

Sifting through the TIMES

With Justine Weatherford

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Barges on river not coming soon, progress slow, secretary of Columbia Association tells Alpine meeting. That no immediate relief for Morrow County wheatgrowers can be expected through projected development of the Columbia River for transportation purposes was portended by the address of R.H. Kipp, executive secretary of the Columbia Valley Association, who spoke before an assemblage of interested farmers and others at the Alpine School on Monday evening. A report of the activities of the association for the past year, mimeographed copies of which were given out at the meeting, contains the information that even should the \$858,000 appropriation, the amount deemed necessary to make navigation at all feasible east of The Dalles, be obtained from Congress it would take two years to actually put barges on the river.

A report of the educational exposition held at Corvallis last weekend, as given by Miss Jeanette Turner and Harold Gentry, Heppner High School students who attended, held the interest of the Lions at their Monday luncheon. W.R. Poulson, school superintendent, who accompanied them, also made a report. Also attending from here were Miss Alice Cason and Earl Thomson, students, and Miss Jessie Palmiter, faculty escort.

The special program for the day was in charge of Gay M. Anderson and Frank Turner, song leader, and was featured by numerous songs, among which was a contest in which half the members sang one song, and the other half another, each trying to out do the other. Honors seemed about equally divided.

W.W. Smead reported for the local Red Cross committee that popular subscriptions, amounting to \$84.25, had been received, putting the special drought relief drive over in the county by \$34.25.

Heppner Rod and Gun Club has been entered again in the annual Oregonian telegraphic trapshooting tournament, to start this year on March 1, announces Charles H. Latourell, president. Many more clubs are expected to enter this year, and competition is expected to be much keener, with the inclusion of clubs from the state of Washington.

Always a runner-up in this shoot, the Heppner club has the distinction of winning first place the year the shoot was instituted, four years ago.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Late Wednesday night the unofficial temperature in Heppner dropped to zero but by this morning had risen to 10 degrees and an overcast sky gave indication that a warming trend was on the way. Clouds and possible snow flurries were forecast for Thursday and Thursday night.

Heppner High students Miss Joann Brosnan and Miss Judy Collins will leave next week for Corvallis to attend the annual state Future Homemakers of America meeting held on the OSC campus. Judy is the new president of the Heppner FHA chapter and Joann the recently elected secretary. Both girls are honor roll students and have been active in many other fields. Mrs. Homer Hager, school instructor and chapter advisor, will accompany the girls to the meeting.

The second area-wide meeting of persons and communities interested in the problems connected with the development of the John Day dam was held last night at Boardman under the sponsorship of the Boardman Commercial Club. A representative group from the Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce attended the meeting. Boardman, along with Ar-

lington and other river communities, faces the assurance of being drowned out when the John Day dam is constructed. The present town of Boardman will be either partly or entirely under water after the dam is built, depending on what its eventual height may be.

Salt can be a dangerous weapon, according to a news item received this week from the GT's Monument correspondent. Darrel Farrrens of Monument suffered a broken toe one day last week when he dropped a block of salt on his foot. Not long afterwards salt caused a second casualty when Darlene Boyer dropped a block on her boot while loading some in a car. When in Monument it might be wise to steer clear of all salt.

Steelhead fishing on the John Day River in the vicinity of Kimberly and Monument was reported as excellent last Saturday, but warm weather early this week caused a rapid rise in the water and stopped

all fishing by midweek. Ice was also causing trouble in the river by Tuesday and Wednesday.

The state police reported that should the weather stay cold there is a good chance that by this weekend the water will clear and drop again, offering good fishing conditions.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Congressman Al Ullman announces he will seek reelection to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1976.

The five counties in which Columbia Basin Electric Co-op operates will be receiving tax payments from Columbia Basin. A gross revenue tax payment has been made to the state of Oregon and will then be distributed by the state. Amounts to be paid the counties on gross revenue tax are: Morrow - \$21,783.72; Gilliam - \$14,889.89; Wheeler - \$2,053.46; Umatilla - \$846.87; Sherman - \$245.18.

Students of Heppner High's Construction 2 Class put wooden shingles on the roof of the Democrat Gulch schoolhouse. They are interested in construction and this is part of their training program. Their instructor is Ed Heimstra. Those who worked on the roof include Rob Eckman, Mike Orwick, Doug Harris, Dave Brandhagen and John McLean.

The Soroptimist International of Heppner honored this year's Citizenship Award winners at a luncheon this week. Kimee Haguewood, first place winner, was presented a U.S. Savings Bond, and Clay West, second place winner, received a \$10 check.

Columbia Basin Electric will be making larger tax payments to the citizens of its service area this year. This local corporation is charged an occupational tax for doing business in the various cities of its service area. Total payments to Heppner, Lone, Lexington, Condon and Fossil will be \$9,604.65 in 1976. The Heppner payment will reach \$3,866.36, compared to \$3,749.73 last year.

Art of cartooning demonstrated



Tom Simonton gives pointers on cartooning to VoJean Forquer, left and Mary Kilkenny, right

Tom Simonton of Pendleton entertained and instructed a local artists' group last Wednesday in the art of "cartooning."

Simonton showed the group some comic books that were published in foreign countries and gave some basic instruction, focusing on problem

areas of drawing cartoon characters.

When asked how long he had been drawing cartoons he commented that he had been cartooning professionally for 35 years but that it was only an avocation until about three years ago when he retired from his position with the postal service.

Vera Simonton, Tom's wife, is an art teacher in lone and is presently instructing a spinning, dyeing and weaving class for adults there.

Simonton is probably a familiar face to many in the Heppner area. He has painted the windows of Heppner merchants for many years during the fair and rodeo season.

Farm Calendar

Feb. 19-20 - Farm and Ranch Executive Seminar IV. "Financing and Marketing Alternatives." Red Lion Motor Inn, Pasco, Washington.

Feb. 24 - Annual meeting of Umatilla County Soil and Water Conservation District, St. Mary's Parish Hall, pollock at 6:30 p.m., Pendleton.

Feb. 24-25 - Farm and Ranch Executive Seminar IV. "Financing and Marketing Alternatives." Ramada Inn, International Airport, Spokane, Washington.

Feb. 26-27 - Farm and Ranch Executive Seminar IV. "Financing and Marketing Alternatives." Ramada Inn at the Airport, Portland.

Feb. 27 - Federal Land Bank Association and Mid-Columbia PCA Annual Stockholders' meeting, Portage Inn, The Dalles.

Oregon State University Pest Control Shortcourses for Applicator Recertification.

Feb. 24-25 - Agronomy, Extension Auditorium, Medford.

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