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## Those Who Have Served.

WHATEVER one's opinion may be of their official acts, no one with a conscience can see men pass from public office without a slight heartache. New servants and capable arrived on the scene this week to replace old ones in conducting the county and city governments. And while wishing Godspeed to the new officers, and commending them for their willingness to help steer the destinies of county and city, we wish to acknowledge a debt of gratitude for the service of those retiring.

To greater or lesser degree, the retiring officers contributed of their best efforts for the general welfare with poor compensation except the knowledge that they had helped to accomplish something for their fellow men. They deserve to have their names written with the immortals along with other public servants of the past, to the degree that they served, not with idea of personal profit but of public gain.

It is easy for the man on the sidelines to criticize. He is not in the spotlight or in a position where he must make decisions affecting the welfare of an entire community. But the man in office cannot dodge the issue. He must act, and no matter what the action it cannot please everybody.

Passing from public office this week were men who did serve conscientiously, who did keep the general welfare uppermost in their public acts. Among them are men who contributed the best years of their lives in the public harness, who grew weary in its service and who face no easy road in the future. These heroes are all too frequently unsung. They deserve the thanks of everyone.

Especially in those non-remunerative offices, such as county commissioner and mayor and councilmen, is it a sacrifice for men to serve. That capable men are willing to undertake these responsibilities is a tribute to their unselfishness. The work they have to do is important to everyone. Someone must do it. If you are on the sidelines, it would be well to remember these things before being too free to criticize.

## A Redingtonism.

FROM the 50-years-ago items in the East Washingtonian of Pomeroy, Wash., is gleaned this little squib, just another sample of the sort of thing that made the name of the late John Watermelon Redington, pioneer Gazette editor, famous: "The genius who engineers the Heppner Gazette uses a letter head upon which the following tale is told: 'Office of the Weekly Heppner Gazette, dealer in births, marriages, deaths, scandals, sermons and other yarns. Wicked and wordily, borrowed by neighbors, condemned by the clergy. Fine for bustles; also for lining cabins. J. W. Redington,

editor and proprietor—also devil.' Possibly the late B. F. Swaggart didn't tell Redington, as he did the present editor, that the only thing he found the Gazette Times good for was cigarette paper.

## The New Congress.

ORGANIZATION of the new congress was completed at Washington Tuesday. Yesterday President Roosevelt delivered his message on the state of the union. The congress he addressed is predominantly sympathetic with his desires, so the nation listened attentively to its president to learn the immediate future course of national government.

The way William Bankhead of Alabama snowed under Bertrand Snell of New York for the house speakership is an indication of the power Republicans will wield in the present congress. It will be simply negligible. The most interesting thing will be the way rightist and leftist Democrats fall in line with their leader. With the power to do all things in their hands, the Democrats may be expected to either follow the president in everything, thus solidifying the party and establishing the principles on which it will stand in the future; or they will split on various issues, thereby throwing a strain upon the party which may cause its downfall.

Some observers believe that the president will follow a more conservative course in this administration, be less generous with patronage, with the expectation of not facing another political campaign. Because of this, congressmen who wish to be reelected and who want plums to hand out at home may not stick to the president as closely as they have before. This and other reasons are cited why everything may not go so smoothly within the Democratic lines as before.

In any event, it is heartening to note that the first task tackled by the new congress is to lay an embargo on arms shipments to Spain. This is a commendable move toward averting a major war in Europe, which the daily press this week said was imminent, what with Germany demanding reparations for Spanish seizure of the Palos, and Spanish communists demanding that Germany stop sending volunteer soldiers to assist the Loyalists.

The cold snap has frozen up business for most everyone except the plumber and the fuel man.

But if you're one of the unfortunates who has been battling frozen water pipes, you may ask, "Who the heck wants to be a plumber, anyway?"

And again, if you're one of those down toward the bottom of the plumber's waiting list, you may agree that a little knowledge of the trade is not amiss.

At any rate we would find it hard to refuse if someone offered us a trip to Bermuda.

Especially, since Bermuda's noted fruit is said to be death on colds.

And, boy, have we had a juicy one!

Anyway, the snowstorm was a great disappointment to the old grouch who opined we weren't going to have any moisture this winter.

Then again, it has provided sledding for the kiddies.

All of which goes to show if there isn't anything else to write about, the weather is always good.

## NEW YEARS MUSINGS.

(Original poem by Mrs. Ella Shell, read at Pomona Grange meeting at Boardman last Saturday.)  
The old year with its cares and strife  
Is swiftly ebbing out its life;  
We won't detain him, let him go,  
He's brought enough of pain and woe.  
As sunshine always follows rain,  
He's brought us joy as well as pain.  
So we welcome the New Year in,  
Leaving the past with noisy din.

And mounted upon faith's bright wings  
We loudly hope for better things.  
Out of the fabric of daily thought  
We gain our destiny by what we wrought.

We weave our destiny for good or ill;  
The law is sure which we fulfill,  
And what we all should endeavor to do:  
Always to keep our goal in view.

And sow the seeds of love and truth,  
From gray-haired man to winsome youth,  
So with these thoughts we have no fear,  
And wish you all a Happy New Year.

## Floyd Vester Steers Dies at Klamath Falls

Floyd Vester Steers, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steers, passed away after an extended illness at the family home in Pleasant View tract in Klamath Falls, Saturday evening, December 26, at 8:30 o'clock.

Floyd was born at Hardman, Oregon, December 2, 1918, and was aged 18 years and 24 days at the time of his passing. He spent the early years of his life in Morrow county. The family is well known in that community, both Mr. and Mrs. Steers, who was Velma Baird before her marriage, being born and reared in eastern Oregon. The family went to Klamath Falls in 1926. They tried living in various parts of Oregon and California but Floyd's health seemed generally better in Klamath Falls than any other place so they have made their home there for several years.

Although hampered most of his life by a serious physical handicap, Floyd had always a sunny smile and a cheerful word for his many friends. He fought through several serious illnesses, when little hope was held out for his recovery, with a splendid courage and a heart full of hope that leaves those of us who knew and loved him a feeling of reverence for the shining soul that has gone to its just reward.

He leaves to mourn his passing his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steers; two sisters, Beulah and Carol Ann; two brothers, Percy and Lyle; his grandmother, Mrs. Harriet Baird, all of Klamath Falls; three uncles, R. H. Steers of Hardman; Wayne Baird and Raymond Steers of Klamath Falls; four aunts, Mrs. Rose Collins of Hardman, Mrs. Ola Allen of Yamhill, Mrs. Ralph Aubrey and

Mrs. Raymond Steers of Klamath Falls; three great uncles, Jap and Bert Walker of Hardman and Wm. Baird of Heppner, and several cousins.

Funeral services were held from the First Christian church in Klamath Falls December 3, at 3:30, with the Rev. Arthur C. Bates officiating. Interment was made in the Linkville cemetery under the direction of the Earl Whitlock funeral home. —Contributed.

## MORGAN-TOTORICA.

Leon M. Totorica of Heppner and Miss Genevieve Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Morgan of Newberg, were united in marriage by Rev. H. G. Crocker at his country home at 11 a. m. Friday, Jan. 1. The impressive double ring ceremony was used. The bride was lovely in an ankle-length royal blue velvet dress with silver accessories. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the brides' mother, brother Harry and two small nephews, Gene and Glen Savage. They were greeted with a shower of rice and confetti at the bride's home where a bountiful dinner was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Savage and two sons, Gene and Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Morgan, daughter Marvel and son Robley, Mr. and Mrs. John Shaw, son

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John and daughter Ellouise, and Mr. Harry Morgan, all of Newberg, Mrs. Verl Farrens and daughter Marylu of Hermiston, and the bride and bridegroom. The newlyweds left soon after the dinner for a short wedding trip to the coast.

## STRUCK BY CAR.

Mrs. Lottie Kilkenny accidentally struck John Willey, local CCC enrollee while driving past the camp on New Year's eve, according to report filed at the sheriff's office. Willey sustained bruises about the face but was not seriously injured. Poor visibility was given as the cause.

## BASKETBALL

Grass Valley  
HIGH SCHOOL

VS.

Heppner  
HIGH SCHOOL

Saturday, Jan. 9

## SCHOOL GYM

Preliminary Game at 7 Sharp  
High School Game at 8:00

Grass Valley won its district championship last year—so you may expect a fast game.

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# The First National Bank of Portland, Oregon

## Condensed Statement of Head Office and 29 Branches

As of December 31, 1936

### RESOURCES

Cash on Hand and Due from Banks	\$21,617,209.72	
United States Bonds	24,468,203.04	\$46,085,412.76
Municipal and Other Bonds		22,803,471.15
Loans and Discounts		22,715,864.01
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank		150,000.00
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures		2,049,447.84
Other Real Estate		116,896.51
Real Estate Sold Under Contract		98,875.67
Customers' Liability—Acceptances		21,439.87
Interest Earned		483,702.60
Other Resources		59,309.41
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$94,584,419.82</b>

### LIABILITIES

Capital	\$2,500,000.00	
Surplus	2,500,000.00	
Undivided Profits	771,409.61	\$ 5,771,409.61
Reserves		1,200,819.82
Acceptances		21,439.87
Interest Collected in Advance		86,504.42
Other Liabilities		137,627.74
Deposits		87,366,618.36
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$94,584,419.82</b>

Eight other Oregon banks, which are affiliated with The First National Bank of Portland, have deposits totaling - - - - - \$11,862,261.22

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