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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE IS FORMED IN HERMISTON

Wednesday evening a meeting was held at the Civic Center room to discuss the formation of an organization of public safety and to foster patriotism, working in whatever way possible to uphold the nation in this time of war. With the election of Thos. Campbell as temporary chairman the subject was taken up from every angle and the greater number of those present participated.

As finally decided upon the organization was completed with a view to upholding the government in all ways possible, especially to discourage remarks that tend to show disrespect to the nation, thoughtlessly or otherwise. In a number of instances these slighting remarks have been made in the presence of young people and cannot help but have some influence. An organization, it was agreed, composed of responsible men of the community, would offset this effect and bring the forming opinions of the young people in the right direction. To those few exhibiting a tendency to do these things it is believed the organization will have a good moral effect. If not more effective steps will be taken.

The organization elected Thos. Campbell as permanent chairman, F. R. Reeves secretary, and those two officers with C. S. McNaught, F. C. McKenzie, E. P. Dodd S. R. Oldaker and C. O. Walcott compose an executive committee. This committee was also requested to arrange a patriotic meeting in the near future.

As a later matter to be taken up if necessary arises R. C. Todd, E. L. Jackson and F. A. Phelps were named as a committee to investigate what legal standing a Home Guard would have, steps necessary for its formation and what would be expected of it by the state and nation. This committee will ascertain these things at once and report at the next meeting.

At the organization 31 names were placed on the membership roll and this list is now with the secretary and open for the signature of all loyal male residents of the Hermiston country 17 years of age or over. The enrollment of everyone should be speedily secured as it is not a question of politics, religion or anything else further than loyalty to the nation. Men only will be taken as there are similar organizations for women.

our readers.

M. W. Sharrard, now located at Willows on one of the rich farms of that little valley, renewed his subscription with this comment. "I did not get Saturday's paper and am lost without it."

Dr. Mockman, who, with Mrs. Monkman, is now practicing in the Ford city of Detroit, says: "We can't keep in touch with the coast news without our Herald. The issue of March 31 came badly torn and would like another." Needless to say if the issue was not entirely exhausted we would gladly send the doctor another.

In renewing his subscription Judge Longley says: "Of course we can't keep house without a copy of The Herald, nor would I be posted on Hermiston society doings, weather statistics, etc. A number of country papers come to this office, but for make up and interesting news The Herald has most of them beat a city block." When the judge comes back this summer to take care of his big apple crop we are going to take him for an extra ride in jitney for that

BOARDMAN NEWS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

E. P. Dodd was in town Tuesday.

J. O. Lower returned from Wasco Sunday.

J. R. Johnson was visiting his father in Wasco over Sunday.

Mrs. C. M. Vopen went to Hermiston Friday, returning Tuesday.

Next Friday will be arbor day and tree planting will be the order of the day.

J. R. Johnson and C. C. Paine drove to Castle Friday to attend a school meeting.

Wm. Neher returned Tuesday from Portland where he spent a week with his family.

Mrs. Anna McKee, of Starbuck, is spending a few days visiting Mrs. Sidney Mack.

Mr. and Mrs. Warner, Mrs. O. Paine and S. C. Mack drove to Irrigon in the Warner car Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Mack returned the middle of the week from a short visit in Richland, Wash.

C. G. Blayden came in on No. 2 Wednesday from Scouts Mills, where he recently moved his family.

C. C. Paine went to Pendleton to visit his mother who will leave for her home in Idaho the last of the month.

Emmet Calahan arrived this morning from Portland to put up his portable house on the homestead filed on this spring.

Sunday evening the Sunday school gave a very nice Easter program. The decorations were very cleverly made of sagebrush and matrimonial vine with white carnations.

UMATILLA ITEMS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

F. A. Brown was a Stanfield visitor Thursday.

T. Hurl returned from Fortland Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmore McKenzie returned from Portland Thursday.

J. Enigh, of the Walla Walla creamery, was a guest of the Duncan Tuesday.

Several of the young men attended the Easter Monday dance at Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Gentry and family spent Easter in Walla Walla, returning home Thursday.

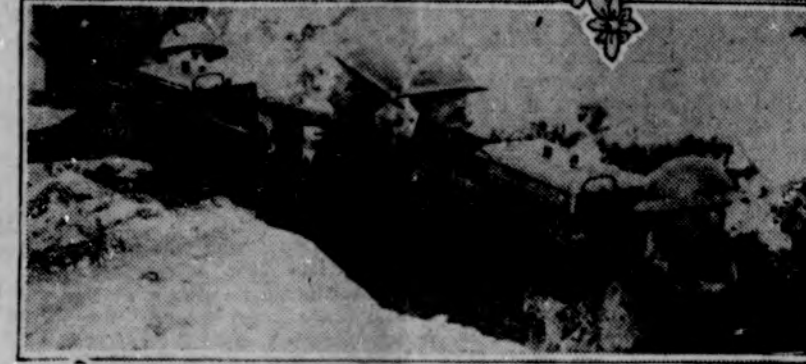
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lingow, of Starbuck, came down Tuesday evening. They will be the guests of Mrs. A. O'Connell.

Among those coming down from Hermiston to the Minority club dance were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Spinning, Harold Adams, Harold Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. O'Sullivan of Stanfield were down also.

North Bend—Box factory closed two years will be operated on enlarged scale.

To save declining grain export trade Portland will try to issue \$3,000,000 bonds for public grain warehouse.

GETTING FOOD TO FIRST LINE TRENCHES



Photos by American Press Association.

How Tommy Atkins is fed at the front. Above a British officer is seen inspecting a canister of stew destined for the men in advanced trenches while below are food carriers just delivering a meal for the fighters.

COLUMBIA NEWS NOTES

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. D. Connor is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Dunning left a week ago Monday on a trip.

L. Brownell, deputy assessor, was in this district this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knapton are located in their new home.

Mrs. Blessing and family visited at the Felthouse home Sunday.

Dean Sellers is out of school this week on account of sickness.

Mrs. E. E. Graham was on the sick list Sunday but is better now.

Project farmers are now receiving the first irrigation of the season.

Mrs. Bedale left for Erie last week. Her visit was cut short on account of Mr. Bedale's illness.

Dorothy Brunson has been on the sick list this week. The little one suffers from tonsillitis.

Mr. Kerr and family of Spokane have rented the Howe house and will rent alfalfa land from Mr. La Barre.

Mr. and Mrs. Leathers, Mrs. Fritts and Mrs. Reid took a trip in the Leathers car to Pendleton last week.

B. B. McLean and family, of Jefferson county, who bought the Knapton place, arrived in Hermiston Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. McKeen and Bertha took an auto trip to the wheat country to visit Edward who is working on the Wm. Neher wheat ranch. They went by way of Stanfield and Echo.

The higher grade boys in Columbia school played a game of base ball with the Hermiston boys of same grade. Score was in favor of the visitors. Game lasted until after 5 o'clock.

Arthur Hall and family drove through from near Prineville and are living with his father on the Skovbo place for the present. They had thought of driving on through to Texas to their ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beddow and Ed motored to Holman Sunday morning to hear the Easter program at the Holman church. A big basket dinner was a feature of the noon hour with church services in the afternoon.

The ladies of the Neighborhood club are taking up the study of Parliamentary rules under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Stewart. First lesson was given last week. All the members should have a copy of Roberts Rules of Order. The first lesson was very interesting. Mrs. Stewart was requested to correct mistakes at the close of each meeting, thus giving a practical lesson.

UNIVERSITY MEN EXPECTED TO GO

At least 200 students, practically one-third of the men of the university, will answer the call to arms in case their country needs them, is the estimate of Karl W. Onthank, secretary to President P. L. Campbell, who has kept in close touch with student opinion.

Already 50 students have enlisted in the Eugene company of the coast artillery, while a number have forwarded their applications to Washington signifying their willingness to join the volunteer officers' training camp. This officers camp was authorized by a recent act of congress, and permits college men after a thorough training and passing of the examination, to enter the volunteer force as second lieutenants.

A University drill squad of 50 men has been organized and has begun active drill. Instruction in bandaging wounds and first aid is being given by Trainer William Hayward.

War will hold up indefinitely the new athletic field which was to have been built next year, according to A. R. Tiffany, registrar of the university. All intercollegiate games will be cancelled.

Seventy-five of the university alumni have already signified their willingness to leave present occupations and enlist. There are about 500 male alumni in the state and approximately half have had some military training.

GIRLS HONOR GUARD FOR HERMISTON

Thursday the first steps were taken in the organization of a Girls' National Honor Guard in Hermiston. To Miss Vera Purdy goes the honor of taking the initial step in the movement locally. There were plenty of others that quickly came to her aid after the start was made. At the high school on a call for a showing 26 signed up in a few minutes and others will follow as soon as the opportunity is presented. Outside the school fully as many more will go in.

The guard is open to those between the ages of 14 and 30, either married or single. Its objects are to make bandages and other articles that would be used by the Red Cross, to lend its influence for loyalty to the nation and in other ways be of assistance to the nation during this war time.

Application blanks have been ordered together with other information and literature dealing fully with the organization. A meeting is called for Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the high school for the purpose of electing officers and completing organization of the local guard. All eligible persons who are interested are invited to be present.

PREPAREDNESS TRAIN HERE AFTERNOON AND EVENING

MAKE WAR ON FLIES EARLY IN SEASON

The Parent-Teacher association and Civic club have in former years taken an active part in the efforts to do away with the fly menace and will do so again this year. The annual spring clean up day is work along this line but efforts to eliminate the disease danger should be continued throughout the year. In this connection the following is offered as coming from the United States government for the destruction of flies:

Formaldehyde and sodium salicylate are the two best fly poisons. Both are superior to arsenic. They are not a poison to children, they are convenient to handle, their dilutions are simple and they attract flies.

A formaldehyde solution of approximately the correct strength may be made by adding 3 teaspoonfuls of the concentrated formaldehyde solution, commercially known as formalin, to a pint of water. Similarly, the proper concentration of sodium salicylate may be obtained by dissolving 3 teaspoonfuls of the pure chemical (a powder) to a pint of water.

An ordinary, thin-walled drinking glass is filled or partially filled with the solution. A saucer or small plate in which is placed a piece of white blotting paper cut the size of the dish, is put bottom up over the glass. The whole is then quickly inverted, a match placed under the edge of the glass, and the container is ready for use. As the solution dries out of the saucer the liquid seal at the edge of the glass is broken and more liquid flows into the lower receptacle. Thus the paper is always kept moist.

Any odor pleasing to man is offensive to the fly and vice versa, and will drive them away.

Take five cents worth of oil of lavender, mix it with the same quantity of water, put it in a common glass atomizer and spray it around the room where flies are. In the dining room spray it lavishly even on the table linen. The odor is very disagreeable to flies but refreshing to most people. Geranium, mignonette, heliotrope and white clover are offensive to flies. They especially dislike the odor of honeysuckle and hop blossoms.

According to a French scientist flies have intense hatred for the color blue. Rooms decorated in blue will help to keep out the flies.

Mix together one tablespoonful of cream, one of ground black pepper and one of brown sugar. This mixture is poisonous to flies. Put in a saucer, darken the room except in one window and in that set the saucer.

To clear the house of flies, burn pyrethrum powder. This stupefies the flies, but they must be swept up and burned.

Borax is especially valuable around farms and out of doors. One pound of borax to twelve bushels of manure will be found desirable as a poison without injuring its manurial qualities or farm stock. Scatter the borax over the manure and sprinkle with water.

Lye, chloride of lime, or copperas (sulphate of iron) dissolved in water, crude carbonic acid, or any kind of disinfectant may be used in vaults.

GOOD ROADS NEEDED FOR MILITARY USE

Moving of heavy gun carriages and heavy loads of munitions and army supplies necessitates better roads than at present are available in Oregon. Our state is exposed to attack, the railroad facilities are not as well adapted to carrying heavy guns as are improved highways, and it is up to Oregon to get its through trunk roads in shape to facilitate the movement of supplies.

Should the railroad centers become too congested, owing to war burdens, or should they fall into the hands of an enemy, the through roads would be the only means of communication left to get supplies from place to place in the interior. Farmers would of necessity depend upon the through roads for marketing their crops. Every resident of Oregon will see the necessities of the situation once this is called to his attention, and will see the bearing this has on the road question to be voted upon June 4.

How is the nation going to make good the food shortage? A shortage such as the nation has not felt since the civil war. It will be the endeavor of the "preparedness" train to help the people to answer this great question by instructing all people to become effective producers as well as economic consumers. The train, equipped by the extension service of the agricultural college and operated by the O. W. R. & N. railway company will arrive at Hermiston Saturday, April 14, at 3:30 p. m.

No phase of preparedness for the national crisis is of greater importance than the food supply. Vacant city lots and back yards afford the best means of prompt relief in production. Sixty per cent of the vacant lots in Oregon are not used for gardening. If these are properly used for raising vegetables and poultry thousands of dollars worth of food products can be added to the normal supply within a few months.

R. W. Allen, superintendent of the Hermiston experiment station, who will have charge of the vegetable gardening the second week, will lay special stress on growing articles of food which they have hitherto been buying and to can and keep vegetables through the winter instead of wasting that which is left over from the garden.

The climate conditions in this district are suitable for numerous kinds and varieties of vegetables. The growing season is long, the principal part of it warm and it is well adapted to sturdy plants requiring considerable warm weather. Rapid maturing plants such as radishes and lettuce can successfully be grown in the spring and fall.

All meetings will be held in the passenger coach carried for that purpose, unless the attendance should prove too large, in which case arrangements will be made to adjourn to the Hermiston auditorium. The program for the afternoon and evening meetings will include:

Afternoon session—Food Preparation, 3:30 to 4:30, Miss Johnson; Home Canning, 4:30 to 5:30, Miss Cowgill.

Evening session—Vegetable Growing, 8 to 9, Prof. Bouquet; Poultry Raising, 9 to 10, Prof. Lamb.

The exhibit car will be open from 4 to 6 and 7:30 to 9:30.

BOOKS RECEIVED AT BRANCH LIBRARY

Books recently received at the Hermiston branch of the county library include:

- Barsaloux, Priscilla baby book.
- Brigham, Geographic influences in American history.
- Clodd, Story of primitive man.
- Cody, World's greatest orations.
- Coleridge, Ancient mariner.
- Crowther, Gentle reader.
- Crow, American country girl.
- Davis, Vocational and moral guidance.
- Drummond, Greatest thing in the world.
- Fabre, Life of the spider.
- Farmer, Boston cooking school cook book.
- Franklin, Memoirs of the life writings.
- Hill, New public health.
- Huxley, Autobiography.
- Ingersoll, Wild life of orchard and field.
- Keller, Story of my life.
- Myers, General history.
- Parsons, How to plan the home grounds.
- Plumb, Beginning of animal husbandry.
- Stevenson, Travels with a donkey.
- Washington, Up from slavery.
- Weld, Marketing of farm products.

REGISTRATION FOR ELECTION IS SLOW

Reports from the different counties indicate that few voters who have moved into different precincts have taken the trouble to register for the June election. Experience shows that over 10 per cent of voters change residence every six months.

Every voter interested in the road bonding act or any of the many measures to be voted upon at the special election June 4 should register at once if he has moved since his registration for the presidential election.

TEN YEARS AGO

The butcher shop is receiving a coat of paint.

O. P. Brigham's \$1200 house will soon be completed.

Plumbing work is being done on H. T. Irvin's two story residence.

The Newport-Skinner two story brick is well along on the second story.

The new cottage of E. P. Dodd on Gladys avenue has been completed.

C. L. Morgan will commence the building of his third cottage Monday.

Fred Yates has on his place near town peaches and strawberries in full bloom.

The new depot has been painted and adds greatly to the appearance of the railroad grounds.

Fraser's hardware store is being finished up and Mr. Fraser will soon install his stock of goods.

A vault is being completed at the government quarters for the protection of books and records.

W. R. Longhorn leaves today for Lewiston. He will return next week accompanied by his family.

The Hotel Williams was opened with a grand ball Thursday evening with about 40 couple in attendance.

The Hermiston Hardware & Implement Co. will build a room 25x60 on the rear of the present building. It will be an implement warehouse.

J. T. Hinkle of Pendleton spent several days in Hermiston this week. He says work is progressing rapidly on the Hinkle ditch, three miles south of town.

HERALD FRIENDS SAY GOOD WORDS

This week The Herald has received three very nice compliments from friends formerly residing in Hermiston that we are going to pay on to