

## TOWNSEND CLUB TO SPONSOR 3-ACT PLAY 'RELIEF BE HANGED'

The Hermiston Townsend club is bringing to the high school auditorium on Wednesday evening, November 8, the Rose City Players of Portland with their stage production, "Relief Be Hanged," a 3-act modern melodrama.

The play was written by a young man who has made an extensive study of unemployment conditions throughout the nation, especially from the young peoples standpoint. This will be a full two-hour professional stage show and will include also five acts of vaudeville offering a wide variety of entertainment designed to please people of all ages, as there will be singing, dancing, popular and classical music, drama and hilarious comedy situations.

Immediately following the 2-hour stage show, there will be a public dance, free to all patrons buying show tickets, music being furnished by Taylor's Troubadors, members of the Rose City Co.

The Troubadors will play a musical prelude at 7:30. The curtain rises at 8:00 p. m.

## Epworth League Has Party

Members of the Methodist church Epworth League met Monday evening at the Edgar Shaw home for a Halloween party. Games and refreshments appropriate to the occasion were enjoyed.

## Hedwall To Attend Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Hedwall and Tommy and A. E. McFarland of Boardman left Thursday for Portland where the men will attend a meeting of the Interstate Associated Creameries. They are directors from this district. The meetings will convene Friday and Saturday.

## LITTLE THEATRE TO PRESENT FIRST PLAY FRIDAY, NOV. 24TH

The Little Theatre, recently organized by Miss Lavina May Lynch, will make its debut in the high school gym Friday, November 24. The group has chosen for its first production, "Everybody's Crazy," a farce in three acts by Jay Tobias.

The synopsis is as follows: Three nearly broke college fellows, thinking they can get rich in one summer off tourists and invalids, buy a hotel and advertise the curative values of the mineral waters found on the premises.

Business was bad, so very bad that it becomes necessary to give the inn a reputation as a haven for ghosts and the hiding place for an old miser's gold. The paying guests begin to arrive — a young girl and her old maid aunt who dabbles in spiritualism; a widow who is a bundle of nerves; a sleep-walking old Romeo, his domineering wife, and his gum-chewing daughter; and a former bachelor who is subject to nightmares.

One of the boys impersonates an actor and treats the guests for all sorts of fancied ailments. Another assumes a female character role and plays fast and loose with many a palpitating masculine heart. The Cockney cook, the colored maid and bell hop, all afraid of spooks, furnish plenty of comedy. The play is a riot from beginning to end and all ends well.

The cast follows: Herb Stanley—Ralph Marble. The joint-owner of the Treasure Trove Tavern.

Elmer Sneed—Jessie Moore. His pal who is interested in Psychiatry. Tommy Wilkins—Marvin Rankin. Another pal who hites to be a lady. William Bates — Bill Hamm. The landlord who wants his dough. Keturah Katt—Judie Colpitta. An old maid who dabbles in Spiritualism.

Julia Mather—Virginia Wells. Her niece who is in love with Herb. Mrs. Spooner—Jane Jackson. A widow with a bundle of nerves.

Godfrey Van Gordon—Bob Jackson. "A guest who walks in his sleep. Caroline — Mary Helene Piersol. His wife who enjoys poor health.

Celia — Maxine Blinston. The daughter who enjoys a good stick of gum.

Adam Pottle—Jim Jackson. An old bachelor who has nightmares. Libby Ann—Maxine Paul. Cockney cook who is afraid of spooks.

Gladiola — Frances Follett. The colored maid who doesn't blame her. Jasper—Jack Meyer. The bell hop who thinks everybody's crazy.

The Messenger Boy—Allan Clarke.

## ANOTHER PIONEER PASSES WEDNESDAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS

### HENRY HOOKER DIES; FUNERAL FRIDAY

Henry Hooker, aged 65 years, passed away Wednesday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lucille Montgomery. Mr. Hooker was another pioneer of the Stanfield project and had resided in this district since 1910. Mrs. Hooker passed away in 1919.

Mr. Hooker was engaged for many years in the farming industry, mostly in the Columbia district. He was well known in the community, having many friends among the older generation. For many years he was a familiar figure on the streets of Hermiston.

He is survived by his second wife, four boys and two girls: Alton Martin Hooker, Hermiston; Alvin Ira Hooker, Hermiston; Everett Llewellyn Hooker, Enterprise; Robert Carl Hooker, Boise, Idaho; Mrs. Lucille Montgomery and Mrs. Nellie Burchett, both of Hermiston. Twelve grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in the Prann Funeral Parlors. Burial will be in the local cemetery.

All members of the family came home Wednesday.

## STUART STARS WITH OREGON WEBFEET

Big Jim Stuart of Hermiston is continuing his early season showing with the University of Oregon football team and has been looking good on the front wall, according to Tex Oliver, coach. Big Jim has been outstanding in his position throughout the season.

Jim is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stuart of Route 2, Hermiston. Oregon plays UCLA at Los Angeles Saturday.

## FEW DUCKS KILLED BY LOCAL HUNTERS

The opening of duck season proved somewhat of a flop Sunday with hunters in many cases outnumbering the birds. Weather conditions have been unfavorable for good hunting. Some ducks have been reported in the Irrigation and Boardman areas but few have been killed near Hermiston.

It is expected that with the colder weather, conditions will improve.

### Examiner Coming Again.

The examiner of operators and chauffeurs will again be in Hermiston Thursday, November 9, at the city library between the hours of 10:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m., 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.

## DAIRY PRODUCTION TEAM RETURNS FROM SAN FRANCISCO; PLACE THIRD IN COMPETITION

The 4-H Dairy Production team, composed of Joe Cooney and Bob Jackson, returned from San Francisco Sunday night minus any slice of the pay dirt, but filled with enthusiasm over their trip and the many interesting things they had seen.

The boys missed getting a \$100 scholarship apiece by one-half point in total score, being crowded out of second place by that narrow margin. There were nine teams competing in the Western Division for \$700.00 in scholarships offered for the first and second place winners. Scholarships as well as all expenses of the 39 teams competing throughout the United States were the gift of J. L. Kraft, president of the Kraft-Phoenix Cheese corporation.

According to Assistant County Agent and Mrs. M. E. Knickerbocker, who accompanied them on their trip, the boys were all eyes from the time they saw their first palm trees growing and the rice fields and oil wells of the Sacramento valley until they returned home through the Redwoods and stopped at Crater Lake. Two days were spent on the

## BULLDOGS TO SEE WHITMAN - LINFIELD FOOTBALL GAME

Coach Ray Critchfield has received word from Walla Walla that he and his boys will be guests of the Walla Walla high school to the Linfield-Whitman football contest at that city Friday night. The Bulldogs engage the Walla Walla Bees in an afternoon game.

Although Critchfield's warriors lost a one-sided contest to the Bees on the local field October 13, they have improved considerably since that date and are expected to make a stronger showing Friday. The boys displayed a brand new fight spirit against Pendleton last Saturday and seem to have hit their stride.

## DEER SEASON ENDS WITH LARGE TOTAL

The 1939 deer season closed October 25 with a record kill listed by local hunters. According to Melvin Follett, local creamery butcher, 186 deer were turned in during the season. This almost triples the amount killed in 1938. The 1939 list is not contributed entirely to the fact that does were allowed this year but indicates that deer were plentiful in the mountains.

The record for weight goes to Bob Follett who turned in a buck weighing 241 pounds dressed. The "booby" prize goes to L. L. Louthan of Stanfield who brought in a whopper fawn, weighing 22 pounds.

All in all, the 1939 season was successful from the standpoint of local sportsmen.

## LOCKERS AVAILABLE AT LOCAL CREAMERY

According to Monte Hedwall, manager, 150 new lockers will be available at the Umatilla Cooperative Creamery Tuesday morning. The new addition has recently been completed, making a total of 553 lockers. The new lockers are of similar size as the older ones and will sell for \$5 to \$7.50 per year.

Those on the waiting list will be assigned lockers according to time requests were made, according to Mr. Hedwall. Approximately 100 of the new lockers have already been spoken for and indications are that the remainder will be filled immediately. L. E. Elwood and I. N. Hartsook have been in charge of construction.

## MRS. TOM FRASER RETURNS FROM TRIP

Mrs. Tom Fraser returned home Sunday from a five weeks trip to New York City where she visited with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fraser. The latter is an auditor with the Anaconda Copper Mining Co. This was the first trip to New York for Mrs. Fraser.

On the return trip she spent some time at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. G. Frazer, at Rock Island.

## CHARLES KIK WINS FIRST PLACE IN LIGHTING CONTEST

### TRIP TO CHICAGO LISTED AS PRIZE

Hard upon the heels of an announcement of the results of the competition and trip of the Hermiston Dairy club's 4-H demonstration team to San Francisco, comes word from Corvallis that Charles Kik, another Hermiston boy, has taken first honors in the state Rural Electrification contest and won an educational trip to the 18th National 4-H Club Congress and International Livestock Exposition to be held in Chicago December 1 to 9, 1939. Charles is a member of the Umatilla 4-H Rural Electrification club led by Emil Zivney.

Contestants, all county winners throughout the state, were scored on the basis of reports prepared by themselves dealing with their activities in Rural Electrification, and on a drawing of their farmstead which showed the location of the buildings and the distribution of light and convenience outlet facilities together with suggested improvements wherever necessary.

Besides the trip awarded, Charles will compete for one of five \$200.00 scholarships. Four are to be given to the winner in each of the four extension sections and one to be given at large, states M. E. Knickerbocker, assistant county agent, in announcing the result of the state contest. Expenses of the trip of the state winners as well as the money for the scholarships is donated by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co. he states.

Charles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kik of the North Hill district. He was graduated from Umatilla high school in 1939, and entered at Oregon State College this fall as a freshman in electrical engineering.

## FIVE ELK LISTED AT LOCAL LOCKERS

A total of five elk have been reported at the local creamery to date, according to Melvin Follett. Three were checked in the first of the week by a party composed of Dr. F. B. Belt, Frank Bilderback, Cecil Madden and Virgil Smith. The kill included one cow, a 2-point and a spike. The cow weighed in the neighborhood of 260 pounds.

J. Lamb and a partner are responsible for a cow and a bull killed on Sunday. The first party hunted in the French Corral district and report many hunters.

## HALLOWEEN DINNER ENJOYED TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Payne were joint hosts Tuesday night at a Halloween dinner at the Watson home. A turkey dinner was enjoyed, following which Chinese checkers were played. Halloween decorations were prominent.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Oron Felthouse, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Van Patten, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Burrell, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Marble, Mr. and Mrs. Al Quiring, Leander Quiring, Mr. and Mrs. Payne and Mr. and Mrs. Watson.

## BIRTHDAY SURPRISE FOR DICK HAMMER

An unusual surprise party was held for Dick Hammer, celebrating his ninth birthday Friday, October 27.

A Halloween party was held in the fourth grade of the Hermiston school, of which he is a member. The room was festive with the Halloween decorations and the youngsters played games and told ghost stories. Then, in honor of Dick's birthday, a big chocolate cake with nine orange candles burning brightly, was brought in and placed before the guest of honor, as the class sang "Happy Birthday."

### Auxiliary Members To Meet.

Members of the Umatilla Wool Growers Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. Marian George at her apartment in Echo on Tuesday, November 7, beginning at 1:30. Members are urged to attend.

## NEW DIAL PHONES TO BE CONNECTED SATURDAY NIGHT

### FIRST SHIPMENT TURKEYS LOADED FIRST OF WEEK

A total of 60 pickers began work in earnest Monday morning on 1500 birds with the result that the first carload of turkeys was ready for shipment Wednesday, according to Mrs. Roy Penney, secretary. The birds have been labeled for the eastern market.

President Roosevelt's decision to have Thanksgiving come a week early has raised some havoc among turkey raisers, although it is expected that most birds will be in prime condition for the Thanksgiving market. Operations at the local plant will go ahead at full steam for the remainder of the season.

The next pool has been announced for Wednesday, November 8.

## HALLOWEEN GOBLINS FROLIC ON STREETS

Hermiston businessmen were unanimous in the opinion Wednesday morning that window washing was necessary before much business could be accomplished. Although some proprietors stole the jump on the pranksters by rubbing the windows with kerosene, they had considerable trouble removing the kerosene. So all in all it was generally expressed that one Halloween per year was sufficient.

Aside from the usual trick or treat groups, minor pranks, little serious damage was reported. However, in a few cases the youngsters overstepped the bounds of "clean fun" and irate property owners freely expressed their opinions.

## PARENTS URGED TO INSTRUCT CHILDREN

Parents are requested to keep children away from the grade school grounds on Saturdays and Sundays, according to Superintendent W. G. Kersbergen. Children may be injured using school ground equipment without supervision or may destroy school property.

A reported injury has necessitated such a step, according to Mr. Kersbergen.

## GRADE ORCHESTRA PLAYS AT POMONA

The Hermiston grade school orchestra made a creditable showing at the Pomona Grange gathering in the community park this afternoon (Thursday). This was the first public appearance for the youngsters and their performance was greatly enjoyed.

G. C. Humphries, director of the high school band, is also in charge of the younger group.

## "NO FISHING" ON TWO RESERVOIRS

Information has been received by D. M. Weston, patrolman with the biological survey stationed at Stanfield, that the McKay and Cold Springs reservoirs have been closed to fishing during the duck hunting season.

It has been a custom of recent years for fishermen to scare up ducks for the convenience of hunters stationed on the outskirts of the reservoirs. Lawbreakers will be prosecuted.

### Radio Broadcast Planned

Assistant County Agent M. E. Knickerbocker and his two proteges, Joe Cooney and Bob Jackson, will team up for a 15-minute radio broadcast over KJL, Walla Walla, Saturday noon at 1:00 o'clock. They will probably discuss their recent trip to San Francisco.

### Westland Grange To Meet.

Westland Grange Home Economics club will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 8, at the home of Mrs. A. E. McCulley on the Butter Creek highway. Mrs. A. E. Rugg will be the hostess.

## NEW DIRECTORIES MAILED THIS WEEK TO SUBSCRIBERS

Change-over to dial service of the Hermiston, Echo and Stanfield telephone exchanges will be made on Saturday, November 4, during the evening hours, according to J. A. Murray, district manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company. The change-over marks the culmination of a \$36,000 project started last summer to replace the old magneto switchboards in these exchanges with modern, up-to-date dial telephone equipment.

The change-over will be made, according to Mr. Murray, without any interruption in service.

Supplemental telephone directories containing the new telephone numbers, together with complete instruction on how to use the new dial service, were mailed to all customers in the three exchanges Wednesday. In order that calls may be completed promptly, the new numbers should be used beginning the evening of November 4. General information will be found in the supplement directories.

Telephone bills may be paid hereafter at the Hermiston Herald office. Residents in the vicinity of Echo will pay their bills at the Echo Cash Exchange, Echo. Further information will follow at intervals during the next few months.

## COLDER WEATHER IN PROSPECT HERE

The temperature hit 23 Wednesday night with indications that an even lower mark will be recorded this week end. The thermometer has been slowly dropping during the past week and local residents are preparing for winter in earnest. The frosts have killed much garden produce and many flowers. A total of .17 in. rainfall was recorded over the week end.

The following is the weather report for the week according Charles Taylor, local weather observer.

October 25	55	33
October 26	62	40
October 27	59	32
October 28	75	50
October 29	64	30
October 30	60	27
October 31	60	25
November 1	60	23

## MISS McCULLEY WINS TROPHY AWARD

Nina Rae McCulley, sophomore in lower division at Oregon State college, was awarded the Mu Beta Beta scholarship this week at a campus 4-H club meeting in the women's building. James Allison, president of the society, presented the award, which consists of a silver trophy and five dollars in cash.

Miss McCulley is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McCulley of the Columbia district.

### STONE-PACE

Of interest to local friends is the marriage of Miss Hattie Stone of Lewiston, Idaho, to Harold Pace, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pace of North Hill. The wedding took place Saturday, October 21, at the Methodist parsonage at Lewiston.

The couple spent a short honeymoon in Portland and the Oregon beaches, also visiting his brother and two sisters. They spent the week end in Hermiston with his parents. The couple will reside at Lewiston.

Harold was graduated from Hermiston Union high school with the class of '28. He left Hermiston about four years ago.

### DeMoss's Return From Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey DeMoss came from Phillipsburg, Mont., this week to make an extended stay. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. DeMoss of the Columbia district. Harvey has been working in the granite mines at Phillipsburg but labor conditions have been unfavorable in recent months. He is undecided as to what he will do at the present time but may look for a farm location.