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Educational Forum

#### **Federal Aid for Education**

Federal aid for education in these United States today is not only desirable and necessary for needed progress but, as shown by extensive nationwide studies, also solves many of the financial difficulties that form the essence of the problem of inequality of the various systems among the various states and among the variosu districts of the individual states.

The facts as we see them indicate that no sound plan of local or state taxation can be devised and instituted that will support in every local community a school system which meets minimum acceptable standards Unless the federal government participates in the financial support of the schools and related services, several millions of continue to be largely denied the educational opportunity that should be regarded as their birthright

President Roosevelt in his recent White House address to a conference of educators stated in his conclusion that the lack of adequate schools in many sections of the nation is to be solved by improving the economics of the poorer sections. The desirability of such improvement is unquestioned and there is small doubt that a higher economic level in the poorer sections would result in more local financial support for schools, but, regardless of what is done to improve economic conditions in the poorer sections no program that neglects the education of the people affected can hope to be successful. Chapin lost 2-6, 2-6; Don Bennett It is a vicious circle; the people and Bob Pinckney won 6-0, 6-2. are ignorant because they are poor; they remain poor becasue they are ignorant According to recent studies nearly one-fifth of the heads of rural families on relief are entirely illiterate, two-fifths have never gone beyond the fourth grade and nine-tenths have never finished elementary school. It would seem a good investment to maintain adequate schools with federal funds to the extent necessary, as partial insurance Ritner Pays Visit against federal relief in the future. The federal government has found it necessary to spend billions of dollars for relief, attempting to ameliorate a condition which can be prevented or cured only by sufficient from the second Oregon district, educational opportunity. Our president points out that ad- in the interest of his candidacy. He equate national defense calls for educated, healthy and happy citi- after a few hours here drove to zens no less than for adequate mun- Condon to feel out the sentiment itions and implements of war; that | in Gilliam county. no American child, merely because he happens to be born where property values are low and local taxes line and feels that if he wins the do not support good schools, should nomination his chances for election be placed at a disadvantage in his in the fall are much brighter than preparation for citizenship; that our future is endangered when nearly he has been in the race he has disa million children of elementary covered a decided swing to the reschool age are not in school. the inevitable answer to this glaring problem and action has brought continues until fall he looks for a to the surface a bill that has for its change in representation from the initial purpose the equalization of second Oregon district. educational opportunity in these United States. Senate bill 1305 bas- MARRIAGE REVEALED

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#### SOCIETY CHIT-CHAT small sum to be spread over a per-By JUNE SMITH

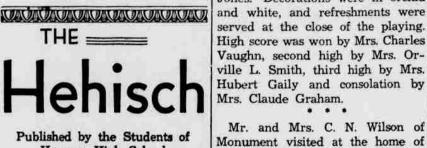
week end. Mr. Wilson, who is Mrs.

A benefit bridge is planned by

the Woolgrowers Auxiliary for Fri-

in play at the affair, which will be

iod of five years it is a step in the right direction. Favorable legisla-Twelve tables of contract bridge tion on this bill will strengthen the were in play at the party given Wedfortresses of economic security, renesday afternoon at the home of inforce the bulwark of good govern-Mrs. A. D. McMurdo. Assisting with ment, give vitality to national dethe affair were Mrs. Charles B. Cox, fense and show abiding faith in the Mrs. D. M. Ward and Mrs. Glenn C. long future of American democracy. Jones. Decorations were in orchid



Heppner High School

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and is running for sheriff of Grant **Frack Squad Vies at Mac High Meet** county. They left Thursday morn-A small, but determined team of ing for Wenatchee, Wash., where Heppner track and field men jourthey will visit with a sister, Mrs. neyed to Mac Hi last Friday to participate in the annual "Carnival of E. S. Heabler. Speed."

Schools in Washington, Oregon and Idaho vied for honors in this day afternoon. Ten tables will be meet, which is the largest meet of its kind in Oregon.

at the home of Mrs. B. C. Pinckney. Drake, Heppner's representative to the state meet last year, was beaten by a meager two inches for 1:30 p. m. first place in the discus throw. Vance, star half-miler, was beaten by two strides in the half-mile. The winner of both these events were forced to new meet records in winning.

The outstanding event of the meet was the mile run in which M. Fitzimmons of Pomeroy, Wash., ran in the exceptional fast time of four minutes and twenty seconds, which is faster than many of our college meets.

Other entrants from Heppner were the hostess. Moore in the 220 yard dash and children in the United States will broad jump, snow in the 440 yard run, and Blake in the mile. These entrants failed to place.

#### **Tennis Team Posts Double Win**

Heppners surprisingly strong tennis team posted a double win over the racket wielders of Hermiston and Pendleton high schools.

Heppner won four and lost two in the matches with the Hermiston players, which was played on the Hermiston courts.

Results of the Hermiston matches were as follows: Dorotha Wilson won 6-0, 6-1; Hugh Crawford won 6-2, 6-2; Frances Wilkinson and Shirley Wilson lost 4-6, 1-6; Howard Wray and Jean Hayes won 6-3, 6-1: Norval Osborne and Kingsley

The results of the matches with

is visiting her many friends there. She will return to Heppner Wednesday.

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Mrs. Ralph Thompson was hostess Tuesday at her home at a luncheon for twelve. Spring flowers and tulips were used in the decorating scheme. Following the luncheon three tables of contract bridge were in play, with Mrs. Harlan McCurdy winning high schore, and Mrs. L. E. Dick second.

Follow Coxen-Blake-

Among the affairs planned to honor the bride to be was a pottery Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Wilson of shower held this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dave Wilson. Assisting Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Ward over the hostesses were Mrs. Garnet Barratt and Mrs. Floyd Adams. Spring Ward's brother, is a stock rancher flowers decorated the rooms for the tea.

> Mrs. Agnes Curran entertained the members of her duplicate bridge club Tuesday evening at her home. Two tables were in play and the evening closed with the serving of refreshments.

> Mrs. John Wightman was hostess to members of the Past Matrons of the Eastern Star at her home Monday evening. Sewing and Chinese checkers formed the entertainment for the evening, followed by refresh-

# Scott "Covered" Heppner Disaster

In 1903 when the forces of nature were released in one of the heaviest storms ever to visit this region and the drainage from four canyons converged upon this little city of 1300 souls, claiming the lives of 225 people and damaging property to the extent of approximately a half million dollars, the Morning Oregonian hurried one of its ablest reporters to the scene to give its army of readers a word picture drawn from first-hand information. That reporter was Leslie M. Scott, now one of Portland's first citizens and known thoughout the state for his valuable service on the state highway commission, of which he was chairman.

Mr. Scott recalled his stay of a week or so in Heppner when the town was all but swept away in the disastrous flood, while here Friday in the interest of his candidacy for the republican nomination for state treasurer. He could find nothing

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several weeks in Seattle, where she pleased to find the town rebuilt in a substantial manner.

> Although he has served the state by appointment, Mr. Scott has never before sought a political office. He is a native Oregonian, son of the late Harvey Scott, noted editor, graduate in law from the University of Oregon and a life-time resident of that state.

Accompanied by Leon Lafebvre, Portland insurance man, Mr. Scott drove to Condon from here, continuing through seven eastern Oregon counties. He reported favorable crop conditions throughout the territory covered and found the people in an optimistic mood.



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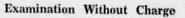
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The public is invited to the party, which will be a dessert, starting at Mrs. D. M. Ward motored to The ments. Dalles Saturday to visit her niece, Miss Kathryn Farnsworth, who has

just returned to her home from a two weeks' stay in The Dalles hospital, where she was seriously ill. The Eastern Star Officers club met Monday afternoon with Mrs. W. O. Bayless, assisted by Mrs. Ralph

Benge. Following the business meeting, refreshments were served by Guests of honor at a no-host dinner Saturday evening were Mrs. Lydia Horsfall, of Marshfield, state president of the American Legion Auxiliary, and Mrs. Charles Lemons

of Pendleton, who is district president. The dinner, given at 6:30 at Lucas' Place, was sponsored by the auxiliary of Heppner, and was followed by a business session presided over by Mrs. Charles Cox, president. Mrs. Horsfall gave a talk.

Sunday morning the two women were honored at a breakfast at the home of Mrs. Cox, before their departure for Condon.

Mrs. John Kilkenny of Heppner announces the marriage of her here now to remind him of the scene daughter, Ilene, to Mr. Robert Og- of devastation on hand everywhere den Laughlin, son of Mrs. Daisy that summer 37 years ago and was Laughlin of The Dalles, on October

Pendleton, played on the local courts are: Dorotha Wilson lost 2-6, 1-6; Frances Wilkinson last 4-6, 7-9; Hugh Crawford won 6-0, 6-4; Howard Wray lost 5-7, 1-6; Kingsley Chapin and Shirley Wilson won 6-2, 6-3; Tom Starkey and Norval Osborne won 2-6, 6-0, 6-3; Bob Pinckney and Don Bennett won 8-6, 6-3; Howard Wray won 6-1, 6-1.

# to Morrow County

Roy W. Ritner of Pendleton, candidate for the republican nomination for representative in congress paid Morrow county a visit Monday was enroute to Sherman county and

Ritner stated that he is receiving pledges of support all along the four years ago. In the brief time

But there are forces at work on if the trend which has been shown in primary elections in other states

ed on the major recommendations of Mrs. John Kilkenny this week an edcational advisory committee announced the marriage of her appointed by President Roosevelt Ilene, to Mr. Robert Laughlin. The carries the idea that money should event took place at Lewiston, Idaho, go to the states on a basis of need last October 28 and the secret has and though this is a comparatively been well kept by the young folks.

28, 1939. The wedding was performed in Lewiston, Idaho, and the couple was attended by Mrs. Alta Cutsforth. Mr. and Mrs. Laughlin will make their home in Heppner after May 1.

The bride is a graduate of Heppner high school and attended the University of Oregon. Mr. Laughlin is a graduate of The Dalles high.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blake of Heppner announce the engagement of their daughter, Bethel Ann to Mr. C. Emery Coxen of Pendleton, son of Mrs. Harvie Coxen of Heppner. The wedding will be held Sunday, April 28, at 5 p. m. at the All Saints church in Heppner. A reception following the ceremony will be held in the Parish House.

The Missionary society of the Episcopal Auxiliary held a meeting at the Parish House Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. Ture Peterson chairman. Mrs. Peterson was in charge of the devotionals, and Mrs. Percy Hughes and Mrs. Edwin Hughes were hostesses for the occasion. A missionary box to be sent to Alaska was the subject for the publican party in this district and afternoon study. Plans were also made for the Junior-Senior program.

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The Tuesday Bridge club was held at the home of Mrs. Glenn Shearer with Mrs. Garnet Barratt, Mrs. Floyd Adams and Mrs. Evelyn Isom as guests. The affair was a dessert bridge, with Mrs. Hubert Gailey winning high score, and Mrs. Jasper Crawford second high.

Mrs. William Bennett is spending

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