

EDITORIAL



Pilot Rock Again Has Newspaper

Volume I, Number I of the Pilot Rock News made the mails last week, the first issue of a paper in Pilot Rock for almost a quarter of a century. Dale Amerman, formerly publisher of the Free-water Times, until he sold out late last fall, is the owner and publisher of the new paper. The plant is located in a new building erected for the purpose. The first issue was well patronized by Pilot Rock and Pendleton business concerns and carried a good grist of local news. With continued growth of his newly adopted community, Publisher Amerman is assured a good field for his venture and Pilot Rock should not again be without a newspaper.

We All Make 'Em

This newspaper pleads guilty to numerous errors, some of which are seemingly unavoidable, but it develops that others make errors too, and in

that respect it might be said misery enjoys company. It was unfortunate that the date of the American Legion Auxiliary style show was wrong as it appeared in the Gazette Times last week and it is hoped that no one was inconvenienced by showing up on Monday evening when it is billed for Saturday, May 26. Our informant, busy with numerous activities, got her dates mixed and newspaper people being victims of the rule of following copy, it was so published. We hope the auxiliary will enjoy unprecedented attendance as a result of this mixup.

Looks Dirty, Too!

Parents shuddered when bubble gum was introduced to their eager young hopefuls, but from comments heard on every side concerning the ugly wax spots on Heppner's sidewalks, parents aren't the only ones who are perturbed, says Susie the office girl. Does anything clean it? Dangerously slick, isn't it?

of international betrayal.

But, things have changed, haven't they? At Yalta we bribed Russia to break her word to Japan and help us strike the final blow. The price of that betrayal of Japan by Russia was our own betrayal of China. We agreed to turn over to Russia provinces that we were honor bound to restore to China. Proud America, through her President and his advisor Alger Hiss, double-crossed China. We deserted principle and good friend in order to build for expediency, betrayed an ally up a potential bitter enemy.

The irony was that Russian aid did not save a single American life in the closing battles of the Pacific war. Russia attacked Japan in time to grab the booty, when the war was over. We sowed a wind of betrayal at Yalta and now we reap a whirlwind of war in Korea. Schoolboys who were kept in ignorance of the Yalta betrayal, pay with their lives for our sorry bargain with Russia.

But, if Mr. Truman by his action has released the lids that have kept many a truth from our consciousness, then we can even forgive him for his pitiful inadequacy and thank him for waking us up to what he and others have done and are doing to us.

Butter Creek Play Day Draws Turnout

A bountiful picnic dinner at noon and a well rounded program of arena events in the afternoon proved irresistible to a large number of Wranglers Sunday with the result that the Randall Martin ranch at Lena was overflowing with people and horses. When the demands of the inner man had been satiated, the crowd assembled at the rodeo corral where the usual fun games played on horseback by both youngsters and grown-ups were enjoyed.

Cow riding and calf roping

added a lot of pep to the program and with Harold Erwin handling the "mike" the various events were run off with scarcely a break, and the crowd was kept informed on all winners.

Sponsors for the Sunday party were the Randall Martins, Paul Hisslers, Gerald Swaggarts, Eb Hughes's, Bill Weatherfords, Harry Dinges, Harvey Smiths, Bill Barratts, Les Wymans, Ambrose Chapins, Harold Erwins, Don Greenups and Marion Finches. Riding horseback to Lena were Merle and Paul Becket, Bonnie Barratt, Mary and Ralph Beamer, Billy Weatherford, Joy Picker, Colleen Greenup, Jan and Marshall Beamer, Jimmy, Bob, Patricia and Deanna Steagall, Cal Sumner, Morris Allen, Les Wyman and Jim Lindsey.

CARD PARTY JUNE 2

The Woman's Auxiliary of All Saints Episcopal church is sponsoring a tea on the afternoon of Saturday, June 2 at the parish house. Bridge and pinochle will be in play during the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Heliker and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Carlson are leaving Saturday on the Oregon Journal sponsored cruise to Alaska. The cruise will last two weeks.

30 Years Ago

May 26, 1921
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Heubner drove up from Lexington yesterday. They were accompanied by their 10-year old son Hans, who arrived from Germany a month ago.

Judge Campbell and Clerk Waters have been busy the past week in getting deeds to right of way for the new location of the highway up Hinton creek.

Supt. H. M. James returned from Eugene Sunday where he has been with the high school debating team.

Joseph D. Matlock, brother of

Tom and James Matlock, died at his home in Eugene Sunday. A brilliant social affair at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Hogue Thursday evening marked their 15th wedding anniversary. A mock ceremony was presented amid much merriment. Miss Cecil Hogue was bridesmaid and Reba Hogue was ring bearer.

Born May 15 to Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Brien of Butter Creek, an 11 pound son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Gonty of Heppner on May 25 a 7 pound son.

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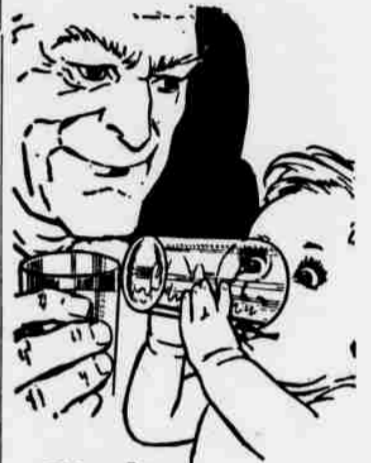
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The American Way

THANK YOU, MR. TRUMAN
By DR. ALFRED P. HAAKE

It may be that the discharge of General McArthur is the one real service with which history will credit Mr. Truman as having rendered his country. Perhaps that tragic error was necessary to awaken us to Mr. Truman's inadequacy as trustee of

his country's vital interests and to the frightening progress already made by socialism under his vacillating arrogance.

Fate plays queer quirks on peoples who forget, or have not learned that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. A Russian

train robber and murderer became dictator over hundreds of millions of people. In Germany a frustrated paperhanger imposed his diseased will on a continent. In England a fanatic coal miner pursues his relentless program to destroy the last vestige of capitalism. And in America a bankrupt haberdasher struggles persistently for life and death control over the finances and economy of a nation.

In all places where these things happen and men less than fit ride into high office on the promises of something for nothing, or by capitalizing on hatreds — expediency takes the place of principle in determining policy and control, and the morals of men decay.

History will accord General McArthur his rightful place for the services he has rendered America and civilization. It will do no less for the little captain who finally fired a general. But you and I should be concerned with something more important than any individual.

At long last the American people can, if they will, make a searching analysis of our foreign needs, obligations, relations and policies. We can learn to what extent one high official in government served communism in Russia, and another served socialism in England—and perhaps conclude that it is time instead to serve freedom in America.

Perhaps we can lift out of the limbo of political suffocation the truths we need regarding inflation, the effect of taxes and federal debt on the lives and fortunes of our people, and do something to stop the hideous waste that is eating up our substance in the medley of madness we call "Washington."

We may take advantage of the light that can be shed from under the lid that President Truman has lifted in firing a man too big to be compressed within the pattern of ward politics. If so, we can discover the nearness with which we have approached disaster and the horrible precariousness in which we stand in consequence of our worship of political expediency and our betrayal of principle.

In 1924 we denounced the German emperor for violating an international agreement to respect the neutrality of Belgium. We called him unprintable names. As a nation we Americans have reviled double-crossers in international affairs, and proudly refused to sully our honor by acts

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TOMBS OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

Deep in our hearts, on this Memorial Day, burns the hope that, in the future, men need not die that freedom may live. But only if the living are infused with the indomitable spirit of those Americans who have faced death in war, can the ideals of Our Democracy hold fast in enduring peace.

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