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The Glorious Fourth

It seems to be the fashion of these after-war days among certain groups of people, especially in the cities, to sneer at patriotism. To the sentiment of love of our country, there are plenty of people who try to back up all the bills that have come upon us. Is sugar extortionately high? Drat such a country! Are the railroads bad performers? Democracy is to blame. Are the politicians rambunctious? The country is going to the devil.

Nothing of the kind. The country is not at fault, the republic and democracy are as glorious as they ever were, the nation is as right as it ever was, the trouble is human. If there are wrongs they are wrongs perpetrated by human people and they will be corrected—they cannot persist in this democratic republic. Evolution—and the war was only an incident of evolution—brings to our doorstep queer children. They don't look right to us today, but 50 years from today we will know that the trouble-some foundlings were only details in the long, long trail of earthy progress.

If everything went well with us, we would not know it because there would be nothing to contrast it with. We must have the hard knocks to enjoy the sweets of existence.

The Fourth of July is upon us again. Let us remember that on that day, July 4, 1776, when we gave to the world our Declaration of Independence, a nation was born that gave world evolution its sharpest impetus. It suddenly brought to the front a smouldering consciousness of human dignity, of rights that belong to every living soul. In the 144 years that have elapsed, the common people of this earth have advanced in education, intelligence, good living and liberty more than they did in the 4000 years previously, and that declaration, and this democracy, have been largely responsible for it.

Glorious Fourth! For it is as glorious as 144 years ago, and its glory will live as long as the word "liberty" sounds good to mankind.

Senator Harding's election will mean a business administration.

Unless dwellings are built here during the summer, Heppner will face a housing catastrophe. The question is, "What are we going to do about it?"

With two good highways leading into the heart of Grant county, Heppner should be able to make a bid for interior trade that will appeal to our neighbors just over the mountains. Nature has favored us geographically, it's up to us to do the rest.

Food Exports Dropping

The figures show that our enormous food exports of during the war are rapidly dropping down towards the size of the quantities shipped before the war.

In the year 1914, foodstuffs constituted 15 per cent of our total exports. In 1918, they were 40 per cent of the total. In April, 1919, they were 43 per cent. But April, 1920, the last month for which detailed figures of exports are available, shows a reduction of 21 per cent. This is a piece of information which our rural communities should have, just as a city manufacturer should have—and has—similar information when exports of machinery drop.

The quantity of fresh beef, for instance, exported from the United States, which jumped from 6,000,000 pounds in the fiscal year 1914 to 231,000,000 pounds in 1916, and 514,000,000 pounds in the calendar year 1918, dropped to 174,000,000 pounds in 1919, and is now running at the rate of about 150,000,000 pounds per annum, as against 514,000,000 pounds in the closing year of the war. Of bacon, for which the foreign world still clamors, the exports in the 10 months ending with April, 1920, are only about two-thirds as much as in the corresponding months of the preceding year; wheat, two-thirds as much as in the same months of last year; corn in the 10 months of the fiscal year 1920 only 13,000,000 bushels against 62,000,000 in the same period of 1918; and oats a little over one-third as much as the annual average of 1919-1918.

The Chronicle had hoped for the nomination of Hiram W. Johnson. It regrets that the decision has been otherwise. But that ends it. It is not the individual who is of most national interest. It is the principles and not men to which party loyalty must be given if parties and, indeed, the republic is to endure.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Morrow county farmers are progressive. The annual trip into Sherman county is becoming an event that is looked forward to by many of our best agriculturalists, and the number making the journey increases each year. Stops are made along the way for a study of conditions as they may exist in the various localities and finally, when the great wheat belt of Sherman county is reached, our farmers get first hand, the methods employed so successfully. A visit is made to the experiment station at Moro and our farmers can see for themselves what the demonstrations as carried on mean to the farmers of Sherman county. More is the pity that every farmer in Morrow county will not be able to make the trip this year. County agent Hunt is urging all who can, to join the junketers and he guarantees that it will be a time well spent.

Slats' Diary

Friday—Went swimmin with Jake and Blisters today. I was learning Jake 2 swim over hand but he cudent. Killed a grate big water snake over a ft. long. Blisters can keep under water while you count 20. If you count fast enuff.

Saturday—I was pulling up weeds and ma give me 15 cts & I sed Come on ma the war tax aint as yet ben taken on. 2 cts more please & she did. I went 2 a Soshul wich the Boy skouts was giving for 17 cts a ticket. J. E. was there and I ast her did she have enny ticket. She sed yes so I sed Suppose we eat sum ice cream & we did. I was jokeling her and kinda making love 2 her & she sorta blushed red & sed I bet you dont know what color my eyes is. I sed They are like a bunch of pansies in a fence corner. She smiled cause I cud see she was tickled.

Sunday—pa & ma & me went on a Weak end picknick with a lunch and sum lemons wich was for lemonaid. Wile ma was preparing our lunch pa & me got a skiff & we went fishing. pa got his line fast & was leening out and just for fun I locked the bote & he went out hed 1st. He cum up wettern a mad hen & then we cum in. But some way my fun was spoilt & his muddy finger prints was on my pam beech pants.

Monday—Jake's cuzzen cum 2 visit him today his name is Harrol & he wares big glasses & Blond Hare. Jake & me will have sum fun with him. ma is waiting for pa to cum home haveing found a Reecet in his pocket telling how to make yure own beer at Home.

Tuesday—Pa was telling 2 ma about a fella wich was arrested because he was selling beer in a dry Town for 50 cts a bottel & ma sed he should ought to be arrested. Pa sed enny man wich wood sell Beer in a dry Town for 50 cts ought 2 be sent to the Sylum.

Wednesday—Met J. E. today & she ast why my eyes were so red & I sed I guest I had a cold in my hed or sumthing & she sed it must be a cold. & I never tumbled till now.

Thursday—Ma sold sum rags & paper & stuff 2 a junk man and she had near a ton & let him have it for a tin cup & a pack of pins. Ma isent so very good at figgers. Pa sed the only thing she can multiply is words.

There may be some large lodge homes in the tate of Oregon but there are none any finer than the home of Heppner Lodge No. 358, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Local Elks and Heppner people generally may well be proud of

this handsome and substantial structure.

"I certainly was surprised to find such excellent grain in Morrow county," said a Walla Walla farmer who made a tour of inspection over the grain fields here the past week. "North of Lexington I saw wheat which was to me a revelation, and to

How About that Big Vacation You Promised Yourself?

Do you remember how thru all the long days that you have been thinking that you have been thinking about the big time that you were going to have next Summer.

Now is the time to go, the weather is getting hot. Plan your vacation so the whole family can enjoy it. It's a nice automobile trip thru the mountains to the Springs. After you get there you'll find enjoyment for the whole family.

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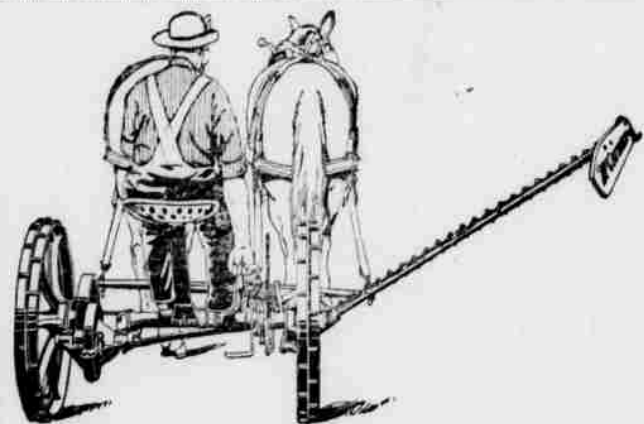
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Gilliam & Bisbee

think that it was being raised on land that is selling as low as forty dollars an acre. Some of the wheat gives promise of making as heavy a yield as will that of the famed Walla Walla belt." This man was so much impressed with what he saw that it is not unlikely that he will return and invest in land here. Morrow county beats the world when it comes to producing crops at a low cost and on land that is now selling for less than any other wheat land of like quality anywhere.



Where to Eat

The Question Is Settled

DINE WITH US

Our New Big Dining Room is not exclusive to transient trade. It's for the folks of Heppner First, Last and All the Time.

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SHORT ORDERS, TOO

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