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Official Paper for Morrow County



## Does Your Head Ache?

SOME interesting news appeared in one issue of a daily newspaper the other day.

Featured in first lead position on page one was the news that President Roosevelt had asked that future federal bond issues be taxed and that state and federal employees be treated the same as all other citizens in the collection of income tax.

Back on the financial page much less insignificantly appeared further news that commercial loans of banks were down \$300 million, a new low.

And still another item reported the purchase of a block of bonds, dollar cash for dollar value without recognition of discount, because the purchaser believed the bonds being tax exempt made them attractive.

It appears there is, or at least should be, some correlation of these varied bits of news from the day's press gleanings. The indicated fact is that tax exempt bonds do induce money from commercial channels into the apparently more secure channels of government-guaranteed security. And at first glance, it appears President Roosevelt is doing the brave, wise thing by asking for taxation of government bonds.

What inclines one toward askance, however, is that previously he has asked congress for a new \$4 1/2 billion appropriation to "prime the industrial pump," which amount can only be raised through further issuance of bonds—bonds which, in turn, must be sold to banks, calling forth larger amounts which might be used for lending to industry—commercial loans—but which the national administration prefers instead to direct through the channels of political manipulation.

Can President Roosevelt be sincere in asking for taxation of these bonds, an act that undoubtedly would make them less attractive as an investment, while at the same time saying the bonds are essential to revive business.

Our guess is that business would need a lot less doctoring if the national administration would stop attempting to entice the nation's capital out of its accustomed channels directly into industry. The detouring around the politically manipulated route is giving the nation's business a terrific headache, though the national administration has found it to be a profitable vote-getting scheme.

## Why Not White Shirts?

FULTON OURSLER, editor of Liberty magazine, brings a classic interview to the world in that mag's current issue. Invading the den of impregnable Benito Mussolini on the eve of Germany's acquisition of Austria, he gained from Italy's duce the knowledge that duce sees no danger of communism or fascism getting control in America . . . that the duce wonders if there be such a thing as a new New Deal . . . that the duce considers himself no dictator . . . that the duce was in exceeding good spirits on this memorable eve . . . that the duce deems himself misunderstood in America, wants America's friendship. . .

One nail duce struck square on the head. In the words of Mr. Oursler, the duce said in effect, Americans cherish what they have too

much to wish communism or fascism.

We second Mr. Oursler's attempt to place Benito Mussolini in true light before Americans, and if possible justify, if we can, Italy's taking over Ethiopia. If, as Mussolini told Mr. Oursler, the net result shall be a higher standard of living for the Ethiopians, a black page in history will be considerably lightened.

A point of main interest revealed by the interview, however, lies in reflected skepticism of Italy's No. 1 man on the point of a new New Deal. And well may America follow Mr. Mussolini's train of thought, indicated if not revealed.

The leftest movement in America, which Mr. Michaelson et al have chosen to call New Deal, in structure was truly antedated by innovations of Mr. Mussolini, Mr. Hitler, Mr. Stalin et als. Where failure of administration in America lies, as undoubtedly indicated by the twinkle in Mr. Mussolini's eye, is that no force of black or brown shirts was at the command of America's leader to force the new program down the people's throats.

Mr. Mussolini is probably a better student of Americans than Americans are of Mr. Mussolini, granting his opinion that he is misunderstood in America, when he says that Americans cherish what they have too much to want communism or fascism.

It is time for liberty-loving Americans to band themselves together in an organization of white shirts and send all black, brown, red and other darker-hued shirts to the laundry.

## Columbia Ranges Available, Says Agent

An announcement from Columbia county was received at the county agent's office this week to the effect that considerable summer range was available in the logged-off pasture lands in that county. A few sheep men from Morrow county have summered in that area during the past three or four years. A considerable area of logged-off land in the coast counties may eventually be of quite some advantage to eastern Oregon stockmen in relieving pressure on the summer range in this part of the state, according to Joe Belanger, county agent.

Where attempts of re-seeding have been successful, the average rainfall of sixty to seventy inches is providing a good deal of feed. The use of this territory as sheep range is comparatively recent and presents difficulties which can undoubtedly be overcome. Emil Groshen, Harold Cohn, Neil Dohety and Mike Healy are among the livestock operators in Morrow county who have summered in that territory.

Stockmen interested in investigating possibilities of summer range in that area should write to George A. Nelson, St. Helens, who is county agent of Columbia county.

## Ione Mayor Relates Changes in County

Bert Mason, Ione mayor, told Lions club Monday that many old timers say they didn't have anything more than a shirt on their back when they came to the county. He said he had them beat for he arrived absolutely in the nude. Born here to pioneer parents, he has lived in the county continuously for fifty-odd years, and related experiences on trips to the outside to show why he still believed Morrow county the best place on earth to reside.

Citing the early beginnings of farming, conducted on a very small scale in his early recollection when tilling was done by hand plow and threshing with the flail, he contrasted present day large-scale tractor and combine operations covering thousands of acres. In the change through the years, he saw signs that did not omen well for the business man, however. Many of the large farms with single operators include numerous former small farms each of which was occupied by a family. Jack Parsons, president Morrow County Hunters and Anglers club, told of work of that organization and Lt. R. N. Anderson was introduced as a guest. Rod Thomson was introduced as a new member.

\$9.90 dresses, \$2.95, at the Frances Shop.

### HARDMAN NEWS

## Hardman and Spray Schools Have Picnic

By OPAL HASTINGS

The Hardman high school and two of the grade school pupils, along with several of the townspeople, drove to Spray Thursday. Outside of a picnic at the junction which picked up a tick or two, and a "hydraulic stop" that piled up and run slivers into occupants' hands, and a 26-11 defeat for Hardman by Spray, everything came out okay. There were many sunburned faces but none complained. All are looking forward to meeting Spray again on May 12 or 13.

Mrs. Harmon of Heppner gave the achievement tests in Miss Morton's room Tuesday of last week.

Those attending the dance at Rhea creek Saturday night were Frances and Nona Inskeep, Creth Craber, Murl Farrens, James Stevens, Irvin Greener, Richard Robison, Dallas and Delvin McDaniel, Harry Owens, Lester Ashbaugh, Darrel Farrens and Forest Adams.

Visitors to the Carey Hastings home Sunday were Mrs. Sam McDaniel and daughter Maxine, Bud Cannon and Victor Johnson and family.

Dallas McDaniel moved some cattle to his father's ranch in the mountains.

The losers of the Christian Endeavor attendance contest gave the winning side their long planned bonfire supper Sunday evening. They all met at the church at 5 p. m. and then left in Robinson's truck. They stopped by Bechdolt's watering troughs to enjoy their supper of potatoes, pork and beans, scrambled eggs, cookies, coffee and chocolate. Because of the numerous nimbus clouds they had to cut their meeting short and return to town to prevent everyone from getting a drenching. They had just started when the weather man postponed his previous ideas and the rain stopped.

Miss Creth Craber visited friends here in town Thursday.

Raymond Reid went to Heppner Thursday to see his grandmother who is seriously ill. She is at the home of Mrs. Clara Beamer.

Business visitors in Heppner Friday were Leon Chapin and Vester Hams.

Miss Alta Stevens returned home Sunday from the O. C. Stephens ranch where she has been employed.

"Scholastic" tests were given last week. Although individual scores did not go so high as last year's the class average was higher. Tests were harder than those given in previous years. Donald Robinson was highest, Opal Hastings second, and Marvin Saddler third.

Don Chapel, who lives with his cousin, Blaine Chapel, on Sunday shot himself above the knee with a .22 while tying the gun to a saddle. He was taken to Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Greener and Mr. and Mrs. Si Walker were attending to business in Heppner on Sunday.

Those visiting in Hardman Sunday were Miss Isabel McFerrin, Miss Helen Cunningham, Harry Owens, Lester Ashbaugh, Vester, LaVerne and Darrel Hams.

Kinnard McDaniel and son Dallas went to Heppner Monday.

Maxine McDaniel spent the week end at the Cannon ranch visiting her parents who are working there. She was too ill to return to school Monday but we all hope she will be back in a day or two.

On Sunday most of the men that were in town met at the high school for a game of softball. Quite a crowd gathered and everyone seemed to have a good time. Some who hadn't played for several years especially enjoyed it and were glad to get a chance to play.

On Friday the primary room went on a picnic to McKinney creek. They enjoyed the trip, but they liked the good things to eat much more.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Buschke and children were visitors in Heppner Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Burnside and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lovgren and children were visiting at the J. B. Adams home Sunday.

The Lets Talk club met Wednesday usual time Wednesday evening. In the absence of Miss Iris Morton, our pianist, Mrs. G. I. Clary played.

## BABE RUTHS AND JOE DI MAGGIOS OF HEPPNER SOFTBALL IN GROOMING

If you are one of the thirty-odd men who attended the first softball warm-up at Rodeo field last evening, you will be back again tomorrow evening when the second warm-up is slated preliminary to starting what now may be heralded, with due regard for veracity, as one of the major and probably the most sensational sports events in local annals—the Heppner intra-city softball league. Other gentry will undoubtedly catch the fever from them and yield also to the call.

Last evening's practice found promoters Clarence Bauman and Mark Merrill in the roles of catchers on two sides, with all comers given the opportunity to fill a position on one of the two teams as players ahead of them yielded to the unaccustomed tax on wind and muscles. Thus everyone took his turn, looking to a berth on one of the four or five teams soon to participate in the league play, and mayhap, too, to be accorded recognition in the box score as the Babe Ruth, Joe Di Maggio or Joe E. Brown of Heppner's softballers.

You guessed it. There's going to be a lot of fun. And unless the antics of last evening's participants gave a very erroneous impression, every man in town, as well as the women and kids, is going to be in on it before the championship is decided.

Just by way of elucidation, no man in town, nor boy either who has reached the age where he finds it necessary to use a sharp edged in-

strument to remove the facial proclamation of adolescence, is barred from entering the lists. Most of the lawyers, barbers and butchers were in the lists yesterday, with a good smattering of grocers, politicians and preachers.

Although Bob Rinnion was accused of running like a tractor, he turned in two sensational catches of hard fly balls in left field that indicated even to the amateur observer that he was no stranger to the ball lot. Phil Mahoney already has a reputation to uphold as Heppner's No. 1 pingponger, but now he's going to have another gonfalcon to guard. His pitching exhibition, lasting continuously so long as the Bauman side had the field, will either result in his being busy defending the evidenced claim to superiority or in his resignation because of a mighty sore arm.

Charlie Barlow, Jess Turner and Logie Richardson echoed former ball playing days by doing some of the evening's heaviest hitting, and Burl Coxen in the role of umpire drew the usual amount of friendly banter that goes with that official position. There isn't space enough to tell of the capabilities of everyone as already displayed.

One thing certain is, however, softball will serve to enliven the general trend of conversation for the next several weeks, and he who wants to be informed will not miss a session.

Play ball!

There were two special numbers, a song, "Quintuplets' Lullaby," by Norvin Adams and a reading by Mrs. Roy Robinson.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McDaniel accompanied several forest service people from Heppner on a picnic to Parker's Mill.

The Lets Talk club met Wednesday night with the usual transaction of business. It was a short but interesting meeting.

Elwood Hastings was in town from the sheep camp Monday night to see how his father was and to visit other friends for a short time.

Carey Hastings returned Sunday afternoon from Prescott, Wash., where he has been shearing sheep for about ten days. He left again Monday morning to go to Dan Doherty's ranch for more shearing.

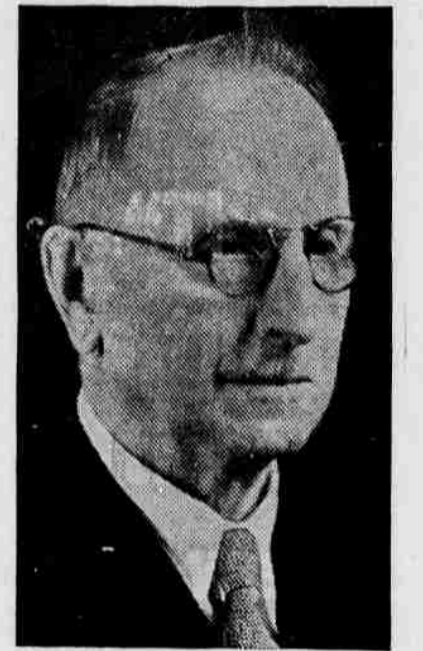
## Davidson Ranch, 3900 Acres, Sells at \$25,000

The Davidson ranch, so named from its late owner, L. P. Davidson, including 3900 acres was purchased this week by Ivan Cox for \$25,000. Included in the place are 1600 acres of farm land and 2300 of range land. Oregon-Washington Joint Stock Land bank was conveyer and Eubanks and Duvall, local realtors, acted as agents.

### SCHOOL MEETING SET

A regional conference of elementary school principals will be held at The Dalles, Saturday, May 7, under auspices of Oregon State Teach-

ers association and the state department of education. Harold W. Buhman, local principal, is slated as one of the discussion leaders.



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