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A community Christmas tree for Heppner was quite thoroughly discussed at the Brotherhood meeting on Monday evening. It was decided that it would not be proper to attempt, at this late date, to carry out the idea for this season, but that it would be placed on the program at an early date the coming year and the idea carried out Christmas of 1922.

While on the subject of Christmas and giving, it was developed that there is just about two ideas of Christmas prevalent; a "giving Christmas" and a "receiving Christmas" and this gave Brother Notson a chance to present the Near East question. It soon developed that the Brotherhood, at least, wished to be in the class with those who believe in a giving Christmas, and a good visitor from Seattle having led the hat was passed and a fund of \$25.21 raised, which is to be considered as a starter for Heppner in its remembrance of the suffering children of the Near East at this Christmas season. We hope that it may be swelled to many hundreds of dollars; we feel that it will when the good people of this town are made to fully realize the tremendous need. Money going into this fund is saving lives.

No "Super-State" Needed.

It is plain to everybody in the world today as it has all along been to Americans who studied the words and acts of the President, that no "super power" need be invoked to do that which sovereign governments can do without in the least yielding any of their fine national ideals. The proposals made by Mr. Hughes involve financial sacrifice by the leading peoples—that is, initial sacrifice. Not even temporary loss of pride is required, however; not even momentary surrender of blood-bought and sacred rights to a covenant or league or other super-state created to dominate all and truly serve none.

There was never any real kindling of national spirit in the influence of the league of nations upon the minds of the world. Those who did not look upon it as a Juggernaut hailed it as a contraption too complicated ever to be understood. Nobody felt a thrill at contemplating its suggestive workings; it offered a covenant which promised relief from some dangers through the erection of others at least equally formidable. Mr. Wil-

son and those of his followers who were for it had to be on the defensive from the start. Defense was required everywhere; inspiration could be found nowhere.

But how the world has been stirred by the Harding-Hughes program! With one voice nations speak in fine acclaim of the plan. It is because common sense methods of removing a troublesome institution were employed—the way that is really highest statesmanship.—*St. Louis Times.*

To make a merry Christmas for the little folks of this community, the American Legion Post will have a program and treat for the children under ten years of age at the fair pavilion on Christmas night. They are preparing to make this an occasion of joy for the little folks, and after all Christmas should be an occasion especially for the children.

Do your Christmas shopping now; do it in Heppner; our merchants can supply all your needs.

There was lively discussion of the county budget for two days the past week at the court house in an honest attempt to reduce the expense account and cut taxes. However, it developed that there was little chance to get below the estimates without seriously disturbing the economic arrangements and the budget was voted without change. The attack on the office of the county

agent failed to stand when the farming communities were heard from, and that office will be continued.


Homey Philosophy For 1921

Every so often you run into a poor fellow who tells you forlornly that "Life isn't worth living." But you continue to meet him at the usual places where folks are customarily met and then you get a shock when you realize that he is still alive—life has been worth enough for him to be on hand and eat his usual meals. After all, nothing could be more absurd than the man who says "Life isn't worth living."

Public utilities of Oregon will pay taxes the coming year on a total valuation in the state of \$4,447,794.76 more than last year. The full value for 1920 was \$181,507,000.53 and for this year \$185,504,795.29.

THE MAIN THING.

An old dorky got up one night at a revival meeting and said: "Bruders an' sisters, you knows an' I knows dat I ain't been what I oughter been. Ise robbed henroosts an' stole hogs, an' stole lies, an' got drunk, an' slashed folks wi' mah razor, an' shot crops, an' cussed an' swore; but I thank de Lord dere's one thing I ain't nebbber done; I ain't nebbber lost mah religion."—*Western Christian Advocate.*



Toys! Toys!

Bring the kiddies here and let them feast their eyes on our splendid assortment of toys.

Toys of Every Description

Santa Claus' Headquarters

All kinds of Christmas Novelties and Decorations for the tree.

CHRISTMAS TREES ALSO

We have a great many useful and suitable articles for gifts for the older ones.

Cash Variety Store

BIG VALUES FOR LITTLE MONEY

FAIR TREATMENT COMBINED WITH BEST PRINTING

A. M. EDWARDS
WELL DRILLER
Lexington, Ore.
Box 14

Uses up-to-date traction drilling outfit, equipped for all sizes of hole and depths.

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The Byers Chop Mill
(Formerly SCHEMPF'S MILL)

STEAM ROLLED BARLEY AND WHEAT

After the 20th of September will handle Gasoline, Coal Oil and Lubricating Oil

You Will Find Prompt and Satisfactory Service Here

For **XMAS**

USEFUL GIFTS



YOU ARE THINKING NOW OF WHAT SORT OF PRESENTS YOU WILL MAKE. SOMETHING USEFUL AND LASTING WILL BE MORE KEENLY APPRECIATED.

FOR INSTANCE—

Pendleton Indian Robes are always appropriate. We have them in beautiful patterns, bearing purple and gold label, a guarantee of their superior quality. Priced right, too.

Pure Virgin Wool Blankets from Oregon City Woolen Mills, either double or single. None better are made. A proper gift.

Holeproof Hosiery for men and women—a complete line. Nothing more appropriate for Christmas remembrances.

When you are thinking of Christmas and the joy of giving, think of

Sam Hughes Company

NEGLECT!

Who Pays?

Don't Let Your Battery Freeze.

We are here for your service, convenience and security, to store your battery where it will be taken care of in truly a convenient.

When Specific Gravity Is	Freezing Point
1300	Minus 95
1250	Minus 60
1200	Minus 16
1150	Plus 5
1100	Plus 19

Don't Let Your Battery Ruin Because of Your Negligence.


Battery Electric Service Station

L. R. CLABOUGH
Phone 53 Heppner, Ore.

CHARITY BALL

Under the auspices of

Heppner Lodge No. 358, B. P. O. Elks



Monday Evening, December 26th

Elks Building

For Members of American Legion and Their Families, as Well as All Elks.

The entire proceeds to be used to make a Merry Xmas for the needy of the community.

9:00 P. M. Sharp Admission \$1.50

This space contributed by Peoples Hardware Co. and Gilliam & Blissee

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Time to begin thinking about

Christmas

You will want

Candy

We will have plenty to sell.

Think it over and bear us in mind.

Phelps Grocery Company

Phone 53

Special Extra-Value Sale of

MEN'S Overcoats

A double-barrelled shot at the high cost of clothing—extra good values at less than usual prices.

\$25 to \$50

Good warm coats of excellent quality and tailoring. Certain to give you good big value for your money.

Lloyd Hutchinson

Tailoring

Where They **CLEAN** CLOTHES **LEAN**



Service That Looks Ahead

The First National Bank service is helpful for the reason that it is planned and applied to care for all your financial and business needs—the ordinary everyday demands and also those unusual in nature.

Today you can prepare for tomorrow by building up a cash reserve and making your plans known to us, so that when the proper time comes, you are in a position to carry out your plans with a cash reserve at hand and the privilege of going over all detail with our officers in a confidential way.

First National Bank

HEPPNER, OREGON