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PROCLAMATION BY MAYOR CLOSES SCHOOL WEDNESDAY

ACTION TAKEN TO PREVENT SPREAD OF EPIDEMIC.

All Cases of Scarlet Fever Reported Under Control; School Will Re-open February 10th.

The Hermiston schools were closed Wednesday evening until February 10th, because of scarlet fever cases, along with an epidemic of measles and influenza. On that day 185 pupils were absent.

On the same day the mayor closed all public places, including the picture show and churches; and public meetings generally throughout the districts have acquiesced to the order and will of the city and school officials, and advice of the physicians.

On the same day Stanfield schools were closed for the same reason, and Echo, Irrigon, Boardman and Pine City had been previously closed. Umatilla is the only district remaining open and it is carefully on guard lest the epidemic reach its schools also.

In the Hermiston district there are so far three cases of scarlet fever and these are under quarantine and full control. But measles are reported in many families and severe colds and influenza is quite common. Because of the general health conditions the authorities considered it best in the interest of protecting the health and more effective work of the schools to close the schools for ten days.

Following the orders the annual meeting of the Umatilla Co-operative Creamery for February 5th, was postponed. Also the Masonic meeting of February 4th; the high school play of February 6th; the basket social at Westland next Saturday; the Grange dance at Stanfield Saturday evening, and Miss Mumma's musical and like meetings will not be held, as dated.

Following is the order of Mayor F. C. McKenzie:

"On account of the number of cases of scarlet fever, measles and other contagious diseases in the City of Hermiston and the danger to the inhabitants of said city from the spread of said diseases, we, the undersigned F. C. McKenzie, Mayor, F. B. Belt, city physician and health officer, and H. A. Pankow, city marshal and chief of police, by virtue of the authority of the city charter and ordinances of said city, and in order to preserve and protect the health and safety of the inhabitants of said city, do hereby proclaim and order that no public gatherings or meetings be held in said city from the date hereof until Monday, February 10, 1936.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1936.

F. C. McKenzie, Mayor,
Dr. F. B. Belt, Health Officer,
H. A. Pankow, City Marshal.

Public Library Notice.

While the city library is closed, books may be returned by dropping them in the box, Mrs. R. A. Brownson, librarian, announced. If there is a contagious disease in the family the books should be wrapped in newspapers, and the name of the disease written on the outside.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The Hermiston public schools, closed Wednesday afternoon, because of the pending epidemic of measles and scarlet fever in the community and outlying districts. School will not open again until Monday, February 10th, it was announced by Supt. R. H. McAtee.

All public gatherings in the community will be cancelled or postponed indefinitely for the same reason.

The grade school sponsored a candy sale in both upper and lower halls Monday noon. A fine profit was reported. Proceeds will be used for the purchase of athletic equipment.

The senior class play, "The Brat" which has been advertised for February 6th, has been postponed indefinitely because of the local epidemic.

Coach Hal Hatton will not take his boys to Pendleton next Saturday, to compete in the district athletic contest between P. H. S., Mac Hi, La Grande Hi and H. H. S.

POSTPONEMENTS.

Meetings postponed until a future date because of the proclamation by the Mayor, which closed the schools, churches and theatre, for the next ten days, are listed below. The proclamation was issued in an effort to check the spread of scarlet fever, measles and other illnesses in the community.

Umatilla Co-op. Creamery annual meeting, Feb. 5.
Queen Esther Chapter, O. E. S., Feb. 3.
Stanfield Grange dance, Feb. 1.
Westland Grange dance, Feb. 3.
Masonic meeting, Feb. 4.
Westland Basket Social, Feb. 8.

LOCAL LIBRARY CIRCULATION EXCEEDS FORMER YEARS

The Hermiston City Library circulated 17,416 volumes last year, an increase over any previous year of 1,973, reports Mrs. R. A. Brownson, librarian. Of these, 11,348 were adult books and 6,068 children's books. The number of registered borrowers is reported as 738.

The Hermiston library is one of the smallest Carnegie libraries in the United States and recently was presented with a large portrait of Andrew Carnegie which now hangs in the library reading room.

MANY LISTED ON TWO HONOR ROLLS RECENTLY POSTED

The high school honor roll for the six weeks period and also for the first semester period were posted this week at the start of the new six weeks, as well as the new semester. Students who have received an average of "2" in all subjects during the past six weeks period are:

Senior class—Barbara Reid, Charlotte Ralph, Maxine Paul, Bill Jackson and Eleanor Dawson.

Junior class—Opal Stockard, Josephine Moyer, Vivian Dyer, Dorothy Conrad and Margaret Clarke.

Sophomore class—Nina Rae McCulley, Esther McMullen, Vera Sisson and Lois White.

Freshman class—Vivian Dyer, Glenn Elwood, Ruby Leo, Ralph Marble, Jesse Moore and Eleanor Steiner. Post graduates—Florence Lewis and Edna Turnblad.

Those names appearing on the honor roll for the semester averages were as follows: Barbara Reid, Maxine Paul, Charlotte Ralph, Bill Jackson, Eleanor Dawson, Opal Stockard, Vivian Dyer, Josephine Moyer, Dorothy Conrad, Margaret Clarke, Bill Harris, Wayne Power, Jane Jackson, Nina Rae McCulley, Vera Sisson, Lois White, Glenn Elwood, Ruby Leo, Ralph Marble, Jesse Moore, Eleanor Steiner, Florence Lewis and Edna Turnblad.

Christian Endeavor Elects.

At a combined business and social meeting last Friday night members of the Hermiston Christian Endeavor society elected Chas. Duvall, president, Clarence Buhmann, vice president, Esther McMullen, secretary-treasurer, Opal Stockard, prayer meeting chairman, Alvin George, lookout committee chairman, Wanda Moore, missionary chairman, and Margaret Clarke and Pauline Stoop, social committee chairman.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Elmer Tyler of Boardman, and Mrs. Jack Horner, both of whom have been patients in the Hermiston General Hospital, were discharged Tuesday and returned to their respective homes.

R. L. Kron and his assistant Mr. Flynn, of Piepenbrink & Kron, certified public accountants of Portland, were in Hermiston early this week auditing the books of the Umatilla Co-operative Creamery and the Farm Bureau Co-operative of Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Clark and Mr. and Mrs. B. Haneline entertained at a 7:00 o'clock dinner party at the Haneline home Thursday evening of last week, when six tables of contract were in play. High honors were won by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richards and low by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Jackson.

Mrs. A. Morgan of Umatilla was honored at a miscellaneous shower last Saturday given at the home of Mrs. Levi Reeder in Hermiston. Among those present were Mesdames C. R. Moore, C. J. Jackson, A. W. Turnblad, J. R. Harding, M. L. Clark, Mathew Gordon, L. Gordon, W. C. Morehouse, E. Duvall, Chas. Duvall, A. T. Kauffman, Dick Jones, C. A. Jackson, Wm. Mikesell, W. A. Haneline, Miles Arthur, Perry Arthur, A. Carter, A. M. Smith and Betty Morehouse and Pauline Stoop.

VETERAN RECLAMATION COM- MISSIONER CALLED BY DEATH

Elwood Mead, veteran irrigation specialist, and reclamation commissioner for more than a decade, passed away on his 78th birthday, Monday, January 27, at his home after a week's illness. Associates said death was caused by thrombosis and the complications of old age.

Mead had spent a half century in irrigation enterprises and in the last few years had been a directing force in the government's vast reclamation projects in the west.

Back in 1888 he started an 11 year period as territorial engineer for Wyoming. During the early part of the century he was head of the agriculture department's irrigation and draining investigation.

Mead visited the Hermiston project during its early settlement period when the government was directly interested and had men stationed here.

GUN CLUB PLANS 1936 CROW AND MAGPIE CAMPAIGN

The Hermiston Rod and Gun club held its first meeting of the year in W. J. Warner's office Tuesday evening. Sixteen persons were present, including Harold Dobyns, of the biological survey, and Assistant County Agent W. A. Sawyer, who offered several interesting suggestions in connection with crow and magpie control activity.

It was decided to again undertake the egg bounty and prize contest along the lines of the 1935 campaign, with the possible addition of immediate placing of poisoned bait at this season when natural food is scarce. This work, if undertaken, will be under the supervision of Mr. Dobyns, who is thoroughly experienced.

Poisoned bait will be placed at strategic points after permission is granted by the property owners, and only by a method which will insure safety for live stock.

President J. F. Bilderback has called another meeting at the same place for Friday night of this week for consideration of the details of the program.

Auto License Examiner Coming.

C. M. Bentley, examiner of operators and chauffeurs, will be in Hermiston, Saturday, February 8th, at the city library, between the hours of 10:00 to 5:00, respectively, according to a recent announcement released from the Secretary of State's office. All those wishing permits or licenses to drive are asked to get in touch with Mr. Bentley during those hours.

Donate Quilt to Hospital.

The members of the I-Go U-Go club of the Minnehaha district recently made a comforter, done in yellow, which they donated to the Hermiston General Hospital last week. The comforter is wool filled and very attractive.

DIVIDENDS VOTED BY INTERSTATE ASSOCIATED CREAMERIES; LOCAL CREAMERY SIXTH

A cash patronage dividend of \$17,892.60 was voted to the member co-operative creameries of Interstate Associated Creameries by the directors in closing out the 1935 annual pool of the sales agency, according to a statement made by G. A. Brown, manager.

Piepenbrink & Kron, certified public accountants, have verified the balance sheet of the association showing net paid-in capital of \$44,949.31 and a reserve for market stabilization of \$7000 after providing for the cash patronage dividend of 44 1/2 cents per hundred pounds of butter in the annual pool.

Before paying the patronage dividend or setting up additions to the market equalization reserve, the 1935 pool showed a net gain of \$21,844.21. Of this sum, \$16,884.63 accrued monthly after settling with member creameries at 50 cents per hundred under market, the usual brokerage arrangement.

Most of this accumulation is the result of improved conditions in butter distributing during the period of operation of the butter marketing agreement. The sum of \$4,959.58 resulted from storage operation—carrying butter from the spring flush of production and sale during the fall and winter months.

Member co-operative creameries share in the annual pool according to the tonnage of butter sold through the sales agency as follows:

HERMISTON POWER COMPANY APPLIES FOR TWO NOTES

SALEM, Jan. 28—The Hermiston Light & Power company applied with the public utilities commission today for permission to issue two eight per cent, 10-year notes, one for \$55,000 and one for \$20,000.

The largest note would be issued to the American States Public Service company and the smaller to the American States Electric company of Baltimore.

With the application of the Hermiston company filed, under oath a statement showing it paid dividends of 450 per cent in 1933, 250 per cent in 1934, on the old common stock on \$10,000. The report also states that the company paid 25 per cent dividend in 1935 which is assumed to be on the actual valuation of the plant of about \$200,000 for which it as sold a few years ago.

NEWLY ELECTED ODD FELLOWS OCCUPY CHAIRS MONDAY NITE

The newly installed officers of the local I. O. O. F. lodge occupied their chairs for the first time Monday evening with Herbert Hedwall, N. G., and Carl Jackman, V. G., in their respective stations.

Twenty-four members were present. The evening was occupied in reports on the progress made during the past year in both finance and membership, and plans made for the coming year's program.

The degree team is putting on the finishing touches in preparation for the competition at the district convention at Pendleton, February 29.

The newly elected officers will serve doughnuts and coffee at the next meeting.

Attend Osteopathic Meeting.

Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Willcutt attended an American Osteopathic association meeting and banquet in Walla Walla Tuesday night. Dr. Thomas R. Thornburn of New York City, president of the association gave the address. Osteopaths from Washington, Oregon and Idaho attended. Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles of Heppner accompanied Dr. and Mrs. Willcutt.

Pomona Grange in Pendleton.

The Pomona Grange meeting will be held at Pendleton, February 6th, at the Eagle-Woodman hall. The afternoon program commences at 1:30. An agricultural speaker will deliver an address and Miss Frances Clinton of Pendleton, will speak on some subject pertaining to home economics. A one act play "A Marriage Proposal," will be given by Pendleton high school students. Mrs. Zail Rodie will sing and Miss Esther Frederickson will play. Some tap dancing and other features of entertainment will be on the program.

IRRIGON NEWS

Rev. Van Nuys of Portland will preach at the Presbyterian church Sunday, February 2, at 3:00 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hallett were week end guests of their daughter Mrs. Jess Oliver and family.

Rev. Wybel of Pendleton was a business visitor in this vicinity Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kendler were Walla Walla, Wn., visitors Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Isom spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Geo. Kendler, Sr., Sunday.

A. C. Houghten, Frank Brace and Fred Markham motored to Heppner to attend the tax sale. The Chas. Benefiel place was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hallett of Goldendale, Wn.

Mr. and Mrs. Adram Allen are staying at the Don Kenney home during Mrs. Kenney's absence.

Lyle Eddy of Spokane, eighth grade teacher of the Irrigon school, and Miss Harriett Evans of Sandpoint, Idaho, primary teacher, were married at Walla Walla Monday by Dr. E. T. Allen. They were accompanied by Mrs. McCullum, a sister of the bride, and Stan Atkin. The party returned to Irrigon the same evening and were honor guests at a luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Williams. Other guests were Henry Edwards, Lyle Brown, Mr. and Mrs. I. Hiatt, Glenn Ostrom, Irma Byrnes and Melvin Jenkins, all of Umatilla, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Markham and Emil Helmac of Irrigon. The young couple will make their home at the Frank Leicht cabins.

ELECTION MEASURES DISCUSSED AT FORM BUREAU MEETING

A debate on the merits of the tax measure to be voted on at the special election Friday, January 31, was a feature of a Umatilla Project Farm Bureau meeting Saturday night, January 25, held in the Union church. The affirmative was upheld by A. E. Bensch of Hermiston and the negative by J. M. Richards of Stanfield.

A clever skit entitled, "Winning Pa" was presented by members of the Blue Ribbon Club which is led by Lois Hutchison. Those taking part were Jo Ellen Mopps, Leonard Mopps, Marijane Hammer, Mary Wilson, Floyd Wilson, Arilda Foster, and Marian Ott.

John Jendrzewski and L. C. Dyer were re-elected as members of the Umatilla Project fair board to represent the organization. Mr. Jendrzewski has done some fine work as president of the board for the past two years.

The progress of the REA program now being carried on by farmers in this end of the county was given in a talk by W. A. Sawyer, assistant county agent.

Refreshments were enjoyed at the close of the meeting.

Molasses Plant to Open.

The new molasses plant which is being constructed in the Farm Bureau Co-operative of Hermiston has been completed and molasses is now being used from the tank, according to H. M. Sommerer, manager. The plant, which will be a great asset to local farmers and stockmen, has a tank which will hold 75 tons of molasses.

The installation of the tank will make it possible for farmers to obtain their molasses at a much lower cost in bulk, instead of having to buy it by the barrel, as done formerly. It will be possible for the farm bureau to mix its own molasses and sell it at a great benefit to the farmer.

State C. E. Officer Visits.

Rev. Walter Myers, state Christian Endeavor field secretary, and Clarence Planting, president of Columbia Union, conducted a meeting here Monday night for young people. A pot luck supper was enjoyed which was followed by special chorus singing led by Mr. Planting, and an address by Rev. Myers, in which he told some of the observances made by Daniel Poling, president of the International C.E. on his world tour in the interest of Christian youth. Rev. Myers is conducting a series of meetings over the county.

Weather Report.

Date	Max.	Min.
January 23	37	31
January 24	36	31
January 25	35	31
January 26	40	27
January 27	37	29
January 28	35	26
January 29	31	7

Precipitation was .21 with three inches of snow.

HUGE RABBIT DRIVE WILL BE STAGED SUNDAY AFTERNOON

WIRE LANE SET UP ON SITE AT SARVIS SPRINGS.

First of Big Drives Will Start at 1:30 in Afternoon; All Highways Will Be Marked.

A big rabbit drive will take place Sunday, February 2d, at Sarvis Springs 15 miles south of Hermiston. It is being conducted by Harold W. Dobyns of the U. S. Biological Survey, and W. A. Sawyer, Assistant Umatilla County Agent. Boys of the Stanfield CCC camp will assist in setting up equipment.

The drive is staged to begin at 1:30 P. M. and coffee will be served after the wild jacks are in the corrals.

High woven wire fencing and iron posts have been bought for the inclosures and 4000 feet of woven wire for wings, from funds supplied by farmers and the sportsmen's clubs. This equipment will be the permanent property of the community and can be moved with a minimum of labor and time. All who come should bring stout clubs or shot guns. No rifles will be allowed larger than a .22 caliber. Tin or paper cups should be brought for coffee.

Sarvis Springs may be reached from the Butter Creek highway. Persons may take the Echo-Butter Creek road and find arrows leading off southward about four miles from Echo. Those going the Hermiston road up Butter Creek will find arrows at the junction with the Echo road near Gaylord Madison's place pointing to another road to the springs about a mile beyond Madison's, and people from Upper Butter Creek and southward toward Heppner can reach the driving grounds from the same course. The road will be plainly marked.

This drive is the first of a series that will be conducted during February, of probably six or eight, in different localities. Two may be held on Butter Creek, one at three mile lake on the Westland project, one near the Hawley Bean ranch southwest of Echo, one in the Columbia district and one east of the Stanfield project. Some of the smaller drives will be held during week days. Because of a series of mild winters rabbits are more numerous than usual, and these drives may save heavier costs in poisoning later in the season.

A general invitation is extended to people in all directions to come and help and enjoy the sport. They will be organized into groups with captains of the squads, and utmost care will be taken to carry out the plans systematically and orderly.

HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT CONDUCTS UNIT ORGANIZATION.

Miss Frances Clinton, Umatilla county home demonstration agent, conducted an organization meeting here last Tuesday afternoon, in which a unit was formed in Hermiston. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. W. A. Sawyer with twenty ladies present.

Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Ray Null, chairman; Mrs. Ed. Dunning, vice chairman; Mrs. Wm. Benschel, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Wm. Kik, librarian. The ladies also voted to adopt the plan of meetings offered by Miss Clinton.

Another meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Sawyer February 25th, starting at 10:00 a. m. Vegetable cookery instruction will be demonstrated. Each person planning to attend should bring fruit for dessert, sandwiches and dishes.

ALONG THE CONCRETE

We wonder what the world's coming to when our young professional women take up the corn-cob pipe habit. "Mammy Yokum" Phelps and Davis know their tobaccos—Yo' can bet Yo' lives.

Childs Barham covered the most mileage of any member attending the Odd Fellow meeting Monday night.

Nowadays when you grow too old to dream, a lot of politicians, economists and college professors get in front of radio microphones and do it for you.