

EDITORIAL



A Valuable Citizen Gone

In the passing of George Peck, Morrow county has lost a valuable citizen. That is not merely the voiced opinion of one who has cherished his friendship for years, but a well-nigh universal feeling, as testified by the large concourse of people who gathered at Lexington Sunday afternoon to pay a tribute of respect to his memory. He was honored and respected by all who knew him.

Few of our citizens have displayed greater talent for leadership and a willingness to serve than George. A leader in the grange, the farm bureau, the Eastern Oregon Wheat League, and as a member of the Morrow county court, his services were such that it was with regret his terms came to a close. After retirement from active management of his wheat ranch he became mayor of Lexington, a position he held until death. His zeal for accomplishing good was again seen in street improvements and diking the Blackhorse to protect the town against flash floods. Whether the task was large or small he gave it his earnest attention.

But he is gone now—stricken down in the prime of life before he had finished all those things he had in his heart to do. It is the memory of that tireless energy and genial friendliness that will linger on and make family and friends miss him.

Count Your Blessings

If you have enjoyed good health and have been prosperous to a degree the past year you have something for which to be thankful. For if you have been thus blessed there have been many things you have enjoyed.

It is conceivable that most of us have enjoyed being free from a shooting war. We think mostly in terms of bloodshed when the word war is spoken, and while there may be what is termed a "cold war" in progress, the fact that people are not being killed and property destroyed is something for which all may be thankful.

We may be thankful that this America of ours, while not quite the same as she used to be, still has a sense of freedom not enjoyed in many countries of the world; that there is a freedom of the press, which, if left undisturbed, will help sustain the "American Way of Life" and keep this country as a foremost exponent of freedom for all peoples.

We may be thankful that our forbears had the wisdom and foresight to set aside one day in the year when all may pause to reflect over our fortunes for the past season, checking the good against the bad—and in the long run finding that the good has overbalanced the bad. In those ear-

lier times there probably was more gratitude than is evidenced today, but the people of that time had no more to be thankful for than have we of the present era. Thanksgiving had more real meaning, we think, because there were fewer occasions for celebrations or observances in those earlier times, yet when one ponders the great expansion that has taken place, the great advances in scientific development, the many conveniences at our command today, the abundance of those things for only a few of which our forbears had to be thankful, should we not show an appreciation commensurate with the gratitude expressed by those at the first Thanksgiving?

Thanksgiving is not represented in feasting alone. It is also a time for us to count our blessings and give credit where credit is due.

Many Rooms Needed

Once more an appeal is made to householders of the community to make room for visitors who will flock to the city next week for the Oregon Wheat League convention. It is estimated that no less than 500 outside people will need accommodations on Friday, with a less number Thursday and Saturday. A limited number of Saturday night rooms will be required by those coming from greater distances who will not wish to start for home until Sunday morning.

Committees from the Junior Chamber of Commerce have been signing up rooms the past few days. They insist there will have to be greater response if the room situation is to be in hand by next Thursday.

For A Federal Building

When the Heppner Chamber of Commerce sent a resolution to Congressman Lowell Stockman asking that Heppner be included on the list of towns designated for federal buildings it started something that struck more or less of a popular chord. Since an article appeared in this newspaper putting forth reasons why a federal building should be located here, the East Oregonian has lent its support to the proposal, and now comes the Morrow County Agricultural Planning Committee with a resolution supporting the movement, and at the semi-monthly meeting of the Heppner city council Monday evening a motion was passed that the city likewise present a resolution requesting the proper authorities to consider Heppner's bid.

With all of this support back of the request, our delegation in Congress will know that a federal building not only is wanted but is needed. It is the kind of support they need in presenting a proposal to the agency having the selection of sites and allocation of funds.

30 YEARS AGO

November 27, 1919
A pleasant surprise was given Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barlow at their home in Eight Mile Sunday, November 16, the occasion being their 30th wedding anniversary. About 30 of their friends and relatives were present.

Heppner has a new industry which gives promise of growing to large proportions. It is that of making automobile tops and repairing old or damaged ones. Bert P. Stone, better known as "Stoney", has purchased the harness business from E. G. Noble and will continue business at the old stand.

Jay H. Dobin of Joseph is the new president of the Oregon Woolgrowers' association, succeeding W. B. Barratt of Heppner, who has served the association for so many years. Charles C. Berkeley of Hay Creek succeeds C. A. Minor of Heppner as vice president, and Mac Hoke, county agent of Wallowa county was elected secretary. This position has been held for the last five years by J. O. Hager of Heppner. Merle Kirk, who farms the W. G. McCarty ranch in Sand Hollow, completed the 1919 harvest season this year when he wound up threshing on the 24th of November.

A large number of Heppner sportsmen attended the turkey about \$514,000, as compared to September. Total Savings Bonds sales in the State last month were \$3,202,501. Redemptions, which include maturities, held about even with the previous month at \$3,685,120. Redemptions for 1949 are about \$7,000,000 less than they were for the first ten months of 1948.

A study of Bond sales by county for October showed that by far the largest share of the drop occurred in eleven counties, but Multnomah County went contrary to this trend by showing a slight increase. Several counties showed substantial increases with Harney, Hood River, Sherman and Yamhill leading the way.

According to County Chairman Mrs. Elaine George, October sales in Morrow County were \$7,894, decrease of \$11,000 as compared to the September. Redemptions for October in this County were \$8,961

home their share of birds. When the management ran out of turkeys at Pete Sheridan's on Butter Creek last Sunday and brought keys the boys shot for geese. Ray McAllister, Lexington auto repair man, spent Tuesday in Heppner on business.

William and David Hynd, prominent Sand Hollow sheepmen, were attending to business in Heppner on Tuesday.

Mrs. Lena Snell Shurte, county school superintendent, made a visit to Arlington the last of the week, returning to Heppner Sunday evening.

Warehouseman C. B. Sperry is arranging to ship 20 carloads of wheat from Morgan station within the next few days. This wheat is in sacks piled on the open platform and it is necessary to remove it before the winter storms set in.—Irene Independent.

Charles Bartholomew of Butter Creek was in Heppner on Tuesday being interested in matters pertaining to the Butter Creek highway. An election will be held in the Alpine school house in Mr. Bartholomew's district, on the 29th of this month for the purpose of voting a 10 mill tax for road purposes. The state highway commission has ordered a survey made of the Butter Creek highway.

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"FIRE CHIEF" SIREN CAR 98c

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TOTS' COASTER WAGONS 98c



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A world of fun for your youngster! Sturdy steel wagon to haul sand, toys or playmates. And it costs you less than a dollar at Penney's! 14 1/2" long.

Look at the streamlined design, the bright coloring. Strong, long lasting steel body. A real buy at this low Penney price! 30" long.

For little "playboys" this wagon is tops. (You can buy it on Lay-Away!) Sturdy steel body with tubular steel handrails, fabric seat pad. 44 1/2" long.



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MILITARY STEEL JEEP 1.39



STURDY WHEELBARROW 98c

Sturdy steel velocipedes at a C & C Penney price! 12" front wheel has nylon bearings for smooth riding. Adjustable seat.

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Children love to haul sand, toys, just about everything. And this is just the gift for them! Brightly colored steel. Safe rolled edge.

Turkey Dinner Bazaar Dance

Willows Grange---Ione Saturday, November 26

Dinner Served 6-7:30 \$1.25 Adults 50c Children

Bingo - Fish Pond - Fancy Work

Dance, \$1.25 Tax Inc. Music by Rimrock Serenaders

Savings Bond Sales Show Decline Since Last Quarterly Report

Savings Bonds sale and redemption figures received today by State Bond Chairman E. C. Sammons from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco indicate that sales in Oregon for the month of October followed a trend noted last fall in the State. Oregon sales for the month were off by

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