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Our Thought for the Day

Again, that day has come
Alas, it is November one
The day we must greet
Not with joy, but defeat
For
More deductions from our paycheck we must meet.
They say it all is necessary
But we still feel quite contrary.
We just hope that Harry will
Send it wisely if not well
For
More taxes makes us madder than all — — — —
For defense we have no objection
We know we need the protection.
It's that payroll back in Washington
That gets our goat and then some,
For
More deductions from our paycheck means less
meat!

The American Legion

With the start of an intensive membership drive by the Heppner post of the American Legion, we are giving that organization an opportunity to tell its story—in the manner of a guest editorial. The ideals and purposes of the Legion are high, and we feel there are many who do not know what it stands for.
Freedom today is the watchword of America and of the liberty-loving peoples of the world.
No one could cherish that freedom more than the men and women who have fought for it. Men and women who have fought for that freedom . . . and are still fighting for it . . . are seeking here in Heppner to strengthen their ranks.
Robert Corthell, commander of Heppner post No. 87 of the American Legion has announced an all out membership drive to enroll every eligible veteran of Heppner in this post of the largest veterans organization in the world.
Today, nearly three million veterans proudly wear the American Legion button. That button not only bears witness that they served honorably in World War I, or in World War II or in the

Korean conflict . . . but of more significance, that they are still serving their God and country. There are no ex-servicemen in the American Legion.
The founders of the American Legion, when they met in Paris early in 1919—only four months after the Armistice that ended World War I—to find a way of perpetuating their wartime association, struck an organizational formula that probably could not be improved upon. They capitalized upon the tested wartime comradeship of the men who had won the first global war, to give that impulse for continued mutual association a flowing purpose.
Here is the immortal preamble those tired, homesick veterans adopted for the national constitution of their American Legion:
"For God and country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:
To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
To maintain law and order;
To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism;
To preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the Great Wars;
To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;
To combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses;
To make right the master of might;
To promote peace and good will on earth;
To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;
To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness."
Certainly no segment of our people could be more fervent in its desire for "a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations" than those men who have felt the hardships and pain of actual warfare.
Founded upon such lofty principles, the American Legion soon became the largest fraternity of veterans in the entire world.
If America will hold to those ideals, we believe our country shall always remain "the land of the free and the home of the brave," and that more and more the voice of the American Legion will become the voice of the American people.

Home School Carnival Takes In Over \$800

By Echo Palmeter
Over \$800 was taken in on the carnival at the school Friday evening. Leeta Linn and Donald Eubanks were elected queen and king from the high school and Anna Margaret Jepsen and Ernest Drake, queen and king from the grade school. The carnival was preceded by a program by the grade school rooms which consisted of skits and readings. The money will go toward the Junior-Senior banquet and prom in the spring. Mrs. Cella Rea, Gerald Ray and Joel Engleman won the door prizes.

Mrs. Eldon Madden and daughter, Mrs. James Barnett were Portland visitors last week.

Mrs. Earl McCabe returned home from Portland last week where she went for medical treatment.

Several from here received injuries last week. Denny Swanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Swanson, had his left wrist broken and Wayne Ball, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ball, had his right elbow chipped while playing at the school. They both wear casts. Marlene Griffin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Briffith fell from the monkey bar at the school and cracked her collar bone and is in a cast. Dick Ekstrom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom, cut the fore finger of his left hand while skinning logs with a blade. Three stitches were necessary. Will Rowell injured his knee while working a tractor at the Crum ranch.

Mrs. Etta Dollarhide of Seattle was a guest last week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Phil Griffin. Their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Mead, will return home to Seattle with Mrs. Dollarhide. They all spent Sunday with another sister, Mrs. Cy Walker in Heppner.

Bridge and Pinochle were played at the social meeting of the Topic Club at the Masonic hall Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Clell Rea won high prize and Mrs. Noel Dobyns low in bridge and Mrs. Fannie Griffith won high and Mrs. Roy Lindstrom low in pinochle. Mrs. Verner Troedson, Mrs. Norman Nelson and Mrs. Adon Hamlett were the hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Pearson and children of McMinnville are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman

Nelson. Mr. Pearson is doing some elk hunting.
Mrs. Elmer Davis of Estacada is visiting at the home of her niece, Mrs. H. O. Ely while Mr. Davis is elk hunting.
Mrs. Wallace Matthews and Mrs. Donald Ball were hostesses at the Three Links of the Rebekah Lodge Friday Oct. 25 at their hall. Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn was appointed chairman of a committee to purchase articles for the Rebekah kitchen. Plans were made for the fancy work and pie sale, Nov. 10 at their hall. Pie coffee and tea will also be served. Their Christmas party will be held Dec. 18 at the home of Mrs. Sam Esteb.

Mrs. Franklin Ely, 5th and 6th grade teacher was initiated in the Iota Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society in the State of Oregon at the Presbyterian church in Pendleton Saturday evening. It is a national honor society for women teachers.

Corporal Gene Rietmann, an M. P. of the U. S. Army, stationed at Camp Gordon, Georgia, is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Rietmann. He spent the weekend in Corvallis and Portland. Corporal Lloyd Krebs of Portland accom-

panied him from Georgia.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Seehafer were recent visitors in Corvallis.

Mrs. Dale Ray visited relatives at Lyle and Husum, Wash., last week. She, also visited at The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Rietmann and Mrs. David Rietmann and family were visitors at the Paul Balsiger home at White Salmon, Wash., last week. The Balsigers and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Balsiger of The Dalles, had just returned from a trip through the east and south where they visited their daughter Mrs. Paul (Arlene) Koehing in Indianapolis, Ind., and their daughter, Mrs. Allen (Helen) Leonard in Pasadena, Calif. They also visited the Robert Rietmann home in California.

Mr. and Mrs. George Myles returned home recently from a trip through western Oregon and the Sacramento Valley in California. They also visited at Lassen Park. Past matrons and past patrons filled the chairs at an Eastern

Star meeting Tuesday evening of last week. The officers had an addenda for them and presented them with gifts. Mrs. Sam Esteb presented Mrs. W. R. Wentworth, Junior past matron with a farewell gift. The Wentworths are leaving for Japan soon to make their home. Mrs. Omar Rietmann, grand representative of the District of Columbia of Oregon, presented Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom, worthy matron, with a gift from the past matrons. 11 past matrons and 5 past patrons were present. Those coming from a distance were Mrs. Grace Wood of Portland and Mrs. Bert Mason of Oak Grove. The hostesses were: Mrs. Adon Hamlett, Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen, Mrs. Henry Osibov, and Mrs. Robert DeSpain.
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Heaton and Mrs. Edna Stranahan of Hood River were weekend guests at the Henry Osibov home. Mrs. Osibov is a daughter of the Heaton's and a niece of Mrs. Stranahan. They
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HIGHWAY COSTS MAY SHIFT
Within the next two years adjacent property owners in Oregon may be paying part of the cost of constructing state highways.
None of the states now has such a law. However Oregon was the first state to have a gas tax law and originated several other laws now operative in many other states.
This new proposal by State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock has been given a great deal of study and serious consideration

at recent meetings of the legislative interim committees on highways. The question they have not agreed on is what per cent of the costs should be assessed against the adjoining owner.

Many legislators have never accepted the present plan of saddling all the costs of highways on motor vehicle owners when others share the benefits. They point that many people benefit by the multi-services brought to them by the highways, including mail, bus, service, shopping, express, customers, visitors and others who can drive to their premises.

The interim committee may have a proposal ready for the 1953 legislature.

TIPS AS WAGES
An investigation of Portland night clubs was made this week by W. E. Klimsey, state commissioner of labor who reports he found tips were being considered as wages in many places. The prevailing practice he said was to pay women workers less than the state minimum wage, the proprietor expecting each woman worker to make up her wage with customer's tips.

At one night spot waitresses were being paid only 25 cents an hour. The commissioner warned employers that tips considered as wages or part wage is in direct violation of the state minimum wage and hour law.

GAS TAX REVENUES DIP
A surprising dip in gasoline tax revenues has state officials worried, principally because it started in June during the peak of the tourist season that was heavier than last year.
Assistant Secretary of State William E. Healy is one who is

not alarmed. He attributes the drop to the long dry season in June and July when logging camps shut down and the heavy gas-consuming log trucks were idle. Also that a good many workers have left the state to work in defense plants.

LIQUOR BOARD MOVE—MAYBE

The proposal to move the Oregon liquor control commission from Portland to Salem where the law says it shall be, met a boost and a setback this week. The boost came from the chairman of the commission, Robert L. Eifstrom who says the next meeting will be in the new \$2,000,000 state building in Salem. The opposition came from the commission's attorney, Gerald Norville, who said most of the commissions employees probably would have to be replaced as only 28 of the 88 indicated they would be willing to move to Salem. He also claimed that the auditing and accounting offices would have to remain in Portland because the bulk of their work has to do with Portland liquor warehouses and storage operations.

CONGRESSMEN IN SALEM

A subcommittee of the house public works committee were in Salem Tuesday on their way to Detroit dam as part of a tour of five northwest power projects.

The group of ten headed by Rep. Homer Angell, included Russell V. Mack of Washington and John T. Wood of Idaho.
STATE PRINTER RETIRES
When Ernest C. Hobbs retires January 1 under the state retirement act he will have served as state printer for 20 years.
Hobbs, who is 71 years old, has been in ill health for more than

two years. Before becoming state printer he was superintendent of the printing department at Oregon State college.

He will be succeeded by Charles Unruh, who has served as plant superintendent for the past six years according to an announcement made this week by Harry Dorman, director of the state finance department.

CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT
Brig. Gen. Herbert C. Holdridge, U. S. A., retired, a self-announced candidate for president was at the Capitol this week. He is running on a platform of "Back to the Constitution" and peace, prosperity and liberty for the people.

According to his circular he was unanimously nominated as a candidate for president by a group called the Associated Councils for Social Engineering.

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