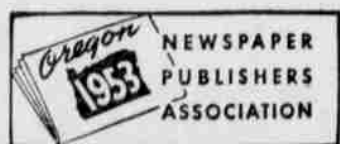


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Our Thanks For All Your Kind Words

The numerous letters and personally expressed congratulations received by the Gazette Times since last week on our special flood Commemoration Edition certainly took us by surprise, and we want to say that we sincerely appreciate all the nice things that many of our subscribers have said about our efforts to tell the story of the flood. It makes all the extra hours of work required to prepare such a publication worth all the effort, and then some.

We are sorry that so many persons who desired extra copies of the edition were disappointed, for though we tried to anticipate your requests for them, we fell far short of supplying the demand. We printed several hundred additional copies of last week's paper, but we have had at least 200

orders that we could not fill and we want to ask any person who should happen to have one or more copies that they do not want, to advise us so we may aid in getting those papers into the hands of persons who want them.

We have been asked by many if we couldn't run some more copies of the paper, but that is next to impossible for the special flood section was printed over a week ahead of the regular paper and the type was thrown in to make way for the procedure of getting the usual paper ready. In a newspaper plant the size of the Gazette Times, manpower, space and material limitations prohibit the publication of editions the size of last week's except on very special occasions. The cost again setting up the paper would be nearly prohibitive.

For our lack of foresight in anticipating your requests, we apologize, and for your many kind words, we again say, "Thanks!"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:— I want to congratulate you on your splendid issue of June 11th wherein you memorialized Heppner's great catastrophe of June 14, 1903. Your selection of stories and pictures is excellent and well chosen. You are especially to be congratulated on having the zeal and energy to collect and publish

so much of the scenes and action that caused so much anguish, bereavement and loss fifty years ago.

I have heard practically all of the stories you published many times from the lips of the persons themselves and believe they are all substantially correct and you and Mrs. Tom Wilson are to be praised for telling the stories in the language of the tellers themselves. I was especially in-

terested in the story of O. A. Devin. I knew Mr. Devin at the time of the "Great Flood" and have known him throughout the whole of the ensuing years; know the kind of fellow he is; have compared flood stories with him many times and know he would tell the truth as he saw it.

I quite agree with you that there is no ONE story of the "Flood". There are many and all substantially correct. However, there were many different viewpoints; different experiences, comprehensions and understandings; and of course, 50 years and fading memories have a part too.

I do not intend to set in now to tell My story as perhaps a hundred living people could do, but rather to congratulate you for your interest in the community and the success of your achievement.

J. O. TURNER

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From Files of the Gazette Times June 21, 1923.

A wedding of interest to Heppner people took place at the Christian church in Newberg on Sunday June 17, when Miss Olive Bassett of Newberg was married to Joseph Hughes of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Ferguson went to Portland on Friday to be present at the marriage of their son Eugene to Miss Fay Heiny.



SPEED CRIME APPREHENSION

Ninety-eight per cent of stolen cars are now being recovered but not as many thieves are caught. The time now required to get information phoned to key spots on the highways gives the thieves too much head start.

Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry has worked out a plan for law enforcement officers and agencies in the northwest to be connected by a phone network to provide speedy and accurate information day and night on automobile numbers, ownership, description and location.

Direct telephones will connect the Salem office with the Washington State police in Vancouver, the Oregon State police in Milwaukie, the communications office in Portland and the sheriff's office in Multnomah county.

The head of the network will be located in Salem with full operation scheduled for July 1. The change will eliminate a great number of files and filing clerks in the Portland office.

Teletypes will be used in Salem and Portland to supply information rapidly and accurately to banks, attorneys, financial companies and others desiring such information. The fee now charged is 10 cents a name. On July 1 it will be increased to 20 cents.

Newbry said the new system will save the state \$30,000 for the biennium.

INTERIM COMMITTEES

The most important legislative news since adjournment of the 1953 session late in April was the announcement this week of the appointment of 32 members of the late session as members of ten interim committees.

The appointments are significant plus. They give added political prestige to the lucky members — come election November 1954.

The committees were assembled by Senate President Eugene E. Marsh and House Speaker Rudie Wilhelm. They are to re-

They will make their home in Heppner.

Herb and Jackie Hynd of Buttery Flats left on Saturday morning with a band of sheep for Sand Hollow en route for Hynd Bros. summer range near Sumpster, where Herb will act as camp-tender with Master Jackie as assistant, while Herb is singing "Absence makes the Heart Grow Fonder, etc etc."

port to the 1955 session of the legislature.

The committees are: Legislative council, to revise the laws and draft legislative bills—Senators Marsh, Brown, Hardie, Neuberger, Smith and Representatives Wilhelm, Chadwick, Diech, Francis, Husband and Steiwer.

To investigate property taxation—Senators Belton, Steen, Doolley, Ohmart, and McKenzie.

To study the need for amending the constitution or to write a new one—Senators Marsh, Allen, Bryson, Hounsell and Representatives Wilhelm, Corbett, Hatfield and Misko.

To study highway taxation and revenues—Senators Bain, Binger, McMinimee and Representatives Geary, Elfstrom, Root and Stewart.

To study proposed department of revenue—Senators Marsh, Geddes, Hitchcock and Representatives Wilhelm, Lyman, Neuberger and Tom.

To investigate public welfare laws—Senators McMinimee, Ulett, Anderson, Davis and Goodrich.

To study offshore fishing regulations—Senators McMinimee, Ulett, Amacher, Dyer and Goodall.

To investigate state retirement system—Senator Merrifield and Representatives Baum and Eaton.

To investigate parks in the Columbia Gorge—Senators Bryson, and Lonergan and Representatives Hudson, Jensen and Klemson.

BANK SAVINGS UP

A. A. Rogers, Oregon's Bank Examiner returned this week the annual convention of Bank examiners of seven western states held at Sun Valley. In attendance also were federal reserve, deposit insurance and control of currency executives.

Over the nation bank deposits are slightly lower than at this time in 1952 but savings deposits are holding up well.

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showing the national trend but savings continue to grow. Bank executives consider Oregon to be thrift conscious. Added business volume and the high Continued on Page 5

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GAME SCHEDULE

- JUNE 21—MACH I AT HEPPNER
- JUNE 27—HEPPNER AT BAKER
- JUNE 28—HEPPNER AT LA GRANDE
- JULY 12—BAKER AT HEPPNER
- JULY 18—HEPPNER AT PENDLETON
- JULY 19—LA GRANDE AT HEPPNER
- JULY 26—HEPPNER AT MACH I

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