

HOLD NEW BRIDGE A NECESSITY

HIGHWAY BRIDGE AT UMATILLA UNSIGHTLY AND IMPASSIBLE

Umatilla Commercial Club Enlist the Aid of Hermiston Club in Procuring Much Needed Improvement

The Hermiston Commercial Club recently received a letter from the Umatilla club asking their help in procuring a new highway bridge over the Umatilla river at that point. This bridge is the only eye-sore that may be seen along the Columbia highway between Portland and Pendleton. It is unsafe in every respect. There are times during the year when the river rises submerging the bridge, making it impossible for tourists to cross the river. At such times a ferry is pressed into service.

What a striking contrast to the bridges of the lower Columbia highway. They are modern and up-to-date in every respect, standing as a monument of bridge architecture, while the one at Umatilla is obsolete, unsafe and unable to give the service that is demanded of a bridge on one of the country's most noted scenic highways.

The Umatilla commercial club is sponsoring a worthy movement and should be aided in every way in its endeavor to procure the bridge.

The letter was read at the weekly meeting of the commercial club last Tuesday and the matter was referred to the highway committee.

The Hermiston club will no doubt take an active part and join with the Umatilla organization in an endeavor to get a new bridge at Umatilla.

Below we publish the letter received from the Umatilla Commercial club:

Umatilla, Oregon, May 21, 1923
Hermiston Commercial Club,
Hermiston, Oregon
Gentlemen:

At the last meeting of this club it was decided to start a campaign to secure a highway bridge across the Umatilla river at this point, the present bridge (one built years before the Columbia highway was ever dreamed of) is unsafe, unsightly and during the high water periods impassible.

From one to two hundred cars cross this bridge every day during the tourist season and toward the last of this month and the first part of June, if we have the usual rise in the Columbia river, this bridge will be under water and impassible from three to twenty days. This means that all the vehicles traveling over the highway will have to be ferried across the Umatilla river, which means delay, inconvenience and extra cost to the tourist, the business man or the farmer, to say nothing of the bad impression created among tourists of other states, especially after these tourists have marveled and wondered at the score of real artistic bridges erected at other points on this wonderful highway.

Believing a new bridge a public necessity, the present one having dangerous grades and approaches and being impassible at certain times of the year as mentioned above, and feeling certain that if we all get together and pull for a new bridge that will reflect credit on the Columbia Highway, we have determined to ask the cooperation of all the commercial bodies to the east and west of us.

This club has appointed a permanent committee on bridges and has given them instructions to get a new bridge. The members of this committee are Roy F. Paul, Earl C. Brownell and J. D. Zurcher.

Let us all get together on this issue and work for the best interests of Umatilla county, particularly the west end, and make every endeavor to secure from the state highway commission and the county court some recognition of our needs and the pressing necessity for a new bridge of artistic design in keeping with other structures on the Columbia highway.

We sincerely trust that your organization will take favorable action on this appeal and communicate with our secretary after this communication has been formally presented to your membership at your next meeting.

Very truly yours,
Elmore McKenzie

Poles have been unloaded in Hermiston for the new high power line which is believed will be built from Kennewick to Pendleton. The proposed route is along the line of the east city limits.

E. P. DODD TO REPRESENT COMMERCIAL CLUB AT EUGENE

To Discuss Bills to Be Voted on at Coming Election

The Eugene commercial club has sent a communication to the Hermiston club inviting them to send a member of their body to Eugene on Monday, June 18. Similar bodies throughout the state are receiving like invitations and no doubt a large number of them will be represented at a meeting to be held on the above date at which time there will be a discussion concerning the bills which are coming up and will be voted on at the next state election.

The different representatives sent by the clubs will be allotted a certain amount of time during which time they will be asked to discuss the various measures. It is believed that such a gathering will allow those who attend an opportunity to hear both sides of the questions and upon their return to their respective homes will be able to inform the voters concerning the bills in order that they may vote intelligently in regards to them.

After the secretary had read the letter from the Eugene club, the Hermiston organization voted to send E. P. Dodd to represent them. A committee was then appointed to raise the necessary funds needed to be used as expense money for the local delegate.

PICTURES DEPICTING CLUB WORK SHOWN AT COLUMBIA

Through the courtesy of Mr. H. J. Stillings, the editor was permitted to attend a meeting held last Saturday evening at the Columbia school. The principal feature of the program was a motion picture depicting the wonderful realities and possibilities of club work among farmer boys and girls.

Mr. McAllister, publicity agent for the Portland Union Stockyards, said that in club work a boy or girl may borrow necessary funds from a bank to buy his or her calf or pig of full blooded strain. Then under direction of a club leader they feed and provide shelter in the most advantageous way possible until mature, often times exhibiting them at fairs and stock shows and winning many prizes. In addition at the same time they are also taught to recognize and judge the important features of good stock.

Club work has for its object to foster production of better grades of cattle and hogs and by thus securing young farm folks' interest, to retain them on farms and ranches. Taking your son or daughter into partnership will furnish a vim which is perhaps lacking at present.

A striking contrast between the adult product of scrub stock, often raised and that of thoroughbred cattle or hogs, was shown both in the animals appearance and in the selling profits.

Mrs. Elizabeth Sprague Dies Saturday Last

Mrs. Elizabeth Sprague died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bowman, last Saturday, at the age of 62 years, 3 months and 8 days. She was born in Rollin, Mich., December 25, 1861.

She is survived by five children: Linn Sprague, of Tanaqua, Pa., Ray Sprague, of Maupin, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Bowman and Mrs. Kaiser, all of Hermiston.

Funeral services were conducted in this city last Monday morning and interment was made in the local cemetery.

Methodist Church Notes

Come to church now while the weather is pleasant and no mosquitoes to eat you up. There are efficient Sunday school teachers for all ages, and all services are profitable and uplifting. The outstanding god of the church is the development of Christian character. Come and help your boy or your girl to grow up right. Some of the classes are enjoying picnics these balmy days. The choir is planning a musical in the near future.

The ladies aid held a business meeting and completed their garden hats Wednesday afternoon at the church. Mrs. Townsend led the devotional her subject being "Our Boys." The ladies are planning a picnic in the near future. Mrs. Silvey discussed plans for the summer.

Rev. and Mrs. Wann and children enjoyed a few days last week with home folks and friends at Walla Walla.

Mrs. J. H. Horning left Monday night for Moscow, Idaho, where she will attend the graduating exercises of the state university. Her son Fred will be a member of the graduating class this year.

HAY GROWERS TO LAUNCH ORGANIZATION

MEETING HELD AT KENNEWICK MONDAY

Plans of Finance Will be Worked Out During the Coming Two Weeks

The hay growers of the whole Northwest met, through their representatives, at Kennewick, Wash., on Monday, June 4, some eighty delegates being in attendance.

A general discussion of cooperative marketing was held, in which Director French of the Washington Agricultural commission, Boyd Oliver of the law firm of Aaron Sapiro, and L. M. Hunt of the Oregon Cooperative Hay Growers participated. In addition several good papers were presented upon increasing consumption of hay.

It was the general impression that there was never a more favorable time to put on such an organization and that this was a time of dire need as well.

Strong resolutions were passed and an organization committee appointed to assist in carrying out the details of the plan, representing every part of the hay producing districts.

The contract and marketing agreement will be drawn up by Aaron Sapiro, who has put more cooperative organizations upon a sound basis than all the other lawyers together, and the work of organization will be carried out under the supervision of Mr. Boyd Oliver, who has just returned from Texas, where he assisted in forming a similar organization.

It is agreed that a 75 per cent sign-up to the hay of the Northwest will be secured, as it is claimed that a less tonnage will only invite disaster.

Mr. Buckner appeared at the meeting and assured the growers that the International Credit Bank which he represents would do all in their power to aid the association hay growers. Plans along the line of finance will be worked out during the coming two weeks. It is generally understood that the association will arrange to care for all pressing needs of growers, within reasonable limits.

The present plans appear to come nearer guaranteeing the realization of the dream of cost of production to the hay grower and cost of operation to the dairyman, than anything suggested for many years.

The association plans to pay particular attention to the disposal of surplus hay.

Prof. Long to Visit Hermiston Monday

Prof. Long of the state agricultural college will be in Hermiston Monday. Either in the morning or afternoon a conference will be called and local orchardists will have a chance to hear a discussion on hatching and spraying. He was to have made a talk before the Columbia Farm Bureau last Monday night but was unable to attend this meeting. County Agent Bennion was then called upon to handle the subject.

W. J. Warner transacted business in Pendleton Wednesday.

KELLEY-BOYNTON

Two of Hermiston's prominent young people were married last Sunday at the home of the bride in this city, when Rev. Davis, pastor of the Baptist church united in wedlock Miss Laura Boynton and Harry W. Kelley.

The wedding was performed on the lawn of the Boynton home. Only immediate relatives of the family were present.

The bride wore a pink organdie dress with hat to match. After the ceremony a dainty and delicious wedding breakfast was served to the assembled guests.

The couple left by car for an extensive wedding tour.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. W. S. Boynton and a graduate of the Hermiston high school. She is chief operator at the local telephone exchange. Mr. Kelley is employed as foreman for the Shotwell Construction Company.

The Herald joins with their many friends in wishing them a happy and prosperous journey over life's matrimonial sea.

CO-OPERATION MAY REDUCE THE MOSQUITO PEST

Were you ever stung—by a mosquito? If so or if not, you have doubtless heard of them, and would be interested to learn that communities by cooperation have reduced the mosquito to a negligible quantity. You of course know the history of building of the Panama canal. How this government, after a number of failures by other nations, made the canal an accomplished fact by reason of eradication of the mosquito. Hundreds and thousands of canal workers were killed by mosquitoes which carried the fever germs so that the project had to be abandoned. The first step taken by the U. S. government was covering the stagnant pools where these pests bred, with crude oil. The subsequent work was comparatively easy.

Over in Jersey where the mosquitoes grew to immense proportions, the people after a number of years of suffering and after thousands died by reason of transmission of disease, took the matter up in a cooperative way and treated the places where the Jersey "skeeter" spent its childhood with oil and as a consequence the Jersey mosquito is becoming a thing of the past.

Did you ever see a man come in from irrigating with his face looking like a piece of raw beefsteak? Did you ever fight 'em at a lawn party? What's the use? Why not cooperate a little and have the balmy evenings in the open a pleasure? The matter was taken up at the Commercial club at a recent session and a committee will be appointed to give this matter attention.

Contrary to a much expressed opinion, the mosquito is propagated in quiet water. The eggs float in sort of rafts on the water and when hatched we know them as the familiar "wriggler." Crude oil placed upon this quiet water will get the eggs and the youngsters. It is said that a barrel of crude oil will successfully cover 20 acres. Since it is placed on quiet water it will remain and get in its work for a long time. It would require the cooperation of the citizens of this project to do what other sections have done to exterminate this pest. The actual expense would be small. Just think it over.

Party Given Hermiston Matron

A party was given last Saturday night at the Willard Felthouse home in this city in honor of Mrs. O. C. Young, who left Wednesday afternoon for Kalamazoo, Mich., where she will spend the summer.

The party was given by the teachers of the Baptist Sunday school, Mrs. Young being a teacher in the Sunday school.

Roads To Be Built To Umatilla Rapids Site

Two road projects are under way both leading to the Umatilla Rapids site. One leads north from Hermiston by the old Kik farm and the other from Umatilla by the gravel pit. Both of these roads will intersect the railroad.

Union Pacific Special Rates

During the Rose Festival in Portland June 12, 13 and 14, the Union Pacific will have special rates on round trip tickets to Portland. The fare from Hermiston to Portland and return will be \$9.95. The sale dates on these tickets are June 11, 12 and 13. The return limit on tickets purchased during these rates is June 18.

When Sig. Davis plays such pictures as "When Knighthood Was In Flower," he demonstrated the fact that he is giving the movie fans the best that there is in pictures. A large and appreciative audience attended the performances both nights and the census of opinion by those who attended was to the effect that the picture was one of the best ever played at the local theatre.

Mrs. J. P. Hayden entertained on Thursday afternoon in honor of Miss Boynton, a recent bride. Eighteen guests were present. A large number of useful gifts were presented to Miss Boynton at this time.

The following local men represented the Oregon Hay Growers at the Northwest hay growers meeting held in Kennewick last Monday: H. J. Bean, of Echo, Lee Savelly, of Buter Creek, Henry Stillings, George Beddow and L. A. Hunt, of Hermiston.

W. H. Skinner, an old time resident of Hermiston, but at present living in Portland, is spending a few days at the home of his son, C. H. Skinner, in this city.

Sherman Wilcox, of Parkdale, Oregon, was in Hermiston last Friday and Saturday. Mr. Wilcox until recently was a farmer in the vicinity of Parkdale. He stated that the road construction work being done by the Shotwell Construction Co., of this city, was progressing and that he had met personally a good many of the boys from Hermiston who are employed at the Shotwell camp. He stated that there was snow in Parkdale at the time of his departure.

A. Durlinger, assistant state veterinarian of Eugene, has been in Hermiston for the past few days vaccinating the hogs in several of the herds on the project. Up to Saturday only a limited amount of serum had been received, the supply greatly exceeding the demand. No doubt the work of vaccinating will continue through this week.

Chas. Goodwin and O. H. Warner of Boardman, were in Hermiston Saturday.

BOARDMAN'S NEW CHEESE FACTORY READY FOR WORK

Jacob Marty & Son, practical cheese makers, have opened their new cheese factory at Boardman and expect to do a fine business with dairymen on the project.

The new plant is modern and complete with a capacity for 600 lbs of milk, or about 600 pounds of cheese a day. Prices offered for milk will scale 5 cents a pound above Portland butterfat prices. The new factory occupies the new Murchie's building to which an extensive addition will be built to afford needed room.—Boardman Mirror.

COLUMBIA NEWS NOTES

Mac Foster, a wheat rancher of Pendleton, was a guest at the Bennett and Lambirth homes the latter part of the week.

Allen Locke of Athena, is visiting his brother William this week.

Lloyd Harmon has been a guest at Stockards this week.

The morning church at Columbia is holding revival meetings every night at the school house. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

Mrs. Simmons gave a tea party for her daughter, Mrs. Will Sanders, who is visiting there this week, last Thursday afternoon.

Rev. Davis is still giving us his services every two weeks at the school house and will be with us next Sunday at 3 P. M. Everyone is urged to attend.

The Columbia Farm Bureau held a meeting last Monday night. County Agent Bennion discussed the thinning and spraying of apples and Prof. H. A. Scullen gave some very good points on bee culture.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Templeton, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lambirth, Verna Locke, Ina Lenhart and Ed. Hobbs were guests at the Bennett home Sunday.

Many bee keepers attended the meeting at Buhman's ranch Monday. The boys and girls clubs of Columbia were also in attendance and received literature that will aid them in their work.

Haying has begun in earnest now and you hear mowers, rakes, or see the hay already in the shock, nearly everywhere.

\$11,000 Home Planned by Heistand Moore

Heistand Moore, who lives eight miles from Hermiston on Buter Creek, will probably build one of the finest ranch houses in the west end of the county. A contract was let recently that calls for a \$11,000 residence with concrete and pressed brick porches.

August Belsie, local cement and brick contractor, has been awarded the contract in his line, while Ed. Haugeberg will have charge of the carpenter work.

Mr. Moore will also build a \$5,000 wood and concrete barn upon his 240 acre alfalfa ranch.

Gloria Swanson in Trying Role

A little French girl in poor circumstances—
A danseuse in a French cafe—
A famous singer in the American theatres—
A model for an artist.

These are the four transitions in the life of a girl which Gloria Swanson portrays in her latest Paramount vehicle, "Her Gilded Cage," which will be shown at the Playhouse next Wednesday and Thursday, June 13 and 14. Such a role is enough to tax the versatility of any actress, but Miss Swanson is equal to the emergency, according to the reports of the new picture, said to be one of the most colorful and brilliant photo plays in which she has yet appeared. This is an honest-to-goodness special but only popular prices will be charged.

F. B. Swayze has returned from a trip to Kansas City and Omaha.

In a notice published in the Herald last week to the members of the local lodge of Odd Fellows "Dad" West promised them a feed if they would attend a meeting held Monday night. According to reports he made his word good for after a degree had been conferred a lunch was served. There are some of his fellow members who are beginning to put a little confidence in Dad's statements, but are asking that he give them another demonstration similar to the one of Monday night.

R. C. TODD APPOINTED JUSTICE OF PEACE

WILL SUCCEED E. P. DODD, WHO RECENTLY RESIGNED

Mr. Todd Will Assume His New Duties Today. Appointment Well Merited

According to Wednesday's East Oregonian, R. C. Todd was appointed by the county court to succeed E. P. Dodd, who recently resigned as justice of the peace.

Mr. Todd's appointment will be well received by the people of Hermiston and the district over which he will serve. The county court is to be commended for their selection, he being a man who is fitted in every way to serve the people in this capacity in a creditable manner. His past record stamps him as a man of unusual ability to handle public affairs. At present he is serving on the city council and in this connection has behind him an enviable record.

Mr. Todd is one of the early settlers on the project and is well known throughout his district.

Couldn't See the Joke.
I was nine and he was ten. I was deeply in love with him. When my birthday arrived, a heavy package also arrived, from him. I took off the first wrapping and there was another following and several more. Then came a shoe box. I opened it, and my heart was bending with excitement. But, lo, and behold! there lay a brick, with "congratulations" printed on it. This was the beginning and also the end of my first love affair.—Exchange.

Mrs. George M. Gould is on the sick list this week.

Adolph Exner, of Corvallis, was in Hermiston Tuesday. Mr. Exner had quite an experience while crossing the Blue mountains near Meacham. According to Mr. Exner the road is next to impassible. His car got stuck in the mud and it was only by carrying rocks and placing them under the car, prying it up and moving a few inches at a time that he was at last able to extricate the car. He told of a large car that was also stuck, two teams of horses being unable to budge it. He stated that just as he left it's owner had gone to procure additional horses in order to pull it out.

J. H. Young, ex-postmaster of Hermiston and now in the insurance business, with headquarters at Hood River, is a Hermiston visitor this week.

Mrs. C. C. Durfee has opened the new dining room which she will run in connection with the Hermiston hotel. It has been remodeled in every way and is a credit to the city.

The Baptist Ladies Aid will meet Thursday, June 14, at the home of Mrs. E. P. Hilsley, at 2:30 P. M.

Next Saturday, June 9, the ladies of the Baptist church will hold a cook food sale at Sappers.

Claude Kellogg made a business trip to Arlington Monday.

E. E. Brown was in Pendleton Wednesday.

Otto Pound, secretary of the Logan oil company, of Umatilla, was in Hermiston Tuesday looking over the local field.

Ralph Peck and family of Culver, are visiting the following families in Hermiston this week: O. C. Young, O. C. Pierce, and Earl Kingley.

According to Tuesday's East Oregonian Albert Nels Sjostrom, of Hermiston, was among those who were granted naturalization papers in the circuit court Monday afternoon.

George Wagner has removed the fixtures from his cleaning and pressing establishment, known as the Reliable Cleaners, and closed shop. George says he has not made up his mind just what he will do in the future.

H. A. Pankow has taken up his residence in the house recently vacated by Cyrus Barker.

H. M. Warriner and family left last week for the east. Their orchard in the Columbia district has been leased to Wallace Spencer who has taken up his residence on the place. The Warriners will make the trip from here to Detroit by auto.

