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### COLUMBIA NEWS NOTES

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Several car loads of Columbia people attended the funeral of Ed. Graham Wednesday afternoon at Pendleton, where he passed away Monday. Mr. Graham has been living in Hermiston for about two years but formerly made his home here where he owned an alfalfa farm and had a host of friends. He leaves a father and other relatives in Erie, Pa., who were unable to attend the funeral.

Mrs. Frank Waugaman was his only relative in Oregon.

Mrs. Henry Sommerer is appointed project leader of the Babies Conference to be held at Hermiston, May 6th and 7th.

On these days all children under school age will be examined by physicians and mothers will be given talks on nutrition by Miss Lassie Lane, specialist of O. A. C., who will assist Mrs. Van Duesen, County Demonstration Agent. The conference will be followed by three months of "follow up" work to test the children's health. It is hoped every mother will take advantage of this help given them free by state and county. The children can be registered now any time before May 6th by Mrs. Sommerer.

Contracts for six miles of graveling of highway has been awarded J. K. Shotwell of Hermiston by the County Court, the consideration named as \$25,665. Four miles of the work is on the diagonal road from Hermiston to the Columbia school house, and the remainder between Stanfield and Stage Gulch. The work will proceed in the immediate future. Farmers when available will do the hauling of gravel which will insure good roads in the very near future and in which Columbia people will be well pleased.

The Cold Springs road which will be started as soon as "right of ways" can be secured will begin from the river and will be a great source of benefit to the farmers in this locality. The matter in regard as to where the work would begin was settled recently by the Highway Commission.

The sewing and millinery school held at Mrs. Howard Reids Thursday

and Friday of last week was well attended considering the busy times for farm women. Mrs. Van Duesen C. D. A made the work seem so easy by her instructions that many of the ladies say they can make their hats for the future. There being such a demand for hats the work was rather on the millinery line for the two days although some dresses were made also. Besides profitable, the school proved very enjoyable and the ladies are ready for more school at any time.

The Columbia school boys are organizing a Boy Scout Brigade, any help or encouragement possible should be given the boys for this move. It is a good one.

Many of the community attended the High School entertainment and musical given at Hermiston Friday night, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

A good meeting of the Neighborhood Club ladies was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Beddow Wednesday afternoon. The usual program was carried out which all enjoyed. The next meeting was voted to take place at the home of Mrs. Dan Parker, April 27th.

Cards announcing the marriage of Geo. H. Adams to Miss Nina B. Riggs of Portland, Wednesday, April 6th have been received by friends of Mr. Adams who opened the Hermiston Play House. He was a former Columbia resident.

### IRRIGON NEWS ITEMS

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

(Special Correspondence)  
Delmar Lane, little son of B. B. Lane had the misfortune of breaking his arm Tuesday. The boys at the school were playing ball and someone batted the ball over the fence and Delmar made after it. As he was going over the fence, his hold slipped somehow and he fell over striking on his arm. Doctor Adams was called immediately and the boy is going to school again, determined that no such little injuries as broken arms could keep him home.

The Chevrolet automobile of W. R. Walpole and Sons, was discovered on

fire about 9:30 p. m. by Paul Dugal who was coming home from church and turned in the fire alarm. It had not been known we had a volunteer fire department but we can now prove we are well organized and ready for any emergency. The car had a tank well filled with gasoline and the blaze was running through the roof of the wooden garage when discovered on fire. The garage was saved with only a small hole in the roof and the car with the exception of wood work and cushions, which may be used for a bug or a truck. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart were the early arrivals at the fire and did very effective work. It is thought a short in the wiring somehow caused the ignition and when the gas tank became warm, the fire made rapid headway.

H. C. Lane of the Umatilla Garage and Mr. Turner were in Irrigon on business Thursday. Later, they were seen going home, car loaded with hay. Looks like Herbert might be going into the dairy business.

Jay Berry, who has been on thirty day leave of absence, returned to the Dalles Thursday and was assigned to first division firearms extra running out of Portland. Mrs. Berry reports he has been working every day since. Looks like business has picked up a little.

Mrs. Claud C. Clark and Mrs. Theo. Christenson of Arlington were the guests of Mrs. R. S. Lamareux Friday. Mrs. Clark's car broke down near Irrigon about a week or ten days ago and she came up with new parts to make repairs, and motored back Saturday evening.

Rev. Davis of Portland has held services at the Church every night this week, returning to Portland Monday. The church speaks well for the speaker. To get out a crowd except at a ball game these days, is something in itself.

C. E. Glasgow shipped the first lot of asparagus Monday. This is a little earlier than usual and is first quality.

Lou Hayden of Seattle arrived Sunday and is visiting the Glasgows. Mrs. Glasgow reports Lou will likely spend several weeks this time but the

writer judges the smile Geneva is wearing, might mean more than that.

The ball game Sunday between Umatilla and Irrigon turned out rather one sided, the score being 9 to 17 in favor of Umatilla. The Irrigon team played with many disadvantages. Jay Berry who had to return to work for the O-W. R. R. & N. out of Portland, crippled the team to start with. Lawrence Markhams arm gave out early in the game. Marshall Markham wrenched his leg in the fourth inning and had to retire. Dale Watkins could not take part, causing an entirely different line-up all around. Raymond Jordan, one of the school boys had to be taken in for a pitcher before the end of the 7th inning but he made a remarkable pitcher for a couple of rounds but could not hold out. However, everybody had a good time. The Irrigon boys made the nine runs in the 7th inning so that was worth the fifty cents of any man's money.

### Minnehaha News Notes

Had Quick was taken to St. Anthony's Hospital at Pendleton last Friday, where she was operated on for appendicitis. Mr. Gale of Hermiston was in charge. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Quick and is reported improving rapidly.

Mrs. E. Z. Morse and baby left April 1st for their home at Big Sandy Montana. They were accompanied by Mrs. Morse's mother Mrs. W. K. Jackson who will spend the summer in Montana. Both will visit on their way at Wallace, Idaho, with Mrs. L. C. Leyner. The latter is a daughter of Mrs. Jackson.

Mrs. Roe McFalls and Mrs. L. C. Quick are the latest victims of the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Troutman motored to Pendleton Sunday.

Frederic Thom spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. J. L. McPherson from Pendleton, visited last week for several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Jackson.

### BROWN AND GOLD LEAVES

Umatilla High School  
(By Lotis Davis)

The botany class is busily engaged in collecting specimens for herbariums.

The following pupils have the chicken-pox: Rosie Novak, Mary Sutton, Retha Crawford and Jilo McFarland. Gerald Smith is also absent.

Richard Dobler, Maurice Caldwell and Raymond McNabb have returned after a siege with the chicken-pox.

Last Thursday the grade boys played the Hermiston team on the home diamond and were defeated 17 to 1.

Last Friday a great deal of excitement was occasioned by the discovery of a mad dog on the school premises. The rabid animal chased several of the boys who had not taken refuge in the school building, some of whom displayed hitherto unsuspected qualifications for the Marathon. A gun was procured which in the experience hands of Mr. Benjamin, who is an ex-service man, speedily dispatched the canine.

Classifications and tryouts are being held for the track meet.

The seventh grade has beaten the eighth grade in their daily spelling matches recently.

All the teachers have been reelected for next year at an increase of salary under the Oregon State Teachers Association Salary Schedule. All will return with the exception of Mr. Rush, eighth grade teachers, who has been offered the principalship of a grade school and Miss Irving, Science teacher, who has other plans in view for the year.

### Gasnier Director

Louis J. Gasnier, the famous director for Robertson-Cole, has achieved the greatest work of his career in "Kismet," the Robertson-Cole super-special starring Otis Skinner, which will be at the Play House soon. Watch for announcement of opening date.

### Card of Thanks

Mrs. Waugaman wishes to thank the kind friends and neighbors for the floral offerings and many kindnesses during the sickness and death of her cousin, Edgar H. Graham.

### The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE  
V.—CONNECTICUT



CONNECTICUT stands unique as probably the first state which was created in the world by a written constitution. It was really an offshoot from Massachusetts, for in 1636 there was dissatisfaction over the form of government among the Puritans in Cambridge, Watertown and Dorchester, the three towns surrounding Boston. A large part of these three towns, therefore, decided to journey to the Connecticut valley, as they had heard that there was to be found excellent farm land, and the Dutch from New Netherlands had been forced out; the previous year by the erection by the English of a fort at Saybrook at the mouth of the river. The Cambridge people, under the leadership of their pastor, Hooker, founded Hartford, the Dorchester people settled Windsor, and those from Watertown established Wethersfield. For a few years they remained a part of Massachusetts, but early in 1639 the people of these three towns met and drew up a written constitution and agreed to govern themselves. Meanwhile, in 1638, a large company of colonists under the leadership of John Davenport arrived from England and settled the town of New Haven, later spreading to Milford and Stamford. These two distinct colonies were later united and took the name of Connecticut from its principal river. This is an Algonquin Indian name meaning "long river." It became the fifth state to join the Union when it adopted the Constitution on January 9, 1788. It is sometimes called the Land of Steady Habits, but is more popularly known as the Nutmeg state from the humorous accusation that its peddlers were accustomed to palm off wooden nutmegs to their customers. The area of Connecticut is 4,065 square miles, the third smallest of our states. Its population, however, entitles it to seven electoral votes for president. (© by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)