

# Hermiston Herald

HERMISTON, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1931

Normal Christmas giving will speed the return of business normalcy.

The dignity and permanence of work depends upon the power and might of the worker.—Mable.

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## ASTONISHING AMOUNT RECEIVED BY MEMBERS TURKEY GROWERS

TOTAL OF 62,330 POUNDS BIRDS BRING TOTAL OF \$7,572.80.

Three Car Loads Turkeys Shipped to Eastern Markets; 1500 Lbs. Shortage Made Up.

Members of the Eastern Oregon Turkey Growers' association delivered a total of 62,330 pounds of turkeys at the pool held Friday and Saturday of last week, or a total of 4104 birds. These birds brought sixteen cents at time of delivery, bringing \$7,572.80 to growers in this locality.

The three cars shipped out of Hermiston lacked 1500 pounds of being filled to capacity. The short car was held at Caldwell, Idaho, where the shortage in poundage was supplied before shipment continued to eastern markets in New York. More birds were received at this pool than had been anticipated and at least one car will be shipped Monday, December 14.

According to J. Jendrzejewski, president of the association, birds were in even better marketing condition at the time of this shipment than at the previous pool held November 14. The majority of the birds held over from the Thanksgiving pool were in prime condition.

The number of birds, grades, and number of pounds for each car is listed below:

Grade	Birds	Pounds
Choice Young Toms	198	3,249
Prime Old Toms	8	215
Prime Young Toms	954	17,915
Second Car—		
Prime Young Toms	910	16,440
Choice Young Toms	194	3,088
Common Young Toms	108	1,638
Third Car—		
Prime Young Toms	62	1,077
Prime Young Hens	1388	15,341
Prime Old Hens	19	415
Prime Old Hens	64	853
Choice Young Toms	36	537
Choice Young Hens	124	1,153
Choice Old Toms	1	18
Choice Old Hens	14	162
Common Young Toms	8	112
Common Young Hens	16	167

A total of 487 cases of birds went out in this shipment, a total of 4104 birds averaged 62,330 pounds. Grading was done by J. M. Cornutt, of Eugene, federal licensed grader.

## RESIDENTS OF COLUMBIA CELEBRATE WEDDINGS.

Two important events of general interests in Columbia district during the past week were charivari parties in celebration of the wedding of Miss Mary Landsdale who makes her home in Pendleton, but who is at present teaching the primary department in Columbia district school, to George W. Stages, farmer of Weston, who were married November 25th, and the wedding of Miss Alma Taylor of Roseburg, Oregon, and Miles Arthur, Hermiston farmer, which took place Monday afternoon in Pendleton.

Games and music were enjoyed during the evening. Refreshments of candy, cake, and coffee were served the guests who included the following neighbors and friends of the two young couples: Mr. and Mrs. Perry Arthur, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ray, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Buell and family, Ben See, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Belseamper, Mr. and Mrs. John Paxton, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Geer, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reynolds, Hugh and Agnes Roberts, Peter Norquist, Arthur Norquist, Thelma and Gladys Norquist, Thilford Stillings, Donald and Ella Shockey, Donald DeMoss, Bob McSouth, Harold Woodware, Charles Hunt, George Beddow, Jr., Oscar Whitsett, Otha Whitsett, Alta Hooker, Glen Parsons, Chuck Wells, and George Wash.

Weather Report.

Date	Max.	Min.
December 3	39	18
December 4	30	13
December 5	27	10
December 6	27	22
December 7	42	17
December 8	41	18
December 9	36	15

Precipitation .02.

## HIGH SCHOOL BOYS ELECTED TO ATTEND BOYS' CONFERENCE.

Four boys representing classes in the Hermiston high school were elected last week to attend an older boys conference in Walla Walla, starting Friday, December 11, and continuing until Sunday afternoon. The conference is sponsored by the Y. M. C. A. and delegates may be sent from any civic boy's organization. Superintendent McAtee will take the representatives to Walla Walla Friday. They are Bob Henderson, senior; Ed Benschel, junior; Bud Prime, sophomore; Allan Bowman, freshman. Entertainment will be on the Harvard plan and the only expense is the registration fee which is paid by each class. Conferences and sports will be in order.

## WARNERS SEND GREETINGS TO HERMISTON FRIENDS

An interesting letter received from Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Warner recently expressed greetings to all their old Hermiston friends. Mr. and Mrs. Warner left last July for Grangeville, Idaho, together with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. West, and are now operating a creamery there.

The Warner's letter says, in part: "We are getting along nicely up here, and when I say up, I mean up, for we are up high and dry (but not so dry.) We have about eight inches of snow and it was four below zero a few days ago, but has moderated some today. But we like it here, it is a beautiful and rich country in normal times. It is a prairie, thirty miles long, and twenty miles wide on top of the mountains. It reminds one of the West and Athens country and is about as rich. Our business is going along very nicely. We have gone through one cream war to date, and survived, so maybe we will live through the winter."

"But listen folks, there was only one place that the good Lord created that suits all tastes and that was Hermiston. The Warners are not especially homesick, but we figure that we had the finest lot of friends there that we have ever had. "Our business is just a little different than our Hermiston business was, because we have a retail city milk route in addition to our butter business. The community is a great booster for our business. It is something new for this locality for which we are thankful.

"How is the Commercial Club. do they feel the depression too? "Remember us to our many friends."

## WALTHER OTT CHOSEN IN PLAY CAST.

Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oregon, December 7—Walther Ott of Hermiston, sophomore in agriculture at Oregon State College, has been chosen a character in "The Finger of God" by Percival Wilde, a one-act play presented by the Wesley players of the First Methodist church of Corvallis.

The Wesley players are students who are interested in dramatics. Several plays are given during the school year.

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS SPONSOR CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Members of the Christian Endeavor society of the Baptist-Christian church are giving their annual Christmas party next Friday night at the Baptist-Christian church parlors. Extensive preparations are being made and a Santa Claus will distribute small inexpensive gifts among the guests.

## Fire Destroys Residence.

A fire totally destroyed the residence on the old Sheehan property southeast of town Sunday afternoon. The property is now owned by F. C. McKenzie and was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Dick Jones. Mrs. Jones was visiting her brother, John Coffman, who lived next door, when the blaze was discovered but most of the furniture and clothing were saved. Evidently the blaze had originated between the ceiling and the roof and had made great headway before it was discovered. The frame building burned quickly. No insurance covered the loss.

J. M. Biggs and Harry Kelley went to Portland Tuesday morning on a business trip. Mr. Biggs plans to remain until Saturday but Mr. Kelley will return Thursday.

## UMATILLA MAN MEETS DEATH UNDER WHEELS OF ENGINE

SLICK RAILS COUSE OF ACCIDENT IN CROSSING TRACKS.

Car Stalls Directly in the Path of Engine But Engineer Connell Is Unable to Stop.

Robert A. Allen, of Umatilla, was killed instantly Thursday morning when his car was struck by a switch engine about 8:00 o'clock. The engineer, Jess Connell, who has worked for the railroad company at Umatilla for years, was unable to bring the engine to a halt on the slick rails.

Mr. Allen was on his way to work at the gravel pit on the other side of town when the Chevrolet Coach he was driving stalled on the track, directly in the path of the engine. Mr. Allen was thrown under the engine wheels and was dragged about fifty feet before the engine came to a standstill. His lunch was scattered about the scene of the tragedy and the car was completely wrecked.

The fatality was witnessed from the highway by O. Weaver, as well as Mr. Connell, engineer, J. A. Stephens, fireman, George Butterwood, and Earl Staw, who were on the train at the time.

Robert Asky Allen was about 62 years of age and a widower. His body was brought to Hermiston to the Prann Funeral Parlors, an inquest was held Thursday afternoon bringing the verdict that Mr. Allen came to his death by purely accidental circumstances.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

## LOAN FUND ESTABLISHED FOR ALBANY COLLEGE.

Albany College—A loan fund for Albany College students and a yearly prize of \$25.00 will be established by Dr. George J. Russell of New York, it is announced today in a letter from Dr. Thomas W. Bibb, president of Albany College, now in the east.

Dr. Russell, who is pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church in New York, delivered the baccalaureate address at Albany College last June, and wrote a full account of his visit for his monthly church magazine, thereby giving all of Oregon some unusual publicity.

The loan fund will be administered by Dr. Bibb personally. The amount is not known here. The prize of \$25.00 will be awarded to the student who has contributed most or has assumed the greatest leadership in the field of religious work.

## GRADE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL FOR SECOND SIX WEEKS.

Twenty-six grade school students are listed on the honor roll for the second six weeks period. They are: First Grade—Jeanette McDonald, Gladys Perry, and Rose Anna Wimer.

Second Grade—Patsy Best, Barbara Follett, Leona Fuller, Betty Rood, and Lowell Winters.

Third Grade—Maxine Mead, Bobby Smith, Jean McPherson, and Tom Fraser.

Fourth Grade—Allan Clarke, Janice Matott, Suzanne Nye, Betty Payne, and Marion Pierce.

Fifth Grade—Geraldine Mullins, Mary Jane Hammer, and Jesse Moore.

Sixth Grade—Rebecca Pierson, and Mary Skovbo.

Eighth Grade—Irene Kennings.

Eighth Grade—John Biggs, Barbara Reid, and Dora Richards.

## SCHOOL NOTES

The Christmas vacation for the Hermiston schools will start on the evening of December 23rd and end January 4th.

The grades will give individual programs in their rooms Wednesday, December 23rd, but the Girls' League will present a program to the assembly the same afternoon.

Auxiliary members of the American Legion Auxiliary have restocked the first room in the school house with first aid materials, a blanket, cot, and have recently added an electric heater. Children are taken to this room when they are feeling ill and are unable to go home until the bus leaves in the evening.

Over 100 children are being served hot lunches daily at the school house. Mrs. Montgomery is preparing the hot dish and the children receive 10 meals for a charge of 25c. These lunches are sponsored by the Parent-Teacher's association.

## Purple Circle Initiates.

The Purple Circle, a social order of the L.O.O.F. lodge in Pendleton, held initiation Wednesday night taking several people from Hermiston. All those going from here, except Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Simons, were initiated. They were Mrs. Gwyn Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McMillen, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Harkenrider, and Miles Beasley. A total of thirty members were initiated into the order last night.

## Injures Wrist.

Assistant County Agent, Garnet D. Best, run a nail into his wrist Saturday morning while he was assisting packers at the turkey pool. He was lifting a heavy box from a stack above his head and the protruding nail pierced his wrist. He has been handicapped some this week but is caring for his duties in the office.

## COMMERCIAL CLUB TO HOLD SPECIAL CALL MEETING

IMPORTANT MATTER OF MEETING TIME DISCUSSED.

Night Meeting Set for Thursday, December 17, at 7:00 O'clock; Important Business.

As an outgrowth of declining attendance at the regular Tuesday noon luncheons, it was voted at a recent meeting that a special evening meeting be called for Thursday, December 17, to be held in the dining room of the Hermiston Hotel at 7:00 o'clock. At this meeting it will be decided whether to continue the regular weekly Tuesday noon luncheons for the Hermiston Commercial club, or to change the time of meeting to an evening hour, once a month.

The membership committee has been working the past week gathering information from members in this matter and will have a report to make at this special meeting. Members of the committee are W. W. Felthouse, chairman; T. H. Fraser, Joe Norton, Dr. A. E. Marble, and C. A. Paul.

President Hitt is very anxious that all members be present at this meeting in order that the business for the ensuing year may be outlined. Election of officers will also be held if the membership votes to continue its meetings.

Officers in the chair for the past year were H. E. Hitt, president; Alfred Quiring, present secretary-treasurer; F. C. McKenzie, road committee; Sam Nye, entertainment; J. A. Clarke, finance; J. H. Reid, cooperatives; A. W. Prann, publicity; W. W. Felthouse, membership; Joe Norton, new enterprises; F. V. Prime, telephone; F. B. Swayze, hard boiled committee. Two changes have been made in the office of secretary-treasurer with the resignation of E. M. Hauser and Cecil Warner, who moved away.

## Union Oil Man Transferred.

George Harkenrider was transferred back to Hermiston from Pendleton this week after serving in that territory for only a short while, as manager of the Union Oil plant. J. M. Almond, who took his place here as manager of the plant was transferred to Willamina, Oregon, where he will manage the local plant. Gwyn Hughes will continue to act as assistant to Mr. Harkenrider. Mr. and Mrs. Harkenrider moved into the house formerly occupied by them and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Juvey moved into the house formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Almond.

## CENT-A-MILE FARES FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS

Adding "transportation" to the Christmas and New Year list of bargain offers, the Southern Pacific Company today announced plans for extensive cent-a-mile excursions to aid holiday travel this year.

The Christmas low-fare train rides have been authorized for December 22, 23, 24 and 25. It was made known by E. W. Clapp, general passenger traffic manager for the railroad. These excursions will be followed by another series on December 30, 31 and January 1, he said. The final return limit for both will be January 5.

As a special feature of both offers, Clapp announced, it has been arranged to deliver tickets, purchased as a new kind of Christmas present, to all places on the company's Pacific lines, extending from San Francisco to Ogden and Salt Lake City and from Portland to El Paso.

## Sparrows Carry Chicken Pox.

It is said that chicken pox which has been affecting several chickens as well as turkey flocks over the project is gradually subsiding. Sparrows are known carriers of the disease and poultrymen are planning a campaign of poisoning. Strychnine can be obtained from Assistant County Agent Best at half price.

## Benefit Dance is Success.

The P. T. A. benefit dance given last Friday night in the auditorium was well attended. A profit of \$16 was turned in to the treasurer to be used in supplying hot lunches for school pupils. Miss Florence Udey and her orchestra furnished the music.

## MAD AND MERRY MARX FILM COMING TO HERMISTON

How much of "Monkey Business" is story and how much is just plain "humor" as Walter Winchell would probably dub the Marx Brothers' latest comedy, if he should get around to thinking up trick names for it?

As in their earlier comedies—"The Cocoanuts" and "Animal Crackers"—the four funsters with the o-ending names also bring forward playing at the Oasis theatre Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The plot, to be sure, is warped and twisted around the fantastic capers of the riotous brothers until it looks as though it had been put through a wringing machine—but there it is, a plot, just the same.

It goes something like this—On a transatlantic liner bound for New York the second mate discovers that there are four stowaways on board. Yes, the stowaways are your old playmates Groucho, Harpo, Chico and Zeppo. To elude pursuit they hide in the captain's cabin. Groucho poses as the captain, runs the ship and eats the captain's breakfast. Then he threatens to put the captain in irons as a stowaway.

His bluff finally breaks down and Groucho hides in the cabin of a yeggman. He makes love to the yegg's wife, and almost gets bumped off when the tough husband returns. He wriggles out of the difficulty by agreeing to assist the rowdy. He is ordered to help Zeppo put one of the yegg's enemy-hoodlums "on the spot." But Zeppo falls in love with the rival's daughter, and complications increase when it is discovered that Chico and Harpo have been hired as gunmen to protect her father.

Tom Kennedy, the dim-witted first mate, has a tough time of it, chasing the boys all over the ship. The captain also gets busy and almost catches Harpo and Chico, but they pose as barbers, get him asleep in the chair and commit mayhem on him. Then Harpo gets a yen for the manufacturer and chases her from stem to stern of the boat.

When the boat reaches quarantine a crowd of reporters clambers aboard to interview the passengers. But Groucho reverses the procedure by interviewing the reporters.

By a clever ruse, the brothers reach shore, only to separate—two accompanying one thug as body guards, the other two accompanying his rival in the same capacity. One of the gangsters throws a party in honor of his daughter. The rival outfit kidnap the girl—and the picture winds up hilariously in a big barn with the mad antics of the indefatigable brothers assisting finally in the rescue of the girl.

## STANFIELD GRANGE MEMBER MAY QUALIFY FOR CONGRESSMAN

J. M. RICHARDS MAY REPRESENT FARMERS ON BALLOT.

Mr. Richards Has Been Responsible for Successful Activities of Farm Organizations.

Whatever the cause of the farmers' ills may be, the membership of the Stanfield Grange believes that true, unadulterated farm representation in the halls of Congress would go a long way in finding remedial measures. What they desire for this second congressional district is a man with a farm conscience, and according to the action taken in the grange meeting last Monday night, members feel they have such a man in the person of their Worthy Master, J. M. Richards.

A resolution was passed which provides for a committee who are to allow them to put his name before the people of the second district, as a candidate.

Master Richards, because of his training and sympathies, has the qualifications which merit consideration. After graduating from Ann Arbor, Michigan, he was admitted to the bar and practiced law. After a time he gave up his practice and entered into various business enterprises, and farming. The experience gained at farming has caused Mr. Richards to have real sympathy for the farmer and his problems.

Mr. Richards has made many friends in Granges throughout this, and neighboring counties. He is responsible, in a large measure for the successful activities of the Stanfield Grange, caused the cooperative activities of the Grange to be made practical through the organization of the Grange cooperative, of which he is a director. Mr. Richards is also a member of the board of directors of the Farm Bureau Cooperative of Hermiston.

The committee will call upon Mr. Richards in the near future and are confident that he will respond favorably.

## ALONG THE CONCRETE

J. E. Hallyburton discussed business matters too long Tuesday with executives and missed meeting his wife at the laundry. We have not heard whether Hally had to walk home or not.

Tony Soneson keeps hacking away at the ice on the sidewalk along the side of the hotel and with the help of "Old Sol," together with his persistent effort, the sidewalk will eventually be cleared. You can come over and clear our sidewalk after the next snow, Tony.

We do not have official information but something tells us that Herb Hedwall is still making regular trips to Pendleton. Just a little information on the side—it may be for medical treatments. We hear he has a severe case of heart trouble.

According to information given out by a group of local men who held a conference in the Black & White garage Saturday, this is going to be a hard winter. Some say it is impossible to find employment, other that baby needs a new pair of shoes. Do you suppose they thought to mention the fact that three car loads of turkeys were shipped out of Hermiston Sunday, and another car load or more, will go again the 14th.

How perilous is the mere act of walking down the concrete on main street when the temperature has been freezing the night before. Mrs. Jim Todd will tell you that Mrs. Geo. Storie is a good support for an ice skater. And from observation, we believe her recommendation is from experience.

Christmas window decorating is gaining quite a little competition in our fair city. Our main street will resemble "Fanta Claus Lane" before the season is over. Just give us time. Mrs. J. M. Biggs suggested that garage men would profit by putting in a stock of non-skid chains for pedestrians. But we must consider the medical profession, and barked skins.



The President's Message