

EDITORIAL

Women at the Bar

A copy of the Los Angeles Examiner found its way to the editorial desk of the Gazette Times and in it was found an editorial that while pertaining to the large cities could have some bearing as found in smaller centers—like Heppner, for instance. It is so pertinent that we are taking the liberty to reprint it with the hope that if there are women in this community who have a leaning in the direction discussed in the editorial they may see the error of their ways in time to avoid becoming the types referred to.

One of the saddest and assuredly the ugliest social spectacle of city life nowadays is the dark and dingy cocktail bar where at almost any hour of business the clientele is largely feminine and unescorted.

The female bar fly, as this type of customer is described by other habitues, has in fact become a standard character in the modern saloon.

The most casual of surveys suffices to establish her aspect and behavior, a combination of alcoholic incoherence, objectionable language, excessive familiarity with strangers, an aptitude for wheedling, quarrelling or cadging.

Most distressing of all is that these women are by no means demimondaines, nor identified with professional crime or vice.

They are mostly women of all ages with time heavy on their hands, no pressing occupation to follow and immature ideas of recreation. Women who have swallowed whole and half-baked the tawdry notions of "freedom" and "broad-mindedness" implanted by innuendo and outspoken depravity through "modern" books and "modern" movies.

They have neither the stability, the experience nor the knowledge to realize how deadly is the peril they have gone half way to meet.

They assume, with an air of light-hearted daring or what they consider a tone of worldliness, a fixed position on the bar stool and in the eyes of the predatory, which is tantamount to an invitation and a surrender to ignoble appetites and associations.

If these women, who comprise a wide range of classes and conditions were to hear the appraisals of them that are current among the knowing and contemptuous barkeeps, the male drinkers, the hangers-on, the touts and the wily vagrants who infest these places; if these women should see themselves as these characters see them, they would tuck in tears, with an intolerable sense of besmirchment and shame.

Indeed, it is a pity they do not hear those things while it is yet time to change their habits.

These women are beginners who do not yet KNOW THEY HAVE BEGUN.

They HANDLE DYNAMITE without recognizing it.

They have not heard, or understood, how EASY is the descent to Avernus.

Something is needed to bring that knowledge to them, in the plainest and sometimes the most brutal terms.

For, if this promiscuous and continual drinking continues much longer, too many mothers and wives and sisters to whom society looks for refuge and sanity and health in an age of moral laxity, will instead become derelicts, meriting at the worst disgust and at the best pity.

A cleanup is drastically needed, and those who shrink from the word "prohibition" will do well to remove from the social scene one of the most potent arguments for that very thing.

Match Money Needed

Tentative appropriation of \$7,000 by the Civil Aeronautics Administration to the Lexington Airport commission places the commission in an uncomfortable position for the present. The appropriation is fifty-six percent of the total amount estimated to complete development of the airport. Forty-four percent of the total amount must be raised by the commission as match money.

It has been suggested, and frequently too, that such funds as are required to put the airport in first class condition should come through county appropriation. This would require a special levy and inasmuch as the taxpayers have just finished paying for a hospital and there is a prospect that another levy will be asked for road work, sentiment regarding support from this source for the airport may have to be built up. Nevertheless, the airport is functioning and with the expenditure of the estimated amount, or less, completion of the job of making it conform to federal and state regulations can be accomplished.

30 YEARS AGO

(From the files of the Gazette Times of January 11, 1917.)

First National bank holds 29th annual meeting... Will enlarge building soon... The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: M. S. Corrigan, president; J. B. Natter, vice president; T. J. Mahoney, vice president and cashier; S. W. Spencer, assistant cashier, and Hugh E. Bran, assistant cashier.

The bank expects to remodel its quarters shortly, taking in the Hughes store and thus occupying the entire building.

Heppner high basketball team returned Friday after a trip to Sherman county and told a tale of one defeat and one victory.

The little community of Lexington stepped forward and launched the airport enterprise and has had some support from lone and Heppner. In the less than two years the port has been functioning many local citizens have availed themselves of the flying service and numerous visiting planes have used the landing field. It is now a refueling point for Western Skyways Service of Troutdale, an important GI training unit. Value of the airport will increase from year to year as more and more students receive their flight training and more planes are bought in the county. Pilots pronounce it one of the best landing fields in a wide area. There are no obstructions in the way of planes landing or taking off. The port is visible from afar on clear days and not difficult to find in stormy weather. It is within walking distance of town, and is about as near the center of the county as any site that could have been chosen.

It is possible that the match money can be raised by private subscription. It may be necessary to get the funds that way if time is a factor in the CAA's offer. Nevertheless, the opinion prevails among supporters of the airport that the county should and probably will assume responsibility for maintenance and operation of the airport.

Polio Foundation Gives Victims Chance to Fight Back to Health

Once more America is being called to arms in the greatest peace-time battle of the age. Fortunately there are no weapons of war involved but the one great resource that back the allied efforts to a successful conclusion of the bloodiest war of history is again being called into action—American money. The call is clear. We have a more persistent enemy to conquer than those who sought to enslave the world. It is an insidious enemy, a cruel, heartless killer and maimer. It is the dread poliomyelitis, more commonly known as infantile paralysis, and while people of all ages are subject, its damage has been wrought chiefly among young people, small children and infants.

In recent years noticeable strides have been taken to counteract the evil effects of the disease and modern science appears to be on the trail of the elusive germ, which when once isolated can be controlled by processes of inoculation. Official announcement of such a discovery has not been made and it may be necessary to continue the pursuit for years. In the meantime hospitals for the special treatment of polio cases are being set up and many more are needed. Special training for nurses, or physical therapists as they should be called, and the many devices for handling the patients must be provided if these unfortunate persons are to be rehabilitated and given their chance to live normal lives.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is directing a great work. There are countless instances of full recovery or partial recovery of patients who had the will to fight back to health and today are holding responsible positions or have good jobs. Through the efforts of the Foundation many others have been encouraged to make the fight back to health and they, too, are taking their rightful places in their respective communities.

Ample opportunity is open for all of us to aid in this great mission. March of Dimes boxes are available in business houses. They are sizeable but every one of them should be filled. Your check, made payable to the local chairman and mailed to the bank in Heppner will receive proper credit.

Let us carry on the fight—to the finish!

From what can be gathered through news dispatches and by contacts with people who have been in other sections within the past few days this section has been dealt with in a kindly manner by the weather man. The little flurry of winter in this region has been all to the good so far as crop conditions are concerned, provided the snow came early enough to protect seed that has been exposed to quite a bit of freezing weather lately. It is the belief of wheat raisers that the snow came in time, although not a few of them have been in the market for additional seed wheat in the event some damage did occur. Temperatures have not been excessive for this time of year and travel has not been restricted by impassable or dangerously slick roads. It is January, and January is mid-winter, and in mid-winter anything may happen. So far, the weather has not been hard to take.

over the door leading to a nice suite of rooms in the Roberts building.

Walter Cochran, editor of the Lone Independent, was an over Sunday visitor in Heppner.

George W. Chapin, well known Hardman farmer, was in the city last Saturday on business.

Miss Hannah Wilson, popular high school student, has been employed at the office of United States Commissioner C. C. Patterson the past week. A rush of applicants for homesteads under the new 640-acre law has been the cause of the unusual pick-up in business.

On and after Feb. 1, 1917, the Palace hotel will discontinue a free bus to and from the depot.

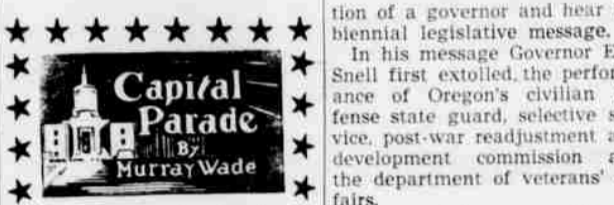
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GUBERNATORIAL INAUGURATION

It was almost poetic.

All day long a gentle snowfall drifted down on a becalmed marble ship of state. Inside the capitol a breath of dissent disturbed the prearranged program of the convening of the 44th session of the Oregon legislature. The tempo of events was so even that they were uneventful.

A president of the senate and speaker of the house of representatives were nominated by former opponents, and elected. And so it was down to the last appointment of the pages. All this vast and weighty program consummated in an hour and at a cost of only \$1000 to taxpayers. Then to await the pomp and ceremony of the inauguration of a governor and hear his biennial legislative message.

In his message Governor Earl Snell first extolled the performance of Oregon's civilian defense state guard, selective service, post-war readjustment and development commission and the department of veterans' affairs.

He stated he was "making a rather exhaustive study of his proposal to establish boys' camps for youthful offenders or delinquents" and recommended construction of an "immediate" institution for criminals, offered a ten year program levying a 20-cent-per-thousand excise or severance tax on all stumpage or timber cut in the state to raise \$12,000,000 to be used for forest rehabilitation and fire prevention. "I desire to suggest," said the governor, "that the assembly by resolution or memorial urge strongly the importance of a free press."

The governor eased the responsibilities of members when he said, "I urge that any major tax proposals be referred to the people." No inference was made that would offend either of the extreme wings of labor controversy.

The governor's statements and

SHRINE CLUBS MEET

Morrow county Shrine club and auxiliary held their respective meetings at the Masonic hall Saturday evening, Jan. 11.

Following the business meetings a social hour was enjoyed, including cards, Chinese checkers and refreshments. High score in bridge went to Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles, pinocle high to Harry Duvall, low to Mrs. Allan Case; Chinese checkers, Mrs. E. Markham Baker and Mrs. Harry Duvall. Hosts and hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Isom, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grabil, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Worden.

Patrons of the Columbia Mattress & Upholstery company of Hermiston are advised that due to weather conditions the pick-up service will not be available in Morrow county until Jan. 20.

Inferences fell as gently as did the drifting flakes outside the legislative halls.

The message to the 44th legislative assembly might be reduced to five short words.

"It's up to you boys."

TAX COMMISSIONER PASSES

Coe A. McKenna, 59, Oregon tax commissioner and a former state representative and senator from Multnomah county, died in a hospital in Salem last Wednesday night following a cerebral hemorrhage. He was recently reappointed to the commission for a four year term.

Widely known in Oregon real estate circles and a past vice president of the National Association of Realty Boards he was recognized as an authority on tax problems and as a leading advocate of the sales tax in Oregon. He was an alumnus of the University of Portland, the University of Notre Dame and held a political science degree from George Washington university.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN'S BIRTHDAY

"An announcement from the offices of Governor Earl Snell this week called attention to Benjamin Franklin's 240th birthday, January 17, and to National Thrift Week, January 17 to 23.

These dates, the governor's prescriber reads, "will be dedicated to the promotion of wisdom in spending, care in handling of money, and following of the example of Franklin, whose quotation, 'A penny saved is a penny earned,' has assumed the aspects of a truism. I can think of no more appropriate way to celebrate Franklin's birth than to remember, and observe, the traditions of thrift and economy which he so well exemplified."

STATE POLICE REPORT

There were 2296 arrests made during the past 30 days by Oregon state police for violations of the motor code which resulted in sentences totaling 1727 days in jail and \$18,394.75 in fines. General law enforcement arrests numbered 268 with sentences totaling 99.43 years in prison and \$3,566.60 in fines. There were 261 arrests for violations of the game code, resulting in 130 years in jail and \$7,481.70 in fines. Violators of the commercial fisheries code numbered 13 with \$433 in fines. Of the 42 arrests for driving while intoxicated 41 convictions were

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Maybe you need more conservation practices than you're carrying out now. If so, it's to your advantage to see your local Agricultural Conservation Committee for information on how the Agricultural Conservation Program can assist.

Chairman of the local County Agricultural Conservation (AAA) Committee is Henry Baker of Ione. The committee exists for your benefit and you are urged to avail yourself of its facilities.

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