

## JOB SEEKERS ARE DISAPPOINTED

Salem, Ore.—The pie counter boys of the Republican camp are becoming impatient. The political plums are not falling as fast as they would like. No amount of shaking seems to have any effect on the Democratic incumbents who continue to sit tight in their snug berths apparently oblivious of the mob demanding their heads.

Rumor had it that as soon as Governor Sprague got the legislature out of Salem and had a chance to look about a bit he would begin reorganization of state departments over which he holds jurisdiction but apparently the governor is not going to be rushed into anything like a wholesale housecleaning. In fact he is a bit too conscientious about the responsibilities of his position to suit many of those who supported him in the hope of political reward in the form of a job on the state payroll.

Rumor that there would be no further changes in the state tax commission to make room for deserting Republicans was confirmed by the governor this week, thus blasting the hopes of at least one of the faithful who might have found a lucrative post thereon. Right on top of that announcement came another one to the effect that J. W. Ferguson is to be retained as state forester, for the time being at least. Ferguson has never been very popular with the forestry people. A Democrat, he was forced down the throat of the forestry board by Governor Martin at the outset of his administration. It had been hoped by many that he would be among the first to walk the political plank when the Republican administration took over. But apparently this is not to be the case. Ferguson's status was discussed at an executive session of the forestry board in Salem last week and it was decided that no change would be made just at this time. This, however, does not mean that Ferguson is secure in his job for another four years since he serves only at the pleasure of the board and is subject to removal at any time.

## Sprague Passes On Laws—

Of the 572 bills passed by the legislature Governor Sprague vetoed 17 and permitted 20 others to become law without his signature. Most of the latter were county salary increase bills. Of the 17 vetoed bills one involved only the veto of a few items in the miscellaneous claims bill and another involved only the veto of the emergency clause. Some of the most hotly contested measures of the session met with executive disapproval. These included the firemen's pension bill, the pilot bill, a measure regulating the practice of optometry, a bill amending the local option law, a bill providing \$9000 a year additional salaries for district attorneys, and a measure providing for compulsory inspection of motor vehicles under the supervision of the state highway department.

## U. S. Army Needs Stressed—

The United States army is still woefully lacking in necessary defense equipment such as coast artillery and anti-aircraft guns in the pinion of Brigadier General Thos. A. Rilea, commander of Oregon's 82nd brigade of national guard troops. Adequate preparedness in 1914 would have saved the lives of thousands of American boys, General Rilea declared in advocating preparedness as a precaution against war.

## Tourist Travel Drops—

Tourist registrations in Oregon for the first three months of this year are more than 1000 cars short of registrations for the same period a year ago, according to figures compiled by Secretary of State Snell. One reason for the slack tourist trade is found in the fact that many motorists from the east and middle west have delayed their western trip until the opening of the San Francisco fair which is expected to bring thousands of visitors to the west coast this year.

## Wedding Creates Interest—

Chalk up another "first" for the new capitol. Charity M. Watson and Harry Stepp were the first bride and groom to be married in Oregon's \$2,500,000 state house. Both are from Portland. The ceremony was performed at 7:00 o'clock Friday morning in the presence of a score of friends and relatives.

## CITY CLEAN-UP DAY IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 14

### CAPTAINS NAMED FOR EACH BLOCK

Friday, April 14, has been declared official clean-up day in Hermiston. All local citizens are expected to unite in an effort to clean up lawns, back yards and alleys. The spring of the year is an excellent time to discard old and useless articles, old boxes, trash of all descriptions and to "spruce up" in various ways.

The same plan which has been followed in former years will be followed Friday. A captain has been appointed for the various blocks of the city who will be responsible for his district. A suggestion from him should not be considered a rebuke but as a kindly reminder. He is only fulfilling his line of duty.

Captains of the different blocks as appointed by the clean-up committee of George Harkenrider, Curtis Simons and Sam Moore follow:

North side of Main street: Ben Conner (Main street proper), R. C. McReynolds, J. V. Villermoure, Gerald White, eKenneth Mayer, Dr. A. E. Marble, Jim Pearson, George White, Monte Hedwall, Sherman Wells, F. C. McKenzie, M. L. Watson, L. W. Burrell, F. C. Knerr, Geo. Harkenrider and Charles Wilcox. South side of Main street: Roy Hale (Main street proper), Jess Connor, Al Quiring, Julius Gimble and Gwynn Hughes. Across the track: Ben Gerking, Alton Sisson, W. W. Felthouse, Dr. F. B. Belt, Dr. W. L. Morgan, B. J. Nation and Paul Bracher.

In most cases captains have been appointed in the block in which they reside. This was done so that as little inconvenience as possible might be experienced and also because the captain would be more familiar with the surroundings. Further instructions can be obtained from the clean-up committee.

Citizens are asked to place all rubbish in boxes or sacks or any other container which is easily handled and place them in the alley behind the respective residences. This should be done Friday so that trucks can begin hauling Saturday or the first of the week. This service will be free of charge.

The committee in charge wishes to state that all papers and leaves should be burned and not placed with the rubbish to be hauled away. The state highway commission has requested that no paper or leaves be dumped as the wind blows such articles onto the highway. Citizens are asked to cooperate with the truck men in this restriction.

## NELSON IS ACCIDENT VICTIM SUNDAY

William Franklin Nelson, 54-year-old Athena farmer, was killed instantly Sunday morning when an automobile in which he was riding with his wife and 12-year-old son, skidded and plunged over an embankment 13 miles west of Pendleton on highway 30.

Mrs. Nelson and son Rodney escaped with minor injuries. They were taken to their home following the accident.

## HERMISTON HIGH SCHOOL TO ENTER MUSIC CONTEST AT LA GRANDE FRIDAY

A large sized audience enjoyed the spring music festival staged by students of Hermiston high school Tuesday night. The program was excellent throughout, and displayed much talent and fine training. A total of \$50.50 was taken in during the evening which will aid in sending the Hermiston glee clubs and band to the annual music festival to be held at the Eastern Oregon Normal in La Grande on Friday and Saturday, April 14 and 15.

The entertainment was under the able direction of S. C. Humphreys, leader of the band, and Miss Gwendolyn Ross, glee club director.

Hermiston high school will send a group of 65 students to the contest at La Grande, with 43 members in

## COMBINED CHOIRS TO PRESENT CANTATA

The Easter cantata, which was postponed because of illness of several singers, will be given Sunday evening, April 16, in the Union church at 8:00 o'clock. This will be given by the united choirs of the Pendleton Christian church and the Union church of Hermiston. It will be under the direction of Mrs. Gordon Kendall of Pendleton. Audra Carpenter of Pendleton will preside at the piano. The cantata is entitled "The Easter Victory."

Divisions of the presentation follows: Part 1. "The Day of Mourning."

1. Chorus, "Dawn After Darkness," by choir.
2. Tenor duet, "We Need Thee," Ben Gerking and Allan Clarke.
3. Chorus, "He Sleeps," choir.
4. Tenor solo, "Angels Rolled the Stone Away," Elwin Beck.
5. Tenor solo, "Fear Ye Not," Ben Gerking.

Part 2. The Day of Joy.

1. Ladies' chorus, "Morn of Joy," ladies' voices.
2. Contralto solo, Helen Vaught.
3. Bass solo, "Open Wide the Gates of Paradise," John Beck.
4. Tenor solo, "The Holy City," Ben Gerking.
5. Bass and soprano solos, "Oh Ye Believe," J. A. Clarke and Josephine Lowery.
6. Male chorus, "The Light Has Come," men's voices.
7. Final chorus, "God's Great Love," choir.

Three pantomimes will be intermingled throughout the singing of the cantata.

## PTA TO HOLD FINAL MEETING

The final monthly meeting of the Hermiston Parent-Teachers association will be held Thursday night, April 20, in the high school auditorium. Both the grade and high schools will be represented.

In addition to the regular business session, several other special features have been planned. An exhibit of the industrial art classes will be held in the school gymnasium and in the various class rooms. Work by the Manual Training, Home Economics and the various art classes will be displayed.

The public, and especially parents of the school children, are invited to attend the meeting and exhibition.

## CHILD FALLS FROM SPEEDING AUTO

A near fatal accident occurred near Hermiston Friday when Eugene Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Miller of Lexington, fell from the car while it was going approximately 50 miles an hour. In an unknown manner, he opened the rear door and was flung to the pavement.

He received several deep head cuts, with severe lacerations on his nose and face. His shoulder was badly bruised and scratched. He is a patient in the Heppner hospital where he is progressing nicely, according to latest report.

## Rankin Makes Baseball Team.

Stuart Rankin, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Rankin of Hermiston, is a member of the Rook baseball team at Oregon State college. Stuart was prominent in athletics when attending Hermiston high school.

## STAYTON MAN IS LOW BIDDER ON EXTENSION LINES

### BIDS ARE OPENED HERE WEDNESDAY

Bids on the construction of the new extension lines of about 32 miles were opened by the board of directors of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative association at its offices Wednesday forenoon. The lowest bid was from T. V. McClellan of West Stayton, Ore., at \$23,589.76. The next bids were Newport, Kern & Kibbe at \$25,961.98; Huengard Electric Co. of Portland, \$25,970.05, and Electric Smith of Spokane, \$27,024.88.

The bids were referred to Barr & Cunningham, engineers of the project, and will be sent to the national REA in Washington for approval. The lines as surveyed are located in the Boardman district, Butter Creek above Pine City, east of Echo to Nolin, in the Westland district, and a number of short stub lines along the original system.

When completed the entire system will serve all farmers in the territory, and will be within a quarter to a half mile of any new buildings that may be erected. A number of pumping plants for irrigation are expected to be developed, and approximately 800 users will be served. Construction is expected to begin soon after the bid of the successful bidder is approved.

## GLASSON VISITS OLD HOME SITE

C. R. Glasson of Florence, Colo., whose father, Wm. Glasson, was one of the first business men in Hermiston, came Monday to spend a few days in Hermiston visiting old friends. The elder Glasson, who passed away some 25 years ago, built several of the business houses on Main street.

He erected the structure, which is now Hale's Confectionery, in 1906, which was the second building to be constructed on what now is known as Main street. In 1909 he built the Glasson building which is now occupied by the Hermiston Trading Company.

The family occupied the home which is commonly known as the H. E. Shesely place.

## FISHERMEN AWAIT OPENING DATE

Local fishermen are preparing tackle for the opening day of the season on Saturday, April 15. High water conditions in several of the streams may handicap large catches for another week or so, but it is thought that several streams will be ready by Saturday.

About the best bet, according to local predictions, will be Meacham and Birch creeks and the Umatilla river, providing the water clears up somewhat in the next few days.

However, as is usually the case with the alert fisherman, pet holes and streams are not divulged until said angler has tried his luck there.

## FORMER HERMISTON MAN NOW MAYOR

Lem Winesett, young newspaper man and former resident of Hermiston, was recently elected mayor of Chadbourne, N. C., according to a paper received by W. J. Warner. Chadbourne is a town approximately the size of Hermiston. Mr. Winesett is assistant editor of the Columbus County News of that city.

Old timers in Hermiston will recall that the Winesett family at one time resided on what is now the Hanby home. The family consisted of about 10 children. Lem was a likeable chap, according to Mr. Warner. He won the mayor contest by quite a majority, indicating that he is quite popular in the North Carolina city.

## Irrigon Townsend Club To Meet

The Irrigon Townsend club will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, April 20. Following the business meeting a program will be enjoyed. Refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting.

## STREAM FLOW PROSPECTS FAVORABLE IN THIS AREA

### GRAND OPENING TO FEATURE FIRST BASEBALL GAME

F. C. McKenzie, pitching; H. A. Pankow, catching, and J. A. Clarke at the plate. Batter up. Strike one. Hermiston high will meet Helix on the local diamond next Tuesday, April 18, with the above ceremony opening the contest. The game proper will begin at 2:30 with opening ceremonies, including the Hermiston high school band, scheduled to start at 2:15.

Local business men have offered prizes for various outstanding feats during the contest. A large crowd is expected to be on hand as Hermiston has an extremely short schedule this year and this game is expected to be one of the best. Admission has been set at 10c.

Events for which prizes have been donated and the donor follow:

First hit, hair cut by Hermiston Barber Shop.

First run, 50c in trade at Hale's. First walk, two gallons of gas at Pearson's Service Station.

First stolen base, dinner at Jack's Place.

First assist, ice cream soda at Hermiston Drug Co.

First put out, dinner at O'Conner's Cafe.

First error, pants pressed at Hermiston Dry Cleaners.

First double, Wheaties by Connor's Grocery.

Most hits, bat, The Hermiston Herald.

Best fielding play, hair cut by Black & White Barber Shop.

Worst bonehead play, two cans of spinach by Smith's Grocery.

Longest hit of day, hair cut by Hermiston Barber Shop, milk shake by Thompson's Drug Store; if home run, a bat by Coach Jack Hodgson.

Hermiston lineup: Pankow, catcher; Rankin, pitcher; Knox, 1st; Mulkins, 2nd; Crampton, ss; Tiller, 3rd; Moore, cf; Cellers, lf; Marble, rf.

## LOCAL MEN GET 30 DAYS IN JAIL

Floyd Ray, Lawson Flora, George Mead and Hogan Miller of Hermiston were arrested by State Police N. A. Smith and Bert Nation Tuesday afternoon and brought before E. P. Dodd, Justice of the Peace.

They each entered a plea of guilty and were sentenced to six months in the county jail, with the requirement that they each serve 30 days in jail and released under parole for the remainder of the term pending good behavior. If the parole is broken they will be returned to jail to serve the remainder of the sentence.

## CONDON GOLFERS TO PLAY HERE SUNDAY

The first golf tournament of the year will be played Sunday when Condon will send its strong 15-man team to Hermiston to play the local aggregation. Definite information as to the strength of the visitors is not available but it is understood that several good golfers are members of the Condon group.

"Shorty" Matott named the following 15 men who will form the Hermiston team Sunday: Matott, Jim Todd, Eddie Benschel, Bill Hansen, Burl Gurdane, R. E. Jones, Walt Pearson, Jim Pearson, Curtis Simons, Walter Smith, Ed Benschel Sr., R. A. Brownson, Ralph Richards, Jack Smith and Earl Benschel.

According to Matott it is requested that a few more Hermiston golfers show up Sunday as it may be possible that Condon may send a larger group. Activities will get underway at 9:30.

## Tennis Meet Scheduled

Heppner high school tennis squad will meet Hermiston high on the local courts Wednesday afternoon, April 19. Both the boys' and girls' teams will participate.

## SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS BETTER THAN AVERAGE

Stream flow prospects and soil moisture conditions are favorable in Umatilla county compared with most other sections of the state, but water conditions are less favorable farther west and definitely bad in Wasco county.

These conclusions were reached Tuesday at the fifth in a series of Oregon water forecast meetings held at the Hermiston Experiment Station by federal and state irrigation officials. J. M. Spencer, Umatilla county watermaster, was chairman of the meeting attended by seventeen representatives of various cooperating agencies. The official forecast was compiled by R. A. Work, head of the federal-state water forecasting service.

Snow conditions in the Umatilla and Walla Walla river watersheds are materially better than last year when this region was low compared with the rest of the state. Total Umatilla river stream flow is predicted at slightly above normal and nearly 20 per cent better than last year.

The Walla Walla river flow is expected to be a little better than last year, while McKay creek will be about the same as last year, depending upon possible late spring precipitation.

McKay creek reservoir will fill again this year before the end of April and is expected to spill over from 10,000 to 15,000 acre feet. Cold Springs reservoir is full now. Ample irrigation water is thus in sight here with possibilities of some carryover into next year.

Snow supplies in areas feeding Wasco county streams are less than half of last year and conditions are foreseen somewhat similar to the bad 1934 season, particularly in the southern end of the county.

Soil moisture conditions are average or better in the eastern half of the Columbia basin, though grass on low ranges is showing lack of moisture near the surface. Higher ranges are expected to be good.

Wheat land moisture conditions are fair to good for this year's crop excepting in southern Sherman and most of Jefferson counties where

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## UMATILLA YOUTH TO APPEAR AT MEETING

A four-year-old son of Mr. Hatfield of Umatilla will be the feature of the program at the Townsend meeting to be held in the Hermiston Legion hall Friday, April 14, at 7:30 p. m. He will answer different questions relating to the Townsend plan and will discuss various matters.

Other details of the club will be brought up during the evening, and other entertainment offered. The public is cordially invited to attend any Townsend meeting.

The auxiliary meets every first and third Thursday of the month from 1:00 to 4:00 p. m. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Carter of Hermiston.

## KNERR'S CELEBRATE 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Knerr of Hermiston celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at their home Sunday afternoon. A large group was present for the dinner which was served at 1:00 o'clock. Conversation and picture taking occupied the afternoon.

Present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Villa Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Linder, Mr. and Mrs. Jens Skovbo, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Turnblad, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Brown and children, Mrs. Mason Meyers, Mrs. Bert Mullins, Mrs. J. Y. Hardy, Wilmer Inlow and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith. Besides this group the entire Knerr family except one son who resides at Pasco, Wn., was present.