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HAPPENINGS OF IMPORTANCE LISTED

Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Readers

Building permits taken out in Eugene during the month of April passed the \$64,500 mark in estimated cost of construction.

L. A. Christensen was arrested and fined \$40 in the justice court at Tigard for driving a truck overloaded to the extent of 15 tons.

Naomi Hohman and Jack Hempstead, both of Portland, headed the scholastic averages at the University of Oregon for the fall term.

The Philippine Islands were the leading market for Astoria district products during the past month, with 15,937 tons worth \$500,000 shipped to that region.

A railroad will soon be completed to Quartz valley, less than 30 miles from Lakeview, and timber in the territory natural to Lakeview will move to Klamath Falls.

When officers raided the soft drink establishment of J. T. McCulloch of Antelope, they discovered the reincarnation of an old-time saloon, it was declared recently.

The drill at the Southern Oregon Oil company's well near Bonanza is now working at the 1300-foot level in a blue shale, a favorable indication that oil will be found.

A second dividend of 25 per cent was paid recently to the depositors of the failed Farmers and Stockholders bank at Vale, prizing the dividends so far paid to 40 per cent.

A fourth dividend of 10 per cent, releasing \$10,000 to depositors of the failed Tillamook County bank, was authorized recently by Judge George Bagley, circuit court judge.

Plans for a new and modern state highway bridge across Klamath river near Klamath Falls, to replace the existing span, are being drawn by the state engineering department.

To speed the filling of rush orders for lumber, the Prouty Lumber company of Warrenton now is operating under a 10-hour schedule and will put on a night shift in a short time.

A special election will be held in Condon May 21 on a \$24,000 bond issue for street and water department improvement, the city council decided at its meeting a few days ago.

A band of about 450 head of antelope was seen on the desert west of Plush recently. It is said they are encroaching on range in Lake county that is needed by sheep and cattle.

The Oregon Dairy Improvement council will hold its first quarterly meeting in Salem June 7. The council was organized at the dairy convention held at Corvallis March 21 and 22.

Josephine county's annual fair will be held at Grants Pass this year on September 4, 5, 6 and 7. A large number of entertainment features have been signed up on the amusement program.

The 19 factories affiliated with the Tillamook County Creamery association received \$1,176,726 pounds of milk during 1928, which was manufactured into cheese and butter and sold for \$1,777,579.

Ranchers of the upper Hood River valley are making preparations for a large acreage of potatoes this year. The district last year shipped about 20 cars. Indications this year point to about 75 cars.

Survey of a possible alternate route for its proposed railroad extension south from Klamath Falls to Lookout to meet the Western Pacific has been started by the Great Northern Railroad company.

In response to requests for improved service from the Sisters and Metolus section the telephone company has established an exchange at Sisters and constructed a metallic trunk circuit with Redmond.

Roy Daniels, 19, of Myrtle Creek was injured fatally and Ross Barnes was severely hurt when a snag fell on them as they were working at Camp 3 of the Coos Bay Lumber company near Coquille.

Oregon is now concluding a land exchange with the U. S. forest services whereby the state will acquire a forest of some 70,000 acres in Coos and Douglas counties known as the Millcoons tract.

LINOTYPE BREAK HAMPERS PUBLICATION THIS WEEK

Work on the Herald this week has been seriously hampered by a break in the linotype machine Tuesday which has prevented the setting of most of the news for the paper. Repairs were not completed until Thursday morning. This also necessitated crowding everything into four pages. Next week, however, will see the Herald with its columns again filled with news.

MINNEHAHA NEWS NOTES

School for the first five grades closed last Friday. A picnic dinner was enjoyed. The parents and friends enjoyed a program and summary of the work of the children. The program was planned to commemorate the many special days to be remembered during the month of May.

Three groups competed in the window decorating contest. The work was all so excellent that the judges finally gave up in despair and decided the prize money should be split three ways.

The three upper grades will be taking the state examinations this week.

To Mrs. B. F. Williams of Milton goes the finest gift of all for Mother's day—a visit from several of her sons and daughters. E. A. Williams and Mrs. W. E. Putnam, of Portland, and Dr. C. M. Williams of Astoria spent Friday evening at the home of their sister, Mrs. W. A. Hineline, who accompanied them to Milton for this special day.

Mr. Sherod, a former neighbor, made a business and pleasure trip to Minnehaha the latter part of last week. He traded his home here for a farm near Lebanon.

Rosella Matott left for a Grande May 8. She will spend the next two months traveling with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Oral.

Dayton Harris and Alberta McElroy attended the get acquainted picnic last Friday given by the freshman of Hermiston HI for the eighth grade students of Hermiston and surrounding districts, that patronize the high. They were accompanied by their teacher Mrs. DeMoss.

Mr. W. H. Rodda, accompanied by Mr. Farr, made a business trip to Pendleton May 7.

Miss Velma Colpitts went to Stanfield May 7 and took her mother Mrs. N. L. Colpitts to Pendleton for medical attention the next day. Mrs. Colpitts is much improved.

Mrs. E. L. Jackson left for Portland May 8 and will be the guest of her daughter, Miss Lois. She expects to be gone about a week.

Chas. McKenzie owns a four engine shearing plant and has been very busy shearing in this territory the last few weeks. After finishing here he expects to move his outfit to Montana for the late season there.

Judging from the growth made by Mrs. F. B. Pennock's Pekin ducks, we believe they are ideal for anyone to raise who is impatient at delay. They have one drawback; you may not know your ducks the morning after the night before, unless you make midnight inspections.

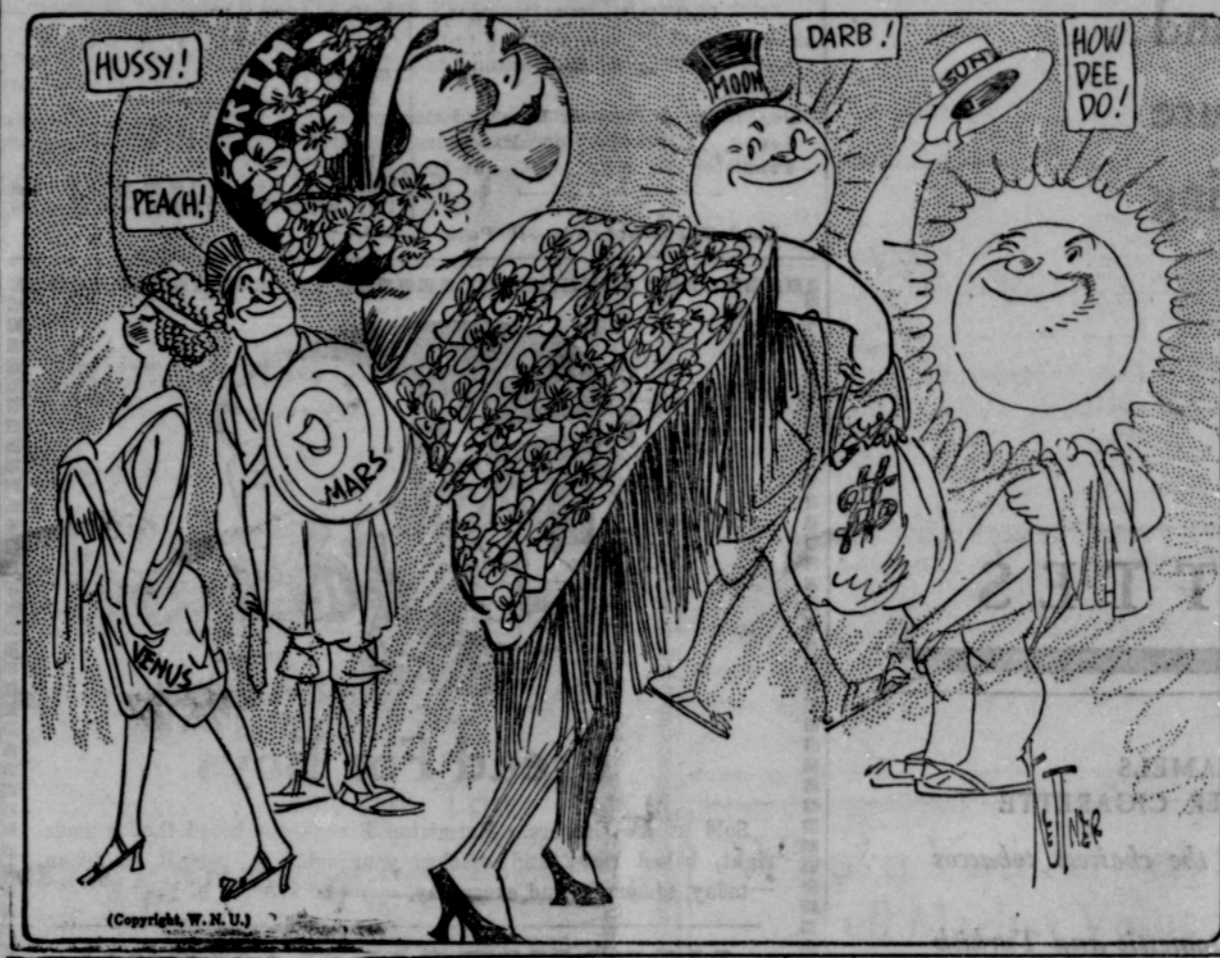
Mary Jane Sheridan will be hostess to the girls 4-H sewing club at her home on Butter cheek May 20. Since school is out the meetings will not be held on Saturday any more.

Mrs. M. T. Matott and daughter Janice visited at the home of Mrs. Harry B. Rees in Stanfield last Saturday.

Mrs. Nella Hamer of Salem arrived May 9 to visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. E. McFalls. Mrs. Hamer formerly lived here.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Douglass are Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lieuallen and their small daughter Christine of Adams. Mrs. Lieuallen is a daughter of Mr. Douglass.

Blossom Time



MILTON MEN WRITE UPON LARGER PAY FOR CO. OFFICERS

Milton, Oregon, May 18, 1929. To Editor Hermiston Herald:

The following item appeared in the Portland Oregonian of May 5: "The referendum idea has struck Umatilla county, and A. R. Shum-Shunway, member of the legislative committee of the Grange and Farmers Union is credited with being the inspiration. The referendum is aimed at House Bill No. 363 increasing salaries of Umatilla County officers. . . . Eight counties pay the county judge more than Umatilla; five counties pay their sheriffs more; twenty-one counties pay their assessors more; seven counties pay their school superintendent more; five pay their county treasurer more; seven pay their county clerk more than Umatilla, but the Grangers of Umatilla county consider the county officials are paid enough at present."

In view of the history of this legislation, and the facts which make its enactment essential and desirable, it is hard for us to conceive that the Grange of this county would endeavor to accomplish its defeat, unless its members have not been fully or correctly informed.

The membership of the Grange, locally, as we know it, is composed largely of men and women who are sincerely dedicated to the cause of efficient and economical government. We do not believe that they would wilfully want to commit their organization, or themselves, to any course which would not be fair and just to the Grangers, or which would be prejudicial to the welfare of the county as a whole, and certainly no event would commit themselves to any policy for or against any legislation, without first informing themselves of all available facts in connection therewith.

Therefore, in order to bring pertinent matters concerning House Bill No. 363 to the attention of the Grangers of this county, and others who might be invited to sign the referendum petition when presented, we respectfully urge their consideration of the following facts before they sign such petitions and thereby delay the operation of what we conceive to be just and necessary legislation.

Concerning the history preceding the enactment of this bill, do you know: That only two of the sixty members of the House, and only one of the thirty members of the Senate voted against this measure after it was fairly presented to them?

That the membership of both the House and Senate has a large number of men who are members of the Grange and who are faithful to the

principles of that organization and diligently assert themselves against any measure which they believe prejudicial to the interests of the organization, and that only two of these Grange members voted, against the bill?

That the Governor did not sign the bill until after thorough investigation of its necessity, and after consultation with representatives of the Grange and that this bill was one of the few salary bills which received his support?

That for the Grange to initiate referendum proceedings against the bill at this time is to repudiate not only the almost unanimous judgment of the legislature, its Umatilla County representatives in the Legislature, the deliberate judgment of the Governor of the state, but likewise the judgment of its own members, which constitute a substantial group within the Legislature?

That the last salary increase for any official of Umatilla county was nine years ago, in 1817?

That the present salary of the sheriff was established thirty-three years ago?

That the present salary of the County Commissioners was established twenty-five years ago?

That the present salary of the Assessor was established twenty-three years ago?

That the present salary of the County School Superintendent was established twenty-three years ago?

Concerning the necessity and the circumstances which justify the increases provided by this bill, do you know?

That since the Assessor's salary was established in 1905 the valuation of the property in Umatilla county has increased 550 per cent?

That when the Sheriff's salary was established thirty-three years ago the county had a population of less than fifteen thousand, and an assessed valuation of less than five million dollars?

That the work in the County Clerk's office has increased over eighty per cent since the last salary raise provided for that office, not taking into account the increase in work incident to the primary election laws?

That the gross amount of moneys handled by the Treasurer's office has increased over two hundred per cent since the last salary raise authorized for that office?

That even the city school superintendent in Umatilla county receives a larger salary than that received by the County School Superintendent?

That on January 1, 1919, Umatilla county had a total of ten miles of improved highway; on January 1, 1929, Umatilla county had a total of 342 miles of improved highway, an increase of more than 3320 per cent?

That during the past ten years the Umatilla County Court has been responsible for the expenditure of \$5,100,000 for all purposes, an average expenditure of \$510,000 annually,

and that during that time no warrants against the general fund have had to be registered, nor interest paid thereon, and that the County Court during that time and without mandate from the people, has saved in various ways over \$25,000 to be applied upon the construction of the much needed county jail?

That during the past ten years all of the \$1,050,000 voted by the for improved roads in Umatilla county will be entirely paid during 1929, and that Umatilla county, on January 1, 1930, will be entirely out of debt and on a cash basis?

It is assumed, without knowing that one of the pretended objections to the enactment of this measure is its supposed increase in county taxes. We who sign this letter have always consistently identified ourselves against unwarranted increases in taxes, but it is our honest opinion that the passage of this bill will not have that result. In this connection we ask:

Do you know that the aggregate increase in salaries provided by this bill is only \$4,300 annually, and that the last session of the legislature also passed a bill which cuts flat mileage from the expense accounts of all county officials, thereby saving to Umatilla county, in terms of 1928 experience, an amount which is equal to, if not greater than, the aggregate increase provided by this bill?

That Umatilla county is now the second wealthiest county in the state and has the lowest tax rate for state and county purposes in the state, a tax rate of only 14.9 mills against tax rates in other counties of more than double this amount?

That even if the salary increases were not offset by the saving in mileage, House Bill No. 363 would only raise the taxes .88 of a mill, or resolved in terms of cents, eight cents on every thousand dollars?

That by reason of the full payment in 1929 of the bond issue referred to, there will necessarily be a decrease of 20 per cent in county taxes for the next assessment, and that the future discloses a sharp decline in county taxes and this notwithstanding the increase in salaries provided?

In view of these facts, it is hard for us to believe that any one seriously interested in increasing the efficiency in our county offices can seriously object to House Bill No. 363.

That the laborer is worthy of his hire is a principle as applicable to the employment of our public officers as it is to our private employees, and that when the burdens and responsibilities of office increase, that a fair compensation should be made therefor. If, perchance, members of the Grange are disappointed with the actions of various county officials, then there is an appropriate way for them to register their objections directly against given officials—through the polls. The present officials are only accidentally the beneficiaries of House Bill No. 363. It is intended primarily to fix rates of pay

NANCY McNAUGHT PLEDGED TO HONORARY AT O. S. A. C.

Selected for Membership in Cap and Gown as One of Outstanding Seniors

Miss Nancy McNaught, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McNaught, has recently been pledged to Cap and Gown, senior women's honorary at Oregon State Agricultural college. Miss McNaught is a junior at the state college this year and is majoring in home economics. Election to the honorary is made on a basis of scholarship and general achievement in activities and leadership on the campus and is one of the most coveted honors for senior women. Miss McNaught is a member of Chi Omega, social sorority.

FARM BUREAU TO MEET SATURDAY NIGHT, MAY 23

A meeting of the Farm Bureau will be held in the local Methodist church Saturday evening, May 23 at 8 o'clock. Prior to the business session, a musical recital will be presented by the Frederickson sisters. People of the Stanfield, Umatilla and Hermiston districts are cordially invited to attend.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICES HELD

REV. HINKLE DELIVERS INSPIRING ADDRESS

Wm. R. Davis of Whitman College to be Commencement Speaker Friday Evening

A forceful and through-provoking sermon was delivered by Rev. Ralph Hinkle, pastor of the church of the Redeemer at Pendleton, at the baccalaureate services for the local high school seniors at the Baptist church last Sunday evening. Special musical numbers were given consisting of an anthem by the high school girls' glee club and a vocal duet by Miss Minnie Sanstad and Miss Ruth Bessel. The processional and recessional were played by Miss Kern. Friday evening in the high school auditorium the 19 graduating seniors will receive their diplomas. William R. Davis, head of the English department at Whitman college will deliver the commencement address. His subject has not been announced.

Wednesday evening class night exercises were held in the auditorium and proved to be entertaining for the assembled crowd.

J. W. KELLOGG GOES INTO BUSINESS IN ALBANY, ORE.

Purchases Interest in Chevrolet Company in Western Oregon Town

According to recent word received from C. W. Kellogg, former Hermistonian, he has gone into the automobile business in Albany. The following story appeared in the Albany Democrat-Herald:

"C. W. Kellogg, formerly in business at Hermiston has located in business in Albany, becoming a member of the Santiam Chevrolet Co. Mr. Kellogg is an experienced automobile man having been in the business ten years. He is buying into the business here, basing his judgment on Albany being one of the substantial towns, controlling a big trade territory. Mr. Kellogg before going into the automobile business was for several years engaged in the government reclamation service in the Hermiston section of the county.

which will, in the future, induce persons of ability to seek the positions. Without this inducement, the taxpayers of this county will be confronted with the possibility of higher taxes as a result of the kind of inefficiency that always follows under payment.

Respectfully submitted, Robert G. Still, T. C. Frazier, W. S. Munselle.

Claude Haddox was a dinner guest at the Jandrzewski home Sunday.

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL WINS TENNIS TITLE

TAKES GIRL'S SINGLES, MIXED DOUBLES IN COUNTY MEET

Helix, Echo, Stanfield Tie for Third Place; Six Schools Represented at Tournament.

By defeating Helix in both the girl's singles and mixed doubles, Hermiston came out winner in the close race for the county tennis championship during the second annual tournament on the local courts last Friday and Saturday. Helix, Echo and Stanfield tied for second place, each school winning one of the final events. Helix took the boy's singles, Echo the boy's doubles, and Stanfield the girl's doubles. Representatives of six high schools of the county, including Helix, Pilot Rock, Umatilla, Stanfield, Echo and Hermiston, participated in the tournament.

Mary Brownson Wins Mary Brownson of Hermiston defeated her opponent, Erva Piper, of Helix 6-2, 6-2 in the championship in the girls singles. In the boy's singles, the Helix representative, Marvin Tucker, won from John Gibson of Stanfield 6-1, 6-1. Playing for Hermiston in the mixed doubles, Jewell Smith and Ruth Bessel won from Marvin Tucker and Marietta Christopher of Helix, 6-2, 8-6. Echo's team of Joe Middleton and Carl Weitzin won from the Helix duo, Andres Karstens and Raymond Rees, in the boy's doubles 6-4, 6-3. Odolpha Hoskins and Viola Hearing of Stanfield defeated their opponents Opal Lane and Bernice Heft of Echo in the girls' doubles 6-1, 6-3.

Scores of First Matches In the first round of matches the scores were as follows: Girl's singles, Umatilla vs. Hermiston 6-9, 4-6; Pilot Rock vs. Stanfield 4-6, 6-4, 5-7. Boy's singles, Umatilla vs. Stanfield 6-8, 1-6; Echo vs. Helix 4-6, 4-6. Mixed doubles, Hermiston vs. Stanfield 6-2, 6-4; Helix vs. Echo 6-0, 6-0. Boy's doubles, Hermiston vs. Echo 6-2, 2-6, 5-7; Umatilla vs. Pilot Rock 0-6, 4-6. Girl's doubles, Stanfield vs. Umatilla 6-0, 6-1; Helix vs. Hermiston 7-5, 10-8; Pilot Rock vs. Echo 2-6, 1-6.

Semi-Finals In the semi-finals the scores were as follows: Girl's singles, Hermiston vs. Stanfield 7-5, 6-0; Helix vs. Echo 11-9, 6-0. Boy's singles, Stanfield vs. Hermiston 6-4, 6-3; Helix vs. Pilot Rock 6-0, 6-0. Mixed doubles, Hermiston vs. Umatilla 6-4, 7-5; Pilot Rock vs. Helix 1-6, 5-7. Boy's doubles, Stanfield vs. Helix, 3-6, 5-7; Echo vs. Pilot Rock 2-6, 6-3, 6-1. Girl's doubles, Stanfield vs. Helix 6-2, 6-4.

Teams On Courts The teams on the courts were as follows: Hermiston, Mary Brownson, Norman Dahlman, Jewell Smith, Ruth Bessel, Irma Clark; Helix, Erva Piper, Marvin Tucker, Marietta Christopher, Emma McAlavy, Jessie McAlavy, Andres Karstens, Raymond Rees; Echo, Gertrude Bowman, Joe Middleton, Arnold Ebert, Opal Lane, Bernice Heft, Carl Weitzin; Stanfield, Evelyn Starkweather, John Gibson, Henry Kopack, Freda Gnaavaugh, Odolpha Hoskins, Viola Hearing, David Rees; Pilot Rock, Dortha Smith, Robert Jennings, Helen Knuth, Norma Humphrey, Elmer Wyatt, Albert Massey; Umatilla, Lorine Lash, Frances Stephens, Dan Ford, Agnes Thompson, Mignon Davis, Leland Gouly, Valrice Bramer.

Awarded Cup By virtue of winning the championship, Hermiston was awarded the beautiful silver trophy presented by the local high school student body to the county champions. Last year the cup went to Pendleton. The trophy becomes the permanent possession of the school winning it three times consecutively.

HAS OPERATION

According to word received here, Loren Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jackson, who underwent a very serious spinal operation Tuesday morning in a Portland hospital, is getting along fairly well.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Barnard and family were dinner guests at the Thomas Campbell home Sunday evening.