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Our Compliments . . .

After having watched with interest the troubles Portland in particular, and other Willamette valley and coast cities and towns are having with their water supply—or lack of it, we are glad that we can compliment the Hepner city council for their recent action in assuring the city another source of water.

Last week the East Oregonian commented that it was pleased to report that the Pendleton council was taking action to have a study made of its water system with particular emphasis on the distribution system. Portland's big difficulty lies not in its lack of water, but in its inability to get it where it is needed.

Hepner's distribution and storage system, we believe, is entirely adequate, and for the time being the source of supply is sufficient, but anytime the city has all its eggs in one basket by relying on a single well there is always the pos-

sibility of something happening to that well. This is even more important when that well is as far from town as is Hepner's.

The city's present plan, to drill a new well close to town, while it probably will not provide an adequate supply of water in itself, should the other well dry up, or should the old pipe line come apart at the seams, will give a much needed safety factor so that there will always be at least some water available.

The council discussed the fact that they would be gambling \$4,000 on whether they would find water at the new site and whether that water would be usable. We agree, its a gamble anytime you bore a hole in the ground as to what you will find at the bottom, but we prefer a \$4,000 gamble to an \$80,000 bet.

Besides, the city has the \$4,000—the \$80,000 would be harder to get.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

July 14, 1921

Lon McCabe, who is one of the leading farmers south of Ione, was in town a short time yesterday. He has started his header and harvest will proceed at a steady rate on his farm until the grain has all been gathered in. Barring a small field of Spring sown grain, Mr. McCabe will have a splendid yield of wheat. The Spring sown grain was somewhat shortened by the recent hot weather.

Will Bergstrom of Gooseberry who was operated on last week by Dr. Chick for appendicitis, is reported to be improving nicely and will be released from the

hospital on time.

Buddy Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Boyd and a member of the Boy Scouts who went in the hike up Willow creek Monday, was a little unfortunate. When making camp, he was using an axe which glanced and struck him on the ankle bone. He was brought to town Tuesday and after receiving proper attention was ready again to hike for the mountains and join his comrades who are in camp near the Herrin place and having the time of their lives. Eighteen of the lads left Hepner at about 4 o'clock Monday morning in charge of Scoutmaster Livingstone, and they reached camp at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. They expect to return home tomorrow evening.



REAPPRAISMENT CREWS WORKING

"The statewide reappraisal of real property now being made is not designed to increase taxes," state tax commissioner Robert MacLean emphasized Monday.

A 15-man crew now in the field will be enlarged this week, said the commissioner. The appraisal operations will be carried on in counties of four in a block with much of the summer work concentrated in eastern and central Oregon where snow would interfere with work during the winter months.

"Under existing conditions" said MacLean, "there is a definite lack of uniformity between appraisals both within counties and between counties."

It is estimated it will require a total of \$6,000,000 to complete the project within 10 years. The legislature appropriated \$260,000 to finance the first 18 months of the work.

GREYHOUND RECEIPTS INCREASE

For the first time in the history of greyhound racing in Oregon the Multnomah Kennel Club will next year turn over to the state more than half a million dollars for aid to county fairs and other similar activities.

Receipts from races, conducted last year by the Multnomah Kennel Club under the supervision of the Oregon racing commission, turned over to the state \$472,104.96. Receipts from the present 50 days greyhound racing program are averaging from 3 to 8 per cent higher each night than last year's.

SAME HOST AT PEN

George Alexander will remain

at the Oregon penitentiary as superintendent.

This decision which has been apparent at meetings of the board of control for the past two months took a firmer set this week.

An outmoded penitentiary structure has handicapped Alexander since he became superintendent and warden 13 years ago. The last legislature provided funds for a new cell block, laundry, bath house, machine shop and combined carpenter, woodworking and cabinet shop. The old machine shop will be used for tobacco processing, soap making, shoe manufacturing and tailoring.

The solons divided the position of superintendent and warden and there are 20 applications before the board for the position of warden which will not be decided before August 1.

UNEMPLOYMENT DECLINES

Only 3,142 persons in Oregon drew jobless worker's pay from the state unemployment compensation funds last week. This is a new low since the end of the war in August 1945.

Compensation paid to Oregon's temporary unemployment dropped in June to \$310,416, to establish another record, the lowest monthly total in nearly six years. The June benefits paid were 32 per cent lower than those for June, 1950.

MORSE FOR PRESIDENT

Steve Anderson, Salem attorney and veep of the National Federation of Young Republicans, is preparing petitions to put the name of Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore.) in the primary ballot next May as a candidate for the republican nomination for president.

Only 1,000 signatures are necessary.

CAPITOL OPEN SUNDAYS

Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry has announced that through the summer the statehouse will be open to visitors on Sundays as well as on weekdays. A guide will be available and the information booth will be open to those making inquiry about the state and its capitol buildings and grounds.

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CLEFT PALATE CHILDREN

Oregon children afflicted by cleft palates are receiving special schooling now supplied for local districts by the special education division of the state department of education.

Short summertime courses of training for such children and their parents are proving successful in several districts of the state.

A. E. Davis of Boardman was a business visitor in Hepner Monday.

William Furlong and Ezra Adkins motored to Dayville and John Day Sunday to spend the day visiting relatives.

WHY LET AN OLD CAR DRIVE YOU CRAZY?

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Mr. and Mrs. Evan Stoneman passed through Hepner Saturday enroute to their home in Burns after a vacation at the coast. Mr. Stoneman, a former resident of this area, visited briefly with old friends. This is his first visit to Hepner in thirty-five years.

Ted Pierson and daughters, Mrs. Henry Rauch and Marjorie Pierson, motored to Pendleton Sunday to spend the day with Mrs. Pierson and another daughter, Rose Marie, who are employed at St. Anthony's hospital for the summer. The family spent the day at Emigrant Springs state park on a picnic in honor of Mrs. Pierson's birthday.

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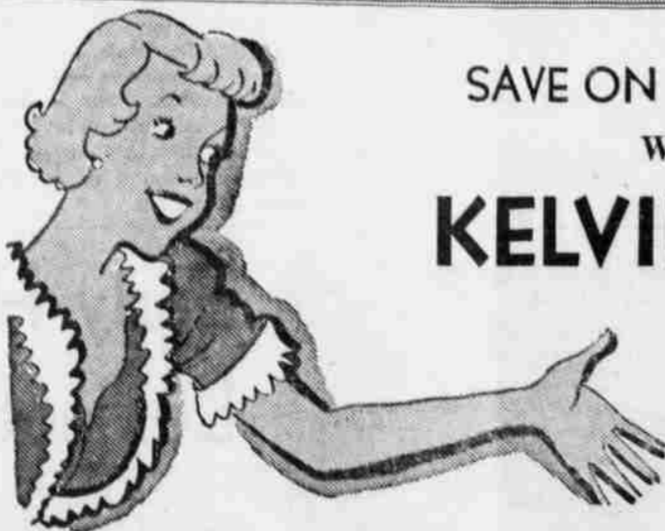
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