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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.

VOLUME XXIX NUMBER 27 HERMISTON, UMATILLA COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1935 OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER

FEAR HELD FOR COUNTY EMERGENCY LANDING FIELD

CONGRESSMEN ASKED TO URGE PRESERVATION.

Commercial Club Will Meet In Legion Hall; More Boy Scout Dues Needed.

At the regular Hermiston Commercial club meeting Tuesday night President W. J. Warner read a letter which had been sent to Senator Steiwer and Representative Pierce at Washington in the interest of maintaining all equipment now on the government landing field near Umatilla. The contents of the letter follow:

"It is rumored by airline employees and in press reports that the government landing field north of Hermiston is liable to be abandoned and the personnel and equipment moved to Arlington.

"This field is under the Department of Commerce' and is a radio range monitoring station. It maintains 24-hour teletype service, is a radio broadcast and receiving station and there are three radio operators on duty continuously.

"This intermediate landing field is an established link in the Portland-Spokane airway and is located at the junction of the Portland-Spokane and Portland-Salt Lake airways. It is at the west entrance to the Wallula gap and at the south end of the proposed Umatilla rapids dam. It is claimed by pilots to be an excellent all-way, all-weather landing field. There is invested in equipment and improvements about $20,000 and it is the only government owned, government lighted and equipped field in Umatilla county, and the only lighted and radio-equipped field of an ydescription in the north end of Umatilla county.

"We feel that the taking away from this station of any part of its present service, will be the entering wedge for the practical abandonment of the whole field. This, we think, would be a calamity to this locality, particularly in view of the possibility of the early construction of the Umatilla dam. There is already a field at Arlington which can be fully equipped without taking away from this field.

"We ask that you interest yourself in this matter and use your best efforts to the end that the present field and facilities remain intact."

The club also voted to hold the next meeting in the American Legion hall instead of the hotel. This was thought to be a better plan due to the fact that many who do not now attend the dinner meeting will feel free to be present at the regular business session.

The Boy Scout committee reported that only one-third of the total amount of funds needed to carry on the work in this district was collected through personal dues.

Alton Clark Pharmacist.

Alton B. Clark, pharmacist for the Thompson Drug Company of Pendleton for six years and a graduate of Oregon State college, is now employed by the Hermiston Drug Company. Mr. Clark is filling the vacancy left by Jamess Clayton who has accepted a position as salesman for the Lilly Co., with headquarters at Salem. Mr. Clark and his wife will make their home in the Southard residence on Hermiston avenue.

Weather Report.

Date	Max.	Min.
February 21	53	34
February 22	57	40
February 23	51	23
February 24	52	24
February 25	51	19
February 26	49	17
February 27	57	30

Precipitation was .04.

DR. X FINDS WAY TO HERMISTON

Mystery and mirth are the order of the day at the Oasis theatre this week where Dr. X will appear in person Friday and Saturday. He knows all, sees all, and tells all. Take your troubles to him.

On the screen is "The Runaway Queen," with Anna Neagle in the title role. It is a gay, modern satirical comedy, based on Oscar Strauss' famous operetta, "The Queen."

That famous cartoon "The Big Bad Wolf" completes the program.

'WHITE PARADE' TELLS LIFE OF YOUTHFUL NURSES

Described as one of the most human and dramatic screen stories of the year, Jesse L. Lasky's "The White Parade," a Fox Film production, will be seen at the Oasis theatre on Sunday and Monday.

Loretta Young and John Boles play the leading roles in this first of all films to deal with the student nurse—her training days, her heart aches and her happiness in service. To judge from advance accounts, the picture sets a new high for faithfulness to life and for discovering heart throbs, pathos and laughter in the most realistic of material.

† BOARDMAN NEWS †

By RACHEL J. BARLOW

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hewitt and family spent the week end with relatives in Meacham. Mrs. Hewitt's sister, Alta Gerdes, stayed at the Gorham home during their absence.

Lynne Ranney and Gus Vaccino spent Thursday in Pasco.

Mrs. Ray Brown and Miss Mabel Brown were Walla Walla visitors during the week end. Miss Brown had her tonsils removed while there.

Mrs. I. Skoubo returned home Thursday from Portland, but her daughter Frances remained there under the doctor's care.

The Thimble club of the Ladies Aid society met last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. E. Waite. The afternoon was spent in sewing on the club work.

Mrs. A. Shannon of Hermiston has rented the Highway Inn and plans to take posession about the first of the month. Mrs. Eva Warner has been in charge of it for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Nickerson who have been helping Mrs. Warner, plan to leave Wednesday for Boise, Idaho, where they will make their home.

The officers and workers of the church enjoyed a pot luck dinner in the basement after church last Sunday and made plans for the Sunday School and church work.

A surprise dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Barlow last Friday evening in honor of Mrs. Willard Nickerson's birthday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Nickerson and Joyce, and Mr. and Mrs. Barlow.

Theron Anderson motored to Imbler Friday evening, returning here Sunday. He was accompanied as far as La Grande by Noel Klitz and Mrs. Charles Nickerson and Edith.

Mrs. Gladys Fortier, Mrs. Nelson, Misses Harney, Burkholder and Ruff motored to Hermiston Sunday.

Mrs. Madge Cartwright spent the week end at her home in Baker.

S. L. Hollinger was a business visitor in Portland last week.

A number of Boardman young folks attended the dance at Irrigon Saturday night.

Eben Uthe visited in Boardman Saturday and Sunday.

Mike Healy is reported to be doing nicely after having his tonsils removed Tuesday. He expects to leave the hospital Saturday. He is in a Yakima hospital recovering from an appendicitis operation.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Edwards have traded their ranch here to Mr. and Mrs. Tannehill for property near Glendale, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and nephew, Carl Peterson, will leave this week for their new location. They have made their home here for the past year, coming here from Florida.

Miss Mary Healy of The Dalles spent several days here last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Healy.

High School Notes

The Senior class of Boardman Hi have set the date for their play, "The Mill of the Gods," for March 22nd. The cast selected is as follows: Lawrence, Alan Chaffee; Terry, Delbert Mackan; Mr. Jefferson, Vernon Partlow; Ken, Fred Slanger; Patty, Elsie Wilson; Selina, Imogene Wilson; Golda, Zelda Carpenter; Mrs. Jefferson, Marguerite Harford. Mrs. Nelson will coach the play.

A large crowd of Boardman fans attended the game at Heppner Friday night when Boardman high was defeated by a score of 27-19. The second team won over Heppner 20-6.

Echo defeated the Boardman team on the local floor by a score of 20-15.

The girls Athletic association is planning a lively "Play-day" for April 12th. Girls from Umatilla, Arlington and Irrigon have been invited. The committee appointed to plan the day are: Elsie Wilson, Ada May Harford, Lorraine Dillabough and Virginia Compton. So far they have decided to have registration at one o'clock, then mixing games, games involving teams and later lunch will be served by the G.A.A. A posture queen and her princesses will be chosen.

Baby Bonds Now Available.

United States savings bonds are now available at the Hermiston post office in units as low as $25, which now cost only $18.75. These bonds will be redeemed by the government, if the owner desires, at any time after sixty days from the issue date. Their redemption value is at the cost price during the first year but thereafter increases every six months until the maximum return is obtained by the owner for the full ten years.

Golf Club Meeting.

Members of the Hermiston Golf club and all golf enthusiasts are requested to be present at a meeting Tuesday, March 5, in the American Legion hall, starting at 8:00 p. m. The tournament program for the season will undoubtedly be outlined. The meeting was called by the president, B. S. Kingsley.

Walter Myers Will Speak.

Walter R. Myers, field secretary for the Oregon Christian Endeavor, will speak to the young people Sunday, March 3, in the Hermiston Union church during the Sunday school hour.

SCOUT EXECUTIVE ROBERT R. HAYES ATTENDS BANQUET

92 ATTEND ANNUAL BOY SCOUT FUNCTION.

Local Scouts Present Interesting Program for Fathers and Sons.

Ninety-two fathers and sons were present at the annual banquet sponsored by the Hermiston Boy Scout troop Thursday evening, February 21, in the basement of the Methodist church. Rev. W. A. Briggs acted as toastmaster, and the ladies of the Methodist church served the delicious dinner.

One of the highlights on the program was a talk by Scout Executive Robert R. Hayes of the Blue Mountain Council of Walla Walla. Mr. Hayes revealed that the cost of crime in the United States per person was $9.10, against the cost of supporting all national and local scout work, which is only five cents per capita. Maintenance of the Blue Mountain Council is considerably higher due to scattered, sparcely settled districts, he said.

Mr. Hayes urged continued support of the scout work by pointing out the advantages offered to boys in building character and developing an individual sense of responsibility.

The "Meaning of the Scout Oath" was given by Bill Jackson as another feature of the program. This was followed by an "Ode to Our Dads" by Julius Gimble Jr.; music by the Follett boys; "Meaning of the Scout Good Turn" by Fred Hensel; "Toast to Our Boys" by Roy Thomas; music by the Marble boys; and a reading by Herbert Skovbo.

The banquet was said to be one of the most successful given here in recent years with the majority of the program presented by the Boy Scouts themselves.

SERA ALLOCATION MAKES PARK SURVEY POSSIBLE

The Hermiston Community Park survey started Monday following an allocation of $220 by the SERA. The survey is being directed by Harry Wessell of Stanfield and Raymond Longhorn of Hermiston, and at its completion, which is estimated to take three weeks, all information will be turned over to a landscape engineer and plans will be drawn.

Equipment used in making the survey and office space is being furnished by the Hermiston Irrigation district. The park site consists of 73 acres.

HEPPNER BANK TO PAY 30 PER CENT DIVIDEND.

The Farmers & Stockgrowers' National bank of Heppner is to pay its depositers in full, according to J. L. Gault, receiver.

An RFC loan to augment the funds now on hand so as to permit a dividend of 30 per cent, or an amount sufficient to fully liquidate that bank's deposits, has been arranged.

This dividend will be available probably about March.

CROW, MAGPIE EXTERMINATION CAMPAIGN SUPPORTED BY CLUB

At a meeting of the Hermiston Rod & Gun club Friday night, February 22, plans were made which called for cooperation with the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau and local business men in arranging a campaign for extermination of crows and magpies. Cash bounties for crow and magpie eggs and prizes for high scores on magpies and crows killed will be offered in the campaign. The prize list is not yet complete but it was pointed out that all interested parties would gain by killing now and saving the heads.

Anyone may enter this campaign in exterminating the pests which destroy turkey and chicken eggs. Farmers, it was pointed out, should be particularly active in this work during the spring and early summer months.

OLDEST RESIDENT CELEBRATES 96TH BIRTHDAY, FEBRUARY 22

A little lady, 96 years young, her dark eyes twinkling and her snow white hair shining, sat with her hands folded while she told her daughter to take the cake out of the oven when it whistled. It was a birthday cake which she had made for some children friends of hers, and she seemed quite happy in doing so. She prefers dark cake to light.

This little lady was none other than Mrs. Lola S. Hall who celebrated her 96th birthday informally on Washington's birthday, only when a few friends dropped in. They included Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hanby, Mrs. Potter Soneson and Mrs. Merrill Potter.

Mrs. Hall prefers not to celebrate her birthday but her friends will not let her forget it when it comes on Washington's birthday. She always has an enjoyable time, however, and this year received greetings from eight states, two telegrams and one radio message, all of which added to her 'happy returns of the day.' She is said to be the oldest resident in Umatilla county.

Her son was unable to be with her this year because of illness. She makes her home with her daughter Miss Clara Hall of Hermiston.

CHARLES W. KENISON.

Charles W. Kenison of Stanfield, passed away at the St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton Thursday, February 21, following a short illness. Funeral services were held Saturday morning in Stanfield at the Presbyterian church with Rev. Mr. Wyman of Pendleton and Rev. Mr. Mayfield in charge. Interment was made in the Echo cemetery.

Mr. Kenison was born in Walla Walla, December 19, 1871, but had spent most of his life in and around Stanfield. He is survived by a brother, L. T. Kenison of Stanfield, and by two sisters, Mrs. J. E. Reeves of Stanfield and Mrs. C. G. Herndon of Lodi, Calif.

Demand for Wisconsin Barley.

Theo. Martin, who farms on the Sunrise ranch near Stanfield, was one of the few farmers to harvest Wisconsin 38 seed barley last fall. He had planted 22-acres which averaged 2500 pounds to the acre. Mr. Martin expects to seed 90-acres to Wisconsin barley this spring and is now doing the plowing and seeding. Mr. Martin says it is difficult to secure seed for this particular barley as little was grown in the state of Oregon last year. He has had requests for seed from California, Oregon and Washington points.

DISTRICT I. O. O. F. CONVENTION HELD IN IONE SATURDAY

HERMISTON DEGREE TEAM IS AWARDED CUP.

Pendleton Selected As 1935 Convention City; Individual Awards Made.

The annual district Odd Fellow convention for Umatilla and Morrow counties was held at Ione, Saturday, February 23, at which the degree team of Vinyard Lodge No. 206 of Hermiston was awarded the cup. Individual prize awards were also given to members of the local degree team, Gwyn Hughes, Art Beasley, Harry McMillan, Geo. Harkenrider and Earl Carson.

The convention delegation elected Gene Blanchett, No. 32, Pendleton, president; D. W. Davis, No. 23, Overland, Echo, secretary; and E. P. Pearson, No. 23, Overland, Echo, treasurer. Pendleton was selected as the 1935 convention city.

Hermiston won the cup by a narrow margin of one point, Stanfield scoring 96 points, and Hermiston 97. The prize was a $20 bill.

Initiatory degree work followed the banquet at 6:00 o'clock in the evening put on by some of the best degree teams in the district. Twelve candidates from Heppner and Ione were initiated.

During the afternoon session which opened at 1:30 in the high school gymnasium, reports were heard from different lodges showing that conditions were better this year than in previous years. A number of the older members in the order gave instructive and educational talks.

Members of the Stanfield lodge receiving individual awards were W. T. Reeves, G. L. Dunning and Chas. Holdman.

The delegation from Hermiston included 25 or 30 members, 19 of whom made up the degree team.

HERMISTON TOWN TEAM SCHEDULES DOUBLE HEADER

The Hermiston Blackhawk basketball team has scheduled a double header game with Heppner and Lexington teams on the local floor, Friday, at 7:30, in the last game of the season. In previous games Hermiston lost to Lexington by ten points and to Heppner by two points. Consequently the boys are expecting some close competition.

A good turnout has been seen at practice games this week and the boys feel they are in fine shape for their opponents.

SERA FUNDS SECURED FOR DISTRICT MAINTENANCE WORK

Enos D. Martin, manager of the Hermiston Irrigation district, has secured an appropriation of $2200 from the SERA fund which is now being used in maintenance work for the district. The allotment was made January 25th. and a crew of from six to sixteen men is now cleaning ditches and repairing intakes on the canals at no cost to the district.

The money is being used at the rate of $210 a week and will last through March and part of April, Mr. Martin said.

What Is It?

† PINE CITY NEWS †

By Oleta Neill

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Myers visited at the Charles Bartholomew Saturday.

Misses Neva and Oleta Neill, who are attending the Eastern Oregon Normal school, spent the week end visiting their mother, Mrs. Ollie Neill.

Lloyd Baldridge visited at the A. E. Wattenburger home Saturday and Sunday.

Those from Pine City attending the show in Hermiston Sunday evening were Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wattenburger, Misses Cecelia Brennan, Eleanor Barth, Lenna Neill, Earle Wattenburger and Ray Hardman.

Mrs. J. J. Chisholm and daughters Barbara and Marjean, and Mrs. Roy Conser spent the week end with their aunt, Mrs. Ollie Neill.

Miss Eleanor Barth, primary teacher, sprained her ankle Sunday and was unable to teach school Monday. Miss Lenna Neill substituted for her.

Miss Betty Finch, who has been absent for the past two weeks with chicken pox, returned to school Tuesday.

A family reunion was held at the A. E. Wattenburger home Sunday. Those present were Wiley Wattenburger, Floyd Wattenburger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Esselton, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chisholm and daughters Barbara and Marjean, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Conser, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Andrews and daughters Marian and Florence, Mrs. Ollie Neill and daughters Neva, Oleta and Lenna, Earle Wattenburger, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wattenburger and daughters Lucille and Darlene and son Junior, Misses Cecelia Brennan and Eleanor Barth, and Ray Hardman.

T. J. O'Brien and son Pat were business visitors in Heppner Saturday.

Mrs. Roy Omohundro and daughter Iris and son Raymond, and Mrs. E. B. Wattenburger and children were business visitors in Hermiston Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Rauch and family spent Sunday visiting at the Fred Rauch home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Neill were business visitors in Hermiston Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ayers attended a card party at Westland Saturday evening.

Misses Bernice Neill and Opal Stockard, and Hugh Neill and Floyd Mathers were dinner guests at the Charles Plourd home Sunday.

Fred Rauch was a business visitor in Hermiston Sunday.

Mrs. Ollie Neill and Wiley Wattenburger visited at the Joe Foley home Saturday afternoon.

Miss Gertrude Tichenor visited at the L. D. Neill home Tuesday.

Mrs. Jim Omohundro and Mrs. Carson from Hermiston visited Miss Frankie Neal at the L. B. Neill home Sunday afternoon.

Frank Ayers visited at the Mrs. Ollie Neill home Thursday.

A party was given in the auditorium Friday evening.

Miss Cecelia Brennan, teacher at the Pine City school, was taken to Heppner Tuesday morning for medical treatment. The ailment was undetermined.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

By Eleanor Dawson.

The high school basketball squad took the Stanfield string last Friday night on the opponent's floor, 13-10. The boys displayed some nice team work but were unable to sink more ringers.

The Arlington Honkers won over the local Bulldogs in the last game of the season here Saturday night. The first team game opened with Arlington in the lead which they maintained throughout. The game ended with a final score of 16-22. The visitor's second string won with a score of 23-39. The locals showed flares of teamwork which terminated in scores, although they were not consistent.

A basketball tournament will be held March 1-2 in the Mac-Hi gymnasium at Milton. Schools participating are Echo, Stanfield, Umatilla, Helix, Adams, Weston, Athena, Umapine, Pilot Rock and Hermiston. The schedule is as follows:

FRIDAY

Game
1—Echo vs. Umatilla, 10:00 A. M.
2—Weston vs. Athena, 11:00 A.M.
3—Umapine vs. Hermiston, 2 P.M.
4—Adams vs. Pilot Rock, 3 P. M.
5—Helix vs. Stanfield, 7:30 P. M.
6—Winner game 1 vs. Winner of game 2, 8:30 P. M.

SATURDAY

7—Winner game 3 vs. winner game 4, 2:00 P. M.
8—Winner game 6 vs. winner game 3, 3:00 P.M.
9—Loser game 7 vs. loser game 8 at 9:00 P. M., for third place.
10—Winner game 7 vs. winner game 8 at 9:00 P. M., for Championship.

New tennis equipment was ordered and the courts cleared last week. Monday, practice began in earnest. Miss Elliott reports good turnouts and prospects for material for the tournament which is to be held in Hermiston May 3-4, are quite high. The tennis squad is invited to Pendleton for a practice meet on April 20.

Dr. Messing, who held a conference here some time ago, was inter-

SURVEY ON UPPER RIVER INDICATES DAM CONSTRUCTION

UMATILLA DAM AND SNAKE IMPROVEMENT LIKELY.

Complete Survey of Columbia Being Made From Celilo to Pasco.

Construction of a navigation dam across the Columbia river at Umatilla and development of the Snake river for barge navigation to Asotin, Wash., by means of a series of dams and locks at a total expenditure of approximately $75,000,000 is being considered seriously by the federal government, it was authoritatively learned Tuesday.

Credence to rumors that authorization for this great project, the third on the Columbia river, will be forthcoming soon is seen by advocates of the proposed development in the presence of United States army survey crews on the river in the vicinity of Arlington, Umatilla and Pasco.

Old-time observers assert that the intensive work being carried on by these crews is a certain indication that the government means business. Only when the government intends to go through with a project, they say, is so much field work done.

Colonel T. M. Robins, division engineer for the North Pacific division, confirmed the presence of the survey crews on the river but declined to predict that the project would be authorized. He did indicate, however, that such development fits in with the administration's adopted policy of long-range planning and the construction of public works for use 50 years from now.

The survey work, Colonel Robins explained, is being carried on at this time to obtain more detailed information and estimates for inclusion in a report which he expects to make to his superiors at Washington, D. C., about June 1. The survey was authorized by congress.

Crews in the field are devoting special attention to flowage, a factor involving land damage, as well as compiling other engineering data.

Two dams at Umatilla are under consideration. One is a so-called high dam which would raise the pool back of the dam to an elevation of 330 feet above sea level. The navigation lift would be about 75 feet, meaning that the dam structure itself would be slightly higher.

A dam of this size would back up the water to the mouth of the Snake river, and five miles up the Snake itself. It would cost between $35,000,000 and $40,000,000 to build.

The other, or low dam, would be 20 feet lower, or about 55 feet high, and would back the Columbia river to the mouth of the Snake. It would cost between $25,000,000 and $30,000,000, according to rough estimates.

Which dam will be recommended depends upon findings of engineers now in the field.—Oregonian.

† Butter Creek-Minnehaha †

By Mary Rodda

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Cassidy of Walla Walla have bought the Sylvey place and are remodeling the buildings preparatory to moving on the property. Their son Wayne Cassidy is staying at the A. E. Bensel home while supervising the work.

E. J. Davis, federal seed loan inspector, was a caller at the W. A. Hineline ranch Saturday.

August Bensel has returned from California and is at present making his home with his son, A. E. Bensel.

Mrs. Cleve Clark and Mrs. Alice Stone entertained at bridge at the home of the former, on Wednesday afternoon.

Vance Matott visited with relatives at La Grande over the week end.

A. E. Bensel has been assisting at the Tum-A-Lum lumber yard the past week.

About thirty neighbors surprised the J. C. Allen family Saturday night with a party at their home. The evening was spent playing pinochle. A delicous lunch was served at midnight.

The Needles home was the scene of a very enjoyable party Friday evening. A number of friends and neighbors gathered there to wish them good luck as they leave for their new home near Portland.

ALONG THE CONCRETE

Concrete or Abstract:
A Model A
Four youngsters gay.
A sudden sway,
A bill to pay.
By DAD.

Now that we have a Pynn in town the Needles are leaving for the Willamette valley. (Mrs. Delle W. Pynn and A. L. Needles.)

The red whiskered "Deacon" and the "City Slicker" were in town last Friday in the person of "Moon" Mullins and Fred Hensel. It was senior dress-up day.