

MRS. H. SOMMERER WINS INDIVIDUAL FARM DISPLAY

Mrs. H. M. Sommerer of the Columbia district won the individual farm display for the second consecutive year at this year's fair. Her booth was characterized by an excellent array of various farm and garden products and created a great deal of interest among fair goers. The Pendleton Chamber of Commerce awards a trophy to the best individual display.

In the same competition J. R. Anson of Stanfield was second and Joe Cooney of Hermiston was third.

The three displays were indicative of the possibilities that lie in eastern Oregon soil.

CURTIS DYER HAS ONE IN A MILLION COW AT LOCAL FAIR

Rua's Tormentor Peaches, 12 year old cow owned by Curtis Dyer of Hermiston, drew quite a lot of attention among dairymen at the fair this week. A display head reading "One In A Million" was attached above the stall. This animal has a lifetime record of 4,036.6 pounds of butterfat and has produced four heifers who have produced in excess of 400 pounds of butterfat per year, according to C. T. A. records.

Rua's Tormentor Peaches will be 13 years old November 13 and has recently produced her 11th calf. Mr. Dyer is quite proud of his cow.

WESTLAND GRANGE WINS FIRST PLACE

First prize and a cash award of \$40 went to the Westland Grange when winners were announced Tuesday at the county fair. Greenfield Grange of Boardman came in a close second and it took several minutes of debate before the decision was made. From the judges' viewpoint, only one fault was found with the Westland display, that being an artificial ceiling which was made of crepe paper. However, for variety, number, arrangement and quality of products it held a slight edge over second place winner, Ed. C. Dunning is master of the winning grange.

Columbia Grange of Hermiston was awarded third place with Stanfield and Echo winning fourth and fifth respectively.

The grange booths this year showed a decided improvement over former years, especially in the arrangement. The grange exhibits were a large part of the show in the farm produce building. Competition was keen with plans already launched for a better display next year.

GARDEN CLUB HAS LARGE FAIR LIST

The Hermiston Garden club had a fine display of flowers at the county fair. The entire east wall of the dance hall building was lined with exhibits, numbering over 40 individual entries. Mrs. F. C. McKenzie and Mrs. F. B. Belt were in general charge.

The list of prize winners follows: Best general display: Mrs. Bert Nation, Mrs. Joe Udey, Mrs. W. G. Rodda. Most artistic vase: Bill Logan, Mrs. H. Garbardin, Mrs. Grace Logan. Miniature display: Mrs. Chas. Taylor, Grace Harvey, Mrs. Gerald White. Cactus dahlias: Mrs. A. W. Turnblad. Decorative dahlias: Mrs. S. L. Carson, Mrs. H. Garbardin, Mrs. Jim Todd.

Zinnia: Mrs. S. L. Carson, Mrs. Ed Benschel, Mrs. Grace Logan. Gladiolus: Mrs. W. J. Kennings, Mrs. F. C. McKenzie, Mrs. J. Udey. Asters, James Boylen, Peggy Todd, Mrs. Joe Udey. Snapdragons: Mrs. S. L. Carson, Mrs. Bert Nation. Roses: Mrs. H. T. Fraser, Mrs. F. C. McKenzie, Mrs. Grace Logan.

PIERCE PREDICTS DAM NEXT YEAR

During a brief address at the fair Wednesday, Congressman Walter M. Pierce stated that eastern lawmakers had defeated the proposed Umatilla rapids dam at this year's session but predicted that construction would get underway next year.

He also commented on the rural electrification project as now operating in Hermiston and stated that a power line from Pasco to Pendleton was among the proposed projects. He said that the line, if constructed, would go into Pendleton via Hermiston.

PAGEANT PARADE PROVES POPULAR WEDNESDAY A. M.

RELIGIOUS FLOAT WINS FIRST PLACE

An attempt to portray the higher ideals of life was the general theme of the first part of the pageant parade Wednesday morning. The procession thrilled the throngs which lined the streets with a loudspeaker describing the various floats as they passed by.

Religion, a float portraying a prayer for peace, was awarded first place. The final decision was made after considerable debate by the judges, but was accorded the highest rating because of the extremely timely subject when the world is praying for peace.

The American Legion float, "Our Country", was rated second because of its excellent theme and arrangement. The Commercial club float depicting Hermiston as a bright spot in a desert scene placed third. A miniature tank farm float entered by the City of Umatilla was rated fourth and received considerable comment from the crowd.

Entries by the Hermiston Garden club and a purebred Jersey cow symbolizing "foster-motherhood of the human race" came in for honorable mention.

In the business entrants Roy Hale's Sporting Goods float showing a boat about ready to push out for a fishing trip was rated first by the judges. A beautiful float entered by the Westland Grange placed second and Ruby Knight's entry third. The latter float was a realistic basket of flowers and won the plaudits of the spectators.

Among other attractions were entries by the Farm Bureau Cooperative, Hutchison gardens, loads of wheat and hay, a watermelon float by Ed Schell, Triple A, Wool Growers' auxiliary, SCS of Stanfield, education and many others.

Pendleton Round Up was represented by a group of 77 mounted men and women headed by Queen Barbara Fitzpatrick. Fairest Farmerette Eleanor Kent and Farmerettes Fern Groth of Milton and Mary Elizabeth Walker of Waitsburg rode in the parade representing Walla Walla.

The entire procession was interesting from beginning to end.

TOWNSEND FLASHES

By Mrs. Joe Udey

Calling all those interested in the Townsend plan to a picnic Sunday, September 3, at 1:00 p. m. at the L. W. Dixon home in the Columbia district to honor the 5th birthday of the Townsend movement. Bring your own basket of lunch. Coffee will be served by the auxiliary ladies. Chas. Despain of Pendleton will give us more highlights on the Townsend plan.

The date of the next regular meeting has been changed from September 8 to Saturday, September 9. At this time Chas. W. Wetteman, national representative from Oregon, will give a vocafilm program entitled "It Can Be Done." This is not a moving picture but as the lecture proceeds by transcription, the screen shows the characters while speaking.

HERMISTON GARDEN CLUB TO SPONSOR FALL FLOWER SHOW ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

The County Fair marked the beginning of a continuous line of fall activities. One week from today, Friday, September 8, the Hermiston Garden club will sponsor a Fall Flower Show. The spacious gymnasium of the Hermiston Union high school will provide ample room for the many lovely flower arrangements, to be entered in the show.

The spring show was beautiful, resulting from an able committee and perfect cooperation from community people in bringing displays, but this Autumn show is to be "bigger and better" in every way.

Mrs. Vera Doyle, as general chairman, and her corps of assistants, are making every preparation for a colorful event.

STORES TO CLOSE ON LABOR DAY

Following the usual custom all stores and business houses in Hermiston will be closed Monday, Labor Day. Many citizens are expecting to take advantage of the two day holiday to either rest up from the fair activities or take an excursion trip.

School children will be enjoying their first holiday because ordinarily school commences on that date.

SCHOOL TO START TUESDAY, SEPT. 5

School bells will ring in Hermiston next Tuesday after a lull of three months. Registration is practically completed in the high school, according to W. G. Kersbergen, superintendent.

The teaching personnel has been completed and all plans are ready for another school term. Football activities will be launched immediately at the high school for the first game at Pasco, September 15.

OASIS THEATRE HAS NEW SEATS

Patrons of the local Oasis theatre will be pleased to learn that new seats have been installed this week. The backs are of heavily padded mohair with aluminum bands so that vacant seats can be easily spotted. The mohair is of beautiful wine color. The new seats are three inches lower than the original ones and have good springs for comfort. The backs are tilted so that a correct posture can be obtained in a comfortable manner.

New carpets will be installed this week end in the aisles, starway and lobby. With the new improvements the Oasis now ranks high among theatres in eastern Oregon.

HOP PICKING TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK

Hop picking will commence September 3 at the L. W. Dixon ranch east of Hermiston. Pickers are still in demand according to the owner. Wood and potatoes will be provided free to campers. The crop is excellent this year.

A prevailing price of 1 1/2c per lb. will be paid for picking.

HUNTER'S CAFE HAS NEW MANAGEMENT

Beginning September 1, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Laas will take over the management of Hunter's Cafe. They will call the concern Pete & Gladys, Eats. Mr. and Mrs. Laas have been connected the past few years with Jack's Cafe.

Mrs. B. I. Whitney, who has managed Hunter's Cafe for a number of years, has not announced her plans for the future but does not intend to enter into any business. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney will continue to live in Hermiston.

Hedwalls Return From Astoria

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Hedwall returned Monday from Astoria where Mr. Hedwall had been confined for two weeks in a hospital following an emergency operation for appendicitis. Mr. Hedwall is able to be about but is still rather weak from the operation. He is manager of the Umatilla Cooperative Creamery.

N. MORROW FAIR AT BOARDMAN ON SEPTEMBER 8 AND 9

EXHIBITS EXPECTED FROM TWO COUNTIES

The North Morrow County Fair will be held Friday and Saturday, September 8 and 9, at Boardman, with exhibits expected from many parts of Morrow and Umatilla county. Premium lists have been distributed among prospective entrants and more can be obtained from the secretary, R. K. Miller at Boardman.

Rules and regulations of the fair are similar to those used in the Umatilla County Fair. All exhibits must be entered and in place not later than 1:00 p. m. Friday, September 8. Anyone wishing to send exhibits should mail them to N. M. C. Fair, Boardman, and charges prepaid.

A 4-H club demonstration will be held at 2:00 p. m. on Friday. This portion of the program has always proven popular in previous years. A sports program has been arranged for 2:00 p. m. Saturday.

A fair dance will be held Saturday night in the Boardman high school gymnasium with good music guaranteed. The public is invited to participate.

Elmer Sullivan is president of the fair board, with Florence Root as treasurer and R. K. Miller, secretary. The board of directors is composed of Mrs. A. C. Houghton, Paul Smith and E. M. Souders.

STILLINGS SHIP CARLOAD OF HOGS

H. J. and W. T. Stillings, five miles northeast of Stanfield, shipped 98 head of hogs to San Francisco through the Portland office last week for use at the exposition. The combined weight was 18,360 pounds and brought a price 50c above the San Francisco market for a total of \$1174. The excellent price was due to the high quality of the hogs.

The sale was made by R. L. Clark of Portland, commission agent. An interesting feature of the sale was that it was made over the telephone. Mr. Clark described the shipment as the best looking carload of hogs in the last two years.

The Stillings still have a herd of 400 head which they are priming for future shipments. They won several ribbons at the fair this week.

BIDS OPENED FOR NEW WHEAT LINE

The board of directors of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative association opened five bids on the wheat line extension Thursday and found "Electric" Smith of Spokane the low bidder. The bids were referred to the engineers of the association, Barr & Cunningham, for further examination and a contract is expected to be awarded in a few days.

The total price for construction of 54 miles of line and some three phase work on the original system leading to the wheat line system was \$32,246.03. The next bidder was Newport Construction Co. which was \$700 over the successful bidder, and the third bidder was T. Y. McClellan, who is now constructing the 32 mile extension.

MARBLE BROTHERS SERVE AS CLOWNS

Harold and C. O. Marble, brothers, provided amusement for fair goers Tuesday and Wednesday with their specially built "bucking bronco" auto. At first appearance the machine looked like it had been struck in the rear by a run-away freight and had pushed the rear wheels almost halfway under the machine. At the slightest touch on the accelerator the auto would leap in the air.

Their antics during the races Wednesday were especially amusing and the crowd showed its appreciation by its applause. The motor bomb which was released caused considerable excitement for several moments.

Boardman Schools Open Labor Day Boardman schools will open the 1939 term Monday, Labor Day, according to Supt. George A. Corwin. Mr. Corwin was a business visitor in Hermiston Wednesday.

UMATILLA COUNTY FAIR ENDS WEDNESDAY WITH BIG CROWD

SONNY PANKOW WINS THIRD PLACE IN DERBY RACES

"Sonny" Pankow, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pankow, upheld home town honors Wednesday when he finished third in the main event of 35 laps of the Model T derby races. Lester Parsens, driving a car sponsored by the Farm Bureau Cooperative, topped first honors and \$125 by leading the field of nine starters. Gus Locati's entrant, driven by Jim Shoun, won second place and a purse of \$75.

The race was exciting from the starting flag given by Herb Martin, trackmaster. Only one spill marred an otherwise perfect afternoon when Don McCarty overturned on the northeast turn. He escaped with minor injuries and no further damage resulted when his machine was towed from the track by Pankow's wrecker.

In the special chicken race Kenny Fulmer placed first, with Jim Lyons, Loren Montgomery and Sheldon Bowers finishing in that order. The races proved popular with fair goers.

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE HAS BOOTH

Progressive farming methods being employed in this area was the theme of pictorial exhibits of the Soil Conservation Service at the county fair this week. Photographs showing the practical value of tree windbreaks on irrigated land farms, field shelter plantings, shrub plantings and other methods for better land use were on display. O. E. Dyer was on hand to answer questions by interested farmers.

One group of pictures showed a comparison of land in 1913 and 1939 and changes which had taken place. A majority of the pictures shown were of local fields. The general theme was, "Soil conservation doesn't cost, it pays." J. R. Chenault, camp superintendent at Stanfield, was in general charge of the display.

OREGON COACH PAYS HERMISTON VISIT

Tex Oliver, head football coach at the University of Oregon, and Line Coach Vaughn Corley were visitors at the Tom Stewart home Monday. Although the call was purely social it is thought that they were checking up to see if Jim, promising Oregon tackle, had lost any weight during the summer months.

Jim is expected to be a mainstay in the Oregon line this fall.

SKOVBO REPEATS IN HONEY CLASS

Running true to form, J. Skovbo of Hermiston again won most of the honors in honey competition at the county fair this week. He won first in the individual display and also in the extracted honey division. His display contained products of various classifications.

Burrell Wattenburger of Echo won second honors, also having a fine showing.

WEATHER REPORT

The following is the weather report for the week ending Wednesday, August 30, according to Chas. Taylor, local weather man

	Max.	Min.
August 24	98	70
August 25	89	63
August 26	87	49
August 27	91	50
August 28	84	59
August 29	81	41
August 30	90	45

Mrs. Gorham Recovering.

Mrs. Jack Gorham who has been in the Hermiston General hospital since the Fourth of July with heart trouble is greatly improved and relatives have announced that she is now able to have visitors. She may be able to return to her home in two weeks.

GRANGE EXHIBITS AND LIVESTOCK ENTRIES RANK HIGH

The Umatilla county fair closed its gates Wednesday night following three days of activities. The parade in the morning and the derby races in the afternoon were highlights of the closing day. Fair crowds were present Monday and Tuesday but Wednesday's attendance ranked high in comparison with other performances held in Hermiston.

Exhibits were well balanced although the livestock entries and Grange exhibits somewhat stole the show. The Grange booths in particular drew a lot of praise and were well deserved. An exceptionally large list of both beef and dairy cattle was entered for competition and some very fine livestock was entered.

The Model T derby races proved popular with fair goers and the final race Wednesday was a great climax to the first Umatilla county fair in a number of years.

The dance Wednesday night was attended by a large crowd and drew the final curtain on the 1939 Umatilla county fair.

The following is a list of premium winners. This is not a complete list as winners were taken from the score sheets as they were judged and some may have been omitted. An attempt will be made to publish these next week.

First, second and third prizes were awarded in the order named.

4-H Dairy Stock

Jersey cattle—Producing cow: Marie Hartley, Hermiston, first (also champion); Bill Eaton, Pendleton, second. Yearling heifer: Rodman Hartley, Hermiston; George Hartley, Hermiston. Senior heifer: Rodman Hartley; Marie Hartley, Junior heifer: Lois Wagner, (also grand champion junior heifer); Rodman Hartley.

Guernsey cattle—Producing cow: Lewis Wilson, Hermiston; Bob Records, Umatine. Yearling heifer: Bruce Lindsey, Lexington; Glen Wilcox, Hermiston. Senior heifer: Bruce Lindsey; Phillip Houn, Freewater. Junior heifer: Fred Record; Bruce Lindsey.

Holstein cattle—Producing cow: Donna Saylor, Echo. Year heifer: Kenneth Benschel, Hermiston; Junior heifer calf: James Barber, Stanfield.

4-H Fat Steers.

Grand champion: Junior Black Angus steer by Eldon Saylor, Echo; Reserve champion, junior Hereford by Eldon Saylor; champion Short-horn, senior steer by John McMullen, Hermiston.

Shorthorns—Yearling heifer: John McMullen, Hermiston; Senior steer: Eldon Saylor, Echo.

Angus—Senior fat steer: Eldon Saylor; Vern Hutchinson, Helix. Herefords—Yearling heifer: Harold Smith; Royal Folsom, Pilot Rock. Senior fat steer: Guy Muller, Helix; Junior fat steer: Eldon Saylor; John McMullen.

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Van Pattens Begin Construction Mr. and Mrs. Paul Van Patten began construction this week on their new home on Main street, between the properties of Virgil Smith and Al Quiring. Excavation was begun the latter part of the week on a full basement. It will be a five-room one-story structure.

Rev. Oscar Payne Delivers Sermon

Rev. Oscar Payne, former pastor of the local Methodist church, delivered a timely and inspiring sermon Sunday morning at the M. E. church. Rev. Payne is now a Sunday School Missionary for the Presbyterian church, making his home with his family at Salem. The Payne's were visiting his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Payne, over the week end.

Eastern Stars Attention.

Special meeting Wednesday evening, September 6th, at 8:00 p. m. Official visit and inspection by our Worthy Grand Matron, Dora E. Stipe.

By order of the Worthy Matron.

Doyles Return From Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Doyle returned Sunday from a six day trip to Seattle, Yakima, into the mountains and to Plymouth where they visited his brother, J. M. Doyle. Mr. Doyle was taking a short vacation from the Hermiston Hotel Co.