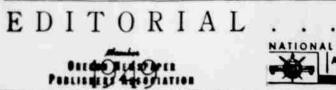
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A Successful Convention

The first annual Oregon Wheat League convention, upon which the curtain rang down Saturday evening at Heppner, was not the success expected from the standpoint of attendance but is reported as having been fruitful of results highly satisfactory to officers, directors and members at large. The value of such meetings is not always measured by the numbers in attendance. Rather, it is to be gauged more by the type of program prepared and run through, and in the case at hand it appears that the program was such as to warrant the feeling that much good was accompliahed. Resolutions were introduced and adopted that may lead to expansion of the wheat league idea into a more or less national affair. Then, too, the growers had an opportunity to learn the status of the industry and what must be done to stabilize the market, and to what extent the price structure may be supported by the federal government, if at all. These factors, and the discussions on selection of seed and general farm practices, whether in formal session or informal a successful convention.

French Plan Merits Support

On another page in this week's issue of the Gazette Times will be found the full text of Rep. Giles French's address on reapportionment of the Oregon legislature. It is being published with the hope that our readers will avail themselves of an opportunity to read it and study it. Mr. French has gone into the subject thoroughly and ably. It is of vital concern to that portion of Oregon lying east of the Cascade range that his proposal be adopted. It is of equal interest to the people of all parts of the state ,for that matter, but due to the population set-up, eastern Oregon has a stake in the reapportionment that should cause all residents of this end of the state to give their full approval to the French plan.

We urge our readers to read the full text of the address. You will benefit by so doing.



Congratulations, Mr. Baker!

In the term characteristic of the fourth estate, we doff our tile to Henry Baker of Ione, new president of the Oregon Wheat League. It is a rare honor to serve in that capacity for an organization that is growing and expanding its sphere of in- establishments are small business fluence. Mr. Baker has grown with the league and is conversant with its needs and objectives. with the growth of the league and we think they will amply fill the shoes of his predecessor.

Congratulations, Henry, and best wishes for a successful year.

Aiding TB Research

Research and education have gone hand in hand in the fight to conquer tuberculosis. Both have been essential to the progress so far ma and dustrial glants are fare more im-portant than their mere interest both will play improtant roles in whatever progress is made in the future

Through the one, our scientific knowledge about the disease, its cause, treatment, and prevention, has been increased. Through the other, caucus, are productive of results that go to make vast numbers of people have been reached with ability and the will to be their the fruits of research-with practical information on the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis.

Most of us are aware of how education has

helped people understand that tuberculosis is not culosis is not necessarily fatal but that it can be prisers who help sell and service cured; that tuberculosis is easiset to cure in an early stage

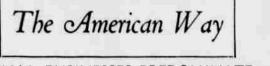
Less familiar to most of us, perhaps, is the story of scientific study which preceded our edu-cation on these points. For example, the heredity is a "strong nation." Yet its strength is only the sum total of the materials and facilities, the productivity and skills of its peo-had lost all of our pioneer spirit theory of tuberculosis could not be exploded until they own and operate. The United the real cause of tuberculosis was determined- States is strong because her peo until the tubercle bacillus was discovered in 1882 likewise are free and growing. and was proved to be the cause of tuberculosis.

A great deal of scientific information about tuberculosis has been accumulated since 1882, but there is still much to be learned about this disease tively strong that it is now carrybefore we can expect to conquer it completely.

For example, we do not know how to attack

tors who are among 22 currently being aided by and its 3000 affiliates, including the Morrow Coun

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SMALL BUSINESSES PREDOMINATE

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There are about four million democratic society based on an firms" or private business establishments in this country. The as-

onishing fact here is that even But the challenge is not so much bough the United States is the to our relatively few industria land of the most fabulous "mass giants. They are already big and production" in the world, neverstrong. It is rather to our millions of small businesses to grow stronger and bigger. Most of all heless 97 percent of its business employing less than 100 people it is a challenge to us as individu-each, and in about a million, or als to keep the seedbed of brand one fourth, of all of our "business new enterprises well tended and In other words, his feet have been keeping pace establishments" the boss himself growing. It is a challenge to the is the whole works. men and women who believe in Of couse in these one-man en free enterprise, and who have the

erprises there is frequently some initiative and leadership, to try it bossing and some assistance from for themselves - to be their own wives, and full credit is due these boss, to add to rather than take wives no only for what they do from the supply of jobs and pro- the same reform plank she went but also for what they do withductive output of our system.

out to make a go of thousands of struggling small businesses. But these facts about all the "little people" in our land of inas believe-it-or-not statistics. Be-Constitutional rules of the game ause one of the things most were expressly drawn to make it needed to keep our kind of econpossible for enterprising individuomy going and growing is a als to translate them into produc

steady stream of more and more tive usefulness. It is really no nen-and women-who have the suprise that in such an environment we should have many small wn boss. They are the seedbed enterprises. of free enterprise. Not only do big

The real suprise is in our chang businesses grow from small roots, ing attitude toward our economic but even after they are grown ing attrude toward our economic environment. It is still much the same and opportunity still pa-tiently knocks on the doors of those who will listen. Yet, when-ever this subject of being your most big businesses could not exist without the many small own boss comes up, there is al-ways lots of loose talk to be heard

We speak of the United States Yet its about the "good old days." as a "strong nation."

so we might as well resign ourselves to living in a "mature" economy. More people seemed ple are free and her enterprises to be interested in 'security" rath-

Yet it seems difficult for many people in the world to realize why this country, a mere youngster among nations, is so produc

ing the lion's share of the econo War II put an end to much of this nonsense by confronting us-as mic and financial burdens of the





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POLITICAL COGITATION fact that while the chamber was Dorothy Lee, Washington, D. C. thinking about it the North Bend chamber got busy and located a In 1951 could such things be? Discussion of the probability of suitable site on the main highway portland's Mayor Dorothy McCul. ough Lee being drafted to run suitable building which the state passed hush-hush stage. Political COMES NATURALLY

pundits are analyzing her vote-Tom Lawson McCall, M. C. of harvesting strength, come next Governor Douglas McKay's pubarvest. licity department, was named af They point out that her follow-

ter his grandfather, Tom Lawson, ing has increased rather than waned since she became mayor

building, Newbry says, lies in the

and that she still firmly treads into office on. The largest slush fund ever raised in Portland by ing together which we call "The the anti-reform element could not American Way of Life" is a logic. defeat her. This element would defeat her. This element would prefer to have her in Washington, Nature provided ample room and D. C. in the senate than in the lavish raw materials; and our mayor's chair in Portland, and mayor's chair in Portland, and nost of them would vote that

way She would have the following of those that elected her as well as those who tried to defeat her.

GOVERNOR URGES SEALS "Altho 256 persons died from uberculosis in Oregon last year.' Governor Douglas McKay said this week. "the disease could be

wiped out and the way all of us can help in doing this is by pur-chasing Christmas Seals." CRIMINAL INSANE

Oregon needs safer housing for the criminal insane, said Frank Van Dyke, speaker of the house of "pionrepresentatives at the capital this week. It is a proposal the Medford legislator has made before. Van Dyke emphasized that it is directly a public safety must. The ape of four dangerous criminals from the state hospital in Sa. lem last Friday again signaled the vulnerability of the state iner than in the doubtful risk of the vuln being enterprisers. Graduating stitution. Supt. C. E. Bates of the hospital

classes heard a lot about how to get a job but not much about how said the recent escapes and sex crime waves point up the necessito be their own bosses.

Fortunately the events of World ty of having a separate cell build-WATER GRAB EGG-WALKING sources.

Secretary of State Earl Newbry| names of the nation in the early ays as early as last August stor- years of the present century. He was a spectacular-and succes es giving the cities and towns ful-financial fireball. As a po designated for branch offices were sent out by wire services and a litical orator and writer he tripled his fame in politics and in author. representative of his office notiing several best sellers, including fied the Coos Bay chamber of com-"Frenzied Finance" and "Black merce at that time and invited Friday." Worth reading today. operation. The trouble, so far as the failure of Coos Bay to get the

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