

BUDGET DIRECTOR CLAMPS DOWN

SALEM—David Eccles, state budget director, is wading into his job of controlling public expenditures with a seriousness that threatens to make him decidedly unpopular with some of the tax spenders who have been accustomed to a free hand in their spending heretofore.

The bakery board, destined for dissolution in June, felt the heavy hand of the budget director this week when salary vouchers covering the services of three additional attorneys employed during February and March met with his disapproval. The budget director held that the employment of the lawyer-lobbyists was without authority. While he admits the attorneys should be paid for their services he insists that they be paid by those who retained their services and not by the state or the bakers.

Interim Committee Announced—

All sections of the state are fairly well represented on the interim committee announced this week by president of the senate, Robert M. Duncan, and Speaker E. R. Fatland, for the purpose of making a study of the problem of legislative reapportionment of the state. Multnomah county which hopes to pick up seven additional seats in the House through a re-shuffle of the membership and two or three more senate seats, is represented on the committee by Representative Harvey Wells. Eastern and Central Oregon are represented by Senator P. J. Stadelman of The Dalles and Representative Giles French of Moro. The Willamette valley is represented by Representative Eugene E. Marsh of McMinnville and southern Oregon by Senator C. W. Clark of Roseburg.

State Fights Bang's Disease—

Oregon is making real progress in its campaign to eradicate Bang's disease from its beef and dairy herds, according to J. D. Mickle, director of the state department of agriculture. More than 350,000 animals are being tested by the department annually in the fight to wipe out the disease. In 1935 more than 25,000 cattle reacted to the Bang's disease tests. Last year there were only 9000 reactors, Mickle pointed out. Western Oregon is now fairly free of the disease and efforts of the department is being concentrated on eastern Oregon.

Parole Board Pondered—

Governor Sprague is expected to announce the personnel of the new parole board this week. Gerald Mason, a member of the present board, is expected to be retained on the new board. Others being mentioned in this connection are Dr. Bruce Baxter, president of Willamette university, and Paul Wallace, Salem automobile dealer. Dr. Floyd Utter, a member of the present parole board, is understood to be seeking the job of state parole officer which carries with it a salary of \$4000 a year.

Attorneys Refused Hearing—

Relatives of prisoners in the state penitentiary are advised by the parole board against the employment of attorneys to represent the prisoners in their plea for liberation. The parole board refuses to listen to attorneys, according to Cecil Edwards, secretary to Governor Sprague.

Public Welfare Necessary—

Public welfare has become a permanent part of government just as much as the school system, according to Elmer Goudy, administrator of the Oregon public welfare commission. While a return of prosperity would materially lighten the relief load it wouldn't eliminate the problem presented by the employables, the needy aged and others who are dependent upon others for support.

Unemployment Payments Large—

A total of \$625,181 was paid out in unemployment compensation to jobless men and women in Oregon during March. This represents an increase of approximately 20 per cent over the payments for February, a report by the commission shows.

Drunken Drivers Fined—

Thirty-seven drunken drivers arrested by state police during March were sentenced to an aggregate of 1346 days in jail and to pay fines totalling \$2561.

CITY COUNCIL REFUSES 25-YEAR POWER FRANCHISE

VOTE UNANIMOUS WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The Hermiston city council Wednesday night, by a unanimous vote, refused to renew a 25-year power franchise to the Hermiston Light & Power Co. The matter had been pending since the last meeting and was disposed of after considerable discussion Wednesday evening. No definite term franchise was suggested and the matter was laid on the table until a later date.

Delegations were present at the meeting from the R. E. A., the U. M. F. P. Bureau and the P. U. D. All looked with disfavor on a long term contract and stated various reasons for their opinions. It was garnered from their statements, however, that they would be in favor for a short-term franchise.

Also present at the meeting was B. M. Thompson of Boise, Idaho, vice president of the Hermiston Light & Power Co. and John Clarke, local manager. Each spoke in favor of the longer period contract but intimated that they would approve a shorter term if so desired by the consumers of this locality. It was brought up that nearby cities were under long-term contracts under similar set-ups.

Other business during the evening concerned the arrangements for PWA labor to start May 8, the refusal of the city of Hermiston to purchase several lots in the city limits from the county and an arrangement to provide for water usage at the Hermiston fairground race track for the coming derby and fair.

JIM STUART DRAWS PRAISE FROM COACH

Jim Stuart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stuart of Hermiston, is creating quite a bit of notoriety at the University of Oregon this spring for his showing in spring football training. "Big Jim" broke into the regular starting lineup late last fall in his sophomore year and has been performing capably ever since.

Vaughn Corley, new line coach at the university, had this to say about Stuart: "That big boy sure looks like the goods to me. He never takes a backward step." Stuart has been changed to left tackle during spring season and will be used there when school opens next September.

PANKOW TO HEAD STUDENT BODY

Don Pankow, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pankow, was elected president of the Hermiston high school student body at the annual election Wednesday afternoon. Harry Connor will be the new vice president.

Other officers follow: Marion Pierce, secretary; treasurer, Joyce McCulley; Bulldog editor, Bill Belt; yell king, Kenneth Bessel; yell queen, Barbara Moore; ident judges, Henry Sommerer and Audrey Null.

LOCAL GOLFERS WIN 26 TO 22 POINTS OVER CONDON GROUP; RETURN MATCH SLATED

Hermiston golfers eked out a narrow victory over Condon on the local course Sunday. The final score read 26 to 22 for the local tee artists, with the final scores deciding the issue. Old man par wasn't broken during the day but Guild of Condon shot a par 36 on his second round to take a clean-cut victory over Todd, his opponent of Hermiston. Matott scored a 79 to win low honor on the Hermiston team.

The day was ideal for good golf and several other fine cards were turned in. A return engagement will be arranged at a later date.

Participants, scores and points won follow:

Player	1st	2nd	Pts.
Guild, Condon	38	36	3
Todd, Herm.	43	41	0
Eaton, Condon	42	40	1 1/2
Matott, Herm.	39	40	2 1/2
Hollen, Sr., Condon	40	41	2 1/2

SUNDAY TO BE OPEN HOUSE AT STANFIELD CAMP

Umatilla county residents will have opportunity again this spring to witness the efforts being made to train and prepare CCC boys for useful citizenship and view the work they are doing in soil conservation by visiting the CCC camp at Stanfield, Sunday, April 23, 1:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m. An "open house" display will be opened to the public, it is announced by camp superintendent J. R. Chenault.

The plans include a tour of the camp and a display of the work being done by the soil conservation service. Refreshments will be served according to Mr. Chenault, who, in cooperation with Lt. Bell, commanding officer, welcomes the attendance of interested groups and individuals.

This year's open house will commemorate the sixth anniversary of the CCC movement. The camp at Stanfield has been in operation for the past six months, assisting local farmers in establishing practical measures to conserve their soil, under guidance of soil conservation service technicians.

Principal accomplishments of the camp include tree plantings for windbreaks, brush fences for land blow control, fences for controlled grazing, improved irrigation systems, stream bank protection, and the construction of fire breaks on range land.

WPA PROJECT TO START MAY 8

Preliminary work on the new approved WPA project for Hermiston will begin May 8, according to Mayor F. C. McKenzie. City water mains will receive first attention with other work to follow.

Approximately 10 men will be employed on that date and will be under the supervision of H. A. Pankow, city water superintendent.

OIL COMPANY SEEKS MOORING PIER

The Standard Oil Co. of California has filed an application to the office of the district engineer at Bonneville, Oregon, for a permit to construct a mooring pier, a submarine pipeline and a submarine cable in the Columbia river near Umatilla. The application came from the Portland office of the Standard Oil Co.

Maps showing the exact location and extent of the proposed work are on file at the office of the Bonneville district engineer, U. S. department, and have not been released locally.

Extension Club Meets Tuesday

Another meeting of the Hermiston Home Extension unit will be held Tuesday, April 25, at the Bert Quick home. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a. m. with "Spring Salads" as the main subject of discussion. A demonstration and discussion will be held on the preparation of a variety of salads, suitable for spring time. Ideas for simple garnishes, the place of salads in the diet, and how to build a menu around the salad will also be brought up.

PLANS PROGRESSING FOR SECOND ANNUAL HERMISTON DERBY

NEW FEATURES TO PEP UP RACES

Plans are progressing rapidly for the second annual Hermiston Derby, according to the Derby committee consisting of Ben Conner, Jack Smith and Harold Thompson. The dates have been set for Saturday and Sunday, May 27 and 28, and the races will be held at the Hermiston fair grounds.

These dates will follow the Waltsburg, Wn., races and will precede the Union stock show dates. It is expected that horses will be entered from much of eastern Oregon, and because of the convenient dates better horses will be available. It is planned to run off the races in rapid order and the program will be spiced with other special attractions.

A new feature of the Derby will be the installation of parmutuel betting. This is expected to be an added incentive for a larger crowd and more interest.

In order to aid in financing preliminary details two dances have been scheduled. The first will be held Saturday, April 29, and the second two weeks later, May 13. Both dances are to be held in the Hermiston park hall and music will be furnished by the popular Troubadours.

Posters for the Derby have been printed and are being distributed this week throughout Eastern Oregon by the committee members.

YOUNG PEOPLE GO TO C. E. CONVENTION

A group of approximately 12 young people, accompanied by Rev. C. Warner, and Mrs. Ralph Saylor, left Thursday morning for Salem where they will attend the annual state Christian Endeavor convention to be held there from April 29 to 23. The local contingent has taken an active part in the state convention in the last few years.

The theme for this year's meeting will be "My Best for Christ."

UMATILLA RIVER SURVEY PLANNED

Reports issued from Washington, D. C., last week indicated that the government is planning to reopen investigations along the Umatilla river in the vicinity of Pendleton to determine the feasibility of incorporating flood control with irrigation development. Officials said previous surveys of a project for flood control only had shown the cost out of proportion with the benefits.

The investigation is being undertaken pursuant to a resolution introduced by Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon.

Waterman Wins Recognition

Vernon Waterman, son of Mrs. Rena Waterman of Hermiston, who is music supervisor at Ritzville, Wn., received recognition last week when some of his music students were chosen to represent that state in the national music contest to be held in Portland some time in May. Mr. Waterman's sextet and two solo contestants were chosen at the state tryouts which were held in Cheney, Wn. The sextet received a superior rating.

Four-H Clubs Meet Tuesday

The Hermiston 4-H Sheep and Calf clubs met in the office of M. E. Knickerbocker, assistant county agent, Tuesday evening. J. H. Hunt is leader of the former and Kenneth Bessel is leader of the Calf club. During the Sheep club meeting Francis Madison made a report on Ram-bouillet sheep and Eugene Rugg reported on Hampshire sheep. Irene and Wilbur Hunt will make reports at the next meeting. All members were present.

Examiner to be Here April 27

C. M. Bentley, examiner of operators and chauffeurs, will be in Hermiston Thursday, April 27, at the City Library between the hours of 11 a. m. to 4 p. m., 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 these hours.

UMATILLA DAM RECEIVES 10-5 VOTE OF COMMITTEE

HELIX BASEBALL TEAM WINS OVER HERMISTON NINE

Helix high school won an up and down battle from Hermiston high on the local diamond Tuesday afternoon. The final score read 10 to 9, after the count had knotted several times during the contest, with the score reading 9-9 after the end of the regular seven innings. A three base swat and a clean sacrifice in the Helix half of the extra session spelled defeat for Coach Hodgson's men.

The contest had an auspicious opening when Mayor McKenzie struck out John Clarke with H. A. Pankow behind the plate. The pitcher was aided considerably by the blindness of Stearns Cushing, umpire.

Helix opened up with a three base hit and scored a minute later on a fly. The next batter smashed a single but was caught napping on first. Hermiston failed to dent rubber in its half of the inning.

Rankin, starting Hermiston moundsman, struck out three Helix batters in the first half of the second. Hermiston came right back to take its only lead of the tilt when Pankow hit a terrific home run to right field to score Sellers ahead of him.

Helix scored two more in the third inning on a walk and two hits to again take the lead. Hermiston failed to score in this session.

Helix went down 1, 2, 3 in the first of the fourth and the locals countered with the same performance.

Moore replaced Rankin on the mound for Hermiston in the fifth inning. He allowed one run on a hit and a wild pitch. Hermiston scored twice in its half on a hit on error, and singles by Knox and Rankin.

Knox took the mound for Hermiston in the sixth. He was greeted (Continued on page 2)

TWO SEATTLE MEN DRAW FINES HERE

Hurst Holden Edgeli and William John Luma, both of Seattle, Wn., were picked up by state police near Umatilla Sunday night on a drunken charge. They were brought before Justice of the Peace E. P. Dodd Monday and were fined \$15.00 each and court costs. The fines were paid and the men released.

The couple was picked up by police on the state highway near Umatilla where the car in which they were riding was lying in the ditch with the men asleep inside.

B. R. I. Club Holds Meeting

The Royal Room Improvement club held its third meeting at the H. J. Ott home Thursday, April 13. All members were present at the meeting at which the various rooms were discussed as a project. Joyce McCulley read a letter from Mr. Holt on safe driving on highways. Jelly rolls and punch were served during the refreshment hour. The next meeting will be held at the home of J. J. Knox on May 29.

WEATHER REPORT

The following is the weather report for the week ending Wednesday, April 19, according to Charles Taylor, local weather observer.

April 13	58	39
April 14	72	27
April 15	69	43
April 16	70	30
April 17	78	34
April 18	87	39
April 19	82	34

Hermiston Wins Tennis Meet

Hermiston high tennis aggregation defeated Heppner high on the local courts Wednesday afternoon four matches to two. Hermiston won the girls' singles, girls' doubles, men's doubles and No. 1 men's singles. The visitors won the men's singles and the No. 2 boys' doubles. A dual meet will be held with Umatilla Tuesday, April 25. The local contingent will go to Heppner Thursday, April 27.

FAVORABLE VOTE CONSIDERED AS GOOD OMEN

The proposed Umatilla rapids navigation dam on the Columbia river received new "life" Tuesday when the house rivers and harbors committee approved by a vote of 10 to 5 a bill to authorize construction of a \$23,700,000 dam near Umatilla between Oregon and Washington. The dam would be one of the key structures in a project designed to permit commercial navigation on the Columbia and Snake rivers as far inland as Lewiston, Idaho.

First authentic news of the approval came Tuesday afternoon by way of a telegram to E. P. Dodd from Chas. L. McNary. Another telegram came Wednesday which follows: "Committee voted favorably to report Umatilla dam 10 to 5. To Angell goes the full credit of getting committee consideration. Hill and Pierce made very strong statements and their work in getting out votes along with Angell made success possible. Next step is to offer this bill as a committee amendment to the general bill reported previously."

Neither the bill approved Tuesday nor the omnibus bill, previously approved by the committee, would provide any money to carry out the work. This could be done under a later appropriation bill.

Different members of the committee who favored the dam urged that the bill be accepted at the present time to provide cheap water transportation, provide relief to farmers and to force down freight rates. The project was described as the "missing link" in the chain of channel development of the Columbia to accelerate river transportation.

STUDENTS COMPETE AT LA GRANDE MEET

A group of 65 Hermiston high school students and instructors journeyed to La Grande Friday where they participated in the annual festival which was held this year in connection with the Eastern Oregon Band and Orchestra contest. The trip was made in one of O. O. Felthouse's buses and several private cars. The excursion was under the supervision of Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen.

Although the local contingent did not participate in the contests, they did take part in the festival where no judging was attempted. However, critics will rate the different representatives as to performance. This rating has not been received to date. The glee club made an excellent showing and the band compared favorably with other entrants.

PWA PROGRAM REPORT FILED

The greatest PWA program in the history of the northwest enters the best construction season approximately 15 per cent completed, fifteen months ahead of the schedule fixed by law, according to reports forwarded to Public Works Administrator Harold L. Ickes by the PWA regional office.

Work on nearly all projects throughout the region progressed satisfactorily during the winter months, but the construction pace has speeded up with the arrival of spring and the program is expected to reach its peak, with maximum employment, early in the summer.

Hotel Undergoes Changes

The Hermiston Hotel, under the ownership of Jarvis Durfee, has completed some more improvements and remodeling the past few weeks. The entire third floor is now ready for business with the installation of new beds, new linoleum and a new kalsomining job.

Heppner Jaunt Slated Soon

Hermiston high school will send its baseball and tennis teams to Heppner next Thursday, April 27, for a combination sports event. These teams are keen rivals whenever they meet on the athletic fields.