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AMERICAN LEGION HOLDS ARMISTICE DAY EXERCISES

All of Hermiston seemed to be present at the Play House Thursday afternoon, when the members of the American Legion gave a well arranged and highly interesting program, in honor of Armistice day.

Professor Voelker led the community singing and Post Commander E. J. Kingsley, gave a talk on the purpose of the occasion. The invocation was offered by Rev. Ira D. Hall, and songs were given by the mixed quartet, made up of Doris Swayze, Laura Phipps, Herbert Hall and Dewey Payne. Frank Stevens, an eleven year old school boy, gave a fine cornet solo and the audience joined in singing the Battle Hymn of the Republic. The feature of the exercises was the oration delivered by Colonel Emmett Callahan of Boardman. Mr. Callahan is well known to the people of the project as an interesting and forceful speaker and his patriotic addresses show deep and sincere feeling, leaving his hearers always with a lasting impression of wonderful gain to themselves through the speaker's spoken thoughts.

The Star Spangled Banner was sung by the whole assemblage and Father Murtha delivered the benediction.

Following are some extracts from Colonel Callahan's address:

"The dead we have always with us in thought or deed; the very atmosphere pulses with the breath and movements of those who were once of us, but who have strung their harps to a higher note."

"This old earth of ours is crimsoned deep with the blood of those who gave their lives on the battle fields in the struggles for the preservation of civilization; they died to make it possible for us to live in some measure in liberty and peace."

"History can no more forget the war in which our soldiers fought than it can forget the ideals for which they suffered; the measure of their heroism is the spot where it was performed and the horizon it reaches."

"But, after all, for what purpose and to what end did the youth of America suffer and die? why do we commemorate their memories? Was it for a posthumous enjoyment of a transient pagentry? Did they give up home, affection, prospects of pleasure, embracements of children, the enchantments of love, to overthrow one from tyranny, only to fetter their survivors with another more hideous, exacting and cruel? Was the phantom of a government by the many, for which they fought and died, to be only an allurement to the establishment of a government by the few?"

"And yet, to this unpalatable end all effort seems tending. What hope for the nations did these dead heroes leave behind them? What did the ebb and flow of their struggles insure for their tolling successors? Did they suffer that we might only learn 'to lean on things that rot beneath our weight' and yield our hearts to a blindfold bondage whose only heraldry is the scar it inflicts?"

"Did they die that 25,000 new made plutocrats—who in the hour of the world's Gethsemane, took advantage of their government to loot its treasury, and who now with sanctimonious hypocritical cant—ask you in the name of patriotism to forego the monetary obligation due you from the government which you served so well and loyally?"

There were many other quotations from the Colonel's speech that we would have liked to quote, but space prevents. However, we are very glad indeed, to have had the pleasure of quoting the few excellent remarks we print above, so that those who were unable to attend the celebration, can have the pleasure of reading extracts from his talk.

Homecoming at Eugene

The Annual Alumni Homecoming football game, which, this year, will be between the Oregon and Washington teams will be played at Eugene on Saturday, November 13th.

The theme next Sunday evening at the Baptist church, Ira D. Hall, pastor, will be, "One of the Worst Characters in the Bible."

PRESIDENT P. L. CAMPBELL INDORSES THE RED CROSS

University of Oregon, Eugene, Nov. 8.—President P. L. Campbell, of the University of Oregon, has made the following statement regarding the Fourth Red Cross Roll Call from Armistice day till Thanksgiving day:

"The American Red Cross and the League of Red Cross Societies are the media through which the rank and file of citizenry of this and other nations are co-operating in an almost unprecedented but wholly national manner to realize for those now on earth and for those who are to come the fullest possible measure of freedom and equality—freedom from physical handicap through disease or defeat, which insures equality of opportunity. Millions of individual responses to the Fourth Red Cross Roll Call will preserve and demonstrate the essential democracy of the Red Cross movement and insure the continuance of the most hopeful co-operative effort ever undertaken in the interest of the public health."

SOCIETY EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Mrs. E. J. Kingsley entertained a number of friends Tuesday afternoon. Bridge was the entertainment of the afternoon, three tables being filled. The house and tables were decorated with flags, in anticipation of Armistice Day. Mrs. Kingsley also issued invitations for a party Wednesday evening.

One of the largest affairs of the season was the party given last Thursday at the J. T. Hinkle home, when Mrs. Hinkle, Mrs. F. C. McKenzie and Mrs. B. S. Kingsley entertained for their husbands, whose birthdays all occurred during the week. Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie also had a wedding anniversary during the week.

Hallowe'en decorations were all over the house and autumn foliage. Nine tables were filled for bridge and later in the evening a buffet supper was served, each of the three gentlemen honored passing his birthday cake to the guests. Rugs were rolled back and dancing enjoyed. Mrs. George Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Athey and Mrs. Earl Kingsley assisting with the music. In the small hours of the morning the guests left, wishing Mr. Hinkle, Mr. McKenzie and Mr. Kingsley many more such birthdays.

Dancing at the H. M. Straw residence Saturday night marked the visit in Hermiston of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Barthel of Pendleton, former residents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hinkle entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hinkle of Echo Sunday at dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Collins and daughter Cathrine were guests at the Dodd home Sunday, driving down from Pendleton. With them was Mrs. Patterson of Portland, the aunt of Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Dodd. Mrs. Patterson remained in Hermiston until Monday.

Mrs. W. W. Illsley entertained the members of her Sunday School class, sixteen in number, at a Hallowe'en party Saturday afternoon. Games were played in the house and on the lawn and dainty refreshments served.

Mack Families Have Novel Homes
R. C. and S. C. Mack and their families are leaving Hermiston shortly and knowing of the shortage of dwelling houses in Hermiston are ready to combat that condition where ever they may decide to settle.

To that end they have built two houses, mounted them on truck bodies and will live in them, moving from time to time as business calls them to different points. The two brothers will go first to Echo where they are to haul wheat.

Hear the laymen's side of the story, Mr. E. E. Graham of the Columbia district will preach at the Mission on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

Mrs. W. P. Llewellyn has been ill for some days at her home.

Lopsided Farming System Costly

By F. L. Ballard
Reports from all parts of the Northwest show a surplus of hay in practically every district. This surplus, together with a general shortage in numbers of livestock, is creating a serious economic situation, and drives home, pointedly, the fact that many districts, particularly Deschutes county, will not be on a stable agricultural basis until the greater portion of hay raised is consumed on the home ranches.

Malheur county is another district suffering because of a lopsided farming system. A few years ago that district made a promising start in the dairy business, but when the high prices of hay arrived, they sold their dairy animals, believing there was more profit in selling the hay. Now after three or four years they have thousands of tons of hay which they would be glad to sell for \$8 a ton, as they have no stock to use it. The farmers there are now trying to obtain dairy stock, but find the prices high and good stock scarce. To get re-established in the dairy business will cost them the greater part of the profits made selling hay.

Farming should be treated as a business extending over a period of years, and a definite system followed year after year to assure greatest results in a ten or fifteen-year period.

There is no more profitable market for hay in most years than that produced by a well-bred dairy cow from a line of good producers. In Deschutes county, particularly, conditions are favorable for development of a dairy district. The local market is good and the small irrigated ranches especially adapted to a system of farming should include potatoes for a cash crop, and alfalfa and ensilage for feeding the dairy cattle, and in some instances, farm flocks of sheep. Such a system followed by 90 per cent of the farmers would build up a very prosperous community if followed year in and year out for a period of years.—Deschutes County Farm Bureau News.

Thanksgiving Foot Ball

The Hermiston High School football team will play Athena High School in Hermiston on Thanksgiving day. This will be a great game and will give the Hermiston boys a chance to clean up that end of the county. The boys go to Athena on the 20th and play a game there, and on Thanksgiving day Athena comes here for a return game.

Football
Saturday

J. W. Brewer At Club Luncheon

In the absence of President E. P. Dodd and Vice-President F. B. Swayze at the regular Commercial Club luncheon Tuesday, Thomas Campbell was elected to the chair. Secretary Prime read a communication from parties interested in the installation of a laundry here and a committee was appointed to collect data for them. A letter from the Tri-State Automobile Association was read taking up the matter of giving more publicity to Hermiston on the new maps to be issued. The Portland trade excursionists sent a letter to the club expressing their appreciation of the entertainment given them while in Hermiston and extending an invitation to the club to participate in the open forum of the Portland Chamber of Commerce on November 29th.

Chairman Campbell introduced J. W. Brewer, field secretary of the State Chamber of Commerce, who has been here several times before in the interests of the state, and was on his way to speak before the Pendleton Commercial Club in the drive for funds for the organization he represents. Mr. Brewer spoke of the service they desired to give to everyone in the state, making the office of the Chamber of Commerce a clearing house for all the problems that confront the merchant, the farmer and every resident of the state, and also see that the incoming settler gets accurate information as to prospective purchases and a fair deal all round. The State Chamber of Commerce, he said, is not connected with the Portland Chamber and its interests lie with all the state outside of Portland.

Red Cross Drive to Start Thursday

H. E. Hitt, chairman in charge of the Red Cross drive which is to start Thursday has plans completed for the work, and asks the cooperation of all residents so that the work may be accomplished as rapidly and easily as possible. The territory to be canvassed will be divided into sections and cars assigned to each locality, two women in each car acting as collectors.

No other organization received the support the Red Cross invariably call forth, and it is felt that all calls to rally to the help of "The Greatest Mother in the World," will meet with unstinted and ungrudging response. The term used so often during war days, "over the top" still carries with it a feeling of enthusiasm. Let us all go over the top with a cheer and make up our quota in the shortest possible time.

The American Red Cross



BIG FOOT BALL GAME TO BE PLAYED HERE SATURDAY

AUDITORIUM BUILDING IS GREATLY IMPROVED

The Auditorium on the West Side, owned by Tom Marxen, has been undergoing improvements for the past two weeks, and persons attending the Armistice Day ball Thursday evening were amazed at the changes that had been made by the owner.

The entire interior has been re-finished, the walls and ceiling covered with beaver board, the lower parts of the side walls wainscotted and stained and new lights installed. The coat room has been remodeled, and the stage changed, and the building will be much more easily heated.

Hermiston now has a dancing hall that can take its place with the best of them, and great credit is due Mr. Marxen for the work he has done to make this come about.

Men Take Over Umatilla Affairs

Three years ago civic management of the little town of Umatilla, at the junction of the Columbia and Umatilla Rivers, was, by the power vested in the voters of the town, turned into the hands of women. The result of the election, was published throughout the United States, pictures of the new city officers printed and much notice given Umatilla in the press. Mrs. Della Paulu took her place as mayor, Mrs. Cherry, recorder, Mrs. Marion McKenzie, treasurer, and Mrs. Zella Brownell and Mrs. Oro Stevens served on the council, along with four mere men.

On taking office, the women found the following state of affairs: the town was practically bankrupt; through failure of the city to meet bills for lighting service the electric light company serving the town had been forced to discontinue service; city bonds were outstanding and the city had purchased fire apparatus and found themselves unable to meet payment.

So faithfully and to such good purpose have the women worked at the tasks set them during the past three years that the incoming civic body elected at the polls on November 2nd, find that like all good housewives the women have so swept and garnished and set in order the affairs of the little city that they have a record to maintain. They find that the lighting system is working regularly, fire apparatus paid for, bonds called in and drawing interest, city management well organized and moving smoothly, and the city treasury has a surplus of from \$1500 to \$2000. Umatilla women proudly set their record before scoffers and it is hoped that the curious readers who wondered what the outcome would be three years ago will know what service has been given and how loyally the women have stood by in the face of criticism.

New city officers are as follows: Mayor, Fred Knudson; recorder, Elmer McKenzie; treasurer, Earl C. Brownell; councilmen, O. Stangeby, W. A. Conlon, L. W. Compton, Sid Saylor, Clifford Caldwell and Earl Shaw.

Hermiston Sends Best Representation

Hermiston sent 39 boys to the Older Boys' Conference held in Pendleton the three last days of last week, by far the largest representation from any town. Pendleton not excepted. Everyone who had anything to do with the entertainment of the boys did their utmost to give them the best time possible and the boys appreciated all the efforts in their behalf.

The banquet served to the boys in the Christian church was a real "grown up" affair, and there was no end to the good things provided. Walter Jenkins, songmaster from Portland, was in charge of the singing and the Hermiston band was called upon for duty during all the days of the conference, and everyone had words of commendation for the work of the band. Mr. and Mrs. Voelker and Mr. and Mrs. Leathers acted as chaperones for the Hermiston boys.

Dewey Payne from Hermiston was elected president and Heppner was selected as the place for the conference next year.

A number of the boys from here have signified their intention to be present.

Football fans are all excited over the prospects of one of the best games of football that has ever been played here when the Hermiston High School team and the Pendleton (second) High School team clash on the local field next Saturday afternoon.

One of the largest crowds ever seen on the local field is expected to be out to watch the Hermiston and Pendleton teams. Few of the local fans have seen our boys play, and they have a wonderful surprise in store for them when the referee blows the whistle to begin play next Saturday.

The boys have been out on the field every night this week, and are being coached by Mr. Admanson of the Play House and W. J. Warner, who are putting them through the stunts they will slip over on Pendleton. Mr. Warner and Mr. Admanson are both experts on football, and the boys are fast rounding into shape under their leadership.

The game will be called at 3:00 o'clock sharp, and if you want a seat or an advantageous place to see the game, better be there on time.

Plans Made for Red Cross Drive

C. K. Cranston of Pendleton, chairman in charge of the Red Cross drive that will start on Armistice Day, November 11 and continue until Thanksgiving Day, was in town Monday making arrangements for local workers. Carl S. McNaught and Henry Hitt have been appointed chairman in the local field, and their plans are well under way.

The quota for the Hermiston country this year is \$400.00 or over, and it is asked that everyone will make themselves familiar with the work done by the Red Cross, so that when they are approached by the workers during the drive they will be ready with their membership fee and expedite the work of those who are giving their time voluntarily to the collection of the fund.

Under the new rulings, 50 per cent of the \$1 membership fees and 80 per cent of the life and other membership fees stay in this county and the Co. court has given the county Red Cross jurisdiction over county cases, as explained in a recent issue of the Herald. Help to swell the funds, so as to have as much as possible for the organization to use in relief of local needy cases.

UMATILLA ITEMS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

The Women's Home Bureau are conducting a millinery school Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week in the Community Meeting House, under the direction of Mrs. Edith Van Deusen of Pendleton. The enrollment for the class is 15. Lunch is being served at noon by the ladies of the Home Bureau.

On November 19, after their first year, which has proved very successful, the members of the Women's Home Bureau will meet for the annual election of officers.

Honoring Mrs. E. W. Barnes of Lewiston, Mrs. A. E. McFarland entertained a number of ladies at her home Monday afternoon. After a social hour delicious refreshments were served.

Miss Dunne of Pendleton visited over the week-end with her sister, Mrs. W. R. Nugent.

The next number of the Ellison-White Chatauque course will be given Nov. 17. The attraction will be the Mozart Quartette. It is expected that a large number will be present, as the McAllister Trio, which appeared a few weeks ago in the course, was very much liked by all who attended.

Mrs. Jay Pelmulder was in Hermiston for a few days this week, getting and shipping bulbs to the Pelmulder Floral Gardens in Walla Walla.

There will be an installation of church officers in the Baptist church Thursday evening. Rev. M. Cox of Pendleton will preach.