

Troubles are often the tools by which God fashions us for better things.—Henry Ward Beecher.

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Pleasure is the last resort of the desperate. Happy people do not need to be amused.—Thomas Carlyle.

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## W. J. WARNER ELECTED PRESIDENT HERMISTON COMMERCIAL CLUB

### ARMY ENGINEER NICKERSON TELLS OF SURVEY.

R. H. McAtee Elected Vice President, and Herb Hedwall Re-Elected Secretary-Treasurer.

W. J. Warner, city attorney for Hermiston, was elected president of the Hermiston Commercial club at its first dinner meeting in 1935, Wednesday evening in the Hermiston hotel. R. H. McAtee, superintendent of schools, was named vice president, and Herbert Hedwall was re-elected secretary treasurer. E. P. Dodd is the retiring president.

Thirty-five members were present and heard discussion on topics of interest, one of which was given by Morris Pierson on observation of power development in the northwest, and its connection with Hermiston in its present location and development of the Columbia river power projects.

M. A. Nickerson, chief of army engineers now located here on the Columbia river channel survey work, explained that the work being done by engineers was of a permanent nature. He explained that a physical map was being made of the floor of the river which would serve as a permanent record for reference in any future development undertaken on the river.

Further discussion along the line of river development at the point of Umatilla rapids was carried on by Mr. Dodd, who has been an ardent supporter and worker for the river program for the past fourteen years. He urged the organization of a group of interested communities in this section, in order to keep in direct communication with developments in connection with the building of the Umatilla rapids dam, which will make navigation possible on the upper Columbia and the Snake rivers. No definite action was taken by the club, but a vote of thanks was given Mr. Dodd as an expression of appreciation of his work.

Another report was called for from the Boy Scout Executive Committee in regard to finances pertaining to the Blue Mountain Council at Walla Walla. O. W. Payne, local Boy Scout master, gave a complete report of the work being done here and in other nearby communities. The club voted to endorse an adult membership ticket selling campaign to raise funds to finance the Boy Scout organization.

Robert R. Hayes, Scout Executive for the Blue Mountain Council, was unable to attend the meeting because of illness.

Following the election of officers W. J. Warner, newly elected president, presided. The club voted to hold regular meetings every second and fourth Tuesday in each month. A decision was made to display large placards in the windows of business houses advertising the date of meeting.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 22.

## NEWS OF FORMER PROMINENT RESIDENTS REACH HERMISTON.

News of many former residents, who took a prominent part in the building of the City of Hermiston, reaches acquaintances here this week.

John D. Rice, member of the city council more than 20 years ago, passed away in Lewiston, Idaho, recently.

F. M. Faude, draftsman for the reclamation service here a number of years ago, died suddenly at his home in San Francisco, Calif., a short time ago.

J. M. Griffin, third mayor of Hermiston approximately twenty years ago, suffered a severe paralytic stroke at his home in San Diego, Calif., recently.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Skinner, former residents of Hermiston, are reported to be in very poor health. They are making their home with their daughter, the former Ruth Skinner, in California. Mr. Skinner was one of the founders of Hermiston, and was at one time mayor of Lewiston, Idaho.

## COUNTY FARM CENSUS ENUMERATORS NAMED

LA GRANDE, Ore., Jan. 8 (Special) — Announcement of census enumerators for Umatilla county was made today by A. M. McCall, Supervisor Third District of Oregon as follows by districts:

District No. 1, Roy Collier, Free-water (Umapine District); 2, W. H. Blacker, Free-water; 3, A. T. Barnett, Weston; 4, G. P. Sanderson, Free-water; 5, Mrs. E. O. Howard, Milton; 6, C. W. Frazier, Milton; 7, James Beamer, Weston; 8, Herman A. Staggs, Weston; 9, Burdette Ross, Meacham;

District No. 10, Donald E. Martin, Ukiah; 11, P. E. Fletcher, Pilot Rock; 12, P. E. Hascall, Pilot Rock; 13, O. C. Patridge, Pilot Rock; 14, James O. Ross, Athena (Duncan District); 15, Bryce Baker, Athena; 16, Randolph Cook, Helix; 17, Eva Nelson, Reith; 18, C. C. Mason, Hermiston; 19, J. E. Berry, Umatilla; 20, Lyle Tilden, Hermiston; 21, Roy Dawson, Stanfield; 22, Joe Meyer, Echo.

The Umatilla county enumerators are being called to meet at the federal court room in Pendleton, Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock, to receive instructions from the supervisor upon their work. After having taken instructions they will be asked to sign the oath of office and will be issued certificate of appointment and thereafter are ready to proceed with their work immediately.

## BENEFIT AMATEUR BOXING CARD FOR JANUARY 15TH

An amateur boxing card is being arranged for Tuesday, January 15, in the Hermiston auditorium as a benefit for the Hermiston Black-hawks basketball team. The main event will be a five-round bout between Cliff Myttinger of Pendleton, vs. Bob Shinkle of Umatilla.

A grudge fight will be staged between Harry Hammon and Gilbert Whitsett, both of Hermiston. These two have been matched before on cards staged here, in which Hammon was given the decision. The semi-wind-up will be between Jack Coffman of Pendleton and Vic Mancu of Umatilla. Special events are between Harold Hoskino of Pendleton, vs. Art Chamness of Hermiston; Dwight Arnold of Umatilla vs. Stanley Partlow of Boardman.

Proceeds from the boxing card will be used to finance the local town basketball team. Ticket will be on sale at Hale's Confectionery.

## MORE WHEAT CHECKS ARRIVE FOR DISTRIBUTION.

Walter A. Holt, county agent at Pendleton, notified farmers that additional mailing of wheat allotment checks from the Wheat Section of the AAA at Washington, D. C., had been received at his office Wednesday. These checks will be distributed from the office of the Umatilla County Wheat Production Control association on the floor of the Post Office building in Pendleton between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M. Saturday, January 12.

Notices were mailed Wednesday, and it is requested that only those receiving notices call for checks, as inquiries from those who do not receive notices slows up the work of distribution of checks to those who have been notified.

With the distribution of the checks covering the latest allotment the total amount distributed in the last consignment in this county will be \$554,221.35, over half of the million dollars to be distributed.

Government figures show that from January 1, 1934, to December 15 of that year, the total amount of allotment checks, in the various agricultural divisions, has been \$372,017,672. Of this the wheat checks have totaled \$124,773,910.

## Marines Announce Vacancies.

The U. S. Marines at Portland, Oregon, announce vacancies for enlistment during the next four months, according to information received by Postmaster H. J. Stillings.

Men enlisted to fill these vacancies will serve as replacements to Marine Corps stations in China, Guam, Hawaii, Philippine Islands, and to Airplane Carriers and battle-ships of the fleet. Interesting booklets and information describing service with the United States Marines, and application forms, may be obtained from the U. S. Marine Corps recruiting station, 208 New U. S. Court House, Portland, Oregon.

## City Offices Filled.

At the first meeting of the city council in 1935 with new councilmen in the chairs, city appointive officers were named. Dr. A. W. Christopherson, as city health officer; W. J. Warner as city attorney; H. A. Tankow, city marshal and city water superintendent; B. J. Nation, as night police. Councilmen present included F. C. McKenzie, mayor; Chas. Taylor, recorder; B. S. Kingsley, B. Hanelline, Geo. Wagner, F. F. Knerr, N. R. Mueller and M. L. Watson, newly elected member.

## NEW MODERN SCHOOL BUS PUT ON ROUTE TUESDAY

Oron O. Felthouse has added a 3-ton International school bus truck to replace the old vehicle on Columbia district route, which was shifted to the Westland district route. The first run was made Tuesday evening.

The truck has a 225 wheel base carries a 24-foot body with a spruce wood framework, and a steel outside body covering. Firtex is used as a floor covering. The bus has a capacity for 70 students.

The body work was done by Gus Swanson, assisted by Mr. Felthouse, within 57 days from time construction began. All steel and iron work was done here in the city.

Mr. Felthouse has held the contract with the school board for the past twelve years and during that time has continued to improve school bus transportation until he now has four fine trucks which are operated this year by Emil Sater, Westland; John Pace, Butter Creek; Melvin Pollett, South Hill; and Mr. Felthouse himself, in Columbia. Mr. Felthouse says that the road over these routes are in better condition now than at any time in previous years, due to recent grading operations authorized by the county court.

J. M. Pace operates another school bus which completes the set-up.

## Homer Faries Elected.

Homer Faries of Milton, Ore., was elected by the Columbia district school board to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Dwight Mahoney, and took over his duties as teacher Thursday. Mr. Mahoney will be employed as salesman by the Rohman Motor company here.

## Tax Receipts \$1,300,000.

Tax collections for Umatilla county during 1934 amounted to around \$1,300,000, according to Chief Deputy Carl Chambers of the sheriff's office in Pendleton. In 1933 \$660,000 was collected.

## Mothers and Daughters Banquet.

The ladies of the Methodist church will sponsor a Mothers' and Daughters' banquet at the Methodist church, Thursday, January 17. The banquet will be served in the basement of the church at 7:00 p. m. sharp.

## PORTLAND WOMAN KILLED IN AUTO WRECK AT UMATILLA

### FOUR INJURED TAKEN TO PENDLETON HOSPITAL.

Car Collided with Truck at Junction of Old Oregon Trail and Wallula Cut-off.

Mrs. Thelma Kates of Portland was killed early Tuesday afternoon in an automobile accident at the junction of the Old Oregon Trail and the Wallula cut-off. Franklin Kates of Portland, 14-year-old son of Mrs. Kates, Alex and Anthony Richardson and James Butterick, Jr., are in St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton suffering from serious injuries.

The dead woman is a niece of Mrs. G. W. Evers of Pendleton, and Alex and Anthony Richardson who are from Santa Tecla, Salvador, were her half-brothers. James Butterick, Jr., was her cousin. They were returning to Portland after having visited relatives and friends in Pendleton.

The collision occurred with an oil truck driven by Alfred Charlesworth who suffered an injured hand and nervous shock.

Injuries to the accident victims are reported by the St. Anthony's hospital as follows: Franklin Kates, a broken leg; Alex Richardson, age, 24, broken leg and broken shoulder; Tony Richardson, 21, shattered knee cap and internal injuries; Butterick, broken leg and minor injuries.

Mrs. Kates was born December 17, 1897, in Lewiston, Idaho. She attended Jefferson high school and later Pendleton high being a graduate of the Pendleton school. During the war she served as a Yeomaness at Bremerton and she was a member of the American Legion in Portland.

Surviving are her father, Dr. D. Norris Richardson, dentist of Santa Tecla; her two half-brothers, Alex and Tony, of Santa Tecla; three sons, Mrs. James Butterick, Sr., and Mrs. Henry Gray Thompson, Portland, and Mrs. G. W. Evers, Pendleton; two uncles, Fred Beck and Jim Beck, Pendleton. She had been making her home in Portland at 1871 Northwest Broadway.

The Richardson brothers Alex and Tony, had been visiting in Portland with James Butterick, Jr., who accompanied them on the Pendleton trip.

## Legion Hall Gets Extension.

A twelve foot extension is being added to the American Legion hall this week which will serve as a kitchen and cloak room. Funds for the purchase of materials were raised by the Auxiliary Unit and Legion Post No. 37. All carpenter work will be completed by the first of next week. Actual construction began Tuesday morning.

## Organization Revived.

A meeting of former members of the Farm Bureau organization at Boardman was held Wednesday afternoon and the following directors elected: (with the exception of one) Paul Smith, Leslie Packard, Nels Kristensen, Ingvar Skovbo. Plans for a complete set-up for a feed store were discussed but no definite action taken.

## BULLDOGS FAIL TO BREAK JINX IN ECHO GAME WEDNESDAY

The Hermiston high school Bulldogs failed to break the jinx and lost their second consecutive game to Echo, Wednesday night. They took to Pendleton in a game here last Saturday night in a 41-4 score. The count at Echo was 23-16. The second team came out on the long end of the 21-3 score with Echo, but the Hermiston Blackhawks lost to the Echo town team 40-10.

The first quarter of the high school game ended in a 6-6 tie, and the half at 14-7 favoring Echo. The boys slipped in the second half, since both teams scored an equal number of points in the last half.

The next game will be played with Umatilla, January 18, at Umatilla. On Saturday night, January 19, the team will meet Irrigon on the home floor.

## May Have Been Passengers.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Bullard, aunt and uncle to Dave Middlesdorf of Hermiston, may have been among the passengers on the ill-fated steamship Havana which was grounded on a rock reef off the Bahamas. The name appeared on the passenger list Mr. Middlesdorf said, but he has not heard any definite news. The Bullards make their home in Elmira, New York.

## School Plans Carnival.

The Hermiston Union high school student body is making plans for a carnival to be held in the auditorium Friday, February 15. A queen contest will be held, and committees are working out details for entertainment.

## Organization-Wide Sale.

An organization-wide sale is being organized this week by the Safeway Stores, Inc., which includes the local store under the management of Herbert Hedwall. A special drive is being made for better values and extends from January 11th to 17th. A display ad carrying special values appears on the last page of this issue.

## License Examiner Coming.

C. M. Bentley, examiner of operators and chauffeurs, will be in Hermiston, Saturday, January 12th, at the City Library between the hours of 9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M., respectively, according to a recent announcement released from the Secretary of State's office. All those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with Mr. Bentley during these hours.

## THOMAS RICHARDS, STANFIELD PIONEER, BURIED THURSDAY

Thomas Richards, 78-year-old pioneer of Stanfield, passed away at the home of his son Ralph Richards, Tuesday morning at 10:00 o'clock, after an illness of two weeks. Funeral services were held in Stanfield this afternoon (Thursday) at 2:00 o'clock, and interment made in the Stanfield cemetery.

Mr. Richards, who had made his home with his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Richards at Stanfield for the past two years, was spending the Christmas holidays with his son Ralph and family, when he became ill.

Thomas Richards was born in Crawford county, Pennsylvania, June 11, 1856. He married Delphine McLean, March 14, 1887, in Michigan, and came to Oregon in 1909 to locate at Stanfield. There Mr. Richards was considered one of the progressive farmers and was the proud owner of one of the largest dairy herds in the county.

He is survived by four sons, Charles of Plainwell, Michigan; Uri and Jess of Stanfield; Ralph of Hermiston; and Glenn of Condon, Ore.; and by seven living grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

## INSURANCE COMMISSIONER WARNS AGAINST CHAIN SCHEME

Salem, Ore., Jan. 4 (Special)—An endless chain scheme under the sponsorship of the Sterling Casualty Insurance Company of Chicago, Illinois, a company which is not authorized to transact an insurance business in Oregon, is reported by Insurance Commissioner A. H. Averill to be now in progress. Under the plan offered, anyone selling three policies of insurance for the company is entitled to receive a commission, and each purchaser of a policy likewise becomes eligible to sell three policies to three friends and to receive commissions therefor.

Commissioner Averill states that individuals participating in a proposition such as this are violating the insurance law, and should such a violation be brought to his attention, immediate action against the offender would be taken by his office.

## HEPPNER SET TO WELCOME WOOLGROWERS JAN. 14-15

HEPPNER—Business, entertainment and good fellowship—all in large quantities and for both men and women—are being prepared for delegates to the thirty-eighth annual convention of the Oregon Woolgrowers association to be held here January 14 and 15. This city, host to the sheepmen for the first time in 20 years, its outdoing all previous records in preparing a royal welcome for its expected large influx of visitors.

Supplementing local housing accommodations, the Union Pacific is to run two special sleeping cars, one from Boise and one from Portland, and leave them here during the convention, allowing use of the berths throughout the period.

New grazing control laws, marketing problems, livestock financing, range water development, sheep growing experiments at the Union branch station, and Columbia river transportation are but a few of the live topics to occupy the attention of the woolgrowers during the convention, announces Walter Holt, Pendleton, veteran secretary of the organization. Shearing wages will be discussed in a closed session.

The Women's Auxiliary is preparing an interesting program for the visiting wives of the sheepmen, centering its activities in the modern Masonic hall. The Elks temple, seating 400, has been selected for the annual banquet Tuesday evening, at which O. M. Plummer of Portland will be toastmaster. The same hall will be used for the informal get-acquainted dance Monday evening.

## Farm Bureau Auxiliary Meets.

The Farm Bureau Ladies' Auxiliary will meet in regular session with a pot luck dinner Friday, January 18th, in the Columbia district club house, with Mrs. Frank Gulwits, Mrs. Ed Dunning and Mrs. Clark, acting as hostesses. The ladies will work on quilts. At the last meeting Mrs. Borders, Mrs. Alpha Christley and Mrs. E. E. Rainwater acted as hostesses. Those who contributed to the program were Mrs. Christley, who sang an old time song, and Mrs. Rainwater who gave a reading.

## COOPERATIVE PARK BOARD AUTHORIZED TO PURCHASE SITE

### NON-PROFIT CORPORATION WILL BE FORMED.

Local Citizens Approve Project; Original Board Members Retained.

At a meeting Monday night in the interest of the Hermiston Cooperative Park association, at which thirty-five local citizens were present, the original committee named was authorized to form a corporation and carry on the business of completing the purchase of the site and start construction of the project, outlined in the landscape plan. The votes were all affirmative, except for one.

The members of the board were instructed to form a corporation, purchase the land, and start improvements with the understanding that the title to the land be turned over to the city later if voted upon at a special election. The organization would be a non-profit corporation.

Members of the original board of directors were A. E. Benschel, E. L. Jackson, L. C. Dyer, J. H. Reid, E. D. Martin, H. K. Dean, Sam Moore, W. J. Warner and F. C. McKenzie. At a former meeting held September 13, 1934, these men were authorized to purchase an equity in the 160-acre tract of land located west of Hermiston, formerly known as the old Maxwell tract. The final purchase, however, will be made from the Federal Land Bank of Spokane.

## Believed Asset to City.

That the movement to purchase and improve the land for a city amusement park is a forward step in the development of the City of Hermiston and community, is the belief expressed by a group of 35 men who voted in favor of the project at the Monday night meeting.

In carrying out the movement Mayor F. C. McKenzie, a member of the board, was granted a recommendation by Judge Clive S. Cheshire, and members of the Umatilla County Court, in the form of a letter to the SERA headquarters in Portland, requesting that the labor on the Hermiston project come under supervision of that department.

Professor Cuthbert of the Oregon State college at Corvallis visited the site of the park project two weeks ago, with the view of drawing up landscape plans. Professor Cuthbert was sent here through the courtesy of the League of Oregon Cities of which the City of Hermiston is a member.

## Development Gradual.

The board of directors of the park association plan to make improvements gradually, starting with those phases which will pay their way. It is understood. Included in the development which will undoubtedly spread over a period of years, the board said, is an auditorium, swimming pool, golf course, ball park, fair grounds and buildings.

Citizens present at the Monday night meeting were: F. C. McKenzie, H. M. Sommerer, J. W. McMullen, A. W. Prann, J. A. Clarke, C. L. Upham, B. Hanelline, E. P. Dodd, Sam Moore, W. A. Briggs, N. R. Mueller, Geo. Wagner, F. F. Knerr, J. Jendrzewski, C. A. Lynch, B. S. Kingsley, Frank Bilderback, H. K. Dean, Thos. Campbell, Al Quiring, H. J. Stillings, J. G. Pearson, A. E. Benschel, Guy Amsherry, H. W. Kelley, E. D. Martin, J. D. Todd, Geo. Harkenrider, W. J. Warner, R. H. McAtee, Lyle Tilden, Curtis Simons, and M. L. Watson.

## ALONG THE CONCRETE

Ruth Dodd was seen looking at some candy hearts in the drug store yesterday and was heard to remark, "Oh, it's Easter already!"

One way of getting Supt. R. H. McAtee to ride over the school bus route is to purchase a brand new school bus. Then he rides in state.

The school kids now look down upon Oron Felthouse. The driver's seat in his new bus is about a foot lower than the one in the original.

## Before the House

