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## It's Open Season Again

For the next year the people of this country will be engaging in the great American pastime of listening to, arguing about, and participating in the once-every-four-years mud slinging bout that's commonly known as an election year.

There has already been an abundance of paper and ink, radio time and after-dinner hours consumed and we've hardly got a start. It looks like this one is going to be a dilly.

We've seen numerous comments but we believe the editorial published recently by the Lake county Examiner of Lakeview sizes things up just about as well as they can be figured out this early in the game. The last paragraph, in particular, in the editorial reprinted here pretty well sums up the present political situation.

### POLITICAL INDIGESTION

"The only thing that is known about next year's elections is that Sen. Robert Taft will seek the Republican blessing as their presidential candidate. And that's a discouraging bit. If the Republican party is not yet dead, it can easily administer its own coup de grace by nominating Taft.

Among the many critics of Truman's administration, Taft is foremost; but his leadership is negative. In the great debate over foreign policy,

for instance, he was loudest in shouting blame; but he offered no positive course. Taft is simply 'against'.

As for Truman, only he knows whether he will run in 1952. But most guessers guess he will. And that's another discouraging bit.

The big laugh comes with development of the moves to bag Eisenhower as a presidential candidate. Republicans are most active in that direction, but the Democrats have yearnings toward the famed general, too. And apparently none of them know his political party. What might make a difference. Apparently none of them know whether Eisenhower even belongs to a political party, or whether he ever voted.

All they know is that Eisenhower is popular with the people. He's a great war hero, a genius at military organization. But what are his views on domestic policies or foreign relations? Have you ever seen any printed word along those lines? Apparently those items are just not worth worrying about. Apparently the main idea is to merely choose a popular man, and no one is more popular than Ike."

We wonder if it ever occurred to anybody that maybe General MacArthur didn't make a speech in Portland just because he didn't have anything to say.

## Lexington Students Entertain Parents

By Delpha Jones

The third and fourth grades of the Lexington Public Schools gave a play and potluck dinner for their parents and friends at the school house. A fine dinner was enjoyed at 6:30 p. m. with prayer by Mrs. Louis Wetzel. At this time the children introduced their parents and guests. After the dinner they gave a play "Red Shoes" in the auditorium. Those in the play were Charlene Jones, Carol Lee Messenger, Sharon Parmon, Dennis Doherty, Russell Dolven, Robert Davidson, Brenda Struthers, Carol Ann Palmer, Roger Doherty, Judith Whilon, John Botts, Tommy Martin, Gregory Leyva, Judy Schwab, Helen Winters, Johnny Wallace, Jimmie Steagall and Janice Wetzel. After the wonderful program the parents adjourned to the room where they listened to the youngsters read and viewed their work of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. New't O'Hara spent Thanksgiving with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Darnielle at The Dalles. Joan Breeding spent the weekend in Salem where she went with the Fast family from Heppner, to attend a church jubilee.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Palmer are vacationing for a couple of weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Leonard returned Thanksgiving from a trip to Cuba.

Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Marshall, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Majeske were dinner guests at the Bud Marshall home on Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Johnson were dinner guests at the Beckett home in Heppner. Also there was Mr. and Mrs. Johnson's son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Johnson of Dufur who were visiting at the home of his parents.

Mrs. George Irvin and small daughter Valda are visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. C. Jones for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Steagall and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Steagall and family, and Mrs. O. G. Breeding were guests at the Argobright home in Spray on Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagerud, teachers in the local high school were Portland visitors over the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Balsler were Spokane visitors.

David Buchanan who is attending college at College Place was a visitor in Lexington over the holidays.

The Three Links club is holding their bazaar and food sale Saturday at the dining room of the I. O. O. F. building. There will be a plate dinner at noon. This money will be used to help finance the remodeling of their

kitchen and dining room in the hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smethurst were The Dalles visitors at the home of their daughter and son, Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Ziegler.

Dinner guests at the Earl Warner home on Thanksgiving were: Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Warner and two children and Mrs. Warner's father of Portland; and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hays and family of Corvallis.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bye and children were visitors at the Barlow home Saturday evening.

Louis Allyn was a guest at the George Allyn home Thursday.

Mrs. A. M. Edwards heard Monday of the serious injury to a nephew, Sgt. Bessie Wise of Spokane who was stationed in Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Buchanan and small son were Lexington visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Edwards were guests at the Lowry Home in Mitchell Thursday.

Earl Miller spent the holidays at the M. V. Nolan ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Ramsey and small daughter were Lexington visitors Sunday at the C. C. Jones home.

Dinner guests on Thanksgiving at the C. C. Jones home were John Spence, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McMillan, Joe Clark of Heppner, and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Majeske.

The Community Chest drive in Lexington is well under way with several having finished their allotted section already.

Don't forget the Lillian C. Turner Smorgasbord benefit which will be held at the Lexington Grange hall on Dec. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Breshears returned Sunday from a trip to Vancouver, Wash., where they visited Mr. Breshears' brother from Oklahoma who he had not seen in 54 years.

## Monument Man Injured by Saw

By Millie Wilson

Last Tuesday Spike Miller had the misfortune to seriously injure his leg with a skill saw, while working for the Big 4 Lumber Company. He was rushed to Hamilton where Dr. Jerry met him and dressed the wound. From there he was taken to Pendleton by the Broadfoot Brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Boyer and Miss Anita Moore had as their guests on Thanksgiving, their parents and children of White Bird, Idaho, their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ad Moore of Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Enright of the L. S. Ranch were hosts at dinner on Sunday to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Enright, their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Rhinehart and their brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Enright and children.

Mrs. Estella Boyer, County School Superintendent of Grant County, was a visitor at the Monument schools last week.

Mrs. Ouida Cork was the lucky winner of the quilt made by the ladies of the M. M. M. Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Engle and son Gary drove to Molalla last Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. Engle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Engle and to get their two small children, Gail and Judy who have been with their grandparents for the past month.

Monument schools closed on Wednesday for the Thanksgiving Holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Croft visited in Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller drove to Eugene and Salem, Mrs. Beulah Farrow left for Portland on Tuesday, Mr. Vernon Peterman visited in LaGrande, Mrs. Patzer and Mrs. Hinton remained in Monument.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyndell Broadfoot and children have moved into their new home in West Monument.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sweek and daughter Carol spent the holidays in Kennewick, Washington at the home of Mrs. Sweek's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Cork.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Elder of Ontario, and Mrs. Margery Hughes and son Jimmy of Pendleton had Thanksgiving dinner with their mother, Mrs. Margaret Elder and their brother, Joe Elder.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Batty were host to a party Tuesday evening, honoring their daughter, Margery on her fifteenth birthday. Cards MORE Monument

were enjoyed after which refreshments of cake and jello were served.

Mrs. Ella Kenton, nee Ella Hinton and friends spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Monument and Hamilton.

Mrs. Katie Hinton and daughter Aleen of Hamilton were hostesses to a Thanksgiving dinner at their home, honoring the following guests from Monument: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Durst, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hinton, Criss Hamilton, Mrs. Ella Kenton ad Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bailly. There were sixteen at the table.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cox on the Gilmore Ranch had as their dinner guests last week the L. S. Branding Crew, which were Mr. and Mrs. George Van, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gienger, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Enright and son and Bill Gienger. The crew worked for

several days to get the branding, all done. The Cox's entertained again on Thanksgiving day by having Mr. Cox's brother Archie and family with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson and daughters, Francis and Judith spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Boyer and Miss Anita Moore had as their guests on Thanksgiving, their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Moore and children of White Bird, Idaho and their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ad Moore of Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson of Dayville were hosts at dinner on Thanksgiving to Mr. Ferguson's mother, Mrs. Mamie Ferguson, his grandmother, Mrs. Josie Round and his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Round.

Students that spent the holidays in or near Monument were Larry Holmes of Sacramento, Miss Joan Roach of E. O. C. at LaGrande, Arlyn Davis of Estacada and George Flowers of LaGrande.

Mrs. Ouida Cork is again having "Stanley Parties" in town with the following hostesses: Linnie Gilman, Ellen Stubblefield and on Monday they will meet at Grace Stritt's.

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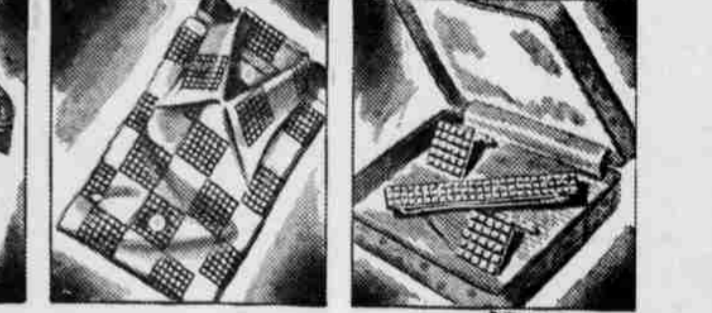
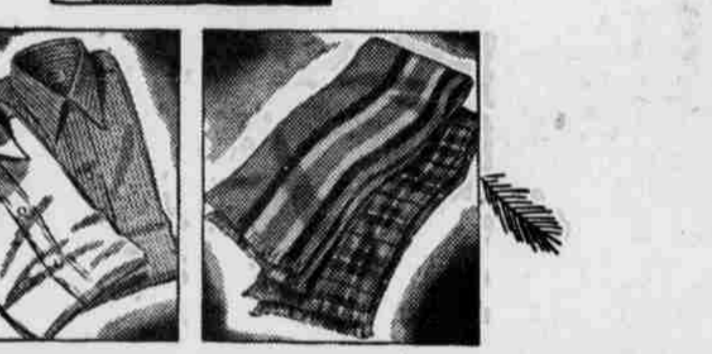
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