

# Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Hedwall are confined to their home with mild cases of pneumonia.

A. R. Price of Boardman spent Saturday in Hermiston.

Ed. Coffman and son Gerald of Stanfield were in Hermiston on business Monday.

Dr. J. P. Stewart, eye-sight specialist of Pendleton, will be at the Hermiston Hotel on Wednesday, January 27th. Hours: 1:00 to 5:00 p. m. adv.

Craig Percy, who was transferred from the local Safeway store to Walla Walla, is back on the job here pending the illness of Herbert Hedwall, manager.

Mrs. Frank Helm and two daughters were in town Saturday from their ranch home on Big Butter Creek.

William Kilkenney of Butter Creek was in Hermiston Saturday. He is feeding his 4000 sheep at his ranch 18 miles south of here.

Del Christley, who suffered an attack of scarlet fever along with blood poisoning in his knee, is recovering and will soon be out again.

Miss Betty Carlin, who has been visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dyer, for the past few months, left Sunday for her home in Denver, Colo.

Ralph J. Shafer and family are now at Yachats on the coast where Mr. Shafer is employed in the timber. Ralph Shafer, Jr., and Mrs. Shafer expect to move there soon.

George Wurster, alfalfa grower of Butter Creek, spent Saturday in Hermiston on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan of Pendleton spent the week end with her father, Joe Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate Macomber of Boardman, pioneer residents of that locality, were business visitors here Saturday.

Sam Nye of Echo was transacting business in Hermiston Saturday.

W. T. Reeves and E. V. Gabriel of the Umatilla Meadows were in Hermiston on business Monday.

K. A. Fisher of Irrigon was in town on business Saturday.

L. D. Neill of Butter Creek has returned from Salem where he spent a few days.

Mrs. F. A. Baker of Stanfield was called to Spokane last week by the death of her sister, Catherine McCroskey.

New Madden has received a fine photograph of his mother who is 81 years old and lives at Lone Rock where she raised 400 turkeys last year. It was taken while all her sons and daughters were at home recently.

Henry Bushman has returned from Portland where he was called by the death of his mother, Mrs. Louisa Bushman, a pioneer of the lower Columbia river region. She was 80 years old.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Jenkins are disposing of their business on Main street, known as Cochran's Lunch, and will move to Portland. It is expected other parties will take over the location soon.

The oldest daughter of Geo. Harris, Mrs. Manuel Santos, arrived in Hermiston Sunday to spend three weeks with her mother who has been a patient in the Hermiston Medical hospital. Her home is at John Day.

Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Van Patten of Halfway, Ore., arrived Thursday of last week to be with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Van Patten. Paul has been quite ill with the flu but is reported improved.

Linda May Neary has received a pleasant letter from Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt acknowledging receipt of a poem on the Roosevelt administration. The author is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Neary of Hermiston and will soon be 11 years old. She is in the sixth grade.

George Briggs, who has been an invalid for several years, has been taken to the hospital in Hermiston for treatment. Mrs. Briggs is there with him. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Briggs are also here visiting his parents.

Mrs. Wayne E. Whiffin, 21 year old niece of E. P. Dodd, was killed Saturday at Caldwell, Idaho. Her car stuck on a snow covered railroad crossing and was struck by the Portland Rose. With her was Grace Evans, 17, who was also killed.

D. H. Prindle of California, formerly of Hermiston, will leave in a few days for his home after completing a deal with Carson and Troy Linder, whereby the latter become the owners of the Prindle 40 acre tract in the Westland district. It is one of the best improved places on the west side.

Dr. W. G. Cole, well known here and in Umatilla county, is seriously ill at his home in Forest Grove. He practiced medicine in Pendleton for many years, and was state senator from this district eight years. Dr. Cole invested in lands and city property in Hermiston which he has sold, and has been a stockholder in

the First National Bank of Hermiston since its organization.

Miss Marjorie Burnham is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Burnham, here because of the necessity of closing her school known as the Bird School, seven miles south of Pilot Rock on Birch Creek. The snow fell to a depth of over two feet, and some of the children had to walk from two to six miles to school. Miss Burnham is a graduate of the Ellensburg Normal school.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Zivney made a hurried trip to Portland last Thursday, upon receiving word of the serious illness of Mrs. Zivney's mother. The Zivney's returned Sunday evening, reporting that Mrs. Clute is slowly but steadily improving from a near pneumonia attack. While in Portland Mr. Zivney visited with his parents who live near Oswego.

### Tobogganing at Echo.

A party of local young people went tobogganing last Sunday on a steep hillside near Echo. The toboggan was built last year by Oliver Knerr and Ralph Krause, and consisted of a two inch plank, 14 inches in width and eight feet long, and the running surface was made with corrugated iron. The young people reported it as a great sport. They were Oliver Knerr, Albert Skovbo, Charles Knerr, Dorothy Knerr and Marie Skovbo.

### PINE CITY

By Mrs. Bernice Wattenburger

Roy Neill spent the week end in Salem with his daughter, Mrs. Eldon Kinton.

Pendleton callers Friday were Marion Finch and Bert Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wattenburger and children were Hermiston callers Friday night.

H. E. Young spent Tuesday in Hermiston.

The Young family have been ill with the flu lately.

Lon Wattenburger returned to Pendleton Monday. He is serving on the jury there.

Mrs. Roy Neill was a caller one day last week at the E. B. Wattenburger home.

A dance was given at the Julian Rauch home Saturday night. Due to the snow only a few from Butter Creek attended.

Word was received from Earl Wattenburger that he likes his work fine in the mill at Toppenish, Wn.

### SUPREME COURT MAKES DECISION

The supreme court decision on lands under the Westland district in the case of Umatilla county vs. O. P. Bowman may affect other lands throughout the surrounding irrigation districts. The county advertised and sold the land for taxes which included Westland Irrigation charges. The State Land Board intervened and the case was dismissed, and the county and district forever disbarred from any interest in the land, or ability to collect taxes thereon. The land lies two and a half miles west of Echo under the Westland canal. The court also ordered that the county or irrigation district pay to the county clerk the sum of \$2500 for the benefit of the state land board, otherwise the property must remain in the state and not subject to taxation. The tract consists of 80 acres.

The decision was made under a state law dealing with priority. If the state lien is prior to the formation of the irrigation district, the claim for irrigation claims is not valid. In this case the mortgage which was foreclosed by the state, was made prior to the formation of the Westland Irrigation district.

In another case affecting the old Bert Nation place west of Butter Creek, the state loan was made subsequent to the formation of the district, and right to collect such taxes is valid. In the first case mentioned the district has still the right to refuse water to the land before payment is made for the ensuing year.

A number of state lands throughout these districts may fall in one or the other of these classes. The decision is also considered far reaching enough to affect the reclamation of new lands belonging to the state. In a recent decision by the late Federal Judge McNary it was held that the federal government under its moratorium acts had no right to interfere with the rights of state or county in the collection of taxes. Yet in the above cases it is held that the state may prevent the county from collecting its legal taxes. Both decisions are said to be new and, it is said, if upheld in other states, will affect large bodies of

lands. Any land that goes back into the state under any form of mortgage is said to be affected.

### Red Cross Potential Life Savers Number Nearly 2,000,000

First aid and life saving certificates issued by the American Red Cross since the start of the service 26 years ago now number 1,888,702. During the past year the Red Cross qualified 232,693 persons in first aid and taught water safety and rescue methods to 80,961.

This army of First Aiders and Life Savers is one of the great safety factors in the nation. They are trained to give immediate first aid at the scene of accident, thus saving many lives and preventing permanent injury. Red Cross training includes skill in treating for shock, splinting fractures, checking arterial bleeding, applying artificial respiration, towing drowning persons to safety and in the safe handling of boat and canoe.

### SNOWS BRING MUCH MOISTURE

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late heavy snow, and it is reported that over two feet covers that watershed which provides the best prospects for irrigation Butter Creek has had for several years. On the surrounding plains and low foot hills for a radius of 25 miles, and including much light wheat land areas, the snow fall has been something over a foot. Both the wheat men and sheep and cattle men are greatly encouraged with the prospects of wheat and grass on both winter and spring ranges.

LaGrande experienced the heaviest snow storm, with 34 inches in 36 hours, and a total to date of about six feet. This storm also spread a heavy supply in the Blue Mountains. Eight feet of snow is reported on the east slope of Mt. Hood at Government Camp. Farther north in the Cascades the deer and elk have been driven out of the high mountains to lower slopes, and are traveling along the mountain

highways of Naches and Snoqualmie passes. In the counties between Walla Walla and Pomeroy the highways are very difficult to keep open because of heavy drifts, which condition is also reported around Touchet and toward Spokane from Pasco. Heavy snows are also reported in the Ochoco mountains and south of Heppner.

The first death due to storm was that of Mrs. Ambrose Parks near Albee last week, who went with her daughter for a walk to a neighbor several miles distance. They were overtaken by a storm after dark, and Mrs. Parks was frozen to death. The second death was that of Oliver Young at Lehman Springs, who was killed by a fallen pine in his bunkhouse. His companion, Victor McCormack, suffered a crushed skull. Mrs. Sancho Stubblefield, wife of the proprietor, whose husband was then in a Pendleton hospital, gave the information to the outside world by telephone and a rescue party with ten horses and sleds furrowed its way through three feet of snow for 20 miles. They brought the dead man and companion, and Mrs. Stubblefield to safety.

# Safeway

## January Savings

Prices for Fri., Sat. & Sun., 22-23-25

<b>HOT SAUCE</b>	3 8 OZ. CANS	<b>10c</b>
<b>SUGAR</b>	25 LB. Cloth Bag	<b>\$1.49</b>
<b>FLOUR</b>	49 LB. Bag	<b>\$1.59</b>

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<b>POST TOASTIES</b>	2 PKGS.	<b>15c</b>
<b>DEL MAIZE CORN</b>	3 No. 303 Tins	<b>39c</b>
<b>GRAPEFRUIT JUICE</b>	3 No. 1 Tall Tins	<b>29c</b>
<b>SWANSDOWN</b>	Package	<b>25c</b>
<b>PEANUT BUTTER</b>	1 1/2 LB. JAR	<b>25c</b>
<b>TOMATOES</b>	3 Large No. 2 1/2 Cans	<b>33c</b>
<b>SANDWICH SPREAD</b>	Quart Jar	<b>39c</b>
<b>AIRWAY COFFEE</b>	3 Lbs.	<b>53c</b>
<b>SNOWFLAKES</b>	2 Lb. Box	<b>29c</b>
<b>SCOTCH SOAP</b>	2 Large Pkgs.	<b>47c</b>
<b>K. C. BAKING POWDER</b>	50 oz. Can	<b>35c</b>
<b>FANCY LEMONS</b>	DOZEN	<b>29c</b>

<b>CRISCO</b>	6 Lb. Can	<b>\$1.19</b>
<b>PUREX</b>	Quart Bottle	<b>12c</b>
<b>SUGAR</b>	4 Lbs.	<b>29c</b>
<b>SYRUP</b>	5 Lb. Tin	<b>65c</b>
<b>PEANUTS</b>	2 Lbs.	<b>25c</b>
<b>PEACHES</b>	3 No. 2 1/2 Cans	<b>55c</b>

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