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THE PATIENT DIED

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in Webster, most of which pertains to the citizen's rights.

Nothing is said in the definition of a "good citizen," or of "good citizenship."

So, what is "good citizenship" as commonly acknowledged?

First, a good citizen owns property and pays taxes—Federal, state and local, to support public institutions and services.

Second, he gives of his cash to Red Cross, Boy Scouts, Chamber of Commerce, etc., to finance and maintain these semi-public agencies.

Third, he pays his bills as promptly as he can, and thus helps keep the local economy on an even keel.

Fourth, he gives of his time to community efforts, often at a sacrifice of his own affairs.

Fifth, he insists that his family takes part in community betterment programs and projects, in which he leads the family participation.

Sixth, he maintains his registration to vote and urges all around him to do likewise, and then expresses himself by voting.

Seventh, he takes part in political campaigns, for it is upon politics of our two-party system that the government relies, and any slackening of interest or participation by those at the grass roots weakens the system that protects our Constitution-granted rights and freedoms.

Eighth, he should take a real and continuing interest in the church of his faith and foster its health and influence by his action and purse.

Ninth, he should study local, state and national issues, make up his mind and support that decision with advice to those who make the laws concerning such issues.

Tenth, he should provide for his family, through insurance, savings and investments so that when he goes to his grave the community will have no obligation to tap its coffers to provide for what the citizen should have foreseen.

Eleventh, he should be a friend of his fellows, offering helpful advice when it is asked in places, wherein he is expert or an authority.

Twelfth, he must love his fellowman; he must not attempt advantage over those less fortunately situated. He should strive to improve the lot of those around him, for in that he is doing his God some of the service he was consecrated to do when he was baptized.

Every little item that comes up every day requires a "stop and think" order, lest we lash out with a curbstone opinion based on prejudice or avarice, and not on the precept that we are just one little human among millions.

Can't we all be good citizens? We'd feel much better, sleep sounder and live longer if we were real professing and acting "Good Citizens."

Not Such A Great Gain

Monroe Sweetland, democratic national chairman for Oregon, may get some satisfaction out of the fact that registration of democrats exceeded the republican registration in Morrow county prior to the closing of the polls. His point was, of course, that registrations here and elsewhere throughout the state indicate that democratic candidates for state offices will be in a more favorable position at the general election in the fall.

It is true that the democratic party has shown considerable gain in registration in Oregon. Not a small number of the new people coming into the state since the beginning of wartime activities have been workers on federal projects, people whose jobs have been contingent largely upon their voting the right way. In cases of emergency, such as the war it is quite possible to move enough people of one political faith, or at least those willing to vote the right way, to swing an election if the balance of political power is not too heavy in the opposite direction. It is just possible that this could have happened to some extent a few years ago, but we are making no accusations.

As to the situation in Morrow county, there is little to encourage Mr. Sweetland as much as he thinks he has been encouraged. A local election situation caused numerous democrats to change their registration to republican and some of these, no doubt have returned to the fold since the first of this year in order to be ready to vote their preference in the primaries. If we are not mistaken, the total democratic registration in the county as present is very little different to the normal count.

What Is "Good Citizenship?"

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What does "good citizenship" mean?

That question was asked this department by a sincere and quelling female citizen of the county. We call her a citizen on the basis of her past service to her community and her desire to be more of a good citizen.

First, let us differentiate between citizen and resident.

A resident, taking the comparison backward, is defined by Webster as "One who resides in a place; one who dwells in a place of more or less duration."

A citizen, according to the same authority, is one who is "A member of a state; a person, native or naturalized, who owes allegiance to the government, and who is entitled to reciprocal protection from it; citizen implies membership of, and the tie of loyalty to a state."

There is much more in the definition of a citizen

4-H club members will be interested in a tribute to the 4-H club program as appeared in a recent copy of the Corvallis Kiwanian. From the Editor's Uneasy Chair—Of all the youth programs in the country the 4-H ranks as tops with your Editor. In these restless, uncertain days, when immorality and crime are too often on our front pages and the bickering struggle for self and power is too much in the forefront it is difficult, at times, not to turn pessimistic and ever-cynical. And then along comes something nice and wholesome like our meeting of March 29, Joanne Perry and Helen Wroldstad, the two fine, wholesome intelligent and unspooled girls who told us, so enterprisingly, of their trip to Washington last summer, are the kind of young Americans that restore one's faith in hope for the future. Obviously these two girls, and undoubtedly the two boys who also represented Oregon in this annual trip have sterling qualities that would be pretty certain to come out under all but the most adverse circumstances. The fine thing about the 4-H clubs, though is that they stimulate and nurture the abilities and aptitudes of their young members and through a disciplined program help them to grow in achievement, in citizenship, and in character. Splendid youngsters like Joanne and Helen are surely the leaven of a better America.

HUNT-PECK NUPTIALS PERFORMED AT HERMISTON Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hunt announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Ann, to George N. Peck, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Peck of Lexington. The wedding was an event of April 21 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Peck in Hermiston. The single ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Alfred Vosper of the Hermiston Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Allstott were over from Hermiston during the week end to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bergstrom. Five candidates were initiated into Sans Souci Rebekah lodge Friday evening at the regular meeting. These included Mrs. Virginia Barger, Mrs. Helen Kethley, Mrs. Edith Porterfield, Mrs. Berna Shamblin and Mrs. Jeanette Padberg.

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30 Years Ago HEPPNER GAZETTE TIMES. Thursday, April 29, 1920 Dr. A. K. Higgs, former physician of Heppner, made a brief visit here this week. Dr. Higgs just recently returned from Siberia where he held a captain's commission and had charge of an army hospital. Heppner will be a mecca for a large number of woodgrowers, buyers and men interested in the sheep business, on Saturday afternoon. The Heppner Hotel company held its stockholders' meeting last Friday in the office of Woodson and Sweek. The following officers were elected: J. F. Vaughn, president; Chas. Thompson, vice president; C. L. Sweek, secretary. The building will be completed about July 1. Dan Hanshaw of Sand Hollow was transacting business in Heppner today. Harvie Young has sold his Eight Mile 960 acre wheat ranch to Roscoe Zeck of Sherman county but will continue to farm the ranch for the present. Better weather conditions have prevailed the past week, although there was a very disagreeable wind Wednesday. The young son of Lon McCabe of Lone was brought to Heppner last Sunday morning for surgical aid. The boy was wounded in the leg as the result of the accidental discharge of a 22 rifle. Frank Monahan has sold his fine wool clip to J. W. Beymer, buying for the Portland Wool Warehouse, receiving 50 cents a pound. This is nearly three cents better than last year's price. Bishop Paddock spoke to a large audience last Monday night on the subject of education. Martin Reid drove up from Portland last week with a new Cleveland car, the first to be brought into this territory. A force of eight men is at work on the new residence of A. G. Piper. The house will be up to date and fully equipped with electric lights, pipeless furnace and hot and cold water. Members of the H. V. Smouse family are quarantined at the farm home southwest of Lone. Mrs. Lulu Johnson of Heppner is nursing them. Ray Huddleston, Lone Rock stockman spent the week end in Heppner visiting his daughters, the Misses Ruth and Sadie Huddleston, who are students in the local high school. Jack Hynd, Jr. farmer of the Cecil district was a business visitor in Heppner Tuesday. Mrs. Arthur Daizell of the Dryfork section was trading in Heppner the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. George N. Perry of Pendleton were week end houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Payne.

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