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FINAL WIND-UP OF BASKETBALL SEASON THIS WEEK

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD IN ARLINGTON

Double Elimination Permits First Winners and Consolation To Attend State Conference

The district basketball tournament will be held at Arlington this week end Friday and Saturday, February 27-28, at which the Hermiston squad is entering. They will play Ione Friday and then draw for their last opponent. The tournament this year will be carried out on the double elimination basis, that is, if a team loses the first game they have a chance to play another team. Teams coming out first and second will attend the state tournament in Salem which is to be held March 19-20-21.

Three games of basketball were played last Friday night in the Auditorium as benefits for the Parent-Teachers association. Two were between the town teams and high school teams and the third was a contest between the high school boys and Pilot Rock, both second teams. The first game between the Hermiston and Pilot Rock boys was a scramble from beginning to end. The players rambled over the floor getting a good play in occasionally but never were able to carry it through to the goal basket. The final score was 10-6 in favor of Pilot Rock.

The second game was a contest between the high school girls team and town girls team which ended in a victory for the town team. The first half was snappy but the town team slipped several baskets ahead of their opponents in the last half which ended in a score of 10-16 at the final whistle. The high girls were handicapped by the absence of their regular forward, Miss Hemphill who has an injured arm.

An even balance was held throughout the contest in the game between the high school boys and town boys. Some remarkable plays were accomplished in passing and making the basket. The final score being 12-13 in favor of the boys town team.

The lineups follow:

Pilot Rock	Hermiston
Hunt	RF Cassidy
Henderson	LF Smith
Cox	C Brache
Pierson	RC Fletcher
Harris	LG Hemphill
Referee: Kennings.	
Town team boys	High school
Nation	RF Hammon
Bowman	LF D. Martin
Roberts	C E. Martin
Quiring	RG Klages
Cockrane	LG Whitsett
Town team girls	High school
Bensel	F Throop
Nearby	F Norquist
Reeves	C Swarner
Stoop	RC Rodda
Elliott	G Mullins
Jackson	G Ralph
Referee: Cockrane.	

Win in Last 30 Seconds
The Lexington squad won from the Hermiston boys last Saturday night in a close game which swung from one side to the other throughout the contest. During the first quarter Hermiston held their opponents with a lead of one point in the 4 to 3 score. The tie-up at the half was 7-7. The last 30 seconds of play revealed some brilliant playing when Lexington walked up with three baskets in a row. The final score was 17 to 13 in favor of Lexington.

Lexington	Hermiston
Kuns	RF Hammon
Evans	LF D. Martin
Warner	C E. Martin
Munkers	RG Klages
Lane	LG Whitsett
Referee: Swerchel.	

Survey of Rapids Started
A U. S. Engineering party arrived in Hermiston this week and are working on the survey for the Umatilla Rapids Project. According to D. J. Ekelson, head engineer in the party, the work was started for an estimate on the project and would take a little over a week to complete. Those in the party are D. J. Ekelson, E. J. Davis, Earl Smiley, George Perkins, Raymond D. Matthews, Ray Lussel, all of Portland, and Don H. Garnee of LaGrande.

HERMISTON EXPERIMENT STATION STILL HAS CHANCE

Reports from Washington, are to the effect that Senator Steiwer Tuesday secured the approval of the senate committee on appropriations for placing the \$5,000 item for the Hermiston experiment station in the second deficiency bill. It is said the amendment will be offered on the floor of the senate and presumably will be sent to conference between the two houses.

Evidently the two Oregon senators are following the proposal carefully with a view to getting action at this session if possible. In a wire to George Baer, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Senator McNary says:

"Instead of waiting for budget estimate and the appropriation to be carried in next years agricultural appropriation bill effort will be made to provide funds for stations when last deficiency bill reaches the senate within the next few weeks." —East Oregonian.

HERMISTON TO BE PLACED IN TRAVELERS TOWN BOOKLET

The Commercial Club met at its regular luncheon at the Hermiston Hotel Tuesday, with President Hitt presiding. After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, H. W. Kelley spoke in behalf of the fair board, requesting that \$20 be loaned them for furthering their work, which was done. F. C. McKenzie reported for the road committee and Frank Shaw, chairman of the publicity committee, reported that the copy for the new Commercial club bulletin would be brought up for approval at the next meeting. Then A. B. McGowan, president of the Travelers Town Guide, Inc., asked that Hermiston be put in the booklet they are publishing for the information to travelers, which was referred to the publicity committee with power to act.

Interest seems to be increasing in the Commercial club meetings as 17 members were present Tuesday.

RAMBLING URGE OF YOUNG HORSEMAN BEING FULFILLED

A young cowboy walked leisurely into the Herald office Tuesday afternoon wearing a ten gallon hat, a leather coat and blue denim trousers, and asked if he did not want to know about his trip across the United States on horseback. This young Lochivar, Michael Deslow, left his home in Miners Village, Cornwall, Pa., in 1926 and since that time has traveled 12,000 miles on horseback in six years. He entered Oregon by way of Nyssa, Idaho, through Huntington, January 27, 1931.

He remained in Hermiston overnight sleeping out under the start with his horse Prince the Second.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IS HONORED BY LODGE

MEMBER OF MASONIC LODGE FOR 51 YEARS.

Worked For Reclamation Bureau 20 Years; Lodges Aid in Observance Of Special Occasion.

Nearly 85 friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Garner gathered in the recreation room of the Masonic hall last Saturday evening to help them celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. An elaborate banquet and festivities were planned by members of the Masonic lodge of which Mr. Garner has been a member for 51 years, since the age of 21.

O. O. Felthouse acted as toastmaster and presented Mrs. Garner with a lovely bouquet of yellow freesias, snapdragons and gold roses. In response Mr. Garner revealed some of their early romance much to the concern of his wife who wore a white crepe de chine dress, looking the part of a blushing bride.

Miss Eleanor Dalley sang a solo, Rev. Wilson spoke pleasingly on homes, J. A. Clark sang a solo followed by Mendelssohn's Wedding March played by Mrs. Joe Norton, to the strains of which Mr. and Mrs. Garner marched to their places of honor. The remainder of the evening was spent playing cards.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Garner were married February 22, 1881, at Ashland, Pa., where they lived until 1890 when they came to Chicago. From there they moved to New Mexico and then to Denver in 1906 where Mr. Garner became associated with the reclamation service and was sent to Hermiston. Here he helped in the (Continued on last page)

Younger Set Celebrate Birthday

A number of young people were present at a dinner-bridge party last Friday night at the home of Mrs. F. L. George in Echo complimenting Mr. Bob Rogers on his birthday. Covers were laid for eight, around a table centered with a bowl of flowers, blending in with the color scheme of yellow and white. A high birthday cake, which bore yellow candles, wished Mr. Rogers many more happy occasions on this day. The diversion for the rest of the evening was playing bridge. Included in the guest list were Miss Eleanor Dalley, Miss Velma Hiatt, Miss Lucile George, Miss Marian George, Al Clayton, John Sheythe, Jim Clayton and the honor guest.

Miss Ruth Bensel accompanied Ronald Begg to Portland Tuesday morning where she will visit her cousin Marie Bensel until Friday.

OLD MAN STORK HAS CONFLICT IN SCHEDULE TUESDAY

Old Man Stork who flies over house tops and drops little fluffy soft bundles down the chimney into happy homes must have had a little conflict in his schedule Tuesday, unless he has an assistant, when he delivered two daughters and two sons to local residents. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Simons are happy over a 7 pound daughter who has been named Shirley Maxine. Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Garrett received a 7 pound baby boy and they named him Lane. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Pearson who live a short distance from town are the parents of a baby girl also born Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. George Bancroft have named their 9 pound son George, after his father. Another new arrival was left at the hospital last Friday for Mr. and Mrs. Willis Jobe of Umatilla. The young man weighed 9 pounds and has been named James Willis.

DECLAMATORY TRYOUTS HELD MONDAY AT COLUMBIA SCHOOL

The local tryouts for the declamatory contest were held at the Columbia school last Monday night, followed by a basket social. Tryouts for the Hermiston schools will be held March 13, zone tryouts will be held March 20, but the place has not been decided upon. Finals for the county will be held in Pendleton April 4, and inter county meet at Arlington, April 18.

Winners in the intermediate group, serious division, were first, Opal Stockard, second, Wayne Tuttle, humorous division, first, Donald Shockley, second, Lawrence Hunt. Advanced group winners for the serious division were, first, Hazel Lawson, second, Harold Throop; humorous division, first, Bernard Jendrzejewski, second, Louis Moore. The judges, all of Hermiston, were Mrs. Joe Norton, Miss Pauline Stoop and Ed Bensel.

Approximately \$13.00 was netted from the basket social which will be used for a May Day carnival.

Hunters Cafe Changes Hands

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jenkins who have been operating and managing the Hunters Cafe for the last year and a half announce this week that they will turn it over to Mrs. Marie Stephenson, who has been doing the cooking for the Hermiston hotel. Mrs. Stephenson will take over the place the first of March and will be assisted by Mabel Parson. The building and equipment belong to W. I. Whitney of Kennewick, Wa.

Miss Nancy McNaught, Miss Lois Jackson, Harold Porter, Al Thulane of Portland and Joe McNaught who is attending O. S. C., motored up to Hermiston Saturday. They visited at the C. S. McNaught and E. L. Jackson homes and returned Sunday.

VESPER SERVICE SPONSORED BY MUSIC DEPARTMENT

TALENTS REVEALED THROUGH MUSICAL PROGRAM

First Joint Musical Entertainment Given By School This Year; Handicaps Overcome.

The Vesper program presented last Sunday afternoon by the Music department of the Hermiston high school at the Methodist church was well received by an appreciative audience. Miss Eleanor Dalley, director, deserves high commendation for her work with the group.

Several selections were played by the orchestra followed by two numbers from the Girls' Glee club, Miss Dalley and Barbara Root sang a duet "Angel Voices Ever Singing," the eighth grade boys and girls next gave two selections, presented in parts, which were very well done. Floyd McMullen, who was a member of the 3-battling team this year, gave an informal talk on art; the Boys' Glee club next presented a peppy selection entitled "Be the Best Whatever You Are," which was followed by another presentation by the orchestra. Two numbers were given by the Girls' Glee club, and the eighth grade pupils concluded the program with a song entitled "Now the Day is Over."

Canning Club Organized

A group of Hermiston girls met at Burnham's store last Thursday, under the leadership of Mrs. Hinehine, to organize a canning club as a branch of 4H club work.

The following officers were elected: President, Catherine Mullins; vice president, Grace Rodda; secretary, Marjorie Burnham. Other members are Jean Bernard, Mary Rodda, and Mary Skovbo.

It was decided that the club would meet at the home of Marjorie Burnham next Saturday to conduct further business.

SKATING RINK TO BE FEATURED

R. C. Hubbard has engaged the Auditorium beginning March 7, and will operate a skating rink. It is the same concern operating here three years ago at this season and who have had a short run in LaGrande this year and the last two years in Yakima. The latest music will be produced by the Radiola through the same loud speaker as is being used for talking pictures. He will be in Hermiston for one week.

Mrs. Fred Reeks of Irrigon was home Tuesday from a trip to Portland and Salem.

CELEBRATES 92ND BIRTHDAY QUIETLY AT HOME

Mrs. Lola Hall, resident of Hermiston since 1915 celebrated her 92nd birthday Sunday, together with the observance of the birthday of the father of our country George Washington. All of her family were with her including Cap. G. L. Hall of McMinnville, Miss Clara Hall, Hermiston, her granddaughter Phyllis Hall who teaches in Condon and Newton Whitford of Hermiston.

When asked if she was going to have an elaborate celebration on her next birthday she stated that she was not going to ask all her friends in until she was one hundred. A little woman with snow white hair curling softly about her face, with clear eyes, an ever present smile and a voice as steady as steel, Lola S. Whitford lived in Chautauqua county, western N. Y., until she went to Pennsylvania and there met D. A. Hall who was from eastern N. Y. They were married and lived in Erie county until 1905 when they joined their daughter Clara Hall in Pendleton. Mr. Hall was called by death the same year they moved to Hermiston, 1915.

In 1913 Mr. and Mrs. Hall and their daughter Clara returned to Pennsylvania and while there celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Mrs. Hall tells of her husband relating some of the stories about the methods used in the west at the time and his old friend would not believe him.

Mrs. Hall also related the fact that the traveling chautauqua originated on Chautauqua lake in New York state where the first entertainment of its kind was held. The lake itself is 20 miles around and since that time has grown into a favorite summer resort with the coming of people from many miles around to spend their vacations.

Mrs. Hall's grandson, B. L. Whitford is at the present time traveling with the Westminster Choir of the Westminster School of Music that is making a tour of the United States. They plan to touch the Pacific coast and she hopes to hear them. Mr. Whitford has attended the school for the past two years and when he is enrolled conducts a choir in Albany, N. Y., in connection with his studies.

Mrs. Hall received many beautiful flowers and gifts and is as happy as a school girl over them. She does her share of the housework. Her many friends called wishing her happy returns for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cherry and son and daughter Howard and Ruth, were visitors in town for a short while Friday. Mr. Cherry, who is now employed at Condon, was formerly school superintendent here.

Dr. and Mrs. F. V. Prime returned home Tuesday from a trip to Portland and Salem.

WATER SUPPLY IMPROVED OVER THAT OF LAST YEAR

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SENT TO WATER USERS

Conditions Show Plenty of Water For Irrigating Season; No Serious Water Shortage Anticipated.

The Hermiston Irrigation District office here has compiled a report of the operating and maintenance costs for the year 1931 which will be sent to water users some time soon. Total income for the year has been \$18,551.37, which leaves a deficit of \$2,029.25, for the expense of operating which was \$20,580.60. This deficit will be taken care of by the \$10,000 fund which has been built up through the sale of obsolete supplies, concrete pipe and accruals from sundry income accounts. This fund was built up when the deficit was anticipated due to the extensive work necessary in cleaning the heavy silt deposit from the feed canal.

Conditions for water supply for irrigation are considerably improved over last year, according to reports from the district office here. Much snow and ice is reported in the Blue mountains and at this time a large head of water is being diverted from the Umatilla river into the Cold Springs reservoir with prospects of its being filled March 20 or thereabouts. At the present time the reading is said to show more than 37,000 acre feet impounded. The snow in the mountains should assure the operation of the canal in May and possibly some in June which would guarantee the maximum of water throughout the coming season.

There has never been a shortage of water on the project since its inception more than 20 years ago.

The charge for operation and maintenance are to remain at \$1.90 per acre, the same as last year. About \$2500 has been expended by the district on work on the feed canal since the water was shut off last fall and at present a small crew is engaged in removing silt from the Maxwell ditch. It is expected that irrigation will start early this spring.

Watered Area Reduced

Oregon had a total of 937,058 acres under irrigation in 1929, according to the report of the United States census bureau received at the office of the state engineer in Salem. This is a decrease of 5 per cent from the 986,162 acres reported under irrigation in 1919, the report shows. In the 19 states, including Oregon, in which irrigation is practiced extensively, the census report shows a total of 19,578,441 acres under water which exceeds the total acreage under irrigation in 1919 by 386,725 acres, or an increase of 2 per cent.

Acres listed as capable of irrigation in Oregon in 1930 are placed at 1,188,920 by the report, a decrease of 11.5 per cent from the estimate of 1,344,046 for 1919. Active enterprises in Oregon had a maximum irrigation capacity of 1,531,232 acres in 1920, the report continues as compared with 1,925,987 acres in 1919, a decrease of 20.5 per cent.

BIRTHDAY CAKE BAKED BY GRANDMOTHER 92 YEARS OLD

A birthday party which is made an annual affair was held at the home of Mrs. E. P. Hilsley last Wednesday in honor of a number of ladies whose birthdays occur in the month of February. The birthday cake was baked by the oldest member, Mrs. D. A. Hall, who was 92 years young. A delicious turkey dinner was served at 1 o'clock. Those present were: Mesdames J. M. Pace, T. W. Botkin, C. A. Paul, Harvey Payne, C. C. Conley, Marvin Watson, Mrs. Hall, Miss Clara Hall, Mrs. Ed Dunning and Mrs. Hilsley.

Benefit Dance Planned

A dance and basket social will be given Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Irrigon school. This is the second of a series of social affairs to secure funds to send the Irrigon Band to Corvallis to the state concert. A free concert will be given preceding the dance which will continue until midnight when baskets will be auctioned.

Program of Seventeenth Annual District Convention of Oddfellows, Saturday, February 28, 1931

OFFICERS

OTTO C. PIERCE	President
GEORGE N. ELY	Vice-President
D. W. DAVIS	Secretary
JOE BAILEY	Treasurer
GEORGE CHRISTIE	Warden
R. L. BENGE	Conductor
CHARLES MICHAEL, Jr.	Inner Guard
BLAIN CHAPEL	Outer Guard
E. R. HUSTON	Chaplain

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J. S. WEST
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ALBERT KENNINGS
CURTIS SIMONS
B. J. NATION
H. A. PANKOW

CONVENTION PROGRAM

MORNING SESSION—10:00 O'CLOCK

OPENING.....LOCAL LODGE
INTRODUCTION of Elective Officers or Past Elective Officers of the Grand Lodge.
ADDRESS OF WELCOME—
J. S. WEST, P. N. G.
RESPONSE.....EVERETT J. KING, P. N. G.
ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS
MINUTES OF LAST CONVENTION
BILLS AND ACCOUNTS
APPOINTING COMMITTEES—
RESOLUTIONS
THANKS
PRESS
ROLL CALL OF LODGES
REPORT OF VICE PRESIDENTS
Adjourn for Luncheon—Served by Sunbeam Rebekah Lodge No. 82 in the basement of Methodist church.

1:15, Parade from I.O.O.F. Hall to Auditorium
I. O. O. F. Band.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30 O'CLOCK

ADDRESS.....REV. O. W. PAYNE
ELECTION OF OFFICERS
SELECTION OF MEETING PLACE FOR 1932 CONVENTION
GENERAL DISCUSSIONS
QUESTIONS
NEW BUSINESS
ADJOURNMENT
BANQUET — METHODIST CHURCH, 6 O'CLOCK.

EVENING SESSION—7:30 O'CLOCK

Past Grand Degree

8:00—EXEMPLIFICATION INITIATORY DEGREE, ECHO-HERMISTON.

