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## FARM BUREAU HOLD MONTHLY MEETING

LARGE CROWD IN ATTENDANCE WITH GOOD PROGRAM

Interesting Program Prepared by the Farm Bureau Auxiliary Follows Business Session.

The regular monthly meeting of the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau was held Friday night in the Columbia school house. In the absence of E. L. Jackson, G. H. Jenkins spoke on the activities of various club workers. A discussion of the marketing of early potatoes was held and Mr. ... gave a talk on the work with abortion control that is being done here.

W. K. Dean told of the value of irrigated pastures on the project and New Madden's subject was along the lines of community cooperation.

After a talk by R. T. Cookingham of Pendleton, an interesting program was presented by the Farm Bureau Auxiliary who later served lunch to those present.

## HERMISTON CHILD IN SHRINE HOSPITAL

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schabel, who live east of Hermiston, is a patient in the Shrine hospital in Portland. Her admission was secured through the efforts of the local lodge. A few weeks ago a difficult operation was performed on the little girl. Dr. Richard Dillehunt performed the operation which took over three hours. The little patient, who will be in a plaster cast for two months, writes home that the Shrine hospital is a beautiful place.

## IRRIGON SCHOOL BAND TO GIVE CONCERT HERE

The Irrigon school band will play at the Hermiston school house Wednesday evening, May 9, under the auspices of the student body. This band was organized last October from entirely new material with the exception of three boys who had some previous experience. The players range in age from ten years up to seventeen.

The director Mr. R. J. Maaske, is a graduate of Nebraska university and formerly captain of the reserve officers training corps band of that institution.

## MRS. THOMAS CAMPBELL LEAVES FOR NEPHEW'S FUNERAL

The funeral of Major John T. Fancher of Spokane, nephew of Mrs. Thomas Campbell of this city, was held in the Masonic temple auditorium of his home town Tuesday. The tragic death of Major Fancher at Wenatchee on Sunday by the explosion of a defective bomb, after landing and at the close of one of the most daring exhibition flights he had ever given, has been a severe shock to aviation circles of the northwest and to all who knew him.

The dailies of the Northwest have given much space this week to the life and activities of Major Fancher. The Spokesman Review quotes one of his fellow officers as saying: "Jack was a great flyer, a born leader and a lovable character. He had a personal interest in very man in his squadron and they all looked up to him and loved him."

Mrs. Campbell left Monday afternoon for Spokane.

A. JOHNSTON



A. Johnston of Cleveland, who is head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

## WASHINGTON GUARD AVIATOR IS KILLED

Spokane, Wash.—Major John T. Fancher, 37, commander of the 41st division air service unit, Washington national guard, died in Wenatchee Sunday from injuries received when an aerial bomb he was holding in his hand exploded, said information received here.

Major Fancher had gone to Wenatchee with other officers of his unit to participate in the annual apple blossom festival and in the dedication of an aviation field there. He had landed after a night bombing maneuver and was examining some of the bombs that had failed to explode, when one of them was detonated unexpectedly, injuring him so badly that he died in a hospital there.

Major Fancher was the republican candidate for representative in congress from the fifth district in 1926, having been defeated by Representative Hill, democrat, the incumbent. Major Fancher was educated in the high schools of this city and in the university of Washington, where he was a basketball star.

## BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

The supreme court of Canada decided that women are not entitled to appointments to the Canadian senate.

Twenty-one coast guard ships have been ordered to Detroit to reinforce the rum patrol against a threatened flood of Canadian liquor.

A reduction of rates on binder twine from Portland, Or., to points in Idaho, Montana and Washington as far east as Miles City and Glasgow, Mont., was ordered by the interstate commerce commission.

By pressing a button in the White House, President Coolidge fired the shot that "holed through" the pioneer tunnel of the Great Northern railway under the Cascade range in the state of Washington.

Eastern Mason-Dixon line states Sunday dug out from a belated winter blizzard which descended upon fruit trees in full bloom, drove plowmen from their fields, blocked railways and highways and tore down telephone and telegraph wires. Damage by frost to fruit trees, it was feared, would mount into the millions.

"Tommy's Brides," Friday, May 4.

## An Editorial

### POLITICAL CROSS CURRENTS

What funny situations we find ourselves in sometimes as the politicians buzz!

A short time since, when the present primary campaign was getting under way the word was passed around that the wets were supporting Tom Gurdane for sheriff and that if heads of families, lovers of decency and good government, believers in progress and members of churches righteously and the dry cause to be upheld, they must support and vote for R. T. Cookingham for sheriff.

That report made the writer half sick. He is dry, the father of a family of growing children, a lover of, and fighter for, decency and progress, and in addition was and is mighty hearty in his support of Tom Gurdane for sheriff, and just as wholehearted in his opposition to R. T. Cookingham. For the first time in his life it appeared that he was finding himself forced into a political classification wholly repugnant to his tastes.

The writer believed then, and believes more firmly now than ever, that Tom Gurdane is honest, clean, competent, dependable and worthy to be entrusted with the exacting and onerous duties of Sheriff of this county.

As a newspaper man, the writer for 15 months, daily visited the office of the present sheriff in pursuit of news and come to know that official, his point of view, his mental reactions, his personal idiosyncracies as only a trained newsgatherer may.

The writer has also known and studied Tom Gurdane. As between the two men the writer unhesitatingly chooses Tom Gurdane, feeling that, while Gurdane does not loom and boom and effuse on a first meeting neither does he disclose on longer acquaintance an insufferable egotism, a habit of strutting, a love of cheap dramatics, a disposition to subject all else to what he considers the political course or any other of the qualifications of less than a practical politician.

Shortly before he assumed the office of sheriff, Mr. Cookingham is credited with having gushed forth in child-like faith and egotism the statement that under his administration all the bootleggers and rum runners would be out of business within 60 days.

Just what is the situation in the race for sheriff today?

From a survey secured from enough sources to be truly indicative, the writer has found that:

A number of Pendleton "wets" are quietly lining up their political support for R. T. Cookingham, not, presumably, on account of any personal friendship, but for the reason that they have done very well under his present administration, and like Wall street financiers, hate to see a change.

Some men in Pendleton whose early business training caused them to believe that a deal should not be consummated until after a certain quantity of liquor has been drunk are satisfied with the present administration of law enforcement. In effect Mr. Cookingham is considered by church folk and the cotton dries as the glowing torch of righteousness and law enforcement, his presence in office is very acceptable to men who use liquor as an aid in their business dealings, and these men in quiet and effective measure, some of them, are for Cookingham.

An attorney, who very frequently and successfully defends alleged bootleggers, is reported as supporting

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## COMMERCIAL TRUCK CROPS IN CITY LIMITS. EXSCHOOL TEACHER BELIEVES IN CROP ROTATION

To describe the commercial garden of Mrs. Eva Vest on her place within the city limits is to tear a few pages from a seed catalog, and to tell of her work on that place is to describe perpetual motion.

A resident of Umatilla county for 44 years, a graduate of the old Weston Normal, and an ex-schoolteacher Mrs. Vest came to Hermiston from Ukiah less than three years ago, purchased the A. D. Crosland 20-acre place half a mile from town and started market gardening. She had had no previous experience with this work except in a small farm garden. "I do all my own work," says Mrs. Vest. "I did have a man twelve days this spring to plow and level for me and help with my onions, but now it is where I can do it alone."

Finding that Bermuda onions gave her pretty good returns last year, Mrs. Vest has put in more this season and has 24,000 plants in, all growing well and already contracted for sale. Seed onions also occupy part of the tract. Cabbages proved a good crop last year so this year 3000 cabbage plants will grow in the garden. Last year corn and cabbage planted in August matured before frost. One acre will be given to corn. Some consideration was given to the possibility of success with brussels sprouts, but because of the long care necessary it was not considered feasible to plant this crop.

Peas and beans find their place in the straight rows, table beets, stock beets and carrots, too. Later on squash will be well along between the rows of corn when the stalks are ready to come out, tomatoes will have taken the place of the peas and peppers will fill the spaces once occupied by cabbages. "I try to get two crops off as much of the ground as possible," said this energetic gardener. "Last year I found a small place vacant in September and put in some radish seed. I got \$7 from that little patch for some really excellent radishes."

The garden, by careful planting and unceasing cultivation, always has a thrifty appearance and never looks patchy. The attractive house is set in a large lawn that is flanked with berry bushes, blackcaps, red raspberries and dewberries. There is a strawberry patch and a few trees provide fruit for home use. South of the house is a bluegrass pasture which brings in additional income to the owner.

Two hundred baby chicks occupy some of Mrs. Vest's spare time and next year she wants to start a small herd of dairy cows. When asked what bred interested her she said "I prefer the Guerneys. I couldn't handle a very big herd, but I can take care of fifteen cows all right. Really like dairying better than gardening."

Mrs. Vest does all of the irrigating, cultivating and other work on her place herself, studies and tries for new and better methods of gardening, always had a ready smile and a philosophic word and counts that day lost when sun-up finds her napping.

J. S. Harvey, editor of the Hermiston Herald, is making slow but satisfactory strides toward improvement in St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton where he has been for three weeks. While Mr. Harvey is not strong enough yet for a thorough examination, he is progressing well under the course of treatment that has been mapped out for him. He was allowed to sit up for a short time Wednesday afternoon.

IRA E. ROBINSON



Ira E. Robinson of Grafton, W. Va., who has been confirmed as a member of the federal radio commission.

## GRAND ARMY RANKS REDUCED BY DEATHS

Washington, D. C.—The mounting death rate among civil war veterans reduced the number in March to only 79,300 pensioners. A total of 1283 died last month, the pension bureau announced.

Once, in 1898, the pensioners totaled 745,822, which was the peak, but it remained for increases in appropriations to bring the highest in the amount of pensions in 1923, when \$141,377,515 was disbursed.

Every civil war pensioner is now more than 80 years old, but it was estimated at the bureau that a few of the civil war beneficiaries will live 25 more years. This estimate is based on the fact that five Mexican war pensioners are still on the roll, although it has been 80 years since that war.

The last survivor of the revolutionary war, Daniel F. Bakerman, died April 5, 1869, at the age of 109 years, and 90 years after the war of 1812 Hiram Cronk, the last survivor of that war, died.

## GERMANS FAVOR PACT

Proposal to Ban War Deemed One of Greatest Since 1919.

Berlin.—Foreign Minister Stresemann has lost no time in letting the United States know that Germany fully approves of Secretary Kellogg's proposed outlawry of war pact. With the approval of President von Hindenburg and the cabinet, the foreign minister handed a four-page reply to Jacob Gould Schurman, the American ambassador.

It is understood the German note not only welcomes the American proposal, but considers it one of the greatest practical steps toward peace undertaken by any government since the war. It also emphasizes that the project is in accord with Germany's disarmament proposal as championed by Count von Bernstorff in behalf of the German government in Geneva.

Shipbuilding Less Arouses Experts.

Washington, D. C.—Testimony was given to the senate naval committee by high naval officials that if the present downward trend in private shipbuilding continues, the nation may find itself without facilities to replace its battle fleet and auxiliaries after the naval building holiday ends in 1932.

Irrigon Band Concert, Wednesday, May 9.

## UMATILLA WINS THIRD BALL GAME

HEPPNER DEFEATED IN EXCITING CONTEST

Large Crowd Witnesses Third Home Game of League Schedule. Umatilla Leads League.

Umatilla won the third consecutive game in the Wheatland league by defeating Heppner in a well played and exciting game at Umatilla Sunday 3 to 0.

In the third inning Berry and Woodward each singled and were brought home by a beautiful two-bagger by Middlesdorf through second base and the latter went to third on Schroeder's error. Middlesdorf then came home on Kender's sacrifice fly to left. In the eighth Middlesdorf attempted a steal home and many thought him safe but the umpire called him out.

Umatilla leads the league.

The score:

	B	R	H	O	A	E
Woodward, r	4	1	2	1	1	0
Middlesdorf, m	4	1	2	0	0	0
Blakely, ss	4	0	0	3	2	1
Kender, l	3	0	0	1	0	0
Peck, 2	4	0	0	2	7	0
Fetzer, 1	3	0	1	1	1	0
Maaske, 3	3	0	0	1	2	1
Bernard, c	3	0	0	4	1	0
Berry, p	3	1	1	5	0	

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Heppner—

	B	R	H	O	A	E
Thorne, r	4	0	0	0	0	0
Lamear, c	4	0	0	0	0	0
Van Master, 2	3	0	1	0	3	2
Drake, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
Solvester, s	3	0	0	0	2	0
Alken, 1	3	0	0	3	0	0
Schroeder, m	1	0	0	0	0	1
Mathews, m	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ervin, 1	1	0	1	3	2	1
Hoskins, 1	2	0	1	6	0	0
Cason, 3	3	0	0	3	2	1

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Struck out, by Drake 8, by Berry 4. Two base hits, Middlesdorf. Double plays, Berry to Fetzer, Blakely to Peck to Fetzer. Umpires, Llewallen and Stone.

## LOVE PIRATES OF HAWAII

The following is the plot of the operetta, soon to be presented by the members of the glee clubs of the high school:

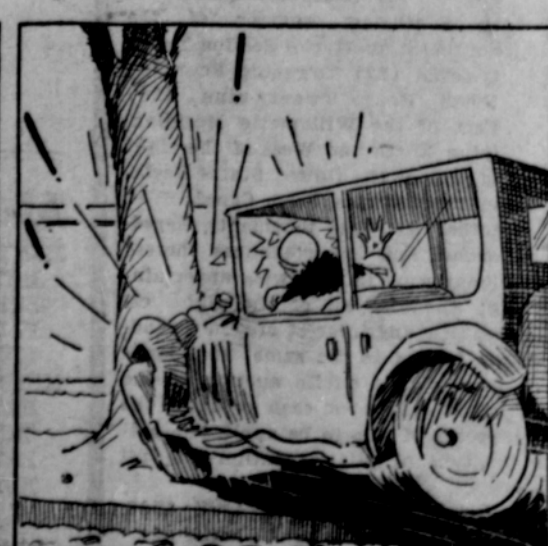
Dorothy, an American girl, has been left in a seminary at Honolulu in charge of Miss Primer (she is prim.) Lieutenant Bob, Dorothy's friend, is on the cruiser Tennessee, which has just come in. As it is difficult to visit the seminary, Bob intends coming as a professor, and so writes Dorothy. Later, changing his mind, he sends a second letter that he will come as a pirate. This letter falls into the hands of Miss Primer. And along comes a band of real pirates. Undaunted, thinking them the confederates of Bob, she bluffs them into being captured by her single handed. "Nw they're cooks." Bob comes along later, is discovered and captured by the "cooks." Dorothy contrives to free him and he goes for assistance, Dorothy ... Ruth Hamrick Miss Primer ... Elba Hamrick Billy ... John Newell Pirate Chief ... Vernon Harrah Scary ... Jack Smith May 11, high school, 8 o'clock, 25 and 50 cents.

Presented by the high school glee clubs, directed by Ruth Seyler.

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## THE FEATHERHEADS

By Osborne



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