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RAPHAEL LEONARD

The Illinois Valley, Josephine county — yes the state of Oregon and the nation lost an extraordinary good citizen when Raphael Leonard slipped away from us last Thursday morning. This man in the flesh bent over backwards being honest and just to his fellow man. He would much rather have hurt himself rather than a friend or neighbor, and his spirit will live throughout this generation and generations to come as one of the outstanding citizens of our county.

The entire community and hundreds of friends throughout the county join The News in extending their sympathies to the bereaved family and relatives.

Dear Raphael:
I missed you last meeting night. You have always

stopped to pick me up and take me to lodge, but you didn't show up, and I kind'a hated to go to lodge without you. It certainly seemed that there was a vacant spot in lodge.

We draped the altar for you, Raphael. You know, we do that for all our brothers who have slipped away from us, but it wasn't so easy for us to do it for you. You have always been so close to us that putting that drape on the altar seemed like it was taking too much away from us. None of us in lodge felt right about it.

We're all very grateful for one thing, old top. If the Good Lord said it was your time to come home, we're mighty grateful that the Wise One took you while you were peacefully sleeping and there was no pain. We all believe you had that coming to you, and I mean it when I say, that I am mighty grateful to the Good Lord that it all happened the way it did, if it had to happen—and I guess your name was called at the Pearly Gates and you, like the good soldier you were, had to answer roll call.

O. K. Old Pal. It won't be so very long until some of the rest of us will be coming up, and I know you will be standing at the gate with a warm welcome when we do. In the meantime I'm going to miss you like blazes. Your good counsel was so sound and reliable, we all banked on your opinions. If you see me in a tight place some time, just snitch a little bit, and whisper down and tell me, will you?

Good night, Raphael. I'm not wishing you God-speed, for you have it. Good night.

Ever your friend,
MORNAY.

CAPITAL PARADE

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passed a bill providing for a \$300 a year bonus for most postal employees. This is the first increase since 1925. It is for the duration only and applies to all except messengers and rush season workers.

DIVORCE FEE CUT VETOED

"I share the view of those who believe that divorces are already too prevalent in this country," wrote Governor Earl Snell in vetoing H. B. 276 which would lower divorce fees and certain county revenues, in effect it would have taxpayers contribute to the cost of divorces.

OBITUARY

Raphael Sebastian Leonard, aged 54, passed away at the Josephine General hospital, Thursday, March 25th, after an illness of three weeks. He was born October 29, 1888, at the Althouse, and spent most of his life in Oregon.

He is survived by his wife, Jessie May Leonard and one son, Gordon R. Leonard, who came via plane from Camp Rucker, Alabama, to be with his father; a sister, Mrs. M. M. Lewis of Randall, Washington and a brother, Frank J. Leonard of West Springfield, Massachusetts.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, March 29th, at the Cave Junction Community church with the Rev. George H. Gray officiating, and graveside services at the Kerby IOOF cemetery under the direction of Belt Lodge No. 18, A. F. & A. M. The L. B. Hall Funeral home were in charge of arrangements.

CARD OF THANKS

We thank our many friends for their kindness and sympathy during our recent bereavement, the loss of our beloved husband, father, and brother, R. S. Leonard, and for the many floral offerings.
JESSIE M. LEONARD,
GORDON R. LEONARD,
MRS. M. M. LEWIS,
FRANK J. LEONARD.

Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau reported Monday that March income tax collections ran ahead of last year and reports indicate they will exceed treasury estimates by \$250,000,000.

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CHURCHES

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Young People's service, 7:45 p. m.
Evening service, 8:15 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8 p. m.

KERBY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school at I. O. O. F. hall, 9:45 a. m.

CAVE JUNCTION COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday school 10 to 11 a. m.
Church services 11 to 12 a. m.
Senior Bible study, 7:45.
C. Y. P. S. meeting7:45
All young people invited.
Geo. H. Gray, Pastor.

The Missionary society met at the church with 14 ladies present. The lesson for Sunday school was 'Jesus Returns to His Friends.' The golden text was: "I am alive forever more."

Donald Richard and Dwain Marshal from California were new pupils. We were glad to welcome them to our Sunday school:

Dorothy and Byron Gray and family are with us again. They have moved from Los Angeles and are planning to make their home here.

Rev. Gray's sermon was "At Home in the House of God." His text was "Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; they will be still praising thee."

Mrs. J. H. Dow sang "Peace Be Still."

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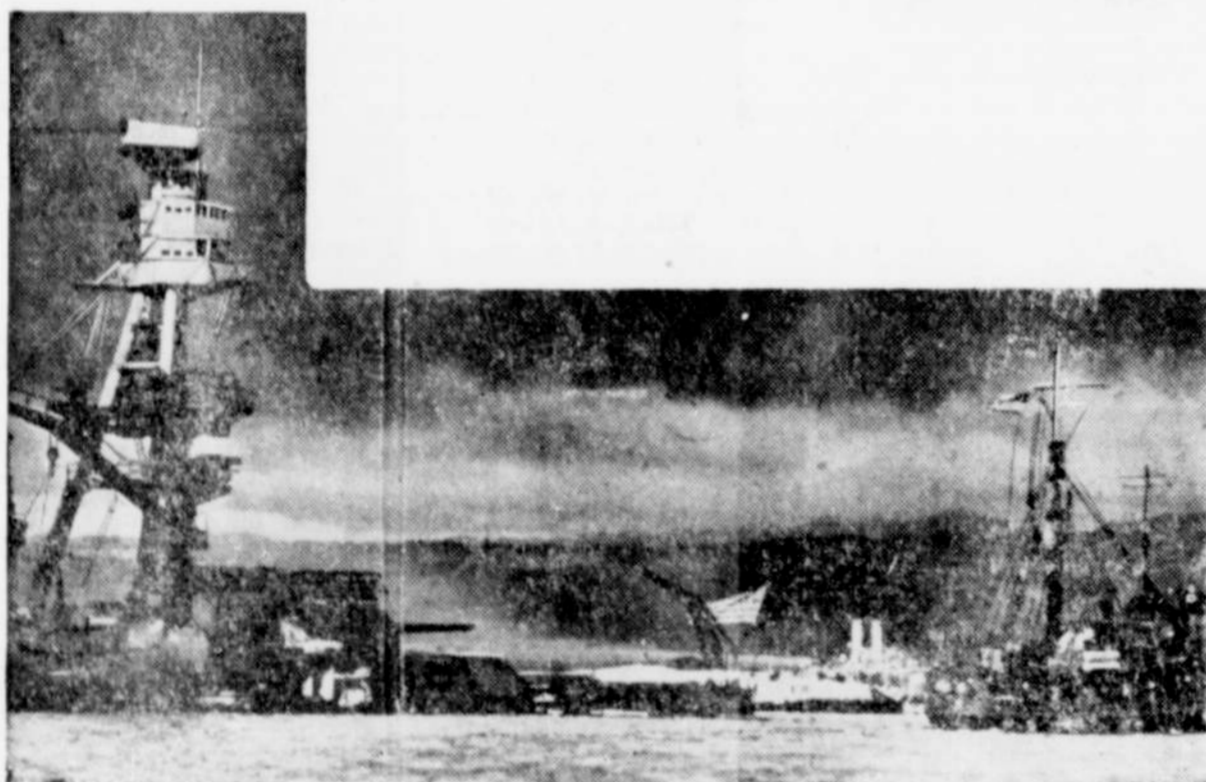
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