

THE Hehisch

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Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium the juniors will present their three-act farcical comedy, "The Lucky Accident."

For the past month the play cast has been working diligently on the play and have done all they can to make the play a success. It is now up to you, as a student of the high school, to make it a complete success by selling tickets and patronizing it yourself.

The rumors that this play is the best yet presented are not rumors but true facts. So, students, take it upon yourselves to spread the good word around and make the play go over with a bang.

The plot of the play which is to be presented this Friday revolves around Leslie Noyes (Don Jones) who is in love with Fern Hunter (Norma Prock) and is anxious to marry her. Fern favors his suit, but Mrs. Hunter (Carolyn Vaughn), her mother, claims that Leslie is much too stupid to marry into the Hunter family. So when Walton Knox (Harry Tamlyn), a former resident of the town they live in, returns, Mrs. Hunter does all she can to further his suit.

Then Leslie Noyes meets with an accident! Stopping to tie his shoelace under a ladder, he receives a head injury. From this moment Les is a changed person. He begins to do astounding things.

Others who make the play one of the great enjoyments are Humbird Hunter (Kemp Dick) the husband, who can't collect anything; Honey Hunter (Shirley Wilson), the youngest daughter, who collects secrets; Amelda Amer (Lois Jones), the housemaid, who cannot collect her salary; Nela Lawson (Jeanette Blakely) who collects coupons; Grace Pike (Cora Scott) who collects evidence; Lotta Noyes (Margaret Doolittle), a society matron; Homer Meginess (Harold Armstrong), a wealthy business man.

The Holy Circle

Do I support school activities? Do I cooperate in every way possible? Do I volunteer assistance if it is definitely needed?

How many students could answer "yes" to the above questions? Very few, truthfully. The "let John do it" philosophy is very conspicuous by its presence. Several students actually feel insulted if they are asked to help out in some way or another. Apparently they miss no opportunity to criticize the work of others, however.

Can one honestly think of any logical explanation for the fact that a high school of some odd 125 students insists that a so-called select group shall run its affairs, participate in activities, be responsible for all original ideas, take charge of all campaigns, and above everything else, do the "dirty work"? Are we not too content to be followers? Why can't we realize that more leaders are needed?

If there is in this high school a holy circle composed of those who seem willing to accept responsibility and who don't grumble when asked to assist, perhaps the wise thing to do would be to expand this circle. If you see an opportunity in the future to assist in this expansion, why not jump at it?

The Good Earth

Since this column has been quoted in several instances, the authors feel it will be worth while to continue it.

We have heard hints that our "chum," Bill Blake, has his eyes on a certain red-headed freshman.

Remember that black eye of Floyd Williams? Well, some of the fellows said he didn't get it till after the fight; anyway, the fellow who fought was not a blonde.

We understand that Milton Morgan "worked up a sweat" at Ione Friday night.

At this time, on behalf of the As-

sociated Cake Gulpers, we want to thank the Elkhorn restaurant for the privacy the new booths offer.

We hope that Cliff Fay realizes the power of steam by now or will soon learn.

Will those whose names appear in this column remember that the other fellow's day is coming, and take it with a smile?

Boys to Honor Girls

For the past two years the Girls' League has sponsored student body dances and have not as yet, been given any kind of a party in return for what they have done.

It seems that since the Girls' League organization consists of every girl in high school, it is the duty of the boys to see that some form of entertainment is given them.

For this purpose we are organizing the M. A. C., commonly called the Men's Associated club. Committees and help of individuals will soon be in demand, and it is hoped that all will cooperate as much as possible when they are called on.

Assembly

The members of the faculty put on one of the most interesting programs Friday this has been seen in this school all year. First on the program was the play, "The Valiant." Mr. Blankenship played the warden; Mr. Knox, the prison chaplain; Mr. Bennett, the jailer; Mr. Peavy, the prisoner, and Miss Smith, the prisoner's sister.

The play was followed by a medley of popular pieces played by Mr. Peavy on the piano. Miss Smith and Miss Nordstrom brought the program to a close with a dramatization of the song, "Barnacle Bill, the Sailor."

Who Likes to Get Beaten?

As all of you know, the students of Heppner high school voted last week to keep baseball this year. All of the interest in this sport shown at that time seems to have vanished.

The first practice was called for last Saturday; four players turned out. Everyone knows that it takes nine men to make a team.

Last year, the Heppner baseball club won only one game. The poor showing of last season was due mainly to lack of interest among the players and a poor turnout.

Do we want the same kind of season this year? Of course not; but it is up to us, students, to keep from having a reputation like that of last year.

If you have any friends or know anyone who can play baseball, talk them into turning out. The weather will soon clear up, and playing baseball will be real "fun."

So come on, Heppner, let's get on the baseball bandwagon.

Guess Who

Each week one name will be drawn from a box containing the names of all Heppner high students—the name drawn for this week's GUESS WHO—

It's a boy!!
A boy whose favorite sport WAS boxing.

His favorite pastime — Kathryn Thompson.

Once known as the "Swinging Swede" (during his boxing career).

A recent arrival at Heppner Hi.

Monopolized by sophomore girls. Sometimes rides in a brown V8; sometimes doesn't.

Muted Mutterings

Practice for the much-disputed sports, baseball, track and tennis is scheduled to begin when the weather takes a turn for the better.

Many of the pre-tournament favorites in eastern Oregon, including Heppner, took a tumble. Among the disheartened group are La Grande, Athena, Halfway and Rufus.

Play-offs for the school championship are scheduled for the middle of the week. The champions will be determined after the leading teams, juniors and sophomores battle it out for top honors.

Personals

New students enrolled in high school last week were Mary K. Blake, a sophomore transfer from Ione, and Glen McCutcheon, freshman transfer from Hardman.

College students spending their

spring vacation at home are: From Oregon State, Harriet Hager, Paul Brown, Louise Anderson, Norton King, Bernard McMurdo and James Farley; From University of Oregon: Paul McCarty, La Verne Van Marter, Don Turner, Joe Green and Francis Nickerson.

Mr. Blankenship, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and Bob Scrivner attended the district tournament in Arlington.

Milton Morgan was absent Monday.

Miss Smith spent the week end in Hillsboro, visiting her parents.

SAFETY SONNETS



—National Safety Council

Brakes are responsible for more smashups than any other mechanical feature on an automobile.

The reason for this is two-fold, in the opinion of Secretary of State Earl Snell. First, the average driver tends to place entirely too much reliance upon his brakes and second, brakes ordinarily do not receive the maintenance which they require if they are to be relied upon.

Consider the term "faulty brakes" which is used so often as an alibi for traffic accidents. Nine times out of ten there is nothing mechanically wrong with the brakes themselves; the chances are that the brake linings have been worn past the point of usefulness, or the brake lever connections have not been taken up as the lining wears down, or the brakes have not been kept properly equalized. In the case of hydraulic brakes, the master piston may not have been kept filled with fluid. The driver may continue to expect maximum performance from his brakes when they may actually be only 20 or 30 per cent efficient.

While faulty brakes are blamed in only two per cent of all accidents they account for approximately the same number of mishaps as all other mechanical defects combined. For this reason Secretary Snell urges that brakes be checked at least once a month, or whenever an automobile is lubricated.

Grass Nurseries Prove Value in Crop Testing

Since the first grass nursery was established by the Oregon State college extension service in Morrow county in 1924, this method of testing out grasses and forage crops under varying conditions has grown in popularity to such an extent that there are now 159 such nurseries in 32 counties.

Among other purposes they serve, these nurseries make it possible for stockmen or other farmers in an area to observe small experimental plantings of the various grasses and legumes, learning how they react to soil, moisture, frost, grazing and other conditions, says E. R. Jackman, extension specialist in farm crops, who has cooperated with county agents in the establishment of most of these nurseries.

The nurseries in some counties have about achieved their purpose and are being abandoned, while in other counties the work is just getting started, Jackman says. Some new types of nurseries, demonstrating methods of planting or methods of use for already accepted crops, are being started. The Soil Conservation service and the Forest service are now cooperating in some counties.

Gasoline consumption in Oregon during January soared 6 per cent above the total for January last year to set a new high record for the month, according to Secretary of State Earl Snell. A total of 14,854,610 gallons were sold during the month.

Bang's Disease on Way Out in State

Salem—The cooperation of farmers and veterinarians in Oregon during the last four years has resulted in a remarkable reduction in the number of cattle reacting to bovine Bang's disease tests, Dr. W. H. Lytle, animal industry chief of the state department of agriculture, has announced.

A summary just completed by the department shows that 25,565 infected dairy and beef cattle were discovered in the state in 1935. In 1938, only 9,434 cattle reacted to the tests. More than 350,000 animals were tested in both of these years by all agencies operating in Oregon.

The figures also show a marked improvement in most of the counties. Reactor percentages in 30 counties had been reduced between 1935 and the end of 1938. There was an increase in only three counties: Gilliam, Crook and Wheeler. The reason for this apparent increase, Dr. Lytle explains, is due to the fact that in these three counties the Bang's tests have been largely confined to known-to-be-infected herds in the last year or two. This tends to raise the percentage of reactors.

No comparable figures were given for Jefferson county, since it did not begin testing until 1937.

For the entire state, the percentage of reactor cattle was reduced from 6.7 per cent in 1935 to 2.6 per cent in 1938.

Bang's disease is held responsible for many calving losses, sterility and a reduction in milk production in dairy cattle.

Drivers making turns across pedestrian lanes should be careful not to strike pedestrians whose backs are turned toward them, Secretary of State Earl Snell warns. Such turns should be approached cautiously and completed slowly, as there is always a chance that the pedestrian will stop suddenly or do something unexpected.

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