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## TURKEY POOL WILL BE SOLD SHORTLY

JANUARY 6 OR 7 DATE WHEN BIDS RECEIVED

Local Turkey Growers Prepare To Dress About 2,000 Birds For Shipment.

The sale of the January pool of turkeys through the Idaho Turkey Growers will be made in Boise either January 6 or 7 and local growers will be informed of the price and the time of delivery within a short time afterwards, according to information that has been received by New Madden, chairman of the local organization, from Mrs. C. G. Brink, secretary and general manager of the Idaho body.

The Hermiston pool for this shipment is expected to include approximately 2,000 birds, Mr. Madden stated, or a big carload. Early season estimates that there would be in excess of three carloads of birds for market have had to be changed, due in some measure to the lively demand for young stock to use for breeding this coming spring.

"I've turned down several persons who have tried to buy breeding stock from me, and I know other growers have had the same experience," Mr. Madden said. "I should not be surprised to see twice as many turkeys, maybe more, than we had this year. It seems that early everyone will have at least a few turkeys this year, and some of the flocks will be greatly increased in size over the 1927 flocks."

The Christmas pool shipment from Hermiston amounted to about a carload and a half. In addition, Swift & Company bought about \$5,000 worth of uncontracted birds on the project for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, so the movement from here will be approximately three carloads out of the 1927 crop.

According to Mrs. Brink, growers will probably have more time in which to kill and dress their birds for the January shipment than was available when the Christmas pool was sent.

Reports are that the cold weather has been of benefit in fattening the turkeys and that comparatively few will be in class 2 this time on the score of being light in fat.

## TELEPHONE COMPANY WILL HAVE SPECIAL CREW HERE

Lines Between Here and Umatilla To be Moved Across Highway and Other Work Planned.

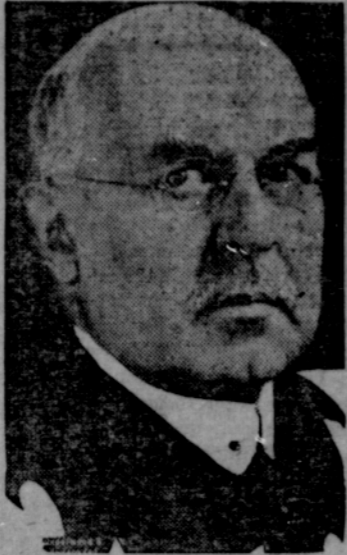
A construction crew of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. is expected to reach Hermiston within the next few days for some extensive work.

Due to the widening of the highway for a stretch of about two miles between Hermiston and Umatilla, the telephone company will move its lines to the west side of the highway, and this work will keep the crew busy for some time.

It is also probable that the lines between Hermiston and Pendleton will receive some attention from the extra crew during its presence here.

The snow and sleet that have prevailed for the past week have not resulted in any damage to telephone lines out of Hermiston so far, according to a statement by C. A. Paul, maintenance man for the west end of the county.

## G. S. FERGUSON



G. S. Ferguson of Greensboro, N. C., who has been appointed a member of the federal trade commission by President Coolidge. Mr. Ferguson is a Democrat.

## REMUS IS DECLARED CRIMINALLY INSANE

Cincinnati, Ohio.—George Remus, once the "brains" of a powerful bootlegging ring, was adjudged criminally insane and ordered sent to the state asylum at Lima, Ohio.

The finding handed down by Probate Judge William Lueders is the sequel to the killing by Remus of his wife, Augusta Imogene Holmes Remus, whom he accused of carrying on a love affair with Franklin Dodge, federal prohibition agent.

Following a trial of five weeks a jury of 10 men and two women, after deliberating 19 minutes, brought in a verdict of "not guilty on the sole ground of insanity," the only "not guilty" verdict allowed in the charges of Trial Judge Chester Shook.

Mrs. Remus was shot and fatally wounded by her husband on October 6 as she was en route to the court of domestic relations, where she was to testify in her suit for divorce.

Under the jury's verdict it was compulsory that Remus be brought before the probate court for a sanity hearing.

## BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

Colonel Charles A. Lindberg was warmly received by the Central American countries visited after leaving Mexico.

John E. Richards, 79, first governor of Montana and nationally known political leader, died at a family reunion at his home in Berkeley, Cal.

Gavin McNab, San Francisco attorney, and prominent figures in democratic politics, was found dead, seated in a chair in his office in San Francisco.

Colonel Bronson Cutting, publisher of the Santa Fe New Mexican, was appointed by Governor Dillon to succeed the late United States Senator A. A. Jones.

A gift of \$1,000,000 from the supreme council, Scottish Rite Masons, of the southern jurisdiction, to George Washington university, was announced by the university trustees.

Will Free Vancouver-Portland Bridge.

Portland, Ore.—At midnight on December 31, 1928, the Vancouver-Portland interstate bridge will be toll free.

At that time the Oregon section of the span will become a part of the state highway system and be under the control of the Oregon state highway commission. The Washington state highway commission will assume control of the Washington half.

## 14 FARMERS TAKE ACCOUNTING WORK

SPECIAL SCHOOL IS HELD IN HERMISTON TUESDAY

Account Books Distributed So All Business Records May Be Kept in 1928.

Fourteen Hermiston project farmers, two of them women, availed themselves of the opportunity of establishing a set of farm account books at the special school of instructions that was held here Tuesday by R. E. Besse, state college specialist assisted by G. H. Jenkins, assistant county agent.

The greater part of the morning was given over to the taking of a farm inventory. This work was done by the individuals of their own plants, and then the inventory was checked and questions were asked and answered.

In the afternoon instructions were given as to the correct methods of making entries. This was then followed by the making of specimen entries on dummy sheets as practice work.

Each member of the school was furnished with a farm accounts book to be used in keeping records of the business transactions of the farm during the year. Early in 1929 a second session of the school will be held to close the books. The records furnished by the college enable the farm operator to ascertain definitely his labor income for the year, interest costs, his farm returns and furnish figures on other phases of the business side of the farm that make it possible for the operator to know exactly where he stands.

Mr. Besse was well pleased with the turnout here, in view of the wintry weather that prevailed.

A similar school is being conducted in Stanfield today, and Boardman district farmers will be in session tomorrow.

## NEW MISSIONARY SOCIETY

HOLDS ITS FIRST MEETING

The new missionary society which was recently organized by the women of the M. E. church, held its first meeting at the home of Mrs. Simpson Hamrick on Tuesday, December 27.

An interesting as well as an instructive program was put on. A dialogue by Mrs. Hamrick and Mrs. Mullens was especially good. A business meeting followed with the president, Mrs. Oscar Payne in the chair. It was voted for each member to bring a flour sack to him and donate toward the first hospital box, at the next meeting.

An invitation from Mrs. Rena Waterman to meet at her home Tuesday, January 31, was accepted.

Every member was requested to bring a friend to the meeting.

## AUXILIARY MEETING POSTPONED

The regular meeting of the Women's auxiliary of the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau, scheduled to be held Friday afternoon, January 6, has been indefinitely postponed, according to Mrs. Cecil Madden, one of the officers.

## Operation Is Performed

Glenn Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Heistand Moore, submitted to an operation for appendicitis at Pendleton last week. His condition is reported to be satisfactory.

## LOCALS DEFEAT BOARDMAN TEAM IN HARD HOOP GAME

Hermiston won the second basket ball game of the season last Friday when they defeated the fast Boardman five in Boardman's new gym 18 to 14.

The game was close throughout and marked by much fouling. The score was tied at the end of the first half.

Boardman's new gym did not meet with much praise from the locals, due to the rough cement walls and poor lighting system. It was so dark in the first half that the ball could hardly be seen.

## CHARLES McELROY TRADES

FARM FOR ENTERPRISE LAND

Deal Involving About \$40,000 Is Closed Between Local Man and Tony Sherod.

One of the big land trades of recent days was made this week by Charles McElroy of Hermiston whereby he secured 266 acres of land near Enterprise in the Wallowa valley in exchange for his holdings here of 103 acres.

The new owner of the McElroy holdings here is Tony Sherod. The terms of the deal are for immediate possession, and both families expect to move as soon as possible.

The Wallowa valley land includes an irrigated place of 106 acres with a big house and modern buildings on it and 160 acres of wheat and range land in the foothills. The trade was made privately, and no valuation was mentioned, but it is understood that the land involved was valued by the owners at \$40,000 or more.

## DR. SEARS AND J. M. BIGGS

NAMED TO HEAD COMMERCIAL CLUB DURING THE YEAR OF 1928

Dr. J. L. Sears, president, and J. M. Biggs, secretary, are the new officers of the Hermiston Commercial club to serve during 1928.

Election of the men was the chief matter of business at the meeting of the club Tuesday. Dr. Sears succeeds F. C. McKenzie who has served two consecutive years and refused to let his name be presented again. Mr. Biggs succeeds Dr. David S. Rowe as secretary.

## RABBIT POISONING WILL

BE DONE DURING WINTER

The coming of winter's snow and cold has caused leaders of the farm bureau in charge of rodent control work to urge upon local farmers the poisoning of rabbits, and chances are that the long eared denizens of the desert who move into the project to have a meal of bright alfalfa hay may meet the quick death that follows eating strychnine.

Two mixtures have been used here in the poisoning work, according to G. H. Jenkins, but the following is the one that has met with greatest success and is recommended:

Mix one ounce of strychnine and two tablespoonfuls of starch, the latter being made into a thin paste. To the mixture of poison and starch enough boiling water should be added so that 12 pounds of bright alfalfa leaves may be thoroughly moistened. This is the bait that proves fatal to rabbits in large numbers when placed on top of the snow in runways, not far from their usual feeding places.

## DR. E. H. CHERRINGTON



Dr. E. H. Cherrington of Ohio, who is director of the new Anti-Saloon League department of publicity, education and research.

## ALABAMA IS DENIED ANY POWER PROFITS

Washington, D. C.—The state of Alabama is not entitled to any share in the proceeds from the sale of power generated at the Muscle Shoals project, department of justice attorneys concluded in a memorandum transmitted by Attorney General Sargent to the senate agricultural committee.

An Alabama delegation recently presented its claim to a share of the sale before the senate committee, the federal power commission, the army engineers, and the department of justice.

Alabama's claim was based upon the contention that although the federal government probably may have jurisdiction over the river, the river bed belongs to the state.

## ILLEGAL TAXES RETURNED

Approximately 240,000 Persons to Receive Tax Refunds.

Washington, D. C.—Refunding of illegally collected taxes totaling \$103,858,687 and affecting approximately 240,000 persons, were reported to congress by Secretary Mellon.

The treasury department's report covered 12,133 typewritten pages and included refunds ranging from 1 cent to hundreds of thousands of dollars. Secretary Mellon said the credit covered the years back to 1925, inclusive, and "prior years."

Refunds made for 1928 amounted to \$68,388,865; for 1927 they totaled \$34,751,602; for 1926 they were \$654,691, and for 1925 they were \$63,528.

## Rhinelander's Wife Seeks Divorce.

New York, N. Y.—The marital affairs of Leonard Kip Rhinelander, heir to \$100,000,000 and his wife, daughter of a negro chauffeur, are to be before the courts again in a separation suit brought by his wife. Mrs. Rhinelander, who two years ago defeated the attempts of her husband to secure an annulment of their marriage on the grounds that she had deceived him as to her race and color, now asks for a separation on the basis of cruelty, inhuman treatment and abandonment. She asks no specific alimony.

## Calles Mexican Oil Bill Approved.

Mexico City.—The senate unanimously passed in principle the Calles bill reforming articles 14 and 15 of the oil laws, which have been the source of friction between the United States and Mexico.

## PLENTY OF WATER IN PROSPECT NOW

1928 SUPPLY EXPECTED TO BE ABUNDANT

Cold Springs Reservoir Contains 30,000 Acre Feet; Much Snow In Mountains.

Prospects for an abundance of water for use on project farms during the coming irrigation season could not be brighter, according to E. D. Martin, superintendent.

At present the Cold Springs reservoir contains 30,000 acre feet in storage, three-fifths of its maximum capacity of 50,000 acre feet, Mr. Martin stated. This compares with a storage a year ago this date of approximately 9,000 acre feet, and the supply of 1927 was abundant as usual.

The feed canal is empty now and probably will not be at work until the weather clears and reaches fairly stable conditions. To impound 20,000 acre feet needed to fill the big pond will require a normal flow for about 50 days, and there will be a period of four months over which the flow may be expected, so district officials are not worrying about 1928 water supplies.

"There's a world of snow in the mountains, according to the reports we have at hand," the superintendent said, "and conditions are favorable for a late runoff, so it looks as if we will have plenty of water to cut back late in the spring."

The system of ditches, laterals and pipe lines is about ready to receive the flow of water that will make 1928 crops. The greater part of the system was cleaned last fall, and the small maintenance crew can probably have every ditch in readiness for water after spending another two or three weeks at work after winter weather is gone, it was stated.

## POULTRY FLOCK TESTS

MAY BE SECURED HERE

College Pathologist Notifies G. H. Jenkins That Work Can Be Done.

Bacillary white diarrhea tests, wanted by a number of local poultry growers whose flocks have been bred up to a standard that puts their eggs in demand from commercial hatcheries, may be secured with very little delay if applications go forward immediately. Information to this effect has just been received by G. H. Jenkins, assistant county agent, from Dr. W. T. Johnson, poultry pathologist at the state college.

Mr. Jenkins has application blanks and he suggested that growers might facilitate matters by sending their applications in to the college at the same time.

The schedule of charges for the tests is as follows: For laboratory test, per bird, seven cents; for bleeding, three cents; for banding, one cent; and for culling, which is optional with the grower, a charge of one cent will be made.

## Infant Dies

The baby girl born at the Hermiston hospital December 30 to Mr. and Mrs. E. Lamoreaux succumbed to heart failure January 1. Burial was at Irrigon where Mr. and Mrs. Lamoreaux live.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Elliott left for Portland last Thursday to spend a few days.

## THE FEATHERHEADS

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