

## MOISTURE PROSPECTS NOW CERTAIN WITH RECENT SNOWFALL

### SUPPLY RESERVOIR FEED CANAL RUNNING TO CAPACITY.

Butter Creek District Farmers Jubilant Over Prospects for Early Irrigation.

Prospects for an ample supply of water in the Cold Springs reservoir and in Butter Creek are fine, says Enos D. Martin, manager of the Hermiston Irrigation District, if present conditions prevail in the watershed district. The feed canal is now running at full capacity holding all the water it can safely carry. The water flow has increased 180 second feet within the past two weeks, or three times the amount of water previously carried by the canal.

With the present supply of water continuing to flow Mr. Martin believes the reservoir will be filled to capacity by April first.

Other sources of water supply are seen at the head of Butter Creek where between two and three feet of wet snow fell. Farmers in the Butter Creek district expect to irrigate as soon as the flow of water starts in the bed of the creek, and with unfrozen soil conditions permitting moisture to remain in the soil, prospects are fine for bountiful crops in that section of Umatilla county.

Seven feet of snow is reported at Toll Gate and more snow is expected to fall. J. M. Spencer, who is in charge of the water reservoir department for the State of Oregon, has made watershed surveys in the Umatilla watershed district, and believes that with continuation of normal conditions there should be moisture supply for the coming summer season.

With the feed canal running at full capacity all precautions are being taken to safeguard the canal, Mr. Martin said.

## MUSICAL CHORUSES WILL APPEAR IN HOME TALENT PLAY

The musical and dramatic talent of Hermiston is rapidly acquiring polish for the American Legion Auxiliary musical comedy "The Road to Glory" which will be presented at the Oasis theatre Wednesday, January 15.

Nina Rae McCulley, Joyce McCulley, Virginia Wells, Gladys Pierson, Geraldine Mullins, Helen Ralph, Floy Attebury, Virginia Todd, Logena Harvey, Marlon Pierce, Lois Laughlin, Wanda Moore, June Lenhart, Barbara Moore, Helen Johnson, Jean Hardy Claudine Hale, Maxine Paul, Mary Burnham, Roberta Mullins and Bonnie Lamberson appear in a series of tap dance numbers.

Patty Thomas, Nancy Jo Watson, Delores Jackman, Ruth McCulley, Lois Lamberson, Velma Amsberry and Peggy Todd are featured in the rainbow ballet. Claudine Hale, Gerald Keller, Geraldine Mullins, Marvin Rankin, Virginia Wells, Stuart Rankin, Maxine Paul, Guy Jeppe, Mary Burnham, Pat Throop, Bonnie Lamberson, Hugh Driscoll, Roberta Mullins and Don Alstott are in the college chorus.

There will be quite an elaborate Spanish number featuring a chorus arrangement of the Mexican Jarabe and of the Argentine Tango and Spanish Tanbournine dance. In this are Bonnie Lamberson, Maxine Paul, Julia Colpitts, Floy Attebury, Don Alstott, Guy Jeppe and Hugh Driscoll.

The most unusual number of the whole show, however, is the "Accident Chorus" revealing some chorus talent hitherto entirely unsuspected in Hermiston. This chorus features costumes of the "Gay Nineties" with bustles and all the trimmings and includes a personnel of Mrs. James Todd, Mrs. Guy Amsberry, Mrs. Peter Castric, Pauline Stoop, Mrs. Arletta White, Mrs. O. K. Mudge and Mrs. Harold Rankin.

In addition to the chorus numbers there will be solo dances by Velma Amsberry and Bonnie Lamberson.

Mrs. Robert Yeager is pianist for the production. The curtain will rise at 8:15. Tickets are now on sale by members of the various choruses.

## HERMISTON COMMUNITY PARK PROJECT WORK ADVANCES

With a crew of eighteen men now employed on the Hermiston Community Park project the work is advancing rapidly. At present four, four-horse Fresno teams are being used in leveling the ground surface in the west end of the park, and a crew of men are setting out locust trees. When the project is completed 2000, three year old locust trees will have been planted.

Work on the fair buildings has been discontinued for the present because of lack of material but will be resumed as the amount of labor done justifies the use of additional building materials. The entire park project entails the use of \$15,000 to carry it to completion. It is segregated with \$11,976 for labor and \$3,668 for materials.

## HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Under the direction of Coach Hal Hatton the high school athletic association is planning the annual smoker which will be held the evening of January 22, in the auditorium on the west side of town. A special meeting was called by Coach Hatton Tuesday afternoon for announcements. It was reported that there is a strong possibility that there will be several bouts scheduled between H. H. S. boys and boys from the Stanfield CCC camp, for outside competition. Several interesting bouts have already been decided.

At a special meeting of the senior class in the English room Tuesday afternoon this week, committees were appointed by President Kenneth Knerr, for the presentation of the senior class play, "The Brat," which will be presented at the Oasis theatre February 6. The committees were as follows: Stage, Alton Sisson, chairman, Fred Rankin, Dale Carson and Kenneth Knerr; Usher and program committee, Barbara Reid, chairman, Hugh Driscoll, Dorris Alstott and Ellis Coxen; Advertising and ticket committee, Harold Rainwater, chairman, Coy Dunham and Earl Watson. Charlotte Ralph will take tickets at the box office. At the same meeting this week the class voted to accept the picture "Blanket of Snow," by Choultse, which they will present to the student body as a gift.

The annual high school debate squad was chosen this week from a large group of debaters. Ladrew Moshberger, debate coach and Public Speaking instructor in the high school, announced that the following people will make up the H. H. S. team for the 1936 term: Bill Jackson, Nina Rae McCulley, Wayne Power and Bill Harris. Harold Throop will be alternate. Hard work is being done and a fine team and splendid work is assured.

Many Hermiston high school students are taking part in the production, "The Road to Glory," which will be presented at the Oasis theatre by Ralph Herron, sponsored by the local American Legion Auxiliary, January 15th. About sixty Hermiston townspeople are taking part in the musical.

Many alumni of the Hermiston high school and their guests who were spending the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives in this city, enjoyed the holiday high school frolic at the auditorium Friday evening, December 27. Mel's Merrymakers furnished the music and dancing and cards were enjoyed throughout the evening.

Edith Null enrolled this week as a junior in the local high school. Edith is making her home with her grandmother, Mrs. J. E. Johnson on the west side of town, and she came here from Henry, Nebraska, where she attended high school.

The annual senior class play will be "The Brat," by Maud Fulton. The cast is working hard this week on the first act of the clever comedy farce. The play is being directed by Miss Margaret Elliott, class advisor and high school English instructor, and the cast includes: Eleanor Dawson, Bill Jackson, Harold Throop, Deverde Elwood, Jo Ellen Mopps, Carrie Lage, Herbert Skovbo, June Richards, Ruth Dodd, Mary Burnham and Maxine Paul.

## PRELIMINARY LINE SURVEY MADE ON SCHOOL BUILDING

A preliminary line survey is being made this week for the new high school building to be constructed in school district No. 9. James L. Quinn, Portland contractor, who was awarded the contract at \$64,900, was in Hermiston Wednesday making all possible plans for early construction, but work will be delayed until the federal inspector is on the grounds.

Work on plans for excavating is being done. Office space has been loaned to Mr. Quinn in the reclamation building where he will conduct his business.

Labor on the school building project must come from the county relief rolls according to requirements made by the federal government wherever the federal grant is allowed on such projects.

## HERMISTON TOWNSEND CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS TUESDAY

The Hermiston Townsend club elected officers for the ensuing year at the regular business meeting Tuesday night, held in the Union church. A. E. Bense was re-elected president, C. R. Moore, secretary, Mrs. W. T. Knapp, treasurer, and L. C. Dyer, vice president. The advisory board consists of Mrs. A. E. Marble, Mrs. H. B. Darling, Mrs. Sam Carson, Jess Prindle, Joe Udey, and F. E. Earnhart. The new officers and advisory board will hold its first meeting Tuesday, January 14, in Dr. A. E. Marble's office.

A group of Townsendites attended a meeting in Pendleton Thursday night at which a Mr. Bunnell of Portland was the speaker.

## Boy Scout Troop Meets.

The Hermiston Troop of Boy Scouts has resumed activity and plan to hold another meeting Tuesday, January 14, in the city auditorium. All other meetings called following this date will be held in the American Legion hall. Ten Boy Scouts were present at the Tuesday evening meeting and a general invitation is given to boys who are interested in scout work or who have been members of troops in other localities.

## Teacher-Parent Meeting Postponed.

The regular Teacher-Parent monthly meeting has been postponed from Wednesday night, January 15, until Thursday night, January 16, according to announcement made by Mrs. Geo. Harkenrider, president. The change was made due to a conflict in the date with the American Legion Auxiliary play, "The Road to Glory," which is being presented that night.

## WEST GIVES REASONS FOR DELAY ON UMATILLA DAM HEARING BEFORE ENGINEERS

A telegram from Senator Chas. McNary recently informed this office that a request for further postponement on the Umatilla rapids dam hearing before the Army Engineers had been requested by Herbert G. West, executive secretary for the Inland Empire Waterways association, with headquarters at Walla Walla. The hearing, originally set for January 20, has been postponed until some time in March. This message prompted the Herald to correspond with Mr. West asking for reasons for such postponement, and these are set forth as follows:

"The association was prompted to secure postponement on the hearing in reference to the Umatilla rapids dam until such a time that certain studies now being conducted by the division engineer's office in reference to river boat and barge transportation costs between Celilo and Umatilla are completed.

"It is our opinion that certain facts will be brought out materially lowering the 8 mill per ton mile costs used as a basis of transportation savings by the division office on the Umatilla dam project.

"Also the district and division engineers office are about ready to publish their decision concerning the advisability of improving the ship canal from Vancouver to Bonneville dam. Certain pertinent data will no doubt be presented and regardless of whether the channel is approved at this time or not I am certain that their decision depends a great deal upon the development of the Columbia and Snake rivers.

## JACK MAC MAHON KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT FRIDAY.

Jack MacMahon of Pierce, Idaho, was instantly killed when the car in which he was riding left the highway near Juniper Station on the Wallula cut-off highway, Friday night. A companion, Chas. F. Doyle, also of Pierce, Idaho, who was badly injured, was taken to the hospital in Walla Walla. H. A. Pankow, deputy sheriff stationed here, was called to the scene of the accident late Friday night.

The men were reported to have left Arlington at 6:00 o'clock that evening and the accident was not reported until 10:45 p. m., indicating that Doyle had lain unconscious for some time. The Dodge coupe was a total wreck.

## PASCO AUTO COMPANY OPENS GARAGE HERE.

The Pasco Auto Company has opened a garage here in the building formerly occupied by the Black & White Garage, under the management of C. Jack Shumate of Pasco. Mr. Shumate says the garage will handle the Oldsmobile and Chevrolet, and used cars, with a complete line of parts.

The building in which they are now showing will be remodeled and the roof repaired as soon as weather permits. A line of used cars is now being shown at the garage building with Mr. Shumate in charge.

## Call for Christmas Seals.

Miss Emogene Paul, who has charge of the Christmas seal sale in this district, requests that all persons not having sent their money or returned their stamps, do so at the earliest possible time. These stamps or money for stamps may be left with Miss Paul at the telephone office or at the Hermiston Herald office.

## Member U. of O. Debate Squad.

Donald Serell, student of University of Oregon, left for Eugene last week. Donald is a member of University Squad of Men Debaters, whose picture was featured in last Sunday's Journal.

## Commercial Club Will Meet.

The regular meeting of the Hermiston Commercial club will be held Tuesday, January 14, in the Hermiston hotel dining room at 7:00 p. m. Annual election of officers will be held.

## To the Community.

Miss Margaret Hedwall is authorized to accept and receive all money paid on accounts of the late Dr. A. W. Christopherson.

Beatrice Christopherson, Adm. Estate Dr. A. W. Christopherson

## MORE BEEF CALVES ADDED TO CLUB RECENTLY FORMED.

Six more purebred beef calves have been added to the 4-H clubs recently organized in this district, which makes one of the largest clubs in the county. Hereford stock has been purchased by Eldon Saylor, 2; Gale Martin, 2; Leo Rueber, 1 Hereford and one Shorthorn; John McMullen, Harry Lewis, each one; and Awilda and Neill Bleakney of Echo, each one.

Stock was purchased from the Herbert Chandler herds in Baker, from James Mossie and the Hilbert herds at Ukiah, and from the Antone Vey ranch on Butter Creek.

Bert Martin of Echo and his son Gale, Eldon Saylor and Leo Rueber accompanied Mr. Sawyer to Ukiah Tuesday to select their stock. Much interest has been shown in the club since it was organized last fall.

## CAR DRIVEN BY COUNTY COMMISSIONER STRIKES AGED MAN

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock from the Bombo Funeral home, with the Rev. McIntosh of Weston officiating, for Thomas C. Reid, 82, who died Tuesday night at St. Anthony's hospital about one hour after he had been struck at Cottonwood and Court streets by an automobile being operated by William Meiners, county commissioner.

Mr. Reid, police reported, walked from between two parked cars and Meiners' car, traveling at a speed of approximately 15 miles per hour, was upon the aged pedestrian before it could be stopped. He was taken to St. Anthony's hospital but did not regain consciousness.

He is a member of the Dunkard church of Weston.—East Oregonian.

## Weather Report.

Date	Max.	Min.
January 2	53	43
January 3	47	37
January 4	57	35
January 5	53	36
January 6	45	31
January 7	41	35
January 8	46	26

Precipitation was .82.

## Special Notice.

Dr. F. B. Belt will move his office from the First National Bank building to the telephone building about Friday, January 17.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all our friends who were so kind and thoughtful toward us in our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Mabel Walker and Beverley, Mrs. Bernice Lundberg, Thelma and Grant Walker.

## ROMANCE OF OLD ARIZONA PICTURED IN NEW FILM

The new Zane Grey adventure-romance, "Nevada," with Larry "Buster" Crabbe, Kathleen Burke, Raymond Hatton and Monte Blue in the leading roles, will be at the Oasis theatre Friday and Saturday. Here is a film that packs a strong dramatic punch, recounting the romantic story of a cowpuncher who falls in love with the daughter of the state's richest rancher, only to discover that he has innocently become involved with a gang of cattle thieves who are robbing the girl's father and are planning to take over control of the cattle country.

He is aware that to save the girl and her father from the schemes of the outlaw outfit, he must remain a member of the gang to prove that they are the thieves long wanted by the honest ranchers of the district. But even as he plans to do this an unusual circumstance forces his hand, and he is exposed, not only as a cattle rustler, but as the "leader" of the gang.

The story is worked out with a maximum of suspense, as the cowpuncher sets out to prove that he is innocent.

## SUPREME COURT DECISION AFFECTS LOCAL BUSINESS

### INVOICES TAKEN ON ALL TAXABLE STOCK.

Prices Expected to be Reduced on Future Shipments, But No Direct Knowledge Expressed.

The local effect of the supreme court decision which has invalidated the AAA is seen already in the local stores and at the Farm Bureau Cooperative of Hermiston. As soon as the decision became known, invoices of all stocks affected were made and affidavit of the amounts made, which will be submitted to government authorities, with the expectation that the processing taxes will be remitted.

The incoming car load of flour at the Farm Bureau Cooperative has been shipped less the \$1.20 process tax per barrel, according to invoices received, and the price of flour is expected to be reduced when the stock is received, but the exact amount is not known. The decision affects all flour products, such as cereals, macaroni and feeds.

In the general stores invoices have been taken of stocks of flour, cereals, macaroni, salt in cotton sacks, cotton twine, canned meats containing pork, sugar and sugar products, including candles and various other products that have been taxed by the New Deal legislation.

On the general markets the price of hogs went up the next day in Chicago by \$2.10 a hundred weight and 70 cents in Portland yards. Wheat also increased in prices in the large markets.

Local dealers have no direct knowledge as to how retail prices, of all products affected, will be changed, but are waiting for information and instructions.

## IRENE FERRIS BECOMES NEW YEAR'S BRIDE.

Miss Irene Ferris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ferris of Columbia district, became the bride of Wm. Adams of Nolin, at an attractive wedding at the home of her parents on New Year's day. The ceremony was read at three o'clock in the afternoon by Mrs. Grace Trumbull, pastor of the Pentecostal church of Hermiston.

The bride wore a blum colored floor length velvet gown, touched with silver metal cloth, and carried a corsage.

Approximately twenty intimate friends and relatives attended the wedding, which was followed by an informal reception. The young couple will make their home at Nolin.

## GLADYS NORQUIST WILL BE BRIDE OF RAYMOND MILLS

Announcement of the approaching wedding of Miss Gladys Norquist who will become the bride of Raymond Mills of Rochester, Wn., was received here this week. The ceremony will be performed by the Christian church minister, January 18.

Miss Norquist attended the Hermiston Union high school for three years before moving to Centralia. Mr. Mills is a graduate of the Sierra high school in California, and is now employed by the railroad at Vall, Wn.

## ALONG THE CONCRETE

Has anyone seen the three A's running around? The supreme court released them this week and now maybe they will go back to work on the farm.

A. H. Norton and Tom Fraser making passes at each other by saying, "You'll need a doctor when I get through with you," followed by a retort from A. H., "You'll need the undertaker."

Childs Barham says that he is afraid to come into town since it is Leap Year.

Do you know women have been famous for ages? Yes—untold ages.