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## MINIMUM REA RATE ANNOUNCED AT \$1.00

### ACCEPT BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION

The one dollar minimum rate for electricity has been agreed upon by the board of directors of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative association and the administrator of the national REA. This question has been in controversy for several months and in a letter received this week the contentions of the local board were granted in full. The letter stated: "We are pleased to inclose a schedule of rates for your project, embodying the basic rate schedule as recommended by your board of directors."

The schedule is as follows: First 12 KWH, or less, \$1.00 per month; Next 28 KWH, 7 cents per KWH per month; Next 40 KWH, 5 cents per month; Next 120 KWH, 2.5 cents per KWH per month; Over 200 KWH, 1.75 cents per KWH per month.

It is estimated that 12 KWH per month rate will furnish light for the average smaller type farm home in this territory. This will be at the rate of 1-3 cents per KWH. The next 28 KWH rate will be at 7 cents or at a cost of \$1.96, which, plus the \$1.00, will make \$2.98 for the first 40 kilowatt hours, or sufficient to cover the needs of the larger users. In excess of 40 KWH the rates become less according to amounts used.

The rates are arranged to include general residential and farm uses including lighting, incidental appliances, refrigeration, cooking, and power for motors up to and including five horse power, or a total connected load of not in excess of seven and a half horse power.

Rates are provided for uses of electric ranges, and if the total use is 500 kilowatt hours, the last 300 shall be billed at 1.2 cents per kwh. Schools, churches and public halls will have a minimum rate of \$12 per year.

## RIVER DREDGING WORK BEGUN

UMATILLA (Special)—Work of dredging and clearing the Columbia river channel is being resumed this week. Workers are moving their families to Umatilla, among whom are Mr. and Mrs. Pete Miles, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mann and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sharp and Max Ernest spent Sunday afternoon in Pendleton where they attended the show.

Mrs. Del Jackson and Louise went to Goldendale to attend the funeral of Mrs. Jackson's brother, who died Friday in The Dalles hospital.

A music recital will be given Friday, March 25, by music students of the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kendler and Mr. and Mrs. Gene McFarland were Wednesday dinner guests at the R. C. McReynolds home in Hermiston.

Mrs. Del Jackson was called to The Dalles last week by the illness of her brother.

Jimmie and Jeanne Guerin left last Wednesday night for Spokane to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Miller and children motored to Pendleton last Thursday to attend a show.

Mrs. John Quick and daughter spent last Wednesday in La Grande visiting her husband who is receiving medical care there.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Long are parents of a son born March 17th at the Hermiston General Hospital.

Betty McKenzie, who is a student nurse at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton spent Sunday visiting in Umatilla. She was accompanied by Mary Genelle and Kathrina Potter, two other nurses.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene McFarland and son Merrill spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Potter at Hermiston.

George Kendler, accompanied by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Roy Kendler, left Sunday for Coulee dam where Mrs. Kendler will join her husband who is employed there.

Bessie Dexter, who is attending Eastern Oregon Normal school at La Grande, visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dexter, over the spring vacation.

Louise Benschel and Evelyn Ford, students at Eastern Oregon Normal at La Grande, spent the spring vacation at the home of their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dexter motored to La Grande after their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vallias Dexter, who spent Thursday visiting here, returning Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Springer motored to Seattle last Friday afternoon to visit their daughter and family. Gus Fransolous accompanied them to Portland and then went on to Salem to spend the week end visiting.

Presbyterian church services will be held at 7:30 in the evening, starting April 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hull spent Sunday and Monday in Pomeroy visiting his brother and family.

## NEW TOWNSEND CLUB ORGANIZED

R. H. Hartley was named president, O. L. Barlow, vice president, Mrs. F. R. Moore, secretary, and Mrs. Victoria Churchman, treasurer, of the Townsend club which re-organized Tuesday night following dissatisfaction of some of the members with the policies of former club officers. Gordon Ware, Townsend representative, was present at the meeting and announced that more than 50 members had signed in the new club. Resignations will be sent to the other club to comply with the national ruling that no individual may be a member of two clubs at one time.

Members of the Hermiston Commercial club were guests of the club at a seven o'clock dinner in the Union church to hear the guest speaker Mr. Ware.

Mrs. Geo. Beddow read a paper written in compliment to Dr. Townsend, and Mrs. Joe Udey pleased with a whistling solo as part of the entertainment.

Regular meetings will be held the first and third Friday in the month in the Legion hall until further notice.

## SCHOOL GROUP WILL PERFORM APRIL 21

As a very fitting climax to the Parent-Teacher's program for the year and to the activities in both orchestra and glee club in the high school, a program will be presented at the final P.T.A. meeting to be held April 21 in the high school auditorium. At this time both boys' and girls' glee clubs will present several numbers and the grade school and high school orchestras will also please with several selections. The glee clubs are under the direction of Miss Helen Peterson, and the orchestras under G. C. Humphreys.

Miss Helen Manning of Pendleton will present some of her pupils in dance recital as an added feature.

At the last P.T.A. program March 17th an excellent program was enjoyed by those present. The program consisted of a one act play entitled "Who Gets the Car," directed by Miss Esther Sibert. The cast included Marian Pierce, Bob Jackson, Jim Jackson and Kenneth Benschel. The glee club presented four selections from the coming operetta, directed by Miss Peterson.

The meeting on April 21st will be in the form of a school exhibit in which work done during the year will be shown. Election of officers for the P.T.A. will also be held.

## PASTURE GRASS PLATS SEEDED

A forage crop nursery containing 14 different grasses and legumes has been seeded on the Umatilla ranch along the highway, by Jay T. Pierson, assistant county agent. The purpose of the nursery is to find a native grass or legume which will grow under extreme alkali conditions and step up the carrying capacity of the pastures located on the Umatilla Meadows.

In one plot all 14 varieties of seed have been planted in rows to determine possibilities for seed production as well as pasture. Another plot was seeded to a mixture of grasses and legumes. One plot each was seeded to Orchard Grass, Red Top, Slender Wheat Grass and Smooth Brome.

One plot each was seeded to Strawberry Clover, Alsike Clover and Sweet Clover.

Anyone interested in watching the growth and development of these grasses and legumes may see them from the highway on the Umatilla ranch 3 1/2 miles west of Stanfield.

## Stockard Family Reunion.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stockard of Columbia district were home Sunday to enjoy a family reunion on the occasion of Mr. Stockard's birthday. All but Paul Stockard of Prineville were present.

Among the children were Opal Stockard of Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Stockard, Heppner; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis, Umatilla; Shirley Stockard of Bly, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Stockard, Hermiston. Relatives and friends present were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. B. Ruhl, Miss Esther Thompson, Lexington, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Whitsett, Hermiston.

## Legion Birthday Party.

The Hermiston Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary entertained members of the Legion Post and their families at a birthday party last Saturday evening in the Legion hall at which approximately 30 were present. Mrs. James Todd, president of District No. 6, and O. K. Mudge presented the birthday cake which was decorated in the national colors, red, white and blue. A short program was enjoyed, followed by dancing.

## Pre-Easter Bazaar.

The Hermiston Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary is sponsoring a pre-Easter Bazaar and cooked food sale Saturday, April 16. Mrs. Wm. Mikesell is chairman of arrangements for the novelties and Mrs. James Todd chairman of arrangements for the cooked food. Orders will be taken for cooked food by any member of the Auxiliary.

## WPA CREWS IMPROVE LANDS

A crew of 28 men, working on the irrigated projects in the west end of Umatilla county since January, has assisted in reclaiming irrigated lands by improving ditches, culverts and roads. These men have been working under the WPA, supervised by Pete Shaver, stationed in this end of the county.

Mr. Shaver reports that the crew has dug 18,200 feet of drainage ditch on the Stanfield project, repaired and put in 16 culverts, laid 900 feet of 16 inch concrete pipe, cut one mile of road brush, built a dam 200 feet long and six feet high to care for seepage water which will be reclaimed for irrigation purposes.

This work has been done at no cost to the county except for the wages of the superintendent and gasoline mileage.

## F. B. WILL INSTALL PELLETING MACHINE

The board of directors for the Farm Bureau Co-operative of Hermiston authorized the manager, H. H. Sommerer, to purchase and install a pelleting machine as part of the mill equipment at an approximate cost of \$4000, at a board of directors meeting held Tuesday night.

Pellets are said to be a convenience and economy to poultrymen in feeding hens in the laying house or turkeys on the range. The Farm Bureau Co-operative is a feed store which furnishes part of the feed to farmers in this area and it is due to the demand for feed in pellet form that the board ordered the installation of the feed compressor.

Mr. Sommerer states that the machine will be purchased and installed at the earliest possible date.

## P. T. A. Benefit Saturday.

The P.T.A. will sponsor a benefit salad luncheon card party Saturday afternoon at 1:30, March 26th, in the high school auditorium. Miss Eileen Manning of Pendleton will present some of her students in several dance numbers during the afternoon. Contract bridge and pinocle will be in play and tickets are on sale at 25 cents.

## Weather Report.

Date	Max.	Min.
March 17	54	25
March 18	53	43
March 19	52	36
March 20	52	22
March 21	54	28
March 22	51	23
March 23	62	31

Precipitation was .16.

## Skating Rink Will Open.

The roller skating rink will again open in Hermiston. Jack House, who has been operating a skating rink in La Grande during the winter months, returned to Hermiston this month, returned this week announce he will open the skating rink in the Hermiston auditorium building Saturday, March 26. The occasion will be a skate carnival starting at 7:30. The rink will be open every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m.

## HOSKINS AND SLOAN APPOINTED AS MEMBERS STANFIELD SCHOOL BOARD

STANFIELD (Special) — County School Superintendent J. A. Yeager has appointed James Hoskins and Frank Sloan to fill the unexpired terms of Ernest Sires and Harry Andrews as members of the local school board.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Norris are the parents of a daughter born in St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton Friday, March 18.

The Study club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. W. G. Wallace as hostess at her home. During the business meeting Mrs. H. L. Hedrick, chairman of the committee for the benefit dance, turned in \$45 to the club treasurer. On motion, it was disposed of as follows: \$5 to scholarship fund; \$15 to Doernbecker hospital; \$25 to the local library. Mrs. Fred Shelton and Mrs. L. Joannet were elected to the offices of secretary and treasurer, respectively for the ensuing year.

Roll call was responded to by naming suggestions for next year's study. Mrs. Jay Baker talked on "Good Taste in Dress" and Mrs. U. S. Richardson on "What Constitutes Personality." Mrs. Edgar Hooser was named as hostess for March 31.

Mrs. J. M. Richards was substitute teacher of the 7th and 8th grades Thursday and Friday.

Three cabins belonging to Mrs. Agnes Hills' tourist camp were destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Only prompt work on the part of CCC boys and townspeople saved other nearby buildings.

The Monday bridge club met with Mrs. J. F. Lane. Mesdames N. D. Bard, Dill Penney, George Elliott and Harle Rogers were substitute players.

Miss Evelyn Starkweather of The Dalles is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Harle Rogers.

Miss Marian Averill of Portland arrived in Stanfield Sunday to take up her duties as instructor in the local high school.

High school girls complimented their mothers at a St. Patrick's tea and program Friday afternoon.

## YELLOW DAISIES IDENTIFIED

J. Skovbo, proprietor of the Skovbo Apiaries of Hermiston, brought a statement to the Herald this week which identifies the "yellow daisies" now blooming in this locality.

"The 'yellow daisies' that made this locality a field of gold the past three weeks are of course not really daisies, but lacking a better common name that designation is perhaps as good as any other.

The botanical name of this plant is crocidium multicaule. Frank C. Pellett in his "American Honey Plants" states: "Crocidium multicaule is a small annual herb with alternate leaves and yellow flowers which blooms in early spring, common to the plains and hills on the open ranges of the northwest. It is found from British Columbia to Washington, Oregon, Idaho and California."

## LOCAL BASEBALL PLAYERS ORGANIZE

Hermiston baseball players will meet Sunday afternoon, March 27, at 2:00 p. m., on the Hermiston Community park athletic grounds, to organize a team for the coming season. The first try-outs will be held and a manager elected. Hermiston has not had a town baseball team for two years, and anyone interested is asked to be present at the meeting.

## Alfalfa Seed Production.

A number of farmers in this area have planted fields to alfalfa with seed production in view. These fields have been inspected by Jay T. Pierson, assistant county agent, who has applied for certification for the growers. In order to grow certified seed the land must be planted to crops other than alfalfa for four years prior to growing of certified seed.

## Rohrman Improves Office.

The Rohrman Motor company office was greatly improved last week by re-arrangement of office equipment and painting. A. F. Rohrman, manager, has his office at the east side of the building and the supply cabinets are placed in convenient positions back of the display counter. Customers will see a decided improvement in the office arrangement.

## James H. Reid, Jr., Transferred.

James H. Reid, Jr., son of J. H. Reid of Hermiston, who has been stationed at Honolulu for several months with the U. S. Engineers, was transferred to the office of the Division Engineer in San Francisco, Cal., arriving in the states recently. Reid is a graduate of the University of Washington, and also of the Hermiston Union high school. He expects to visit his home in the early summer.

## Ladies Discuss Color.

The Home Extension Unit held its regular meeting at the Legion hall Tuesday afternoon with Miss Frances Clinton conducting a discussion on color combinations, applying it to individual complexions and types. The ladies made a color chart for their own home use. The next meeting will be held April 26.

## WIRING LOAN APPLICATIONS IN

A number of applications have been made for loans for wiring, and pressure water systems, including plumbing, at the office of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative. These loans may be had for \$50, and up to \$400, which may be used for wiring premises, and for installation of water pumping facilities. It may also include bath room fixtures or hot water system. The terms are on monthly installments over a period of five years, at interest of six per cent on deferred installments.

Meter bases are available at the association's office for all who desire to wire their property.

The system is nearing completion. Poles and wires are up in all districts east of Umatilla, and wires are now being strung west of Iririgon. Transformers are placed in the Butter Creek and Westland districts, and juice may be made available in those areas by April 1st. The entire system is expected to be ready for use by May 1st.

## HOME FURNISHINGS SPECIALIST COMING

Miss Joan Patterson, Extension Specialist in Home Furnishings, from Oregon State College Home Economics Department will be available for two meetings April 4. The first will be held at Iririgon high school auditorium on Monday, April 4, at 2:00 P. M., and the other at the high school building in Hermiston at 8:00 P. M., Monday, April 4.

Miss Patterson gave a very interesting discussion on the use of electricity in the home at the Economic Outlook conference held at Pendleton February 23. Through many requests from farmers being served by the Umatilla Electric Cooperative association of Hermiston, Miss Patterson arranged to hold a series of meetings at intervals throughout the coming season.

These meetings should be of interest to all housewives, whether rural or urban.

## NURSING INSPECTOR VISITS DISTRICT

Miss Ruth Squier, nursing inspector for the State of Oregon, was the guest of District No. 7 of the Oregon State Nurses' association, at a meeting at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton Thursday evening, March 10. Miss Squier presented the following registered nurses of this district after explaining what the emblem on the pins they wore stood for.

Miss Squier gave the following information concerning the well qualified registered nurse:

The Oregon state emblem of the well qualified nurse. This is the symbol that you should look for on the uniform of the nurse who takes care of your loved ones. It is made in the blue and gold colors of the state. It means that a nurse has been examined and declared able, by a group of already trained nurses, to take care of the sick in any and all manner of illness. She has served a period of three years of intense training in a hospital school in which the standards are set up by a national nursing group. Upon completion of her hospital course she has successfully passed the examination required for registration in the state, and is therefore vouched for by the State of Oregon.

The nurse who does not wear this pin has not been properly trained. She cannot be vouched for by the State of Oregon. She may give the wrong dose of medicine or not understand the order the doctor has given her and thereby cause the death of her patient.

The fee for the service of the registered, as the properly examined nurse is called, may be slightly higher than that required for the untrained person, but isn't it worth it to know that your loved ones are safe?

Schools which are connected with general hospitals equipped to give instruction sufficient to prepare a young woman to care for the sick in all manner of illness are accredited by the State of Oregon through the Board of Nurse Examiners. The Superintendent of Nurses of these schools must be a nurse registered in the state and have special preparation and experience for her work. This is true of all who teach and supervise the young nurse during her period of training. The schools in Oregon which are accredited are:

College of Nursing, University of Portland, Portland; Department of Nursing Education, University of Oregon Medical School, Emanuel Hospital, Good Samaritan Hospital, all of Portland; St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Pendleton; St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Baker; St. Mary's Hospital, Astoria; The Dalles Hospital, The Dalles.

At all times these registered nurse pins remain the property of the State of Oregon and anyone wearing this pin falsely is guilty of a misdemeanor and punishable by fine according to the Oregon Nursing Law Section 68-1703 and Section 68-1709.

This is the protection to which you are entitled when you call for a nurse to care for your loved ones in time of illness.

## ELECTRIC BROODER USE DEMONSTRATED

### FARM BUREAU PLANS OTHER MEETINGS

The advantages of using electrical equipment in the brooding of chicks and turkey poulters was explained to interested members of the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau at a meeting Friday night, arranged for by J. W. McMullen, poultry project leader, and Jay T. Pierson, assistant county agent. With the exception of D. M. Johnson of Walla Walla, all speakers were local. Mr. Johnson is said to be the best informed man on cooperatives in the Pacific Northwest.

N. J. Vanskike of the "Vigorbilt" Hatchery discussed battery brooding and demonstrated a working unit. Mr. Vanskike stated that while the original cost is quite high, in his opinion the battery brooder would fit in with the work of the average commercial poultryman. He states that 10 units, enough for 1000 birds can be bought for \$140. Other equipment would be necessary for brooding since the birds can be kept in the battery only three weeks.

H. K. Dean, superintendent of the U. S. Field Station, showed an electric brooder which has been in use at the farm since 1934, and which, he states, is very efficient. Various sizes may be used: 3 by 6 feet for 400 chicks, 3 by 7 and 3 by 8 for 500 chicks, capacity. In 1934 the cost of material and for building this brooder was \$20. Actual cost of brooding chicks was one cent per bird, and for turkeys two cents. The brooder consumed 180 kilowatts of electricity during the brooding season and at three cents per kilowatt amounted to \$5.40.

During the meeting power questionnaires were passed out and a twenty minute talk on the questions contained given by Mrs. A. E. McFarland of Umatilla.

J. W. McMullen, Dr. Theo. Beletski, J. Jendrzewski, C. M. Jackson and H. J. Ott each gave short talks on their experiences in brooding as poultrymen. Dr. Beletski named several choices of litter known to have been used by poultrymen on the project. They were clean sand, straw, peat moss, chaff, and bran. More of such seasonal meetings are included in the program arranged by the executive committee of the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau. The date of such future meetings will be announced as called.

The ladies served refreshments immediately following the meeting.

## Norton Yard Landscaped

H. W. Klages completed landscaping the grounds around the residence of A. H. Norton this week. The evergreen foundation plan was used with 14 evergreens arranged in the landscape. Mr. Klages is a farmer on Butter Creek but at one time did commercial landscaping in Portland and other cities. Mr. Norton's home is on Gladys avenue east of the city library.

## Tree Order Arrives.

The nine persons who placed orders with the assistant county agent's office for trees will be interested to know that the order has arrived. The trees come from the state forestry nursery at Oregon State college, with 8700 trees contained in this order. Other orders will be accepted if received by next Monday.

## Wild Life Picture Illustrations.

Representatives of the State Game Commission will be in Hermiston, Thursday, March 31, to show pictures of wild life in Oregon. The meeting will be held at the high school building and will be conducted by Richard L. Averill, president of the Umatilla Unit of the Oregon Wild Life Federation, and Harold Dobyns, of the biological survey, of Pendleton.

## Examiner Here March 30.

The examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be in Hermiston Wednesday, March 30, at the city library between the hours of 1:00 to 5:00, 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 the examiner during these hours.

## SONGS, STARS, FUN IN "THRILL OF A LIFETIME"

Brilliant singing and dancing stars furnish the hilarious fun of the new musical, "Thrill of a Lifetime," which starts Sunday at the Oasis theatre.

According to the story, Johnny Downs and Eleanor Whitney are members of a trio with Judy Canova, but feel that Judy is holding back the act. They take her to Camp Romance to marry her off, and finally succeed in "punching her off" onto Ben Blue. The gay romantic atmosphere of the camp also gets frosty. Left Erickson, young playwright who runs the place, and he discovers that he's been in love with his secretary, Betty Grable, all along.

They all get together to put on a camp show, and when a producer happens along and sees the show—which includes a specialty number by gorgeous Dorothy Lamour, he arranges to back it, insuring every one in the party a real job.