

EDITORIAL

For A Civic Center

Heppner is sorely in need of a civic center—a building that will provide a meeting place for various groups and at the same time serve as a recreation center for the youthful citizens. Such a building is on the minds of more than one group and the problem may eventually be solved.

The idea of a recreation center for the young people alone is losing out in favor of a civic building available to the public at large. It has been learned by other towns and smaller cities that without constant supervision the youth recreation centers are not successful, inasmuch as the young people fail to live up to expectations and in too many cases use the recreation center as an excuse to get out at night.

A community building equipped for banquets, dancing, committee meetings, parties, etc., could be used one or two evenings by the young people and should be so conducted that it would pay its way after once in operation. If permitted to use the building without supervision, and too often, the young people or any other group will soon become tired, or fed up, and interest in the project dies down.

A civic center is a worthy project and should receive encouragement from all citizens. It would be something not only useful but something in which the community could take justifiable pride.

The Last Easter

Easter day is approaching and we are reliably informed that orders for Easter lilies to be sent to the veterans hospital are not coming in at a satisfactory rate. The lilies will be provided, but at the expense of the Morrow county committee's funds unless we the people do our duty.

This news is not cheering to those who have directed this work since the early days of the war, for they had come to rely upon the thoughtfulness and generosity of our people in all matters pertaining to the comfort and welfare of our boys who through no choice of their own have been hospitalized both during and since hostilities. Lack of interest now may be due to an aftermath lethargy from which we need only to be awakened, but awake we must if we are to keep our pledge to these brave lads that they will not be forgotten.

For some of the young veterans in the Walla Walla hospital it will be the last Easter. Can we be so neglectful as to let them feel forgotten in their last days? To a few of them it may matter little. To others it may mean sorrow and disappointment. It is the least we can do to see that a little sunlight is brought into these lives darkened by despair.

Safety Over The Bar

There was a slogan used in the political campaign last fall which might be twisted around a bit to apply to the campaign to reduce traffic accidents springing from over-indulgence in alcoholic beverages. Instead of using it as a question it would have to be used as a command coming from the man behind the bar who dispenses the drinks. The "Had enough?" slogan caught the eye of the public as it was emblazoned on billboards over the country and it undoubtedly exercised a considerable influence in swinging the vote to the Republican column.

The term could be used in a relative manner, such as "Had enough accidents?" Then drive only when sober." But it is up to those dispensing spirits ferment to determine when the drinker has had enough and refuse to sell that person any more.

From "Safety Clips," published in the interest of safety by the National Conservation Bureau, New York City, the following story tells of a program launched in an eastern city to check the alarming growth in preventable accidents. It is entitled "Safety Over the Bar."

"Twenty-six major accidents in six weeks—seven lives snuffed out and 19 persons seriously maimed. That was the record that haunted Donald A. Quarles, mayor of Englewood, N. J. Something had to be done!

Now, Mayor Quarles is a man who believes in getting at the source of a trouble. He is the father of two children and has a personal stake in the safety of his community. When his police and traffic officials reported one of the main causes for the high accident rate was drunk driving, Mayor Quarles decided he'd give the drinkers a safety lesson "over the bar".

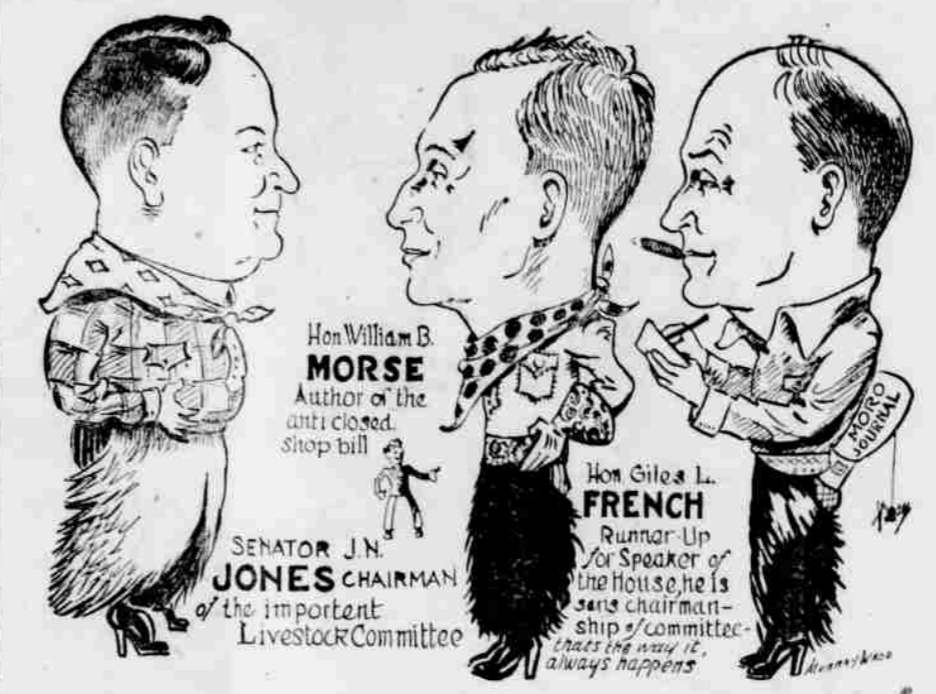
The local newspaper contributed printed placards stating: "DRUNK DRIVERS GO TO JAIL IN ENGLEWOOD." Police Chief Charles A. Peterson delivered them personally to all the city's 17 bars and taverns and placed them prominently behind the bars. He admonished bartenders to adopt a "had enough" policy to customers inclined to overindulge.

Meanwhile the entire police force and the traffic court judge launched an extensive campaign of enforcement and punishment. Newspaper and radio stations gave traffic safety increased publicity.

Mayor Quarles's safety drive began December 15. Three weeks later, with the accident-prone, drinking, driving Yule and New Year holidays behind, he looked at the record again. One out-of-town man had received a scalp abrasion in a minor accident, there had been a few dented fenders—but that was all!

Englewood had proven that drunk driving, and all other causes of death and injury on our streets and highways, can be stemmed if the people really try. "Perhaps," said the Mayor, "if other communities follow our example, the menace would soon be eliminated."

Artist Murray Wade Makes Action Shots of Eastern Oregon Legislators



—Courtesy Salem Capital Journal



ROUGH SEAS AHEAD
The legislators are tired. These ancient mariners of the ship of state have worked long hours at unusual work for 70 days and the end is not yet. This week the

governor sent more suggestions for more work. They are setting up committees to formulate new bills. The further the session goes the bigger the job gets, and the rougher the seas. At the beginning of the tenth week 1015 bills, memorials and resolutions had been introduced, 246 still in house and 278 in senate committees.

Provides personnel of health departments to be employed upon a merit system basis. HB 136 requires county courts to publish full schedules of expenditures in the two newspapers having the largest circulation in counties of over 10,000 population. HB 27 increases fee for non-resident hunting license from \$15 to \$25 and for fishing from \$5 to \$10, also increases fees for temporary fishing license from \$3 to \$5 and reduces time limit from 15 to 5 days. HB 127 authorizes the governor to order fire fighting equipment, in case of emergency, moved from one community to a conflagration elsewhere and costs involved paid from the general fund. HB 4 requires all physicians to report epileptic cases or any disorder that would disqualify a person for obtaining a driver's license, the reports to be deemed confidential and to be transmitted to the secretary of state. HB 121 amends the "blue sky law" regarding the sale of corporate securities and authorizes a charge of \$25 for cooperative membership certificates.

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30 YEARS AGO

From Heppner Gazette Times, March 22, 1917

A party consisting of Mrs. Chas. Sperry, Wayne and Beatrice Sperry, Mabel Wilcox and Ruby Engelman motored up from Ione Tuesday in the Sperry car.

Oscar Keithley, prominent Eight Mile farmer, was doing business in Heppner Wednesday. He took the county road grader out home with him.

The young son of Frank Moyer of Lexington was brought to Heppner Wednesday to receive medical aid. The little boy somehow got hold of a dynamite cap which exploded and tore off his thumb, and badly injured his entire hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Brien came up from the Carrigan ranch on Butter creek to attend the St. Patrick's day celebration.

Dr. Winnard reports the arrival of twin boys at the home

of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moyer, March 21, at the family home in Black Horse. This is the second set of twins to arrive at the Moyer home, the first being girls.

W. B. Barratt went out to his Sand Hollow sheep ranch this week. Lambing is now under way there and the ranch duties will occupy most of his time from now until spring.

J. O. Hager who recently built one of the finest residences in Heppner is now busy improving the premises.

A blaze in the second story of the People's Cash Market Wednesday afternoon called forth the fire fighters. The fire had gained but little headway and was easily subdued. The upper story is occupied by the Joe Handy family.

Mrs. Bert Stone and Miss Josephine Richardson were hostesses at a charming bridge party at the Richardson home Friday

4-H SEWING CLUB 1-A
We had a club meeting and a party at Marjorie Pierson's home. She served us ice cream sundaes and cookies.

There are seven members. Their names and offices are: Leader, Laurel Van Marter; president, Patsy Albert; vice president, Nancy Eberhart; treasurer, Carla Whillock; secretary, Marjorie Pierson; song leader, Beth Bell; demonstration chairman, Wainey Ball, and reporter, Gloria Orwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hardwick of San Francisco were guests of Mrs. John Hanan Monday and Tuesday of this week. Hardwick was a friend of Mr. Hanan's and learned the cleaning business when the two were stationed at Fort Lewis a few years ago. Hardwick is now a railroad employee.

afternoon. It was a St. Patrick's day party. About 30 ladies were present.

Frank Roberts is breaking ground for the new telephone building. The material for the concrete is being placed on the ground today.

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