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## COMMENCEMENT FOR SENIORS WILL BE THURSDAY, MAY 26

### GRADE SCHOOL GRADUATES 31

The final days of school for the Hermiston Union high school and grade school have been filled with activity. It is now drawing to a close with commencement exercises set for Thursday, May 26, in the high school auditorium at which Dr. M. C. Jacobs of Whitman college at Walla Walla, will deliver the address. Nina Rae McCulley is valedictorian and Frances Dawson salutatory.

Baccalaureate services will be held in the auditorium Sunday evening, May 22, with Rev. R. R. Finkbeiner as the speaker. The complete program for the two exercises appears elsewhere on this page.

#### Eighth Grade Graduation.

Thirty-one students will receive diplomas Friday, May 27, at the eighth grade graduation exercises to be held in the grade school building at 1:30 p. m.

C. Warner, pastor of the Union church, will give the address. The procession will be played by Wanda Dunning; the orchestra will play "Don Juan," "Ching Chang," the girls' chorus will sing, "Springtime," "Like the Lark," and "Farewell;" Supt. W. G. Kersbergen will present the diplomas; and the orchestra will play, "Marjorie Waltz," and "Assembly March."

Graduates are Madeline Hinkle, Dorothy Pierson, Janice Madden, Raymond Hollomon, Donna Saylor, John Allen, Johanna Casper, Alvin Wolke, Mary Frances Perry, Charles LeeRoy Hale, Genevieve Alspach, Bobby Miller, Barbara Pollett, Beatrice Hord, Maribelle Clarke, Florence Louise Kowitz, Bud McGraw, Dorothy Hall, Eugene Miller, Betty Rood, Neugene Kerns, Albert Stone, Anne Peterson, Bernard Corpe, Don Cellers, Lester Wilcox, Don Baehne, Archie G. Isensee, Elvin Lauder-milk, Ella Gould and Gerald Jones.

#### Other Activities.

The outstanding dance of the school calendar year was the Junior Prom which was held in the high school gymnasium Friday, May 13. A Valencian garden motif was used with huge clusters of grapes hanging from the ceiling, and a trellis of grape leaves around the wall. Garden furniture and colored flood lights created the illusion of a vineyard garden.

Programs in keeping with the general theme, were made in form of bunches of grapes. Miss Lavina May Lynch directed the planning for the prom.

One of the feature attractions of the dance was the music which was provided by the Whitmaniacs of Walla Walla.

#### Annual Completed.

The Purple & Gold annual was completed and distributed Tuesday of this week. This is the first issue of this publication since 1925 and the staff was composed of Jane Jackson, editor-in-chief, Nina Rae McCulley, assistant editor, Vera Sisson, business manager, Albert Shipp, sports editor, Esther McMullen, society editor, and Frances Dawson, dramatics editor. The advisers were Miss Lavina May Lynch and W. G. Kersbergen.

#### Take Tennis Tourney.

Hermiston Union high school completely dominated the invitational tennis tournament played here Friday and Saturday by scoring 24 points. Umatilla was next with 14 points, Heppner third with 9 and Pendleton fourth with 5 points. Other teams represented included Echo, Pilot Rock, Irrigon and Stanfield.

In the boys' singles Gerald Keller, Hermiston, won over LaVerne Van Marter of Heppner in the finals, 4-6, -3, 6-4. Vera Sisson, Hermiston, eliminated Frances McCarty of Heppner, 6-2, 6-1, in the finals of the girls' singles.

Umatilla boys' doubles team, Montgomery and Hiatt, won from Pendleton's team, Mooney and Ganger, 2-6, 6-2, 7-5, in the finals. The Hermiston girls' doubles team, Frances Dawson and Virginia Wells, defeated Umatilla's team, Patsy Cooney and Doris Rodenbaugh, 6-2, 6-0, in the finals.

In the finals of the mixed doubles Hermiston's team, Stuart Rankin and Thelma Swarner, eliminated Vivien Brown and Dolores Van Scholack, Umatilla, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.

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## MANY EVENTS FOR HERMISTON DERBY

The Hermiston Derby race meet is now assured of success, according to Ben O'Conner and his associates, who are promoting the event. The dates set are Saturday and Sunday, May 28 and 29. The schedule of events has not been completed, but the managers state they have been assured of a large number of good horses. All local horsemen are urged to enter race events for the different classes.

One of the interesting races will be the Kiddie's Pony race, for which there will be three prizes, and no entrance fee.

Bucking, calf roping and bareback riding will be featured between race events.

Five races will be held each day. The main derby event will be Sunday afternoon for which \$100 will be first prize, \$40 second, and \$20 third. All race horses must be entered at the grounds not later than Friday evening, May 27.

New stalls are being provided and the track is being put in excellent condition for the meet.

The Derby dance will be held at the Community park hall Saturday evening, May 28, with the Troubadours furnishing the music.

## POPPY DAY PROCLAMATION

"Whereas, in the World War of 1917-1918 the young men of Hermiston gave their service to the defense of the United States in an exalted spirit of patriotism and some were called upon to sacrifice their lives in that service:

"Whereas, many others were called upon to sacrifice health and strength, with resulting suffering and hardships to themselves and families which continue to this day:

"Whereas, the memory of these patriotic sacrifices should ever be kept fresh in the minds of patriotic citizens, while fullest aid should be extended to those still within the reach of human aid:

"And, Whereas, the wearing of the Memorial Poppy both honors the dead and aids the disabled and dependents:

"Therefore, I, F. C. McKenzie, Mayor of the City of Hermiston, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 28th, Poppy Day in the City of Hermiston, and urge all citizens to observe the day by wearing the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary Memorial Poppy."

## COLUMBIA SCHOOL HOBO HIKE

The advanced harmonica group entertained the junior harmonica group of the Columbia school at a hobo hike and picnic last Saturday, which lasted from 10:00 a. m. until 3:00 p. m. The group was under the supervision of Mrs. Emil Zivney, with Miss Myrthina Martin as a guest.

After meeting at Pumpkin Center the group called at the H. M. Sommerer home and asked to work for a "hand out." They later made a similar call at the H. G. McCulley home and the Keener home. Each hobo hiker looked the part with old and patched clothes, a stick over his shoulder to which was fastened a tin cup and bandanna handkerchief.

The final stop was at Columbia park where Mrs. H. M. Sommerer had prepared a bonfire and cooked food. Weiners were roasted and buns toasted and punch served. Other picnic food was served by Mrs. Sommerer. Following the lunch hour prizes were given to those collecting the greatest variety of wild flowers, and also insects, during the hike.

## MERLE OBERON STARS IN COMEDY

What happens when a beautiful girl walks into a strange man's hotel suite, steals his bed, his pajamas, his book, his breakfast and, incidentally, his heart, and vanishes without leaving her name, is merrily told in "The Divorce of Lady X," technicolor comedy, starring Merle Oberon, which starts at the Oasis theatre Sunday.

"The Divorce of Lady X" is one of the gayest, smartest comedies the screen has produced.

## CONDON GOLFERS WIN LOCAL EVENT

The Hermiston Community Golf club entertained golfers from Condon Sunday afternoon with a man-for-man play on the local course.

When the 36 golfers turned in their score cards Condon led by three points, with the score 28½ to 25½. Bill Hansen of the Hermiston team led the field with a score of 76.

Hermiston—Matott 80; Todd 82; Pearson 78; Honey 81; Simons 82; Hansen 76; Gurdane 89; E. Bessel 83; J. Smith 102; O'Neil 92; W. Smith 90; Jones 79; McKenzie 91; Morgan 90; Moyer 106; Eddie 93; VanPatten 107; Richards 96.

Condon — Eaton 82; Guild 78; Currie 78; Thouvenel 80; Morton 80; Bill Hollan 79; Bert Hollan 85; Sasser 80; Holland 88; Bryant 95; T. Jackson 87; J. Jackson 100; Flor 91; Willis 95; Quiring 100; E. Bessel 110; Oviatt 109; Willcutt 102.

Four Hermiston men completed the team for Condon.

#### Pre-School Age Clinic.

A pre-school age round-up of children will again be held for Hermiston and surrounding territory, sponsored by the Parent-Teachers' association. The clinic will be held Wednesday, May 25, at the high school building, from 9:00 to 12:00 A. M., and will be conducted by Dr. McLaren, County Health Unit physician, Dr. F. B. Belt, local health doctor, and Dr. W. L. Morgan, assisted by Mrs. Duncan Whipple, county health nurse, and Mrs. R. H. Pierson R.N., of Hermiston. A general physical examination will be made of all children of pre-school age attending the clinic and if desired, diphtheria and smallpox inoculations will be made.

#### Opens Blacksmith Shop.

H. J. Beal has announced that he will open a blacksmith shop in the old Hilsley shop building on Hurlburt avenue. The shop will be open for business Wednesday, May 25, and an invitation is given anyone to visit. Mr. Beal is an experienced hand at his trade and will do all kinds of blacksmith work, and numerous other jobs, guaranteeing all his work.

#### New Gas Computing Pumps.

Three new gas computing pumps have been installed at service stations in Hermiston this week, one at the Farm Bureau Cooperative Service Station and two at Pearson's Service. These new pumps are an economy to the station and a convenience to the customer.

#### Townsend Club Notes.

The regular meeting of the Hermiston Townsend club will be held Friday, May 20, in the Legion hall, at which time a box social will be held following the regular business session. Boxes need not be decorative, it was explained.

## COLUMBIA EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION

Columbia school graduation exercises for members of the eighth grade will be held Wednesday, May 25, at 8:00 P. M., at the school house. Diplomas will be presented to the following graduates: Myra Getchell, Gerald Garley, Franklin Grey, Thelma Shipp, Lillian DeGarmo, Katherine DeGarmo, Ted Metteer, Gracie Pearson and Dorothy Knox.

The pupils of the seventh and eighth grades will present a three-act comedy entitled, "Jerry of Fulton's Ferry." Mrs. Laura Morris is superintendent of the school, Mrs. Emil Zivney, intermediate grades, and Miss Myrthina Martin, the primary.

#### I.O.O.F. State Assembly.

The annual session of the grand bodies of Oregon, I.O.O.F., which has been in session in Pendleton since Monday, reached a registration of 1120 Wednesday night. Among those attending from the local lodges were the Mesdames Geo. Harkenrider, Roy Hale, Gerald White and Curtis Simons, and from the Odd Fellows were George Harkenrider, Wm. Graybeal, Roy Minnick, Curtis Simons, Fred Reeves, Wm. Longhorn, O. C. Pierce, Don Sherwood, M. L. Watson and George Sale and son George Jr. of Stanfield.

#### Senior Girls Honored.

Girls of the senior and junior classes of the Hermiston Union high school will be guests of the Committee of the Parent-Teachers' association Saturday afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 o'clock at a tea on the lawn at the N. R. Mueller home, in honor of the senior girls. The mothers of the girls are also included in the guest list.

#### License Examiner Coming.

The examiner of operators and chauffeurs, will be in Hermiston, Thursday, May 26, at the City Library, between the hours of 11:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m., respectively, 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.

#### CARD OF THANKS

There is no way in which we can fully express our appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the way they have stood by during the illness of our husband and loved one. The thoughts behind the presentation of the floral offerings has made our grief easier to bear.

Mary Harr,  
Elmer Harr,  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lorentz,  
Mrs. Herbert Leeper.

## Commencement Program

HERMISTON UNION HIGH SCHOOL  
High School Auditorium  
THURS., MAY 26  
8:00 P. M.

Processional ..... High School Orchestra  
Invocation ..... Rev. C. Warner  
Song ..... High School Chorus  
"Morning Invitation"  
Salutatory ..... Frances Dawson  
Song ..... Girls' Trio  
"Be the Best Whatever You Are"  
Address ..... Dr. M. C. Jacobs  
Song ..... "Duna"  
Gladys Pierson and Virginia Dyer  
Valedictory ..... Nina Rae McCulley  
Presentation of Class ..... W. G. Kersbergen  
Presentation of Diplomas ..... Henry Sommerer  
Song ..... High School Chorus  
"The Bells of St. Mary's"  
Recessional ..... High School Orchestra

Baccalaureate  
High School Auditorium  
SUNDAY, MAY 22  
8:00 P. M.

Song ..... High School Chorus  
"True Hearted, Whole Hearted"  
Scripture Reading and Prayer  
Rev. T. S. Leger  
Song ..... "Ivory Palaces"  
Gladys Pierson and Virginia Dyer  
Address ..... Rev. R. R. Finkbeiner  
Song ..... Girls' Sextette  
"Night Fall" by Tillotson Linzat  
Benediction ..... Rev. C. Warner

## JACKSON HARR BURIED SUNDAY

Jackson H. Harr was buried in the Hermiston cemetery Sunday, May 15, following final rites held in Prann's Funeral Parlors where friends and neighbors paid tribute to the deceased and his family. Services were conducted by C. Warner, pastor of the Union church.

Mr. Harr was born May 18, 1853, at Hamilton, Ohio, and passed away May 13, 1938, at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton. He would have been 85 years of age May 18.

He resided in the state of Ohio for 17 years before moving to Indiana where he lived for a short while before returning to Iowa to be employed by the railway company for seven years. He came west in 1888 and married Mary Lorentz of Spokane, Wn., in 1898.

Mr. Harr was in the employ of the Civil Service for four years following his marriage, and later farmed for several years in the state of Idaho. Since 1920 he and his wife have made their home on a small farm near Hermiston.

Those who survive him are his wife, a twin brother, Joseph R. Harr of Edmonton Alberta, three nieces and three nephews. One nephew, Elmer Harr, has been with the Harts for several months.

## SCHOOL ACTIVITIES NEAR CLOSE

#### (STANFIELD NEWS ITEMS)

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sale and daughter Zelma spent Sunday with friends in Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kowitz and family of Hermiston were dinner guests Friday evening at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lenz. It was a birthday dinner to compliment, Miss Florence Kowitz.

Mrs. F. B. Stuart entertained the Bridge club at her home Monday. Mrs. George Elliot was a substitute player. During the social hour Mesdames Blanche Bottger, L. L. Penney and L. Jounnault were guests.

Mrs. L. L. Wertz of Woodland, Wn., arrived Friday for an indefinite stay at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Stuart.

The Stanfield Grange will sponsor a dance in the Grange hall, Friday night, May 20. The funds will be used to defray expenses of the 4-H club delegate to Corvallis summer school.

Walter Greene, valedictorian of the class of '38 and Bob Refvem, best all around student, will have their names engraved on the school plaque.

The Stanfield Women's Study club concluded the year's work on May 12, at the F. A. Baker home, with Mrs. Baker Mrs. J. M. Richards, Mrs. G. E. Greathouse and Mrs. Thos. Gregory as hostesses. The president, Mrs. McCormick, was elected as the voting delegate to the state convention in Pendleton next week. Mrs. Homer Hedrick, president-elect, read a portion of the program as arranged by the newly elected executive committee. Mrs. L. Jounnault reviewed the play "The First Lady." Mrs. F. S. Green audited the treasurer's books. Mrs. Jennie Shepard of Gresham was a guest of the club.

Miss Twila House, who teaches at Albee, spent the week end at the Byron Brown home.

The Misses Elva Berry, Sophronia Rhea, and Mrs. W. G. Wallace attended Hebekah assembly in Pendleton, Wednesday.

The Stanfield Commercial club gave an oyster supper Thursday night to which the public was invited. Jack Stangler of the Associated Oil Company of Pendleton, showed slides of San Francisco Boulder dam and sports events. The program consisted of music and tap dancing by CCC boys, readings by Miss Marian Averill, piano solo by Joanne Leslie, and group singing, lead by Mrs. Harry McCormick. Harry Wessel, who acted as the chef, was assisted by Mrs. Nathan Bard and Mrs. J. F. Lane.

G. E. Greathouse is painting his residence; Bob Rueber is re-painting his farm buildings; W. T. Reeves is building a chicken house, and also a picket fence around his home on Meadow View Farm, and is also having his four buildings painted.

Miss Lenna Waid will act as assistant postmistress to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Ruth Gifford. Mrs. Blanche Bottger will be substitute.

## CROPS SPECIALIST COMING TO DISCUSS SEED PRODUCTION

### LOCAL CERTIFIED SEED IN DEMAND

The growing of legumes and grasses for seed production will be the chief topic for discussion at the crops meeting to be sponsored by the Umatilla Project Farm Bureau and the local Granges, in the Union church, Tuesday, May 24, at 8:00 o'clock. Arrangements are being made by Jay T. Pierson, assistant county agent.

E. R. Jackman, Specialist in Farm Crops at the Oregon State College, has been secured to discuss the possibilities of producing Red Clover, Strawberry Clover, Sweet Clover, Alfalfa, and other pasture grasses for seed production in this section and will give information relative to the best methods of handling each crop. Seed certification will be discussed, Mr. Pierson says.

During the last two months, seven alfalfa fields have been inspected for certification in this area by Mr. Pierson. New methods and practices by other seed growers will of necessity have to be adopted, Mr. Pierson believes, or we will not be able to protect the identity and purity of these fields. Mr. Pierson says, and advises that farmers get together and specialize in the production of improved strains of legumes and grasses, whether it be for hay or seed purposes.

Very little experimental data is available to determine best methods of seed production in this area. However, farmers reported to Mr. Pierson yields of from 100 to 800 pounds per acre on red clover and up to 300 pounds per acre on alfalfa last year. If this can be done, Mr. Pierson says, we are missing a great opportunity on most of our farms.

## BOARDMAN

By Maryetta Thomas

The Girls' Athletic association elected Essie Jones, president, Echo Coats, vice president, Edith Nickerson, secretary, Clara Mae Dillon, treasurer, and Janet Gorham, head of sports. They will assume their official responsibilities at the beginning of school in the fall.

Ted Laughlin of Pendleton was in Boardman Sunday visiting his wife, who is the former Miss Bauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Doolan and family of Ione have moved onto the Atterbury place.

The Boardman high school commencement exercises will be held Thursday evening in the high school Lloyd Mallory of Portland is visiting his sister, Mrs. A. Sunsten, and family.

Barbara Norokoskie, who is attending normal in La Grande, spent the week end visiting on the project.

Art Molvier of Umatilla visited on the project Sunday.

Loren Adkinson of The Dalles was on the project on business Friday.

Ed Skoubo, who has been employed on the river, has infection in his hand, and is at home.

Mrs. E. Cramer of Redmond visited at the Frank Cramer home Monday.

Mrs. V. Conyers of Cascade, Idaho, spent the week end visiting her sister, Mrs. S. Russell. Mr. Nelson of Cascade, Idaho, who had been in Portland on business, stopped for Mrs. Conyers on the return trip.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Blayden and Don Kenny of Spokane spent Thursday with Mrs. E. Blayden, while on their way to California.

The baccalaureate services were held Sunday in the church and Rev. H. B. Thomas spoke on, "The Game of Life."

Mr. and Mrs. B. Adams and children and each of their mothers from Weiser, Idaho, who are visiting here, spent Sunday with Mrs. B. Shannon, who accompanied them to Portland, Monday.

Mrs. J. Gorham and Mrs. L. Root spent Tuesday in Pendleton on business.

#### Weather Report.

Date	Max.	Min.
May 12	74	55
May 13	75	41
May 14	80	38
May 15	83	39
May 16	80	39
May 17	75	47
May 18	64	47

Precipitation was .05.