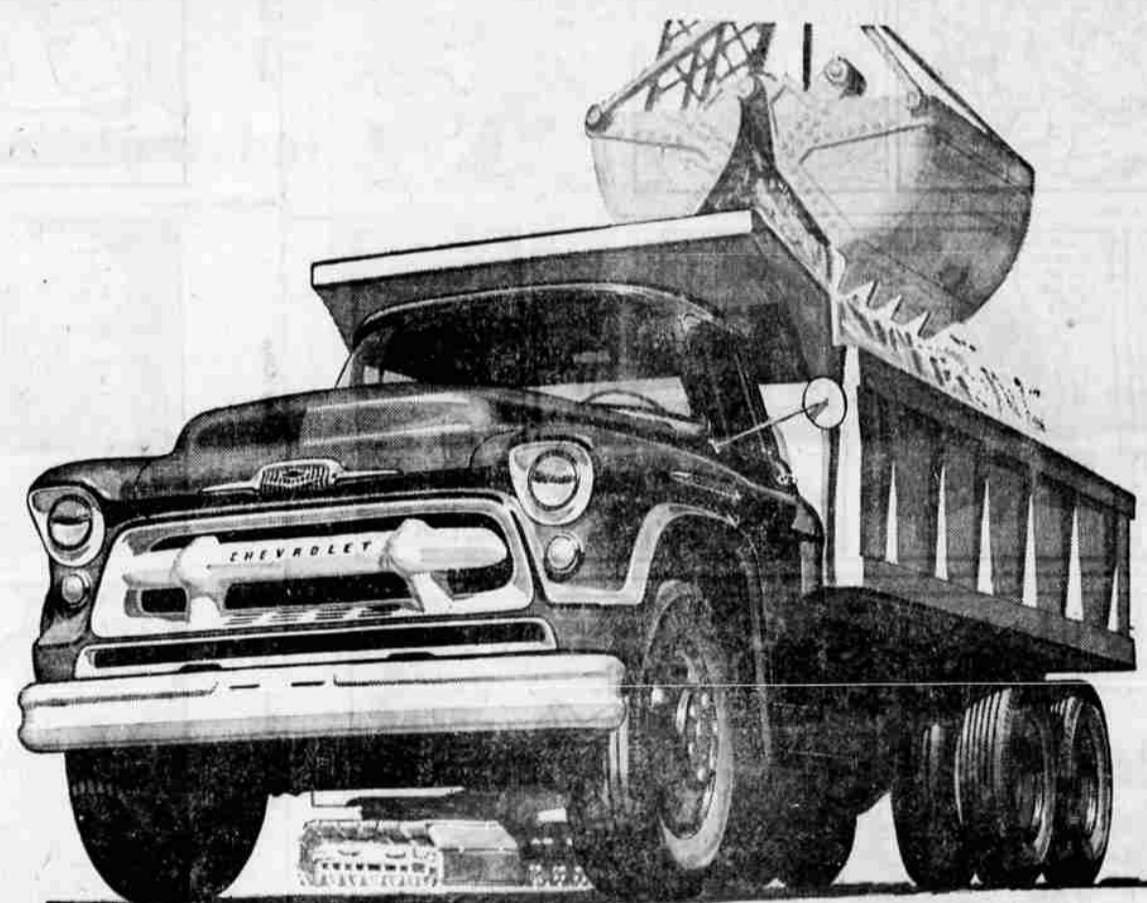
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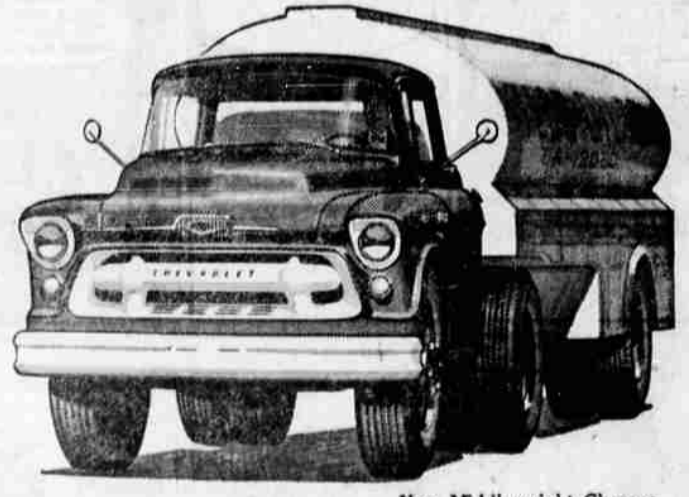
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