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Doing Good Work.

A STATEMENT made by Harold Warner, district committeeman of the Department of Oregon, American Legion, at the conference here Monday should be of interest to every citizen of Heppner. Mr. Warner said: "Taking into consideration the size of the town and the size of the post, the record of Heppner Post No. 87 in community service work during the past year is the outstanding achievement of the entire Department of Oregon." These words were not lightly spoken for Mr. Warner knows whereof he speaks.

Service to the community is the watchword of the American Legion, and all over the United States that organization is found at the head of every piece of work looking to community advancement. That Heppner Post is doing its part in this work, and doing it exceedingly well, is recognized by the state officers, and it is only right that local recognition be given of this service.

Heppner Post is small, yet it has to its credit achievements not equalled by many of the larger posts of the state. That this has been made possible by the cooperation of the citizens of the town is admitted, but the planning and carrying through of the many projects for community betterment have been done by the Legion boys, and to them belongs the credit for putting Heppner on the Legion map, not only of the state, but of the nation as well.

Let us suggest that the people of this community get in closer touch with the local post of the American Legion. Thir aims and ideals are absolutely unselfish, and much good can be accomplished for the community by cooperation of the citizens with this organization.

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Russian Communist newspapers admit there are 750,000 children starving to death in Southern Russia. The land of the Bolshevist is going to be recognized one way or another.

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THE meeting of the state highway commission the past week was one of note. That body let contracts and ordered work to be done on various highways which will call for the expenditure of about $6,000,000 in the coming two years. Provision was made for the closing of many gaps and the program is an extensive one, yet, in going down the list nothing is allowed for the completion of the Oregon-Washington highway between Lena and Vinson, a short sixteen miles, that will make that highway of real value to the state and Morrow county. We wonder why no action was taken by the commission on the proposition made them by our county court at the February meeting. Such proposition was in writing and presented to the chairman of the commission with the understanding that, while the commission would not be able to act in the matter at the current meeting, it would be considered at the March meeting. This was not done, as near as we can understand. However, our court will have to assume that hereafter it will be necessary for them to camp on the trail of the commission and be right there at every meeting to press the claims of the county if they expect to get this piece of road completed, or have the Hardman-Spray road put on the map. As we view it, the county is not getting what we are entitled to from the state highway commission, but it may be our fault.

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Insulting Oregon Voters.

Oregon Voter.

SO THE people of Oregon can be corrupted, can they?

All that is necessary to carry a vicious measure is to spend some $75,000 or $100,000 in a campaign is it?

The voters of Oregon haven't intelligence or self-respect enough to vote down a wrongful bill if $100,000 is spent in a campaign—is that the truth?

According to Portland *Journal*, the people of our fair state are so ignorant, so lick-spittle, that they can be stampeded like a lot of silly sheep by spending enough money in a campaign.

"O ye of little faith!"

All that a vigorous campaign will do is to arouse public attention. The campaign will not make up the people's minds for them. The voters will do their own thinking, thank you.

If the campaign is a big one, conducted with pep, it will make the issue the principal subject talked about before the election. It will be in everyone's mind as the big question to be settled.

Given a strong campaign, the people can detect selfishness, greed and hypocrisy if those evil motives are behind the Dennis resolution or any other measure. The more money spent, the quicker the people will detect the real motive. They will rebuke selfishness, greed and hypocrisy by overwhelming majorities at the polls.

But if they find that the motive behind the Dennis resolution is a sincere effort to make a big and prosperous state out of Oregon, and conclude that its ratification will help bring about that desirable end, they will vote for it.

The *Journal's* hysterical shrieking about a huge campaign fund for the Dennis resolution is an insult to the character and intelligence of the Oregon electorate.

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A husband's definition for a wife should be—"A woman to whom I may be as rude as I wish, without being compelled to apologize."

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The Officer Also Has Some Rights.

East Oregonian.

PORTLAND newspapers have overworked their criticism of law enforcement officers because of a blunder by one policeman. Mistakes of that sort are unavoidable at times but they can be dealt with without upsetting the whole law enforcement program and without making bootleggers and moonshiners think they are oppressed heroes whose names belong in the Hall of Fame.

The task of enforcing the liquor law is not an easy one. There are vicious, selfish, desperate men engaged in the illicit traffic. Quite often they are ready to rob and slug; at times they do not hesitate at murder. Officers know this and they plan accordingly. They are justified in doing so. They are right in safeguarding themselves when possible. The officer has some rights of his own that deserve respect. They are right in securing information by such mehtods as are open to them. They do the same with bank robbers and no one complains. Why put the bootlegger on a pedestal?

If newspapers persist in branding as stool pigeons and outcasts every man or woman who does detective work or otherwise aids in tracing law violations, the net result will be security for bootleggers, but not for the public. If we want the law enforced, give the officers a chance and back them up without quibble or camouflage. If we don't want the law enforced, repeal it.

The fact the dry law cannot be repealed and that each legislature makes penaltlies for violations more severe indicates general approval of the prohibition regime. It means that the people are glad to be rid of the old saloons and look upon booze as a vice and not a virtue. Such being the case, the obvious thing is to enforce the law and do so without fear or favor. When violations of the law occur or there is suspicion to that effect the so-called prominent or respectable home is no different from any other home. The law makes no distinction between rich man and poor man, between the influential and the every-day citizen of humble ways. An officer should know his business and act with proper courtesy and discretion. The same obligation is upon the citizen and that obligation rests upon the influential man as well as the man who may live in a tent or a two-room hut. There are some influential people who do not know this but that is their mistake. There are people in Portland and elsewhere who think they live in a charmed circle and that an officer who looks at them should be shot at sunrise. They should get over that impression. It is based upon ignorance and a snobbishness not in accord with the ideals of our republic.

If we do not want the bootlegger with his graveyard juice and his gunman methods to override the expressed will of the people we should give officers the air to which they are entitled. They should not be hampered and harrassed at every turn but encouraged to enforce the law without toadyism and without danger of reprisals by parties who may have or think they have influence.

In this connection a very real obligation rests upon the press. We should meet that obligation in straightforward American fashion or get off the track.

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What has happened to the girl who used to say, "Mamma, have I got too much powder on" and "Lips that touch liquor shall never touch mine?"

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Our Washington Letter

N. P. S.

WASHINTON, D. C., MARCH 31.—President Coolidge and Secretary of Agriculture Jardine are determined that sensible recommendations for legislation to aid the farmer shall be presented to the next congress. Neither the President nor the Secretary of Agriculture have, for an instant, any notion that the mere enactment of a certain law will cure any legislative ill that may confront the agricultural industry of the nation. Both the President and the Secretary desire that form of legislation that will permit the farmer to get reasonable credit on sound security when it is necessary. They desire to aid in the working out of a plan that will permit him to place his products on the market in such a manner as to put him on a par with other business men.

In the opinion of the Secretary of Agriculture the farmer's is a vastly complex business, and one that needs improved marketing methods. As Secretary Jardine says in an article in "The Nation's Business," "What we all need to do is to talk less tommyrot and throw fewer monkey wrenches into other people's machinery." As Jardine puts it, "Quantity and quality are the two things that count' in the farm business, as in any other, and profitable production "doesn't lie in producing at the lowest possible cost per acre,' but in producing 'in such a way as to give the biggest margin between the production cost per acre and the selling price per acre.' The problem is just a business matter, and the farmer is working it out on his own farm."

JUST before Vice-President Charles G. Dawes left Washington for his home in Evanston, Illinois, he made the statement that he would deliver a number of speeches touching upon the necessity of doing away with the right to filibuster in the senate. He stated that in the addresses he would make he would not handle the matter in anything but a non-partisan manner. It was a subject, he contended, that should be placed high above party politics.

General Dawes, in making these trips, does so as the result not only of his desire to place the matter squarely before the people of the country, but also in response to literally hundreds of letters and telegrams received by him, asking that he appear in the several cities and towns and give his views on this question.

WHILE the balance of the nation is enjoying prosperity and, in many instances, also participating in the slight drop in the cost of living, Washington is still paying as much, if not more, for clothes to wear and things to eat than they did a year ago. It is true that the prices that prevailed in Washington during the war period were higher than they are now, but not very much. Rents for a long time past have been in the same class as a high-flying airplane, namely, "way up." Apartments that, in many cities, would probably rent for $75.00 a month, here cost $150.00, or more—generally more. Prices on food products are much higher than they should be. The quality of vegetables, fruits, etc., is not up to the standard set in thousands of other Amreican villages, towns and cities. Washington is not a cheap place in which to live.

WHEN Congress again convenes the senate will be faced with a long calendar of legislative business: three of the most highly controversial questions will be that of America's adherence to the world court, the Muscle Shoals project and a measure that will tend to make for the downward revision of federal taxes. While the subjects just mentioned may be listed as the more important ones, there are other problems that will confront the law makers when they again go into session. For instance, gasoline prices, disposition of the Lausanne treaty, the restoration of commercial relations between the United States and Turkey. Then there will be the matter of naming a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, for it will be recalled that Thos. L. Woodlock of New York was named as a democratic member, as required by law, but the democrats "smothered" his confirmation, both in the 68th senate and in the special session, casting aside his fitness for the position because, as the democrats claimed, it would deprive the South of its traditional representation on the Interstate Commerce Commission.

It will be recalled that last year Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon advocated a further reduction in surtaxes which, put into everyday language, means the releasing of more capital for various enterprises, thus providing work for a greater number of citizens of the country. This was beaten by the democrats in the House, and it is more than probable that the democrats both in the house and senate, unwilling because of partisan stubbornness to yield, will make strenuous efforts to again beat the plan. It is hoped, however, that the summer calm, and the fact that the voters throughout the country may drop a hint to stubborn representatives and senators that the good of the country comes befroe partisan politics, may have, to a degree at least, a salutary effect upon the lawmakers.

UNTIL a short time ago one of the most popular forms of sport was to harrass the railroads. It is true that, in many instances, the railroads did not always act like good children are supposed to behave, but during latter years there has been a manifest desire on the part of the carriers of the country to be of real assistance to the people of the nation, to cooperate in every way, to get the produce of the farmers to the market, to get the manufactured articles of the mills to their point of distribution, and to provide better service all around.

During the last two sessions of congress there has been a decided sentiment in favor of the consolidation of many of the railroads. This sentiment has been caused by the recognition that the prosperity of the railroads is a material and very necessary element in the prosperity of the nation, so congress is getting to the point where they are willing to help by practical legislation to aid the railroads, if the railroads will in turn aid the people.

President Coolidge, Chairman Watson of the Interstate Commerce Committee of the senate, and the Interstate Commerce Commission, are all intensely interested in seeing that the people of the country are given adequate transportation facilities. The entire question is one that will be carefully studied by the President and the others interested in the subject during the recess of congress.

Wheat.

(Morrow County Extension Service News.)

Revisions in estimates of winter wheat acreage in some of the European countries, together with a new estimate for Esthonia, bring the total wheat area of 16 countries reported to date up to 124,465,000 acres as compared with 120,748,000 acres for the same countries last year, an increase of 4,281,000 acres or 3 per cent. The increase this year is due mostly to the larger acreage reported in the United States, India, France and Italy which more than compensates for the small reductions in some of the other countries of less importance. The largest Northern Hemisphere producers outside of Russia for which estimates are still lacking are Germany, Hungary, Yugoslavia, and the countries of Northern Africa.

Recent rains have benefitted crops in Rumania and conditions are favorable in Bulgaria. Rainfall in Morocco has brought improvement there, but more is needed in Algeria where only light rains are reported. Strong, dry winds in India have been unfavorable to the wheat crop now nearing maturity.—U. S. D. A.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, March 4, 1925.

NOTICE is hereby given that Antone Cunha, of Lena, Oregon, who, on September 1, 1920, made Additional Homestead Entry, Act 12-29-16, No. 017356, for S½ SE¼, Section 20, NW¼ NE¼, Section 29, SW¼ NE¼, W½ SE¼, Section 15, Township 2 South, Range 29 East, W. M., SW¼ NW¼, Section 8, Township 1 South, Range 28 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before United States Commissioner, at Heppner, Oregon, on the 18th day of April, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Vern F. Pearson, F. J. Hiatt, W. H. Instone, James Daly, all of Lena, Oregon.

J. H. PEARE, Register.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Notice is hereby given that the County Court of Morrow County will not honor any orders issued on account of work on the roads of the county by any individual; this practice has been followed to some extent heretofore, but it is now discontinued.

All orders for work, issued by the County Road Master, will be handled as heretofore; these to be payable on the 10th of the month following the month in which the work is done. People will accept any other orders at their own risk.

By order of the County Court,
R. L. BENGE, County Judge.

APPLICATION FOR JUDGMENT FORECLOSING TAX LIENS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR MORROW COUNTY.

Morrow County, Oregon, A Public Corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
Clema Tena O'Neill, R. V. Brown, Richard Hogeland, Northern Pacific Railway Company, a corporation, John M. Main, R. O. Horning, H. C. Robertson, and Asa L. Young, and any other person or persons owning or claiming to own, or having or claiming to have, any interest or estate in or to the real property hereinafter described, Defendants.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE.

To Clema Tena O'Neill, R. V. Brown, Richard Hogeland, Northern Pacific Railway Company, a corporation, John M. Main, R. O. Horning, H. C. Robertson, and Asa L. Young, and any other person or persons owning or claiming to own, or having or claiming to have, any interest or estate in or to the real property hereinafter described, Defendants:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You and each of you are hereby notified that the above named Plaintiff, a public corportion, is the purchaser, owner and holder of certificates of delinquency numbered 1119, 1136, 1152, 1160, and 1169, issued on the 6th day of June, 1923, by the Sheriff and Collector of Delinquent Taxes for Morrow County, Oregon, and filed by the said Sheriff and Collector of Delinquent Taxes in the office of the County Clerk of the County of Morrow, State of Oregon, on the 6th day of June, 1923, for taxes due and delinquent, together with penalty, interest and costs thereon, upon real property situate in Morrow County, Oregon.

You are further notified that the amount for which said certificate is issued is set opposite and following the description of the tract or parcel of land hereinafter set out, the same being the amount then due and delinquent, for taxes for the year 1918, together with penalty, interests, costs thereon, upon real property situate in Morrow County, Oregon, and particularly bounded and described as hereinafter set forth, said tract or parcel of land being assessed for the year 1918 to the first person whose name immediately precedes the description thereof, and is followed by the name of the person appearing to be the owner thereof, as appears on the tax roll of Morrow Countw, Oregon, for the year 1924, now in the hands of the Sheriff of said County for collection, at the date of the first publication of this summons and notice, which date is the 2nd day of April, 1925.

Certificate No. 1119, R. V. Brown and Clema Tena O'Neill, Lot 7, Block 8, Cluff's Seventh Addition to Ione, Oregon	$ 6.33
Certificate No. 1136, Richard Hogeland and Richard Hogeland, SE¼SW¼, Sec. 14; NE¼NW¼, Sec. 23; and S½ NW¼, SW¼NE¼, and NW¼SW¼, Sec 24; all in Tp. 5 S., R. 26 East of Willamette Meridian	$ 32.85
Certificate No. 1152, Northern Pacific Railway Company, a corporation, care of John M. Main, and R. O. Horning, That portion of SW¼SE¼ of Sec. 3, lying north of canal; and SE¼SW¼, Sec. 3; all in Tp. 4 N., R. 26 East of Willamette Meridian	$ 2.84
Certificate No. 1160, H. C. Robertson, and H. C. Robertson, SW¼NW¼ and W½SW¼, Sec. 19, Tp. 1 N., R. 28 East of Willamette Meridian	$ 49.05
Certificate No. 1169, Asa L. Young and Asa L. Young, All of Sec. 16, Tp. 6, S., R. 27 East of Willamette Meridian, and All of Sec. 16, Tp. 6 S., R. 29 East of Willamette Meridian	$190.47

That said amounts bear interest as follows: The Taxes aforesaid bear interest from the date of filing of said certificates, being the 6th day of June, 1923.

And you and each of you are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of first publication of this summons, exclusive of the day of first publication thereof, to-wit: April 2, 1925, and defend the suit in the Court aforesaid, or pay the amount due as shown above against said tracts or parcels of land, respectively, above described, of which you are the owner, or in which you have or claim to have, any interest or estate, together with interest and costs accrued in this suit thereon.

Service of a copy of your answer or other process may be made on the undersigned attorney for plaintiff, at the place specified below as his address, and in case of your failure so to do, judgment and decree will be entered against you and each of you foreclosing said tax liens for the amount set opposite and following the description of said parcel of land above set forth, together with interest and costs thereon, against said tracts or parcels of land, and said tracts or parcels of land will be sold to satisfy said judgment and decree obtained in this suit.

You are further hereby notified that the plaintiff will apply to the Court aforesaid for judgment and decree foreclosing said tax liens against said property hereinbefore described.

This summons is published once each week for six consecutive weeks in The Gazette-Times, a newspaper of general circulation in Morrow County, Oregon, published weekly at Heppner in said County, the date of first publication thereof being April 2, 1925, and said publication being made in pursuance of the statutes of the State of Oregon, said newspaper having been designated by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County as the newspaper in which said summons should be published, by order duly entered in said Court on the first day of April, 1925.

COUNTY OF MORROW, STATE OF OREGON,
BY SAMUEL E. NOTSON,
District Attorney for Morrow County, Oregon, and Attorney for Plaintiff; whose address is Heppner, Oregon.

Date of first publication, April 2, 1925.

Date of last publication, May 13, 1925.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, February 27, 1925.

NOTICE is hereby given that Henry S. Crump, of Heppner, Oregon, who, on March 8, 1920, made Additional Homestead Entry, Act 12-29-16, No. 018089, for NW¼ and SW¼, Section 12, Township 1 South, Range 17 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before United States Commissioner, at Heppner, Oregon, on the 11th day of April, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses:

J. C. Sharp, W. H. Turner, Fred Crump, A. L. Casebeer, all of Heppner, Oregon.

J. H. PEARE, Register.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that the Galloway Telephone Company has dissolved and is now proceeding to wind up its affairs and close its business. All persons indebted to, and all persons having claims against said corporation are hereby requested to settle such indebtedness, and present such claims to the undersigned Secretary of said Company at Heppner, Oregon, on or before April 15th, 1925.

Dated at Heppner, Oregon, this 5th day of March, 1925.

T. J. HUMPHREYS, Secretary.

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