

# EDITORIAL

## The Bungling OPA

It is quite possible that each individual has his or her own opinion of the OPA, some of whom give vocal expression while others suffer in silence. Not a few editors have put their thoughts in writing and to date nothing of a complimentary nature has arrived at the Gazette Times editorial desk. Most editors have held throughout the life of the OPA that the control measure in itself was designed for a good purpose but that its administration, or application, has been bungled and now that the shooting war is over it is nothing more than a political football.

Most recent glaring example of inefficiency in OPA control is the sugar situation in the Northwest and comment by the Oregon City Banner Courier under the heading "Let's Slug the OPA," gives a fairly clear picture of the bungling on the part of those who are charged with the responsibility of administering the act in this region. Says the Banner-Courier.

It has been quite a while since we took a swing at the OPA, so let's cut loose and smite it hip and thigh.

Now in this sugar thing, which comes to mind, is the OPA particularly vulnerable by its own admission.

Remember a few weeks back when we were trying to get the OPA to give a canning sugar bonus in Oregon and Washington to help conserve a bumper crop of fruit? And we were told by the long hairs of the OPA in Bedlam on the Potomac were bungling was that transportation was lacking that the only reason sugar warehouses in Oregon to carry this sugar to "deficit" areas?

Well, the OPA now admits that it commandeered boxcars and shipped this sugar out of Oregon in such frenzied haste that it left not enough for September's ration in the northwest and must now commandeer more boxcars to ship some of it back.

And all this time wheat was spoiling in the open because of lack of cars to ship it, and lumber was piling up in sawmill yards because there weren't enough freight cars to move it to where veterans were clamoring for housing.

No, the farm wife couldn't save those pears and peaches rotting out there on the ground because the OPA wouldn't be sensible and give her a little more sugar.

In the big cities throughout the land, idle housewives in thousands of apartments drew their rationing and probably made fudge, because they do not can fruit and wouldn't have any place to put it if they did.

The fumbling, blundering OPA doesn't take this into consideration—uh uh. It gives canning

sugar to millions who do not need it and will not use it to save food from going to waste and refuses it to a few thousand patriotic housewives in a fruitful land who are distressed and sickened as they watch next winter's fruit rot on the orchard floor.

## Shouldn't Vote at Random

There is time between now and election day for each and every voter to become acquainted with the measures on the ballot, yet it is not likely that more than a small percentage of us will go to the bother to find out what the proposed bills are about. To most of us a measure that has the appearance of putting more money in our pockets will receive a favorable vote, whereas another measure which may mean taking more money away from us will in most cases be voted down. In either case an injustice may be done.

It so happens that we are confronted with measures that call for funds and the merits of these measures should be understood before the voter even thinks of going to the booth to mark his ballot. We should know just what it is going to cost to give every person above the age of 60 years a present of \$100 a month; whether or not the basic school bill (316) is the answer to the school problem, and so on through the nine measures left to our discretion.

It is not advisable to follow the rule of "when in doubt vote no" unless after exhaustive study there appears no proper solution. A decision has to be made and it cannot be made hastily. The time to get ready to mark your ballot is now.

Changes are taking place with regularity in Heppner and vicinity, yet announcement of the sale of the Alfalfa Lawn Dairy plant came as a distinct surprise to those of us who were unaware that the Wightman Brothers were contemplating such a move. After more than 41 years of peddling milk over the same route they had become permanent fixtures in the minds of the public and it had not occurred to most of us that some other person or concern could do the job—at least do it right. But after all, men, like machines, wear out, and replacements have to be made. Although we can no longer associate the name of Wightman with the Alfalfa Lawn Dairy, we can congratulate ourselves that these good people do not find it necessary to move from our midst but will remain here and operate their ranch on a less time-exacting scale. Life has not been a bed of roses for them and they deserve to enjoy the fruits of their labors which began here in 1905 and have run continuously since.

## Elks Dedicate Memorial to World War II Veterans



The impressive limestone and marble Elks National Memorial and Headquarters Building on the shores of Lake Michigan, Chicago, Ill., which was recently dedicated to the veterans of World War II. Ceremonies were presided over by Bruce A. Cambobli, chairman of the Elks Memorial Commission, with Charles E. Broughton, Grand Exalted Ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, welcoming the 25,000 Elks from surrounding states and Grand Lodge officers who attended the dedication. U. S. Senator Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky, Senate majority leader and member of the Paducah, Ky., Elks Lodge, was the principal speaker. More than 80,000 Elks served in this country's armed forces in World War II.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

Joe Jewett, Minister  
Bible school 9:45 a. m. C. W. Barlow, superintendent.  
Morning worship 11 o'clock.  
Communion and worship. Sermon subject, "Christ's Appeal to You."  
Adult Christian Endeavor 7 p. m.

Evening service 8 o'clock. Sound motion picture of the Life of Paul entitled "The Way of Salvation." Everyone invited and welcome to this service. There will be a short message following the showing of the pictures on the subject, "Following the Heavenly Vision."  
Monday evening Sept. 30 at 7: p. m. the "99" men's class of the church is sponsoring a dinner for the men and boys of the church and others who are interested. Carrol McMickle, Christian minister at Hermiston will bring a message at the dinner. There will be a short film presented. There will be singing and a good time for all.

There will be no charge but an offering will be received at the tables.  
Choir practice Thursday evening at 7 followed by Bible study and prayer meeting at 8. Come join with us in these services.  
On Friday Oct. 4 the Eastern Oregon "99" men's classes will meet in an annual fall meeting at Ba-

ker. A number of Heppner men are planning to attend.

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH**  
Neville Blunt, Minister  
Holy Communion 8 a. m.  
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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

## Going Fishing? Here's How!

To hear Willie Wells and Basil Strube arguing about trout fishing, you'd think it was more important than the atom bomb. Willie favors dry flies, Basil pooh-poohs anything but wet flies. Willie swears by a Royal Coachman; Basil won't hear of anything but a Silver Doctor. And by the time it comes to steel rods versus bamboo rods... #!X&\*!!  
But on Saturday, each got back from Seward's creek with a catch that couldn't have differed by more than several ounces!

Each had used his favorite kind of fly, his favorite rod and his favorite place to cast. So over a friendly glass of beer, they allowed as how maybe they were both right... which is how so many arguments should end.  
From where I sit, if we all respected one another's different opinions—whether about trout flies, or drinking beer, or voting, life would be a whole lot pleasanter.

Joe Marsh

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