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### Where Will Labor Get Off?

INTELLIGENT labor applied to bounteous physical resources—or economic wealth—makes for prosperity. That is a fundamental economic principle.

Just now the United States is suffering what President Roosevelt chooses to term a "recession" in the process of recovery from the last major depression. The word "recession" is well chosen, for actually the main course of the economic pendulum is on the upswing. There is no denying that the impediment to this course, and the force that has momentarily pulled the pendulum backward, is trouble in labor circles. That these troubles exist is in itself evidence of better times; for labor strikes only when there is hope of obtaining something. Such hope is not present in times of dire depression.

It is right and just that labor should have its share of increased earnings, and that right is recognized in the principle of collective bargaining. But when labor violates every protective rule of society generally, bringing depressed markets everywhere—in town and on farm—in obtaining those ends, then is it showing gross lack of intelligence; for it brings diminishing returns on every hand from which it itself cannot hope for more, but for a lesser portion.

Present labor troubles differ in nature from those generally in the past. The fight now, as it has been in the past, is not to throw off the shackles of greedy capitalism. That has already been fairly well accomplished with latter day employers generally recognizing that well paid labor brings more profits. The fight now is brought about by two major labor organizations, one of which, the Committee for Industrial Organization, or CIO, is attempting to organize all labor into one major organization, denying the principle long fathered by American Federation of Labor—the second member in the fight—that craft unions have a right to individual existence.

Some informed observers even tend to the belief that the main objective behind the big CIO drive is the incorporation of all labor within one organization to serve as a political machine for the elevation of its leader, John L. Lewis, to the presidency of the United States. This view sees a parallel situation in the United States to that of the overthrow of Russia by the bolshevisti. That view is unduly alarming, for there is still too much love of liberty in the hearts of rank and file laborers in America for labor as a class to be brought so definitely and completely under the iron heel of a few selfish leaders.

There does appear, however, to be general ignorance among labor-

ers themselves as to what present strikes are hoped to accomplish. It is definitely time that government, be it federal, state or local, step into the breach, see that any just demands of labor be given recognition to which such demands are entitled; to put a stop to head smashing and reckless acts of sabotage, and to acquire competent jurisdiction over those leaders who are assuming power of extra-legal authority, if need be to incarcerate them behind the strong bars of Alcatraz where their derelictions may be imposed upon Al Capone and others who chose to overstep the bounds of organized society.

### Locals Meet Adams Here Friday Night

A test for Heppner's future in basketball this season is on tap for this coming week end when the Mustangs play two games in as many nights against a duo of promising teams, Friday's game scheduled with Adams, and Saturday's with Irrigon. The second game of the year brings together tomorrow night on the local court, the vastly-improved Adams quintet and the thus-far high scoring Heppner cagers.

Adams failed to win a single game last year in basketball, and this year they are out to better that mark, having already done so with a first-game victory over Imbler. A member of the Umatilla B league, the Warriors are a team new to Heppner's schedule.

Henry Tetz, Adams mentor and former Heppner coach, has a basketball turn-out of 15 fellows, and only one of them is a senior. In past years, the Umatilla county team has been used to a slow-breaking offense and hard passing, both of which are contrary to Tetz's style of coaching. However, he has formed a most formidable squad that is anxious to get a crack at the team of which he is ex-coach.

In the initial game of the year, Heppner ran wild over Ione to run up 46 points to their opponents' 14. The local reserves played practically the entire second half, which gives an idea of the scoring power Heppner possesses.

The following night, Heppner will again go into action, this time against Irrigon on the latter's home-court. Meeting Irrigon on Saturday's game means that the Mustangs will run up against another team that can offer stiff opposition. Not a strong team in past years, this season Irrigon has a bunch of boys that are a stand out among the river squads as evidenced by its 37 to 15 win over Touchet.

Tomorrow's game at the local gym is called for 7:30 p. m.

#### HEPPNER BOY WINS

Francis Nickerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Nickerson, is numbered among University of Oregon's star mitmen. In campus circles he is known as "Tige," to which name he did full justice in a recent mix with Eugene Athletic club. A Eugene newspaper report said, "In one of the flashiest bouts of the card, 'Tiger' Nickerson swarmed all over Don Ebbart to win a rousing decision from the Elk fighter."

#### AUXILIARY MEETS

Woolgrowers auxiliary met last Friday afternoon at the Lucas Place and discussed plans for a display of articles at the annual state convention to be held in connection with Oregon Wool Growers convention at Prineville, January 10-11.

### Heppner Boxers Defeat Hermiston

Last Thursday evening a boxing team composed of Heppner H club members journeyed to Hermiston for a smoker put on by the Hermiston H club, and returned home victorious, 3 bouts to 1, with two draws.

The first bout of the evening was between scrappy Jack Healy and his former school mate, Harold Neill, with Neill getting the decision.

Guy Moore and Clayton Wright fought their men to draws, although they both led the fighting. Dean Gilman pestered his opponent with blows without getting a return. The fight was called in the first of the third.

Johnny Hays got another technical knockout to his credit by decisively beating Moyer.

The smoker was fittingly ended when Richard Hayes knocked out his opponent. Although Richard was outweighed fourteen pounds, the outcome was decided in the first few seconds.

**GIFT SUGGESTION**—Why not give her a beautiful Poinsetta for Christmas. See them on display at the Phelps Funeral Home, Phone 1332, Heppner, Oregon.

Lost—Pair of glasses in black case, gold frames. If found return to Jackson Gilliam. Reward.

Food sale by Rebekahs at Hughes store Saturday morning beginning at 10 o'clock.

#### GIVING CALENDARS

Case Furniture company is giving full-color reproduction of the Dionne quintuplets on calendars to customers who register at their store. The supply is announced as limited making a limited distribution to customers necessary. If you have not been a customer of the store, a purchase at this time will entitle you to a calendar, it is announced. Distribution will begin January 1, but customers are urged to register immediately.

Womens Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church will meet Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 14, at the home of Mrs. William Campbell.

Cooked food and fancy work sale at Case's store, Saturday, Dec. 18, beginning at 1:30.



#### The Shopper's Time Saver

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