

# Heppner Gazette Times

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## An Uphill Job

In previous war loan campaigns this county was experiencing unprecedented crop yields combined with good prices which made money free and easy. Our wheat farmers particularly were "in the money" and shouldered their part of the responsibility without reserve. This is not too say that all others did not do their share, for they did. The point is that the grain men were in a favorable position to invest and invest they did.

Now comes the fifth war loan campaign at a time when the farmers are not so favorably situated. There is no question but that the yield throughout the county will be less this year than last and the grain crop is not a certainty at this time. It is an awkward period inasmuch as investments the farmers may make in bonds will not be based on grain they have in the warehouses but rather what they can spare out of cash reserves over and above operating expenses.

The current war loan of \$356,000 means approximately one \$100 bond for every man, woman and child within the county. It would relieve a lot of headaches for the war finance committee if purchases could be made on that basis—and voluntarily, too—but since the campaign cannot be handled that way it is left to those who can buy much more than the percapita quota to make up for others less fortunately situated.

Let us not lose sight of the fact that our young manhood, and womanhood too, are giving their lives while we at home are merely asked to LOAN our money. We expect them to make good account of themselves at the front. Have they not an equal right to demand that we do our share in backing them for everything they need? If we hold to that thought the task of the finance committee will not be so difficult.

## Probably No More Rodeos

When directors of the Heppner Rodeo association met Tuesday evening and took action to postpone the rodeo scheduled for this coming September, they probably postponed the show indefinitely which means that so far as the present association is concerned the Heppner show is washed up. The motion made and passed at the meeting stated

that "the Heppner show be postponed." Having disposed of that piece of business the directors discussed the possibility of putting on a show elsewhere in the county, not this year, perhaps, but when the time is ripe for reviving the show. They simply do not want to force anything upon Heppner that Heppner does not want but will be open for an invitation from some other point. For that reason the association does not want the impression to prevail that all sides were not considered before coming to a decision to abandon the local show. It required a good bit of thinking on the part of the directors, as well as some courage to give up their plans which they did not feel would hinder the war effort and might in effect build the morale of ranch and timber workers in the area.

It requires cooperation to put on a rodeo or any other public enterprise and if Heppner doesn't want to back its own show the association will not attempt to force it upon the town.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Gazette Times is the complete report on moneys received and expended by the Morrow county committee of the Blue Mountain Camp and Hospital Council for the fiscal year June 1, 1943-May 31, 1944. Anyone interested in knowing how funds entrusted to the committee are handled will find it time well spent in perusing the report. If, after reading and studying it, you are not satisfied with the way the funds are disbursed, don't bother to make your contribution for continuing the work. On the other hand, it is our guess that you will not hesitate to help make the work a continuing program unhandicapped for the want of funds. If anything, give a little more than you did last year for the needs are increasing each day the war continues.

The editor of the West Salem, (Ill.) Advocate sizes up a newspaper man in the following brief paragraph: "What's a newspaperman? Why he's the man who praises you to the skies when you do something good, covers up for you when you do something wrong, and gets the first kick in the pants when he inadvertently leaves your name out of a writeup."

## STILL CHECKING UP ON US

Hood River, Oregon  
June 11, 1944

Dear Mr. Crawford:

Thanks for the little insertion in the June 8th edition of your paper (The Gazette Times) about my change of address. Also I found our mistakes in the print. I hereby challenge you to lower this mark to three in your next issue.

We live about two miles from the tracks here but we can hear trains

going by all the time. It is amazing how many trains will pass by in an hour sometimes. I noticed when I was down town at the depot that they had a Mallet on a passenger train—a novelty to me, down this far anyway. I knew they put them on up by La Grande but down here was sort of a surprise. I have been thinning pears pretty steadily for the past week! It is a slow, uneventful, tiresome, discouraging, hot job. I hope that you

now have an idea of what thinning is like from the above list of adjectives. But farming has its leisurely moments—for instance, Set-urday night.  
Your affectionate Printers' Devil,  
Lauren

## IN PORTLAND

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cleveland left today for Portland to spend a week or 10 days.

## Tax Stamp Should Be Placed in Cars

Motor auto use stamps again will be the little revenue-producing sheets having been placed on sale at post offices Saturday, June 10. The stamp will evidence payment of the tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1944, and must be purchased on or before that date, according to J. W. Maloney, Collector of Internal Revenue, Portland.

Use of an automobile, truck, motorcycle, or bus makes it subject to the tax. The tax stamp is transferable with motor vehicle. If the vehicle is in storage or out of use in July, it will become subject to the tax as of the month in which it is placed in use on the public highway.

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