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### Waterways and Transportation

THE impression prevails in certain quarters that the Inland Empire Waterways association is out to scuttle the railroads and truck companies; that the association desires to have the waterways improved to the point where a large volume of Inland Empire freight traffic may be transported by barges and other river craft.

It is true the association has been working for years on a program of river improvement, including some waterway transportation. It is also true that the association went right down the line to help get sealocks installed at Bonneville, thus making it possible for The Dalles to realize an ambition to provide a harbor for ocean-going vessels. Those and other moves to make the mighty Columbia a greater servant of the people may be entered on the books to the credit of the association. But its leaders want it understood that it has never been the idea or desire of the group to hamper either the railroads or the truck concerns. The program of river development has a broader purpose than that. They do believe, however, that a certain amount of river transportation will have a tendency to hold freight rates at a proper level.

These facts might put the waterways association in a bad light were it not true that the railroads, at least, are not showing signs of being scuttled. If the development program is permitted to carry through to completion there will be no reason for the truck companies to be downhearted, either. What the association is working for is a wider distribution of power, for the up-building of industry and agriculture, creating employment and making possible the building of thousands of new homes in this great area of eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho. It is not possible for such a development to take place without the railroads and motor transport companies participating. If a considerable number of people wish to take advantage of river transportation that is their privilege. It does not follow that the breaking away of a few interests from the land transportation agencies will create a serious situation for those concerns. It should serve, rather, to put them on their toes to meet this new competition and in that event the transportation companies and people will all benefit.

There is reason to believe the Inland Empire Waterways association is honest and sincere in its efforts to secure river development, and it is just as easy to believe that it is not trying to hamper the land transportation concerns.

### Gas Tax Becomes of Age

WITHIN the last 40 years, Oregon has created several laws that have later been adopted by many, if not all, of the states of the Union. Notable among these is the gasoline tax law, conceived in the legislature of 1919 to maintain Oregon highways. That law will become of age, as it were, on Feb. 25, for that is the day it will celebrate its 21st birthday. By that date the tax will have produced revenue totalling \$103,980,000 for the state of Oregon, or 25.3 per cent of all taxes.

To construct badly needed high-

ways for the state, the 1919 legislature prepared a measure authorizing a ten million dollar bond issue and taking automobiles from the property tax list and putting them on a license fee basis—all the proceeds of which would provide for retirement of the bond issue in 25 years.

But highways do not last forever. Accordingly, Loyal M. Graham of Forest Grove, then a member of the roads and highways committee, prepared a bill calling for a tax of one cent per gallon of gasoline to create a fund for the maintenance and betterment of the highways when they were constructed. Once the bill was drafted, C. C. Chapman of Portland, Louis Bean of Eugene and James Stewart of Fossil acted as sponsors with Graham. W. B. Dennis, Carlton, at that time was chairman of the committee and had earlier proposed a tax of this sort. To Mr. Graham, however, goes the credit of drafting the bill and sponsoring a successful method of collection (directly from the wholesaler). Of this group Mr. Graham and Mr. Chapman are still living.

The first year the tax produced a little more than \$341,000 for Oregon. Estimated collections for the year of 1939 were more than \$13,000,000. In 21 years the annual receipts in Oregon have multiplied to 35 times those of the first year. During this period, gas consumption in Oregon has increased by more than 269,000,000 gallons per year.

The tax remained one cent per gallon until 1921 when it was raised to two cents per gallon and in the following year it was raised to three cents. The three cent rate was in effect until 1929 when it became four cents. Since 1934 the rate has been five cents per gallon.

### Educational Forum

Contributed articles from county school leaders telling the purposes of education.

#### The School and Community Leadership

School people are confronted with a dilemma in the matter of community leadership. What should be the role of the school? Should its policy be one of the acceptance of existing community ideals and standards, or, by a process of gradual education, seek to raise or change these standards to those which the school feels will be more consistent with a rich and full development of the individual.

There is no doubt of the value and necessity of cooperative effort between the community and the school. The present administrative set-up will not allow the school to become dictatorial in its methods. On the other hand, standards set up by the state department of education are an effective curb on too much interference with the school program by the local school board.

Some communities effectively kill any initiative on the part of the school in its efforts in community enterprise by slashing at the teaching staff. One rather prominent educator said that, "Some communities demand teachers of the servant class." The inescapable result of this will be the production of students of the servant class.

Other communities seek by the establishment of parent teacher organizations and kindred bodies to profit by school talent and facilities. They likewise offer their leadership and talent to the school. Some schools, due to the encouragement offered by such organizations, have established recreation centers, evening classes in art and home economics, evening classes for farmers, and other similar enterprises. It is by such efforts that both community and school grow and develop. It is neither possible nor advisable to attempt the isolation of either school or community nor set up one as a source of leadership and the other the source of followers, but each contribute what it may for the good of all. One might paraphrase one of Lincoln's famous sayings and add:

United we grow,  
Divided we stagnate.

For Sale — Harley-Davidson 81 motorcycle, 1937 model. Dee Cox, Jr., Lexington.

# THE Hehisch

Published by the Students of Heppner High School

#### NEW HEHISCH STAFF

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#### Pep Club Sponsors Color Week

All of that furious activity last Saturday can be attributed to many ambitious students decorating their respective rooms for color week. The gym, the halls, and the rooms were found on Monday decorated in purple and gold.

The purposes of color week are to help make the parents and community more school conscious; to make the students more receptive to school work, because they will enjoy each day at school, and to stimulate a more healthy school spirit.

Color week will terminate this Friday with the all-important Heppner-Arlington game. The game is the deciding clash in the "A" division of the league. If Heppner wins, they will play the winner of the "B" division next Tuesday or Wednesday for the championship of the league. If Heppner loses to Arlington, the lead of the "A" division will be a tie and a play-off will have to be held on a neutral floor to decide the team to play the winner of the "B" division.

#### H Club Dance Successful

The H club sponsored a big free dance Friday night after the basketball game with Hermiston.

The music was not furnished by the school sound system as usual. Instead Mr. Gonty let the H club use his radio. Records of many of the latest song hits were played.

A large number of the Hermiston students, who accompanied their team, remained after the basketball game and attended the dance.

The dance ended at approximately 11:45. Everyone that came had a pleasant evening of dancing.

#### Juniors Beat Sophomores

In a game between the junior and sophomore girls the former won with a score of 13-5.

Mary Eleanor Florence was high scorer with 7 points, and Kathryn Thompson next with 6.

The line-up: Juniors: K. Thompson f 6, P. Dooley f, M. Blake c, F. Wilkinson c, J. Hays g, A. Johnston g, I. McFerrin, L. Bothwell, M. Curran, R. Robinson, M. Florence 7; Sophomores: W. Howell f 1, H. Healy f 4, D. Green c, F. Egan c, L. Healy g, P. Tamblin g, L. Barlow, B. Vance, E. Hughes.

#### Up and Down the Halls

Betty Adams broke her arm at the elbow Thursday while tumbling in gym.

Donna Orwick has returned to school after a long absence.

Mary and Patty Daly spent the week end with their parents at Pine City.

Isabel McFerrin spent the week end with her parents.

Several of the students journeyed to Ione for the basketball game there last Thursday.

#### Modes of the Day

Plaids took the spotlight this week with two attractive "Scottish" dresses.

Anna Marie Johnston looked very nice in a blue and red plaid dress with the blue predominating. With it she wore a wine belt. The white collar and cuffs made it have a school-girlish look.

Lucille Barlow wore an attractive plaid dress of yellow and orange-

red, green and white plaid with white predominating. It was set off with white collar and cuffs.

Kingsley Chapin cut a fancy silhouette in a black velvet dress with a white lace collar.

Jack Merrill made his spring debut wearing a royal blue corduroy jacket.

#### Chorus

The girls and boys in chorus have been studying various composers and hearing some of their compositions on the school's sound system.

The composer that will be studied this week is Joseph Hayden.

Last week the chorus tried out three new songs. They were "Deep Purple," "Moonbeams," and "Alice Blue Gown."

In between composers and singing, the chorus is learning the fundamentals of music such as the major and minor scales.

#### Freshmen Postpone Return Party

After some discussion by the class, the freshmen decided to postpone their return party for the sophomores until March, because there is no open date that could be secured unless it was a school night.

#### Facts About Our Students

Clifford Faye is the senior class vice-president and is in the band and H club.

He was born December 22, 1922, in Portland, Oregon, and moved from there to La Grande where he went the first three grades at Wallowa, the 4th and 5th at Greenwood, the 6th and 8th at Central at La Grande. He spent the first half of his freshman year at La Grande high school. The rest of his education has been obtained at Heppner. Cliff's hobby is building model airplanes which will help him as he intends to make aviation his life's work. On completion of high school, he plans to go to Los Angeles to study aeronautics.

He has no girl friend but prefers a brunette about 5 feet 6 inches with a good figure, and intelligent, good looking face, and who dresses well.

Favorite sport — football; song, "Victory March"; picture, "Lost Horizon"; book, "To Have and to Hold"; actor, Joe E. Brown; actress, Joan Bennett; teacher, Mr. Buhman; color, green; subject, commercial law.

When asked his opinion of the annual, he said it should be printed.

#### BOARDMAN NEWS

#### Mother-Daughter Party at Boardman

By MRS. CLAUD COATS

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hadley motored to Granger, Wash., on Friday to attend a sheepshearer's meeting. Robert McLouth and son, Bobby of Hermiston visited at the G. McLouth home on Tuesday.

Nels Kristensen and son, Bud, were shopping in Walla Walla on Monday.

The annual mother and daughter party was held Wednesday evening the 14th. The evening consisted of a program, refreshments and singing. This party was sponsored by the local high school G. A. A.

A birthday dinner party was held for Ed Barlow at his home on Sunday, Feb. 11. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Miller and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berger and family.

A dance was held in the grange hall on Saturday night. Music was furnished by Kummerland's orchestra from Lexington.

A minstrel show is to be held in the school auditorium on Friday, Feb. 16. The admission is 25 cents and 15 cents. It is sponsored by the local Sunday school.

### County Has Eight Students at E. O. C. E.

Eight students from Morrow county are enrolled at the Eastern Oregon College of Education for the winter quarter.

They are LaVern Baker and Ted Wilson of Boardman; Vernon Knowles, Kathryn Parker and Robert Scrivner of Heppner; Fred Hoskins of Ione; Doug Whipple of Irrigon, and Katherine Griffith of Morgan.

The number of students at the college from various other counties include: Baker 23, Umatilla 45, Wallowa 11, Malheur 18, Grant 4, Harney 1, Sherman 2, Wasco 1, Gilliam 1, Deschutes 2, Marion 1, Linn 1, Douglas 1.

The total enrollment this quarter is 314, with 157 boys and 157 girls. This is an increase of nearly 20 per cent over the winter term a year ago.

## VALENTINE DANCE

Lexington Grange Hall

SATURDAY

Feb. 17

Wright's Modern Orchestra

of PENDLETON

—with LADY SINGER

Adm. 75c Supper Served

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Pictures will be shown promptly at 8:00 p. m., Friday, February 16.

### Hotel Heppner

Heppner, Oregon

## Reed's Roller Rinks

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Fri., Sat., Sun., Feb. 16, 17, 18

7:30 to 10 P. M.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON 2 to 4