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An Anniversary To Remember

Ten years ago tomorrow, December 7, at shortly after one o'clock in the afternoon of a fateful Sunday, America awoke with a very rough jolt to the realization that it was at war.

In the ten years that have elapsed much water has gone under the bridge . . . and along with it much blood. Well do we all remember the hours and days of confusion, rumors and stories that followed Pearl Harbor. America was about as totally unprepared for war on that Sunday as a country could be without being entirely asleep.

Even if there is hope that the Korean "difficulty" may be settled soon, there is no one who can say that we have much in the line "peace" to look forward to in the near future. Ten years after the start of World War II and more than five years after its ending, America stands in the midst of the greatest rearmament race it has ever run, second only to the first few years of World War II.

America was foolish. We thought we had the war won in 1946. Another five years has shown us that the shouting and joy that came with the announcement of Japanese surrender that August afternoon that we call VJ Day, was premature. True, the Japanese war was over, but the events since have shown that America's war was just getting started.

On the tenth anniversary of Pearl Harbor America is faced with the greatest task that has ever confronted it—that of saving America, and, along with it, the free world.

We are all prone to criticize our leadership in government, and there are few who will deny that there is ample justification for at least some of the criticism. But more than just criticism is needed in the future.

The next few months will bring a flood of criticisms, charges and counter-charges from both political parties, from the many hopeful candidates and finally from the candidates themselves who each hope to be named president.

For the next several months the people of America have a big job on their hands, the job of sifting all the programs, platforms and promises that will be forthcoming and choosing the man who shows the greatest ability and the sharpest judgment to be the guide of America's destiny. It won't be an easy job.

Americans have for years taken their politics too easily. In the months to come they should take politics to heart. It will take the greatest of leaders and the smartest of diplomats to steer this country through the coming years. It is up to every American to think—and think clearly during the political campaign—that is about to start.

Tomorrow, ten years after Pearl Harbor, each American faces the biggest problem of his life—that of saving it, and saving the way of life that none of us have any desire to give up.

Pearl Harbor happened before, and it's trite but true that it could happen again in an even more terrible form. Our individual judgment in the future could well play a big part in preventing it.



LABOR PREPLEXITY

How does this add up? While unemployment in Oregon continues to rise there are fewer job seekers than a year ago.

Last week claims for unemployment pay climbed to over 12,000.

The state of Oregon is seeking workers for many types of work, including prison guards (pay starts at \$210 to \$250), appraisal workers for the state tax commission, hearing officers for public utilities commission (pay starts at \$309), claim investigators, nurses and superintendents of nurses.

The state board of control this week decided to offer college students work in summer vacation as attendants at Oregon state hospital.

A check by the state unemployment commission shows more workers leaving than are coming to Oregon.

GOVERNORS' TURKEY DERBY

Oregon's Governor McKay wrote Idaho's Governor Jordan Saturday that it was not possible to send an Oregon turkey to the annual Caldwell turkey derby and regretted the invitation did not arrive in time, "with the virtually certain winner it would have been."

"Besides," he wrote the Idaho governor, "the famed Oregon broad-breasted bronze turkey is not raised for racing purposes, as in the case of your smaller, extremely muscular Idaho turkey."

"However, if you contemplate issuing another challenge for next year's Caldwell derby, please let us know in sufficient time to grow and train a stringy speedster of the type that is better at showing it heels than its drumsticks."

JUSTICE ROSSMAN RECOGNIZED

The American Bar association this week gave Oregon's Justice George Rossman another high honor by selecting him as a mem-

ber of the board of editors of the association. The seven members of this board edit and publish the association's Journal which is considered the finest in any country where the English common law is the basis of its jurisprudence.

Justice Rossman has served as chairman of the judicial section, chairman of the administrative law section and twice as a member of the House of Delegates of the association which is the law-making body of the association.

MORE BIRTHS IN 1951

Births to Oregon residents in 1951 will reach a new all-time high if reports for the last six months of the year equal those of the first, when 17,595 resident births were recorded. During the first six months the infant death rate was up 13.5 per cent, although maternal death rate was the lowest ever recorded in the state during a six-month period.

Other vital statistics just released by the Oregon State Board of Health show that marriages were up 4.7 per cent from 2,662 to 2,954 in the same period.

Death registrations for Oregon residents increased 6.5 per cent from 6,791 to 7,235.

DETROIT DAM PLAYGROUND

The lake formed by the Detroit dam and the surrounding area will furnish an attractive outdoor playground. The reservoir lake, to be known as Lake Detroit, will be approximately nine miles in length and a mile wide at some points.

The north and south shores have been designated for public development. Officials estimate the annual attendance when the project is completed will be 65,000. The forest service will assume responsibility for the administration and future development of these areas.

BUDWORM AIRFIELDS

Over a million acres of Oregon forests are affected with the timber-destroying spruce budworm. Working with federal and state funds the state forestry department will expend \$730,000 next year for budworm control in the Mt. Hood, Mackenzie river and northeastern Oregon area, according to Lynn F. Cronemiller assistant state forester.

Airplane fields are being located over the state that will accommodate bombers and single motor planes, to be used in spraying the affected forests.

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Girls—4:00 to 5:00.

Adult Choir on Thursday evening at 8:00.

Archery classes on Saturday morning from 9:00 to 12:00.

Boy Scouts 9:00 to 10:00.
Girl Scouts 10:00 to 11:00.
Cub Scouts 11:00 to 12:00.

Christian and Congregational Church, Lexington, Oregon.

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"Fear not that thy life shall come to an end, but rather fear that it shall never have a beginning". —Cardinal Newman.

Sunday, Dec. 9, 1951.

A full program of instruction and worship for all age groups, both morning and evening. There will be something for you.

Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Prayer and Bible Study, 7:30 p. m.

Thursday Dec. 13.

A business meeting at the home of Mrs. Geo. Peck.

Come and greet your friends and meet the Saviour.

WALLACE FOR MAYOR

Headquarters for the Lew Wallace campaign for Mayor of Portland have been opened at 622 SW 3rd Ave. The former member of the state legislature for ten years, was the democratic candidate for governor in 1942 when he was defeated by Earl Snell; in 1946 he ran for congress, defeated by Homer D. Angell and in 1948 was defeated by Douglas McKay for governor.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

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Morning Worship and Sermon at 11:00 a. m. Special music by the choir. Mr. Oliver Creswick, Director.

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Sunday Evening Service at 7:00 p. m. Study on the Book of Acts. Mr. Fred Martin, Leader.

Thursday Choir practice at 8:00 p. m.

The Womens Society of Christian Service meets the First Wednesday of each month at 8:00 p. m.

Suzanna Wesley Circle of the Womens Society of Christian Service meets the Third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p. m.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From Files of Gazette Times December 8, 1921

Henry Schwarz and family have taken up residence in one of the Johnson houses in the south part of the city and will make Heppner their home for the winter. He has disposed of all his interests over in the Hamilton country in Grant county.

The nice new residence of Edward Chin on Gale street is rapidly nearing completion. The premises will be put in fine shape by Mr. Chin and he will have one of the beautiful homes of the city.

Miss Doris Mahoney of Heppner was the weekend guest of Miss A. C. Hynd at Butterby Flats.

Miss Lena Gilman of Portland has been a guest at the home of her uncle, D. E. Gilman, in this city during the past week. Miss Gilman is making her home for the winter with her brother who resides near Hamilton.

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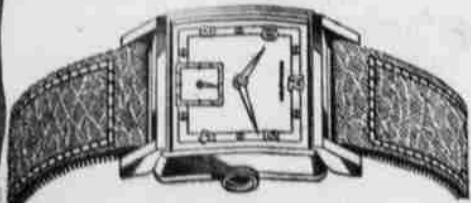


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