

POLITICS LULL IN

SALEM—Political activity in Salem is at a standstill. There are still several major appointments to be made by Gov. Charles A. Sprague, but he is taking his time studying them.

Of most interest at the present time is appointment of a successor to Arthur K. McMahan as a member of the state liquor control commission.

McMahan resigned many weeks ago but no successor has been chosen.

Other appointments pending are of the various members of county relief committees, which since the last legislature are known as Public Welfare committees.

Misbranding Trick Disclosed—

One of the "most flagrant examples of misbranding the department has come across in several months" has been unearthed and disposed of by the state department of agriculture.

Harry Franklin Gardner was arrested near Albany charged with misbranding food flavoring. He had been selling "lemon extract", which he said was triple strength.

Department investigators said that instead of triple strength the stuff was not even single strength, and was of no value whatever in flavoring foods.

Gardner was fined \$50 and costs, and 55 small bottles and three 10-gallon jugs of the fluid were seized.

Supreme Court Building Remodeled—

The state supreme court building, oldest of the capitol group, will be remodelled during July while the court is on vacation.

The work will cost \$25,000. Before the new state library building was completed a few months ago, the library was on the ground floor of the court building.

On the same floor was the attorney general's office and the superintendent of public instruction.

Pilot Rock Women Honored—

Two women who remained at their telephone switchboards during a flood were awarded Vail medals for bravery, the presentation by Gov. Charles Sprague in his offices here.

The women were Mrs. Maud Gilbert, chief operator, and Miss Erlene Gilliland, operator, who were credited with warning the people of Pilot Rock that a cloud burst was on the way June 22, 1938.

The Vail medal is in honor of the founder of the American Telephone and Telegraph company.

Radio Used In Forest Work—

The state forestry service is experimenting with short-wave radio as a means of fighting forest fires.

Installation of 13 sets in various parts of Curry county gives fighting forces a more mobile range, and will allow CCC crews to be rushed to danger areas much faster than in the past.

State Forester J. W. Ferguson has predicted a brilliant future for the new method of fire control.

1939 Fuel Taxes Higher—

Secretary of State Earl Snell estimates an income to the state from motor vehicle fuels taxes greater by \$600,000 than that taken in 1938.

A survey shows that already this year taxes have been \$4,386,260, an increase of \$252,991 over the "take" for the same period in 1938.

Liquor Commission Shows Profit—

The state liquor control commission allocated \$2,188,846 to public assistance during the first five months of this year, a report shows. During May alone the commission made a net profit of \$199,413.

Heavy Hop Crop Predicted—

Warm weather following a long rainy spell has decreased the threat to hop crops from mildew, county inspectors have reported. A survey shows promise of one of the heaviest hop crops in recent years, with a fairly good price predicted.

SHAW BAKERY TRUCK HITS POLE

The Hermiston Bakery truck was overturned Tuesday evening a short distance this side of Boardman. John Henry Nye, driver, was not seriously injured, but suffered some bruises and dislocated an ankle.

The truck, however, was considerably damaged by contact with a telephone pole.

HALE ROBBER IS CAUGHT WITH GOODS IN HIS POSSESSION

CALMLY ATTENDS SHOW IN HERMISTON

The arm of the law didn't have to reach very far this week when Jack Rogers (alias Davis) virtually walked into a trap set by local officers. He was arrested Tuesday evening after attending a show in Hermiston. Rogers hails from Clymer, Pa., and is 26 years of age.

Local officers had received word Tuesday of the license plates seen here the night of the robbery. The license plates had been discarded and replaced by a set stolen from a Pendleton car. The car bearing the latter numbers was spotted Tuesday evening on Gladys Avenue by Night Officer Bert Nation.

Aid was called in from Pendleton and County Sheriff R. E. Goad, State Sergeant "Shorty" Foster and other officers answered to the call. With the aid of H. A. Pankow, Hermiston day officer, the officers waited for the car owner's return. It was around midnight when he approached the car, and he surrendered to the officers peacefully, although carrying an automatic pistol under one arm.

He had in his possession a part of the rifles, ammunition and money stolen from Roy Hale's store June 19. Rogers is being held in the Pendleton jail on a larceny charge.

MYRON NATION TO WORK AS GUARD

Myron "Babe" Nation, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Nation of Hermiston, will begin work the first of the week as a guard at the state prison in Salem. Nation had put in an application only a week prior before his appointment.

He has been employed the past four years with the Union Pacific Railroad as night clerk. Billy Nation, another son of B. J. Nation, is working at the railroad job at the present.

RUBY McMILLAN TO SELL OUT STOCK

Miss Ruby McMillan, who has operated a dress shop in Hermiston for the past two years, will sell out all her stock and fixtures at a sale beginning Saturday. In order to clear out all of her merchandise, Miss McMillan has remarked all of her merchandise. An ad telling of the particulars appears in this issue.

Miss McMillan has not given any indication as to her future plans but will not re-enter the dress business.

GOLF MEMBERS TO MEET FRIDAY NIGHT

Members of the Hermiston golf club will meet Friday night on the local course for a round of golf and a pot luck dinner. Play will begin any time after five o'clock and the dinner will follow.

If enough interest is shown it will be made a regular feature, meeting each Friday evening.

MANY LOCAL CITIZENS TO ATTEND FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION AT ECHO

Most of the Fourth of July celebration in this territory will be centered this year at Echo where a well rounded program has been prepared. Activities will begin at 10:00 o'clock and will close with a dance and a feature picture show in the evening. No celebration of any type has been planned in Hermiston.

Sports and races for children and adults and a jitterbug contest on wheels will feature the morning program at Echo. A community picnic at the school yard, sponsored by the Grange, will be held at noon. Dr. Carl Thompson of the Bonneville dam staff and several other speakers have been obtained.

Echo and the Mission Indians will clash in a baseball game in the afternoon. A softball tilt between Pendleton Coca Cola and Echo Sage-

Mrs. Smith Not Coming.

The proposed visit of Mrs. U. G. Smith of Tangent, state president of Garden clubs, was called off at the last minute. She had originally planned to be here Saturday, and plans had been completed for a reception. No future plans were received by Mrs. F. B. Belt, local club president.

HOT WEATHER IN PROSPECT HERE

Local residents who have been wiping their brows the past few days should be pleased to note that temperatures have been running cooler than last year except for Wednesday's 101. Contrary to popular opinion, the mean temperature of May was four degrees warmer than in 1938. The mean of 1938 was 61 while 64 was recorded this year, according to Charles Taylor, local weather man.

The following is the weather report for the week of June 22 to 28, 1938:

	Max.	Min.
June 22	88	67
June 23	95	64
June 24	96	64
June 25	95	65
June 26	93	60
June 27	93	59
June 28	97	60

The following is the report for this week:

	Max.	Min.
June 22	89	51
June 23	86	54
June 24	77	52
June 25	82	46
June 26	87	49
June 27	91	55
June 28	101	56

WORK STARTS ON NEW EXTENSION

Work has been commenced on the new extension of the rural electric line by the contractor, T. Y. McClellan. A crew of men is digging holes on the Butter Creek section, and offices have been opened in the Consolidated building in Hermiston. William Trommerhausen of the REA was here Monday to check over the lines and H. S. Burden, of the firm Barr & Cunningham, engineers, also spent Monday and Tuesday here.

It is expected that the entire work will be completed within 60 days, and the several sections of the extension will be energized as soon as the wiring of houses is completed.

SATURDAY BAND CONCERT ARRANGED

The second of a series of Saturday night band concerts by the Hermiston Union high school band will be presented Saturday night on the high school lawn. The first concert was given several weeks ago and proved very popular with music lovers.

The program will begin at 8:00 o'clock and with the warm evenings a large crowd is expected to be on hand. G. C. Humphreys directs the band and is attempting to keep his musicians in trim for next winter.

LaHue Raises Excellent Wheat

M. O. LaHue of Helix was in Hermiston Thursday displaying a "bouquet" of Federation wheat raised on his ranch. Long, full sized heads indicates that he will have a good yield in spite of the dry weather.

SECOND SAGE FIRE THOUGHT SET BY PASSING AUTOIST

FLAMES SPREAD RAPIDLY IN WIND

A second sage fire, exactly two weeks from the first, caused considerable excitement Wednesday noon. The fire was started by a carelessly thrown firecracker by a passing motorist. A license number was obtained and efforts are being made to locate the offenders.

The flames spread rapidly from the highway and extended west to the road leading to the experiment farm past the Harold Rankin home. The entire area between these two points and the A line and feed canal was burned. One corner of the cemetery was damaged by the flames.

Prompt action by helpful neighbors and the Hermiston fire department probably saved further damage when the fire burned all around the Rankin turkey house. The sage is getting quite dry and flames and smoke could be seen for many miles. An alarm was sounded in Hermiston.

Approximately 150 acres was covered Wednesday. Although no immediate damage resulted the ever-present danger of sand blows will be greatly aggravated. The fire two weeks ago began near the highway on the Beebe place and extended west to the experiment station and south. This covered a total of approximately 1000 acres and did some damage to a stand of Indian rice.

CUSHING RETURNED AS LOCAL PASTOR

Rev. and Mrs. Stearns Cushing Jr. and daughter Charlene returned to Hermiston Tuesday evening after spending the past week in Forest Grove and Salem. The Cushings attended the meeting of the Oregon annual conference of the Methodist church. The conference was a highlight in history as it brought together the three groups of Methodism in Oregon.

The spiritual tone of the conference was kept high by the fine devotional addresses of Bishop Brown, the new resident officer of the area. Mr. Cushing served again on the secretarial staff and on the committee on Christian citizenship. Mr. Cushing was returned to the Hermiston pastorate for another year.

OASIS THEATRE HAS AMATEUR PROGRAMS

The Oasis Theatre of Hermiston has inaugurated a program whereby amateurs of Hermiston and adjoining territory will be featured every Wednesday night. This plan was used several years ago and proved quite popular.

Those interested in appearing on the programs are asked to sign for in advance so that details can be arranged.

COUNCIL MEETS FRIDAY NIGHT

At a regular meeting of the Hermiston city council Friday night the granting of a two-year franchise to the Hermiston Light & Power Co. was passed for the first reading. The proposed ordinance is being published in this week's issue of The Herald. Other business discussed included the clearing of titles of numerous lots in Hermiston. This step will be taken in order that title insurance may be obtained.

E. L. Jackson Re-elected

E. L. Jackson was re-elected as a director of Hermiston Union high school at the annual election held on Monday. A very small vote was cast which might indicate that local citizens are well pleased with the present affairs of the school organization.

School Buses Await Opening Bell

As far as the Hermiston school buses are concerned, the opening bell can be sounded any time now. Oren Felthouse, owner, has given his vehicles a new coat of paint and repaired them otherwise. A bright orange color make a glistening effect in the sun.

ANNUAL DAIRY - PASTURE DAY TO BE HELD SATURDAY

COUNTY FAIR NEW NAME CHOSEN FOR HERMISTON SHOW

The annual Umatilla Project Fair held in Hermiston each year will hereafter be known as the Umatilla County Fair. This was established Monday night at a meeting of the county board in Pendleton. It is expected that a larger show will result with an extensive increase in 4-H display.

Members of the board who voted to rename the fair includes Mrs. Lon Etter of Pilot Rock, Charles Smiley of Fruitdale and Thomas Fraser of Hermiston.

A meeting of the fair board has been called for tonight (Thursday) to decide the details of the Hermiston show.

HOG STEALERS ARRESTED HERE

Collis McGraw, 19, of Chicago, Bernard Hewgley, 18, Fairview, and Leon D. Waldrich, 32, from the east, were arrested in Hermiston Tuesday by local officers. The trio was reported to have stolen a hog from A. E. Thompson of Riverside, near Pendleton.

According to the officers, the men had stolen the hog Saturday and had killed it and hid it in the Umatilla river near Stanfield. After butchering it the next day they set off to look for work in the pea harvest fields.

Tire trouble held them up in Hermiston where they were caught. A portion of the pork was found in their possession. They are being held in the Pendleton jail.

Y. P. RUTHERFORD

Funeral services were held in Arlington Sunday in the Methodist church for Y. P. Rutherford, who died Thursday at his home at Stanfield. Rev. Robert Berger of Boardman officiated.

Yancy Parker Rutherford was born May 13, 1861, in Shelby county, Ind. He married Alma Morris, September 6, 1883. They came West to Washington in 1891 and in 1913 moved to Arlington, where they lived a number of years. They later moved to Boardman and from there to Stanfield. Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary September 6, 1938, at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Greta Blain, at Bingen, Wn.

He is survived by his widow, Alma of Stanfield; two daughters, Mrs. Blain and Glenna Wristen, Brentwood, Cal., a son, Frank of Stanfield; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Azee Lemon, Seattle, and two brothers, Chris of Pe Ell, Wn., and Veri of Raymond, Wn. All were present at the funeral.

Pallbearers were Geo. Wicklander of Boardman, Harry Wessel of Hermiston and Roy Kunsman, Frank Marvel, Charles Wetherell and Henry Schieven of Arlington.

Relatives from out of town attending the services were: Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Walker of Klickitat, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lewis of Yakima; Mr. and Mrs. Nelson of Castle Rock, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. Wittle of Seattle; Mrs. Hulet of Lebam, Klint; Rutherford of Nalpee and Claude Blane of Portland.

PRIDDY - VAN SCHOIACK

Of interest to local friends was the marriage of Miss Lois Priddy and Delbert Van Schoiack, both of Umatilla, at Walla Walla, Wn., Saturday at 2:00 o'clock. Mrs. Van Schoiack is employed at O'Conner's Cafe while Mr. Van Schoiack works for the Sand & Gravel Co. at Umatilla.

The couple is residing in the Cronk apartments in Hermiston.

Journal Writer Stops Here.

Hyman Cohen, commercial editor of the Portland Journal, stopped at the Herald office a short time Monday. He is on an annual tour of the country getting crop statistics and other information for the Journal. He reported that the wheat crop was better than expected and that the alfalfa in the Heppner district was very good.

OREGON STATE MEN TO APPEAR ON PROGRAM

Plans have been completed for the annual dairy and pasture day to be held Saturday at the Umatilla Field Station. Present at the meeting will be a group of professors from Oregon State college who will be returning from the National Dairy Science association meeting at Pullman.

Original plans called for a tour of various farms where different types of pastures as well as dairy management practices could be viewed and discussed but due to the fact that this group of men could only be present for a short time it was decided to concentrate on the work being done at the experiment farm.

Farmers will have an unusual opportunity to meet and talk with all of the members of the Corvallis dairy instructional staff. Those in attendance will be Professor P. M. Brandt, head of the department of Animal Husbandry, and Professors Jones, Ewalt and Wilster of the Dairy Department.

Farmers and their families will assemble at the Field Station at 10:30 a. m. From then until noon a short tour will be made of the dairy barn, pasture trials, and other fields of particular interest to farmers. At noon a picnic lunch will be held on the station lawn. Visitors are asked to bring cups and table service. Coffee will be furnished by the Westland and Columbia granges.

Professor Jones will discuss the importance of winter succulents in the dairy ration. He will be followed by Professor Wilster, who will talk on the new cream grading laws. Professors Brandt and Ewalt will discuss some of the recent findings of the National Dairy Science association.

Details for the day have been in charge of H. J. Ott, Don Sherwood, H. K. Dean and M. E. Knickerbocker.

UMATILLA COUNTY PIONEER EXPIRES

For the second time this year the Wattenburger home has been saddened by death. William J. Wattenburger, 78, prominent pioneer of Echo, died of heart disease Sunday, five months after the death of his wife.

Mr. Wattenburger was in Pendleton Saturday and successfully passed the test for his driver's license. Sunday at 2 a. m. he awakened his daughter, Ina, and complained of difficulty in breathing and asked that the doctor be called. He lived about half an hour after Dr. Marbut arrived.

While members of his family knew Mr. Wattenburger was subject to a heart attack, his sudden death came as a severe shock to them and to his many friends. Since the death of his wife, Lizzie, January 27, he has constantly mourned her. He accompanied his daughter, Miss Ina Wattenburger, to Oakland, Calif., where she teaches school, and visited the San Francisco fair with her, returning to Echo June 21 with Miss Ina and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Esselstyn.

Mr. Wattenburger leaves five daughters, Mrs. C. B. Green of Stanfield; Mrs. H. H. Stapish of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. M. E. Esselstyn of Pendleton and Mrs. Harry Andrews and Miss Ina Wattenburger of Echo; two brothers, S. W. Wattenburger of Lakeport, Cal., and A. E. Wattenburger of Butler Creek; a sister, Mrs. Ollie Nellie of Heppner; 11 (Continued on page 5)

Mayers Return from Vacation Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mayer returned to their respective positions this week following a two weeks vacation trip spent in various parts of the country. They visited with relatives in Lebanon and Portland, and fished in East Lake and the Deschutes. The fishing was quite good at the lake. They encountered some snow in the trip over the mountains to Dunsuir. They visited the fair at San Francisco where they spent a short time with Mrs. E. P. Dodd.